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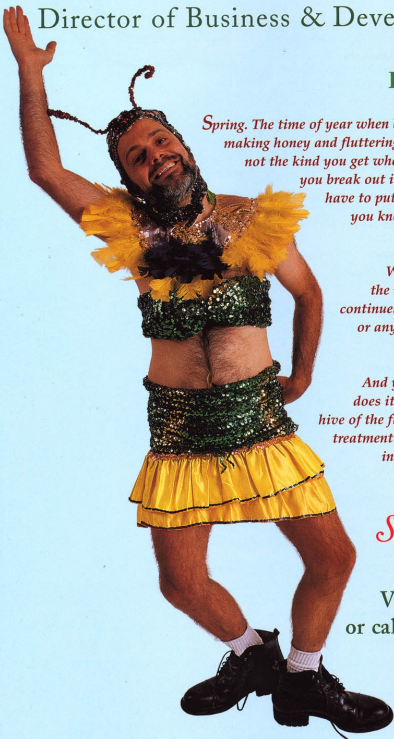
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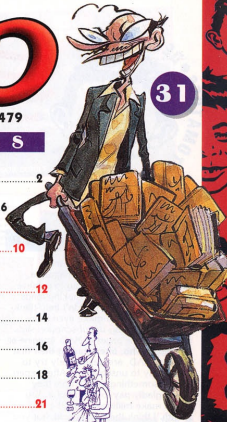
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Gonzo — Bad news! The next three installments of Monroe are already done! And they are: Monroe and...The E. Coli Infection, Monroe and...The Romantic Weekend with Rainn Wilson and Monroe and...The Rabid Pack of Wolverines! Good luck getting through the next few months! —Ed.

Win, Lose or Law — We here at MAD love nothing better than to come between a mother and a son. Second to putting out this magazine, our greatest passion is encouraging family feuds! It's a little known fact that, because of us, Tori Spelling, Jennifer Aniston and Angelina Jolie are all estranged from various parents. So we'll happily print your letter in hopes of driving a permanent wedge between you and the woman who carried you for nine long months! By the way, if you ever want to turn on your brother, we welcome that letter as well! —Ed.

When I was 7 years old (1957), my cousin introduced me to MAD magazine. My mother was furious. She forbade me to read it. Well, my cousin and I worked out a way for me to read it without her knowing it. Every year my Dad and I would go fishing with my uncle and cousin, and my cousin would bring all his copies of MAD that I had not read. Dad was OK with this because it kept me quiet in the boat and my Mom never found out. When I went away to college, I tried to subscribe but it was intercepted by fellow students and my mag never arrived at my door until it was in pieces and more unreadable than normal. After graduation and getting my own apartment, I tried again but my mag disappeared into the black void that is the U.S. Postal Service and I never received a single one. I was reduced to trying to buy it off the rack, a hit and miss proposition at the best of times. Now that I am retired, I have finally, successfully subscribed and am receiving my MAD magazines. (Yea, Whoopie, Hallelujah!!!) I guess that the other people in the apartment complex and the postal carriers either do not know what it is or do not have the intelligence to understand it.

Patty Cakes—That's an amazing story of perseverance and determination! All those years, there were so many forces working against you, keeping you from reading MAD. That's such an astonishing tale that we don't want to end your streak of being thwarted out of your monthly MAD. So, we contacted our subscription department and they cancelled your account effective immediately! No need to thank us — it's the least we can do for a loyal and unwavering fan like you! —Ed



SANDRA'S DEPICTION OF ROSIE PUMMELING THE DONALD

TRANSCRIPT OF THE BEST DAMN MAD PLUG PERIOD

On a recent episode of Fox Sports' Best Damn Sports Show Period, the cast (and for reasons that aren't entirely clear, Bob Saget) discussed MAD #475's spoof of their show! In case you missed it, here's the transcript!

(L TO R) CHRIS ROSE, JOHN SALLEY, BOB SAGET (I), RODNEY PEETE AND ROB DIBBLE

Ya know what? You used to read MAD Magazine, right?!



Actually, I had one ripped up when I was in sixth grade. The teacher said, uh, "You shouldn't be reading this!" She ripped up my MAD.

Really?

Yeah. I was really mad.

We suggest you go out and get this one. Why? Because on the inside...a two page layout of what? That would be...The Best Damn Sports Show Period.

Yes!

They're making fun of us! In fact, I want to show you some little bits.



11:40

Rose introduces his cohorts. First, John Salley — and if you haven't heard about his 1984 charge! Dibble, whose mere presence proves that there's still no steroid testing for washed-up jocks. And last, there's Rodney Peete, Philadelphia QB who amazingly went from Detroit to Dallas to Philadelphia to Washington to Oakland to Carolina, without ever developing a fan base.



I love it! I love it!

But wait there's more!
It's like a Ginsu knife commercial.

11:41

Now comes the obligatory bimbo segment. Pam Anderson brings her centageless...an enthusiasm, dropping by for the 75th time.

Nice underwear!
What I'm thinking would get me penalized for illegal use of hands!

Do you allow frequent substitution?

