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Upon arrival at the airport, he sees a plane warming up, so he jumps in with his bag of equipment, and says "Let's go!"



In no time at all, the pilot is taxiing down the runway, and the plane heads into the sky.

"What I'd like you to do," says the photographer to the pilot, "is fly over the national park where the wildfire is, and get as close to the ground as you dare to go, making a few low passes, so I can take some photos."

Five minutes pass in silence. "That sounds dangerous. Can't we go somewhere else?" asks the pilot.

"What?" says the man, "No way, you must fly me there!"

Five more minutes pass in silence. The pilot asks "But why?"

"Isn't it obvious?" says the man, "I'm a photographer, and photographers take photos."

The pilot is completely silent for a moment. Finally he stammers, "You mean

you're not the flight instructor?"



A man was walking along a country road when he saw a farmer working his field.

The man called out to the farmer, "How long will it take me to get to the next town?"

The farmer didn't answer. The man waited a bit then

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After becoming very frustrated with the "no haggle" attitude of one of the shopkeepers, the blonde shouted, "Maybe I'll just go out and catch my own alligator so I can get a pair of shoes at a reasonable price!"

he shopkeeper said, "By all means – be my guest! Maybe you'll luck out and catch yourself a big one!"

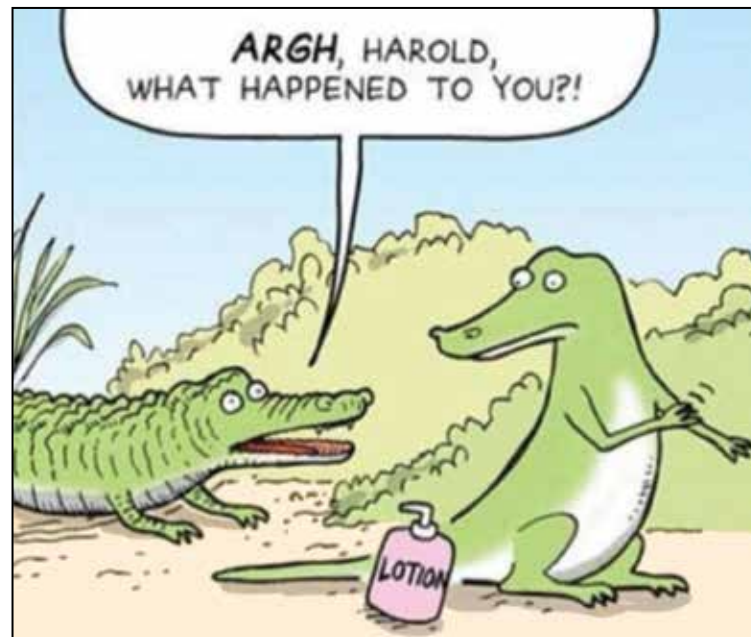
Determined, the blonde turned and headed for the swamps, set on catching herself an alligator. Later in the day, the shopkeeper is driving home when he spots the young woman standing waist deep in the water, shotgun in hand.

Just then, he sees a huge 9-foot alligator swimming

quickly toward her. She takes aim, kills the creature and with a great deal of effort hauls it on to the swamp bank. Laying nearby were several more of the dead creatures. The shopkeeper watches in amazement.



The blonde flips the alligator on it's back, and frustrated, shouts, "Dang, this one isn't wearing any shoes either!"



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Kiwanis Club of Sierra Vista meets 2nd & 4th Thur of each month at 5:30pm at Orient Express, 391 Fry Blvd. For info call Marge 520-508-3414

Pasta Dinner every 2nd Saturday of the month at the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Benson, 750 E 4th St. The public is welcome.

