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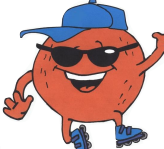
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Getting a Passport

Before she died, an old lady wanted to visit England, the home of her ancestors. She went to the Federal Office and asked for a passport.

"You must take the loyalty oath first," the passport clerk said. "Raise your right hand, please." The senior citizen raised her right hand as the clerk asked, "Do you swear to defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, domestic or foreign?"

The sweet old face paled and the voice trembled as she responded, "Well, I guess so, but ... will I have help, or will I have to do it all by myself?"



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I believe that most children today are unaware of what an apron is. The primary purpose of Mom's or Grandma's apron was to safeguard the dress beneath since they only had a few. Additionally, aprons were easier to clean than dresses and used less material.

However, they also served as a potholder for removing hot pans from the oven. It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning out dirty ears.

From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids..

And when the weather was cold, she wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove. Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron.

From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls.

In the fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, she walked out onto the porch, and waved her apron, and the men folk knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that 'old-time apron' that served so many purposes.

REMEMBER:

In the past, mothers and grandmothers would place freshly baked apple pies on the windowsill to cool. Nowadays, their granddaughters set them on the windowsill to defrost. They would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron. I don't think I ever caught anything from an apron - but love"

The Happy Golf Couple

"You think so much of your game that you don't even remember when we got married," complained the wife.

"Of course I do honey," the husband said. "It was the day after I sank that 40-foot putt."

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I was golfing with a soldier who had just returned from Afghanistan. His plans included becoming a greens keeper once he was discharged in a few months. He applied to a local college for its golf course superintendent program, but the department chair worried that he might not be up for the job. "It's stressful," he said. "You have to fight the weather, insects and demanding club members."

"Will anyone be shooting at me while I mow the grass?" asked the soldier.

"Of course not."

"I'll take the job."

I finally figured out why no one finds my cheesy jokes and puns any good. They are all LAUGHTOSE intolerant.

Just sayin'

Natural Beauty

I got stuck in a traffic jam while commuting into Los Angeles one day. The woman in the SUV in front of me took full advantage of the slowdown. She whipped out her eyebrow pencil, lip gloss and a mirror, applying the finishing touches on her face in the ten minutes it took us to creep through the Cahuenga Pass. Finally, the traffic broke up and as she zoomed away, I caught a glimpse of her vehicle's license plate: NTRL BTY.

Time to Go

Our co-worker kept trying to get her mother to fly out for a visit. "No way am I getting on an airplane," was the inevitable answer.

"Look, Mom, when it's your time to go, it doesn't matter if you're on the ground or in the air."

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So I took some leaf samples and marched back to the nursery to demand an explanation or get my money back.

"I know exactly what's wrong with your magnolia," said the manager.

"Good!" I exclaimed. "What's it suffering from?"

You can imagine how stupid I felt when he simply said, "Autumn."

Flight Info

I am a reservations clerk for a commercial airline. A woman phoned one of my co-workers to ask if a particular flight had departed. While my friend was checking the information, the office cleaning staff turned on a vacuum cleaner behind her.

"Never mind," the woman said. "I just heard it take off," and she hung up.

I don't want to make you jealous of my glamorous lifestyle but I'll be folding laundry today.

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"Of course I'm hurt!" she replied. "Three times around and you didn't wave once!"

One of the weirdest things about being an adult is having a favorite stove top burner. No one ever talks about it, but y'all know it's true.

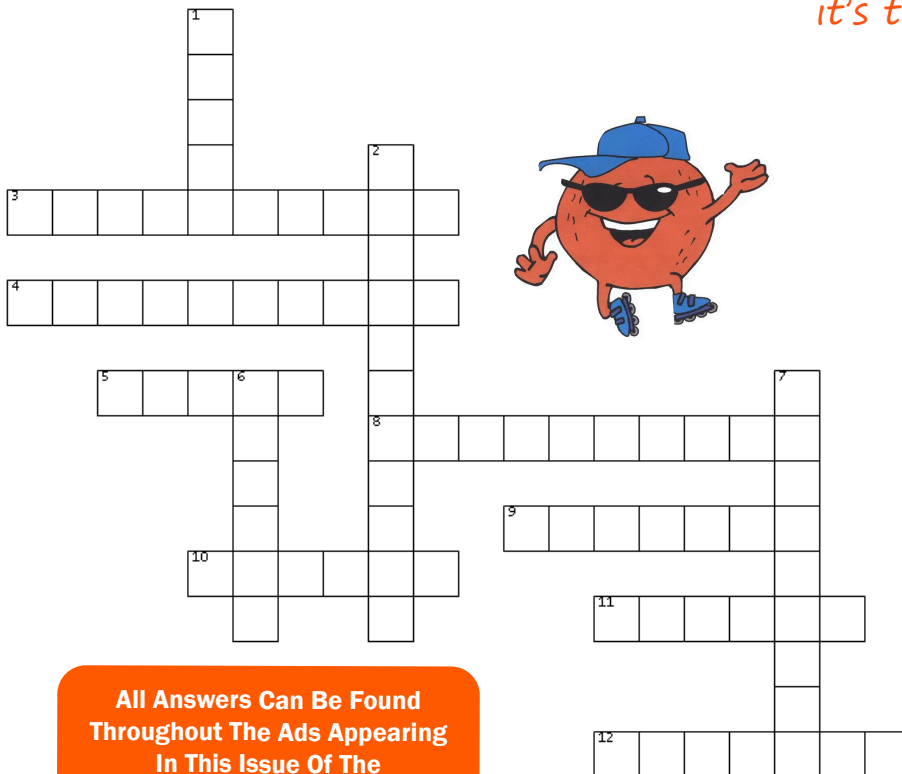
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Missing Husband

A wife went to the police station with her next-door neighbor to report that her husband was missing. The policeman asked for a description.

