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wait for
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chocolate.

Mother's Patience

Little Johnny had just been put to bed for the umpteenth time and his mother's patience was wearing thin. "If I hear you call 'Mom' one more time, you will be in trouble," she warned him sternly.

For a while it was quiet, and then she heard a small voice call from the top of the stairs, "Mrs. Jones? Can I have a drink of water?"









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New York City Visit

Two small-town merchants were visiting New York City for the first time to attend a conference.

There was a large party thrown, with lots of food and drink. At the end of the party, they both staggered outside.

One guy crossed the street, while the other stumbled into a subway entrance.

When the 1st guy reached the other side of the street, he noticed the other emerging from the subway stairs.

"Where ya been?" he slurred.

"I don't know," gushed the other guy, "but you should see the train set that guy has in his basement!"

Oh, the weather outside is frightful,
my join pain is not delightful,
and since it's got so cold,
I feel old...I feel old...I feel old



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Retirement Weekly Schedule

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WHATEVER Tuesday...

Wednesday...

Thursday... **WANT**

Friday... TO Saturday... DO

Sunday...

Larger Bills

I do the water and sewer billing for a small city in Washington State. Customers complained about our postcard-sized bills -- which they said looked too much like junk mail. So we decided to start sending fullsized bills in envelopes. The month before the switch, I had a note printed on the cards, announcing the change.

Two days later, I heard someone yelling at our receptionist, "Is this some kind of joke?" When the customer threw his bill upon the desk, I saw his point. The note was, "Coming soon! New Larger Bills!"

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The other day a not-so-elderly lady said something to her son about driving a Jalopy; and he looked at her and said, "What the heck is a Jalopy?" He had never heard of the word jalopy! She knew she was old ...But not that old.

Well, I hope you are Hunky Dory when you read this and chuckle.

About a month ago, I illuminated some old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology. These phrases included: Don't touch that dial; Carbon copy; You sound like a broken record; and Hung out to dry.

Back in the olden days, we had a lot of moxie. We'd put on our best bib and tucker, to straighten up and fly right. Heavens to Betsy! Gee whillikers! Jumping Jehoshaphat! Holy Moley!

Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when was the last time anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys, and the D.A.; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and pedal pushers.

We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle!" Or, "This is a fine kettle of fish!" We discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent, as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboards. Poof, go the words of our youth. Where have all those great phrases gone?

Long gone: Pshaw, The milkman did it. Hey! It's your nickel. Don't forget to pull the chain. Knee-high to a grasshopper. Well, Fiddlesticks! Going like sixty. I'll see you in the funny papers. Don't take any wooden

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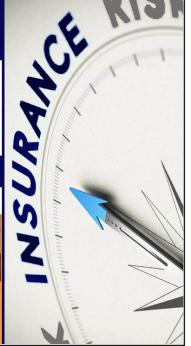
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nickels. Wake up and smell the roses. This can be disturbing stuff! This leaves us to wonder where Superman will find a phone booth.

See ya later, alligator! After a while crocodile. Oki-Doki artichokey!

> I'm kind of like Peanut Butter...

Spread too thin, a little bit chunky, kinda nutty and a tad salty.

At The Pet Store

"Have you got any kittens going cheap?" Asked a customer in a pet shop.

"No, sir," replied the owner. "All our kittens go "Meow."

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A little Grey Hair is a small price to pay for this much Wisdom

Helping a Bum

A woman was chatting with her next-door neighbor. "I feel really good today. I started out this morning with an act of unselfish generosity. I gave a five dollar bill to a bum."

"You gave a bum five whole dollars? That's a lot of money to just give away. What did your husband say about it?"

"Oh, he thought it was the proper thing to do. He said, 'Thanks.'"

Having kids has taught me that their ears are for decorative purposes only.

Gender of Inanimate Objects

You may not know that many non-living things have a gender. For example:

- 1) Ziploc Bags -- They are Male, because they hold everything in, but you can see right through them.
- 2) Copiers -- They are Female, because once turned off, it takes a while to warm them up again. It's an effective reproductive device if the right buttons are pushed, but can wreak havoc if the wrong buttons are pushed.
- 3) Tire -- Male, because it goes bald and it's often overinflated.
- 4) Hot Air Balloon -- Male, because, to get it to go anywhere, you have to light a fire under it and, of course, there's the hot air component.
- 5) Sponges -- Female, because they're soft, squeezable and retain water.
- 6) Web Page -- Female, because it's always getting hit
- 7) Subway -- Male, because it uses the same old lines to pick people up.
- 8) Hourglass -- Female, because over time, the weight can shift to the bottom.
- 9) Hammer -- Male, because it hasn't changed much over the last 5,000 years, but it's handy to have around.
- 10) Remote Control -- Female. Ha! You thought it'd be Male. But consider this -- it gives a man pleasure, he'd be lost without it, and while he doesn't always know the right buttons to push, he keeps trying.



