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## Prepare For the Worst

My wife has been missing for a week now.
The police said to prepare for the worst.
So, I had to go back down to Goodwill to get all of her clothes back.

In All Four Hemispheres
The world is divided up into four hemispheres, Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western. To illustrate just how big the continent of Africa is, parts of Africa are found in ALL four hemispheres.

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## I'll See

I asked a supermarket worker where they kept the canned peaches. He said, "I'll see" and walked away. He never came back. When I saw another supermarket worker, I asked him. He said, "I'll see" and walked away. He never came back either.
I got tired of waiting and started looking up and down every aisle. I finally found them in Aisle c.

For every mile of road, There is two miles of ditch!

Who remembers when a journey of a thousand miles began with your Dad saying "I know a shortcut."

Today is a good day for procrastination...Ah, never mind, tomorrow will be better.


Stopped by a roadside stand that said lobster tails $\$ 2$. I paid my \$2. and he says, once upon a time there was this lobster....

Never let anyone tell you what you can or cannot do


Just look at Beethoven, everyone told him he would never be a musician, just because he was deaf. But did he listen?

Me (on the phone with my mom): When are these kids going to be less needy? My mom: Well you're in your mid 30's on the phone with me so....


## Sorry I missed your call... <br> 




## Where in The World Do You Read

 Laughs and Lifts? MODESTO, CA.We were high school sweethearts from Rhode Island. My first wife passed away in 2011. Janet had been widowed 14 years living in ABBEVILLE, AI. I lived in California so I looked her up and we got married the same year. Love your magazine.
Thanks Hal and Janet Traynor


I believe the trucking schools are producing better citizens than the universities.

## I can't even imagine the self control required to work at a bubble wrap factory.

## My Wife's Birthday

It was my wife's birthday and she phoned me to see what time I would be home. "Can't talk," I said, "I'm driving." "Where are you?" she asked. She wasn't happy when I said the 7th tee.

## SAID STORY

Brad lives in California. He was sick of the world. of Covid, of Trump, Russia, China, global warming,racial tensions and the rest of the disturbing media headlines. In short he was despondent. Brad drove his car into his garage then sealed every doorway and window as best he could. He got back into his car and sealed all the windows and doors in the car, selected his favorite radio station, started his car and revved it to a slow idle. He simply could not take it anymore. Two days later, a worried neighbor peered through his garage window and saw him in the car. She call 911 and they broke in, pulling Brad from the car. A little sip of water and surprisingly, he was in perfect condition, but his Tesla had a dead battery.


My grandpa told me that he got to see the Titanic and that he told them not to get on board because he knew it was going to sink. But no one listened and he repeatedly told them until the minute he got kicked out of the movie theater.

Cop: anything in the car I should know about?

Me: No, just things you shouldn't know about.

## 明

What kínd of Doctor is Dr. Pepper?

## A Fizzician!!

Instead of working so hard to make ends meet work on having
fewer ends, ~
Courtney Carver


Just how crazy are we?
Stores line entire aisles with plastic totes for us to buy just so we have a place to store all the unneeded stuff we have bought from that store.

## PEOPLE

CHEATING ON
THEIR TAXES DISGUST ME. THIS IS NOT THE WORLD I WANT TO RAISE MY 23 DEPENDENTS.



## The Word of God

The condemned man was waiting for his execution when the Chaplain arrived.
"My son, I came to bring the word of God to you."
"No thanks, I'm going to talk to Him personally in a little while, Any message?"

## One Thing Einstein Didn't Know

Albert Einstein was a genius! Literally and figuratively. A known scholar with an IQ of 160, Einstein knew a lot and contributed a lot to the world today. There was at least one thing that Mr. Einstein didn't know, and that was how to drive. He never had a drivers license. According to his wife Else, "It's too complicated
for him."

Little Johnny comes home from kindergarten and hands his Mom a note from the teacher, then says, "Don't worry about what the teacher says. She's been in kindergarten for 15 years."


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3 midlin' amounts equals one right smart

## And it takes

5 right smarts to equal a whole heap.

