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Animals are amazing in many ways. Their senses are much more acute and sensitive than our own. In Italy, pigs are used to smell truffles as deep as 1.5 meters underground. Sharks can pick up the electrical signals produced by living things. Birds use the Earth's magnetic field to find their way and many insects can feel the change in barometric pressure before bad weather hits.

It turns out that animals may also be able to sense earthquakes. Earthquakes cause vibrations in the Earth. Scientists think that the animals may be able to hear and also feel the Earth shaking. In 2010, a dog named Sophie became famous for predicting an earthquake in Eureka, California. Sophie was at the office of her owner Jessica that afternoon. The security camera video shows that, fifteen seconds before the earthquake strikes, Sophie suddenly stares at the floor and sniffs it. A few seconds later, her right ear twitches, and she looks quickly to her right. She is about to sniff the floor again when she suddenly jumps up and runs away. Four seconds later the earthquake strikes. So, if you ever see an animal running away, you should probably follow them!

2.

Some people go through life just waiting to meet the right person, get married and raise a family. Having children is one of the greatest joys for these people, especially the women. In modern times, many people are putting their careers, financial stability and independence before marriage and family. People without children generally prefer to be around other childless individuals, and also go to places where children are not allowed.

Previously, bars and pubs were the only places which adults could go to hang out with other adults. But recently, a few restaurants have decided to ban children during certain times, or all together. The restaurant owners say that bad parents are mostly to blame for this change. These parents either can't or won't control their children. The children run wild, scream loudly, break things and bother other customers. Opinions about these new changes are divided. Those with children feel very offended and think this decision is heartless. Others feel relieved that there is a place they can go to and enjoy a peaceful and stress-free meal.

3.

There are many species of insects on our amazing planet. Some are beautiful and harmless; while others are quite dangerous and can hurt us and even kill us. Usually, insects and people avoid each other without too many problems. But sometimes, bad things can happen when there is a home invasion.

A woman in Taiwan disturbed the home of some bees while cleaning during the recent Tomb Sweeping holiday. As the dirt and dust flew up into the air, four tiny little bees flew into her left eye. The woman's eye got red and began to swell, but she did not think too much about it. She had no idea that she now had bees living in her eye. When she went to see an ophthalmologist a few days later, the four bees were found hiding under the eyelid. They didn't die because they drank her tears. The bees were carefully taken out from the woman's eye, and she was given some medicine for her eye. When doing anything outside, always “bee” careful not to disturb any insects!

4.

Our big blue planet is shared by many kinds of life. Life is everywhere, so animals and humans regularly share the same land. Sometimes, animals can surprise us by coming onto our property, places of leisure and even our homes. It can lead to dangerous situations, but also some pretty funny ones. A California man had such an experience recently when a bear found its way into his back yard.

The man was enjoying an ice-cold margarita on a hot Friday afternoon in his back yard when he heard some loud noises from his neighbor's property. As he went to see what was going on, he spotted a bear climbing over the fence into his back yard. The man ran into his house and began filming the bear. The bear crawled into the man's unheated jacuzzi and started splashing happily in the refreshing water. Once the bear had had enough, it climbed out and knocked over the margarita the man had been drinking. The bear then lapped up the spilled drink and left the property. The tipsy bear was seen a short while later napping in a tree. That's one way to beat the unbearable heat.