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#### **Gas Company**

Two gas company servicemen, a senior training supervisor and a young trainee, were out checking meters in a suburban neighborhood. They parked their truck the end of the alley and worked their way to the other end. At the last house, a woman looking out her kitchen window watched the two men as they checked her gas meter.

Finishing the meter check, the senior supervisor challenged his younger coworker to a foot race down the alley back to the truck to prove that an older guy could outrun a younger one.

As they came running up to the truck, they realized the lady from that last house was huffing and puffing right behind them. They stopped and asked her what was wrong.

Gasping for breath, she replied, "When I see two men from the gas company running as hard as you two were, I figured I'd better run too!"

## I'm not saying I'm BATMAN I'm just saying nobody has ever seen me and BATMAN in a room together.



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#### Rescued

An old couple, Abe and Esther are flying to Australia for a two-week vacation to celebrate their 50th anniversary. Suddenly, over the public address system, the Captain announces, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am afraid I have some very bad news, our engines have ceased functioning and we will attempt an emergency landing. Luckily, I see an uncharted island below us and we should be able to land on the beach.

However, the odds are that we may never be rescued and will have to live on the island for the rest of our lives!"

Thanks to the skill of the flight crew, the plane lands safely on the island. The old man Abe turns to his wife and asks, "Esther, did we pay our \$5,000 PBS pledge check yet?"

"No, sweetheart," she responds.

Abe, still shaken from the crash landing, then asks, "Esther, did we pay our American Express card yet?"

"Oy, no! I'm sorry, I forgot to send the check," she says.

"One last thing, Esther, did you remember to send a check for the Visa and MasterCard this month?" he asks.

"Oh, forgive me, Abie," begged Esther. "I didn't send that one, either."

Abe grabs her and gives her the biggest kiss in 40 years. Esther pulls away and asks him, "So, why did you kiss me?"

Abe answers, "They'll find us."

### A new study shows the most expensive vehicle to operate is a shopping cart.

#### The Not-So-Dumb Blonde

I came in to work early the other day and began hanging upside down from the ceiling. Just then one of my co-workers (she's blonde ... it'll be important later) came in and asked me what I'm doing.

"Shh," I said, "I'm a light bulb -- I'm acting crazy to get a few days off, as there is an out of town wedding I need to go to until Tuesday."

A minute later the boss walked by and asked me what I was doing.

"I'm a light bulb!" I exclaimed.

"You're going crazy," he said. "Take a few days off, and come back when you are less stressed."

With that, I jumped down and started walking out. My co-worker started following me and the boss asked where she was going.

"I can't work in the dark," she said. (She got 3 days off too!)





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## But Daddy....

My husband and I took our 4 year old daughter to the home improvement store. Madison got tired of walking, so my husband let her ride on his shoulders. As he walked, Madison began pulling his hair. Although he asked her to stop several times, she kept on. Getting annoyed, he scoulded, "Madison! Stop that pulling my hair!"

"But, Daddy," she replied, I'm just trying to get my gum back.

# I always knock on the fridge before opening it.

### Just in case there's a salad dressing.

#### **Ginzu Knives**

I bought a set of Ginzu knives for only three easy payments of \$29.95 and they came with a lifetime guarantee. When the handles fell off, I returned the knives with my lifetime guarantee asking for a refund.

They wrote back saying, "The guarantee was for the lifetime of the knives. Obviously, the knives are dead, so the guarantee is no longer valid."

#### **The Glass Perspective**

Finding a bright spot in the ominous task known variously these days as "rightsizing" or "workplace reengineering" isn't easy. But one consultant brought in to help remaining managers through the process of reducing the workforce while maintaining productivity added a contemporary twist to the old classic question.

"What does the optimist say about the glass and the water?" he asked.

"It's half full," was the reply!

"And what does the pessimist say?" he queried. "It's half empty."

"And, what does the process re-engineer have to say about it?"

Silence - until the consultant revealed the new additional answer: "Looks like you've got twice as much glass as you need there!"

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#### The Sweetest One

A little girl was holding two apples; her mother asked for one. The girl quickly bit one apple, and then, the other. Her mom held back her disappointment. Then the girl handed one to her mother saying, "Here, this is the sweetest one."

#### Get Me Out!!!

My husband David's colleague at a packageprocessing center was trapped in a small rest room by a faulty lock.

