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was young. He had several hundred young layers, called pullets, and 8 or 10 roosters whose job was to fertilize the eggs. My uncle kept records and any rooster or pullet that did not perform well was replaced. Now this took an awful lot of time. So when my uncle saw a set of eight tiny bells that each

shaft so the bell wouldn't ring except when violently shaken. He hung the bell on each rooster's neck and went and mixed a Mint Julip. Now he could sit on the porch and sip while filling out an efficiency report on the roosters by listening to the different tones of the bells marking down each encounter. My uncle's favorite rooster was old Brewster. Brewster was a fine specimen, but his bell didn't ring all morning. Uncle went out to investigate.

ringing. Brewster had his bell in his beak so it couldn't ring. He'd sneak up on a pullet, do his job was soon so proud of Brewster he entered him in the county fair.

Surprise! {Get it? Sorry :-) }

snowstorm. She didn't panic however, because she remembered what her dad had once told her. "If you ever get stuck in a snowstorm, just wait for a snow plow to come by and follow it."

and she started to follow it. She followed the plow for about forty-five minutes. Finally the driver of the truck got out and asked her what she was doing.

got stuck in a snow storm, to follow a plow.

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A man absolutely hated his wife's cat. One day he decided to get rid of the cat by driving him 20 blocks from his home and leaving him at the park. But just as the man arrived back home, the cat was walking up the driveway.

The next day he decided to drive the cat 40 blocks away. He put the beast out of the car and headed home. Driving back up his driveway, there was the cat waiting for him!

He kept leaving the cat further and further away, and the cat would always beat him home. At last he decided to drive a few miles away, turn right, then left, past the bridge, then right again and another right until he reached what he thought was a safe distance from his home and left the cat there. Hours later the man called home to his wife: "Jen, is the cat there?"

"Yes", the wife answered. "Why do you ask?" Frustrated, the man said, "Put him on the phone. I'm lost and need directions."

#### The Wisdom of Children

• Never let your three-year-old brother in the same room as your school assignment. • If you want a kitten, start out by asking for a horse.



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#### Batman

I went to dinner with my husband, a male friend of ours, Jim, and his new girlfriend, Dorothy. While eating dinner we got on the subject of vacations. Dorothy said that she wanted to go to Gotham City for her next vacation.

I tried to explain to her that it wasn't a real place. She laughed and said "It is, too. It's where Batman lives".

I laughed and looked over at Jim who smiled and told me she was serious. I then tried to explain. "Batman does not exist. Why do you think there have been so many of them: Clooney, Kilmer and Keaton?"

She looked me straight in the eye and said, "That's because he doesn't want anyone to know who he really is."

#### **Ready to Deploy**

At a naval barracks the enlisted men were being given their shots prior to going overseas. One lad, having received his whole series of injections, asked for a glass of water.

"What's the matter?" asked the hospital corpsman. "Do you feel light-headed?"

"No, just checking to see if I'm still watertight."

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- 6. You watch the Weather Channel.
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- 8. Jeans and a sweater no longer qualify as "dressed up."
- 9. You're the one calling the police because those darn kids next door won't turn down the stereo.
- 10. You don't know what time Taco Bell closes any more.
- 11. Your car insurance goes down and your car payments go up.
- 12. You feed your dog Science Diet instead of McDonald's leftovers.
- 13. Sleeping on the couch makes your back hurt.
- 14. Dinner and a movie is the whole date instead of the beginning of one.
- 15. Eating a basket of chicken wings at 3 AM would severely upset, rather than settle, your stomach.
- 16. A \$4.00 bottle of wine is no longer "pretty good stuff."
- 17. You actually eat breakfast food at breakfast time.
- 18. 90% of the time you spend in front of a computer is for real work.
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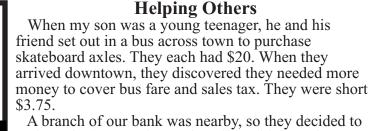
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go in and take out a loan. The teller told them that was not possible, but that they could get a cash advance on their parents' credit card. So they called home, but got no answer. They tried the teller again to see if anything more could be done. She referred them to the desk of the vice president. When he asked why the bank should give them a loan, they answered, "Because we're Boy Scouts and good students, and very trustworthy." He said that since they had no collateral, they would have to write out and sign an IOU. They did, and he in turn gave them the money they needed to complete their mission.

