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Nowruz marks the first day of spring and the beginning of the year in the Iranian calendar. Nowruz is celebrated and observed principally in Iran, and has spread in many other parts of the world. We are so pleased to wish you and your family happy Nowruz Holiday season and prosperous New Iranian Year. May this New Year bring many opportunities your way to explore every joy of life with perfect health always, much more success and happiness.

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Dear God, please give me...
A few friends who understand me and remain my friends;
A work to do which has real value,
without which the world would be the poorer;
A mind unafraid to travel, even though the trail be not blazed;
An understanding heart;
A sense of humor;
Time for quiet, silent meditation;
A feeling of the presence of God;
The patience to wait for the coming of these things,
With the wisdom to recognize them when they come.

Amen
No-rooz, New Year

As all we know the year is approximately 365.25 days long. Seasons are regular and March means the coming of spring, June the beginning of summer, September the beginning of fall, and December means the coming of winter.

Many know that spring begins with the vernal equinox on about 21 March, summer with the summer solstice or about 22 June, fall with the autumnal equinox on about 23 September, and winter with the winter solstice on about 23 December.
No-Rooz in Persian means "New-Year-Day". It is the beginning of the year for the people of Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran, and Tajikistan. Other Asian republics of the former Soviet Union are joining the group. It is also celebrated as the New Year by the people of the Iranian stock, particularly the Kurds, in the neighboring countries of Georgia, Iraq, Syria, and Turkey. It begins precisely with the beginning of spring on vernal equinox, on about March 21.

Tradition takes No-Rooz as far back as 15,000 years—before the last ice age. King Jamshid symbolizes the transition of the Indo-Iranians from animal hunting to animal husbandry and a more settled life in human history. Seasons played a vital part then. Everything depended on the four seasons. After a severe winter, the beginning of spring was a great occasion with mother nature rising up in a green robe of colorful flowers and the cattle delivering their young. It was the dawn of abundance. Jamshid symbolizes the person/people who introduced No-Rooz celebrations.

Some 12 centuries later, in 487 BC, Darius the Great of the Achaemenid dynasty (700 to 330 BC) celebrated the No-Rooz at his newly built Persepolis in Iran. A recent research shows that it was a very special occasion. On that day, the first rays of the rising sun fell on the observatory in the great hall of audience at 06-30 a.m., an event that repeats once every 1400 years. It was a highly auspicious occasion for the ancient people. The walls of the great royal palace depict the scenes of the celebrations.

During the Sassanid time (224 to 652 AD), preparations began at least 25 days before No-Rooz. Twelve pillars of mud bricks, each dedicated to one month of the year, were
erected in the royal court. Various vegetable seeds—wheat, barley, lentils, beans, and others—were sown on top of the pillars. They grew into luxurious greens by the New Year Day.

The great king held his public audience and the High Mobad of the empire was the first to greet him. Government officials followed next. Each person offered a gift and received a present. The audience lasted for five days, each day for the people of a certain profession. Then on the sixth day, called the Greater No-Rooz, the king held his special audience. He received members of the Royal family and courtiers. Also a general amnesty was declared for convicts of minor crimes. On the 16th day the festival came to close. The occasion was celebrated, on a lower level, by all people throughout the empire.

Since then, the people of the Iranian culture have celebrated No-Rooz precisely at the time of vernal equinox, the first day of the first month, on about March 21.

Family members all dressed in their best, sit around the Haft-seen table and eagerly await the announcement of the exact time of vernal equinox over radio or television. The head of the family recites the No-Rooz prayers, and after the time is announced, each member kisses the other and wishes a Happy No-Rooz. Elders give gifts to younger members. Next the rounds of visits to neighbors, relatives, and friends begin.

