



One Sunday after church Mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about.

Her daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilts." Needless to say, Mom was perplexed.

Later in the day, the Pastor stopped by for tea. Mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about.

He said, "Be not afraid, Thy comforter is coming."

The highway department has issued a travel warning due to snow storms and bad road conditions.

They suggest that anyone traveling in the current icy conditions should ensure that they have the following:

- Shovel
- Blankets or sleeping bag
- Extra winter clothing including coats, hat and gloves
- Water
- 24 hours worth of food
- Deicer
- Rock salt
- Flashlight with spare batteries
- Road flares or reflective triangles
- 5-gallon gas can
- First aid kit
- Booster cables

I looked like an idiot when I got on the bus this morning.

"Mom, what's it like having the greatest daughter in the world?" "I don't know, dear. Ask your grandmother."

RANDOM TIDBITS

It takes .05 seconds for a human muscle to respond to stimulus.

It takes .06 seconds for an automotive air bag to fully inflate.

It takes .2 seconds for the International Space Station to travel one mile.

It takes .46 seconds for a 90-mph fastball to reach home plate.

It takes one second for a hummingbird's wings to beat 70 times.

It takes four seconds for 3,000,000 gallons of water to flow over Niagara Falls.

A visitor to a certain college paused to admire the new Hemingway Hall that had been built on campus.

"It's a pleasure to see a building named for Ernest Hemingway," he said.

"Actually," said his guide, "it's named for Joshua Hemingway. No relation."

The visitor was astonished. "Was Joshua Hemingway a writer, also?"

"Yes, indeed," said his guide. "He wrote a check."

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Pelly Coffee Pot

RANDOM TIDBITS

The 1900 Olympic Games included croquet, fishing, billiards and checkers. Tug-of-war was an Olympic event between 1900 and 1920.

In a 1936 Ping-Pong tournament, the players volleyed for over two hours on the opening serve.

The first tennis balls were stuffed with human hair.

In the 1880s waterskiing was known as plankgliding.

Boxing rings are called rings because they used to be round.

Karate was invented in India. It was not introduced to Japan until about 1917.

A Norfolk, Va., city councilman blames restrictive aspects of the city's chicken ordinance for making Norfolk "the laughingstock of the chicken world."

Councilman Tommy Smigiel said there has not been a single application for a chicken license since the city passed an ordinance in September allowing the fowl to be kept in the city, the (Norfolk) Virginian-Pilot reported Thursday.

Smigiel blamed the lack of applications on the restrictive requirements of the law, which include a detailed property survey with drawings of the coop design, electrical power installed in the coops in compliance with building codes and a minimum size of 24 square feet, with 12 of those square feet dedicated to a ventilated indoor space with protection from weather.

In 1970 only \$6 billion was spent on fast food. Today it is nearly \$200 billion.

Events - 2014

- Jan 16 - garbage day
- Jan 30 - garbage day
- Feb 14 - Valentines Day
- Feb 17-21 School Winter Break
- Mar 9 - Daylight savings time
- Apr 18 - Good Friday
- Apr 20 - Easter Sunday
- Apr 22 - Earth Day
- May 11 - Mother's Day

Centipedes are carnivores, millipedes are vegetarians.

When Suzy got home, she told her dad that she got a 100 in school.

Her dad told her to sit down and tell him all about it.

She said, "Well, I got a 20 in math, a 30 in science, and a 50 in spelling!"

Elsewhere the sky is the roof of the world; but here the earth was the floor of the sky.
Willa Cather, the character Father Latour describing New Mexico, in *Death Comes for the Archbishop* (1927)

A nursery school teacher was delivering a station wagon full of kids home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog.

The children fell to discussing the dog's duties.

"They use him to keep crowds back," said one youngster.

"No," said another, "he's just for good luck."

A third child brought the argument to a close. "They use the dogs," she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrant."