We found out later that this wonderful man lent the boys his own money. (My husband called him the next day asking for the same terms on a home loan!) In talking with the man, we learned that he had made many such loans, including a large one to a Navy wife whose allotment was delayed. He said he's been repaid almost 100 percent of the time, and that the opportunity to help others in this way was one of the most rewarding parts of his job.

My son and his friend hopped on the bus the very next morning. They paid off their loan and received their IOU signed by the vice president. It was banking at its best.

#### **Chanting Curiosity**

A man was walking past the mental hospital surrounded by a high wall and hears chanting coming from inside, "Thirteen! Thirteen! Thirteen!" Curious to see what was going on, he

finds a small hole in the wall, and bends down to peeks inside.

Someone inside pokes him hard in the eye and everyone starts inside chanting, "Fourteen! Fourteen! Fourteen!" (Curiosity gets you every time!)

#### **Boss Prepared**

A salesman was assigned to secure an important client but failed in his mission. He faxed his secretary and asked her to break the news indirectly to his boss. His note read, "Failed in securing client, prepare the boss."

He received the following fax from his secretary: "The boss is prepared ... prepare yourself."

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#### **Chasing the Cat**

A couple was going out for the evening to celebrate the wife's birthday. They'd gotten ready - all dressed up, put the cat out, etc.

The taxi arrived, and as the couple walked out of their home, the cat ran back into the house.

Not wanting their often rowdy cat to have free run of the house while they were out, the husband went back upstairs to chase the cat out.

The wife, not wanting it known that the house would be empty, explained to the taxi driver, "He's just going upstairs to say goodbye to my mother."

A few minutes later, the husband got into the cat, and said, "Sorry I took so long" he says, "Stupid old thing was hiding under the bed and I had to poke her with a coat hanger to get her to come out!"

#### **Canine Movie Review**

A man follows a woman out of a movie theater. She has a dog on a leash.

He stops her and says, "I'm sorry to bother you, but I couldn't help but notice that your dog was really into the movie. He cried at the right spots, he moved nervously in his seat at the boring parts, but most of all, he laughed like crazy at the funny parts. Did you find that unusual?"

"Yes," she replied, "I found it very unusual..... because he hated the book!"

#### **Faulty Bag**

It was very crowded at the supermarket, and the customer in front of me had a large order.

As the harried looking clerk lifted the final bag for her, its bottom gave way, sending the contents crashing to the floor.

Apologizing, the clerk turned to the customer and said, "I'm sorry, but they just don't make these bags like they used to."

"You're right," replied the customer. "That was supposed to happen in my driveway!"

#### **Interesting Quotes**

•"Life is a kind of swings and roundabouts situation if you can't kick a football you turn to other pursuits." John McLeod

•"Your hand is never the worse for doing its own work." Welsh Proverb

•"Successful people did not attain their success without first overcoming challenges." Catherine Pulsifer

•"The work praises the man." Irish Proverb •"You don't get something for nothing."

