

## SEVEN

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lemons and limes have always tasted like seven  
the color green is naturally seven  
and so are knives and forks.

submarines are seven unlike helicopters which are five  
or red apples which always taste like eight except  
sometimes if too ripe, apples could be a three.

chocolate is four and so are sofas and couches  
people's shoes are eight, fog horns are eight  
cruise ships and old steamers are eight.

girls are four and boys are five  
boys could be seven sometimes, usually older boys,  
the younger ones tend to be five almost always.

blondes have a tendency to be three  
cowboys are eight and sailors are seven  
rice pudding is seven and so is electricity.

young girls could be three, especially if they are blonde.  
the color brown is eight, gold is eight, silver is seven  
pink is a four and a very cool color to the touch.

blue is three and so is red, although sometimes  
depending on the item, red could be thirteen  
white is always one no matter what.

dreams are white and therefore one  
when dreams are black or multicolored bursts,  
then they are three.

the color orange does not have a number  
but if it did  
it would probably be eleven or twelve.

six is a very empty number  
six is what you feel when you are lonely  
few objects are attracted to the number six and it lacks flavor