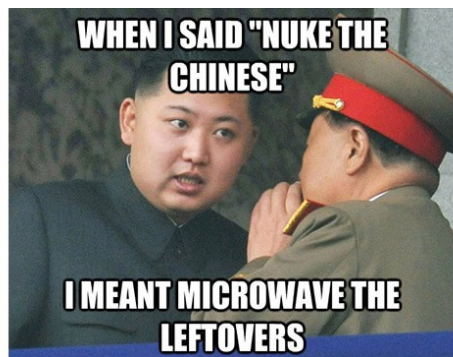
Two lawyers are in a bank, when, suddenly, armed robbers burst in.

While several of the robbers take the money from the tellers, others line the customers, including the lawyers, up against a wall, and proceed to take their wallets, watches, etc. While this is going on lawyer number one jams something in lawyer number two's hand.

Without looking down, lawyer number two whispers, "What is this?" to which lawyer number one replies, "It's that \$50 I owe you."

A college graduate applied for a job at the Central Intelligence Agency. Together with several other applicants, he was given a sealed envelope and told to take it to the fourth floor.

As soon as the young man was alone, he stepped into an empty hallway and opened the packet. Inside, a message read: "You're our kind of person. Report to the fifth floor."



A Spanish teacher was explaining to her class that in Spanish, unlike English, nouns are designated as either masculine or feminine.

"House" for instance, is feminine: "la casa." "Pencil," however, is masculine: "el lapiz."

A student asked, "What gender is 'computer'?"

Instead of giving the answer, the teacher split the class into two groups, male and female, and asked them to decide for themselves whether "computer" should be a masculine or a feminine noun. Each group was asked to give four reasons for its recommendation. The men's group decided that "computer" should definitely be of the feminine gender ("la computadora") because:

1. No one but their creator understands their internal logic.
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else.
3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long term memory for possible later retrieval; and
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your paycheck on accessories for it.

(THIS GETS BETTER!)

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be masculine ("el computador") because:

1. In order to do anything with them, you have to turn them on.
2. They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves.
3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time, they ARE the problem; and
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you had waited a little longer, you could have gotten a better model.

The women won.

If you think writing in the proper tense is difficult now, just wait until time travel was possible.

Cows, the Constitution, and the Ten Commandments

COWS

Is it just me, or does anyone else find it amazing that our government(USA) can track a cow born in Canada almost three years ago, right to the stall where she sleeps in the state of Washington. And they tracked her calves to their stalls. But they are unable to locate 11 million illegal aliens wandering around our country. Maybe we should give them all a cow.

The US CONSTITUTION

They keep talking about drafting a Constitution for Iraq. Why don't we just give them ours? It was written by a lot of really smart guys, it's worked for over 200 years and we're not using it anymore.

TEN COMMANDMENTS

The real reason that we can't have the Ten Commandments in a Courthouse: You cannot post "Thou Shall Not Steal", "Thou Shall Not Commit Adultery" and "Thou Shall Not Lie" in a building full of lawyers, judges and politicians! It creates a hostile work environment.

"When your dad is mad and asks you, 'Do I look stupid?' Don't answer." - Hannah, age 9

My mother once gave me two sweaters for Christmas. The next time we visited, I made sure to wear one.

As we entered her home, instead of the expected smile, she said,

"What's the matter? You didn't like the other one?"

Christmas was finally over and the Pastor's wife dropped into an easy chair saying, "Boy! Am I ever tired."

Her husband looked over at her and said, "I had to conduct two special services last night, three today, and give a total of five sermons. Why are you so tired?"

"Dear," she replied, "I had to listen to all of them."

Seven year old Johnny had finished his summer vacation and gone back to school.

Two days later his teacher phoned his mother to tell her that John was misbehaving.

"Wait a minute," she said. "I had Johnny here for two months and I never called you once when he misbehaved."

Spoon feeding in the long run teaches us nothing but the shape of the spoon. E. M. Forster, quoted in *The Observer* (Oct. 7, 1951)

RHYMES WITH ORANGE

