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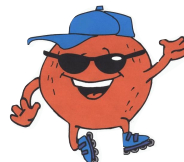
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1. say 'I Love You' often
2. give hugs
3. laugh lots
4. don't sweat the small stuff
5. enjoy the little moments
6. be patient
7. don't be hard on yourself
8. learn from your mistakes
9. find some fun in every day

and above
all else

10. be kind

2023

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On HGTV, people can flip a whole house in a month. Meanwhile, I've been "getting ready to vacuum" for a week now.



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with a drink

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Speeding Juggler

A young man was pulled over by the Mississippi State Police for speeding. The officer stepped out of his patrol car, adjusted his sunglasses, and swaggered up to the young man's window. "What chew driving so fast for, boy? You going to a fahhr? Let me see your license, boy." The young man handed over his license.

Then the officer noticed that the back seat of the car was full of large knives. The officer said, "Tell me, boy, why you got them knives on that there back seat?"

The young man replied, "Well, sir, I'm a juggler."

The officer spat some tobacco juice and then said, "A juggler; well, you don't say. Boy, put cha hands on the trunk of yer car; you going to jail!"

The young man pleaded with the officer not to take him to jail. He offered to prove to the officer that he was a juggler by way of demonstration. He said, "You can even hold me at gunpoint while I juggle for you." The officer reluctantly allowed him to prove his juggling ability while he held him at gunpoint.

Two miles down the road at Joe's Tavern, Billy Bub was drinking it up with Jerry Lee Jones. Billy Bub soon left and got into his old, rusty pickup truck. He proceeded down the road trying his best to stay on the right side. All of a sudden, Billy Bub spotted the most unbelievable sight of his life! He drove to the nearest phone booth and dialed the number for Joe's Tavern and asked for his buddy, Jerry Lee.

When Jerry Lee got on the phone, Billy Bub said, "Whatever you do when you leave that tavern, don't go north on Route 109. The state police are giving a sobriety test that nobody can pass!"

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A guy is walking along a road to town with his camel. Along the way, a driver stops and asks if he needs a ride to town. The guy says, "Yeah," and hops in.

The driver asks, "What about your camel?"

The guy replies, "Oh, he's okay -- he knows his way to town."

So the driver starts driving, gets up to about 45 mph, looks in his rear view mirror, and sees the camel right behind him. He says to the guy, "Hey buddy, ya know your camel is behind us?"

The guy replies, "Yeah, it's okay -- he knows his way to town. Speed up a little."

The driver speeds up to about 55 mph. He's driving along and looks behind him and again sees the camel. He says to the guy, "Your camel is still there."

The guy replies, "Really, it's okay -- he knows his way to town. Speed up a little."

So the driver speeds up to 65 mph. He drives for a bit, looks behind him, then looks at the guy and says, "Hey buddy, your camel is looking pretty rough."

The guy replies, "Oh yeah? What's he doing?"

The driver says, "Well, his ears are folded back and his tongue is hanging out."

The guy replies, "His tongue is hanging out? Which side?"

The driver says, "The left side."

The guy replies, "You'd better hold your course -- he's fixin' to pass ya!"

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She called home to the baby sitter, who told her that her daughter was getting worse. However, the baby sitter did offer some advice.

"If you could find a coat hanger you may be able to use that to open the door."

The woman obtained an old rusty coat hanger from the pharmacy, but when she got back to her car she looked at the hanger and realized she didn't have a clue how to use the hanger to open the door.

Feeling quite hopeless, she bowed her head and asked God for help. Almost immediately an old rusty car pulled up, driven by a dirty, greasy, bearded man with a rag on his head.

The woman thought to herself, "Great. Is THIS what you sent to help me?" But she was desperate, and decided any help was better than no help at all.

The man got out of his car and asked if he could help.


"Yes, my daughter is very sick," the woman replied. "I must get home to her with this medicine, but I can't because I locked my keys in the car. Is there any way you can use this hanger to unlock my car?"

The man walked over to the car and in seconds the car was opened. Almost in tears, the woman expressed her appreciation.

"THANK YOU SO MUCH....You are such a very nice man, and an answer to prayer!"

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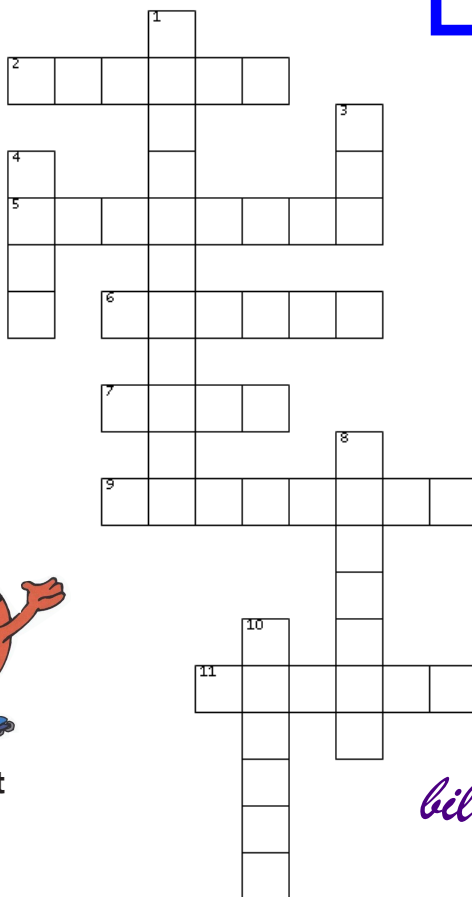
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This morning my son said his ear hurt
and I asked, on the inside or outside, so
he walked out the front door, came
back in and said both.