She said, "He's 35 years old, 6 foot 4, had dark eyes, dark wavy hair, an athletic build, weighs 185 pounds, is soft-spoken, and is good to the children."

The next-door neighbor protested, "Your husband is 5 foot 4 inches, chubby, bald, has a big mouth, and is mean to your children."

The wife replied, "Yes, but who wants HIM back?"

I set my clock ahead to prevent being late...

but all it really did is sharpen my subtraction skills.

New Hat

My wife and I were visiting her 95-year-old grandfather when he asked us to take him to buy a new hat. My wife took me aside. "I'm worried that he doesn't have enough money, and he'll be very embarrassed," she said.

So I asked the salesperson to tell my wife's grandfather that whichever hat he chose cost \$15. I would pay the difference. Grandpa picked out a hat and was charged \$15.

After he left, I paid the other \$45 of the price. Later Grandpa said, "What a bargain! The last one I bought there cost me \$60."

Grandpa's Secret

Grandpa was celebrating his 100th birthday and everybody complimented him on how athletic and well-preserved he appeared. "Gentlemen, I will tell you the secret of my success," he cackled. "I have been in the open air day after day for some 75 years now."

The celebrants were impressed and asked how he managed to keep up his rigorous fitness regime. "Well, you see my wife and I were married 75 years ago. On our wedding night, we made a solemn pledge. Whenever we had a fight, the one who was proved wrong would go outside and take a walk."

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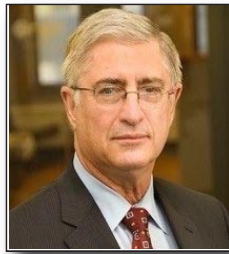
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Golf Novice

A recent retiree was given a set of golf clubs by his co-workers. Thinking he'd try the game, he asked the local pro for lessons, explaining that he knew nothing whatever of the game. The pro showed him the stance and swing, then said, "Just hit the ball toward the flag on the first green."

The novice teed up and smacked the ball straight down the fairway and onto the green, where it stopped inches from the hole. "Now what?" the fellow asked the speechless pro.

"Uh... you're supposed to hit the ball into the cup." the pro finally said, once he was able to speak again.

"Oh great!", the beginner replied, "NOW you tell me!"

I don't want to adult today.
I don't even want to human today.
Today, I want to dog.
I'll be lying on the floor in the sun.
Please pet me and bring me snacks.

Good News / Bad News

"I have good news and bad news," a defence attorney told his client. "First the bad news. The blood test came back, and your DNA is an exact match with that found at the crime scene."

"Oh, no!" cried the client. "What's the good news?"
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"Certainly sir," said the younger man, "I'd be glad to."

He wrote out the address and also agreed to write a short message and sign the card for the man. Finally, the younger man asked, "Now, is there anything else I can do for you?"

The old fellow thought about it for a moment and said, "Yes, at the end could you just add, 'PS: Please excuse the sloppy hand-writing.'?"

I'm grateful that thoughts don't appear in bubbles over my head.



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"My dog ate it," was his solemn response.

"Vernon, I've been a teacher for eighteen years. Do you really expect me to believe that?"

"It's true, Miss Martin, I swear," insisted the boy. "I had to force him, but he ate it!"

Important Facts about Life

- Death is the number 1 killer in the world.
• Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.
• Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day. Teach a person to use the internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe years.
• health nuts are going to feel really dumb someday, lying in the hospital dying of nothing.
• All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.
• Life is like a jar of jalapeno peppers. What you do today might burn you tomorrow
.... and as someone recently said
• Don't worry about old age, it doesn't last that long

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I won \$2.00 in the Mega Millions lottery. Please respect our privacy as our family decides how to move forward in this exciting and pivotal moment in time.

Out of the mouth

A first grade teacher collected well-known proverbs. She gave each kid in the class the first half of the proverb, and asked them to fill in the rest. Here's what the kids came up with:

Better to be safe than... punch a 5th grader.

Strike while the... bug is close.

It's always darkest before... daylight savings time.

Never underestimate the power of... termites.

You can lead a horse to water but... how?

Don't bite the hand that... looks dirty.

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A miss is as good as a... Mr.

You can't teach an old dog... math.

If you lie down with dogs, you... will stink in the morning.

Love all, trust... me.

The pen is mightier than... the pigs.

An idle mind is... the best way to relax.

Where there is smoke, there's... pollution.

Happy is the bride who... gets all the presents.