The festivity continues for 12 days, and on the 13th morning, the mass picnic to countryside begins. It is called "Sizdeh-Bedar," meaning "thirteen-in-the-outdoors." Almost all the inhabitants go to enjoy the day in woods and mountains along stream and riversides. Girls of marriageable age tie wild grass tops into knots and make a wish that the following No-Rooz may find them married.
KUHRANG COUNTY

Kuhrang County is located in the northwest of Chaharmahal-o-Bakhtiari Province in central Iran. The capital and the only city of the county is Chelgard.
Dasht-e- Laleh Vajgoon (Upside down Tulip) Field
Dasht-e- Laleh Vajgoon is 12km away from Chelgerd, near the village of Bano Esteki in the suburbs of Kuhrang city. This vast area (3,400 hectares) has a very amazing and wonderful covering of tulips (the tears of Mary). The tulips are in red and yellow colors.
Kuhrang Mineral Waterfall
The famous mineral spring of Kuhrang is called Dimeh, the main spring source of Zayandeh Rood River and is in Dimeh Village, 10 km away from Chelgard. The water of this spring is among the best and purest mineral waters and has medical remedies (prevents the decay of the teeth and remedies the kidney stone). Beautiful landscapes and attractions of natural sights around this spring make it one of the best places for tourism in the city of Kuhrang. The best seasons to visit these natural attractions are spring and summer.

Atashgah Waterfall
This waterfall is located in the southern part of Chahar Mahal Bakhtiyari Province, 40 km southeast of Lordgan, in a village called Atashgah. This village is in fact a narrow valley brimming with natural and fresh beauty. The valley besides its picturesque beauty has a turbulent stream running through it, over the gypsum and limestone as well as being sheltered with archaic trees such as walnut and chestnuts. Due to the inclination of the terrain various other smaller waterfalls are also present. In spite of its moderately warm climate, the valley itself experiences cool weather. About 200 m far from this valley, two other large waterfalls add to the scenic beauty of the environment thus providing a recreational spot.

Kuhrang Tunnel
Kuhrang River originating in the Zagros Mountains of western Iran, joins Dez River to form Karun, Iran's largest (by volume) river. A series of tunnels (Kuhrang Tunnels) have been built since 1950s to redirect some of the Kuhrang's water toward the Zayandeh Rood River to meet the demands of increased population in Esfahan and Yazd provinces. This tunnel was built in 1953 to transfer the water of Kuhrang and other springs to Zayandeh Rood. The nearest tourist city is Chelgard, the central city of Kuhrang. The water from the tunnel creates beautiful landscapes all over the year. Despite its name, for the most part it is not really a tunnel in the sense that it has no roof, but rather is an open waterway or water channel. The construction of the tunnel began during the Sassanid era, approximately from the time of Shah Abbas I. Although first proposed in the early sixteenth century, the tunnel project was forgotten after the attack of the Ottomans and Shah Abbas's passing away. Kuhrang Tunnel 1 was finally completed in 1953.

Kuhrang Waterfall
Kuhrang Waterfall with its heavy water starts from the slopes of Zardkooh Mountain and after passing many curved passages; it ends in the lake of the Kuhrang Dam and flows into Zayandeh Rood. Many beautiful and attractive landscapes around this spring and the presence of the Bakhtiyari tribes living in that area make it even more beautiful. Visiting these spots in spring and summer are recommended to the tourists.
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Culture - Iran and the United Kingdom are planning to weigh up the installation of a replica of ancient Persian relic Cyrus Cylinder in The Hague, the Netherlands. Iran’s Museums and Historical Properties Office in collaboration with the British Museum in London will make new decision on the replica’s installation. “The Cyrus Cylinder’s replica will be delivered to Iran’s officials by the representatives of the British Museum at an exhibition in India to be brought to Iran. The replica would be kept in Iran until the Iranian experts mull over the installation plan in The Hague.

