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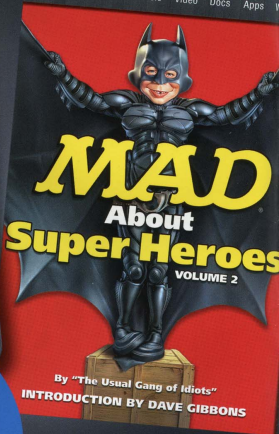
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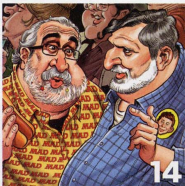
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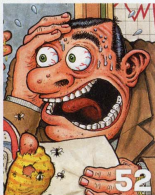
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TIGER, TIGER, NOT SO BRIGHT

As appreciative as I am of the insights and penetrating humor of your publication, my appreciation of #513 was marred by a typo in item 10 ("Tiger Moms") of your MAD 20. Having just returned from several years of work in China to the "Tiger Mom" phenomenon in all its hubristic, racist excess, I was enthralled by this article until I encountered the term "Laogai" – which is a typo. The word you were referring to is "Laogai." While the typo detracted somewhat from your brilliant article on this subject, I'm presuming that all MAD readers are multi-lingual and that your mailbox is overflowing with letters from others who caught this typo even before I did.

Kirby Vining • Washington, DC

Kirby Your Enthusiasm — Amazingly, you're the first to notice that mistake. You're also the first to use the term "hubristic, racist excess" in the letters pages (we're guessing you were super-duper-popular in China)! But it's not our readers' fault for overlooking that typo — after all, they were raised by lazy, shiftless American mothers who never bullied them into studying 12 hours a day! Their loss! —Ed.



GETTING TO THE ART OF THE MATTER

If you were in the Seattle area recently, hopefully you stopped by Urban Light Studios to see their exhibit, "It's a MAD MAD MAD MAD Show: Inspirations from MAD Magazine." It featured a bunch of MAD-themed artwork from a bunch of different non-MAD artists. If you missed it, don't beat yourself up (seriously, life goes on, you know?) — you can check out a ton of pics from the show at urbanlightstudios.com



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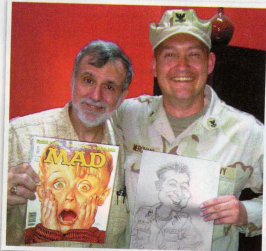
Xavier Lopez, Jr.

ALL SAILS FINAL

It was real cool to see your art director Sam at one of our USO tents in Kuwait for the troops! He gave a great drawing of myself and signed one issue he worked on back from 1991! It's people like him who bring "home" a little closer and make the madness of deployment a little better.

Sean Merchant, Sailor Sean Stuck in the Sand,
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Merch Table — First off, thank you for your service. Secondly, an even BIGGER thank you for taking Sam off our hands for a few days! (That guy can be more trouble than a Lohan!) For those of you who didn't know, back in October, MAD Art Director Sam Viviano went with members of the National Cartoonists Society on a USO trip to Kuwait, Germany and an undisclosed location in Southwest Asia to entertain the troops. At least, that's what it was supposed to be about — we have serious suspicions that Sam only went so that he could get the free airline headphones. You can read all about Sam's experiences overseas on our blog, TheIdiotical.com! —Ed.



THE DUMB PERCENT

First, on Sunday, I went to Occupy Wall Street as the Black Spy. So if you see a kid in a Spy vs. Spy costume, it's me. Second, in issue 512, in the MAD departments, it said that on page 39 you would have "MAD Asks: What If Pirates Wore Gloves?" Instead, I found part of "Punitive Damages." Rory MacLeod • Montclair, NJ

MacLeod With a Chance of Meatballs — Hmm...those two things seem unrelated, but we think we understand. After looking for that article and not finding it where you were told it'd be, you felt betrayed. You'd been lied to by a large, heartless corporation (that's us!) and felt angry. You yearned to have your voice heard — and that's how you wound up at OWS. Wow! We can't help but wonder how many others are at Zuccotti Park just because of MAD and our sloppy index paging! Could we appease this entire movement just by making a simple correction? Could it really be that easy to bring peace back to the warring classes?!? Unfortunately, we'll never know. After all, we're not only large and heartless, but also remarkably lazy. So stop whining and get a job, hippie! —Ed.



Letters and Tomatoes



SPY FAMILY REUNION

Some family reunions are just cooler than others. Case in point — take a look at what happened when the family of *Spy* vs. *Spy* creator Antonio Prohias got together! His son Antonio and his daughter Marta Rosa Pizarro Prohias (in front, wearing red shirts) got in the full *Spy* spirit! Maybe we're getting overly sentimental, but we just have a special place in our heart for any family that purchases that much MAD merchandise!



NOT-SO-URGENT ISSUES

I am 12 years old. I am a huge fan of the magazine. I have been reading it since I was five and I still remember when I got in trouble for reading MAD in 2nd grade because my teacher thought it was a bad influence. But do you think I care? No! But one more thing — why does it take 2 months for each MAD? There is a MAD TV episode every week. Why not the magazine?

Ben Hantske • Annapolis, MD

Hants in the Pants — That's a very good question. It seems like a TV show would be harder to create than a magazine — and that a magazine would come out more often than a TV show, right? But you're forgetting one very important factor — and we repeat — we're *extremely* lazy! On the other hand, when was the last time you picked up an issue of MAD, only to discover it's a rerun? Hmmm?!!? —Ed.



SPY VS. SPY SIGHTING?

An eagle-eyed reader sent in this picture of the Nano Café in Monrovia, CA, adding, "I think the White Spy may be moonlighting as a fry cook. Or maybe the food he's flipping is poisoned. Well, it's not an exact match, but it reminded me of Spy vs. Spy." It rang a bell for us, too — just take a look at the back cover of MAD's *Big Book of Spy* Vs. *Spy Capers* and *Other Surprises*! Hey, Nano Café, if we're ever in town, we expect our crepes to be on the house — ya follow? Unless you want to hear from the Prohias family! Trust us, you don't want that — just take a look at that family portrait — there's a lot of them, and they're organized!