May your filled with alitter that someone else cleans UP.





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I Don't Know If I Need A Hug, A Glass Of Wine Or Retail Therapy.



New Nurse

A newly hired nurse listened while the doctor was yelling, "Typhoid! Tetanus! Measles!"

She asked another nurse, "Why is he going on like that?"

The experienced nurse replied, "Oh, he just likes to call the shots around here."

Football Sleep

After spending all day Sunday watching football on television, a man fell asleep and spent the night in the chair. His wife woke him in the morning.

"It's twenty to seven," she called.



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An Honest Lawyer

An investment counselor decided to go out on her own. She was shrewd and diligent, so business kept coming in, and pretty soon she realized that she needed an in-house counsel. She began to interview young lawyers.

"As I'm sure you can understand," she started off with one of the first applicants, "in a business like this, our personal integrity must be beyond question." She leaned forward. "Mr. Peterson, are you an honest lawyer?"

"Honest?" replied the job prospect. "Let me tell you something about honest. Why, I'm so honest that my father lent me \$15,000 for my education, and I paid back every penny the minute I tried my very first case."

"Impressive. And what sort of case was that?" The lawyer squirmed in his seat and admitted, "He sued me for the money."

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So the bills are washed, the laundry is paid, the clothes are in the oven and the last load of dinner is in the dryer....

Who says I can't multitask?

Principal Actions

It was the first day of school. As the principal made his rounds, he heard a terrible commotion coming from one of the classrooms. He rushed in and spotted one boy, taller than the others, who seemed to be making the most noise. He seized the lad, dragged him to the hall, and told him to wait there until he was excused. Returning to the classroom, the principal restored order and lectured the class for half an hour about the importance of good behavior. Now," he said," are there any questions?

One girl stood up timidly. "Please sir," she asked, "May we have our teacher back?"

"Where is exactly is your teacher?"

"He's in the hall, sir."



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allowed
to scream,
you are
allowed
to cry,
but DO
NOT Ever
Give Up





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Differences Between You and Your Boss

•When you take a long time, you're slow. When your boss takes a long time, he's thorough.

•When you don't do it, you're lazy. When your boss doesn't do it, he's too busy.

•When doing something without being told, you're overstepping your authority.

When your boss does the same thing, that's initiative.

- •When you take a stand, you're being bull-headed. When your boss does it, he's being firm.
 - •When you overlooked a rule of etiquette, you're being rude.

When your boss skips a few rules, he's being original.

- •When you're out of the office, you're goofing around. When your boss is out of the office, he's on business.
- •When you're on a day off sick, you're always sick. When your boss is a day off sick, he must be very ill.
- •When you apply for leave, you must be going for an interview.

When your boss applies for leave, it's because he's overworked.



Shopping Trip

McQuillan walked into a bar and ordered martini after martini, each time removing the olives and placing them in a jar. When the jar was filled with olives and all the drinks consumed, the Irishman started to leave.

"S' cuse me", said a customer, who was puzzled over what McQuillan had done, "what was that all about?"

"Nothin', said the Irishman, "my wife just sent me out for a jar of olives!"

It's amazing how fast your mood can change after you step in water with socks on.

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When I was young, I was scared of the dark. Now when I see my electric bill, I am scared of the lights.

Great Poker Face

Six guys were playing poker when Smith loses \$500 on a single hand, clutches his chest and drops dead at the table. Showing respect for their fallen comrade, the other five complete their playing time standing up.

Roberts looks around and asks, "Now, who is going to tell the wife?"

They draw straws. Rippington, who is always a loser, picks the short one.

They tell him to be discreet, be gentle, don't make a bad situation any worse than it is.

"Gentlemen! Discreet? I'm the most discreet man you will ever meet. Discretion is my middle name, leave it to me."

Rippington walks over to the Smith house, knocks on the door, the wife answers, asks what he wants. Rippington says, "Your husband just lost \$500 playing cards."

