



DIVERGENT THINKING PUZZLES

Divergent thinking is a thought process or method used to generate creative ideas by exploring many possible solutions.

Directions: Use your knowledge of divergent thinking to solve the following puzzles.

1. A man is running away from home, a man in a mask is chasing him. Why is the masked man chasing the other man?
2. A woman gave a man a single article of food; he died as a result of eating it. What happened?
3. The woman drowned, but she never left her room. What were the circumstances of her death?
4. Two men were drinking iced tea that was poured from the same container. One died and the other did not. What were the circumstances of the first man's death?
5. When this book came out only the rich had it. For a long period of time almost everyone had it, and now almost no one has it again. You cannot buy the book at the bookstore or check it out at the library. What book is it?
6. A man was the proud owner of a beautiful and expensive Mercedes sports car. One day he drove it to an isolated area and then smashed the windows, scratched the doors, and tore out the stereo. Why?
7. A well educated stamp collector found an advertisement for a complete set of U.S. stamps for a fraction of what they were worth. He quickly purchased this genuine and splendid collect at a bargain price, but he was very angry. Why?
8. Deep in the forest there was a man found in his swim trunks with a snorkel and facemask. He was miles away from the nearest lake or ocean. How did he die?
9. Little Billy was four years old when both his parents died. His guardian put him on a train to send him to a new home in the country. Since Billy could not read or write, a large sign was put on a string around Billy's neck clearly indicating his name and destination. Despite the best efforts of the staff, Billy never got there. Why?
10. A man saw something at a certain price and went to buy it. An official refused to sell it to him even though the man had the money and others were sold it later. Later the man was very happy his purchase had been refused. Why was he refused and why was he glad?

Bonus- A woman was at the funeral of her mother when she saw a man she did not know. She thought he was amazing, her perfect dream guy that she was searching for and immediately fell in love. However she did not ask for his name or number and no one else knew who he was. She then killed her own sister. Why?