THE NIFTY FIFTY

It's time for another installment of Ed's Nifty Fifty!™ When it comes to Celebrity Snaps, this list is the best of the best — the ones we want more than any others! That's where you come in! Send in your non-returnable photographs of the celeb holding an issue via snail mail or to our e-mail address (letters@madmagazine.com — put "Nifty Fifty" in the subject line) What's in it for you? Why, you heartless mercenaries! If we print your Nifty Fifty Celebrity Snap, you'll win a free two-year subscription to MAD! To sweeten things even more — if your Nifty Fifty Celebrity Snap is one of the first SIX that we print, you'll also get an awesome limited-edition "Batman Black and White" statue by Sergio Aragonés!



- Michele Bachmann
- Jennifer Aniston
- Justin Bieber
- Will Smith
- Any (White House-Living) Obama
- Any (Culture-Destroying) Kardashian
- LeBron James
- Tom Cruise
- Rebecca Black
- Mika Brzezinski
- Louis C.K.
- Herman Cain
- Any (Football-Playing) Manning
- Pippa Middleton
- Chaz Bono
- Larry David
- Daniel Craig
- Betty White
- Stephen Hawking
- Joel Osteen
- Ricky Gervais
- Jason Bateman
- Helen Mirren
- Rex Ryan
- Albert Pujols



Michele Bachmann



LeBron James



Chaz Bono



Ricky Gervais

- The Tiger Mom
- Rihanna
- Rooney Mara
- Woody Allen
- Fidel Castro
- N.J. Gov. Chris Christie
- Jim Cramer
- Rachel Maddow
- Kobayashi
- Jim Parsons
- Robert Downey Jr.
- Any Astronaut (Must Be in Uniform)
- Jason Segel



Rihanna



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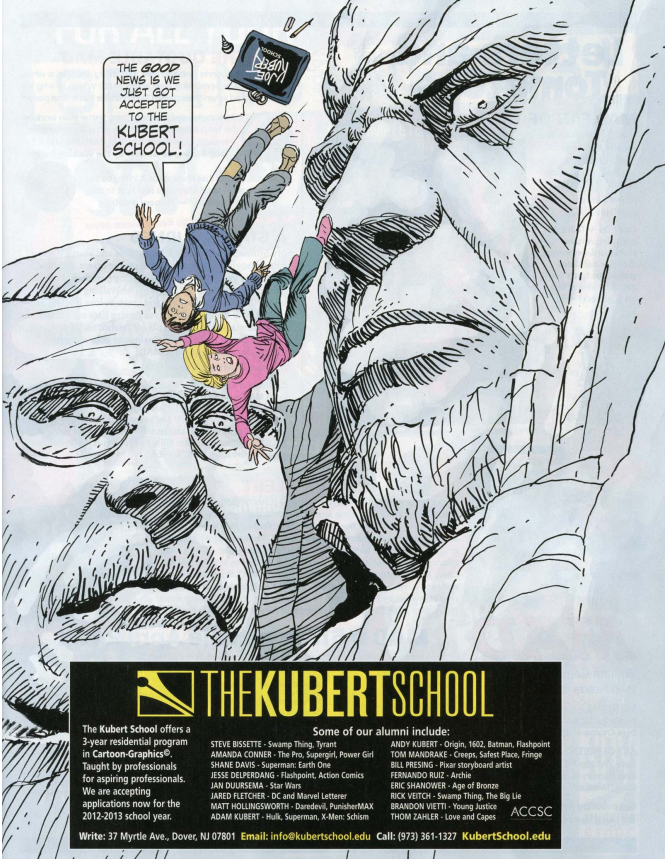
- That Pink-Dress-Wearing T-Mobile Chick
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- Tim Tebow
- Katy Perry
- Amy Poehler
- Justin Timberlake
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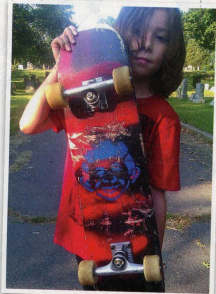


MAD FAN OF THE MONTH

I am 10 years old and I made a skateboard that I think you might like, I used an old MAD stencil.

Shiva Carey
New Haven, CT

Carey On — That's a pretty impressive skateboard. Remember, the more rail slides you do, the faster you'll get that hideous face off your deck! —Ed.



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THE QUOTABLE MAD

We know it sounds unbelievable, but every once in a while, someone says something nice about MAD! Which is why we were amazed when it happened TWICE in the same time period!



"As a cartoonist, the only thing better than working for MAD Magazine is to have done something big enough to be made fun of by MAD Magazine."
Tony Moore, co-creator of *The Walking Dead*

"For me, I knew that I had made it in my career when I was in MAD Magazine and I got to play with the Muppets." — **Whoopi Goldberg**



A STAR IS BURNED

My brothers and I love your magazine and your TV show, even though that probably means we're losers. Anyhow, I love how you guys are always writing parodies of our favorite movies and TV shows ("The Walking Dead" — hilarious!), but do the stars and creators love it when you make fun of them? Do you ever receive hate mail and/or threatening emails from p'd off celebrities? If so, don't worry. They're probably just jealous of your superior journalism skills. Long live MAD!

Michael Bowling • Puxico, MO

Bowling for Columbine — Most celebrities love when they show up in MAD — in fact, you can see what a couple of stars think about it, right on this very letters page (including one of the creators of *The Walking Dead*!) Not everyone is that happy, though. We're still getting death threats from Alan Thicke for unleashing our superior journalism skills on *Growing Pains*. (Heheh, we called it "Groaning Pains"!) —Ed.

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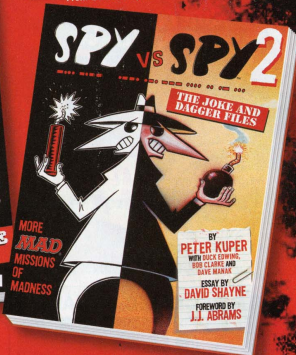
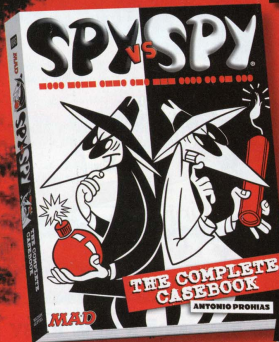
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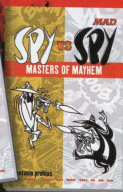
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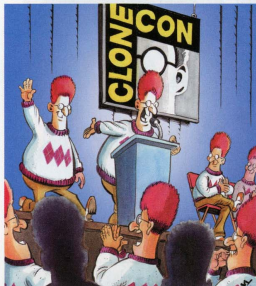
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THE FUNDALINI PAGES

Semi-Fun Facts About Chocolate

The Yungbluth & The Restless



"And now, a man who needs no introduction..."