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## ZUCCHINI \& SAUSAGE

 6 SERVINGS
## Ingredients

- 1 pound bulk pork sausage
- $\quad 1$ tablespoon canola oil
- 3 medium zucchini, thinly sliced
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) stewed tomatoes, cut up
- 1 package ( 8.8 ounces) ready-to-serve long grain rice
- $\quad 1$ teaspoon prepared mustard
- $1 / 2$ teaspoon garlic salt
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese


## Directions

1. In a large skillet, cook sausage over medium heat 5-7 minutes or until no longer pink, breaking it into crumbles. Drain and remove sausage from pan.
2. In same pan, heat oil over medium heat. Add zucchini and onion; cook and stir 5-7 minutes or until tender. Stir in sausage, tomatoes, rice, mustard, garlic salt and pepper.
Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 5 minutes to allow flavors to blend.
3. Remove from heat; sprinkle with cheese. Let stand, covered, 5 minutes or until cheese is melted.


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## RAVIOLI WITH SNAP PEAS \& MUSHROOMS

 8 SERVINGS
## Ingredients

- 1 package (20 ounces) refrigerated cheese ravioli 1 pound fresh sugar snap peas, trimmed 1 tablespoon butter

- $1 / 2$ pound sliced fresh mushrooms
- 3 shallots, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 cups fat-free evaporated milk
- $\quad 8$ fresh sage leaves, thinly sliced or 2 teaspoons rubbed sage
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest
- 1 teaspoon lemon-pepper seasoning
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon white pepper
- $1 / 4$ cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- $1 / 4$ cup hazelnuts, coarsely chopped and toasted


## Directions

1. In a large saucepan, cook ravioli according to package directions, adding snap peas during the last 3 minutes of cooking; drain.
2. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, heat butter over mediumhigh heat. Add mushrooms, shallots and garlic; cook and stir until mushrooms are tender. Stir in milk, sage, lemon zest, lemon pepper and white pepper; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, until sauce is slightly thickened, about 2 minutes.
3. Add ravioli and snap peas to sauce; heat through. Sprinkle with cheese and hazelnuts.

## CASHEW CHICKEN WITH NOODLES 4 servings

 Ingredients- 8 ounces uncooked thick rice noodles
- $1 / 4$ cup reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- $\quad 1$ pound boneless skinless chicken breasts, cubed
- $\quad 1$ tablespoon peanut oil

I made some gumbo with only okra and sausage. It wasn't bad and it wasn't good: I would say it's just meaty okra.

- $\quad 1$ tablespoon sesame oil
- 6 green onions, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 1 cup unsalted cashews
- $\quad 2$ tablespoons sweet chili Sauce

- Toasted sesame seeds, optional


## Directions

1. Cook rice noodles according to package directions.
2. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the soy sauce, cornstarch and garlic. Add chicken. In a large cast-iron or other heavy skillet, saute chicken mixture in peanut and sesame oils until no longer pink. Add onions; cook 1 minute longer.
3. Drain noodles; stir into skillet. Add cashews and chili sauce and heat through. If desired, top with toasted sesame seeds.


- $\quad 1 / 4$ teaspoon salt
- $1 / 8$ teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- $\quad 2$ tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 8 fresh asparagus spears, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces
- $\quad 1 / 2$ cup sliced fresh mushrooms
- $1 / 4$ cup chopped seeded tomato, peeled
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 teaspoons chopped green onion
- $1 / 2$ cup white wine or chicken broth
- 1-1/2 teaspoons minced fresh basil
- 1-1/2 teaspoons minced fresh oregano
- 1-1/2 teaspoons minced fresh parsley
- 1-1/2 teaspoons minced fresh thyme
- $1 / 4$ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- Lemon wedges


## Directions

1. Cook pasta according to package directions. Meanwhile, sprinkle shrimp with salt and pepper flakes. In a large skillet or wok, heat 1 tablespoon oil over medium-high heat. Add shrimp; stir-fry until pink, 2-3 minutes. Remove; keep warm.
2. In same skillet, stir-fry the next 5 ingredients in remaining oil until vegetables are crisp-tender, about 5 minutes. Add wine and seasonings. Return shrimp to pan.
3. Drain pasta; add to shrimp mixture and toss gently. Cook and stir until heated through, 1-2 minutes. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Serve with lemon wedges.

