

Love Knows No Age Limit

VOCABULARY WORDS

1. **retirement home** (noun): A place where older adults live and are cared for.
Example: The couple met at a retirement home in Philadelphia.
2. **costume party** (noun): A party where people wear themed outfits.
Example: They first met at a costume party.
3. **immediately** (adverb): Right away, without delay.
Example: They hit it off immediately when they met.
4. **announcement** (noun): A formal statement about a decision or event.
Example: The couple's wedding announcement surprised their family.
5. **confirmed** (verb): Proved to be true.
Example: Guinness confirmed their record in December.
6. **secret** (noun): Something kept hidden or unknown.
Example: Littman and Fiterman shared their secrets to long lives.



A Record-Breaking Love Story

Marjorie Fiterman (102) and Bernie Littman (100) have proven that age is just a number. Together, they became the world's oldest newlyweds, with a combined age of 202 years and 271 days.

Comprehension Question:

From Strangers to Soulmates

Both moved to the same retirement home in Philadelphia after losing their partners. Although they were once students at the same university, they didn't meet until years later at a costume party. They immediately connected and dated for nine years before deciding to marry.

Comprehension Question:

A Wedding That Surprised Everyone

The couple's family and friends were surprised by their wedding news. Littman's granddaughter said sharing their joy was a bright spot in a world full of sadness. Their wedding took place in May, and Guinness World Records confirmed their achievement in December.

Comprehension Question:

Secrets to a Long and Happy Life

What keeps them going? Littman credits staying informed by reading and watching the news, while Fiterman swears by drinking buttermilk. Their granddaughter believes their love plays a role, saying they "keep each other young."

Comprehension Question:

DISCUSSION

1. If you could marry at 100 years old, what kind of wedding would you want?
2. How would you describe the perfect retirement home for yourself?
3. What are some unusual "secrets" you've heard for living a long life?
4. How do you think love changes as people age?
5. Imagine you're at a costume party—what costume would you wear, and why?
6. Do you think setting world records is important? Why or why not?
7. What advice would you give to someone who is 100 years old and thinking of marrying?