A penny saved is... not much.

Two is company, three's... The Musketeers.

Children should be seen and not... spanked or grounded.

If at first you don't succeed... get new batteries.

You get out of something what you... see pictured on the box.

When the blind lead the blind... get out of the way.

Laugh and the whole world laughs with you.

Cry and... you have to blow your nose

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\$200,000 Question...

What event marks the beginning of spring in the Northern Hemisphere?

- A) Tax Day
- B) Vernal Equinox
- C) Lunar Eclipse
- D) Valentines Day

\$201,000 Question...

What causes "spring fever"?

- A) Allergies
- B) Fever
- C) Dust
- D) Excitement

\$202,000 Question...

Little League baseball was established in what year?

- A) 1939
- B) 1940
- C) 1941
- D) 1942

\$203,000 Question...

Coroebus was the first Olympic track and field champion in ancient Greece? What was his event?

- A) Pentathlon
- B) Sprint
- C) Discus
- D) Hurdles

\$204,000 Question...

A baseball field is approximately what size?

- A) 4 acres
- B) 3 acres
- C) 2 acres
- D) 1 acre

\$205,000 Question...

Which is NOT one of the predecessors of baseball?

- A) Cricket
- B) Rounders
- C) Boom Ball
- D) One O'Cat

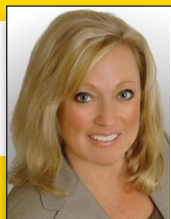
\$206,000 Question...

When Lewis Rober of the Minneapolis, Minnesota, fire department invented outdoor softball in 1895 to keep the firemen in shape and busy during the time they spent at the firehouse, what was the game called?

- A) Diamond Ball
- B) Easy Ball
- C) Lazy Ball
- D) Kitten League Ball

(Answers below - See you next issue!)

Answers: \$200 - B; \$201 - D; \$202 - A; \$203 - B; \$204 - C; \$205 - C; \$206 - D.



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The Writer

A writer came home to find his house burned down. His wife, who was crying and had minor burns, was standing outside.

"What happened, dear?" the man asked.

"Oh, Michael, it was awful," she cried. "I was cooking and then the phone rang. It was your agent. I was talking and didn't see the stove catch on fire. Suddenly, there were huge flames, and everything burned so fast. Everything is lost. I barely escaped. Poor Poppy is..."

"Hold on, wait a second," the husband said. "My agent called?"

A Few Wrinkles

I had been thinking about coloring my hair. One day while going through a magazine, I came across an ad for a hair-coloring product featuring a beautiful young model with hair a shade that I liked. Wanting a second opinion, I asked my husband, "How do you think this color would look on a face with a few wrinkles?" He looked at the picture, crumpled it up, straightened it out and studied it again. "Just great, Honey."

Last night I ordered a glass of wine with my dinner and the waiter asked for my ID.

I replied, "Do I look that young and the waiter said, "No, I just wanted to see if you qualified for the Senior Discount."

With Great Confusion

- At a movie theatre, which arm rest is yours?
- In the word scent, is "S" silent or "C"?
- If people evolve from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
- Why is there a "D" in fridge, but not in refrigerator?
- Who knew what time it was when the first clock was made?

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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!"

New Secretary

The boss was very exasperated with his new secretary. She ignored the telephone when it rang.

"You must answer the telephone!" he told her irritably.

"All right," she replied, "but it seems so silly. Nine times out of ten, it's for you!"

*Pulled out a nose hair today
to see if it hurt...
judging by the reaction of the man
asleep next to me on the train,
it seems pretty painful.*

Baking Secret

I finally figured out the difference between cupcakes, muffins and scones.

They're exactly the same except you have to suck the moisture out of the cupcakes to turn them into muffins.

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One story was how he had developed his arm and shoulder muscles. He said he would stand outside behind the house and, with a 5 pound potato sack in each hand, extend his arms straight out from his sides and hold them there as long as he could.

After awhile he tried 10 pound potato sacks, then 50 pound potato sacks and finally he got to where he could lift a 100 pound potato sack in each hand and hold his arms straight out for more than a full minute!

Next, he started putting potatoes in the sacks.

I've decided to avoid everything
that makes me fat:
pictures, mirrors, scales...

Horsing Around

Yesterday, I had a near death experience that has changed me forever.

I went horseback riding. Everything was going fine until the horse started bouncing out of control. I tried with all my might to hang on, but was thrown off.

Just when things could not possibly get worse, my foot got caught in the stirrup. When this happened, I fell head first to the ground.

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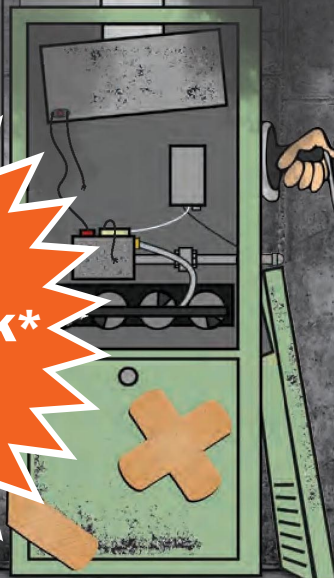
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