The Cyrus Cylinder is an iconic ancient Persian object which is housed in the British Museum. The 2,500-year-old inscribed cylinder is known as the world’s first human rights charter. The inscription on the cylinder, which is in the earliest form of writing-Babylonian cuneiform, was made on the clay artifact with an account by Cyrus the Great, the King of Persia. The Achaemenid artifact was found in Babylon, today’s Iraq during excavations in 1879, and has been housed in the British Museum ever since. The relic was temporarily given to Iran’s National Museum on loan in 2010-2011 and was seen by more than one million Iranians.
A statute of the Iranian great poet Nizami Ganjavi has been seen in a park in Rome, Italian Capital City, under the title of 'A Poet from the Republic of Azerbaijan' while historical documents confirm that he has been an Iranian poet, not an Azerbaijani one, given the fact that his masterworks have been written in Persian.

The statute has been donated to Italy by Azerbaijan and has been erected in Villa Borghese Park, in Rome by Rome Mayor. Under the statute base it is written 'Azerbaijani poet, Nizami Ganjavi, (1141 to 1209).'

Nizami Ganjavi (1141 to 1209) whose formal name was Jamal ad-Dīn Abū Muhammad Ilyās ibn-Yūsuf ibn-Zakkī, was a 12th-century Persian poet. He was born in Ganja, northwestern Azerbaijan, and is considered the greatest romantic epic poet in Persian literature, who brought a colloquial and realistic style to the Persian epic. His heritage is widely appreciated and shared by Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran, Kurdistan region and Tajikistan.

Nizami lived in an age of both political instability and intense intellectual activity, which his poems reflect; but little is known about his life or the precise dates of his works, as the many legends built up around the poet color the accounts of his later biographers.

His Quinary ("Panj Ganj" or "Khamsa") includes Makhzan al-Asrar, Khosrow o Shirin, Layl o Majnun, Eskandar Nameh and Haft Paykar which are all Persian lyrics.

"Painting Pool" producer Manucher Mohammadi received the UNESCO Award, which his film won at the 7th Annual Asia Pacific Screen Awards (APSA) in Australia in December 2013, during a ceremony in Tehran at the Australian ambassador’s official residence in Tehran on February 17, 2014. A representative from the UNESCO Tehran Cluster Office, members of the Iranian House of Cinema and Iran’s Sureh Cinema Organization also attended the ceremony.

Mohammadi dedicated the award to Miri, who also presented it to scriptwriter Hamed Mohammadi.

The film won the UNESCO Award for "outstanding contribution to the promotion and preservation of cultural diversity through film."
When traveling by air, you’re sometimes forced to rub elbows (literally) with people you don’t know. In close quarters and for extended periods of time, a little consideration can go a long way. To make a flight as smooth as possible for both you and others practice airplane etiquette as follows.

1. Carry your bag in front of you and low to the ground as you walk down the aisle in search of your seat. Holding it up and at your sides will inevitably knock seated passengers on their arms, shoulders, and heads.

2. Utilize the overhead space above your own seat row. Do not place your bags in the overhead at the front of the plane unless you are sitting in that row. Taking the storage space of other passengers is rude and can potentially delay departure as they search for storage.

3. Keep your chair upright at least until you’re told it can be reclined. Don’t lean your chair back as soon as you get on. When you do recline your chair, do it slowly. Otherwise, you risk bumping the head of the unsuspecting passenger behind you who’s getting something from the bag at her feet, or you could knock over the drink on his or her tray.

4. Avoid grabbing the back of the seat in front of you. Grabbing the seat back as you walk in the aisle or in your row, can be unpleasantly jarring to the person sitting in it. Copy the flight attendants who balance themselves in the aisle by grabbing the luggage compartments above their heads, rather than the seat backs.

5. Respect personal space.
   • No matter how much you love to make new friends on the plane, the person next to you might rather get some work done, or simply may not feel...
like being chatty. If a friendly comment gets a minimal answer, take the hint and leave them be. If you're traveling with children, try to avoid letting them think of passengers as playmates.