You know look more like the "two-minute drill" type!



Is that the length of your tongue?

Yeah.

Gene Simmons.

That's pretty amazing.

12:08

At the end of the show the hosts stand up and put their hands together in a "Whooooaaa Bundy!" It's goofy. It's show tradition. But mostly, it's a chance for men to touch other men while still sublimating their homoerotic feelings. And after all, that's what sports is all about.

And finally....



...that's nice.

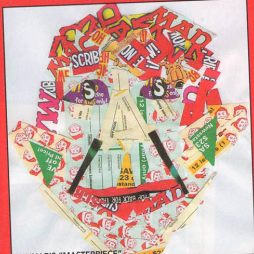


The Big Easel

Hey I thought you guys might like this one. I made it completely out of those dumb "Subscribe Now!" cards that you keep putting in my magazines. So stop putting them in if you don't want idiotic pictures like these!

Gunnar Oliphant, Bend, OR

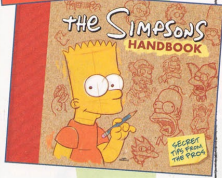
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If you were lucky enough to have your letter printed in this month's Letters Page, your lucky streak isn't over just yet! You'll also be receiving a copy of either *The Simpsons Handbook: Secret Tips from the Pros* by Matt Groening or *Greetings From The Simpsons*, courtesy of our friends at HarperCollins Publishers! (Mmmm...free book!) And if you didn't win, don't sweat it — both books are on sale now!



THE BIG QUESTION

This Month's Question:
What celebrity would you like to see "clown dunked" in a septic system?

- Anna Nicole Smith's Sidekick/Lawyer/ Opportunist Howard K. Stern
- Presidential Player-Hater Hillary Clinton
- American Idol's Space Filler Ryan Seacrest
- Man-faced Gyration Fergie

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BATMAN: WHEN WORLDS CONTRIVE

by Jim Morrison and Lee Grant • DC Comics, \$14.99

DC Comics is the publishing house of choice for all cartoon-loving schizophrenics. In 2006 alone, the company cranked out 4,778 profitable titles featuring Batman as the grim, gritty, undiagnosed psychotic who lurks in shadows and metes out cruel justice. However, DC is simultaneously flooding the shops with high-end archives and compilations of the lighthearted, happy-go-lucky Bat-adventures of the past. Confoundingly, they're marketing these two totally opposite versions of Batman to the same customer base.

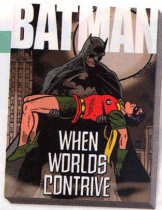
DC readers haven't been so confused since tenth grade, when they found out that reciting the Green Lantern Oath never, ever gets a girl's shirt off. It's disorienting for fans to enjoy a Bat-scene in which an insane rapist is tortured into a confession, then smoothly transition over to a Golden Age Bat-story about a bad guy in a red space helmet throwing glue boomerangs at Batman's canine helper, Ace the Bat-Hound.

Finally, DC editors have come up with the perfect synthesis of styles. The two totally separate Bat-worlds — the cheery, nostalgic stories of decades past and

the merciless deathscapes rife with torment — have been uncomfortably squeezed into a single paradoxical story. It's not a reboot. It's not a retcon. It's a rurdosk. "Rurdosk" is a phony slang word we just made up, and it means you can kiss continuity goodbye.

Befitting a prestige project like this, DC pulled out the stops, commissioning "A" talent. One of the most popular Glaswegian writers in recent superhero comics history, Jim Morrison (*Robert Hood*, *History Face*, *Justice League V.38*) crafted an intricately plotted, multi-tiered psychological narrative that deconstructed the temporal duality of man's evanescent perceptions. Then, when superstar artist Lee Grant became available, DC chucked out the details and turned 90% of the page layouts into snazzy pin-up art. DC's marketing them as posters right now.

Conceived as a six-issue story arc, issue #1 was a smash success upon its April 2002 debut. It sold over 200,000 copies, boosted in part by the thirty-eight collectible cover variants. The other four issues quickly followed in June 2002, November 2002, November 2003, and July 2006, with issue #6 being cancelled.



Collecting all five heavily-printed issues, but featuring a 39th cover variant just for the fun of tormenting DC's most loyal customers, *Batman: When Worlds Contrive* is a necessary addition to any Bat-fanatic's library. It had better be. Otherwise, readers might begin to question their irrational need to "complete their collection," a frightening breakthrough of personal growth that would bankrupt the comic book industry.



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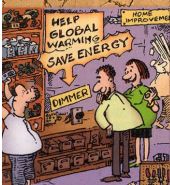
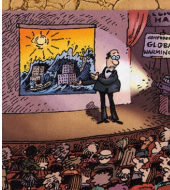
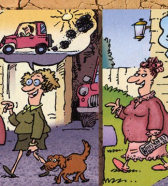
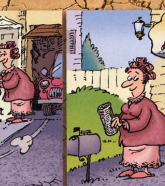
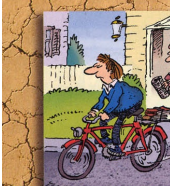
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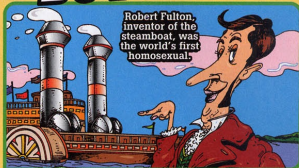


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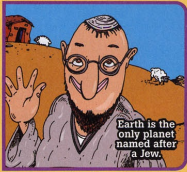
Robert Fulton, inventor of the steamboat, was the world's first homosexual.



