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Goats prefer smiling faces to sad ones!

A new study conducted by research scientists at the Queen Mary University of London has found that goats can tell the difference between a smiling human face and a sad or grumpy one. They prefer the smiling happy face! Photos of happy and sad people's faces were shown to goats at the Buttercups Sanctuary for Goats in Kent. The goats spent longer interacting with the happy faces going straight over to them and nuzzling them. The 20 goats tested in the study spent 50% longer with the grinning faces.



Pictured: A typical goat.

Government advisor suggests gluing road signs to the floor!



Pictured: A person walking and texting.

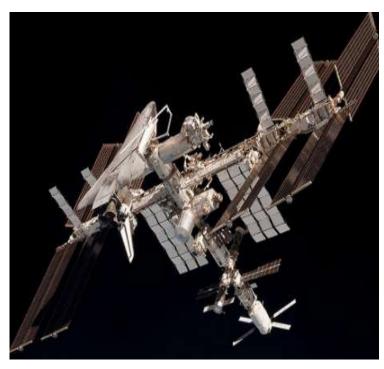
Road signs need to be placed on the ground to guide "zombie pedestrians" glued to their phones, a government transport adviser has said.

It has been suggested that there should be special walking lanes for those texting and kerbs should be marked with red lights to try to reduce accidents.

The AA found in a poll of motorists that almost three quarters (72%) had often seen distracted pedestrians stepping out into the road without looking.

Do you think this is a good solution to the problem? Let us know!

Astronauts tackle air leak on International Space Station



Pictured: International Space Station

It's been reported that astronauts on the International Space Station are having to deal with an air leak from a possible collision.

"Overnight and in the morning, there was an abnormal situation - a pressure drop, an oxygen leak at the station," chief of the federal space agency Roscosmos, Dmitry Rogozin, was quoted as saying by Russian news agencies.

"A micro-fracture was found; most likely it is damage from the outside. The design engineers believe it is the result of a micrometeorite." he said. It was fixed temporarily with sealant and tape to cover the hole. Engineers on the ground are now working with astronauts to work out a permanent solution.

Baboons have been filmed using hair to floss their teeth!

It has been reported this week that baboons have been filmed flossing their teeth with bristles from an old broom and hair from other baboons at Zoo Paignton Environmental Park in Devon. Charlotte Morgan, an animal behaviour student at the University of Exeter said, "Research at the zoo found that certain baboons floss using their own hair and bristles from broom heads. I have observed cases where baboons will pluck hair off other baboons to floss, which is pretty exciting."



Pictured: A typical baboon.



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