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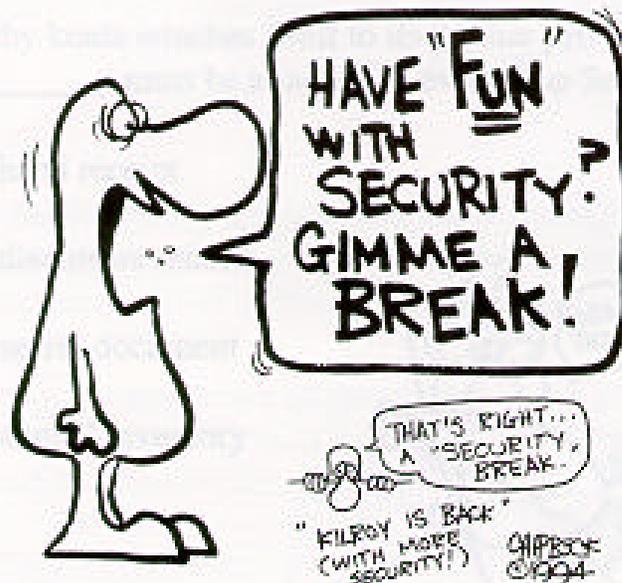
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Fun facts and details from  
the world of Information Security!

"Take a SECURITY BREAK" when you are on your next coffee break. Test your security knowledge or challenge your friends on theirs. If you're a security manager (or even if you're not), use parts of this book as fillers in your local bulletins or as quizzes in your next training class. But most importantly, HAVE FUN with this book.



Did you know:

1. The minimum weight for a dozen "large" eggs is 24 OZ.<sup>2</sup>; while the minimum weight for a classified package that is permitted to be shipped on an open vehicle is

- a. 24 oz.
- b. 50 lbs.
- c. 100 lbs.
- d. 200 lbs.



2. The earlobes of a hen that lays white eggs will be white and the earlobes of a hen that lays brown eggs will be red<sup>2</sup>; while a "Secret" cover sheet (SF 704) will be

- a. red.
- b. white.
- c. brown.
- d. henna.



Did you know:

3. Alexander Kira, in his book The Bathroom, noted that in the "Cornell Survey of Personal Hygiene Attitudes and Practices in 1000 Middle-class Households" 34 percent of respondents flushed the toilet while still seated and 66 percent flushed while standing UP<sup>2</sup>; while flushing a classified document down a toilet

- a. is authorized if the head of the activity says it is.
- b. is the only DoD authorized method of destruction.
- c. is not encouraged but would not be harmful to the national security if the document was shredded to the component's size specification prior to the flushing.
- d. was the most popular response for the survey.

Did you know:

4. Agreeing to pay for something later is called "buying on the cuff" because in the past it was customary for a tavern bartender to write his customer's bar tab on the large white cuffs of his shirt<sup>3</sup>; while DoD 5200.1-R requires that we write (or place) a classified document's overall classification level on

- a. the subject line of the document.
- b. the first page of the document.
- c. the first paragraph of the document.
- d. the last paragraph of the document.

5. The cotton in a new bottle of pills is there to keep the pills from bouncing around and getting chipped during shipment<sup>3</sup>; while the outer wrapper of a double-wrapped classified package is there to provide protection for the package during routine handling and

- a. should have the classification level of the package stamped on it.
- b. should not have any indication that the package contains classified materials.
- c. should have a cotton layer behind it to protect the classified materials.
- d. should have the recipient's name on the address line.



Did you know:

6. The Dead Sea is shrinking in size<sup>3</sup>; while DoD activities must review their classified holdings \_\_\_\_\_ to see if they can reduce them.

- a. once a year
- b. twice a year
- c. three times a year
- d. four times a year

7. Coca Cola gets its name from two of its principal ingredients, extract of coca leaves and extract of cola nuts<sup>3</sup>; but extracting classified information from a source document, repeating or paraphrasing it in another document, and carrying forward its classification level and duration is part of the process of

- a. original classification.
- b. derivative classification.
- c. initial classification.
- d. stratification classification.

Did you know:

8. Pigs wallow in mud to keep cool since they have no functional sweat glands<sup>3</sup>; while wallowing in the agony of a security violation brought about because the custodian of a classified document did not remember/notice that they were working with the document and left it unsecured and uncontrolled in their work area can be impeded through the use of

- a. SF 700 (Security Container Information).
- b. Top Secret disclosure record.
- c. Top Secret register.
- d. cover sheets (SF 703, 704, and 705).

9. Although the top of the black and white board, called a clapperboard, is snapped when a film scene begins in order to give the filmmaker a frame at the beginning to synchronize the sound with the film<sup>3</sup>; the classification level of a classified film still must be imprinted at

- a. the beginning and end of the film.
- b. in the middle of the film.
- c. when the first speaking role in the film begins.
- d. when the first person in the film appears.