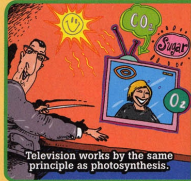
Isaac Newton actually discovered gravity when he was making a "number 2."



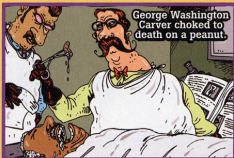
Koala bears testicles are transparent.



Earth is the only planet named after a Jew.



Television works by the same principle as photosynthesis.



George Washington Carver choked to death on a peanut.

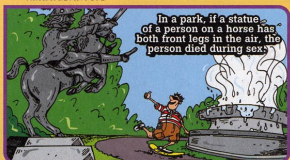


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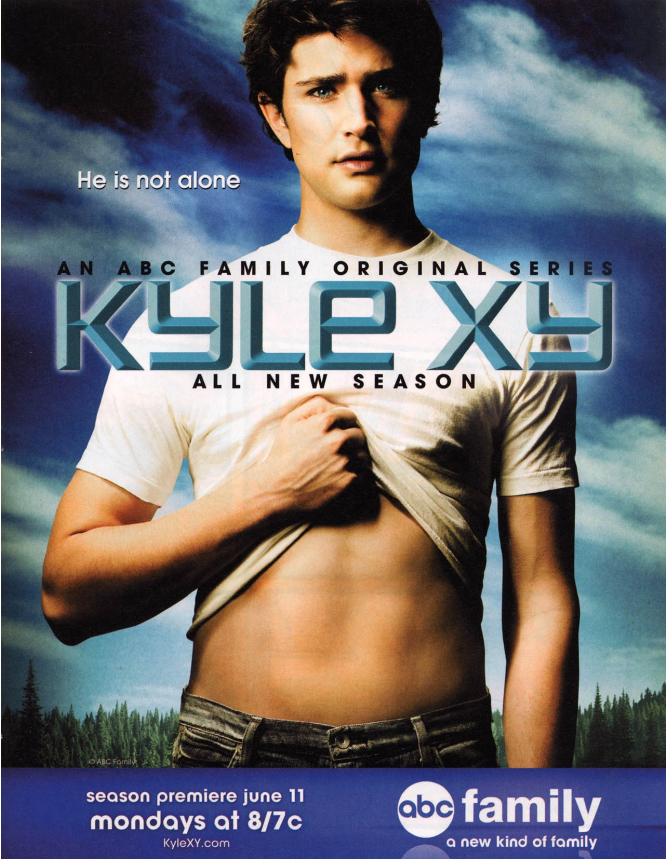
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Soccer was invented on pirate ships as a means of cleaning the deck.



In a park, if a statue of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died during sex.

A promotional poster for the TV series Kyle XY. The central figure is a young man with dark hair and blue eyes, wearing a white t-shirt and jeans. He is pulling the t-shirt open with his right hand, revealing his bare midriff. The background is a dramatic sky with blue and white clouds, and a dark green forest line is visible at the bottom. The text 'He is not alone' is in the upper left. The title 'KYLE XY' is in large, stylized blue letters across the middle, with 'AN ABC FAMILY ORIGINAL SERIES' above it and 'ALL NEW SEASON' below it. The bottom of the poster has a dark blue banner with white text for the premiere date and the ABC Family logo.

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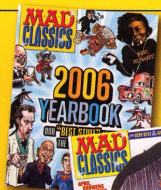
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KNOW THE DRILL.
WHEN THE GUY
OPENS THE DOOR WE
BUM RUSH THIS
SHOW.

BUT I'M NOT
EVEN, LIKE, A HUGE
FAN OR ANYTHING.
I CAN WAIT FOR
THE BOOK.

HERE!!!

WHAT DO
I CARE ABOUT *THAT*?
WE'RE GETTING AS MANY
OF THESE AS WE CAN AT
40% OFF AND JACKING
THEM UP ON THE
BLACK MARKET.
EASY MONEY!

RELAX,
DAD, YOU'RE
DROOLING.



I THINK
MAYBE I'LL GO
STAND WITH
WALTER.

NO
CUTTING,
MONROE!



YOU'RE
ONLY *THREE*
SPACES
AHEAD.

THAT'S A
GOOD TEN
PAGES I'LL
BE AHEAD.

THIS BLOWS
GILLYWEED.
I NEED SOME
SHUT EYE.

POTTER-
SHMOTTER! IF PEOPLE
WANT TO READ ABOUT A KID
WHO FIGHTS FOR HIS LIFE *EVERY*
DAY AGAINST THE FORCES OF
EVIL, THEY SHOULD WRITE A
BOOK... ABOUT... ME...
ZZZZ...



DID
SOMEONE SAY
THE FORCES
OF EVIL?

