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# Infinity

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Infinity is the ultimate  
Answer to all your  
Eternal questions,  
Infinity, it turns out,  
Is the only answer that makes  
Any sense to me.

How large is the universe?  
Infinitely large.

How many galaxies are there?  
How many stars?  
How many planets?  
How many black holes?

How small is the tiniest piece of matter?  
Infinitely small.

How many atoms are there?  
How many molecules?  
How many electrons circling how many nuclei  
Like minuscule planets around their suns?

How long is time?  
Infinitely long.

How many numbers are there?  
How many dimensions?  
How many different paths to choose from  
Extending out in how many directions?

How many factors simultaneously  
Affect the outcome of  
Any particular event?  
How many possible outcomes  
Does any particular event have?

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How many ways are there to look at any situation?  
How many different actions could you take?

How many points between  
The two ends of a continuum?  
How many shades of gray between black and white?  
How many fractions between one and zero?  
How many decimal places could we add?

How many possible sentences  
Are there for us to assemble?

How many words can we create?  
How many questions could we ask?  
How many thoughts is it possible to turn into reality?  
How many loving acts could we decide to carry out?

Infinite wisdom,  
Infinite consciousness,  
Infinite understanding,  
Infinite presence,  
Infinite forgiveness,  
Is this what God is?

Everything,  
Everywhere,  
Everywhen.

Yet some things are finite:  
The number of days in the week,  
The number of miles from here to there,  
The balance in your bank account,  
The percent tax you just paid on gasoline,  
The price of a soy latte,  
These we have created.

The number of moons the Earth has,  
The number of Suns that rise in our sky,  
The number of fingers on our hands,  
The number of wings on a bird,  
The number of spots on a leopard,  
These were created for us.

How many years will you have on this earth?  
This is a finite number worth considering.

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We are only temporarily finite  
As we pass through here  
Back to infinity,  
The one,  
The only,  
The ultimate answer.