12 unbelievable real estate facts that will make you question everything

Think you've seen and heard everything in the real estate business? You might be surprised to learn about some of these *fascinating* real estate facts from around the world.

If you want some fun conversation starters the next time you're chatting with a client or colleague, don't miss these fun pieces of real estate trivia below!

1. According to legend, the Winchester Mansion was constructed *non-stop, 24 hours a day for 38 years*. Many claimed the property was haunted by the ghosts of those killed with Winchester rifles.

Photo courtesy of Roxana Salceda on Wikimedia

2. The needle at the top of the Empire State Building was originally intended as an *anchor for blimps*.

Photo by Marc Ruaix on Unsplash

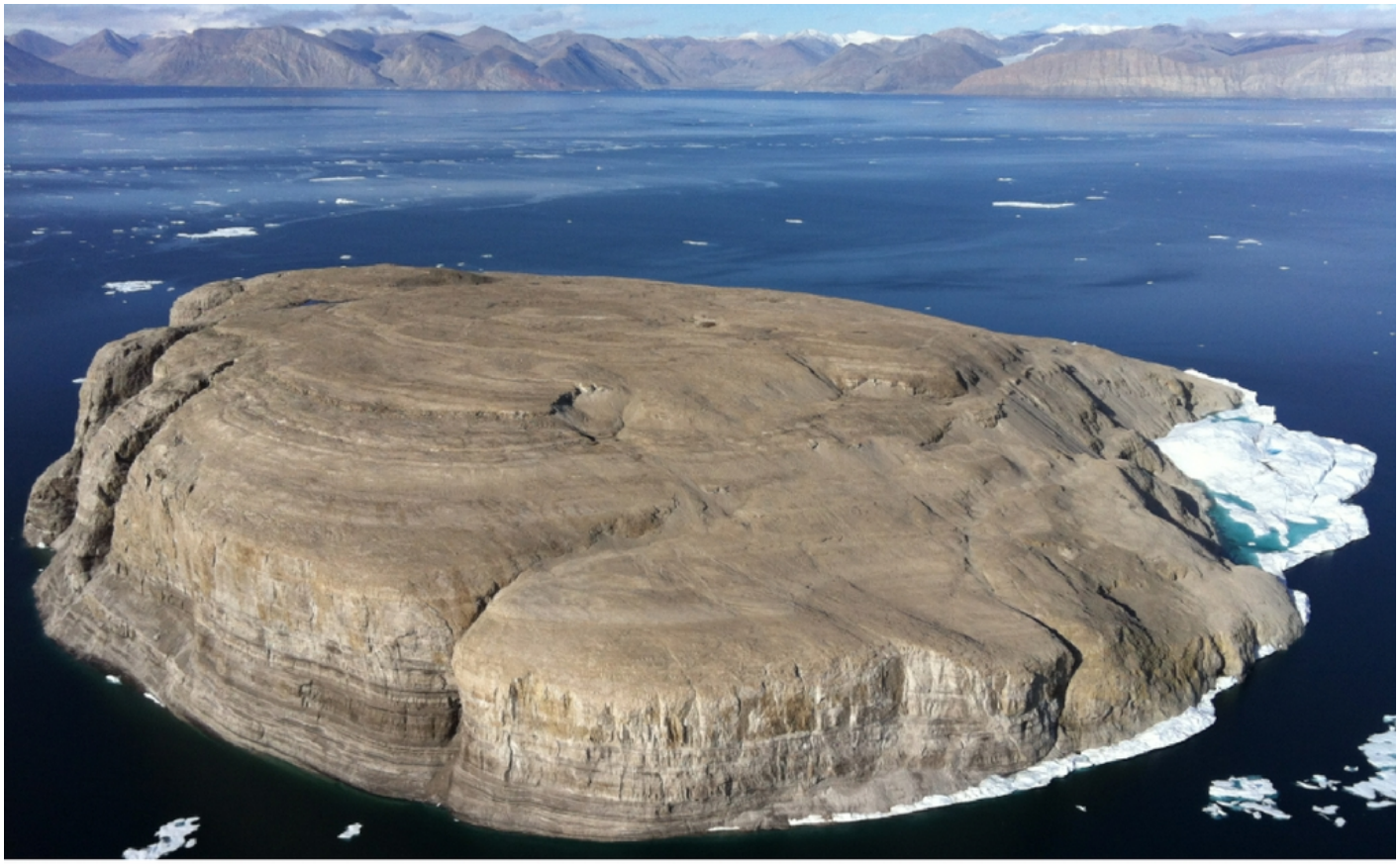
3. The primary purpose of a Castle's moat was to prevent attackers from *digging tunnels under the walls*.

