

Time Will Tell - excerpt



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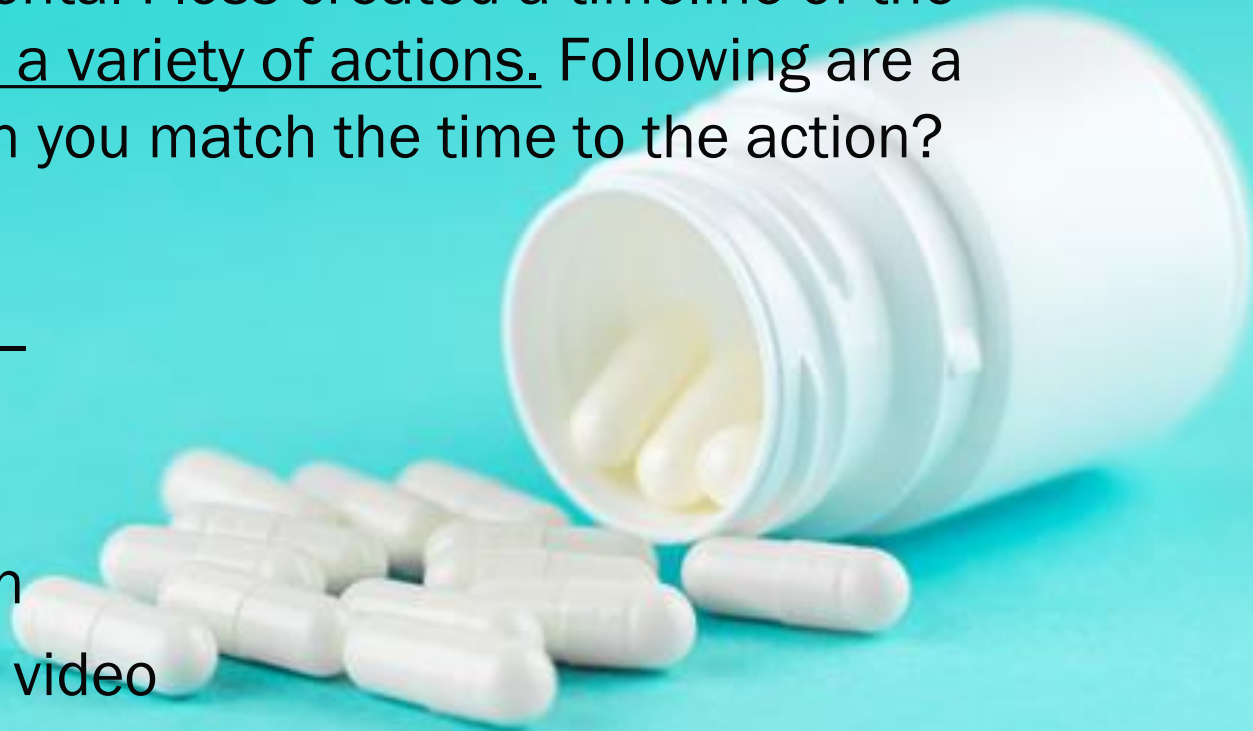
