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Today is World UFO Day. Many UFO enthusiasts will be watching the skies in the hopes of seeing extraordinary events similar to those on this date in 1947 in Roswell, New Mexico, when a flying saucer is purported to have crashed.

Who Am I?

I was born in Oklahoma but soon moved with my family to Missouri, a place I have called “Mark Twain country.” In high school, I played golf and tennis, swam, and sometimes acted in musicals. While in college, I decided I wanted to be an actor and moved away from Missouri to Los Angeles, where I made appearances in many television shows over the years. My big break came in 1991’s *Thelma and Louise*, acting alongside Susan Sarandon and Geena Davis. My roles in *A River Runs Through It* and *Interview with the Vampire* made me a household name. Who am I?

ANSWER: Brad Pitt

Buy a Vowel

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A state of blessed bliss

ANSWER: BEATTITUDE

Wild Kingdom



Mice and rats have a natural fear of cats—or rather, an instinctual aversion to the *odor* of cats—one of their main predators. However, when infected with a common parasite known as *Toxoplasma gondii*, mice and rats lose this fear and become attracted to the smell. For this reason, scientists have started calling *Toxoplasma gondii* a “mind control” parasite, as it causes mice and rats to seek out cats instead of avoiding them. This is a particularly effective trait for the parasite, as the only place it can reproduce is inside the gut of a cat—the very place mice are likely to end up if they get too close to their feline friends.

Name Three

Can you name three wild cats that begin with the letter L?

ANSWER: Lynx, lion, leopard