Writer and Artist:
Jason Yungbluth



Writer:
Jeff Kruse
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Evan Dorkin &
Sarah Dyer

LINES SURE TO GET APPLAUSE AT GOP DEBATES



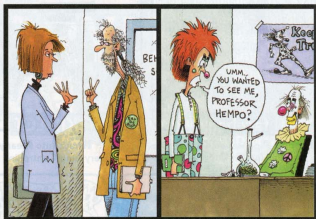
Writer: Jeff Kruse Artist: Ward Sutton

THE STARTLING SIMILARITIES BETWEEN HARVARD UNIVERSITY AND CLOWN COLLEGE

Writer and Artist: John Caldwell



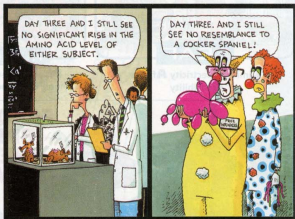
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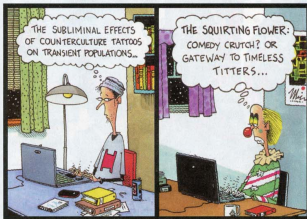
In both cases, the faculty tends to be made up of tenure-secured, Sixties relics



Students from both indulge in typical campus hijinks such as panty raids



Both institutions of higher learning offer extensive work with lab animals



Come end of semester, students on both campuses can be found researching 5,000-word papers on subjects about which nobody gives a damn



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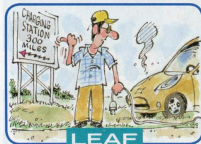
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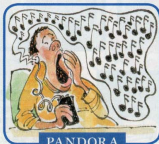
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Limited Electricity Affects Feasibility



PANDORA

Plays A Never-ending Deluge Of Repetitive Artists

Writer: Darren Johnson Artist: Paul Cohen

Inspection Tags You Wish You Never Saw

This Victoria's Secret garment was sniffed and fondled by Inspector 22.

If you find an odd sock in this package, it means the matching sock was deemed substandard and therefore not included.

Inspected with all the love and care of someone making less than the minimum wage.

This high-speed power saw has been inspected and tested by Lefty.

This is a Dollar Store item. Did you really expect anyone to inspect it?!

Writer: Dick DeFornaro

FAVORITE DOG BREEDS OF THE ZOMBIE COMMUNITY



Molden Retriever

Rottingweiler

Bloodhound (Duh!)

Stench Poodle

Border Collie
(some zombies have conventional taste)

Writer: Jeff Kruse Artist: Tom Burk

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FAT'S ENTERTAINMENT DEPT.

Here's a show from the producers of *Two and a Half Men* and *The Big Bang Theory*.
 Spoiler Alert: Nobody on this series looks like Ashton Kutcher or Kaley Cuoco! Check out...

BIGG&BULKY

Hello, my name is **Bigg** and I'm a parade float! I'm looking to shed a few pounds. About three hundred! People think overweight people are always jolly, but that's not true. I'm not a happy camper. In fact, many people on the highway think I am a camper. But I'm not a happy camper!

Uh, we were looking for more positive messages. Perhaps someone else would like to share!

Hello, my name is **Bulky!** I'm a big girl, but I had a pretty fair week. I dropped six pounds — I lost a hangnail! When I die, here's the way I want to go — I want to be run over by a rolling buffet cart! I haven't met anyone I liked. Until now. I think I'm kind of attracted to the parade float!



Wow! There's a thing between **Bigg** and **Bulky**!

Or, more likely, it could be a run-of-the-mill dating comedy with fat jokes.

That's what our show is about — two chubbies going at it. It could be a beautiful thing!

Well, yeah, that too!

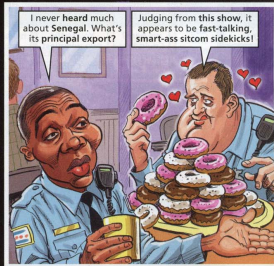
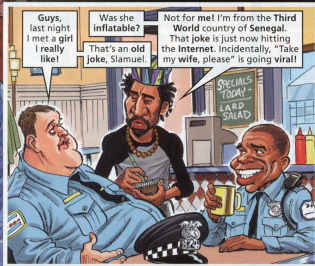
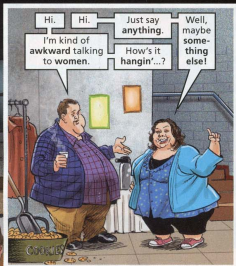
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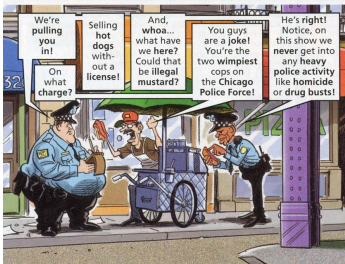
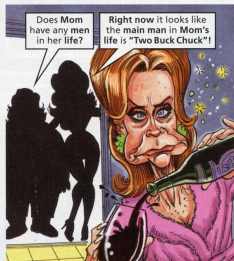
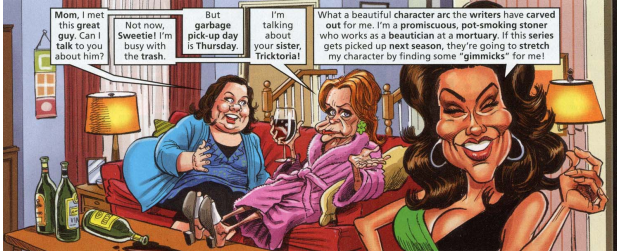
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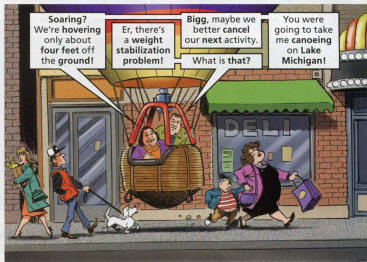
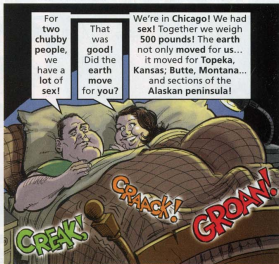
Not comedy — a record for **INK**. Most ink used to draw two characters! They demolished the record held by Roseanne and John Goodman from back in **MAD** #287!