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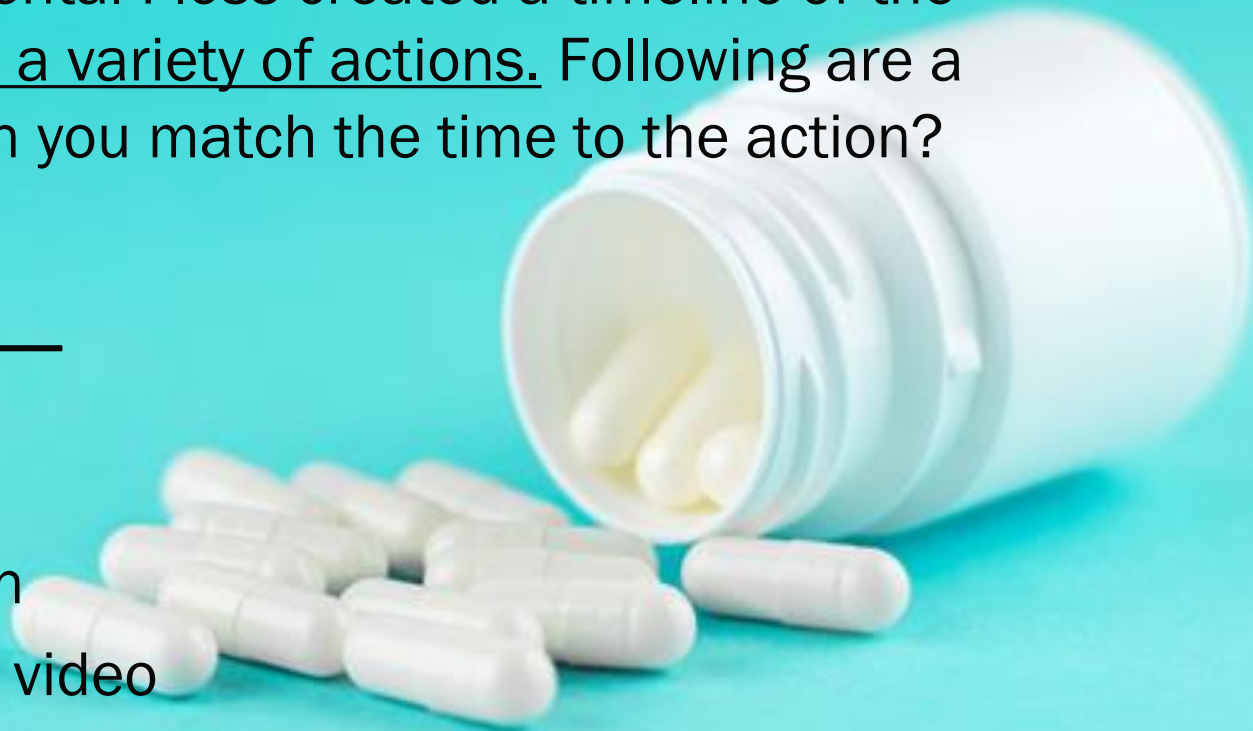