Russian Proverb

•"Many people have so much more potential than where they are right now." *Catherine Pulsifer* 

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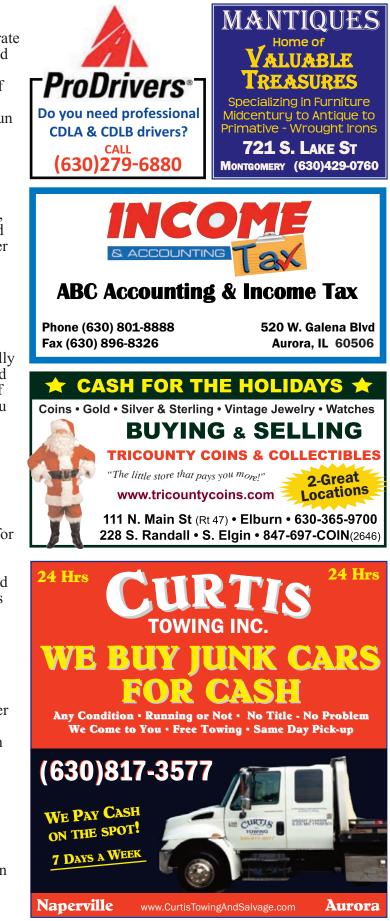
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•I'm gonna have to put you on hold. The baby is due any minute now. Quick someone, get some hot water. Lots of it. Sorry, gotta hurry now, don't go away.

•Oh, it's you again. I was hoping you'd call back. The better business people said I need more positive identification to file my complaint. Now first let me have your name and telephone number...

#### **Preparing the Ham**

A young woman was preparing a ham dinner. After she cut off the end of the ham, she placed it in a pan for baking.

Her friend asked her,"Why did you cut off the end of the ham"?

And she replied, "I really don't know but my mother always did, so I thought you were supposed to."

Later when talking to her mother she asked her why she cut off the end of the ham before baking it, and her mother replied, "I really don't know, but that's the way my mom always did it."

A few weeks later while visiting her grandmother, the young woman asked, "Grandma, why is it that you cut off the end of a ham before you bake it?"

Her grandmother replied, "Well dear, otherwise it would never fit into my baking pan."



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#### **50 People Swindled!**

A newsboy was standing on the corner with a stack of papers, yelling, "Read all about it. Fifty people swindled! Fifty people swindled!"

Curious, a man walked over, bought a paper, and checked the front page. Finding nothing, the man said, "There's nothing in here about fifty people being swindled."

The newsboy ignored him and went on, calling out, "Read all about it. Fifty-one people swindled!"

#### **Medical or Surgical**

The two young boys were discussing their ailments together in the children's ward.

"Are you medical or surgical?" asked the first, who had been in the ward for a week.

"I don't know what you mean," replied the second. "It's simple," replied the first. "Were you sick when you came in here? Or did they make you sick when you got here?"

#### Fatherly Knowledge

A father and son went fishing one day. After a couple hours out in the boat, the boy suddenly became curious about the world around him. He asked his father, "How does this boat float?"

The father thought for a moment, then replied, "I don't really know, son."

The boy returned to his contemplation, then turned back to his father, "How do fish breath underwater?"

Once again the father replied, "Don't really know, son."

A little later the boy asked his father, "Why is the sky blue?"

Again, the father replied. "Don't really know, son." Worried he was going to annoy his father, he said, "Dad, do you mind me asking you all of these questions?"

"Of course not son. How else are you ever going to learn anything?" replied his father.

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**Third** ~ Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.

Fourth ~ When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.

**Fifth** ~ You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

Sixth ~ I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.

Seventh ~ One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being young.

**Eighth** ~ One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been.

Ninth ~ Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.

**Tenth** ~ Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it's called golf.

And finally ~ If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you are old.

Good Advice: Never, under any circumstances, take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night.

#### **New Cow Dealer**

A farmer had been ripped-off several times by the local car dealer.

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#### Pet Names

An elderly man was invited to his old friend's home for dinner one evening. He was impressed by the way his old buddy preceded every request to his wife with endearing terms-calling her Honey, My Love, Darling, Sweetheart, Pumpkin, etc. The couple had been married almost 70 years and they were still very clearly in love.

While the wife was off in the kitchen, the man leaned over and said to his buddy, "I think it's wonderful that, after all the years you've been married, you still call your wife those loving pet names."

The old man hung his head. "I have to tell you the truth," he said. "I forgot her name about ten years ago."

