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Kayleigh McEnany, to a White House reporter.



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Present Discussion

December is the month when the kids begin to discuss what to get Dad for Christmas. Some insist on a shirt. Others insist on a pair of socks. The argument always ends in a tie.

Hate no one, no matter how much they've wronged you. Live humbly, no matter how wealthy you become. Think positively, no matter how hard life is.

Forgive all, especially yourself.

And never stop praying for the best for everyone.

2020 QUOTES

I still can't believe peoples survival instincts told them to grab toilet paper.

I never thought the comment, "I wouldn't touch him/her with a 6 foot pole" would become a national policy.

The dumbest thing I've purchased was a 2020 planner.

At the store there was a big X by the registers for me to stand on... I've seen too many Road Runner cartoons to fall for that.

Keep in mind, even in a pandemic, no matter how much chocolate you eat, your earrings will still fit.

The buttons on my jeans have started social distancing.







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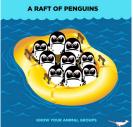
Lake Disappointment

Where in the world is Lake
Disappointment? The
answer is in Western
Australia. The lake was given
this name by explorer Frank
Hann in 1897. Hoping to find
a fresh water lake, he
became 'disappointed'
when it ended up being a
saltwater one.

Floating Penguins

A group of penguins on land can be referred to as a colony or a rookery. Did you know that a group of penguins in water have a different name? Oh yeah, they do. A group of floating

penguins in the ocean are referred to as a "raft".



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Remembering

Important stuff

I forget things. All the time. Even important stuff, like my wife's birthday and our anniversary. This year, I had an idea for solving my dilemma. I set up an account with the florist, with instructions to send flowers to my wife for every important event --Mother's Day, Valentine's, birthday, anniversary. .. Even the anniversary of our first date. And with each batch of flowers there was a note: "From your loving husband. "Needless to say, I screwed it up. On my wife's birthday, I walked in the door, noticed the bouquet on the table, and promptly said..."Nice flowers honey! Where'd you get 'em?"



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3 WISE WOMEN?

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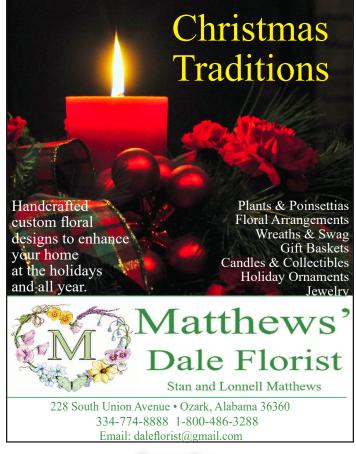
directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, and brought disposable diapers as gifts!

What Do You Call Leftovers?

A football fan's wife says, "I hate it when my husband calls leftovers 'Replays'."

A TV Executive's wife says, "Well my husband calls them 'Reruns'." Mortician's wife says, "Count yourselves lucky, my husband calls them remains!"





"A change imposed is a change opposed." - Dr. Spencer Johnson, in Who Moved the Cheese?



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A recent government study concluded that if your parents didn't have children, it is unlikely that you will have children either.

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

I can't believe my grandpa voted
Democrat this year. He never would have done that while he was alive!!!

Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance, and the gospel of envy, its inherent virtue is the equal sharing of misery.

~Winston Churchill

I hate when people refer to faith in Jesus as a crutch. Nope! A crutch is for a limp.

I was dead and needed a resurrection."

~Louie Giglio





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If you buy a bigger bed, you will have more bed room but have less bedroom







n a busy Friday night at the restaurant where I'd recently started waiting tables, the owner suddenly emerged from the kitchen and handed me money. "We're in trouble!" he said. "We're out of quarters, and customers are waiting. Go next door and get me \$40 worth." I ran to the supermarket she wasn't allowed to give out that many quarters. Determined, I sprinted to a

next door, but a cashier said convenience store two blocks away, but it was closed. At a gas station farther down the road, the clerk took pity and gave me the four rolls of quarters. Twenty minutes after I'd left, I handed the coin rolls to my boss. "Where are the quarters?" he asked "Right here," I said breathlessly. His face sank, "I meant chicken quarters."



