



Knowledge daily

"Love and peace of mind do protect us. They allow us to overcome the problems that life hands us. They teach us to survive... to live now... to have the courage to confront each day."

—Bernie Siegel

21-09-21

Today, we celebrate the International Day of Peace. It is also known as World Peace Day. International Day of Peace is a day observed by the United Nations (UN). It was first celebrated in 1981.

This day is dedicated to world peace. On this day, many countries, people and military groups observe 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire (temporarily stopping fights).

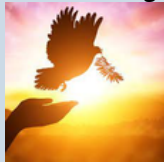
This year, the theme for the day is “Recovering better for an equitable and sustainable world”.

International Day of Peace, 21 September.

COVID-19 has reminded us all that our enemy is not each other. The world needs to unite and share thoughts on how to get through this crisis, heal our planet and change it for the better.

On this day, the UN also encourages everyone to always stand together and fight against discrimination or hatred.

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DID YOU KNOW ?

- A group of penguins in the water is called a raft but on land they're called a waddle.
- Completed on 31 March 1889, the Eiffel Tower was the world's tallest man-made structure for 41 years until the completion of the Chrysler Building in New York in 1930.et.
- The Primetime Emmy Awards generally air every September, on the Sunday before the official start of the fall television season.

In 2006, a group of school kids in New Zealand discovered fossils of ancient giant penguins. They found the fossils in rock which are about 30 million years old.

Now, palaeontologists have examined and formally confirmed the find. They said that the penguin is similar to the Kairuku giant penguins found earlier. But these ancient giant penguins had much longer legs. So they have named it *Kairuku waewaeroa* which means “long legs” in the Te reo Māori language.

New Zealand school kids discover fossils of ancient giant penguins

These ancient giant penguins were about 1.4 metres tall. Their long legs would have affected how fast they could swim or how deep they could dive.

Moreover, scientists have found the fossils of at least 10 known ancient giant penguins in Zealandia.

What is Zealandia?



Zealandia is a huge continent located at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean, under New Zealand. It used to be part of Gondwana, an ancient supercontinent. But it broke off 85 million years ago and eventually sank below the ocean. Now, the only visible parts of it are New Zealand and other small islands.

Large sizes of animals and birds

A lot of times, scientists have found animals and birds that are larger than others of their family in isolated places (like islands). So, it seems, natural selection tends to shape birds into giants when they're isolated in a habitat free of predators.

WORD OF THE DAY

Today's Word of the Day is "futility" and its Noun meaning pointlessness or uselessness..

Pronunciation : fu·til·i·ty | \ fyü-'ti-lə-tē

Usage: "the horror and futility of war"

Antonyms
usefulness, fruitfulness

Origin

1620s, from French futilité or directly from Latin futilitatem (nominative futilitas) "worthlessness, emptiness, vanity," from futilis "vain, worthless" (see futile). Hence, jocular futilitarian (1827, n. and adj.); futilitarianism.

Synonyms :

fruitlessness, vanity, pointlessness, uselessness, worthlessness, ineffectuality, ineffectiveness, inefficacy, failure, unproductiveness, barrenness, unprofitability, abortiveness, impotence, hollowness, emptiness, meaningless, forlornness, hopelessness, sterility, valuelessness, arcaico, bootlessness

Hindi Meaning

FUTILITY= निरर्थकता [pr. {nirarthakata}](Noun)

Usage : Why dont we accept the futility of war.

उदाहरण : चाँद में घर बनाकर रहने की आशा बिना पानी के अभी एक निरर्थकता है.

ENGLISH CLUB

Phrasal Verb-egg on

Meaning: If you egg someone on, you encourage them to do something foolish or risky.

Usage: Janice had already had too much to drink, but her friends egged her on, trying to make her drink even more.

Today's Idiom

the last straw

Meaning: Something is the last straw if it's the latest in a series of annoying or upsetting events, and it's the one that finally makes you do something about the situation.

Usage: I was already close to resigning, but the last straw was being bossed around by some kid twenty years younger than me. After that, I quit the job.

Saying of the Day

A good name is better than riches

Possible interpretation:

Your good reputation is worth more than money.

Note: a good name = a good reputation | riches (noun) = wealth; a lot of money