Moments like this have me wondering
if I'm saving too much for college.

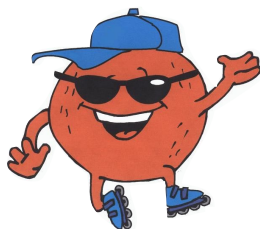
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"That's right," my husband chimed in. "She was born in June, not December."

Kid: Grandma would say yes

Mom: Well, it sounds like my Mom is cooler than yours

At the Mechanic

I feel inadequate when talking with a mechanic, so when my vehicle started making a strange noise, I sought help from a friend. A car nut, he told me how to explain the difficulty when I took it in for repair.

At the shop, I proudly recited, "The timing is off, and there are premature detonations, which may damage the valves."

As I smugly glanced over the mechanic's shoulder, I saw him write on his clipboard, "Lady says it makes a funny noise."

Hot Coffee

A diner was agitated that the waiter had brought him no spoon with his coffee. "This coffee," he said loud enough for most of the other patrons to hear, "is going to be pretty hot to stir with my fingers."

The waiter reddened, made a hasty retreat to the kitchen and returned shortly with another cup of coffee.

"This one isn't so hot, sir," he beamed.



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Swollen Foot

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"I'll be right back with some water," the doctor tells him.

The doctor has been gone a while and the man loses patience. He hobbles out to the drinking fountain, forces the pill down his throat and gobbles down water until the pill clears his throat. He hobbles back into the examining room.

Just then the doctor comes back with a bucket of warm water. "Ok, after the tablet dissolves, soak that foot for about 20 minutes."

**ANYBODY HAVE AN OWNERS
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**MINE'S MAKING A WHINING
SOUND.**

Where does Poo come from?

My 3 year old daughter asked: Where does poo come from?"

To make it simple, I said: "You just had breakfast?"

"Yes," she replied.

"Well, the food goes in your mouth down into your tummy. Our body takes all the good stuff it needs out of the food and then what's left goes down to your bottom and when you go to the bathroom that comes out as poo."

She looked confused and stared at me in stunned silence for a few seconds.

Then she asked: "And Tigger?"

Sometimes I think I'm reasonably intelligent, and sometimes I click the remote car door lock a second or third time for extra lockiness.

I hope this New Year brings you...

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Who Wants To Be A ZILLIONAIRE?



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\$835,000 Question...
 Who was the hero of the old TV cop series Dragnet?
 A) Joe Sunday B) Joe White
 C) Joe Monday D) Joe Friday

\$836,000 Question...
 What was Britain called - before it was Britain?
 A) France B) Albion
 C) Leeds D) Watersett

\$837,000 Question...
 What part of a frog do you rub to hypnotize it?
 A) head B) tongue
 C) belly D) legs

\$838,000 Question...
 What's involved in 20% of car accidents in Sweden?
 A) drinking B) teenage driver
 C) snow D) moose

\$839,000 Question...
 What does a tailor do with his plonker?
 A) hold watches B) press clothes
 C) write bills D) hand clothes

(Answers below - See you next issue)

Answers: \$832 - A; \$833 - C; \$834 - B; \$835 - D; \$836 - B; \$837 - C; \$838 - D; \$839 - B.

'Twas the Month After Christmas
 'Twas the month after Christmas and all through
 the house
 Nothing would fit me, not even a blouse.

The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd taste.
 All the holiday parties had gone to my waist.

When I got on the scale there arose such a number!
 When I walked to the store (less a walk than a
 lumber).

I'd remember the marvelous meals I'd prepared;
 The gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared,

The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the cheese
 And the way I'd never said, "No thank you, please."

As I dressed myself in my husband's old shirt
 And prepared once again to do battle with dirt—

I said to myself, as I only can
 "You can't spend a winter disguised as a man!"

So—away with the last of the sour cream dip,
 Get rid of the fruit cake, every cracker and chip.

Every last bit of food that I like must be banished
 Till all the additional ounces have vanished.

I won't have a cookie—not even a lick.
 I'll want only to chew on a long celery stick.

I won't have hot biscuits, or corn bread, or pie.
 I'll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.

I'm hungry, I'm lonesome, and life is a bore—
 Bit isn't that what January is for?

Unable to giggle, no longer a riot.
 Happy New Year to all and to all a good diet!

- - Author Unknown

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- "Yeah, we have a quota."

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- "Life's tough, it's tougher if you're stupid."
- "No sir, we don't have quotas anymore. We used to have quotas, but now we're allowed to write as many tickets as we want."
- "Just how big were those two beers?"
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Not a Compliment

A fellow programmer had designed some software for one of our largest accounts. He asked my help in putting it into operation. When I sat down with one woman and told her I would be showing her how to make changes to the files, she sighed with relief then remarked, "I'm so glad you're teaching me instead of him."

Surprised, I said that my colleague was far more experienced than I was.

"Yes," she said, "but I feel much more comfortable with you ... I get nervous around really smart people."

Changing Times

I have five siblings, three sisters and two brothers. One night I was chatting with my mom about how she had changed as a mother from the first child to the last. She told me she had mellowed a lot over the years:

"When your oldest sister coughed or sneezed, I called the ambulance. When your youngest brother swallowed a dime, I just told him it was coming out of his allowance."

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1. Slow down
2. Say thank you
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