Trash Snack Mix

Ingredients

- 20 ounces white chocolate chips (2 bags)
- 1 large box rice cereal
- 16 ounces mini pretzels (1 bag)
- 10 ounces M&Ms
- 2 cups peanuts salted or unsalted

Instructions

Melt the white chocolate in a

microwave safe glass bowl in 30 second increments until full melted.

Add the cereal, pretzels, ¾ of the chocolate candies (reserve some for sprinkling on top so the red and green color stands out) and peanuts to a large trash bag. Close and shake the bag for a few seconds to mix the ingredients.

Open the bag and add the melted chocolate. Close the bag again and shake until fully coated, about 30 seconds.

Spread out to dry.

Chocolate Covered Caramels

Ingredients

- 4 cups sugar
- 3 cups heavy cream
- 1 1/3 cups light corn syrup
- 1 cup unsalted butter
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 12 ounces semisweet chocolate

disks

Instructions

Add the sugar, heavy cream, corn

syrup, butter and salt to a dutch oven (with a candy thermometer attached) on medium heat, whisking well until it comes to a boil, then lower the heat to medium low, whisking well until it reaches 250 degrees.

Turn off the heat and whisk in the vanilla extract then pour it into the baking pan and let it harden for 4-6 hours before cutting.

Place the caramels in the refrigerator for an hour before dipping to help keep them from melting before dipping.



Melt the chocolate disks in 30 second increments until completely smooth then with a fork dip then dip them into the chocolate and place them on a sheet of wax paper or parchment paper to harden.

Oreo Bark

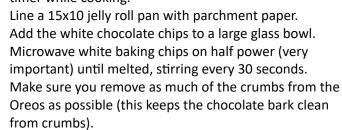
Yield: 12 Servings

Ingredients

- 12 ounces white chocolate chips, or melting disks
- 16 Oreo cookies, broken into thirds

Instructions

Note: click on times in the instructions to start a kitchen timer while cooking.



Fold in the Oreo chunks, then pour onto the baking sheet. Use one spoonful of white chocolate to drizzle over the tray.

Refrigerate until set, about 30 minutes. Break into chunks to serve.

Potato Chip Clusters

Ingredients

- 12 ounces white chocolate
- 3/4 cup walnuts , chopped
- 4 cups ridged potato chips , crushed

Instructions

Prepare a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Microwave chocolate in 30 second increments and stir between each time until fully melted.

Add the walnuts and chips, folding them in gently until well combined.

Use a 2 tablespoon scoop measure and scoop them onto a baking sheet.

Let clusters completely harden before eating (you can place them in the refrigerator for 10 minutes or let them cool at room temperature for 1 hour).







White Chocolate Fruit and Nut Clusters

Ingredients

- 12 ounces white chocolate melting discs
- 1/2 cup almonds
- 1/2 cup dried apricots, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries
- 1/2 cup dried blueberries
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 2 ounces semi sweet chocolate chips

Instructions

Line a baking sheet with waxed paper.

Add the white chocolate discs to a large glass bowl and microwave in 30 second increments until smooth, stirring in between each 30 seconds.

Add the almonds and fruits into the chocolate and stir. Place spoonfuls of the chocolate mixture onto the baking sheet in mounds.

Refrigerate until set, 15 to 20 minutes.

Melt the semi sweet chocolate chips in a small glass bowl in the microwave in 30 second increments until smooth, stirring in between each 30 seconds.

Drizzle the chocolate over the clusters and refrigerate again to set.

Mixed Nut Clusters

Ingredients

- 2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup pistachios
- 1/2 cup cashews
- 1/2 cup pecans



- 1/2 cup almonds
- 1/2 cup hazelnuts
- 1/4 teaspoon sea salt

Instructions

Add the chocolate chips to a large glass bowl and microwave in 30 second increments until smooth, stirring in between each 30 seconds.

Add in the nuts and stir to coat.

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper then add small spoonfuls to the baking sheet in mounds.

Sprinkle with sea salt while chocolate is still wet. Refrigerate until firm.