## ITALIAN TURKEY 8 SERVINGS

## Ingredients

- 1 package (12 ounces) egg noodles
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- $3 / 4$ cup sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 celery rib, chopped
- 1 small green pepper, chopped
- 2 cups cubed cooked turkey
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes, drained
- 1 can (10-3/4 ounces) condensed tomato soup, undiluted
- 1 tablespoon Italian seasoning
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper
- $1 / 8$ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese, optional


## Directions

1. Cook noodles according to package directions. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add mushrooms, onion, celery and green pepper; cook and stir until tender. Stir in turkey, tomatoes, soup and seasonings; heat through.
2. Drain noodles; add to turkey mixture and toss to combine. If desired, sprinkle with cheese and let stand, covered, until cheese is melted.

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I recently attended a funeral where the ones who spoke highly of the deceased shared many memories and accolades from the individuals life, and it brought comfort to those who were mourning. As I sat, I listened to the words being shared, I began to think about what might be said at my funeral. I am reminded of an example I heard many years ago and I am sure you have heard it before too. It is about a headstone. The headstone contains a name, some nice words, and two sets of dates separated by a dash. The illustration goes to say that the dash which is very small, represents that person's entire life. Now if you are reading this it is a sign that your dash is not complete. So let us look at scripture for a moment. In Acts 1 before Jesus ascended to Heaven He met with His disciples. As the disciples were asking questions about ...what's next," Jesus settled them and shared something powerful. Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (ESV) When I think about this scripture, I am reminded of Matthew 28:19, The Great Commission. If you are a believer in Jesus and a fellow follower of His words, then you take this to mean we are to be ...Missional" in our approach to evangelism. Think back to the dash for a moment. Would your dash say that you took part in missions? Or would it say you were just missing? Friend if yours would be the latter there is still time. Repent your passivity and join the greater work at hand. Let us share the Hope of Jesus together.


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## Claybank Master Gardeners

 March 2022 Greeting Gardeners, **March may come "in like a lion and out like a lamb", but after the coldest February many of us remember in several years, we welcome the month spring officially begins (March $20^{\text {th }}$ ) and our yards will start their annual show of color! Of course don't forget that the high winds and increasingly hot sun will dry out and scorch the young plants very fast, so remember to water the new young veggies and plants often enough to keep them strong and thriving, and also remember that a gradual introduction to full sun will keep plants from shock and wilting.
**Here in the Wiregrass area rain can alternate from downpours to drought in a couple of days thanks to the hot sunshine and winds of the season, so the best way to help the soil maintain moisture is MULCH, from your pine straw, composted leaves, or grass clippings. A light covering of mulch is better than a heavy layer, allowing air to get to the roots, and yet providing cooling shade.
**A word (or two) about roses: DO NOT use their leaves for any type of mulch, as they can re-infect the soil with rose viruses like black spot. Put all rose trimmings and leaves in the garbage can. An alternate to chemical applications that works on some of my roses is a good spray of $30 \%$ milk or buttermilk mixed with water to control black spot. Pull off and discard leaves that have spots, then thoroughly spray the remaining leaves and stems. Powdered skim milk mixed into the soil around tomatoes, melons and cucumbers can also protect from powdery mildew. You can also disinfect pruning clippers with alcohol or milk between cutting back rose bushes, or even after each cut to be really careful.
What to plant in March? The SOW app says, beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, collards, kale, kohlrabi, lettuce, mustard, onions, sweet peas, radishes, spinach, Swiss chard, turnips and white potatoes.
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Dee Gilbert, Claybank Master Gardener


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By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

