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Nagoya “Sunglasses Buddha” - The Latest Social Media Buzz



A giant Buddha statue in Nagoya has attracted attention for his eyewear. It is the latest social media

sensation. Do you remember the Fujikawaguchiko Lawson? Tourists flocked to the site to

copy photos they had seen online.

When the Buddha statue is photographed from a nearby crossing, it looks like he is wearing sunglasses.

I hope that the spot is respected more than the Fuji Lawson was, from both tourists and local authorities. We don't want that situation again...



Elephants Make Circle To Protect Young During Earthquake

A group of elephants quickly ran together and made a

circle to protect the youngest elephant after a 5.2 magnitude earthquake in San Diego last month.

The youngest elephants are 7 years old. The elephants

watched carefully for danger all around them for several minutes afterwards.

This is called an “alert circle” and is common in herds of elephants in times of danger. It shows us the amazing abilities animals have developed to protect themselves. The strongest protect the weakest... I hope I would also behave the same with my children!

Margot Friedländer Has Died – (5th November 1921 – 9th May 2025)

Margot Friedländer has died. Friedländer was a holocaust survivor. She spoke to young people about the horrors of the Nazis. She told people about her experiences in Nazi Germany.

When she was young, she hid from the Nazis. Her mother and brother were killed in the Holocaust. She managed to hide for several years but



she was caught and went to a concentration camp in the Czech Republic. At the end of the war, she

was freed. She moved to America with her husband but returned to talk to young people about her experiences. She wanted people never to forget.

“My mission is, to say be a human being. We are all the same. There is no Christian, Muslim or Jewish blood. There is only human blood. We are all the same.”
She was 103 years old.

Will & Harper – Documentary Review




Harper wants to know if she can still do a road trip across. She recently transitioned to being a woman. So, she asks her good friend Will to go with her.



Amazing interactions and wonderful encounters until the end. It is amazing and heartbreaking. Must watch!
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Fortune telling (星占い) – Check your birthday!




Aries (March 21 – April 19) <i>Blooming flowers.</i>	Taurus (April 20 – May 20) <i>Touch the rainbow!</i>	Gemini (May 21 – June 21) <i>A big discount.</i>	Cancer (June 22 – July 22) <i>Strange atmosphere.</i>
Leo (July 23 – August 22) <i>Tuna onigiri is lucky.</i>	Virgo (August 23 – September 22) <i>Did you see the sea?</i>	Libra (September 23 – October 23) <i>Pocari on a Thursday.</i>	Scorpius (October 24 – November 21) <i>A small fight.</i>
Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21) <i>Stroke a dog or a cat.</i>	Capricorn (December 22 – January 19) <i>Too many people talking.</i>	Aquarius (January 20 – February 18) <i>Caution. Take your time.</i>	Pisces (February 19 – March 20) <i>Blue sky is lucky, usually.</i>



Cape Town Weather Report

Cape Town, South Africa

Cape Town is looking heading towards winter when the temperature will fall to around 10°C. It is not too cold. The high is 20 °C. Some rain falls and there is lots of sunshine. Actually, the weather for Cape Town is almost exactly the same as Niigata for May!



Min Temperature	12°C	Rainy days	11 days
Max Temperature	20°C	Humidity	81%
Water Temperature	16°C	Windspeed	3 m/s
Chance of Rain	37%	Sunshine	205 hours
Precipitation	80 mm	Percentage Sunshine	