Ya know, this exchange wasn't that funny!

I told you, we're not talking comedy. We're talking ink, man, ink!









This locket is for you. I had it inscribed with three words that are very meaningful!

"Appetizer, Entrée, Dessert." Those are your three meaningful words?

It's what I'm all about!

I thought we'd be getting married!

We can't get married!

Why not?

Well, for one thing, to carry you over the threshold, I'd need a forklift!

I guess I'll always be a bridesmaid, never a bride...

You sure got that right, butterchops!



My name is Bulky and I want to lose 280 pounds...



It's called my boyfriend, Bigg!

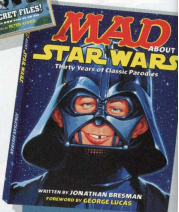
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That's why we've called you all here today. America loves chubbies! We're revamping our entire schedule to take advantage! Get a load of our new prime-time lineup!



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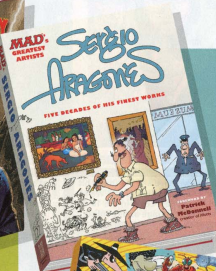
(And help us become one of the 1%!)



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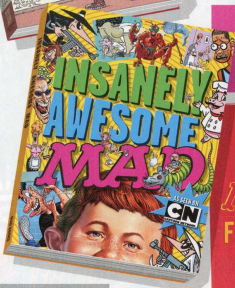
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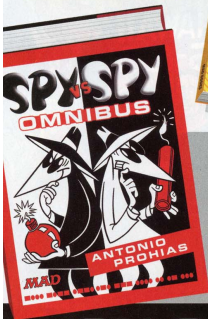
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ON SALE NOW! Tomorrow, too.



As phones get smarter, their users seem to get dumber! There's no app for proper behavior when using these expensive, time-sucking devices! But there IS the following article! Now get your elbows off the freakin' table and learn from...

The MAD Guide to SMARTPHONE ETIQUETTE



WRITER: KENNY KEIL

ARTIST: TIM HAMILTON



Don't be so caught up in your personal technology that you impolitely neglect your loved ones. Set some time aside every night to get together as a family and post on each others' Facebook walls.



It is considered gauche to ever let anyone hear the demeaning personalized ringtone you've selected for their incoming calls, even if it is deadly accurate.





Since many states frown upon texting while driving to the point of making it illegal, one may exhibit proper respect by using this downtime to catch up on YouTube videos instead.



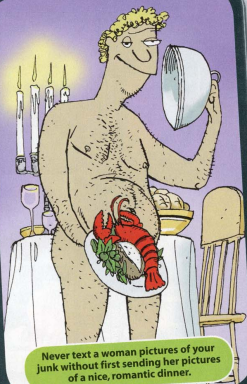
When talking on your Bluetooth headset at a restaurant, keep your voice down so others can hear their Bluetooth headsets as well.



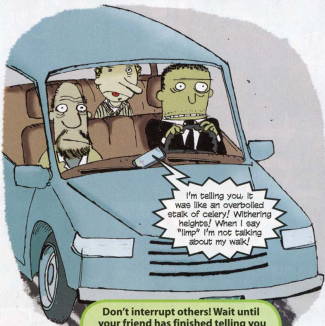
When taking calls while on a first date, good manners dictate mentioning how the date is going so that the person you're with feels included.



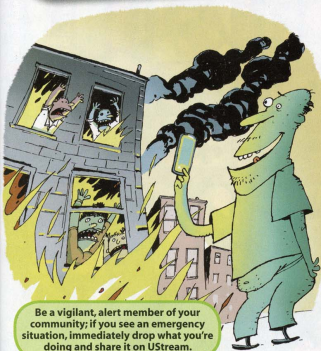
When aspiring to take "seductive" Facebook profile pictures in the bathroom mirror, it is considered polite to remove any embarrassing hygiene products from your counter first.



Never text a woman pictures of your junk without first sending her pictures of a nice, romantic dinner.



Don't interrupt others! Wait until your friend has finished telling you about his Erectile Dysfunction to tell him he's on speaker phone.



Be a vigilant, alert member of your community: if you see an emergency situation, immediately drop what you're doing and share it on UStream.



Breaking up from a long-term relationship via an impersonal text message is considered rude and in poor taste. Consider making a viral video instead.

AMENDMENT VI

"...the accused shall...be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation..."



AMENDMENT VI

"...the accused shall...be confronted with the witnesses against him..."



AMENDMENT VI

"...the accused shall...have the assistance of counsel for his defense..."



AMENDMENT VII

"...the right of trial by jury shall be preserved..."



AMENDMENT VIII

"...excessive fines (shall not be) imposed..."



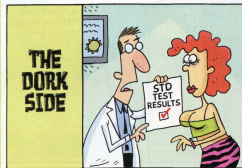
AMENDMENT VIII

"...cruel and unusual punishment (shall not be) inflicted..."

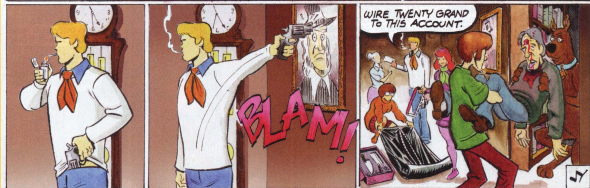




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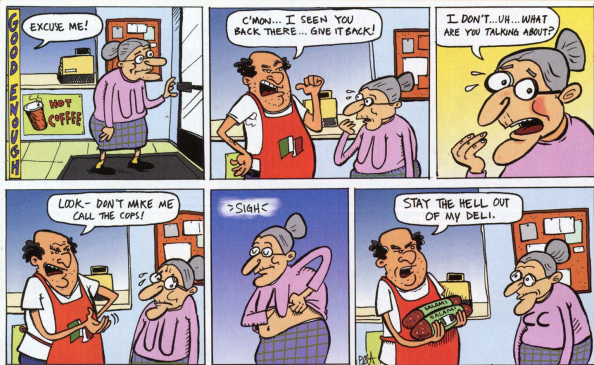