Easy Coconut Candy

Ingredients

- 2 cups sugar
- 2 TBL butter
- 1/2 cup half & half
- 2 1/2 cups sweetened, grated coconut
- 1 tsp vanilla

Instructions

Stir sugar, butter and milk over medium heat until sugar is dissolved

continue stirring while cooking slowly to soft ball stage (235 degrees)

remove from heat

stir in coconut and vanilla

place in buttered 8x8 pan and cut into squares at once

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As Mr. Watson toiled away in the room with the receiver, he suddenly hears ... ring, ring , ring then....
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"Good evening, sir. Are you paying too much for your long distance service?"

"A man can no more diminish God's glory by refusing to worship Him than a lunatic can put out the sun by scribbling the word, 'darkness' on the walls of his cell."

- C.S. Lewis



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WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

My wife says that the difference between a husband and childbirth is that one can be terribly painful and sometimes almost unbearable while the other is just having a baby.

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WHERE DO YOU ATTEND COLLEGE?

A Texas AM football player was visiting a Yankee relative in Boston over the holidays. He went to a large party and met a pretty co-ed.

He was attempting to start up a conversation with the line,

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'Where does you go to school?"

The coed, of course, was not overly impressed with his grammar or southern drawl, but did answer his question. "Yale," she replied.

The TAM student took a big, deep breath and shouted, "WHERE DOES YOU GO TO SCHOOL?"

MODERN ART?

Visiting the modern art museum, a lady turned to an attendant standing nearby. "This," she said, "I suppose, is one of those hideous representations you call modern art?" "No, madam," replied the attendant. "That one's called a mirror."





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Shaking a Carpet
I was walking down the road and saw my

neighbor standing on his fifth floor apartment balcony shaking a carpet. I shouted up to him, "What's wrong?" He replied, "It won't start!"

Give the grave only bones

Pastor Josh Sims

The year is coming to a close and before we know it, we will be 3 months into 2021 saying the same thing we say every year, "man, this year is flying by!" I read a blog post one day by an author named Jon Acuff. In Jon's blog, he introduced the saying "Give the grave only bones". This phrase has stuck with me and is a constant reminder for me to never take a

moment for granted. It challenges me in my day to day life to give the best of me in every moment. It reminds me of Colossians 3:23. The Apostle Paul says, "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men". How many moments do we let go by where we could have made a difference but we instead chose to be indifferent? How could we have made a lasting impact on someone else's life or even our own? This verse in scripture tells us as believers that we should do everything as if we are doing it for Jesus personally. Friends the only thing we have now, that we never can have more of is our time. If this year has taught us anything, it should be that we can't take for granted the time we are given in the present. Hebrews 12:1 says, "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." I encourage you to finish the year strong and remember "Give the grave only bones". Let's not leave unresolved issues on the table. Let's love deeply, care diligently, and be present in every moment.

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Light In The Darkness

By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.



Certainly, we all experienced a time of darkness, a dark room, a dark road, or the darkness of the night when no moon is shining.

Darkness can be partial or total absence of light. It is not essentially evil, yet it is largely associated with death and destruction, captivity, and spiritual darkness. Many Christians associate the outer darkness more generally as a place of separation from God and the spiritual truths of His Word.

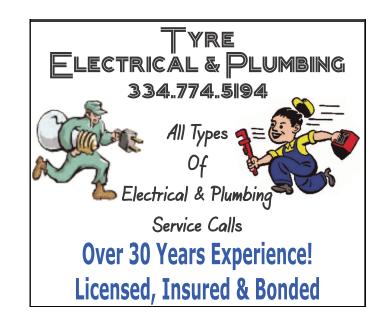
We can look at some of the synonyms of darkness and see how things appear without the light of God saving our spirit and shinning in our souls: dark, dusk, obscurity, duskiness, and murky is kinda the way things are without salvation. It is possible Jesus said: *Having eyes, do you not see? And having ears, do you not hear?' And do you not remember? Mark 8:18*

We all can relate to this song: Amazing grace, How sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I am found, **Was blind, but now I** see.

John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

By the time you read this you may have decorated with the beautiful lights of Christmas. This year I ask you to consider the "birth of the light" that shines so brightly in our hearts. We did not have to buy the lights, nor work to get the light, it was freely given to us as a gift of God's love.