- Watch your elbows. If you're reading a newspaper or using a laptop, try not to let your elbows "spill over" onto someone else's personal space. Do your best not to hog the arm rests, especially if the person next to you is in the middle and has limited space to begin with.
- Make use of your own arm rest and headphone plug outlet. Don't use someone else's because it's more convenient for you.
- Keep your stuff close. If you put a bag or a jacket at your feet, don't let it spill over onto the legs or feet of the person sitting next to you.
- If you're stuck in an aisle seat but still want to enjoy the view, don't lean over the person next to you to look out the window.
- Get your own reading material - don't read theirs. They'll notice, and it's nosy and rude.
- Pack headphones for any portable electronics, especially games and DVD players. Hearing someone else's music and sounds can be very irritating.

6. Avoid hogging the aisle. Remember that space is limited on board. Always be swift and alert while putting things in the overhead lockers, as other people need the aisle space to get around you and to their seat. Place the items that you will frequently use in your seat back pocket or under the seat in front of you. Get up to use the lavatory or to walk around only when necessary. If you need something from your carry-on luggage, think ahead and retrieve items you might need later on during the flight.

7. Be considerate of other passengers when you exit the plane. Resist the urge to push your way out first; let those nearest the exit disembark the plane first. When your turn comes, move quickly so people with connecting flights can make it in time.

Tips

- Make sure that you don't smell overpowering. Wear deodorant, but do not wear a strong perfume or cologne. If you're a smoker, try not to smoke too much the day of the flight. The smell of cigarette smoke can be unpleasant for some people.
- Always bring a tissue or handkerchief with you in case you sneeze or cough. In close quarters, it's especially important that you don't spread germs.
- Keep your conversations to a low whisper if you're traveling with someone. If you speak too loudly, you'll interrupt someone's sleep or annoy your fellow passengers.
- Do not put your feet up on the bulkhead if you are sitting by it. It's ill-mannered. If you must raise your feet, put your bag on the floor and put your feet on that.
- Listen to the instructions of the flight attendants. The rules regarding no head phones during take off and landing, no cell phones, luggage stored in bins or under the seats, tables stored seat upright are not only for the other passengers, they are for you as well.
- If you snore, don't fall asleep on the plane, or at least try not to. No one wants to hear snoring during the flight. This is especially important if you are an extremely loud snorer.
- Remember that even if you wear headphones while you listen to loud music, your direct neighbor can hear it, and will likely be less than pleased about it. Turn your music player to a more moderate level for the flight.
- Clean up after yourself. Don't leave your trash stuffed in the seat pocket, blankets and pillows thrown about, crackers littered all over the seat and floor, etc. An airplane seat should be left as close as possible to how it was found. This will make "flipping the airplane" much faster for the maintenance crew and keep flights on time.
Panorama House, South Korea
Architect Moon Hoon designed the Panorama House in South Korea, which features a multi-functional library. A wooden slide is flanked by stair step bookcases. Every part of the built-in library performs double duty, making it the heart of the home. The family also uses it as a seating area for their home theater, a work desk (underneath), and a casual reading hangout.

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Hjørring Library, Denmark

This Denmark library is tucked inside the Metropol shopping mall, but the free-spirited interior design by Bosch and Fjord makes it a playful oasis away from consumer drones. The red “tape” that runs throughout the library acts as a fun decoration and occasional bookshelf. Bold colors and organic shapes (especially the furniture) “encourage playfulness, surprises, and most of all a place to be.” An electric green “reading tree,” a book-filled “fish pond,” a bean bag reading area, a “poet staircase” (a giant mouth that recites poetry aloud), inviting “study cells,” and a shelving system that bucks tradition makes the Hjørring Library a cheerful reader’s paradise. ▼
Soneva Kairi resort on Koh Kood Island, Thailand

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London’s Regent’s Park
Is there a better pairing than a treehouse and library? This temporary set-up in London’s Regent’s Park was created by an art collaborative as a “catalyst to ignite the collective imagination, encouraging adults and children alike to explore a variety of creative responses to nature.”