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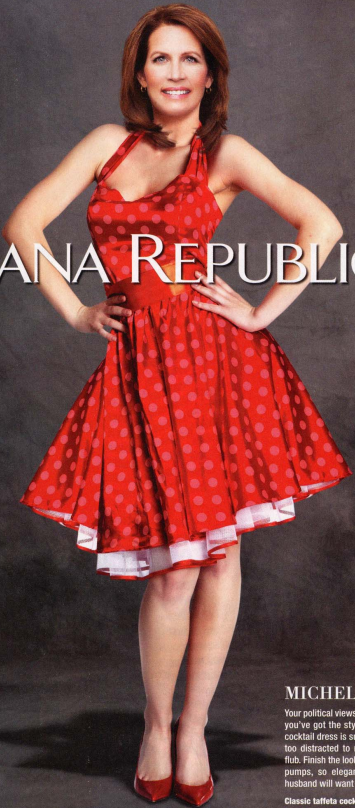
GOT YOUR NOSE



JACOB LAMBERT

JUST BELOW THE SURFACE





BANANA REPUBLICAN

MICHELE BACHMANN

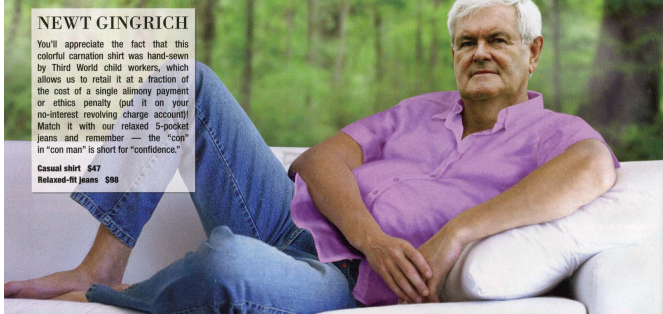
Your political views are stuck in the 1950's, and now you've got the style to match! Our classic taffeta cocktail dress is such a stunner, your critics will be too distracted to notice your latest embarrassing flub. Finish the look with these Ruby Red sling-back pumps, so elegant and alluring that even your husband will want to try them on!

Classic taffeta cocktail dress \$250
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NEWT GINGRICH

You'll appreciate the fact that this colorful carnation shirt was hand-sewn by Third World child workers, which allows us to retail it at a fraction of the cost of a single alimony payment or ethics penalty (put it on your no-interest revolving charge account!) Match it with our relaxed 5-pocket jeans and remember — the "con" in "con man" is short for "confidence."

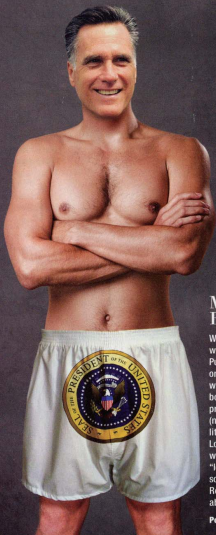
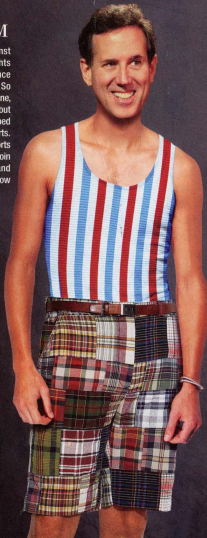
Casual shirt \$47
Relaxed-fit jeans \$98



RICK SANTORUM

Leading the fight against gays, reproductive rights and evolutionary science can be so exhausting. So when the workday is done, kick back and chill out in our funky multi-stripped tank and madras shorts. Criss-cross pattern shorts also feature a front mini-coin pocket, slant pockets and back flap-welt pockets. Now *that's* intelligent design!

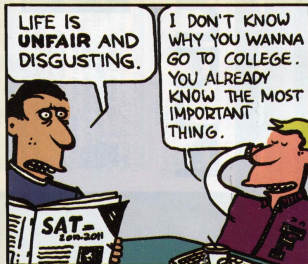
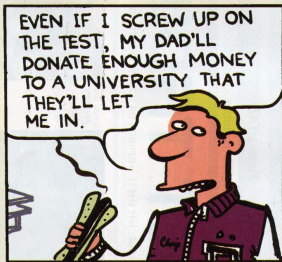
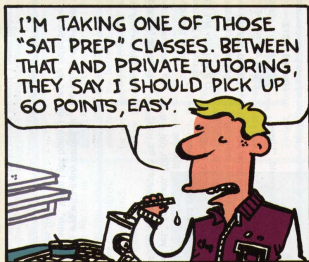
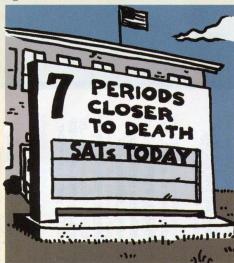
Striped tank-top \$36
Madras shorts \$56



MITT ROMNEY

What's the "empty suit" wearing beneath the suit? Put an end to any "boxers or briefs?" speculation with our stylish poplin boxers, featuring a fun presidential seal design (nothing wrong with a little wishful thinking!). Loose fit accommodates whichever way you're "leaning" that day. And did someone say "lightweight"? Relax. We're just talking about the fabric.

Poplin boxers \$32





love is...

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MIKE & MOLLY
EDITION

love is...



...letting him have the last quart of tartar sauce.

love is...



...resisting the urge to chew and swallow when tongue-kissing.

love is...



...lending a hand.

love is...



...letting her go first.

love is...



...driving the all-you-can-eat restaurant out of business...together.

love is...



...letting your inner child out to play.

love is...



...counting each other's rolls of fat.

love is...



...saying you're sorry.

WHAT POLITICAL
MOVEMENT HAVE
POLITICIANS FROM
BOTH PARTIES
EMBRACED?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS MAD FOLD-IN

These are tumultuous political times. The country is divided, and every day there's a new group or ideology that unites some people while alienating others. For a politician, it's an art form to ingratiate yourself with these people without being despised by their opponents. Thankfully, there's at least one movement that every politician — regardless of party — is able to agree on!



FOLD PAGE OVER LIKE THIS!