DYLAN? OH, MAN,
THIS ISN'T GONNA TURN
INTO ONE OF THOSE DUMB
THINGS WHERE I FALL
ASLEEP AND HAVE SOME
WEIRD DREAM
IS IT?

NOPE.
IT'S NOT
GONNA
TURN
ALREADY
HAS!



IT'S THE
LAST NAME YOU
WILL EVER HEAR IN
THE "DEATHLY
HALLOWS"!

YIKES!

SOUNDS LIKE
SOMEONE'S
AFRAID
TO GET KILLED
OFF.

AM NOT.

ARE TOO.



UH, ONE
MORE THING,
THOUGH...CAN I
ASK, WHAT ARE
HALLOWS?

UGH! YOU ARE
INSUFFERABLE!
IT MEANS, LIKE,
HALLOWEEN.

SO WHY DON'T
YOU JUST SAY
HALLOWEEN?

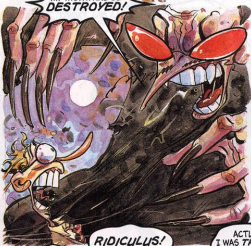
I DUNNO,
OKAY? J.K.
TITLES THE
BOOKS.

AND WHAT?
YOU'RE TOO
AFRAID TO TALK
TO J.K. ABOUT
IT?

NO!
BUT SHE'S THE
BOSS.



SILENCE!!!
NOW PREPARE TO FEEL
MY WRATH AND BE
DESTROYED!



ZAP!



MAN,
I MUST HAVE
FALLEN ASLEEP.
WHAT HAPPENED?
DID I GET A
BOOK?

SORRY,
SPORT. ALL SOLD
OUT. YOU SLEPT
THROUGH
THE SALE.

YOU COULD
HAVE WOKEN
ME UP.

YOU LOOKED
SO PEACEFUL
SLEEPING ON THE
SIDEWALK WITH
EVERYONE STEPPING
ON YOU. TELL YOU WHAT,
YOU WANT TO READ IT?
I'LL LET THIS ONE
GO FOR \$150.



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HEY, JUST
SUPPLY AND
DEMAND.



ACTUALLY,
I WAS TRYING TO
GIVE YOU A THIRD
NIPPLE.

MAYBE
"I SHOULDN'T" HAVE
LET THOSE KIDS KICK
YOU IN THE HEAD SO
MUCH. LET'S GO HOME,
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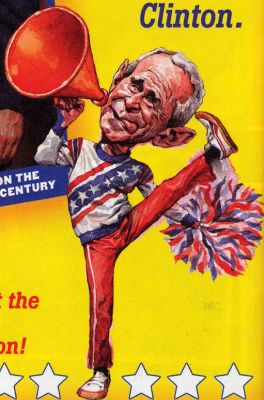
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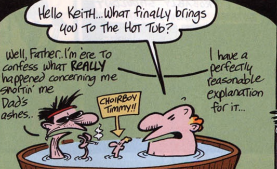




THE STRIP CLUB

FATHER FLANNITY'S HOT TUB CONFESSIONS!!

WITH KEITH RICHARDS of the ROLLING STONES!!



In an attempt to pull meself away from the inexhaustible carnal desires of over a dozen, twenty-year-old nubile women, I somehow got me stash mixed up with me Dad's ashes... I **SNORTED ME POP'S ASHES WHILE TOSsing ALL ME COKE INTO THE THAMES!!**

When I realized what I had done, I was devastated... Completely devastated... >sniff<



I mean... It was a perfectly **GOOD BAG OF COKE!!**



KEITH RICHARDS

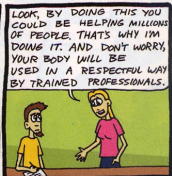
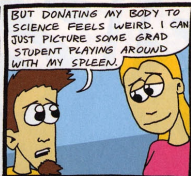
ME, MYSELF AND MY PUPPET

AND A BULLY



JOHN KOVALESKI

REX IN THE CITY



DUSTIN CLUCK

YOUR ONLY DEFENSE AGAINST THE ZEITGEIST!

THE HERO SANTON!

"SANTON VS. THE EVIL PAPARAZZI ROBOT MONSTER"

Once again, Santon sits to read his fave magazine, *US Weekly*, when suddenly ...

Us WEEKLY
NEWEST ISSUE!
HERO SANTON - HE'S JUST LIKE US!
Pics of him shopping!!!

"Hi!"

SANTON?! In the infamous **"They're Just Like Us"** section of **US WEEKLY?!!** NO superhero, from **SUPERMAN** to **GREEN LANTERN**, has EVER been photographed shopping for groceries!!!

These pics could DESTROY Santon's mythic qualities!

This is the work of ... THE EVIL PAPARAZZI ROBOT MONSTER!

MUST STOP CANDID CELEB PHOTOS NOW!

Confess it, Santon! You are **JUST LIKE US!** You shop, you have **BAD HAIR** days, you **DROP BABIES!!** HA HA HA HA!

N0000000000000000!!!!