Poplar Library in Beijing
The element of discovery was important for the architects who designed this bookstore/library for the Poplar Library in Beijing. It’s child-focused, but adults can appreciate its imaginative design. Rainbow colors lead kids throughout the reading rooms, where there are tiny spaces they can camp out with a favorite book.
HOW TO KNOW YOUR Skin Type

Do you have Normal, Dry or Oily Skin? Oh! You don’t know your skin type! It will be really difficult for you to choose any skin products without knowing its type. Do not worry. Here you will find a very simple method to identify your skin type. You can find it at home easily.

1. * Wash your face with mild soap or face wash. Pat it dry with a soft towel.

2. * Now wait for an hour and do not apply anything on your face. Do not go in very hot or cold climate. For better result stay at home.
3. * Take tissue paper and press on different spots of your face. For better results use separate pieces of tissue onto each area of your face like chin, cheeks, forehead, nose.

4. * After few minutes examine each tissue and look for any residue on it.

- **Oily Skin**
  The tissue will stick to your face and have oily spots. Your face will look shiny specially nose, cheeks and forehead.

- **Dry Skin**
  The tissue will not stick and will not have any oily spots. After washing your face, you feel stretched skin i.e. tight and dryness in skin is observed.

- **Combination Skin**
  If tissue sticks in your T-zone (forehead, nose and chin). It is oily as well as dry mix. T-zone part of face is oily and rest is dry.

- **Normal Skin**
  Face looks neither too oily nor too dry. Skin looks very bright and is blemish free. Hardly 20% of women have this skin type.
8 Foods That Lower Anxiety and Stress
According to Yahoo Health the 8 foods that fight stress are as follows:

1. **Dark Chocolate**
   - contains flavonoids and phenethylamine, which are good for relaxing and enhancing mind respectively. The darker the chocolate, the better.

2. **Skim Milk**
   - Low-fat or Skim milk is good for women, it calms you. A study showed women who drank 4 or more servings of skim milk everyday were having half the chance of experiencing stress-related PMS symptoms than those who drank less or none.

3. **Oatmeal**
   - We all know it’s rich in fiber, and it also helps your body produce serotonin, a calming hormone which you need when you get stressed.

4. **Salmon**
   - The Omega-3 fatty acids suppress the production of anxiety hormones cortisol and adrenaline.

5. **Walnuts**
   - They lower blood pressure, good for your heart. U.S. Food and Drug Administration recommends 1 1/2 ounces per day.

6. **Sunflower Seeds**
   - It has folate which helps you produce pleasure-inducing brain chemical, dopamine.

7. **Spinach**
   - The favorite of Popeye, contains magnesium, improves body’s response to stress.

8. **Blueberries**
   - Rich in antioxidants, counteract the effects of stress hormones like cortisol on your body.

So, fix your diet with the above-mentioned 8 types of foods, if stress has been following your life for quite some time.
The story of the pencil by Paulo Coelho

A boy was watching his grandmother write a letter. At one point he asked: “Are you writing a story about what we’ve done? Is it a story about me?” His grandmother stopped writing her letter and said to her grandson: “I am writing about you, actually, but more important than the words is the pencil I’m using. I hope you will be like this pencil when you grow up.”

Intrigued, the boy looked at the pencil. It didn’t seem very special. “But it’s just like any other pencil I’ve ever seen!”

“That depends on how you look at things. It has five qualities which, if you manage to hang on them, will make you a person who is always at peace with the world.

‘First quality: You are capable of doing great things, but you must never forget that there is a hand guiding your steps. We call that hand God, and He always

The Taste of Life

An experienced & wise master grew tired of his apprentice complaining. One morning he sent the apprentice for some salt.

