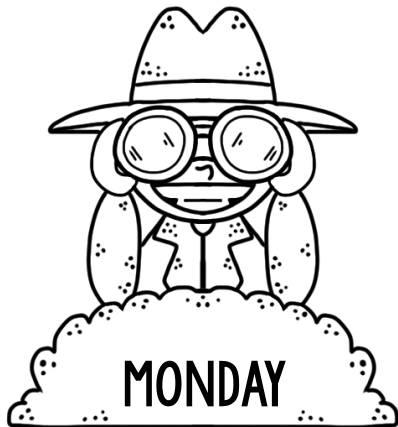
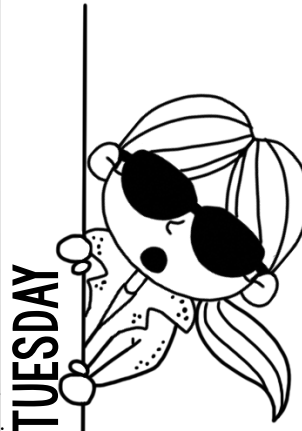


I was an entertainer.



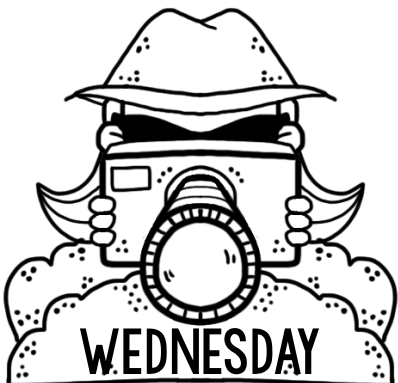
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Over 82 million people visited my museum.



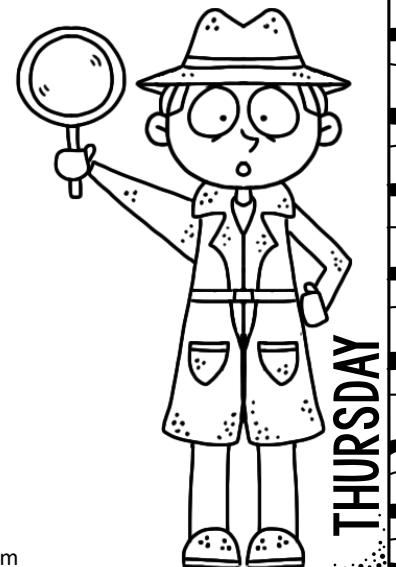
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I had many friends that were rather unique, such as Charles Stratton.



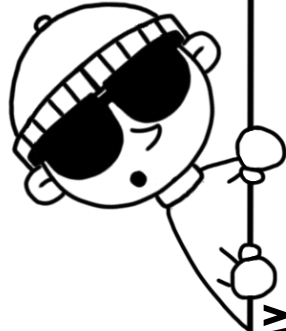
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I gave myself the nickname *Prince of Humbugs*.



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I am known
for creating the
“Greatest Show
on Earth” with my
partner, Bailey.



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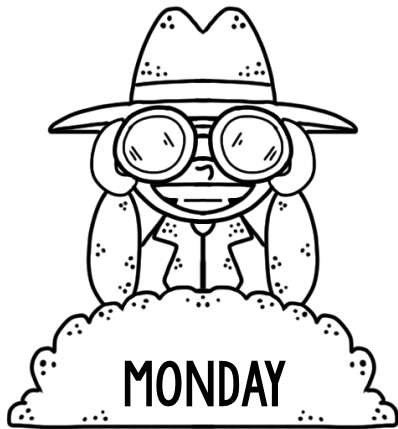
P.T. BARNUM

Phineas Taylor Barnum, or as most people know him, P.T. Barnum, was a man of many talents. He was born in Bethel, Connecticut in 1810. Barnum was known for his outlandish ways of promoting events. He bought the American Museum of New York City in 1841 and filled it with curiosities from around the world, including some very unique individuals like Charles Stratton. Stratton was known as General Tom Thumb. He was only 25 inches tall! The museum was quite a success until a fire burned it down. Barnum later partnered with James Anthony Bailey to promote the Barnum & Bailey Circus. He reenergized the circus into what he later called the *Greatest Show on Earth*. Barnum became very ill at the age of 81. He had his obituary printed in the newspaper before he died, so he could enjoy reading it before his passing in 1891.