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FOLD BACK SO THAT "A" MEETS "B"



TODAY, POLITICAL FIGHTS ARE BITTER. WE ALL ACHIEVE
FOR MORE CIVILITY. BUT WHAT WE GET IS NASTY LIP
SERVICE BLAMING EACH OTHER. THEY ALL KEEP
FLINGING HEAPING AMOUNTS OF MUD WITHOUT STOP

WRITER AND ARTIST: AL JAFFEE

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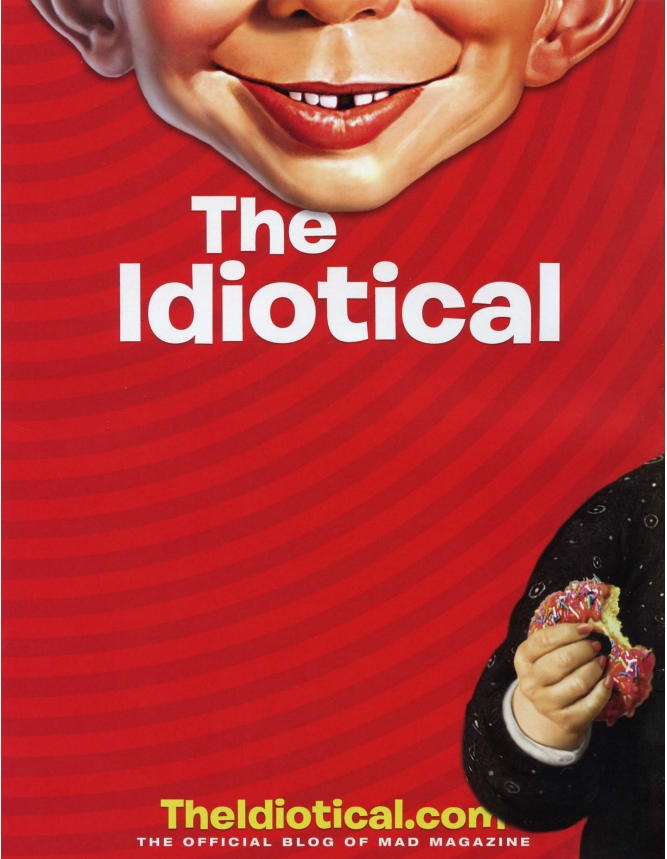
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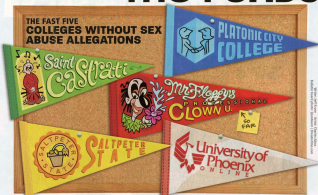
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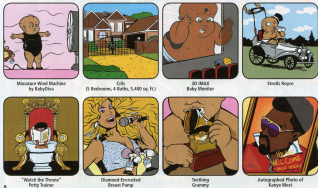
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GIFTS RECEIVED BY JAY-Z AND BEYONCÉ'S NEW BABY



Celebrity Cause-of-Death Betting Odds

KRISTEN STEWART

- Terrible post..... 1:1
- Chosen to death as story Robert Pattinson eyebrow hair..... 2:1
- Brain aneurysm brought on by attempting to display an emotionless expression..... 3:1
- Dies from food poisoning (along with Lea Ferrigno and Dirk Dittado) after eating at "My Taco cart at Toledo Sci-Fi Festival, 2024"..... Even money
- Ironically, dies of complications while donating blood..... 12:1



Cards from "Monopoly: The Mitt Romney Edition"

Slim Chance

AT A CAMPAIGN STOP IN IOWA, PROCLAIM THAT "CORPORATIONS ARE PEOPLE, MY FRIEND!"

LOSE CANDIDACY TO RICK SANTORUM



Slim Chance

PRaise your in-laws for once telling you, "NEVER GET INVOLVED IN POLITICS IF YOU HAVE TO WIN AN ELECTION TO PAY A MORTGAGE!"

LOCK IN THE 1% VOTE



Slim Chance

CHALLENGE DEBATE OPPONENT TO A \$10,000 BET

LOSE ALL CREDIBILITY AS "A MAN OF THE PEOPLE"



Slim Chance

WHILE ON THE STUMP IN NEW HAMPSHIRE, BRAG THAT YOU "ENJOY FIRING PEOPLE!"

SOLIDIFY YOUR IMAGE AS A COLD-HEARTED CORPORATE VULTURE



Slim Chance

ATTEMPT TO WIN OVER OUT-OF-ROOM VOTERS BY TELLING THEM "I'M ALSO UNEMPLOYED."

BECOME A NATIONAL JOKE



Slim Chance

REVEAL THAT LAST YEAR YOU COLLECTED "NOT VERY MUCH" IN SPEAKING FEES: \$274,000.

REAPPROPRIATE YOUR REPUTATION AS A NOTICABLY OUT-OF-TOUCH AUTOCRAT



THESE WILL BE
BLOOD-SUCKING DEPT.

With the release of *Twilight: Breaking Dawn, Part 2*, the *Twilight* Saga is coming to an end! But don't despair — because now, thanks to MAD, you can crank out your OWN mediocre vampire plotlines! You'll be raking in the sparkleshest millions in no time with...



MAD'S MAKE YOUR OWN twilight MOVIE

JUST AS BELLA AND EDWARD FINALLY
SEEM AT PEACE, BELLA RECEIVES



A THREE-RING MESSAGE



A SUICIDE FOR JURY DUTY



A PAJAMASGRAM



DOUBLE-O IMPLANTS



THE WINNING LOTTERY NUMBER



AN FBI "IS IN LOVE" BUZZSAET



A FRODO-CALL



A "FOKE"

FROM



THE VICTORY



THE KARABASIAN LAWYERS



JOSEPH WALL STREET PROTESTERS



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THE NBA PLAYERS' UNION



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REED HASTINGS, CEO OF NETFLIX

WHO THREATEN TO BRING FORTH AN ARMY OF



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CHRIS BROWN APOLOGISTS



ICE ROAD TRUCKERS



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TEA SCREENER



PRISONER SUFFERERS



STEAMPUNK BOARDS

IN ORDER TO TAKE AWAY BELLA'S



BABE



GUY FIERI MEMORABILIA



COPY OF ACTION COMICS #1



GROUPOON MEMBERSHIP



KID CRACK HAND



BBQ BOX



MEDICAL MARIJUANA



SHIRT WEIGHT

THIS FORCES THE CULLENS TO FORM AN UNEASY ALLIANCE WITH



THE WEREWOLVES



THE CAST OF BRUNNEN JAIL



THE PROGRESSIVE LADY



SAME, BUT NOT ALL OF THE BULLDOGS



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THE VAMPIRES OF TALENT ACADEMY