When he was finally discovered, David and another worker were able to open the door with some difficulty. The lock was still jammed, so they blocked the door open while a maintenance worker was called.

A bit later, David noticed the door was closed again. He jiggled the doorknob and a voice from inside called, "Get me out!"

"Don't worry," David replied, "maintenance should be sending somebody."

"They did," said the voice.

#### **Getting Forgetful**

The man looked a little worried when the doctor came in to administer his annual physical, so the first thing the doctor did was to ask whether anything was troubling him.

"Well, to tell the truth, Doc, yes," answered the patient.

"You see, I seem to be getting forgetful. No, it's actually worse than that. I'm never sure I can remember where I put the car, or whether I answered a letter, or where I'm going, or what it is I'm going to do once I get there -- if I get there. So, I really need your help. What can I do?"

The doctor mused for a moment, then answered in his kindest tones, "Pay me in advance."

#### It's OK to talk to yourself... and ok to answer yourself. But sad when you have to repeat what you said because you weren't listening.

#### Eye Exam

I believe my daughter wants a pair of glasses. I don't know why she does. Perhaps glasses are now "cool" to have in school? But though she sees just fine, she still says she needs glasses.

I took her to the eye doctor just to check it out. She was asked to read the bottom row of letters on the eye chart.

She said, "All right, I can see the 'O' and the 'P' and the 'T,' but not the 'N' and the 'Z.""



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#### **Strange Disorder**

A man goes to his doctor. "If I see someone riding a bike when I'm walking down the street, I get this terrible urge to throw myself under the wheels. Have you ever heard of such a thing?"

The doctor thinks for a moment, then says; "Yes, I have heard of one other case. You are what we call a cycle path."

#### Threw some protein bars in the trash and now the raccoon's are bench pressing my neighbors Great Dane in the backyard.

#### **Gracious Host**

Having moved into his first apartment, our son invited my husband and me for a visit. As we walked in, our son asked if we'd like a cold drink. Mentally patting myself on the back for teaching him to be such a gracious host, I said, "Yes, what do you have?"

He walked over to the refrigerator, opened the door, studied the contents, and replied, "I have pickle juice or water."



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#### **Dear Mom**

Dear MOM,

Our Scoutmaster told us all to write to our parents in case you saw the flood on TV and worried. We are okay. Only one of our tents and two sleeping bags got washed away, but none of us drowned because we were all up on the mountain looking for Timmy when it happened.

Oh yes, please call Timmy's mother and tell her that he's doing fine. He can't write because of the cast. I got to ride on one of the search and rescue jeeps. It was awesome! We never would have found him in the dark if it hadn't been for all of the lightning.

Scoutmaster John got mad at Timmy for going on a hike alone without telling anyone. Timmy said he did tell him, but it was during the fire so he probably didn't hear him.

Did you know that if you put a gas can on a fire, the gas can will blow up? Mason is going to look pretty strange until his hair grows back.

We will be home on Saturday, as long as Scoutmaster John gets the truck fixed. It wasn't his fault about the wreck. He said the brakes were working when we left. He said that with a truck that old you have to expect something to break down; that's probably why he can't get insurance on it. We think it's a sweet truck.

He doesn't care if we get it dirty, and if it's hot we can take turns riding in the bed. It gets pretty hot with ten people in a pickup.

Scoutmaster John is even teaching Chase how to drive. But he only lets him drive on the mountain roads where there isn't any traffic. All we ever see up there are logging trucks.

Guess what? We have all passed our first aid merit badges. When Owen dove in the lake and cut his arm, we got to see how a tourniquet works.

Don't worry about anything. We are fine.

Love, Trey



Lucy teaches many aerobic classes. She told a lady who was looking to sign up for the class to just wear loose fitting clothing to the class.

"Honey," the lady replied, "if I had any loose fitting clothing, I wouldn't be signing up for an exercise class."

#### Some people say their body is a temple... Mine is a bouncy castle

#### **Medical Rounds**

While making rounds, a doctor points out an X-ray to a group of medical students. "As you can see," she says, "the patient limps because his left fibula and tibia are radically arched. Michael, what would you do in a case like this?"

"Well," ponders the student, "I suppose I'd limp too."





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\$550,000 Question...