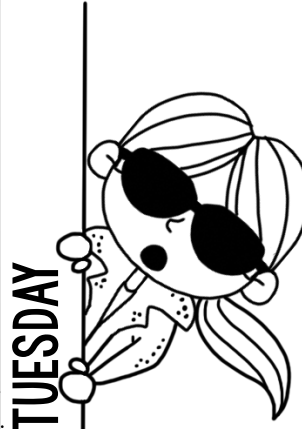
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I make
thunderous
noises 24
hours a day.



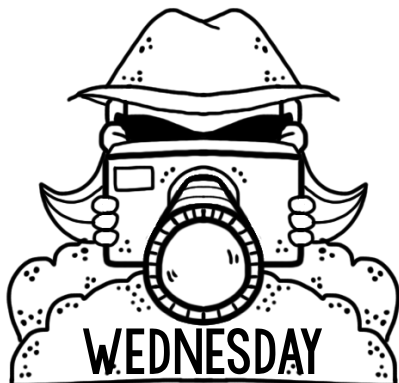
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In some places,
I am 269 feet
above the
water below.



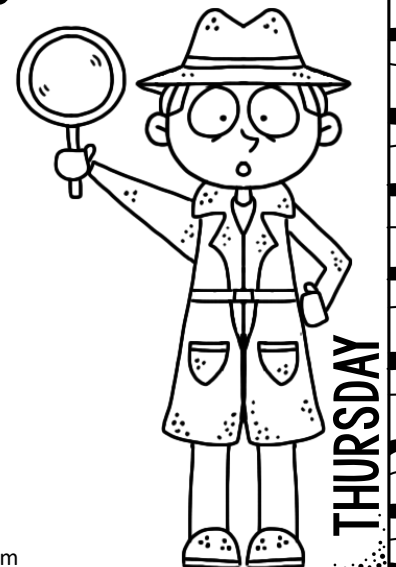
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Some of my
falls are twice
as wide as
Niagara Falls.



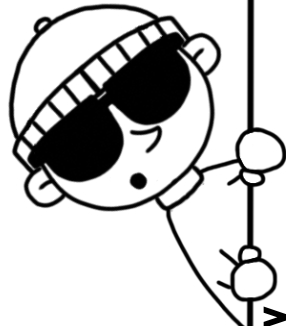
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My name means
“big water” in the
Tupi-Guarani
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I am located in South America, near Brazil and Argentina.



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IGUAZU FALLS

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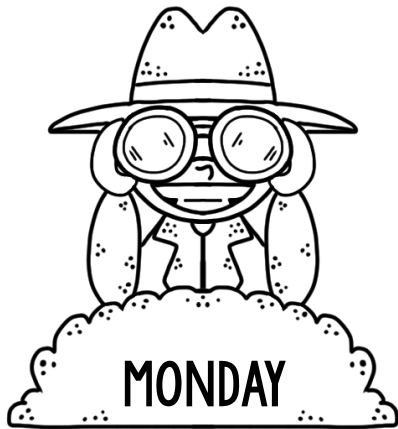
IGUAZU FALLS

The Iguazu Falls are a magnificent creation of Mother Nature. The Iguazu River is the source for these breathtaking waterfalls that help form the border between Argentina and Brazil. They are made up of 275 individual falls that range in height from 200 feet to 269 feet high. The first European to see these falls was Spanish Conquistador, Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca, in 1541. The Iguazu Falls are a UNESCO World Heritage Site in both the countries of Argentina and Brazil. The best time to see these spectacular falls is during the fall and spring seasons. The summer time is very hot, and in the winter, water levels are low. These falls can be seen in the movie, *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*. The Iguazu Falls are a sight to behold.