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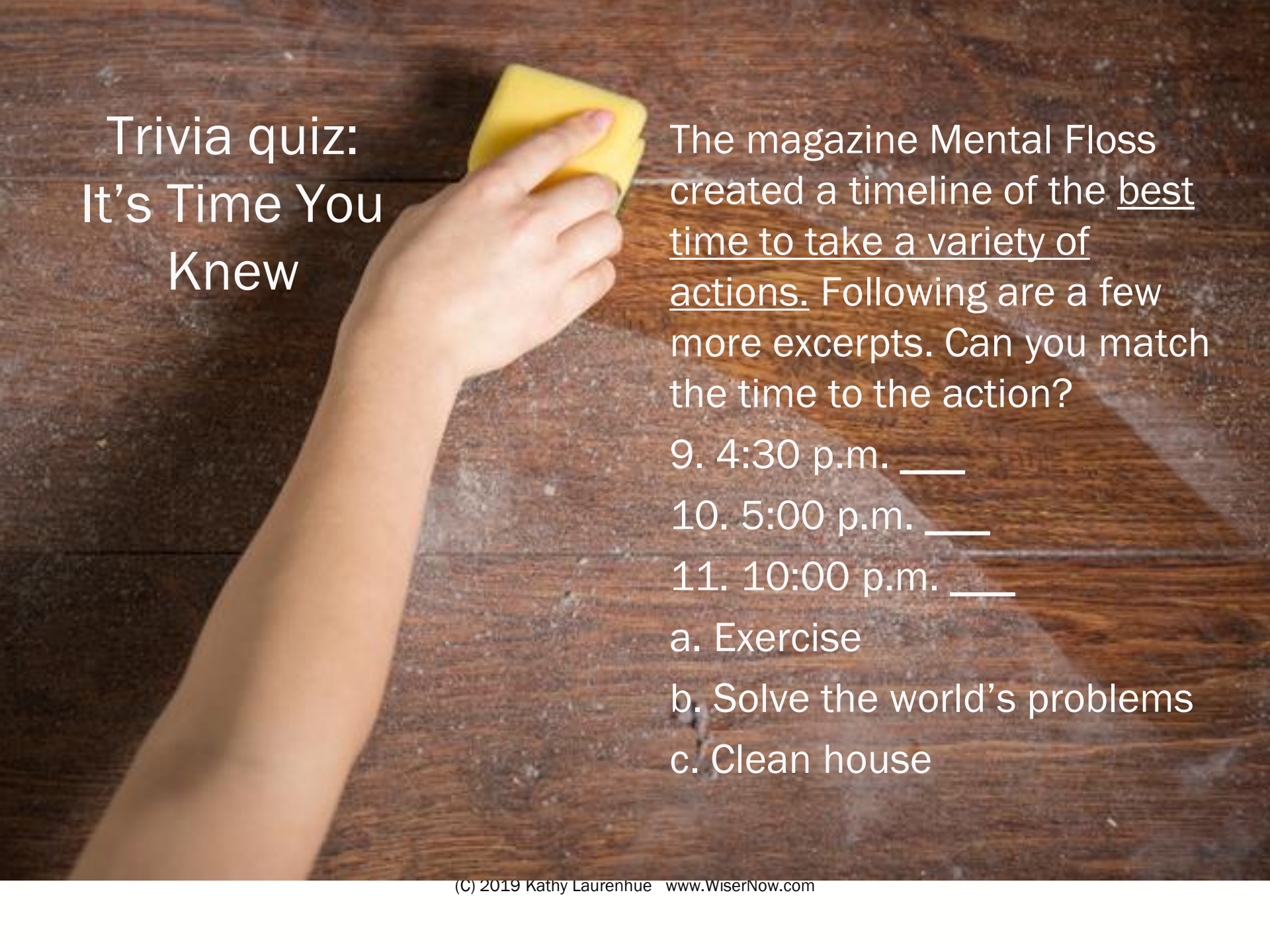