Merry Christmas







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WHEN HE GRADUATES

A father is asked by his friend, "Has your son decided what he wants to be when he graduates?" "Yes, he wants to be a garbage collector," replied the boy's father. His friend thought for a moment and responded, "That's a rather strange ambition to have for a career." "Well," said the boy's father. "He thinks that garbage collectors only work on Tuesdays!"



BRIBE

Taking his seat in his chambers, the judge faced the opposing lawyers. "So," he said, I've been presented, by both of you, with a bribe." Both lawyers

squirmed uncomfortably. "You gave me \$15,000. And you gave me \$10,000."

The judge reached into his pocket and pulled out a check. He handed it to the first lawyer. "Now then, I'm returning \$5000, and we are going to decide this case solely on its merits."

ne Christmas, Joe and Peter built a skating rink in the middle of a field. A shepherd leading his flock decided to take a shortcut across the rink. The sheep, however, were afraid of the ice and wouldn't cross it. Desperate, the shepherd began tugging them to the other side.

'Look at that, 'remarked Peter to Joe, 'That guy is trying to pull the wool over our ice!'

Don't be mad at the pastor. He didn't know wha't you did before he preached the sermon.





- Q. Who gives baby sharks their presents on Christmas?
- A. Santa Jaws.
- Q. What kind of cars do Santa's elves drive?
- A. Toy-otas
- Q. How many presents can Santa fit in an empty sack?
- A. Only one. After one present, it is not empty any more.
- Q. What's the best Christmas gift for the person who has everything?

- A. A burglar alarm.
- Q. Why did Santa's helper feel sad?
- A. He had low elf-esteem.
- Q. What does a gingerbread man use to keep his bed warm?
- A. A cookie sheet
- Q. Why did the doctor warn the dad not to eat Christmas tree decorations?
- A. He didn't want him to catch tinsel-itis

SANTA'S REINDEER

A man was on a game show. He was on his final question; all he had to do was answer that question right, and he would win 1 million dollars! The game show host said, "All right, for your final question: 'What are the names of three of Santa's reindeer?'"
The man grinned and said,

- The man grinned and said, "Dasher!"
- The game show host said, "Correct!"
- "Comet!"
- "Correct! What is the last name?"
- The man yelled, "Olive!"
 The game show host was
 confused and said, "Why
 Olive?"

The contestant looked at him strangely and said, "Oh, don't you know? 'Olive, the other reindeer, used to laugh and call him names...'"



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"Success consists of going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm." – Winston Churchill

Claybank Master Gardeners

Greetings Gardeners!

We are so thankful for the cooler and les humid weather, plus the sprinkling of fall colors and clear skies. Add to the mix to make this the best planting and gardenin time of the year. While pollinators are st enjoying the remnants of the fall flowers the garden predator bugs are gradually diminishing. It's a joy to be outside and watching the winter lettuces, kale, and gi



A good layer of mulch like pine straw, leaves, or a purchased frost cover will protect against unexpected frosty nights. If frost comes, cover your tender plants but be careful to avoid plastic touching your plants because it will cause freeze damage. You can prop the plastic off the plants with stakes, or wood tree branches, or bent pvc piping. Better than plastic, use old sheets or fabric. If rain is expected, and usually it happens before a cold front arrives, you can lay plastic over the fabric but be sure to remove it when the sun comes back out to allow the air to

Potted plants will be best brought into a protected area, such as a carport or garage or inside in case of a hard freeze. We spray neem oil over the soil to kill any bugs hiding in the soil before bringing them inside.

If you didn't get your seeds in the ground in time (I didn't), transplants (plants already growing) may still have time to get started. It might seem early for planting strawberries, but now is the time to get your strawberry plants into the ground. If you have spinach, plant the strawberry plants around the spinach. They are good companion plants. Planting the strawberry plants now gets the roots well established in time for a good, healthy spring crop. Most strawberry plants will put out runners and multiply to produce the following year, so try to keep an eye on them and keep them watered with compost tea or a small amount of fish fertilizer even after summer is over. Did you know that you can buy fresh collards, lettuces, kale and other veggies from Vivian B. Adams school? They raise vegetables in tunnel houses built through a state grant and local generous donors. Look for the vegetables at the Autrey Center in Ozark or the Mary Hill Family Service Center. The Claybank Master Gardeners are meeting every third Thursday of the month, with masks and socially distanced, at 11AM at Hoppergrass Restaurant in Ozark, 129 S. East Ave. (But please call the Dale County Extension Office at (334) 774-2329 to be sure in case of changes). Our next open meeting will be on January 21, 2021. Come join us, buy lunch if you wish, and meet other gardeners who love to answer questions and share their gardening experiences.