As Santon goes for the kill, the **EVIL PAPARAZZI ROBOT STUNS** him with a photo **TOO EMBARRASSING** for even the most powerful hero in the galaxy to withstand ... a fatty beach shot! **N0000000!!!!**

UNNGH!

Us WEEKLY
PICS INSIDE OF SANTON GROCERY SHOPPING — WITH NO MAKEUP ON!

THE HERO SANTON — MYTHIC SAVIOR ... OR FATTY?

FATTY BEACH SHOT EXPOSES HERO AS "JUST LIKE US!"

Weakened, our hero retreats. But he has an idea and **QUICKLY** returns with a camera to photograph **THE EVIL PAPARAZZI ROBOT MONSTER** as **HE EXITS A LIMOUSINE!** Genius!

CROTCH SHOT! N00000000000000!!!!

SANTON! **CRASH!** **OOPS!**

The crotch shot makes everyone realize the evil robot is a slut, destroying its credibility! Santon is vindicated!!!

Us WEEKLY
SANTON NOT AT ALL LIKE US!
Exposes Robot as Immoral Slut!

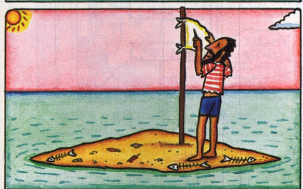
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The Long and Short of It



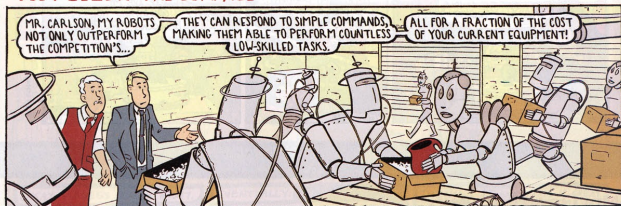
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MULLIGAN'S ISLAND



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JUST BELOW THE SURFACE



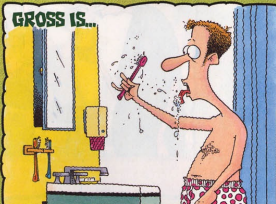


It's been four long, sad years since that grossmeister John Caldwell wrote another "Gross and Beyond Gross" article. That is, the years have been long and sad for John — we've rather enjoyed the break! But all good things must come to an end, that's why we reluctantly give you...

JOHN CALDWELL'S FINAL INSTALLMENT OF THE

GROSS AND BEYOND GROSS TRILOGY

GROSS IS...



...Following a night of partying, you suddenly realize that the toothbrush you're using is not your own.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



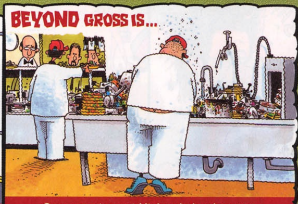
...Following a night of partying, you suddenly realize that the toothbrush you're using is not really a toothbrush.

GROSS IS...



Scuzzy restaurant kitchen help who ignore the "Employees Must Wash Hands After Using Restroom" sign.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



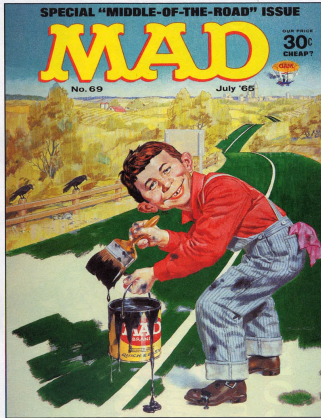
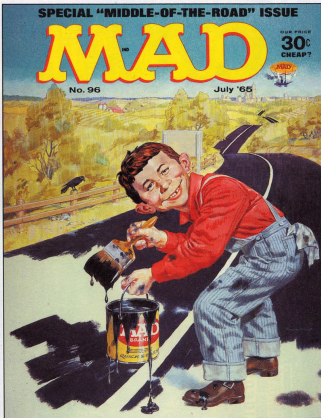
Scuzzy restaurant kitchen help who never bother to use the restroom.

OBSERVATION DECK DEPT.

Introducing a
New MAD Feature!

WHAT THE HECK IS THE DIFFERENCE?

Can you find the **idiotic** changes we've made to this magazine cover?



ANSWERS: 1) The "MAD" is missing between the "M" and "A" in the MAD logo. 2) The issue no. is reversed on the cover. 3) The MAD logo is reversed on the cover. 4) There's an extra crow perched on the fence. 5) There's an extra crow perched on the fence. 6) There's an extra crow perched on the fence. 7) The color of the road is different. 8) The gap in Albert's teeth is in a different spot. 9) The road is a different color — green.

WHAT ASIAN MENACE
IS CAUSING ANXIETY
AND SLEEPLESS
NIGHTS FOR MANY
AMERICANS?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS MAD FOLD-IN

For countless Americans, their lives are consumed by an emerging Asian threat. If you open any newspaper you'll see this puzzling dilemma staring back at you. To see what's causing these numerous problems, fold page in as shown.



FOLD PAGE OVER LIKE THIS!