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Here is the reasoning behind the times cited in the article:

- 8:30 a.m. (or right after we wake up) is the best time to make a decision
- 10:00 a.m., being the most common time for both heart attacks and migraines, is the best time to take an aspirin
- 1:00 p.m. is the time when the national mood is at its lowest, so perk yourself up with something funny

A hand holding a yellow sponge is cleaning a dark wooden surface. The hand is positioned on the left side of the frame, and the sponge is being used to wipe the wood. The background is a close-up of the wood grain.

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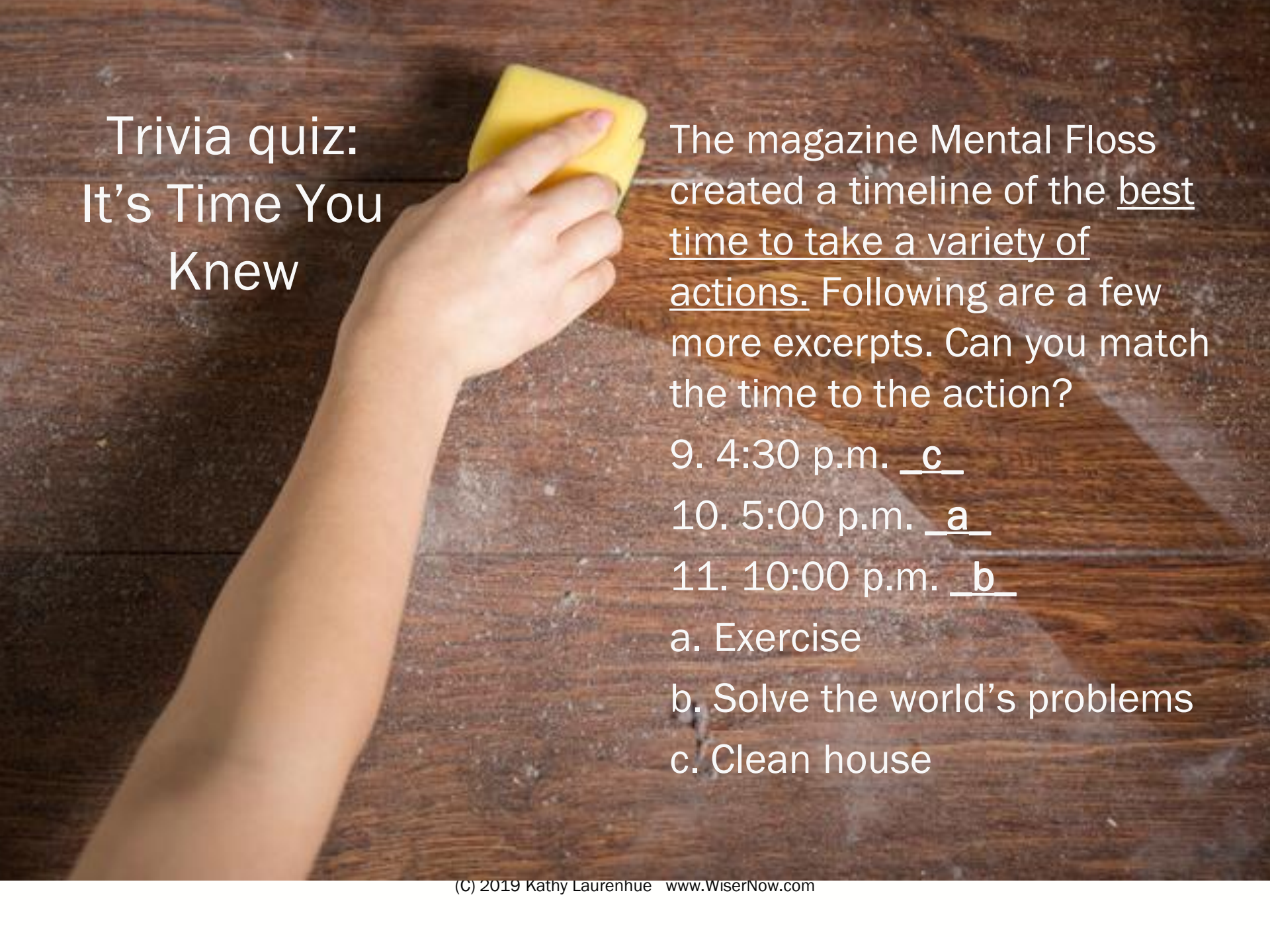
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A close-up photograph of a person's hand holding a bright yellow sponge, cleaning a dark brown wooden surface. The hand is positioned on the left side of the frame, and the sponge is being used to scrub the wood grain. The background is a blurred wooden surface.

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Here is the reasoning behind the times

- 4:30 p.m. is when our hand-eye coordination is highest, so clean the house (or shoot some hoops?)
- 5:00 p.m. is the best time for exercise because the next hour is when our body temperature is highest, increasing our stamina and strength.
- 10:00 p.m. is good for creative thinking because we do our best abstract thinking when we are tired and just let our minds wander.