What is "LOVE"? Many attempts have been made to explain what love is. People have written volumes of books on trying to explain love. If you Google the question, "What is love?" you will get thousands of different answers. One answer I found was this: "What is love? An intangible connection between two people that feels exceptionally good."
Word of God says: "He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." 1 John 4:8
We all know the Scripture that says, For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16
So than, love is an action (verb) word that demonstrates what it is. Words alone are not enough to express what love is. The proof is in what we do.
Many of us call 1 Corinthians chapter 13, "The Love Chapter".
1 Corinthians 13:1-7 If I had the gift of being able to speak in other languages without learning them and could speak in every language there is in all of heaven and earth, but didn't love others, I would only be making
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noise. 2 If I had the gift of prophecy and knew all about what is going to happen in the future, knew everything about everything, but didn't love others, what good would it do? Even if I had the gift of faith so that I could speak to a mountain and make it move, I would still be worth nothing at all without love. 3 If I gave everything I have to poor people, and if I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel but didn't love others, it would be of no value whatever.

4 Love is very patient and kind, never jealous or envious, never boastful, or proud, 5 never haughty or selfish or rude. Love does not demand its own way. It is not irritable or touchy. It does not hold grudges and will hardly even notice when others do it wrong. 6 It is never glad about injustice, but rejoices whenever truth wins out. 7 If you love someone, you will be loyal to him no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground in defending him. Living Bible (TLB)

Finally my brothers and sister, the Word of God is saying to us today: By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. John 13:35
Let us demonstrate the love of God to all that we meet, that our Lord Jesus will be glorified. May the love of God keep us all in His care!


## Wound Care and Nutrition

Richard Schloemer, M.D., Troy Regional Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Center Medical Director

We all know that eating well is good for us. Consuming more colorful fruits and vegetables, salmon, beans, legumes and whole grains improves our health and well-being. So does
 limiting sugar and eating lean protein, good fats and leafy greens. But what does that have to do with wound healing?
A lot, it turns out. Though often overlooked, good nutrition is extremely important, because wounds must be well-fed to heal. During the healing process, your body is busy adding new tissue, replacing fluids and fighting infection, so it needs increased amounts of water, calories, protein and vitamins. You need to drink extra fluids to replace fluids lost from your wounds. Hydration also helps regulate body temperature and deliver nutrients to cells. Choose your fluids wisely and avoid sugary, caffeinated drinks. Water is the best and least expensive option for hydration. Very important

## Wacky Wordies

Each of the puzzles below provides a visrual representation of a common word or phase. Can you decipher the clues in each puzzle?

through all phases of healing, protein is required for new cell and tissue growth. Protein also helps fight infection, balances body fluids and carries oxygen through your body. It's vital that you get adequate protein for wound healing to occur, and increased protein levels have been linked to improved healing rates. Increase your intake by adding various proteins to your diet, like chicken, fish, turkey or eggs. If you are having difficulty getting in the recommended amount of protein, try a protein supplement such as Juven ${ }^{\oplus}$, Boost ${ }^{\oplus}$, Ensure ${ }^{\circledR}$ or Carnation ${ }^{\circledR}$ Instant Breakfast. You can also add a tablespoon of peanut butter or almond butter to your supplement to enhance the flavor. Because wound care is essential to those with wounds, the Troy Regional Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Center focuses on providing patients with all the tools they need for optimized healing, which also includes nutrition counselling. The wound care specialists including Dr. Richard Schloemer work in conjunction with your primary care provider to create an ongoing dietary plan that promotes wound healing.Don't wait! Kickstart your woundhealing journey today by taking steps toward eating a nutrient rich diet. Luckily, you can train your brain and your taste buds to adopt a nutritious diet. Your wounds will thank you.


CLUES ACROSS

1. __ de Mornay, actress
2. Surrenders
3. Omission
4. The white poplar
5. They become butterflies
6. Used to chop
7. Select
8. Volcanic craters
9. Consumer price index
10. Utilize
11. "True Blood" actress Paquin
12. Got up
13. Sank in
14. Retail
15. Giants
16. Most bald
17. Changes color
18. Unit of loudness
19. Undresses
20. Fathers
21. Learned skill
22. Remove qualification
23. Covered with frost
24. Speak up
25. Nowhere to be found
26. Part of surgery (abbr.)
27. Type of wrap
28. Church seating
29. Mathematical figure
30. College football conference
31. Turkish officer title
32. Organized body of knowledge
33. Smooth and glossy
34. Left