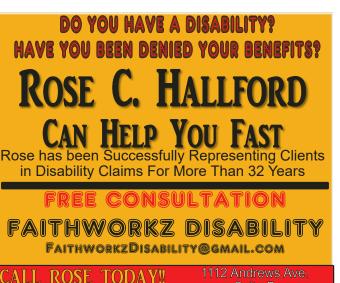
Happy Fall gardening, folks! Dee Gilbert, Claybank Master Gardeners











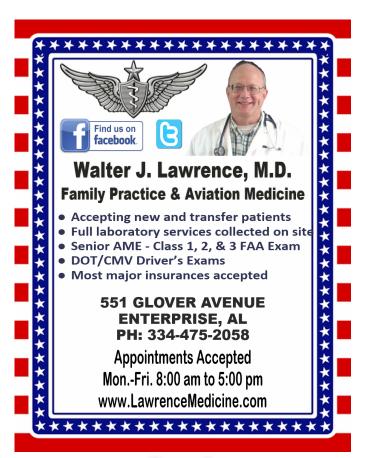
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A dog walks into a bar and says to the bartender, "How about a drink for a talking dog?" "Sure says the bartender, the toilet is down the hall."



How to Avoid Overspending on Christmas By Rachel Cruze

You've been there. You open up a holiday sale email, and the colorful images of trendy new items make you drool a little. You click into the store, ready to shop for Christmas gifts. There's a gorgeous handbag that immediately makes you think of your best friend, but even the sale price is more than you planned to spend on her.

You know what? Last year, your friend bought your daughter an animatronic Disney princess carriage. So, you kind of owe it to her to splurge on her gift. And the sale price on the bag is truly a good deal. You can just imagine the look on her face when she opens such a beautiful gift. Order now! Boom!

You immediately go to your email inbox again and seeing that order confirmation email makes you feel so accomplished. But what you are really feeling are the effects of emotional spending. That twinge of happiness and excitement is dopamine rushing through your brain like a drug. You can get the same effect by going for a run, listening to your favorite music, or eating sugar. The crazy thing is, retailers know you get that hit when you place an order, and you can get it again when they send you that little email saying your order has shipped. And you will get it again when you see that coveted package waiting on your doorstep. Three in four people said that buying something impulsively during the pandemic has positively affected their mood.1 We're all a little scared, the future is kind of up in the air, and it feels good to just dull the stress and spark some joy with a little harmless shopping. And you know what feels even better than spending money on yourself? Spending money on other people. Now that the holidays are upon us, every commercial you see or email you read is full of ideas for gift giving. And there is nothing wrong with giving—if it is in your budget and you can afford the gift. Giving truly is the most fun you can have with money. But just like in the example above, at some point, we have all spent more money than we planned on Christmas presents. Maybe we are trying to buy "Christmas spirit" or approval from others. Whatever the motivation, it comes from a place of emotion, and that can get you into trouble with money.

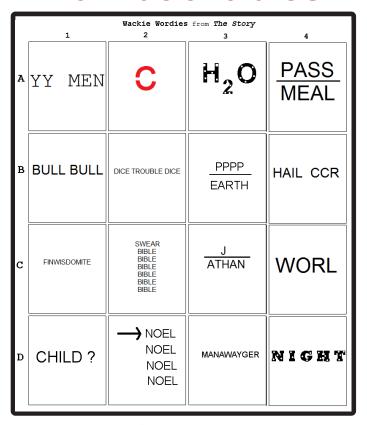
The people in your life do not need more presents—what they truly want is your presence. If you want to feel at peace this holiday season, make a plan for your money before you spend it. A budget gives you permission to spend on the people you love without putting yourself in a bad place financially. That way, when January rolls around, you will have meaningful memories without the guilt!