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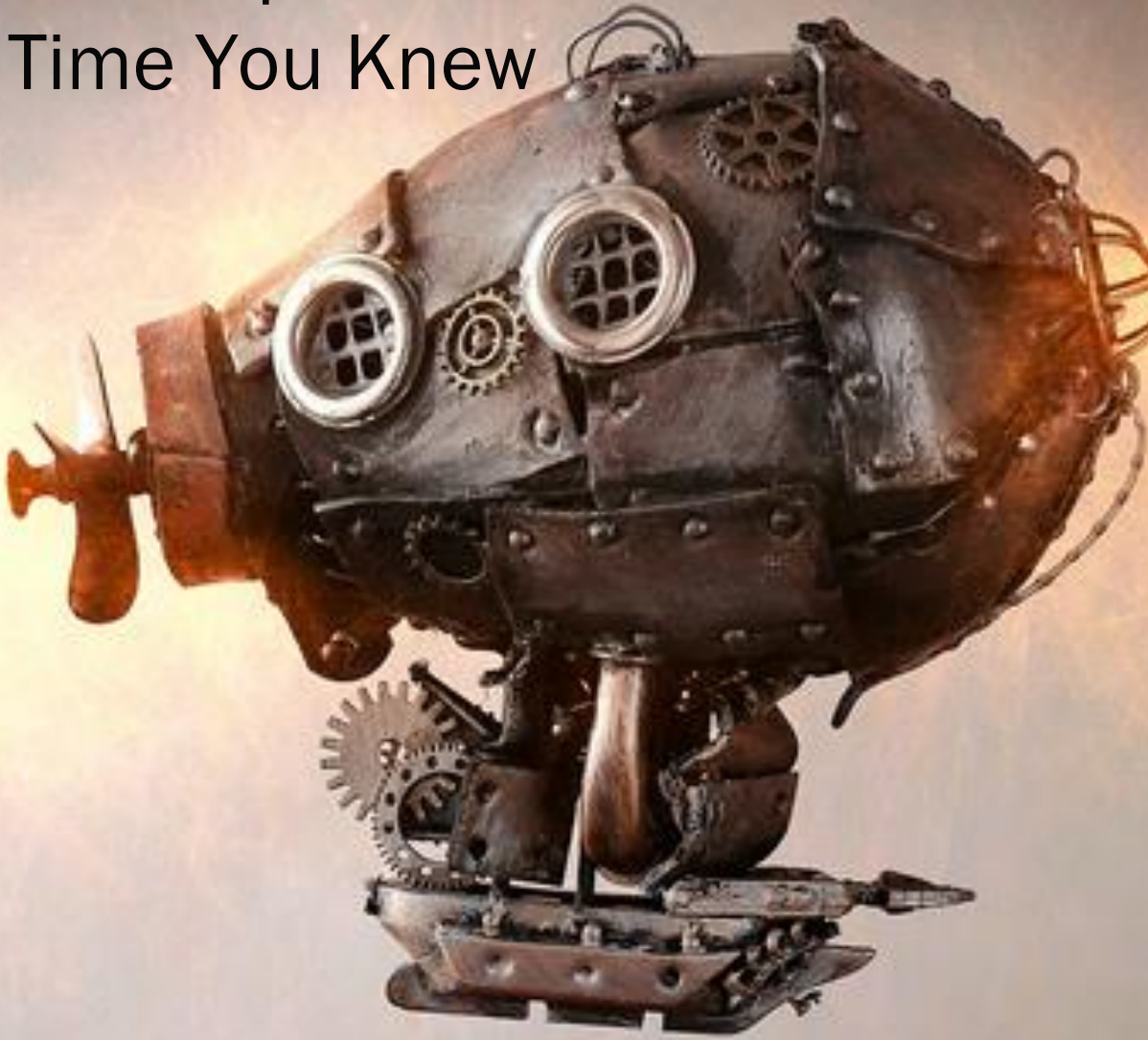
The Mental Floss article on the best time for activities was reprinted in Reader's Digest and can be found here:

<http://www.rd.com/slideshows/perfect-timing-how-to-make-the-most-of-the-day/>

Do you agree with the suggested times? Why or Why not?



