**True**

* Israel publishes more books per capita than any country in the world  
  The hit TV show Homeland is based on an Israeli show.  
  At it's narrowest point, you can cross Israel in less than 10 miles.  
  In recent years, about 3,000 people from North America made aliyah (move to Israel) each year
* Rafting, snow skiing, and sailing are common vacation activities for Israelis and tourists  
  Israel has its own version of “American Idol,” "The Voice," "Project Runway," "Next Top Model" and "Big Brother."
* Instant messaging, the flash drive, and a camera that you can swallow for medical testing were invented by Israelis in Israel.
* Microsoft, Google, Intel and soon Apple, all have research centers in Israel.
* For safety reasons, bags and purses are commonly checked at the entrance to many Israeli malls, restaurants, movie theaters, etc.  
  Israelis and tourists fill the streets of Israel’s cities and towns, restaurants and businesses regularly
* Israel was the third country to elect a female Prime Minister after Ceylon and India.  
  The Declaration of the establishment of the State of Israel was made in Tel Aviv but Jerusalem is the capital of Israel.
* In Israel, most people wish one another a Shabbat Shalom on Friday, even if they are not religious.  
  The Reform and Conservative movements are small but slowly establishing themselves in Israel.
* The Biblical country of Israel included much of Jordan and even Damascus, Syria.
* Construction in Israel frequently is delayed due to the discovery of ancient Jewish artifacts.
* The Maccabi Tel Aviv Basketball Team has won five European league championships.  
  Even though much of Israel is desert, Israeli athletes have earned Olympic medals for canoeing and sailing.
* Albert Einstein was asked to be the first President of Israel.
* Four Israelis have won Nobel Prizes in science.
* Israel's current supreme court includes one Israeli Arab.  
  Road signs in Israel are required to be written in Hebrew, Arabic and English.
* Israelis are required to serve in the military at age 18.  
  Immigrants to Israel are also required to serve in Israel's military.
* School in Israel often ends by 1:00 p.m.  
  Schools close in Israel for Jewish holidays.

**False**

* Most Israelis live in the desert
* There are no shopping malls in any of Israel’s cities…only outdoor markets  
  The extreme heat in Israel has limited the speed of Internet access.  
  More people die from terror acts than in car accidents in Israel each year
* Only Jews are allowed to serve in the Israeli Knesset (parliament).  
  Most Jews in Israel are very religious, wearing black hats and black suits.  
  Prior to World War II, there had never been more than 1,000 Jews in the land of Israel since the time of the Bible.  
  Because of security concerns, Israelis do not attend sporting events at large stadiums.
* Israel has never sent an astronaut to space.
* Israel's government used to be a democracy but is now a one-party system.
* The IDF is only made up of Jewish Israeli soldiers.  
  Israeli kids are obsessed with baseball, just like in America.