#### **Will Rogers Classics**

Will Rogers, who died in a plane crash with Wylie Post in 1935, was probably the greatest political sage this country has ever known. Enjoy the following:

1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.

- 2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
- 3. There are 2 theories to arguing with a woman... neither works.
- 4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- 5. Always drink upstream from the herd.
- 6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
- 7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.
- 8. There are three kinds of men: The ones that learn by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to touch the electric fence and find out for themselves.
- 9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
- 10. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
- 11. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.
- 12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

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#### Sentences

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## **Goldfish Burial**

Little Tim was in the garden filling in a hole when his neighbor peered over the fence. Interested in what the cheeky-faced youngster was up to, he politely asked, "What are you up to there, Tim?"

"My goldfish died," replied Tim tearfully, without looking up, "and I've just buried him."

The neighbor was concerned, "That's an awfully big hole for a goldfish, isn't it?"

Tim patted down the last heap of earth then replied, "That's because he's still inside your cat!"

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#### Sick Leave

Negotiations between union members and their employer were at an impasse. The union denied that their workers were flagrantly abusing their contract's sick-leave provisions.

One morning at the bargaining table, the company's chief negotiator held aloft the morning edition of the newspaper, "This man," he announced, "Called in sick yesterday!" There on the sports page, was a photo of the supposedly ill employee, who had just won a local golf tournament with an excellent score.

The silence in the room was broken by a union negotiator. "Wow," he said. "Think of what kind of score he could have had if he hadn't been sick!"

#### **Sleepy Accounting**

The accountant came to work looking exhausted. Finally, his boss took him aside.

"Barry," he said, "you look terrible! What's wrong?"

"Sorry," he replied. "I just couldn't get to sleep last night.'

Trying to be helpful, Barry's boss asked, "Why didn't you try counting sheep?"

"I did," he answered. "THAT was the problem. I made a mistake, and it took me the rest of the night to find it."

#### **Termite Problems**

An exterminating company was giving free termite inspections, and my dad phoned for an appointment.

After the inspector checked out our house, he said to Dad, "You don't have any termites right now, but there's a bunch of 'em in that firewood out back. When they've eaten their way through it, I guarantee they'll head for your house."

Dad was silent for a moment. Then, he replied, "Well, from the prices you quoted, I figure it would be cheaper for me just to buy the termites another cord of wood."

#### **Warranty Claim**

An angry client went back to the automobile garage where he'd purchased an expensive battery for his car six months earlier.

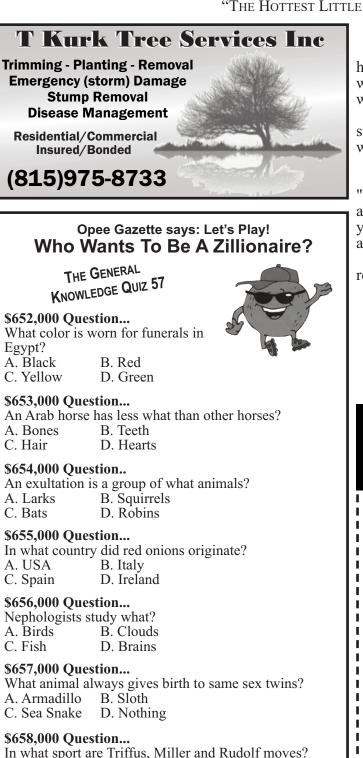
"Listen," the motorist grumbled to the owner of the garage, "when I bought this battery you said it would be the last battery my car would ever need. It died after only six months!"

"Sorry," apologized the garage owner. "I didn't think your car would last longer than that."



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After almost an hour of prying, pulling, cutting and stitching, he returned the dog to its owner, who asked what she owed.

"Fifteen hundred dollars, Ma'am," he answered.

"Why that's simply outrageous!" she stormed. "That's what's wrong with you Maine people, you're always trying to overcharge summer visitors. What do you do in the winter, when we're not being taken advantage of here?"