She hollers, "TELL HIM TO DROP DEAD!" Rippington says, "I'll tell him."

I don't think INSIDE THE BOX.
I don't think OUTSIDE THE BOX either.
I DON'T even know where the BOX is.

Good News and Bad News

An artist asked the gallery owner if there had been any interest in his paintings on display at that time.

"I have good news and bad news," the owner replied. "The good news is that a gentleman inquired about your work and wondered if it would appreciate in value after your death. When I told him it would, he bought all 15 of your paintings."

"That's wonderful," the artist exclaimed. "What's the bad news?"

"The guy was your doctor."









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Opee Gazette says: Let's Play!

Who Wants To Be A ZILLIONAIRE?

\$566,000 Question...

The poplar tree is actually a member of this family of trees, one of which has a sad name?

A. Oak B. Willow C. Maple D. Pine

\$567,000 Question...

The shade and wind buffering provided by trees reduces annual heating and cooling costs by...?

A. \$100,000,000 B. \$500,000,000 C. \$1.6 Billion D. \$2.1 Billion

\$568,000 Question...

A single tree produces approximately this many *pounds* of oxygen per year?

A. 50 B. 125 C. 260 D. 520

\$569,000 Question...

One tree can absorb as much carbon in a year as a car produces while driving this many miles?

A. 5,000 B. 12,600 C. 20,000 D. 26,000

\$570,000 Question...

An average American uses about this many pounds of paper every year?

A. 175 B. 385 C. 550 D. 750

\$571,000 Question...

The average city tree area has a life expectancy of?

A. 5 years
C. 13 years
D. 18 years

\$572,000 Question...

The tallest tree in the country is in California's Redwood National Park. It is 369 feet tall and...?

A. 500 years old B. 1,000 years old C. 1,500 years old D. 2,000 years old

(Answers are below) See you next issue!

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Train Crash

Tom is applying for a job as a signalman for the local railroad and is told to meet the inspector at the signal box.

The inspector decides to give Tom a pop quiz, asking: "What would you do if you realized that two trains were heading towards each other on the same track?"

Tom says: "I would switch one train to another track."

"What if the lever broke?" asks the inspector.

"Then I'd run down to the tracks and use the manual lever down there", answers Tom.

"What if that had been struck by lightning?" challenges the inspector.

"Then," Tom continued, "I'd run back up here and use the phone to call the next signal box."

"What if the phone was busy?"

"In that case," Tom argued, "I'd run to the street level and use the public phone near the station."

"What if that had been vandalized?"

"Oh well," said Tom, "in that case I would run into town and get my Uncle Leo."

This puzzled the inspector, so he asked, "Why would you do that?"

"Because he's never seen a train crash."

If anyone tries to break into my house, they won't get very far. They'll trip over all my dogs' toys and die. The End.

Eyewitness

A jeweler watched as a huge truck pulled up in front of his store. The back came down and an elephant walked out. It broke one of the windows with its tusk and then, using its trunk like a vacuum cleaner sucked up all of the jewelry. The elephant then got back in the truck and it disappeared out of sight. When the jeweler finally regained his senses he called the police. The detectives came and he told them his story.

"Could you describe the elephant?" the cop asked.

"An elephant is an elephant," he replied. "You've seen one you've seen them all. What do you mean 'describe' him?"

"Well," said the policeman, "there are two types of elephants, African and Indian. The Indian elephant has smaller ears and is not as large as the African elephant."

"I can't help you out," said the frustrated jeweler, "he had a stocking pulled over his head."

What do you call two birds in love?

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Where are you going?
A policeman pulled a woman over after she'd been driving the wrong way on a one-way street.

Cop: Do you know where you were going? Woman: No, but wherever it is, it must be bad because all the cars were leaving.

Before you marry a person, you should first make them use a computer with slow internet service to see who they really are.

One Thing I've Learned in Life is ...

...if at first you don't succeed, look in the wastebasket for the directions. - *Tim, Age 26*

- ...the older I get, the smarter my parent's get.
- Janetta, Age 31
- ...never to beam down to the planet if you're wearing the red shirt! Chris, age 37
- ...breath in, ...breath out... Kevin, Age 34
- ...there's nothing better than to be loved. ...well, maybe eating chocolate! *Vivien, Age 42*
- ...the only person I have to be better than, is the person I was yesterday. Debbie, Age 37
- ...don't let a restaurant serve your food cold.
- Ellen, Age 39
- ...never to let your kids find out your age.
- Barrie, Age 41
- ...the guy at the door of Wal-Mart DOESN'T say that to everyone. Alan, Age 28
- ...OLD is always at least 15 years more than my current age. Saucke, Age 42







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If you stamble, make it part of the dance,













Bear Warnings

While vacationing in Alaska, I couldn't help but notice all the warnings about bears posted in campgrounds, visitors' centers and rest areas advising people not to feed the bears, how to avoid bears, what to do if a bear sees you, what to do if a bear attacks, and so on.