FOLD PAGE OVER LEFT

FOLD BACK SO THAT "A" MEETS "B"



SURPRISING NUMBERS OF PEOPLE ARE TOTALLY DO-
MINATED BY ASIAN PROBLEMS. THEY
KNOW IT'S REALLY DUMB YET THEY WANT YOU
AND ME TO UNDERSTAND THEIR OBSESSION

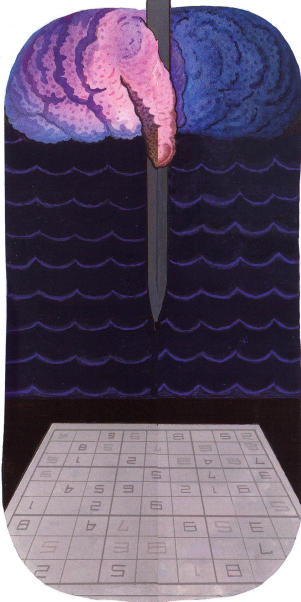
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A B

FOLD BACK SO THAT "A" MEETS "B"



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**HUNGER GETS
WHAT HUNGER WANTS**

THE FUNDALNIPAGES

TIP-OFFS YOU'RE ON A CRUISE SHIP HEADED FOR DISASTER



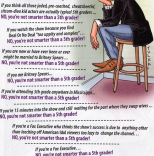
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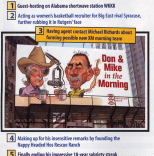
Possible Ways J.K. Rowling Will Kill Off Characters in HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS



"ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A 5TH GRADER?"



THE FAST 5 HOW IS DON AMUS SPENDING HIS FORCED RETIREMENT?



CASTRO Comments:



THE NFL REF REPORT: THIS MONTH: OFFENSE-REPORT



THE FUNDALNIPAGES

Things Over the Premiere of PIRATES of the CARIBBEAN 3

You have to hand it to producer Jerry Bruckheimer: Where in the world did he come up with the idea for a story about ruthless, drinking, amoral bandits?

From the story

It was anything directed by Gore Verbinski

Barack has it this one makes sense!

Anthony Davis has said that he's made these movies for his children, and another case of abnormal celebrity parenting!

Orlando Bloom is Hollywood's No. 1 biggest first love of the A-list, and now this is actual proof!

Dear God, you mean we're getting two more Topps?

There hasn't been this much excitement for this grand installment of a grade school trilogy in years!

Is that being skeletons creature, back in this movie?

You mean Captain Barbosa?

No, Anne Knightley!

Wouldn't it be great if Disney turned all their movies into movies?

Yeah, that's just what the world needs - an eight-hour long feature based on Mr. T's old film!

I fear Orlando Bloom declared these months of grueling, intensive training!

To learn how to wear stilts?

Oh, uh, to learn how to change expressions!

ORLANDO!

The best the academy couldn't do here. He's in rehab!

I hear this movie ends with a real twist!

You mean it ends in a comedy for even more money?

SOME RESEMBLING REQUIRED DEPT.

There is a strange synchronicity between the past and the present. As archaeologists unearth new artifacts, disturbing similarities have begun to emerge between these priceless antiques and today's celebrities! That's why we've assembled a crack team of MAD scholars (and by "scholars" we mean "Idolans") to report on...

Startling Similarities Between

MODERN CELEBRITIES & ANCIENT ARTIFACTS!



JENNIFER LOPEZ



JERRY SEINFELD



DEVO



BEFORE

STAR JONES



AFTER



MICHAEL JACKSON



THE THREE STOOGES



MADONNA



WATER: CHAD PERE

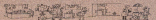


ILLUSTRATION: CHAD PERE

Planet TAD!!!!



[About Me]

[Name] Tad
[Grade] Nine
[Briefcase I Would Choose on "Deal or No Deal?"] 15k

[1 June] 03:43pm

[mood] so depressed

Ugh, I'm in so much trouble, my stomach hurts. My friend Kevin let me borrow his dad's **digital camera**, and before I could even use it, I kind of put it in my bookbag and threw it into a corner. Now, it's broken, and it's going to cost \$300 to get it fixed. I spend every day avoiding Kevin at school, and every evening grabbing the phone whenever it rings, in case the guy who looks like **David Spade** from the camera store calls, so my parents don't find out what I did. I'm so stressed, I've been having the dry heaves.

Then again, I also had the school cafeteria chili dogs for lunch. That might also have something to do with it.

[2 June] 01:02pm

[mood] frustrated

I gathered together all my money today, and went through all the safe cushions in the house, twice. You know, just in case someone had dropped 1,200 quarters in there lately. Nobody had. In total, I have \$37. That's \$263 less than I need. I'm too embarrassed to ask my mom and dad, which means I need to figure out a way to get that much money, and fast. There is one option, but it's too scary to even think about.

[3 June] 07:39pm

[mood] trying to distract myself

I'm not entirely sure why **Commissioner Gordon** decided the best way to summon **Batman** was the **Bat-Signal**. Like, what if the skies are clear, and the signal doesn't show up? Or what if Batman's indoors — like, at a movie or something — and he doesn't see it for a few hours? Seems to me like the way to go would've been a **Bat-Text Message**.



