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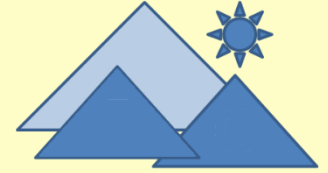
Sample Cards

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You are invited to a business dinner at a restaurant in Egypt.
When the waiter brings the bill, you should:

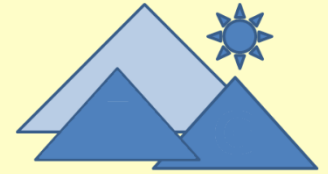
A. Let the host pay the bill.

B. Ask to pay your part.

C. Pay the whole thing.

Click on your choice.

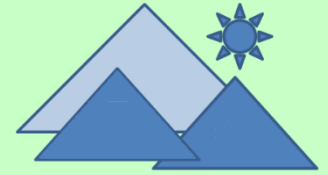




A. Egyptians take great pride in their hospitality to guests. As a guest, it might be a nice gesture to offer to pay but expect strong resistance from the host, as it is seen as the host's obligation to take care of the guests.

If you chose the best answer, keep this card. If not, discard it.





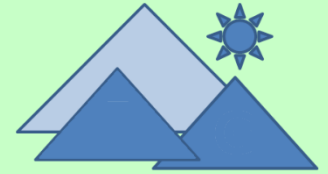
In recent years, two Egyptians received the Nobel Prize. They are Naguib Mahfouz who received the Nobel Prize for Literature and Dr. Ahmed Zewail who received the Nobel Prize for Chemistry.

True.

False.

Click on your choice.



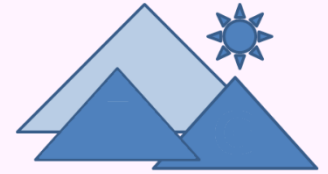


True. Mr. Naquib Mahfooz received his Nobel Prize for Literature in 1988 for "creating an Arabian narrative art that applies to all mankind" and Dr. Ahmed Zewail received his Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1999 "for his studies of the transition states of chemical reactions using femtosecond spectroscopy."

*If you chose the correct answer, keep this card.
If not, discard it.*



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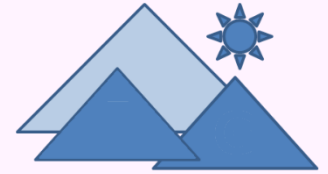


You are in Egypt during the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan. No one in the streets is eating, smoking, drinking or chewing gum from dawn to sunset. Knowing this, you respect the local custom and neither publicly consume nor talk about food during the day.

How would you react in this situation? Tell your team, and then keep this card.



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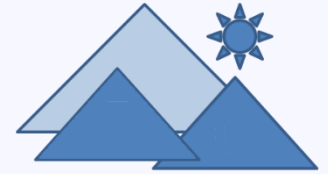


You have become good friends with your Egyptian business partner. You visited his house, played golf together and are on first name basis. In a formal meeting, you call him by his first name in front of everyone else. You can feel he is upset.

How might you think, feel or react in this situation? Tell your team, and then discard this card.



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“Block the door where the wind comes from, and relax.”

Egyptian proverb

Stopping any source of problems is better than confronting them later. This saying shows that the majority of Egyptians do not like confrontation.

After reading this card aloud, any team member, including you, may comment on it. Keep this card.



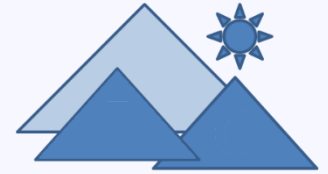
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Upper level management in an Egyptian organization tend to dress more formally. Dress indicates social class and wealth. The wealthier a person is, the more designer clothing they will have in their wardrobe. Share with your team mates the business dress code in your organization or culture.

Ask team mates, if they wish, to share when they are likely to wear formal business attire. Keep this card.





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