My favorite, however, was a hand-lettered sign on the door of a small gas station in a remote area. It said: "Warning! If you are being chased by a bear, don't come in here!"

It's always darkest before dawn.
So if you're going to steal
your neighbor's newspaper,
that's the time to do it.

Divy It Up!

A 6th grade teacher posed the following problem to one of her arithmetic classes:

"A wealthy man dies and leaves ten million dollars. One-fifth is to go to his wife, one-fifth is to go to his son, one-sixth to his butler, and the rest to charity. Now, what does each get?"

After a very long silence in the classroom, one little boy raised his hand and with complete sincerity in his voice, answered, "A lawyer!"

Previous Employment

I work in a personnel office with the government in Washington, DC, reviewing applications for federal employment.

The standard form includes the question, "Why did you leave your previous employment?"

One applicant, a former U.S. Congressman, responded, "The express wish of 116,000 voters."

I'M MULTITASKING I can Listen, Ignore and Forget All at the same time.

Getting Older

I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club and start exercising. I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour. But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

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Liver and Cheese

Three male dogs are walking down the street. A Labrador retriever, a Golden retriever, and the Taco Bell chihuahua. The three dogs see a beautiful, female Poodle. The three male dogs fall all over themselves in an effort to be the one to reach her first, but end up arriving in front of her at the same time. Unsure of what to say, the male dogs freeze in place, staring at the poodle.

Aware of her charms and her obvious effect on the three suitors, she decides to be kind and tells them "The first one who can use the words "liver" and "cheese" together in an imaginative, intelligent sentence can go out with me."

The burly black Lab speaks up quickly and says "I love liver and cheese."

"Oh, how childish," said the Poodle. "That shows no imagination or intelligence whatsoever."

She turned to the tall, shiny Golden Retriever and said "How well can you do?"

"Um. I HATE liver and cheese," blurts the Golden Retriever.

"My, my," said the Poodle. "I guess it's hopeless. That's just as dumb as the Lab's sentence."

She then turns to the last of the three dogs and says, "How about you, short stuff?"

The tiny Taco Bell Chihuahua gives her a smile and a sly wink, turns to the Golden Retriever and the Lab and says, "Liver alone. Cheese mine."

Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes

Its All In The Name

A New York family bought a ranch out west where they intended to raise cattle. Friends came to visit and asked if the ranch had a name.

"Well," said the would-be-cattleman. "I wanted to call it the Bar-J, my wife favored the Suzy-Q, one son liked the Flying-W, and the other son wanted the Lazy-Y. So, we're calling it the Bar-J-Suzy-Q-Flying-W-Lazy Y."

"But, where are all your cattle?"

"None have survived the branding."

SOME DAYS YOU ARE THE BUG, SOME DAYS YOU ARE THE WINDSHIFLD







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I put my scale in the bathroom corner and that's where the little liar will stay until she apologizes.

DID A CARTWHEEL THE OTHER DAY, THINKING IT WAS LKE RIDING A BIKE. IT'S NOT.

Fun Holidays in February

- 2/7 National Send a Card to a Friend Day
- 2/9 National Pizza Day
- 2/11 National Guitar Day
- 2/13 World Radio Day
- 2/14 Valentine's Day (OK, you have been reminded!!)
- 2/16 National Pancake Day
- 2/17 Radom Act of Kindness Day
- 2/19 National Chocolate Mint Day
- 2/20 National Muffin Day
- 2/24 National Tortilla Chip Day
- 2/27 International Polar Bear Day

What did the chocolate syrup say to the ice cream?

I'm sweet on you!

Umbrella

A counselor was helping his kids put their stuff away on their first morning in Summer Camp. He was surprised to see one of the youngsters had an umbrella. The counselor asked, "Why did you bring an umbrella to camp?"

The kid answered, "Did you ever have a mother?

Whenever I try to eat healthy a chocolate bar looks at me and snickers.

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