MARCUS BACHMANN

IN ORDER TO PROTECT BELLA FROM



THEIR WHATE



A SEXY ANDREW WEAVER



YOUTUBE COMMENTS SECTION



BIGGER PENCIL



ADULT CREDIT COUNCILS



ACCURING A LATE FEE



LOSING HER ANYTIME PHOTOS



A TMC CAMERA CREW

MEANWHILE, THE VOLTURI DEMAND THAT BELLA BECOME



A VAMPIRE



A FISCAL CONSERVATIVE



A MORE DILIGENT FLOSSER



A MUCH BETTER ACTRESS



A MAN - YOU KNOW, LIKE CHAZ BONO



A SWEDDE



A WALLMART CREATOR



RENT OVERSEES NEW MISTRESS

FORCING BELLA TO CHOOSE BETWEEN LOVE AND



FRIENDSHIP



MAKING A SECOND FACIAL EXPRESSION



AN UNWANTED UNWELLY COOPER PROJECT



THE SOBE SALAD



WHAT'S BEHIND CIDER #1



SAVING JOHN OR MORE ON CAR INSURANCE



HER OWN COMEDY CENTRAL POST



A STAYING APART ON THE MIAMI MARLINS

BUT THINGS WORK OUT THANKS TO



THE CULLENS



EXTREME CLOTHING



A BRAND-NEW ANDROID APP



THE HAPPA CALENDAR



IMPASSIBLE EAR



HITTING CTRL + ALT + DELETE



A CLEF PRODUCTION NUMBER



STEPHENIE MEYER'S SLOPPY MYOTING



WRITER AND ARTIST: PETER KUPER

KUPER



MAD's Dreadfully Undercooked THE HUNGER GAMES Outtakes



THE BALL OF RIGHTS DEPT.

One of the greatest glories of our nation is "The Constitution." It assures us of our Rights in our Democracy. If you're an Adult, that is! But if you

happen to be a Kid, it doesn't apply! Oh sure, it's supposed to protect everybody, but today there's one group that violates the Constitutional Rights

of kids constantly. Know who they are? The Communists? The Nazis? No, they're much closer to home! Take a look at this article, and you'll see why we say...

PARENTS ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL

AMENDMENT 1
(There shall be) "...no law... abridging
the freedom of speech..."



Talk back to me, will you?!

Just for that, you're not going out of this house for a week!

AMENDMENT 1
(There shall be) "...no law...abridging
the right of people to peaceably assemble.



If you think we're going to allow a bunch of bums to use this place as a clubhouse,

Get them
out of
here. Now.

AMENDMENT 1
(The people have a right) "...to petition
for a redress of grievances."



	I don't want to talk
--	----------------------

And if you keep
on bugging
me like this,

AMENDMENT I
(There shall be) "...no law respecting an
establishment of religion..."



If you don't get inside or start praying, I'm going to

AMENDMENT IV
"The right . . . to be secure against . . . unreasonable
searches and seizures shall not be violated."



Honard? There's nothing there.



AMENDMENT VI
"...the accused shall enjoy the
right to a speedy trial..."



But it just got
from HCOH for
a same thing?

Ha! She's always too busy out there!

AMENDMENT V
"No person...shall be compelled...
to be a witness against himself..."



I'd rather not stop!

If you DON'T, you're going to get whipping off your back.

AMENDMENT V
 "...nor shall private property be taken for
 public use without just compensation."



They just mess up the house! Those 2 can put them to better use in their day.

Now you've done it! But I'm not going to stop a thing!

Just wait till your Father comes home! And you wait!

RICK PERRY

You've turned off members of both parties with your editorial photos—right?—now turn heads with this sexy blue stripe band neck tie. And what better way to announce that you're a total winning' dander than by wearing a nod to the stuffin' Texas heat? Combine with our classic black chinos with reinforced knees that won't wear out despite hours of prying.

Striped band neck tie: \$39
Band: \$49
Reinforced black chinos: \$79



SARAH PALIN

Can you look like a million bucks even when the GOP isn't operating as well as your mascot? You bet! Our elegant take dress is done for north and pine, whether you're showing down Democratic candidates or checking notes from a cheapsie Best of all, Sarah's not in both Texas and Alaska, even if you're not.

Emphatic take dress: \$175



JOHN BOEHNER

Selling your soul to your corporate masters is one thing, but can you "out" sexual boaters with a business suit? No problem. Specially treated cotton polypropylene knit and women silk tie are resistant to most stains, including beer, wine, oil, grease, bleach — you name it.

Quasi-Bohner: \$195
Quasi-Bohner suit: \$279
Women silk tie: \$33

RON PAUL

Our charcoal blazer and silk/carbon v-neck sweater are defined by their authentic details and classic sensibility, while Supreme defines you by your shaky grasp of the Constitution and your embarrassing views on race and civil rights. You might be closer than an antelope rag, but there's nothing really about quality fabric at affordable prices!

Charcoal blazer: \$238
Silk/carbon v-neck sweater: \$198



MITCH McCONNELL

You lack samples, integrity and any semblance of a personality, but thanks to our eye-catching lion-fur-trimmed sweater shirt, you'll never lack for compliments. Guaranteed to both colorfast and lion-fur-trimmed, perfect for the man who's proud but and knows with millions of people's lives for pure political gain.

Pink lion-fur-trimmed shirt: \$299



PLANET TAD!!!!

ABOUT ME NAME: TAD AGE: HHH HHH II OPINION ON ICARLY: IDONT CARE



March 1, 2012

In class today, I learned that the Big Dipper is part of a constellation called "Ursa Major", which means "big bear", because apparently, the Greeks thought the stars made the shape of a bear. Which means they looked at this:



And saw this:



I dunno. Either the Greeks were really creative, or bears used to look really different.

March 2, 2012

So, I came home from school today, and my mom said, "I have two surprises for you!"

Which automatically made me nervous, because my mom never says "I have a surprise for you" when it's something good. And then she said, "Go into the den!" So I went in there, and there was a piano in it. "I was driving home and saw a sign that said 'PIANO - FREE TO GOOD HOME!'" she said. "I don't know why anyone would ever give away a piano, but I couldn't resist!" And I said, "How do I even play the piano?" And she smiled and said, "No, not yet." And I said, "Oh, did you sign up for lessons?" And she said, "That's my second surprise for you!"

Yes, My mom has signed me up for piano lessons.

This is why I hate my mom's surprises.

