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APRIL
FOOLS'
DAY
Edition



THE Weaver Wonders

**Best
April
Fools'
Pranks to
Try
This
Year**

Uncontrollable Remote

This prank takes the “control” out of remote control: Use a teeny sticker or tape to cover over the sensor on the clicker. No matter how hard they try, they won't be able to make those TV channels budge, even with new batteries.

All the Noise

Place bubble wrap under an area rug or a bathmat for a rude surprise when a passerby steps down. This one's particularly effective first thing in the morning, before your unsuspecting victim has had any coffee, nothing like a loud, unexpected noise to wake someone up real quick!

No End in Sight

What's more frustrating than spinning the toilet paper roll endlessly in search of the end? Make that exercise even harder by spraying down the loose edge of the toilet paper roll with a bit of hairspray, they can roll and roll, but won't get the loose edge free before they lose their cool.

Empty the Drawer

Or, empty multiple drawers, and then leave the house or pick a good hiding space. They'll be left wondering where all of their clothes, underwear or utensils went, and you won't be around for them to ask. You can also switch up drawers to get them even more confused.

Balloon Pillow

Before your significant other goes to sleep, replace their pillow with a bunch of balloons. The key here is to make sure the balloons are positioned properly to throw them off (you can use tape to keep them together). Then, when they go to lay down, their “pillow” will be moving all over the place.

Change the Date

Before they wake up in the morning, change all the calendars in the house, plus their phone if you can get to it, to make them believe it's a totally different day. And this year, April 1 is on a Saturday, so you can get the kids up early and tell them it's time for school.



I'M
PATIENT AND
UNDERSTANDING

KICK
ME!

ASK ME
ANYTHING :)

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When did April Fools Day start?

It seems like people throughout history have all had one thing in common: everyone loves a good joke.

April Fools' Day is an old holiday, but the question of when and where it started is still a mystery to us. There are a couple of theories that stand out, and we've listed them below.

Three Possible Origins of April Fools Day

Roman Festival of Hilaria

Some people think that our April Fools' Day traditions can be traced back to a Roman festival, Hilaria. If you know anything about the history of Christmas, Valentine's Day, and Halloween, you'll know that it wouldn't be the first time this has happened!

Hilaria was a cheerful festival that honored the goddess Cybele and the god Attis. Although it was a multi-day affair, some



activities included dressing in costumes and playing practical jokes.

There isn't any hard evidence to suggest that this is true, and it's just one theory among many.

Vernal Equinox

April 1 is close to the vernal equinox, which is the official beginning of spring in the Northern Hemisphere. Like all solstices and equinoxes, these were important dates to mark the changing seasons.

It is thought that the importance of April Fools' Day might come from its relationship with springtime, which would be starting to show its effects on that day.

Julian Calendar vs. Gregorian Calendar

Did you know that April 1 used to be the start of the new year?

The Julian calendar was used in Great Britain (and its colonies, including those in America) until 1752, after which it switched to the Gregorian calendar, a different way of calculating the date.

However, France started to make the switch from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar much earlier, all the way back in the 16th century. This moved the date of the new year from April 1 to January 1.

Not everyone got the memo. In fact, not everyone wanted the change. It is said that those who didn't know about the new date or those who stubbornly followed the old calendar became the butt of many jokes on April 1.





The Missing Monitor ...Enough Said!

Bundt Cake

This cake is designed to look like a Bundt cake drizzled with a sugar glaze. Spoiler alert: There's no sugar. The "icing" is melted mozzarella; the filling is made up of pepperoni, sausage, and pizza sauce; and the "cake" is made from biscuit mix. In other words, this is basically pizza, so your victims won't be that upset. But after a mirthful mouthful, they might still have a hard time trusting you again. We suggest you earn back that trust with a treat that is as pleasantly sweet as this cake is punitive.

Sunny Side-up Eggs

This trick was composed with sleepy sweet tooths in mind. When the family tumbles out of bed and to the table, the last thing they'll expect from these sunny side-up eggs is a bite of lemon curd-covered meringue. This sweet take on the usual breakfast eggs might only fill them up to mid-morning, so make sure you plan a sensible lunch.

Ketchup and Fries

The family will do a double-take when you bring out these crinkle-cut baked apple sticks that are sprinkled with cinnamon-sugar and served with strawberry jam "ketchup" for dunking. If you don't have a crinkle cutter, a knife will work nicely to create regular "French fries."

Prank Foods

Iconic April Fools Day Hoaxes

Robbing the U.S. Treasury

Let's go back in time. Way back. All the way back to the early 1900s! In 1907, a German newspaper, Berliner Tageblatt, published an article saying that all the gold and silver in the U.S. Federal Treasury had been stolen.

How did the "thieves" manage it?

They apparently dug a tunnel beneath the building over three years to break into the treasury, then escaped with their ill-gotten goods.

Of course, this did not happen. But that didn't stop people from believing that it was true for a hot minute.

The Great Spaghetti Harvest of 1957

This one's a doozy. Back in 1957, there was a famous report by the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) on the spaghetti harvest in Switzerland that year. After an early spring, the spaghetti trees were so laden down with spaghetti that farmers were beginning to grow worried. The decline of the spaghetti weevil was also suggested as a cause for the bumper harvest.

Wait, spaghetti trees?

Yes, you heard that right. One of the most trustworthy news organizations in the United Kingdom managed to trick their viewers into believing that spaghetti really did grow on trees. Hundreds of people picked up their phones to ask about it. Legendary!

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10 fun facts

- 1) The exact origin of April Fool's Day is unknown, but it is believed to have started in France in the 16th century.
- 2) The earliest recorded April Fool's Day prank was played on April 1st, 1698. It was a humorous story published in a London newspaper that stated that the moon was visible from the Earth.
- 3) In Scotland, April Fool's Day is celebrated for two days, on April 1st and 2nd. The second day is known as Taily Day, where people play pranks on each other's tails.
- 4) In France, April Fool's Day is known as Poisson d'Avril, which means April Fish. It's customary to place a paper fish on someone's back without them knowing.
- 5) In India, Holi, the festival of colors, is celebrated on April 1st. It's a day of pranks, jokes, and laughter, and people play pranks on each other with colored water and powders.
- 6) In Iran, April Fool's Day is celebrated on the 13th day of the Persian New Year, which is usually around April 1st.
- 7) In medieval times, April Fool's Day was known as "Hilaria," a day of games and pranks. People would dress up in costumes and play tricks on each other.
- 8) In the United States, April Fool's Day became popular in the 18th century, and it's been celebrated ever since.
- 9) The famous comic strip "Peanuts" created by Charles Schulz featured a character named April Fool, who played pranks on his friends.
- 10) The town of Gotham, in Nottinghamshire, England, claims to be the place where the tradition of April Fool's Day began. Legend has it that the townspeople played a prank on King John, and he was so impressed that he granted them exemption from tolls.

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