## CLUES DOWN

1. Get back
2. Pass or go by
3. Having a sharp taste
4. Midway between east and southeast
5. Cairo Regional Airport
6. Peace officer
7. Brings to life
8. Automotive vehicles
9. One point south of due east
10. Football position
11. Goes by
12. Most attractive
13. Road divisions
14. Not the sea
15. Small, faint constellation
16. Cabbage
17. Least frequent
18. Change slightly
19. A country in NE Africa
20. Metric units of measure
21. More coherent
22. Make uninteresting
23. Nausea
24. Institution of Oceanography
25. Of little value
26. Hindu model of the ideal man
27. Biblical exclamation
28. You throw it at a board
29. Be about to happen
30. Brutal
31. Opened one's mouth widely
32. 19th letter of Greek alphabet
33. Saturate
34. The woman
35. Someone who is highly skilled
36. A way to launch an attack on
37. Where golfers begin
38. Atomic number 58

SOLUTION ON PAGE 29

Wackie wordies Solution

| Fork over the Money | Too Funny for words | Six of one, Half Dozen of Another |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Much Ado About Nothing | Running out of Room | Booked Up |
| Back To Square one | Fall out of Favor | John Adams |
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What do you get if you put a duck in a cement mixer?



Escaping slaves used to throw balls of fried cornmeal out to distract the hounds from tracking them. The hound stopped barking and tracking thanks to the cornmeal which later adopted the name "hush puppies".

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Life isn't like a bowl of cherries, It's more like a jar of jalapenos. What you do today might burn your butt tomorrow.
One day a man was crossing a bridge in life but was scared so He turned to God and asked, "Can I hold your hand so I may not fall." God said, "No, I will hold your." He asked, "What's the difference?" God replied, "If you hold my hand and something happens, you might let go but if I hold your hand, no matter what happens, I will never let you go."

## The State Motto

Teacher: "Missouri is the 'Show ME' state, Florida is the 'Sunshine State'. Does any one know the motto of Washington D.C?"
Teacher: "No one? Does anyone wish to venture a guess?"
5th grade student: "Is it the 'Plausible Deniability' state?"

## 7 Messages from God.

1. You will prosper.
2. You will smile again.
3. Your storm is over.
4. You will find peace.
5. You are forgiven.
6. You are safe with Me.
7. You are loved.
'Amen'


> IF YOU KEEP THEM BUSY WITH BASIC NEEDS... THEY WILL FORGET ABOUT THE FREEDOM THEY LOST

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A coffin maker was on his way to deliver one of his coffins when in in the process, his van broke down. Trying not to be late, he put the coffin on his head and began walking toward his destination. A police officer saw him and told him to stop, and he asked "Hey, what are carrying and where are you going?" The man replied, "I do not like where I was buried so I'm relocating." The policeman fainted.


I doubt if this changes your life but you might think it is interesting.

1. The space between your eyebrows is called a glaella.
2. The way it smells after the rain is called petrichor.
3. The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called an aglet.
4. The rumbling of stomach is actually called a wamble.
5. The cry of a new born baby is called a vagitus.
6. The prongs on a fork are called tines.
7. The sheen or light that you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called phosphenes.
8. The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called a box tent.
9. The day after tomorrow is called overmorrow.
10. Your tiny toe or finger is called minimus. 11. The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an agraffe.
11. The 'na na na' and 'la la la', which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called vocables.
12. When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like this ?!), it is referred to as an interrobang.
13. The space between your nostrils is called columella nasi.
14. The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn, is called armscye.
15. The condition of finding it difficult to get out of the bed in the morning is called dysania.
16. Illegible hand-writing is called griffonage.
17. The dot over an " i " or a " j " is called tittle.
18. That utterly sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called crapulence.
19. The metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called Bannock device.
HOW MANY OF THE ABOVE DID YOU ALREADY KNOW?

Do you know why God didn't allow our pets to speak? To teach us that love and loyalty are demonstrated by actions and not words.