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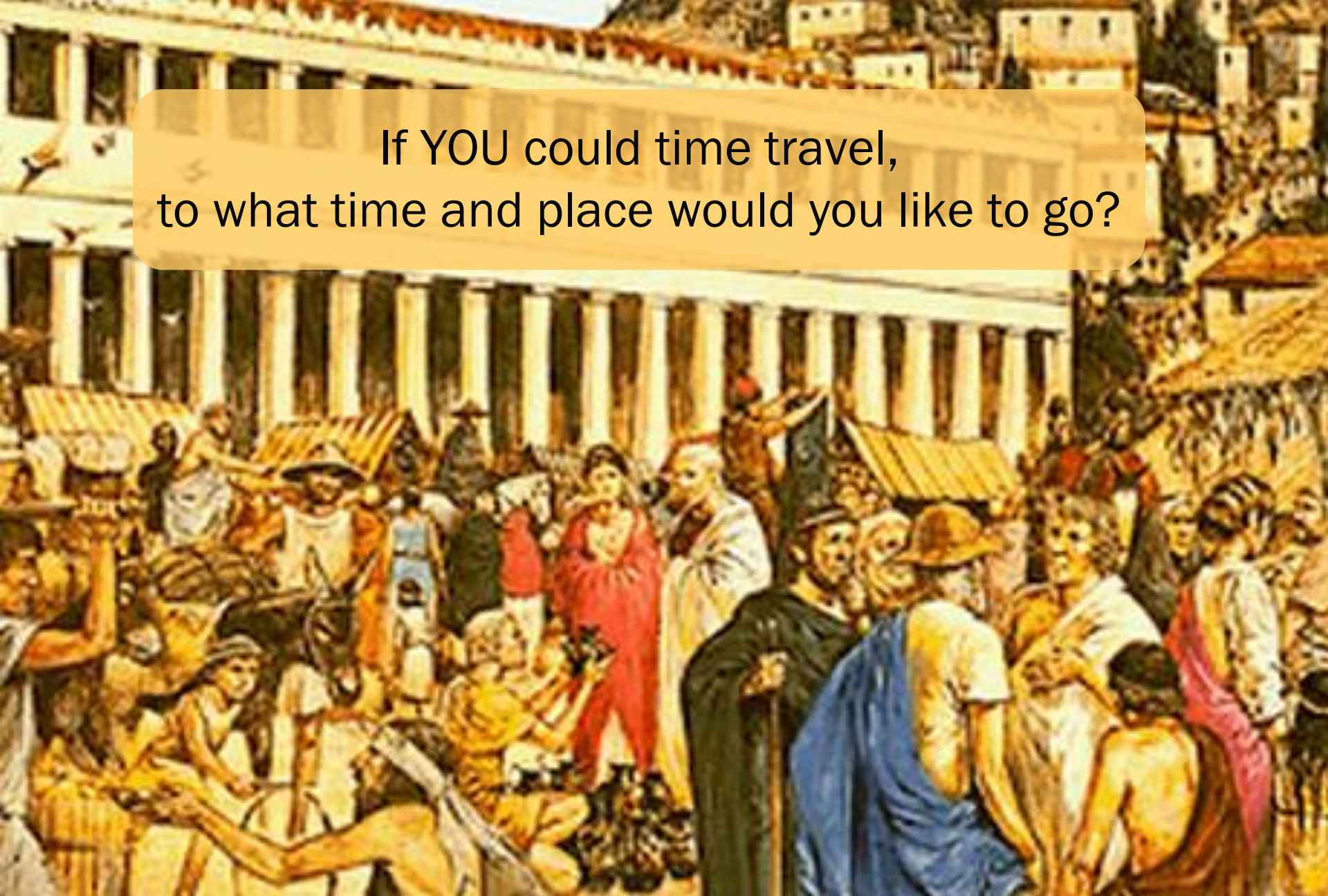
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True X False

If YOU could time travel,
to what time and place would you like to go?



A final thought:

How long a minute is,
depends on which side
of the bathroom door
you're on.

~ Zall's Second Law



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