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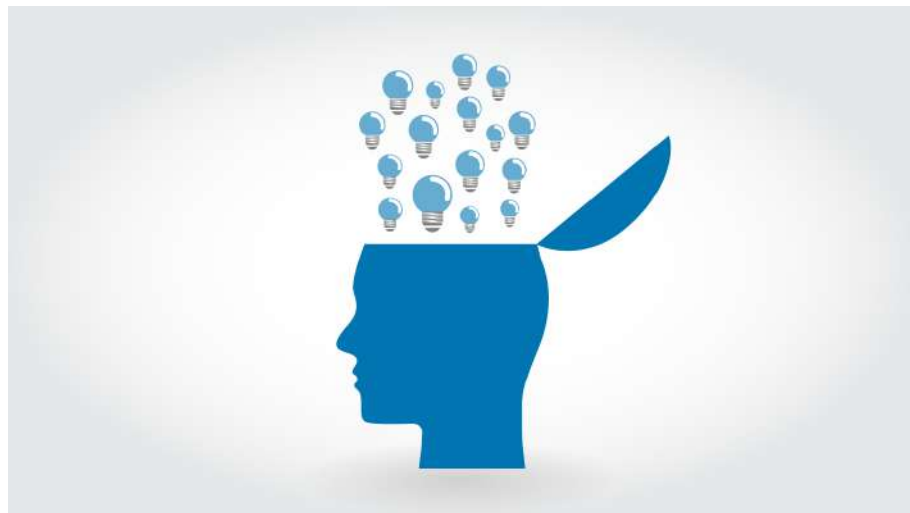




Question 1

A river, Christmas, a moon and a pair of shoes all share what color, according to Elvis Presley?

Hint: This color is embraced as the color of heaven and authority, denim jeans and corporate logos.



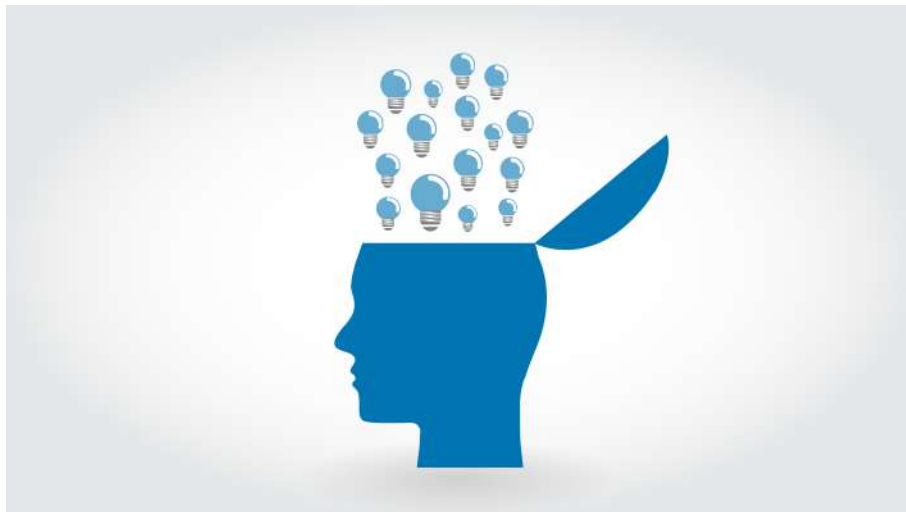
Answer: Blue



Question 2

In Physics, what term describes a collision between two objects where the relative speed of approach before the collision and the relative speed of recession afterwards are the same?

Hint: r'lástik/ - (of an object or material) able to resume its normal shape spontaneously after being stretched or compressed.

