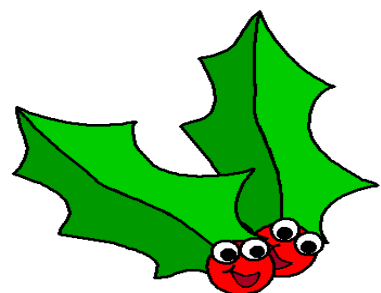


Did you get good results in your tests? Did anybody get 100 points in all of their tests? Well done. I don't think I have ever got 100 points in any of my tests in my entire life¹, ever. My friend Richard and I did both get 14 points on a chemistry test once. He went up to the teacher to complain. "Richard! Minus one point for complaining!" the teacher said. Yeah! I won! Well, now everything is over, you can start to think about Christmas. Have you been good this year? Is Santa going to pay you a visit? I can't wait.

Something You Didn't Know (Air force 1²)

1. Air force 1 is the call sign³ of any plane carrying the president. The helicopter the president uses is called Marine 1.
2. The president's planes are the only passenger planes⁴ that can refuel inflight⁵. That means it has unlimited range⁶. It is different from a normal plane in other ways too. It can withstand an EMP (Electro Magnetic Pulse⁷), it can jam enemy radar⁸, it can fire flares⁹, it can interfere with missile guidance systems¹⁰, and it can be a mobile command center in the event of¹¹ an attack. It can fly 3000m higher and 300km/h faster than a regular commercial airline¹². It also has a gym and a mini hospital along with a kitchen and chefs. Many other details are top secret.
3. The plane has three floors and 1219m² of floor space. That's about the size of 5 teacher's rooms.
4. AF1 has priority over¹³ every other aircraft in the sky.

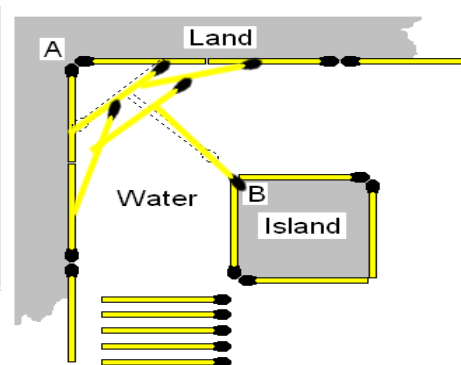
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Last Week's Answers



Announcements

Mon is Hallelujah. Xmas PM prep starts on Fri. 5F have play auditions on Mon. There's a challenge English on Sat, but that doesn't have anything to do with you.

Trump Wants to Cancel Air force 1

Last week, President-elect¹⁴, Donald Trump, announced that he would cancel the order for the new Air force 1. Air force 1 is the plane that the President of America uses to travel around on. Technically¹⁵, any plane that carries the president has the call sign Air force 1 but, traditionally, people have used it to mean the large VC-25s that we usually see the president getting out of.



The planes that Trump wants to cancel are modified¹⁶ 747-8s. They are going to cost about \$3 billion and the cost may go higher. Donald Trump says there is no need to spend that much money. He has said that he can use his own plane. His plane, nice as it is, doesn't have all the capabilities¹⁷ that Air force 1 has. Plus, his plane is smaller.

If the order is cancelled, the American taxpayer¹⁸ will still have to pay a few hundred million dollars¹⁹ in broken contract fees²⁰. Also, the two planes used at the moment have reached the ends of their service lives²¹ so replacements will have to be found. Trump has a tendency²² to tweet things without really thinking about them, so he may not cancel the planes. Many people hoped that once he became president someone would stop him tweeting. I guess not.



1.Entire life 人生すべて **2.Air force 1** エアフォースワン **3.Call sign** 呼び出し符号 **4.Passenger plane** 旅客機 **5.Refuel in flight** 空中給油 **6.Unlimited range** 距離制限がない **7.EMP** 核電磁パルス ◆宇宙での核爆発による電磁パルスで敵衛星などを破壊する **8.Jam radar** 階級の人 **9.Flare** 発音する **10.Guidance system** だけ **11.In the event of** 万一～の場合には **12.Commercial airline** 民間航空 **13.Priority over** ～よりも優先される **14.President-elect** 次期大統領 **15.Technically** 専門的に **16.Modified** 修正 **17.Capability** 機能 **18.Taxpayer** 納税者 **19.A few hundred million** 数百万 **20.Broken contract fees** 破綻した契約金 **21.Service life** 破綻した契約 **22.Tendency** しがりである