When the apprentice returned, the master instructed the unhappy young man to put a handful of salt in a glass of water and drink it.

“How does it taste?” the master asked.

“Bitter,” spit the apprentice.

The master chuckled and then asked the young man to put a handful of salt in the lake nearby.

The two walked to the nearby lake. After the apprentice swirled his handful of salt into the water, the old man said, “Now drink from the lake.”

As the water dripped down the young man’s chin, the master asked, “Now how does this taste?”

“Fresh & Sweet” remarked the apprentice.

“Do you taste the salt?” asked the master.

“No,” said the young man.

At this, the master sat beside the young man who so reminded him of himself at one time and held his hands.

He told the young man, “The pain of life is pure salt; no more, no less. The amount of bitterness we taste depends on the container we put the pain in. So when you are in pain, the only thing you can do is to enlarge your sense of things.”

“Stop being a glass. Become a lake.”
guides us according to His will.

‘Second quality: Now and then, I have to stop writing and use a sharpener, that makes the pencil suffer a little, but afterwards, it’s much sharper. So you, too, must learn to bear certain pains and sorrows, because they will make you a better person.

‘Third quality: The pencil always allows us to use an eraser to rub out any mistakes. This means that correcting something we did is not necessarily a bad thing, it helps to keep us on the road to justice.

‘Fourth quality: What really matters in a pencil is not its wooden exterior, but the graphite inside. So always pay attention to what is happening inside you.

‘Finally, the pencil’s fifth quality: It always leaves a mark. In just the same way, you should know that everything you do in life will leave a mark, so try to be conscious of that in your every action.’

The Shipwreck

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming.

Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect him from the elements and to store his few possessions. But then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, the smoke rolling up to the sky.

The worst had happened; everything was lost. He was stunned with grief and anger. "God, how could you do this to me?" he cried. Early the next day, however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied.

It is easy to get discouraged when things are going badly. But we shouldn’t lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember, next time your little hut is burning to the ground, it just may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God.
It takes **Courage**

It takes strength to be firm,
It takes courage to be gentle.

It takes strength to conquer,
It takes courage to surrender.

It takes strength to be certain,
It takes courage to have doubt.

It takes strength to fit in,
It takes courage to stand out.

It takes strength to feel a friend’s pain,
It takes courage to feel your own pain.

It takes strength to endure abuse,
It takes courage to stop it.

It takes strength to stand alone,
It takes courage to lean on another.

It takes strength to love,
It takes courage to be loved.

It takes strength to survive,
It takes courage to live.
Birth Flowers

Did you know that each birthday flower has a corresponding meaning? Know what your birthday flower is!

- **January-Carnation**
  People who are born during this month have carnation as their birthday flower. Carnation buds symbolize deep love and eternal fidelity.

- **February-Iris**
  Violet which signifies faithfulness, humility and cleanliness, is the birthday flower of individuals born in February.

- **March-Daffodil**
  Yellow daffodils represent optimism, reverence, kindness and warmth which are also believed to be common traits of people born in March.

- **April-Daisy**
  April’s birthday flower is daisy which comes in pink and purple colors. These flowers often indicate pleasure, curiosity, inquisitiveness and playfulness.

- **May-Lily**
  Lilies that have white blossoms represent strength, complete life, sweetness and wild beauty is the birthday flower of May.

- **June-Rose**
  The most common and beautiful flower, Rose stands for passion, friendship, magnificence and love.

- **July-Larkspur**
  Long stemmed blossoms of Larkspur represent July for their beauty. Good luck, lightness and laughter are often associated with this flower.

- **August-Gladiola**
  Strength of character, marriage and family is an important sense for people born in August. These are also meanings attached to their birthday flower, gladiola.

- **September-Aster**
  Aster or morning glory is known to have rich and deep colors that radiate beauty to its surroundings. People who were born in September are believed to have a strong devotion to life and are filled with light.