Which actress played Sally Draper in Mad Men? A. January Jones C. Elisabeth Moss

**B.** Christina Hendricks D. Kiernan Shipka

#### \$551,000 Ouestion...

Who was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize? A. Mother Teresa B. Marie Curie C. Jane Adams D. Alva Myrdal

#### \$552 ,000 Question...

Which Friends character's famous pickup line is "How you doin'? A. Joey **B.** Ross

C. Chandler

C. Mike

**\$553,000 Question...** What is Marshall's job in How I met your mother? A. Architect B. Lawyer C. Teacher D. Journalist

#### \$554,000 Question...

On which streaming service did The Morning show premiere in 2019? A. Netflix B. Amazon Prime C. Apple TV+ D. Dinsey +

#### \$555,000 Question...

What is the name of the gem in the movie Titanic? A. Call of the Ocean B. Heart of Love C. Heart of the Ocean D. Call of Love

\$556,000 Question...

What is the national animal of England? A. Puffin B. Lion C. Rabbit D. Fox (Answers below - See you next issue)

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#### **Get Back In There!**

Working as a secretary at an international airport, my sister had an office adjacent to where security temporarily holds suspects.

One day security officers were questioning a man when they were suddenly called away on another emergency. To the horror of my sister and her colleagues, the man was left alone in the unlocked room. After a few minutes, the door opened, and he began to walk out. Summoning up her courage, one of the secretaries barked, "Get back in there, and don't come out until you're told!"

The man scuttled back inside and slammed the door. When the security people returned, the woman reported what had happened.

Without a word, an officer walked into the room and released one very frightened telephone repairman.

#### The Grasshopper

A grasshopper goes into a bar and hops on to a barstool to order a drink. The bartender says "You know, we have a drink named after you?

The grasshopper replies, "Really! You have a drink named Eddie?"

## I still have a landline, or as I like to call it, A "Cell phone finder"

#### **Graduation Test**

It's graduation day, and everybody's going to get their diploma but Jon. At the assembly, the entire senior class stands up and shouts "Let Jon graduate, let Jon graduate!"

The principal agrees to give Jon one last chance. "If I have five apples in my right hand and five in my left hand, Jon, how many apples do I have?" he asked.

Jon thought long and hard and then said: "Ten." And the entire senior class stood up and shouted "Give Jon another chance. Give Jon another chance!"

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#### **Gender Signs**

Over the years, my husband and I have usually managed to decode the cute but confusing gender signs sometimes put on restaurant restroom doors (Buoys and Gulls, Laddies and Lassies, etc.), but every so often we get stumped.

Recently my husband wandered off in search of the men's room and found himself confronted by two marked doors. One was labeled "Bronco," and the other was designated "Cactus."

Completely baffled, he stopped a restaurant employee passing by. "Excuse me. I need to use the restroom," he said. Gesturing toward the doors, he asked, "Which one should I use?"

"Actually, we would prefer you to go there," the employee said, pointing to a door down the hall marked MEN. Bronco and Cactus are private dining rooms."

#### Get Me One Too

A minister delivered a sermon in ten minutes one Sunday morning, which was about half the usual length of his sermons. He explained, "I regret to inform you that my dog, who is very fond of eating paper, ate that portion of my sermon which I was unable to deliver this morning." After the service, a visitor from another church shook hands with the preacher and said, "Pastor, if that dog of yours has any pups, I want to get one to give to my minister".



#### **Construction Noise**

During a beautiful spring afternoon, I was attending a music festival. Just as I stopped to listen to a folk singer, a group of exhibitors, dragging out tools and sawhorses, began setting up their display booth nearby. All their shouting and hammering made it difficult to enjoy the music. The noise they made got louder and even more obnoxious and intrusive as time went on.

Finally, to everyone's relief, they completed the construction.

As a finishing touch, they hung a sign on their booth. It read "Silent Auction."

#### A Model in Pain

The doctor was examining a young blonde model who was having terrible pain in her abdomen.

"My dear, you have acute appendicitis," the doctor said.

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#### Grounded

After a family visit, my sister and her son drove me to the airport for my flight home. They waited as I checked in at the counter, and then I walked back to them and told them, "I have to wait another three hours."

"How come?" my nephew asked.

"My plane has been grounded."

"Grounded? I didn't know planes had parents."







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