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#### **FBI** Agents and Pizza Man

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Agent: Hello. I would like to order 20 large pizzas and 70 cans of coke.

Pizza Man: And where would you like them delivered?

Agent: To the psychiatric hospital please.

Pizza Man: The psychiatric hospital?

Agent: That's right. I'm an FBI agent.

Pizza Man: You're an FBI agent?

Agent: That's correct. Just about everybody here is. Pizza Man: And you're at the psychiatric hospital? Agent: That's correct. And make sure you don't go

through the front doors. We have them locked. You will have to go around to the back to the service entrance to deliver the pizzas.

Pizza Man: And you say you're all FBI agents?

Agent: That's right. How soon can you have them here?

Pizza Man: And everyone at the psychiatric hospital is an FBI agent?

Agent: That's right. We've been here all day and we're starving.

Pizza Man: How are you going to pay for all of this? Agent: I have my checkbook right here.

Pizza Man: And you're all FBI agents?

Agent: That's right. Everyone here is an FBI agent. Can you remember to bring the pizzas and Cokes to the service entrance in the rear? We have the front doors locked.

Pizza Man: I don't think so. Click.

#### **One Wish**

A man found a magic genie who would grant him one wish. The man said to the genie, "I wish that I had a non-stop bridge from here to Hawaii."

The genie said, "I'm sorry, but that's going to be very hard. Do you have another wish?"

The man answered, "Of course! I want the power to understand all women."

The genie thought for a minute. He replied, "How many platforms did you want on that bridge?"

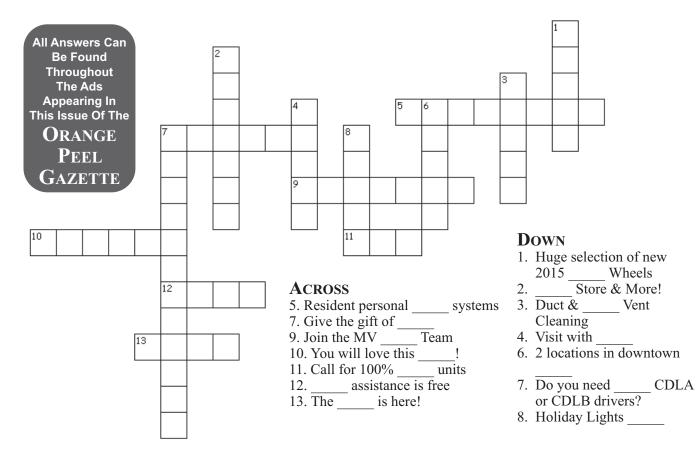
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#### **Common Courtesy**

I bumped into a stranger as he passed by, "Excuse me Please" was my reply. He said, "Please excuse me too; Wasn't even watching for you." We were very polite, this stranger and I. We went on our way and said good-bye. But at home a different story is told, How we treat our loved ones, young and old.

Later that day, cooking the evening meal, My daughter stood beside me very still. When I turned, I nearly knocked her down. "Move out of the way," I said with a frown. She walked away, her little heart was broken. I didn't realize how harshly I'd spoken.

While I lay awake, that evening, in bed,
God's still small voice came to me and said,
"While dealing with a stranger,
common courtesy you use,
But the children you love, you seem to abuse.
Go look on the kitchen floor,
You'll find some flowers there by the door.
Those are the flowers she brought for you.
She picked them herself: pink, yellow and blue.
She stood quietly not to spoil the surprise,
and you never saw the tears in her eyes."

By this time, I felt very small, and now my tears began to fall. I quietly went and knelt by her bed; "Wake up, my girl, wake up," I said. "Are these flowers picked for me?" She smiled, "I found 'em, out by the tree. I picked 'em because they're pretty like you. I knew you'd like 'em, especially the blue." "Daughter, I'm sorry for the way I acted today; I shouldn't have yelled at you that way." "Oh, Mom, that's okay. I love you anyway." "Daughter, I love you too, and I do like the flowers, especially the blue."