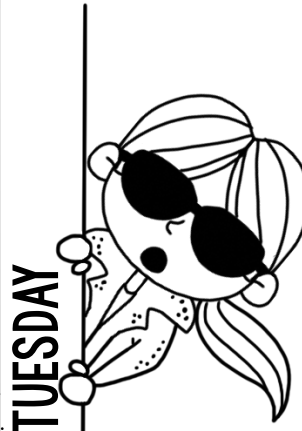
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I was first created to make things sail smoothly.



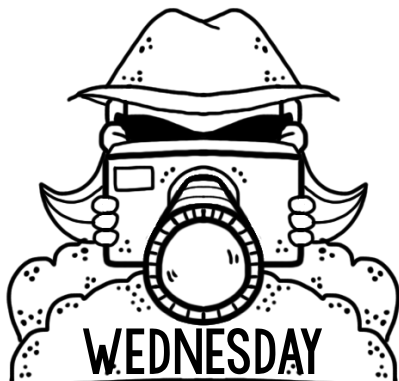
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I was created by a husband and wife team in the 1940s.



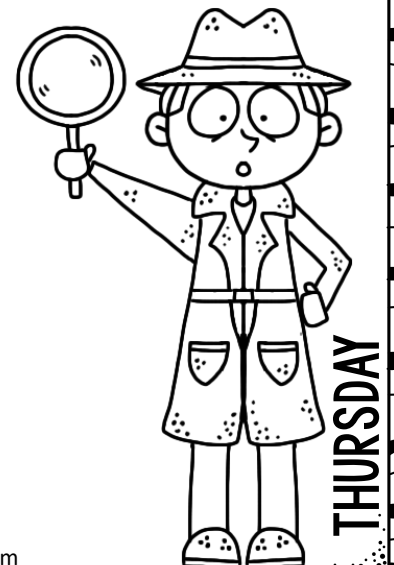
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I am made of 80 feet of wire.



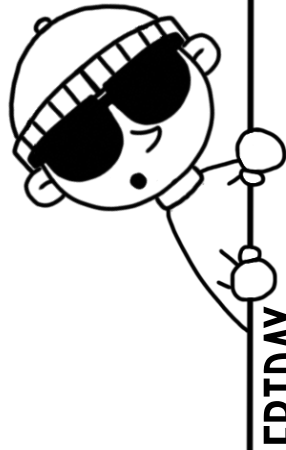
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I sold out at a demonstration at Gimbels Department Store.

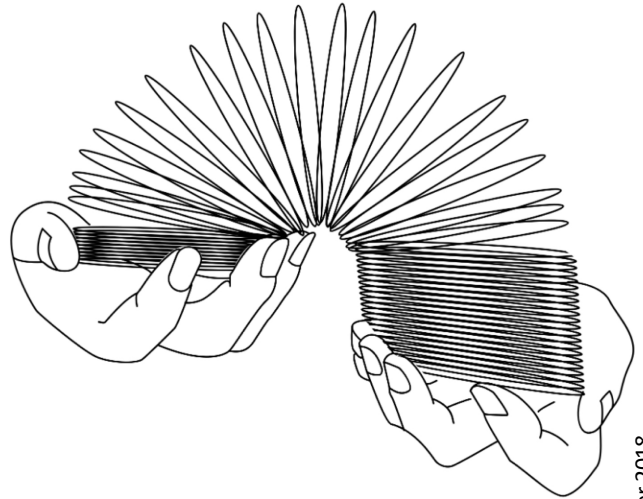


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I was inducted
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SLINKY

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SLINKY

The original Slinky toy was created by accident by Richard James in 1943. He was trying to find a way to steady equipment on ships as they sailed across the rough seas. James decided to put coiled wires underneath the equipment, to help it move more smoothly along. When one coil was knocked off a shelf, he noticed that it did not fall, but “walked” as it went. This gave him the idea for a toy. James took 80 feet of coiled wire and compressed it into a 2 inch spiral. His wife, Betty, came up with the name, Slinky. The toy did not sell well at first, but became a hit when Gimbels Department Store, in Philadelphia, held a demonstration during the Christmas of 1945. To this day, more than 250 million Slinkys have been sold. The Slinky was inducted into the Toy Hall of Fame in 2000.



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