American Legion Riders Post 141 Sunsites/Pearce offers 2 partial scholarships to accredited trade school in AZ to 2 graduating seniors (children of Military Veterans). Details alrcocohisestronghold141@gmail.com

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DINNER every Fri. night 5-7 pm and BREAKFAST every Sat. morning 8-10 am. Post 52 American Legion Sierra Vista. Public Welcome! 12 Theater Drive. Call to make sure meal has not been canceled. 520-459-6050

Pearl of Venus Chapter #6, Order of the Eastern Star, Meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. 2 PM Held at the Masonic Hall at 623 S. Foothills Dr. Benson AZ, for info 520-221-3591

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AA open meeting (Al-Anon welcome) Sun. 10:30am. CTRV Crow's Nest, 1030 S. Barrel Cactus Ridge, Benson. For more info, contact Case 520-268-4542 or Lillie 612-414-2068

When you don't know where to turn when someone drinks too much, **Al-Anon** can help. Wed at 6pm at the Serenity Club, 5049 Hwy 92 in Sierra Vista. <http://al-anon.org/welcome>

Monday Nights Addiction Meeting, 6pm. Free childcare provided (please let us know ahead). Broken Arrow Baptist Church, 1538 Hwy 191, Cochise.

Alcoholics Anonymous AA meetings at the Phillip and St. James Episcopal church at 784 Mountain ave. Morenci Az at 7pm on Tuesdays Contact person is Genevieve 720-550-1854

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Does someone's drinking bother you? **Al-Anon** can help. Safford meetings Tuesday 6:00pm House of Hope, 601 W 1st St., Friday 9:00am, River Church. 1726 S 1st Ave. All are welcome.

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Does someone's drinking bother you? Find Support and Hope. call **Al-Anon** phone 1-520-323-2229 or **Al-Anon Family Group** 1-757-563-1600

BINGO

Bingo every Monday night at Butterfield RV Park, (Banquet Hall) 251 S. Ocotillo Av, Benson, AZ. Monday nights. Doors open at 5pm and Bingo starts promptly at 6:00pm. Come on out, have fun and maybe win some money.

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COMMUNITY

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Woman?," What is Woman?" Adam asks.

God says, "Well, Adam, Woman is the perfect companion. Woman will fulfill all of your needs and desires, without question. Woman will serve your every want and need. She will obey your every command. Her only reason for being will be to bring



you happiness."

"Wow, lord, Woman sounds perfect for me. What do I have to do?"

"Well, Adam, I require from you one eye, your right leg, and your left hand!"

Adam thinks for a minute, then asks, "What will you give me for a rib?"

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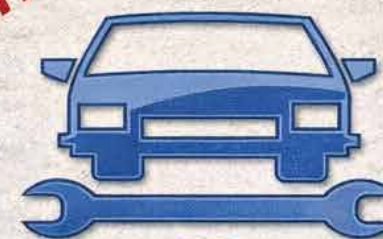
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Dogs Are People Too!

Many people treat their dogs as their children. Others say, "Oh well it's just a dog." Both are correct as far as it goes. Dogs do become part of the family, a strong part.

In many homes they are so important in the family that when they die the owners are heartbroken for a long time.

Those people who say, "it's only a dog", don't realize that like your children, they deserve to be given a good life. This includes good health food, vet visits, nails trimmed, and a daily snack. But it also means keeping them warm in winter and cool in the summer.

No, they cannot survive our temperature extremes because 'they are just an animal.' They get cold and require shelter and a coat in the winter. In summer the asphalt can be 300°F, but people still want to walk their dog in the middle of the day. Of course people have shoes on, but the dog is just allowed to suffer the hot cement.

Burnt feet are miserable for the dog, and if severe, can cost a good bit at the vet as well. You cannot walk them during the hot part of the day without shoes on them. Try taking your own shoes off and seeing how hot the pavement really is. You would be astonished.

Dogs suffer because we don't think! Dogs like people, feel pain they feel emotional when they are rehomed or dumped, dogs feel happiness when they're with their owners, they feel the same emotions as we do, they just can't express it.

No they are not, "Just Dogs." They are living, breathing, feeling animals that were put here to love us, entertain us, and

protect us. hey should be treated as such!! Even when we are mean to them, they come back and love us. How many humans do you know that will do that?



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One night, an old, blind cowboy wanders into an all-girl biker bar by mistake. He finds his way to a bar stool and orders some coffee.

After sitting there for a while, he yells to the waiter, "Hey, you wanna hear a blonde joke?"

There's absolute silence in



the bar.

