

12/12/12

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A unique moment in time

12/12/12 is a special day and a unique moment in our lifetime.

12 is a significant number in life.

Religion:

In Christianity there are 12 apostles of Jesus, and in the holy book of Judaism and Christianity, there is reference to the Twelve Tribes of Israel, descended from the twelve sons of Jacob.

There are Twelve Olympians in the pantheon of ancient Greek religion. 12 is the number of the Labours of Heracles.

Mathematics:

12 is the smallest number with 6 factors (1,2,3,4,6,12).

Time:

There are 12 months in a year and 24 hours in a day with 12 hours for each half day. Each hour is split into 60 minutes which is a multiple of 12.

Zodiac:

Both the Chinese zodiac (Shēngxiào) and the western zodiac have 12 signs:

Chinese Zodiac 生肖:

虎 Tiger 猴 Monkey
羊 Goat 雞 Rooster
狗 Dog 龍 Dragon
猪 Pig 兔 Rabbit
鼠 Rat 馬 Horse
牛 Ox 蛇 Snake

Western Zodiac:

Sagittarius Cancer
Capricorn Pisces
Aquarius Virgo
Scorpio Aries
Gemini Libra
Taurus Leo

Legends:

In the legend of King Arthur there are 12 Knights of the Round Table.

Law:

Twelve is the number of people on a traditional jury.

The next time we can write 12/12/12 will be in a century on 12/12/2112