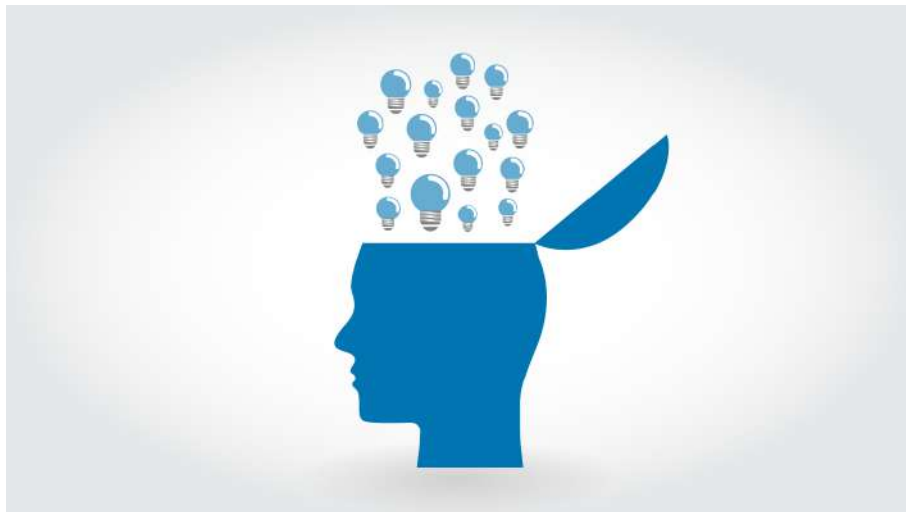


Answer: Elastic (collision) / $e=1$



Question 3

Which famous singer (part of a hugely successful group band) was shot outside the Dakota Building, New York, in December 1980?



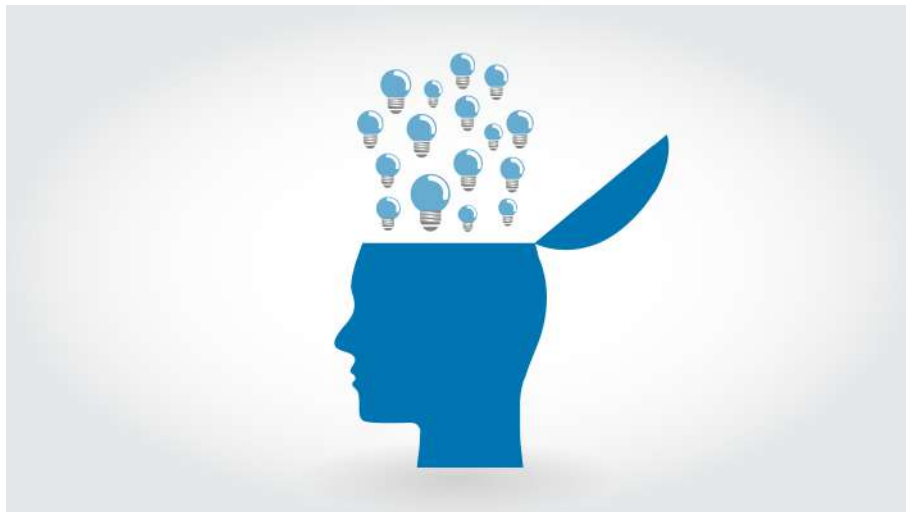
Answer: John Lennon



Question 4

Falciparum and *vivax* are among species of a protozoan genus that causes which disease?

Hint: This disease (**mə'le:riə/**) is most commonly transmitted by an infected female mosquito. It is commonly spread in African countries.



Answer: Malaria



Question 5

How do the airlines expect to prevent commercial plane crashes? Studies have shown that pilot error contributes to two-thirds of all such crashes. To address this problem, the airlines have upgraded their training programs by increasing the hours of classroom instruction and emphasizing communication skills in the cockpit. But it is unrealistic to expect such measures to compensate for pilots' lack of actual flying time. Therefore, the airlines should rethink their training approach to reducing commercial crashes.

Which one of the following is an assumption upon which the argument depends?