BoomTown brings growth-minded teams into the digital age

Professional lead gen, a sleek website and a next-gen CRM in one platform READ MORE

Photo by Kees Streefkerk on Unsplash

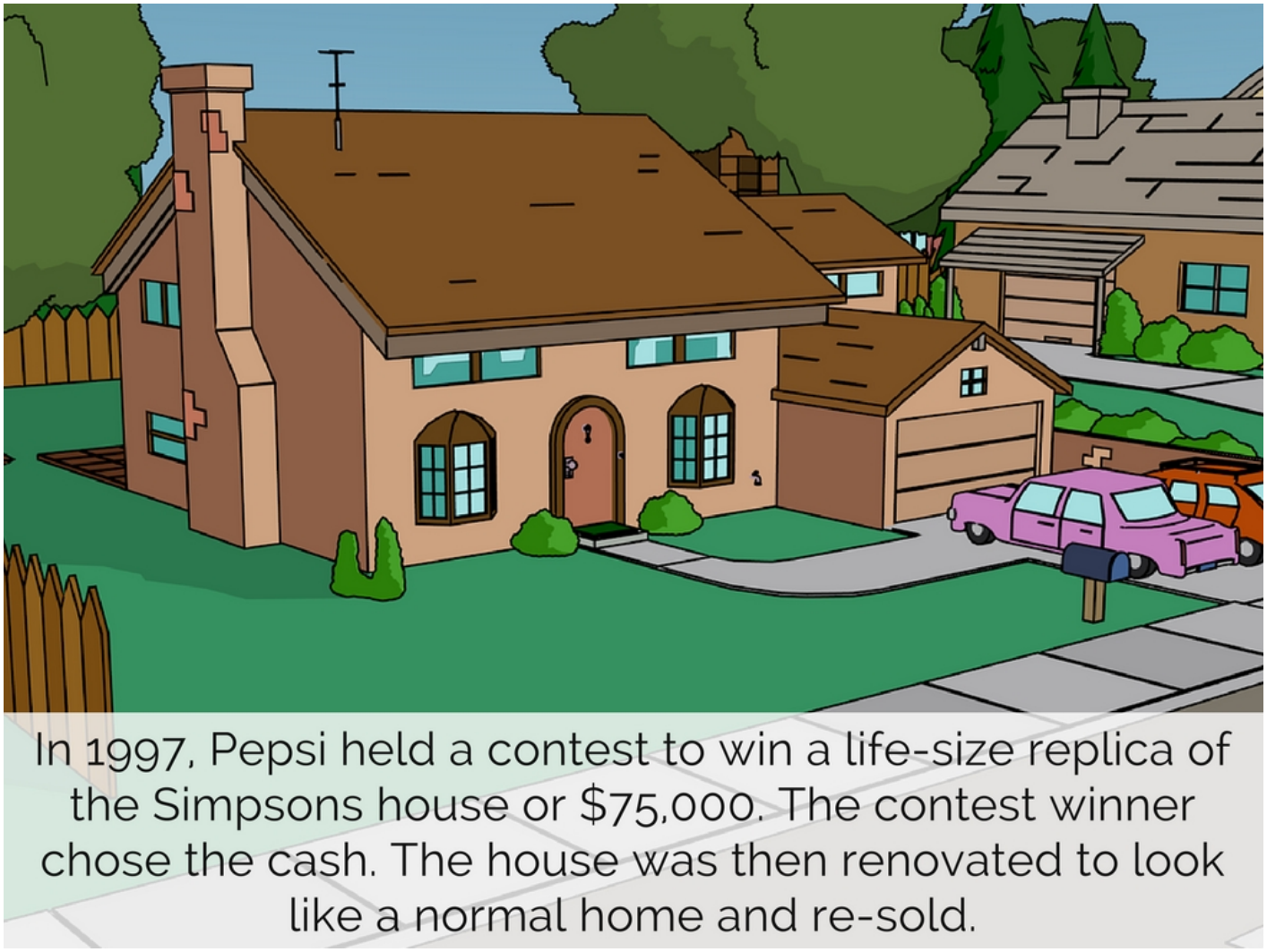
4. Canada and Denmark have disputed their claim to Hans Island for decades. Both countries will periodically visit the island to remove the other country's flag and leave a bottle of Danish Schnapps or Canadian Whiskey. This is how friendly nations wage war.



Canada and Denmark have disputed their claim to Hans Island for decades. Both countries will periodically visit the island to remove the other country's flag and leave a bottle of Danish Schnapps or Canadian Whiskey.
This is how friendly nations wage war.

Courtesy of Wikipedia

5. In 1997, Pepsi held a contest to win a life-size replica of the Simpsons house or $75,000. The contest winner chose the cash. The house was then renovated to look like a normal home and re-sold.



Pixabay

6. Amazon named a building after its first customer, *who spent $27.95 to buy one book*. The purchase was made in 1995, and the book was about artificial intelligence.

Photo by Micha? Grosicki on Unsplash

7. There's a building in Japan with a highway going through it's fifth, sixth and seventh floors. *The highway is the tenant on all three floors.*

Photo by Julina Rashid on Unsplash

8. The biggest pyramid on earth is not in Egypt, *but in Mexico — hidden under a mountain*.

Photo by Jezael Melgoza on Unsplash

9. The Boeing Everett Factory in Seattle is so large that *rain clouds would form inside the facility* until a state-of-the-art air circulation system was installed.