Then, in a very deep voice, the woman next to him says, "Before you tell

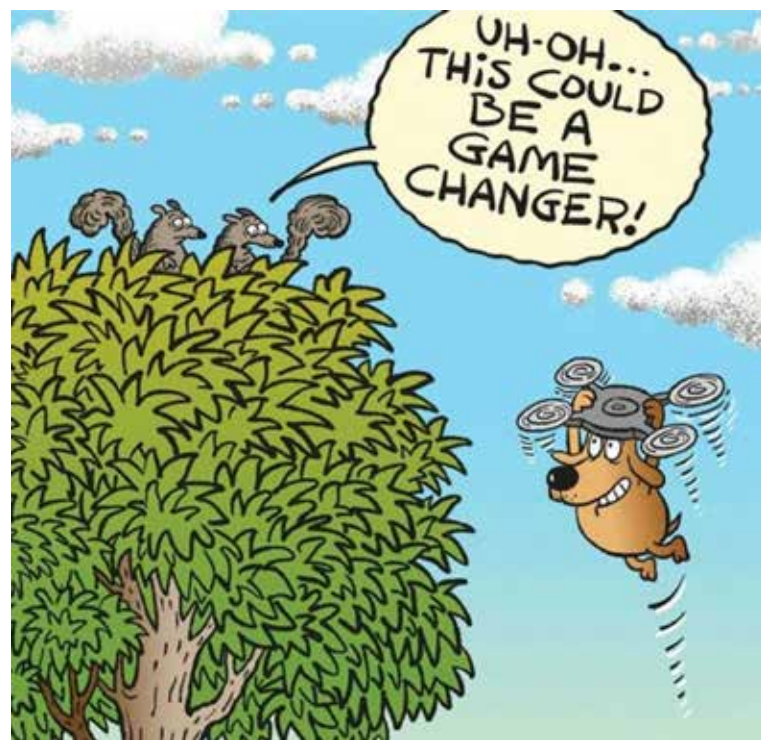
that joke, cowboy, I think it's only fair, given that you're blind, there are five things that you should know:

1. The bartender is a blonde girl with a baseball bat.
2. The bouncer is a blonde girl.
3. I'm a 6-foot-tall, 175-pound blonde woman with a black belt in karate.
4. The woman sitting next to me is blonde and a professional weightlifter.
5. The lady to your right is blonde and a professional wrestler."

After a brief pause, she says, "Now, think about it seriously, Mister. Do you still wanna tell that joke?"

The cowboy thinks for a second, shakes his head, and mutters, "Nope...not if I've gotta explain it five times."

What sits at the bottom of the sea and twitches? A nervous wreck.



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Naturally, Dave was pleased with his discovery but he was sure that his friends wouldn't believe he'd found a dog that could walk on water. So he decided to break the news to his friend Paul, a pessimist who was rarely impressed by anything.

Hoping for once he might actually impress Paul, Dave invited him on a hunting trip to experience the dog first hand. However, Dave didn't mention the dog's special talent, as

he wanted Paul to see it for himself.

Arriving in the woods, the two men and the dog found a suitable spot by the lake and waited for some ducks to appear. And it wasn't long before some ducks flew overhead. Both men fired their shotguns and a duck fell from the sky and landed on the lake.

The dog responded by walking across the water, without sinking, and retrieving the duck. Apart from the soles of its feet, the dog didn't get wet at all. This continued throughout the day.

Each time a duck fell, the dog retrieved it by walking across the water, without getting wet. Determined to remain unimpressed, Paul



observed everything but he didn't say a word.

On the drive home, Dave couldn't resist it any longer and he said to Paul, "Did you notice anything unusual about my new dog Paul?"

"Yes, I did", said Paul. "He can't swim."

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This exceptional 40-acre property features a charming 2 bedroom site built home and unobstructed panoramic views. Gorgeous rock fireplace, tile floors throughout the home, 2 spacious bedrooms with large closet, large pantry and mud room and a newer metal roof. 3 pasture areas and some corrals. Close interstate access for traveling.

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Grandma Kathy wanted a loan for \$500. She approached her local banker. The banker pulled out the loan application, asking, "What have you got for collateral?" queried the banker, going strictly by the book.



