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Serena Williams at the 2013 Open

**Q: Can you book the U.S. Open courts at other times of the year?** —Alan T., Chicago

**A:** Yes, but center court will cost you—to the tune of \$1,500 per hour of play at Arthur Ashe Stadium in Queens, N.Y. If that's a little beyond your budget, you can book other courts used during the Open (which this year runs from Aug. 25 to Sept. 8) starting at \$24 per hour. How many tennis balls does the Open use each year? Find out at [parade.com/tennis](http://parade.com/tennis).



George Takei

**Q: How does George Takei come up with his funny tweets?** —Ed R., Boston

**A:** "Social media has the word *me* in it, so people tweet about themselves," says Takei, 77, who boasts more than 1.3 million Twitter fans @GeorgeTakei,

"but they forget the word *social*. It should be something you share. A good tweet is humorous, something people connect with."

The actor, the subject of a new documentary, *To Be Takei*, reveals his favorite *Star Trek* "drinking buddy" at [parade.com/takei](http://parade.com/takei).

WALTER SCOTT ASKS...

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The *Late Night* host, 40, is emceeding the *Emmy Awards* for the first time on Monday (8 p.m. ET on NBC).

**What can viewers expect from you as *Emmy* host?** I don't sing or dance, so you can expect none of that, but knowing my shortcomings will allow me to focus on my strengths, which is telling a lot of good jokes.

**How does *Late Night* compare to anchoring *SNL*'s "Weekend Update"?** With the new show, it's fun to actually have conversations with people where they can be unexpected. It's also nice to share more about my personal life.

**What's the best thing about being a newlywed?** [Meyers wed human rights lawyer Alexi Ashe in September 2013.] The amount of TV you get to watch! I married the right person and it's great.

**Who was the last person to make you laugh?** Probably my parents and my wife. I can't ever go a day without my wife making me laugh.



Daniel Radcliffe

**Q: How did Daniel Radcliffe prepare for his first rom-com?** —Ami P., Miami

**A:** The former *Harry Potter* star, who makes his romantic comedy debut in the new film *What If*, says his offscreen rapport with costar Zoe Kazan fueled their onscreen chemistry. "We're both bookish and a bit nerdy," he says. "[I learned] what makes her laugh." As for his real-life girlfriend, actress Erin Darke? "I'm not a very chilled-out person," he says, but around her, "[I'm] relaxed." See Radcliffe's evolution from boy wizard to heartthrob at [parade.com/daniel](http://parade.com/daniel).

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How did they make the snow in *The Wizard of Oz*?

—Rita M., Cincinnati



Judy Garland as Dorothy

**A:** Fans of the classic film, which celebrates its 75th anniversary this year, may be shocked to know that the magic snowflakes Glinda uses to revive Dorothy and friends after they fall prey to the Wicked Witch's poppies were made of asbestos fibers, a popular fake snow material at the time. Find 75 more *Wizard of Oz* facts at [parade.com/oz](http://parade.com/oz).



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