March 3, 2012

My first piano lesson is tomorrow, but I've already figured out how to play three songs:

- 1) If you play any two notes on the low end of the piano, it's the theme from "Jaws".
- 2) If you play any high note over and over and over again, it's the sound of a serial killer chasing someone through a house.
- 3) If you pound down a bunch of keys all at once, it's someone falling down stairs in a cartoon.

I don't know why people make such a big deal out of composing music. It turns out it's pretty easy.

March 4, 2012

So, today was my first piano lesson. It was with a guy named Mr. Fitzhoff. He showed me which keys are which, and taught me how to play "Mary Had a Little Lamb". When I got home, I showed my sister Sophie. She said, "Oh, yeah! I remember learning to play that on the oboe! When I was six."

March 11, 2012

Today was Daylight Savings Time, so at 2 AM, the clocks sprung forward. I never understand the name "Daylight Savings Time" - it's not like you get an extra hour of daylight out of it, or you're even saving any time for later. It's more like "Daylight Put An Extra Hour on the Clock So You Can Take It Back In Seven Months Time."

Anyway, I was really hoping that my mom wouldn't notice, so I could miss my piano lesson. But before I even got up this morning, Sophie had gone around the house and re-set all the clocks, because that's the sort of awful, helpful thing my sister does. My lesson went fine. Mr. Fitzhoff said that I should really practice more. I asked him how I'd know if I was practicing enough, and he said, "Well, when you can play more than three notes in a row correctly, that'd be a start." So that's good to know.

March 15, 2012

Today is the "Ides of March", which is a fancy way of saying "March 15." In English, Mr. Parker told us about this Shakespeare play where a soothsayer tells Julius Caesar, "Beware the Ides of March," but he doesn't listen, and then he gets stabbed in the back by his best friend. I have to say: That's a pretty crappy soothsayer. Why couldn't he just say, "Hey, your friend's going to stab you in the back!"



March 18, 2012

Piano lesson again today. I don't think Mr. Fitzhoff likes me. Actually because, when I showed up, he sighed and said, "Oh, right. You." He said that I really should practice a lot more, if I want to get any better at playing the piano. He told me that, when he was a kid, he practiced for two hours every day. And I said, "Wow. So you must've really wanted to be a piano teacher when you grew up, huh?" And he paused for a really long time, and then said, "Sure."

March 20, 2012

Tonight at dinner, my mom said, "Tad, I don't notice you practicing the piano very much." And I said, "Yeah, I keep meaning to, but I never have the time." And she said, "You watched all of 'Hawaii Five-O' last night. You could've practiced then." And I was just about to say, "Yeah, but I can't play really well. Nobody wants to hear me practice." But that gave me an idea. Tonight, after dinner, I sat down and practiced the piano. I practiced "Mary Had a Little Lamb," over and over, for a solid two hours. I never played it right once.

March 21, 2012

Another night of practicing. If anything, I'm making sure that "Mary Had a Little Lamb" is sounding even worse. My mom came in and asked me if Mr. Fitzhoff had taught me any other songs. I told her no, and then went back to playing it wrong.

March 22, 2012

Still more practicing. Tonight, my mom was in the next room, watching "Top Chef," and I could tell it was beginning to annoy her, because she started turning the TV volume up. So I practiced even louder. And the more she turned up the TV, the louder I practiced.

March 23, 2012

Today, I sat down and practiced again - I've gotten to the point where I can play "Mary Had a Little Lamb" so badly, it doesn't even sound like a song anymore. After about a half an hour, my mom came in and said, "Tad! Honey! How much more do you think you'll be practicing today?" And I said, "My teacher says it sometimes takes years just to master one song." And her eye twitched a little, and then she said, "You know what? I'm thinking maybe music isn't where your gifts lie. Maybe we should find another hobby for you." So I acted all sad, and then I went up to my room and made a sign:



I think we might be using it soon.

THIS ISN'T WORKING OUT SEPT.

Let's face it, you need to get in shape. But you can't do it alone — you're the one who got yourself into this mess! (Remember when you got into this mess?) That was YOUR idea! You're gonna need a trainer! But before you pick one, your trainer keeps an increasingly-rare eye out for them...

Oh, *loser* says. I thought we were talking about *losers* and stuff.

He asks what you mean by "loose."



You find your "Personalized Nutrition Plan" is also on the back of a box of Special K.

She shows up to your emotions on a hoverboard.

He's like, "I'm ready for some *Power Love*!"



Clues You've Hired A Not-So-Certified Personal Trainer

Her self-esteem is lower than yours.



I look fat today, don't I? I am so *GROTESQUE*!

Shouldn't we at least watch, like, an exercise show?

Hope you been the same amount of calories watching the OTB channel.



You're not getting the motivation you were counting on.

Jeez, you know it looks really mild out, and that can lead to cramping. I think we should just do some stretches and make some healthy smoothies.



When it's time to exercise, she's even better at making excuses than you are.

So, this will rehydrate me! *Electrolytes*!



You've never heard of re-hydrating with Dr. Pepper before.

Um, oh, totally... and it washes down nachos really good too.

Whoa—perfect form! Are you? Since you never did this before.



He swears the bean bag chair gets far better results than the yoga ball.

...Jeez, it acts as a calming agent to your exhausted heart.



Part of the "cool down" is a Marlboro Light.

WATER AND SWEET (HEAVENLY BLEND) (MILKSHAKE)

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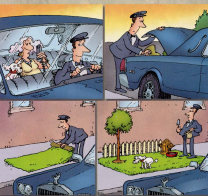
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Unemployment is soaring at a whopping 8.5%. And if you're looking for a reason why, and you're willing to disregard things like the harsh, important government officials, and corporate greed, and extremely bad trade agreements and institutional corruption on every level, the reason why so many people are out of work becomes crystal clear: it's all the American workers' fault! These out-of-work knock-knocks go into a prospective employer's office weekly, prepared and quickly kill any chance they have had of being hired when they open their big, fat mouths and pour them.

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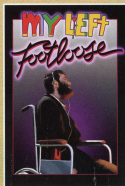
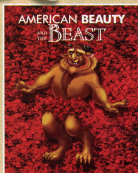
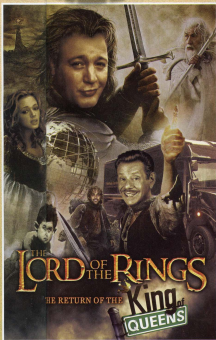
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