#### **Free Advice**

A rancher asked his veterinarian for some free advice. "I have a horse that walks normally sometimes, and sometimes he limps. What shall I do?"

The Vet replied, "The next time he walks normally, sell him."

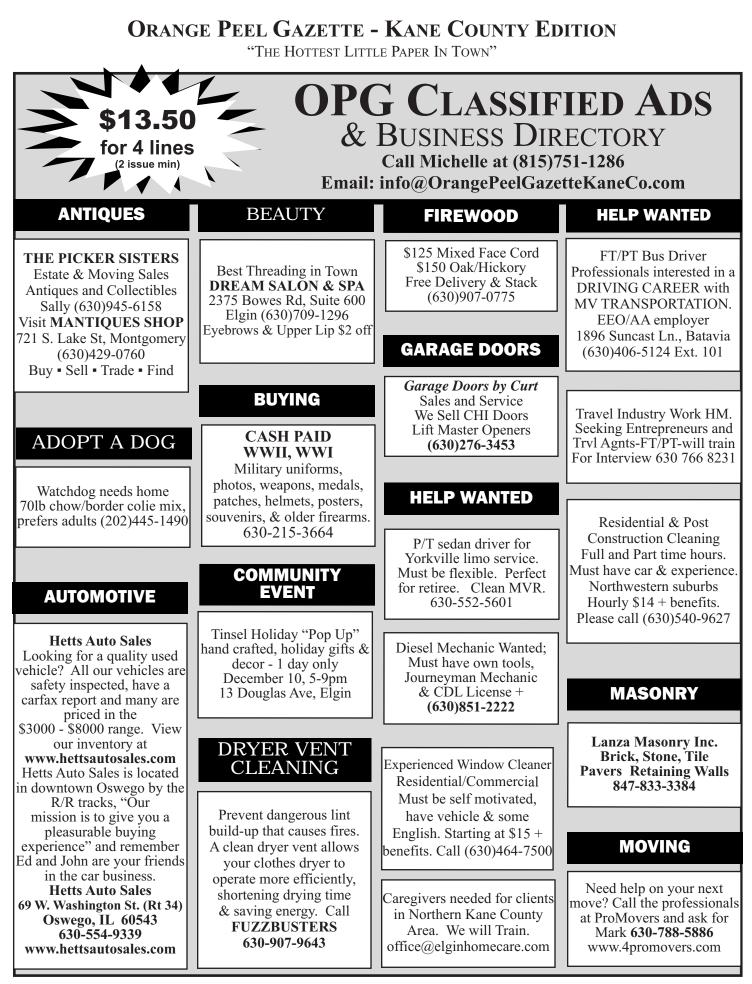
#### **Under the Bed**

Because of back problems, each night I lie on the floor and do exercises. Once when we stopped at a motel, as I started my exercise, something under the bed caught my eye. It was a card, on which was written "Yes, we do clean under here, too."

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#### Soft Drinks

Bob had always ordered a beverage by simply saying, "A Coke, please." However, recently waitresses had been responding, "I'm sorry, we don't have Coke. We have Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, Mr. Pibb."

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carbonated beverage."

The young man behind the counter looked up and said, "Sir, would you like a cylindrical plastic sucking device with that?"

#### The Drums

An explorer was leading an entourage through the Amazon jungle when they heard the sounds of drums.

At the next village, the leader stopped a native and asked him to explain their meaning. "Bad, real bad when drums stop!" he said before running off.

The drum beating continued to pulsate. The safari leader asked another native about it. "Bad, real bad when drums stop!" he said and continued to run away.

A few minutes later the drums did stop, and all the expedition members became panicked. The leader grabbed another villager and demanded to know the situation...

"Bad, real bad that drums stop," he blurted. "Now comes bass solo!"

#### Something You May Not Know

Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.

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