Courtesy of Wikipedia

10. If other elevator safety systems failed, and you were the only person in the car, there are counterweights that would make the elevator ascend, or “fall up,” rather than down.

Photo by Samuel Zeller on Unsplash

11. The five-story pagoda building in Horyuji, Japan, is the oldest wooden building on earth. It was built with timber from *trees that were harvested in 600 A.D.*

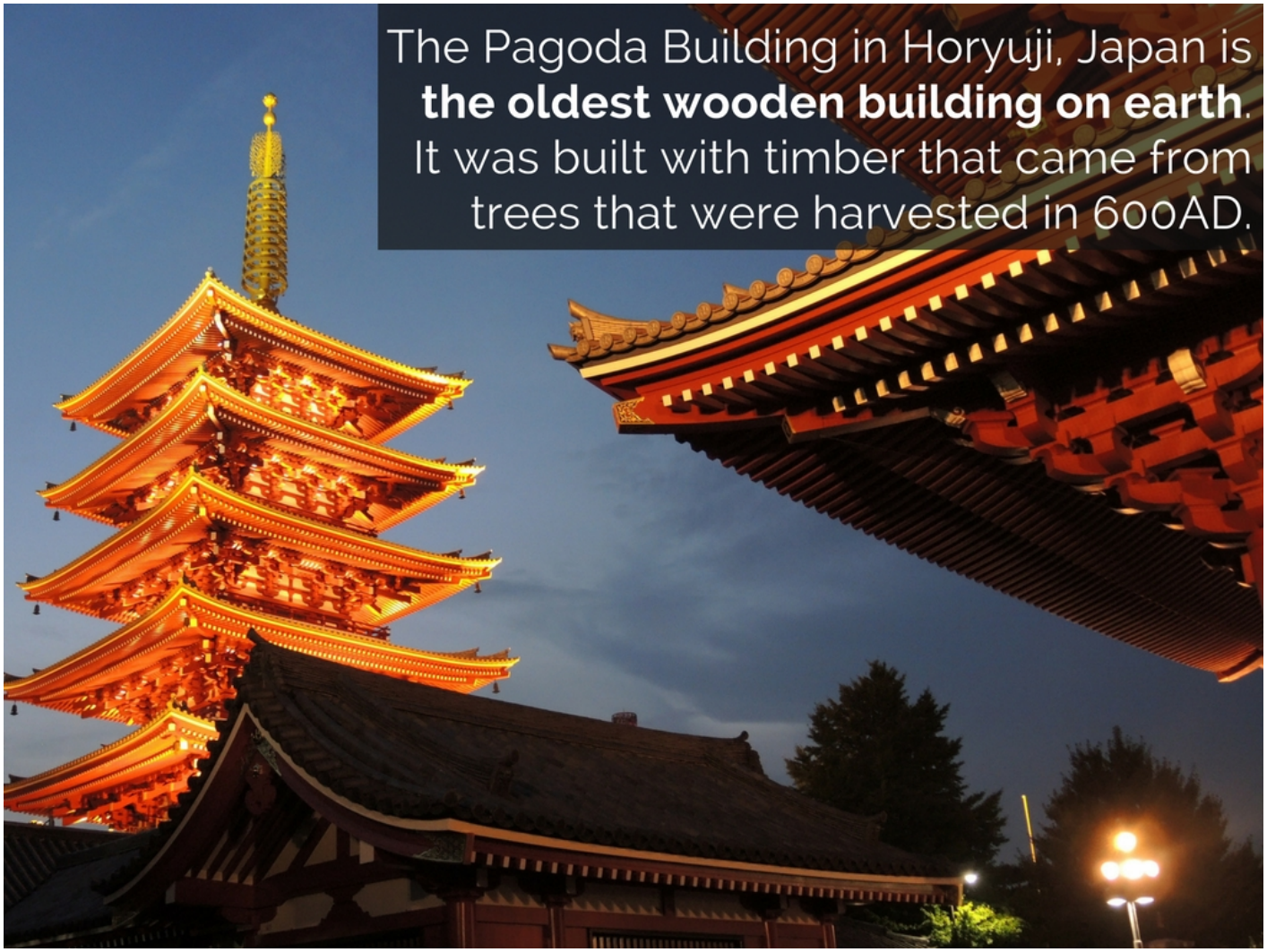


Photo by Montse Monmo on Unsplash

12. The U.S. Capitol Building in Washington D.C. has 365 steps to represent each day of the year.

Photo by Jomar Thomas on Unsplash

Do you know of any other fascinating real estate facts? Let us know about them in the comments below!

Seth Williams is an active real estate investor, commercial real estate banker and small business educator. Seth is also the Founder of the REtipster.com, a real estate investing blog centered on the discussion of innovative new strategies and business insights for part-time real estate investors.

Source: click here