



Brain Teaser Gauntlet



Time to stretch your brain! These puzzles require thinking, not just calculating.

1. I have two coins that add up to 30 cents. One of them is not a quarter. What are the two coins? _____
2. A farmer has 10 sheep. All but 3 run away. How many sheep are left?

3. What has an eye but cannot see? _____
4. If 3 cats can catch 3 mice in 3 minutes, how long will it take 1 cat to catch 1 mouse? _____
5. You are in a race. You pass the person in 2nd place. What place are you in now? _____
6. I am an odd number. Take away one letter, and I become even. What number am I? _____
7. How many months have 28 days? _____
8. What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years? _____

9. A brother and sister have the same parents, but they are not twins. How is this possible? _____

10. If you have a bowl with 6 apples and you take away 4, how many do you have? _____

11. What has to be broken before you can use it? _____

12. I am a number between 1 and 20. I am even. The sum of my digits is 5. What number am I? _____

13. There are 5 apples. You take 3. How many do you have?

14. What has a neck without a head, and a body without legs?

15. A man is looking at a portrait. Someone asks him whose portrait he is looking at. He replies, "Brothers and sisters I have none, but that man's father is my father's son." Who is in the portrait? _____

Answer Key

1. A quarter and a nickel (the other coin is not a quarter). | 2. 3 | 3. A needle | 4. 3 minutes | 5. 2nd place | 6. Seven (take away 's' = even) | 7. All of them | 8. The letter 'M' | 9. They are siblings, but not born at the same time (e.g., triplets). | 10. 4 (the ones you took) | 11. An egg | 12. 14 | 13. 3 (the ones you took) | 14. A bottle | 15. His son