

February 1 - Tuesday

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There are about 60 trillion synapses in the cerebral cortex.

February 4 - Friday

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Sounds as loud as 130 dB can cause pain.

February 2 - Wednesday

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Each eye of a dragonfly has about 30,000 lenses.

February 5 - Saturday

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The brain of an elephant weighs about 6 kg (13 lb).

February 3 - Thursday

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The channel catfish has 100,000 taste buds on the outside of its body.

February 6 - Sunday

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The X-ray was invented by Wilhelm Konrad Roentgen in 1895.

February 7 - Monday

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The "four-eyed" fish ("Anableps") has two pupils in each of its eyes.

February 10 - Thursday

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The eardrum is only 0.1 millimeter thick and weighs only 14 milligrams.

February 8 - Tuesday

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About 4 million people in the US have Alzheimer's disease.

February 11 - Friday

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The pufferfish contains a neurotoxin called "tetrodotoxin."

February 9 - Wednesday

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The human cerebral cortex has an area of about 2.5 square feet.

February 12 - Saturday

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Approximately 50% of the people in the United States is nearsighted.

February 13 - Sunday

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The human hypothalamus weighs about 4 grams.

February 16 - Wednesday

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A giraffe sleeps only two hours each day.

February 14 - Monday

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The adult human spinal cord weighs about 35 grams (0.1 lb).

February 17 - Thursday

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There are about 1,200,000 nerve fibers in each human optic nerve.

February 15 - Tuesday

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The human eyeball is 24.5 mm (~ 1 in) long.

February 18 - Friday

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The brain of a cat weighs about 30 grams.

February 19 - Saturday

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There are about 3 million miles of axons in the human brain.

February 22 - Tuesday

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The aplysia ("sea hare") nervous system has only 20,000 neurons.

February 20 - Sunday

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Head injuries account for 62% of bicycle-related deaths.

February 23 - Wednesday

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About 8% of all males and about 0.5% of all females are colorblind.

February 21 - Monday

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The Huntington's disease gene was discovered in 1993.

February 24 - Thursday

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The cerebral cortex is about 77% of the total volume of the human brain.

February 25 - Friday

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Humans can hear sounds with frequencies between 20-20,000 Hz

February 28 - Monday

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The National Institutes of Health was established in 1887.

February 26 - Saturday

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"Homo sapiens" comes from the Latin words meaning "wise man."

February 29 - Tuesday

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In 1891, Wilhelm von Waldeyer coined the term "neuron."

February 27 - Sunday

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The opossum does not have a corpus callosum