My dad has bees. Today I went to his house and he showed me all of the honey he had gotten from the hives. He took the lid off of a 5 gallon bucket full of honey and on top of the honey there were 3 little bees, struggling. They were covered in sticky honey and drowning. I asked him if we could help them and he said he was sure they wouldn't survive. Casualties of honey collection I suppose.
I asked him again if we could at least get them out and kill them quickly, after all he was the one who taught me to put a suffering animal (or bug) out of its misery. He finally conceded and scooped the bees out of the bucket. He put them in an empty Chobani yogurt container and put the plastic container outside.
Because he had disrupted the hive with the earlier honey collection, there were bees flying all over outside.
We put the 3 little bees in the container on a bench and left them to their fate. My dad called me out a little while later to show me what was happening. These three little bees were surrounded by all of their sisters (all of the bees are females) and they were cleaning the sticky nearly dead bees, helping them to get all of the honey off of their bodies. We came back a short time later and there was only one little bee left in the container. She was still being tended to by her sisters.
When it was time for me to leave we checked one last time and all three of the bees had been cleaned off enough to fly away and the container was empty.
Those three little bees lived because they were surrounded by family and friends who would not give up on them, family and friends who refused to let them drown in their own stickiness and resolved to help until the last little bee could be set free. Bee Sisters. Bee Peers. Bee Teammates. We could all learn a thing or two from these bees.



In 1991, Andre Dawson was called out looking by Cowboy Joe West and then ejected for arguing the call. He was fined $\$ 500$ by the national League and paid it via check with the memo line filled out "Donation for the blind." True Story



They will love Laughs and Lifts!

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How is seven different from the rest of the numbers between one and ten? The math nerds may start thinking about prime numbers or whether seven is divisible by this or that or if it can be cubed and all that. Avoid thinking about math altogether and think about the literal quality of the words that signify the numbers. Remember that riddles play with the differences between the literal and the conceptual, or the straightforward and the complex. For this riddle, think simple, but pivot to a paradigm separate from numbers.



## Acme Vacuum Cleaners Everything we sell sucks

## Irony: Hyphenated Non-hyphenated

# All Right Brainiaks! Figure this out. 

 What are the next three letters in this combination? OTTFFSSThis super hard question asks you to determine the relationship between the letters. They seem random: a vowel, two consonants from the tail of the alphabet, two from the front, then two more. What could they mean? What's the pattern? In this case, think of common strings of words to get you closer. But it still seems almost impossible to hit on the solution.

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## Is That A Record?

 A woman meant to call a record store but dialed the wrong number and got a private home instead. "Do you have 'Eyes of Blue' and 'A Love Supreme'?" she asked."Well, no," answered the puzzled homeowner. "But I have a wife and eleven children." "Is that a record?" she inquired. "I don't think so," replied the man, "but it's as close as I want to get."

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Answer: E N T (Each letter represents the first letter in the written numbers: One, Two, Three, Four, Five, etc.).

Hippopotomonstrosesquippedali-ophobia??? (hIp-o-pOt-o-mOn-strO-sEs-quIp-i-dEli-o-phObiA).

That's a long word. It's an ironic word as well.
Especially when you learn the meaning of it.
The word Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia means: the fear of long words.


> Don't think gender matters? Go buy a rooster for eggs and a bull for milk. You will soon learn that God Knew what He was doing.

## A priest, a pastor and a rabbit walked into a blood donation clinic. The nurse asked the rabbit: <br> "What is your blood type?" <br> "I am probably a type O" said the rabbit.



When I say I am a Christian I'm not shouting I've been saved I'm whispering I get lost at times That's why I chose this way

When I say I am a Christian I don't speak with human pride I'm confessing that I stumble Needing God to be my guide

When I say I am a Christian I'm not trying to be strong I'm professing that I'm weak And pray for strength to carry on

When I say I am a Christian I'm not bragging of success
I'm admitting that I've failed And cannot ever pay the debt

When I say I am a Christian I don't think I know it all I submit to some confusion Asking humbly to be taught

When I say I am a Christian I'm not claiming to be perfect My flaws are all too visible But God believes I'm worth it When I say I am a Christian I still feel the sting of pain I have my share of heartache That's why I seek God's name When I say I am a Christian I do not wish to judge I have no authority I only know I'm loved

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