- A. Training programs can eliminate pilot errors.
- B. Commercial pilots routinely undergo additional training throughout their careers.
- C. The number of airline crashes will decrease if pilot training programs focus on increasing actual flying time.
- D. Lack of actual flying time is an important contributor to pilot error in commercial plane crashes.
- E. Communication skills are not important to pilot training programs.



Answer: D

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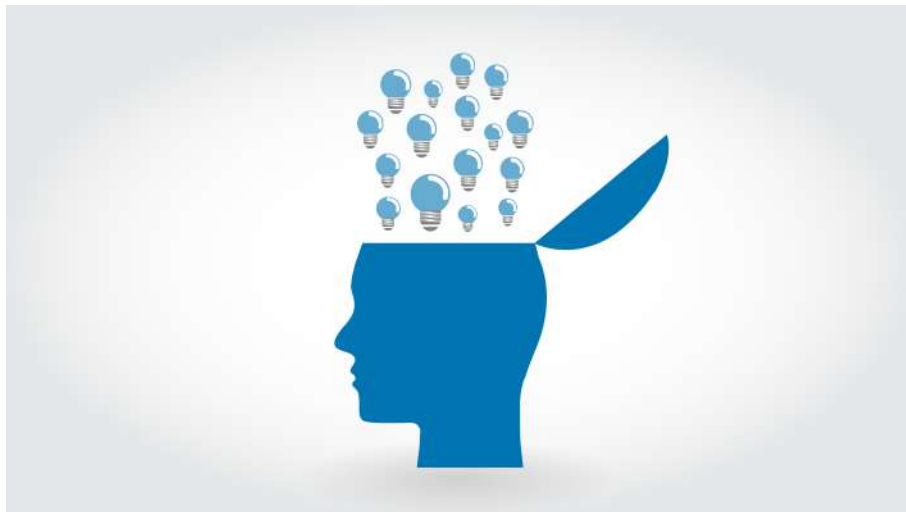




Question 6

What does this riddle stand for?

COF FEE



Answer: Coffee break



Question 7

Which Roman emperor was given the nickname 'Little Boot'?

Hint: Although he was born Gaius Caesar, after Julius Caesar, he acquired this nickname from his father's soldiers during their campaign in Germania.



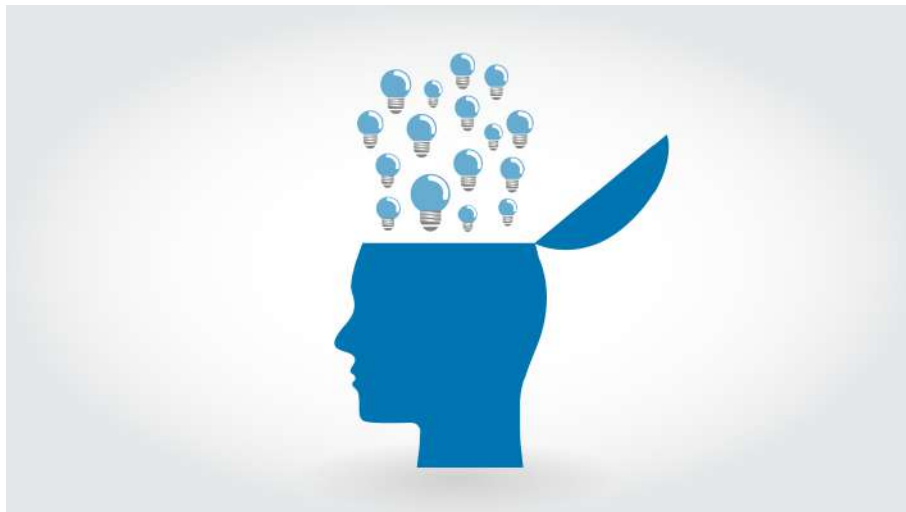
Answer: Caligula



Question 8

Are there earthquakes on the moon?

Why Yes? Why No?