[4 June] 03:11pm

Kevin finally cornered me at lunch and asked me where his dad's camera was. I lied and told him I'd left it at home. He said to be sure to bring it in by Wednesday, because his dad was looking for it over the weekend.

So I had no choice: I borrowed money from my kid sister Sophie. She's kept every penny anyone ever gave her — all her allowance, all her birthday checks from Grandma, even her money from the **Tooth Fairy**. I asked her if I could borrow the money, and pay her back with my summer job money. She told me she'd loan me the \$263, but only if I paid her back \$375 by July 20. Also, she told me that I might owe her more money, if something called the "**prime lending rate**" goes up.

Sophie is the scariest 9-year-old in the universe.

[4 June] 07:38pm

I don't know why they call them **EYeglasses**. Where else would you put your glasses? It's not like there are earglasses and nose-glasses to get them confused with.



[5 June] 4:42pm

[mood] baffled

So, we've been assigned **1984** in Mrs. Bernard's English class, and we've been reading it for a few weeks now, and only during today's class did Doug Spivek raise his hand and say, "Hey, wait a minute! This didn't really happen in 1984, did it?"

Doug isn't the sharpest knife in the drawer. In fact, he's more like a spoon or something.

[6 June] 03:17pm

[mood] relieved

Well, I went to the store last night, and David Spade had fixed the camera. I paid him the money, then today I gave the camera back to Kevin. It's going to take forever for me to pay back Sophie, but at least everything's over.

[7 June] 08:22pm

I think it might be fun if, in addition to **helper monkeys** for the disabled, there were also **hinderer monkeys**, for the non-disabled. They'd just live in your house and thwart you — like, put stuff in your way, or hide your keys on a high shelf. It'd make life more interesting.

[8 June] 05:39pm

[mood] cranky

Today there was an assembly at school. Our vice-principal plays the **bagpipes**, so he and some of his other bagging friends put on a concert for us. It was awful. But I did realize something: I don't think there's a more beautiful sound in the whole world than the silence right after someone has stopped playing the bagpipes. If you could make an album just out of that silence, you'd sell millions of copies.



[11 June] 04:12pm

[mood] depressed yet again

So, Kevin came up to me at lunch today and said, "Hey, what did you do to my dad's camera?" I almost puked up my **revoli**, but instead I just said, "Nothing. I didn't do anything." Then he said, "Are you sure?" And I said, "Yeah." And that's when he told me that the weirdest thing had happened. His dad told him he'd dropped the camera a few weeks ago, and it had stopped working. That's why he'd been looking for it — to take it in for repairs — but now it was working fine again. Kevin shrugged and said, "Funny, huh?" Yeah, it's funny. It's fricking hilarious.

HAIR CLUB FOR MICHAELOW DEPE

MAD'S TOUCHY-FEELY WRESTLEMANIA OUTTAKES



The joke's on you, Michaels! Using my superior business skills, I worded the contract so that it won't be just your head I'm shaving!



Whatever the outcome of this match, I no longer want to live.

Can you believe how many pay-per-view a-holes paid \$39.99 to watch this?



That's right, bitches — it's a hybrid!



Ha ha! Your head is alive! You look like a complete loser! Oh, wait...



Noooooo! You promised you'd leave the sideburns!



Crap — maybe that electric outlet was overloaded with plugs after all.



Oddly enough, Tramp still has the stupider haircut!



I also have a piece of short fiction in this week's New Yorker, but no one's promoting that!



Is that an "M" or a "W"? I don't know which way to put this oil!



Give me a quarter — your time's up on the parking meter!



SEE WHAT ALL THE BUS IS ABOUT DEPT.

SCHOOL IS PRETTY AWFUL — YOU SPEND ALL DAY LISTENING TO SOME ADULT DRONE ON AND ON WHILE YOU SIT IN THE SAME LAME PLACE! AND THAT'S WHY FIELD TRIPS ARE SO AMAZINGLY AWESOME! YOU SPEND ALL DAY LISTENING TO SOME ADULT DRONE ON AND ON WHILE YOU SIT IN A BRAND-NEW LAME PLACE! SO FAR UP WITH A BUDDY AND GET ON THAT BUS BECAUSE YOU'RE ABOUT TO EMBARK ON...

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PUTTING LAMENESS INTO HANDED TRIP! BUTY CLAY! NOT BECAUSE HE HANDED HIS OWN PERSONALITY NOT AGAIN.



