



# Interesting facts about Earth

**The hottest temperature ever recorded on Earth's surface was 57.8 degrees in El Azizia, Libya recorded in 1922.**

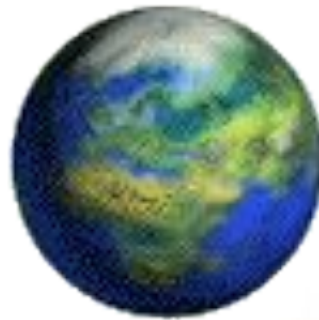


- **Only 3% water of the earth is fresh, rest 97% salted. Of that 3%, over 2% is frozen in ice sheets and glaciers. Means less than 1% fresh water is found in lakes, rivers and underground.**





- **One of Interesting Facts About Earth is it doesn't take 24 hours to rotate on its axis. It's actually 23 hours, 56 minutes and 4 seconds.**



- Each winter there are about 1 septillion snow crystals that drop from the sky.

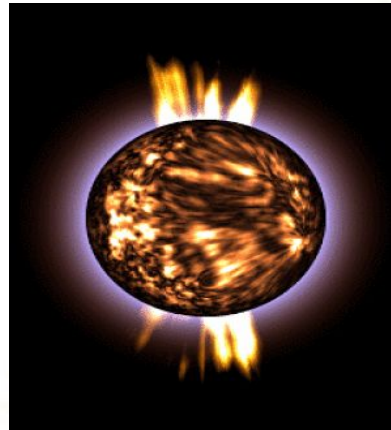




- **The earth is smoother than a bowling ball.**



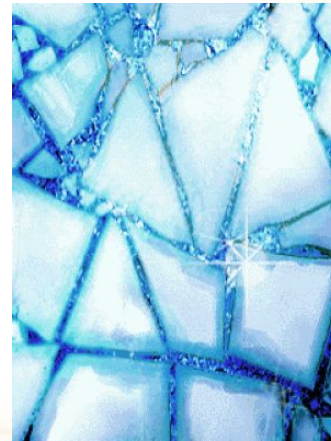
- **100 tons of small meteorites enter the atmosphere every day.**



- There are 8.6 million
- lightning strikes per day.



- Antarctica has as much ice
- as the Atlantic Ocean
- has water.





- **Only 8-12 humans are killed per year by sharks, but 100 million sharks are killed per year by humans to harvest their fins.**



- **90% of all volcanic activity occurs in the ocean.**





- **The continents move about 2 cm every year.**
- **200,000 people are born every day.**
- **2 people die every second.**



- **The international space station was the most expensive object ever constructed. (\$150 billion!)**



- **99% of the earth's gold lies in the core.**