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n old man and his wife lived deep in the hills and seldom saw many people. One day a peddler came by to sell his goods and asked the man if he or his wife wanted to buy anything. "Well, my wife ain't home, she's gone down to the crick to wash clothes, but lemme see what you got," said the man. The peddler showed him pots and pans, tools and gadgets, but the old man wasn't interested. Then the man spotted a mirror and said, "What's that?" Before the peddler could tell him it was a mirror, the old man picked it up and said, "My gosh! How'd you get a picture of my Pappy?" The old man was so happy he traded his wife's best pitcher for it. The peddler left before the wife came back and spoiled his sale. The old man was worried that the wife would be mad at him for trading her best pitcher, so he hid it in the barn behind some boxes of junk. He would go out to the barn 2 or 3 times a day to look at the "picture" and eventually the wife got suspicious. One day she got fed up and after he retired for the night, she went out to the barn. She saw the mirror behind the boxes, picked it up and said,

"So this is the hussy he's been foolin' around with!"

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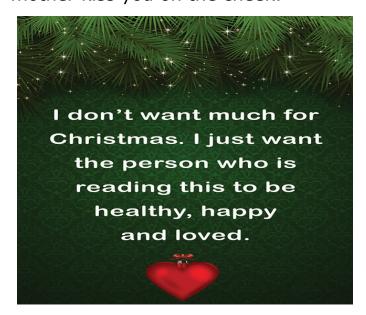
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All the Thanks I Need

A married couple was in a terrible accident where the woman's face was severely burned. The doctor told the husband that they couldn't graft any skin from her body because she was too skinny. So the husband offered to donate some of his own skin. However, the only skin on his body that the doctor felt was suitable would have to come from his buttocks. The husband and wife agreed that they would tell no one about where the skin came from, and requested that the doctor also honor their secret. After all, this was a very delicate matter.

After the surgery was completed, everyone was astounded at the woman's new beauty. She looked more beautiful than she ever had before! All her friends and relatives just went on and on about her youthful beauty!

One day, she was alone with her husband, and she was overcome with emotion at his sacrifice. She said, "Dear, I just want to thank you for everything you did for me. There is no way I could ever repay you."
"My darling," he replied, "I get all the thanks I need every time I see your mother kiss you on the cheek.



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A Sign of the Times

As a little girl climbed onto Santa's lap, Santa asked the usual, "And what would you like for Christmas?"

The child stared at him open mouthed and horrified for a minute, then gasped:

"Didn't you read my Tweet?"



Why do couples hold hands during their wedding?

It's a formality... Like two boxers shaking hands before the fight begins.





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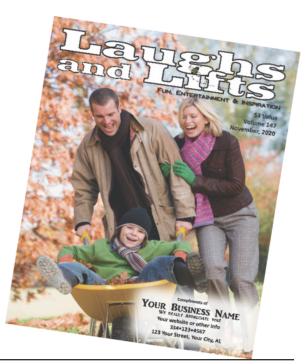
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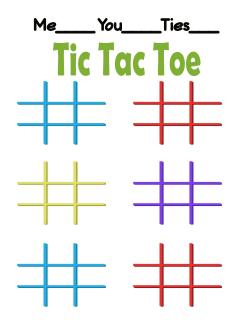


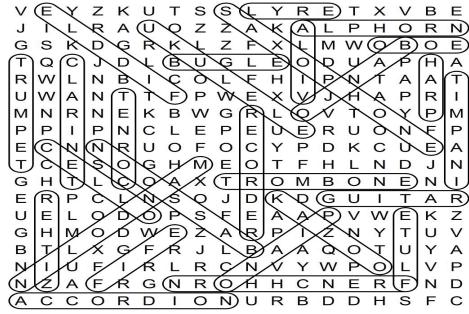
















School Fee Increase

A private school was forced to raise its fees. The headmaster, Mr Jackson decided that the best way to raise the extra money was to institute an across the board 6% increase per annum. Unfortunately, when his secretary typed the letter, she missed out a crucial 'n' in the last word, consequently, the letter read thus:

Dear Mr. Ellsworth

Due to increased costs, I have decided reluctantly to raise the school fees by 7% per anum.

Yours sincerely,

J.B. Jackson (Headmaster)

The following month, one concerned parent replied by saying:

Dear Headmaster

I regret your increase in fees, but I would like to continue paying through the nose as before.



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