

I'm Thinking You Might Like This

[Kids of 1995 Predict the Future of the Internet – correctly!!](#)

Mars, Venus, Whatever You Call It

It seems like men and women can be from different planets at times. During a series at youth group called “Lovesick”, we were shown the following videos, and they illustrate the differences between the opposite sexes hilariously – Enjoy!

[cartoonconversation-outtoeat.mp4](#)

[cartoonconversation-pant.mp4](#)

More Mental Floss

A while back now, [I made a blog post](#) about a site called mentalfloss.com, which is a collection of interesting, somewhat useless but incredibly entertaining tidbits about pop culture, history, travel, and a bunch of other topics. Here are some links to other articles on mentalfloss I found interesting, and since I collected this list a long time ago and left it in my drafts, forgotten, I went back to check the links. While I was checking, I got so sidetracked on

mentalfloss again... their miscellaneous info about anything and everything is really addicting! I collected some of the best ones for you, so that you don't have to risk hours and hours of your free time by going to mentalfloss.com yourself and clicking on link after link after link ☐

See if any of the following capture your interest, and if you make it back here to tangents, leave me comments to tell me what you like!

[An airplane graveyard in The Mojave Desert](#)

[Abandoned hospital in East L.A.](#)

[31 unbelievable high school mascots](#)

[10 unusual playgrounds from around the world](#)

[10 technologies we stole from the animal kingdom](#)

[7 crafty zoo escapes](#)

And last, but definitely not least...

[A collection of videos of dogs welcoming home their soldier owners](#) – this is unbelievably sweet; these are the happiest dogs in the world!!! (I cried)

Newseum – Haven For News Junkies!!

If you are a news junkie like me, then you will love this website – there are maps of the whole world, broken down into sections. You click on dots on the map, and you can see the front page of the newspaper for that region. In many cases,

you can get the pdf file of the entire newspaper! The site is updated every day, so you can see current headlines. I really like to read news from all over the country, especially places where I use to live, like Chicagoland, Lincoln Nebraska, and Rockford Illinois. And it's really interesting to see headlines from the entire world! (even though I can only read the ones in English!)

[Here is a link to the United States headlines map – enjoy!](#)

Follow links on the site to access news taking place on the entire planet!

A New Favorite

I am a fan of many of the wordpress blogs, especially those written by my wonderful friends here on tangents.org. But recently, I came across a previously undiscovered (to me) blog that is right up my alley, and I was surprised to find out that it's a wordpress blog: designingzoos.com – does that sound like my cup of tea or what?!?

This woman ~~blogs~~ blogged (she hasn't written since July – disappointing!) about her job, which is far from boring – she designs zoos, aquariums, theme parks, etc. for a living! My dream job calling? Well, not really, I'm working my dream job taking care of my 4 wonderful kids. And besides, zoo designers sometimes have to compromise their grand zoo visions, and they go to a lot of meetings. But it's certainly fun for me to read about zoo design! I found this site while researching the history of [Brookfield Zoo](#) near Chicago, a place I was quite familiar with as a kid. I ended up finding this, which is a re-design [master plan map](#) of the zoo. If you are at all familiar with Brookfield Zoo, you might find it

interesting, along with this [designingzoos.com blog post](#) about the proposed map. Many other zoos have re-design master plans, but unfortunately, these plans are forced to be nothing but pipe dreams while this economy has forced zoo visits to be much lower on the priority list for many families.

The Popular Social Networking Site Called “Book Face”

It's time for me to officially make my presence known on Facebook. If you watch the awesome NBC comedy “The Office”, then you'll understand the reference in the title of this blog post involving a creative Halloween costume worn by Jim Halpert, a character on my favorite show – it was hilarious!

But back to me learning Facebook... some time ago I signed up for a Facebook account (don't even remember why), but then I stopped using it because it started doing freaky things behind my back – like randomly adding mere acquaintances and business associates as my Facebook friends. That was NOT the way I had envisioned social networking! But my youth group kids have been BEGGING me to join Facebook, and since I took pictures of them last week, we decided that my homework challenge is to get on Facebook so I can post our pictures. So here I go, and the first thing I'll be doing is looking for a way to NOT invite everyone on my email contact list to be my Facebook friend!

Fun With Houses

There's a celebrity in Britian named James May who has a show on the BBC called "Toy Stories". Each episode centers around adventures he has with one of Britian's best loved toys. For the episode about Legos (to be aired in the spring), he had a life-size Lego house built in which he lived for several days. While the house itself didn't look all that cool from the outside, it was fully furnished with Lego, including a working commode. Here are some shots from the inside set to a groovy little song, "*I'm living in a Lego house...*" It's a shame that the entire project went to waste when they tore the thing down... prospective buyers were scared off by the million dollars it costs to move a Lego house.