Answer: No, they would be moonquakes

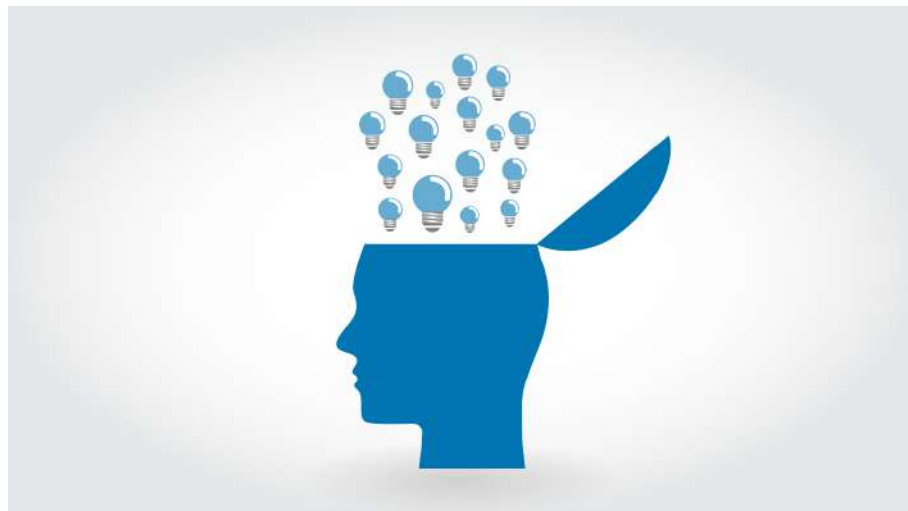


Question 9

A gas tax of one cent per gallon would raise one billion dollars per year at current consumption rates. Since a tax of fifty cents per gallon would therefore raise fifty billion dollars per year, it seems a perfect way to deal with the federal budget deficit. This tax would have the additional advantage that the resulting drop in the demand for gasoline would be ecologically sound and would keep our country from being too dependent on foreign oil producers.

Which one of the following most clearly identifies an error in the author's reasoning?

- A. The author cites irrelevant data.
- B. The author relies on incorrect current consumption figures.
- C. The author makes incompatible assumptions.
- D. The author mistakes an effect for a cause.
- E. The author appeals to conscience rather than reason.



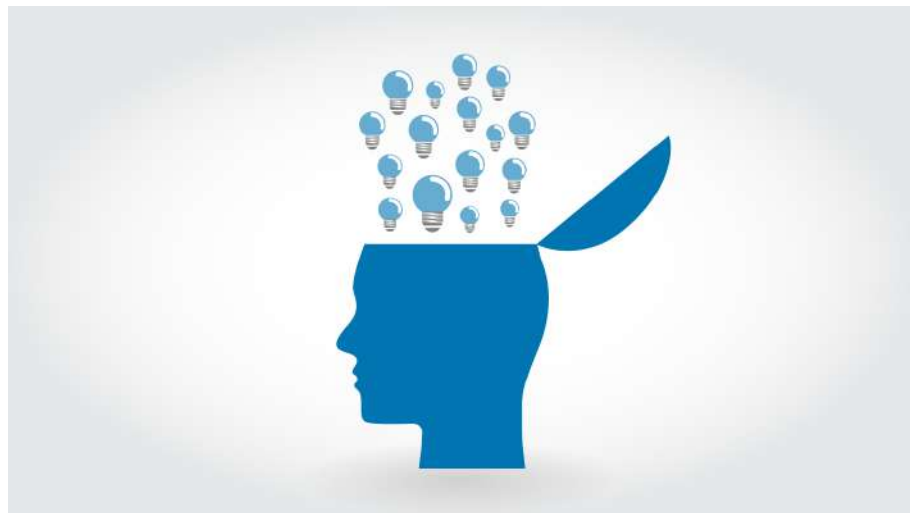
Answer: C



Question 10

The wooden birds are now in sight, Whose voices roar, whose wings are white, Whose mouths are filled with hose and shoes With wine, cloth, sugar salt and news, when they have eased their stomachs here They cry, farewell until next year.