Did you know:

10. James Dewar, who invented "Twinkies" in 1930, named them after a shoe<sup>3</sup>; while the name of the SF 702 which we fill out each time we open and close a security container is the

- a. End of the Day Check List.
- b. Security Check List.
- c. Security Container Check Sheet.
- d. Ho-Hos.



11. Conestoga wagons are called that because they were first built for use on farms in the Conestoga Valley of Pennsylvania<sup>3</sup>; while one of the requirements for handcarrying classified materials on a wagon train (or any other transportation means) is that the traveler must

- a. have a license for driving the vehicle.
- b. ensure the materials are double-wrapped.
- c. be trained in the derivative classification process.
- d. be NATO certified.

Did you know:

12. The M and M on M&M candies stand for Mars and Murrie who were the heads at M&M Candies in the 1940S<sup>2</sup>; while SCI stands for

- a. Special COMSEC Information.
- b. Sweet Candy Indicator.
- c. Special Compartmented Information.
- d. Sensitive Compartmented Information.

13. In 1902 Congress authorized the Postmaster General to adopt a standard mailbox and in 1915 a post office employee named Roy J. Joroleman designed the currently used tunnel-shaped metal box with the pull-down door and metal flag<sup>3</sup>; however, under no circumstances are DoD employees authorized to send through the postal system.

- a. Top Secret materials
- b. Secret materials
- c. Confidential materials
- d. unclassified materials

Did you know:

14. The words "objects in the mirror are closer than they appear" is required by Congress to be on all convex side-view mirrors on American cars<sup>2</sup>; but the use of SF 702 (Security Container Check Sheet) to record the opening and closing actions on a security container is required by

- a. Congress
- b. Department of Commerce
- c. Department of State
- d. Department of Defense

15. Speed limit signs are posted precisely where the new speed limit takes effect<sup>2</sup>; while security classification designations are limited to

- a. Confidential, Secret, Secret NOFORN, and TopSecret.
- b. WNINTEL, NOFORN, Restricted, and Top Secret.
- c. Confidential, Secret, and Top Secret.
- d. FOUO, Confidential, Secret, and Top Secret.



Did you know:

16. The world's heaviest man weighed 1387 lbs<sup>1</sup>; while a GSA approved, 5 drawer, Class VI security container weighs only

- a. 136 lbs
- b. 248 lbs
- c. 369 lbs
- d. 535 lbs

17. The Department of Transportation sets the maximum speed value on speedometers (140 km/h or 85 mph)<sup>2</sup>; while the \_\_\_\_\_ sets the standards for security containers used to store classified materials.

- a. Department of Interior
- b. Department of Defense
- c. President's Economic Council
- d. General Services Administration

Did you know:

18. The term "fore" in golf comes from the English military term "ware before" which told the front line to kneel so the second line would not blow their heads off<sup>2</sup>; while "four" is

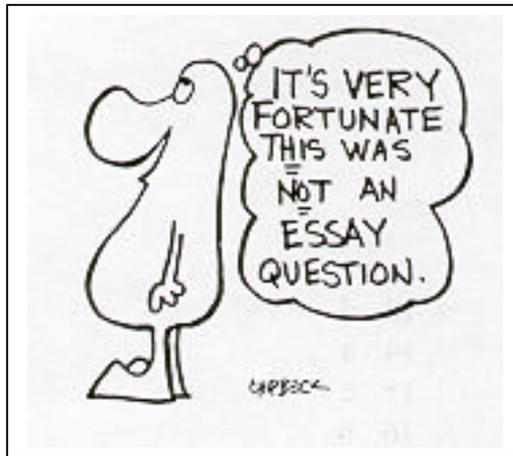
- a. the number of times you should rotate the dial of a mechanical combination lock after you have locked the security container.
- b. the number of axles that a semi-trailer has.
- c. the sum of the number of eggs in a baker's dozen multiplied by the number of months in a year divided by three, then multiplied by three-fourths.
- d. the number of markings that must be placed on an interior page of a classified document.



19. Ants release pheromones, a perfume trail that leads them from their nest to a food source<sup>2</sup>; DoD employees, on the other hand, must not release without prior authorization.

- a. balloons
- b. DoD information
- c. personal hygiene information
- d. odors

1. *The Guinness Book of Records*, Bantam Books
2. *Why Do Clocks Run Clockwise and other Imponderables* by David Feldman, Harper & Row
3. *More Ever Wonder Why* by Douglas B. Smith, Ballentine Books



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Solutions:

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| 8.  | d | 18. | a |
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| 10. | c |     |   |

Do. you know:

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- .... who designed the tunnel-shaped metal mailbox?
  - .... what SCI stands for?
  - .... where Coca Cola gets its name from?
  - .... when DoD instituted entrance/exit inspections?
  - .... how often Top Secret documents must be inventoried?
  - .... why "Twinkies" are so named? -
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Take a Security Break and find out about these and other tidbits of information in this collection of questions on security.

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