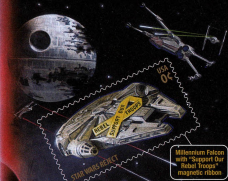
MAD'S MINUTE-BY-MINUTE BREAKDOWN OF A SCHOOL FIELD TRIP

WRITER AND ARTIST: TERESA BARRA PARSONS



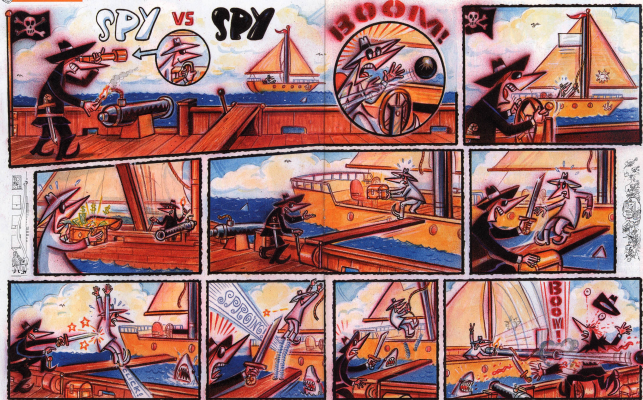
With the debut of the new Star Wars stamps, history is being made — for the first time ever, the worlds of stamp-collecting nerds and Star Wars nerds finally collide! The partnership between Star Wars and the Postal Service actually makes sense, though — since most letters are sent a long time ago and end up in a galaxy far, far away from their intended destination! At least we were spared these...

REJECTED STAR WARS STAMPS



WRITER: JEFF KRUIS

ARTIST: MARK HUTCHMAN





MAD'S ARRR!-RATED OUTTAKES FROM PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: AT WORLD'S END

No wuns all
going to go uninteresting,
but someone left a "Hooter"
in the scene!



Look at this
craggy sail – and I
thought the plot was
full of holes!



This chart explains
why we've been sailing
in circles!



I should've
signed up for
Oscar!



Marco!

Polo!

Anyone calling
me "happy-headed"
will be forced to maul
the plank!



This must be one
of those defective cannons
in the product recall!



Talk about
global warming – where
did the ocean go!



Wow, here's a
switch – the audience
is throwing feces
at us!



Now I seek
revenge on the costume
designer who forced me to
wear a babushka!



One more of these
mexicos and I'm putting this
gun in my mouth!



Paging Dr. Freud!



GROSS IS...



...being around someone who never covers their mouth when they sneeze.

GROSS IS...



A 76-year-old guy on Viagra.

GROSS IS...



...drinking a mouthful of your favorite snack only to discover it has an expired freshness date on the label.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



...downing a mouthful of your favorite snack only to discover it has an expired best before date on the label.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



...being introduced to someone who sleeps alone.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



A 76-year-old guy on Viagra talking to a 76-year-old woman with brown implants.

GROSS IS...



...People who wear painful looking, ostentatious nose piercings that you never notice due to the size of the hanging bong.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



...People who wear painful looking, ostentatious nose piercings that you never notice due to the size of the hanging bong.

GROSS IS...



...Guys who use way too much shaving butter to slick down their hair.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



...Guys who use way too much shaving butter to slick down their hair.

GROSS IS...



People who plan their dinner hour around watching Pear Factor.

BEYOND GROSS IS...



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GROSS IS...



...Finding evidence in the front seat that your mechanic smoked in your car.

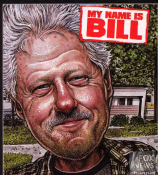
BEYOND GROSS IS...



...Finding evidence in the back seat as to why he needed a cigarette.

WFO-COM JOB DEPT

The FOX News Channel isn't content to be the most watched cable channel (by nirrods!) for real news. They want to be sardine one in fake news too, which is why they've launched The 1/2 Hour News Now, a new comedy show that couldn't possibly be as funny as their laugh-out-loud claim to be "fun and balanced." Whether the show will last remains to be seen, but it's already a success compared to these...



Impached adulterer Bill Clinton stars in this hilarious sitcom about a reformed former Chief Executive determined to make amends for the many ways he screwed up the country. In the opening episode, "Sick Wills" chases down old flame Paula Jones (Vicky Hunter) at a trailer park where an apology quickly devolves into a peroxide and immoral "lovefest."



In this Fox News version of the 1950s sitcom, a lazy African American cab driver (Steve Javonni) teams up with an overly ambitious U.S. Senator to hatch a series of devious, hair-brained schemes — including an ill-advised run for the White House!

FOX NEWS Comedy Shows That Never Got Off The Ground



Morality takes a back seat in this animated political satire about the life of openly gay Congressman Barney Frank and his flailing homosexual pals. In the special hour-long opener, Barney and a male prostitute "accidentally" set fire to an American flag while sharing a marijuana cigarette. Featuring Lance Bass as "Scam, the Congressional Page."



Finally, here's proof that not all the footage coming out of Iraq is grim and depressing! Patriotic comedian Dennis Miller is your host for this full-hour of clips guaranteed to make you feel a whole lot better about America's involvement in the Middle East. This week: the botched Saddam hangings!



Is there room for yet one more show-tee in the crowded Democratic field of Presidential wannabes? First out when 2000 election loser, Hollywood suckup and "spiked" wannabe antagonist Al Gore heads his 300-pound son into the ring in this hilariously ground-smaking new show!



When Nancy Pelosi, the leechmouth wife of a wealthy California businessman decides to enter politics, who could imagine she'd find herself ousted? Speaker of the House! It's every decent, God-loving American for herself in this dang, power-creased leftie leechette an all-out assault on traditional values with her pro-choice, illegal alien-loving agenda! Ethel: Dianne Feinstein. From: Harry Reid.



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