- **October-Calendula**
  Contentment, excellence, gratitude and love for nature are characterized by Calendula which is the October birthday flower.

- **November-Chrysanthemum**
  Bright colors of chrysanthemum connote cheerfulness, sensitivity and compassion.

- **December-Narcissus**
  Poinsettia, the Christmas flower, is the birthday flower of December which symbolizes celebration, wealth and success.
What's your blood type personality?

Did you know that your blood type is decisive for your character and relation with others? In Japan it is commonly known that your blood type reveals your true personality and compatibility with others.

**Blood type A:**
The Perfectionist

*Positive qualities:* Reserved, Patient, Sensitive, Responsible and Punctual.

*Negative qualities:* Obsessive, Stubborn, Conservative and Tense.

*Compatibility:* A is most compatible with blood types A and AB.


**Blood type AB:**
The Rationalist

*Positive qualities:* Popular, Sociable, Cool and Controlled.

*Negative qualities:* Forgetful, Critical, Indecisive, Irresponsible and Self-centered.

*Compatibility:* AB is compatible with all other blood types. (A, B, AB, and O)

*Famous people with the same blood type:* John F. Kennedy, Marilyn Monroe, Mick Jagger, Thomas Edison, Jackie Chan.

**Blood type B:**
The Individualist

*Positive qualities:* Creative, Passionate, Strong, Animal loving, Optimistic and Flexible.

*Negative qualities:* Wild, Unsociable, Critical, Indecisive, Unpredictable and Unforgiving.

*Compatibility:* B is most compatible with blood types B and AB.

*Famous people with the same blood type:* Jack Nicholson, Luciano Pavarotti, Tom Selleck, Mia Farrow, Paul McCartney, Leonardo DiCaprio.

**Blood type O:**
The Natural Leader

*Positive qualities:* Ambitious, Trendsetter, Independent, Loyal, Athletic, Robust, Passionate and Self-confident.

*Negative qualities:* Arrogant, Vain, Jealous, Insensitive and Ruthless.

*Compatibility:* O is most compatible with blood types AB and O.

*Famous people with the same blood type:* Ronald Reagan, Queen Elizabeth II, John Lennon, Paul Newman, Elvis Presley, Gerald Ford, Mikhail Gorbachev, Al Capone.
Crossword

Across
2. Used in writing to represent a shout of laughter/fence around a park or garden without interrupting the view.
5. Emperor of Russia /someone who is very powerful in a particular job or activity
7. Banish
8. Open space for a fire in a room, usu made of brick or stone and set into a wall.
11. Along thin green plant that looks and tastes like an onion, and is used in cooking
13. The past participle of tread
14. A long rubber or plastic tube that can be moved and bent to put water onto fires, gardens etc. or to take air or gas from one place to another
15. A small sweet cake, made using flour at, and milk or water
16. The sale of goods in stores to customers, for their own use and Crossword puzzle not for selling to anyone else
19. A light cloud low over the ground tat makes it difficult for you to see very far
22. Third singular part of the verb “use”
23. Large passenger or cargo ship travelling on a regular route
24. Set of stairs
25. A set of lines that forms one part of a song
26. A large white bird with a long neck that lives on rivers and lakes
27. A vehicle with two or four wheels that is pulled by a horse and used for carrying heavy things

Down
1. A long seat for two or more people, used especially outdoors
2. High-quality recorded music
3. Living, not dead
4. In this place
5. Young male horses up to the age of 4 or 5
6. Having many reeds
9. To use of painting, drawing, sculpture etc. to represent things or express ideas
10. Dead body
12. Not cheating or stealing
15. Friend, comrade
16. Tricks
17. A kind of beverage
18. Native or inhabitant of Asia
19. Person who loves wealth for its own sake and spends as little as possible
20. Without power, move or act
21. Plural of long-lasting type of plant, having a thick central wooden stem
23. Hot liquid rock that comes out of a volcano