Name these wooden birds?



Answer: Ships

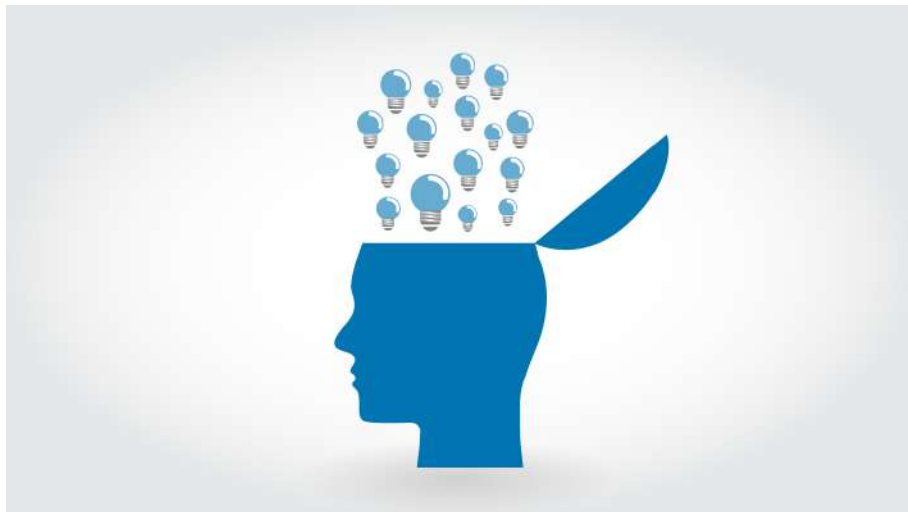
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Question 11

7 First performed in 1958, which play by Shelagh Delaney concerns working-class girl from Salford who becomes pregnant after a one-night stand?



Answer: A Taste of Honey



Question 12

Published by HM Stationery Office and appearing in print daily, weekly, and online, the official reports of the proceedings of the Westminster Parliament are known by what name?

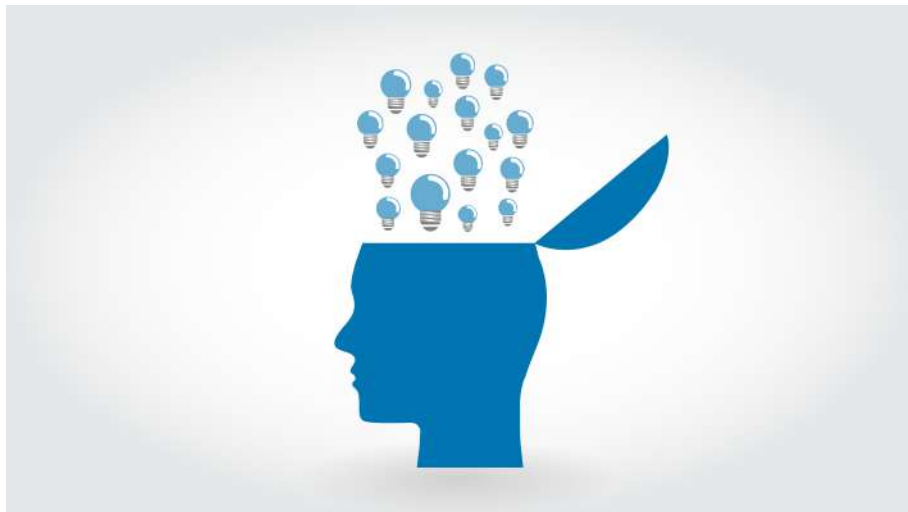


Answer: Hansard



Question 13

Used in bronzing and in preparing imitation gold leaf, 'Dutch metal' is an alloy consisting largely of copper with which other metal?



Answer: Zinc