"Don't know what collateral means."
 "Well that's something of value that would cover the cost of the loan. Have you got any vehicles?"
 "Yes, I have a 1949 Chevy pickup."
 The banker shook his head, "How about livestock?"
 Yes, I have a horse."
 "How old is it?"
 "I don't know; it has no teeth."
 Finally the banker decided to make the \$500 loan. Several weeks later Kathy was back in the bank. She pulled out a roll of bills, "Here's the money to pay the loan,"

she said, handing the entire amount including interest.
 "What are you going to do with the rest of that money?"
 "Put it in my pocket."
 "Why don't you deposit it in my bank?" he asked.
 "I don't know what deposit means."
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He located the car, stuck in deep snow and with the engine still running. Pulling in behind the car with his emergency lights on, the trooper walked to the driver's door to find an older man passed out behind the wheel with a nearly empty vodka bottle on the seat beside him.

The driver came awake when the trooper tapped on the window. Seeing the rotating lights in his rearview mirror, and the state trooper standing next to his car, the man panicked.

He jerked the gearshift into drive and hit the gas. The car's speedometer was showing 20-30-40 and then 50 MPH, but it was still stuck in the snow, wheels spinning.

Trooper Nixon, having a sense of humor, began



running in place next to the speeding (but stationary) car. The driver was totally freaked, thinking the trooper was actually keeping up with him.

This goes on for about 30

seconds, then the trooper yelled, "PULL OVER!" The man nodded, turned his wheel, and stopped the engine. Needless to say, the man from North Dakota was arrested and is probably still shaking his head over the state trooper in Montana who could run 50 miles per hour. Who says troopers don't have a sense of humor

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BOSTON CREAM PIE

- 3 large eggs, separated
- 1 teas vanilla extract
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- Pinch of salt
- ¾ cup cake flour

FILLING

- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ¼ cup all purpose flour
- 1 ½ cups milk
- 6 large egg yolks
- 1 teas vanilla extract
- Pinch of salt

GLAZE

- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 3 T light corn syrup
- 2 tablespoons water
- 4 oz (4 squares) semi-sweet chocolate, coarsely chopped



Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease a nine inch round cake pan. Line with waxed paper. Beat together egg yolks and vanilla at medium speed until blended. Beat in half of sugar until very thick and pale. Using clean, dry beaters, beat together egg whites and salt at medium speed until very soft peaks form. Gradually beat remaining sugar until stiff, but not dry, peaks form. Fold the yoke mixture into egg whites. Sift flour over mixture; fold in gently. Do not over mix. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake cake until top springs back when lightly pressed, 25 minutes. Loosen cake by running a metal spatula around sides of pan. Invert cake onto a wire rack. Turn cake right side up. Cool completely on rack. Meanwhile, prepare filling. In a saucepan, mixed together sugar and flour. Gradually whisk in milk, then egg yolks, vanilla, and salt. Bring to a boil over medium heat; boil for one minute, whisking constantly. Strain through a fine sieve into a bowl. Press plastic wrap on surface, chill for 30 minutes. Using a serrated knife cut cake horizontally in half, carefully remove wax paper. Place bottom layer on the serving plate. Spread evenly with filling, top with remaining cake. To prepare glaze, in a saucepan bring sugar, corn syrup, and water to a boil over low heat, stirring constantly, until sugar has dissolved. Add chocolate; let's stand for one minute, whisk until smooth. Gradually pour glaze over cake allowing it to drip down the sides. Let stand until glaze sets

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Entering the psychic's pavilion, he found himself in a space decked with plush carpets and paisley tapestries, with the psychic herself seated behind a low table supporting a crystal ball. Sadly, Felix sat down asked if Phoebe could be contacted from beyond the grave.

The psychic just stared into her crystal ball and smiled. And smiled. Without a word. Her smiles only became broader as Felix grew more and more agitated. When he started begging her to tell him whether it was Phoebe she was seeing within the ball, her smiles erupted into joyous laughter - but no word of answer.

Finally Felix was so frustrated, he stood up, and with all the strength of his inner grief and frustrations, he punched the psychic in the face, turned, and went out the door. After that, he found himself able to live a normal life; sometimes happy and sometimes sad. When his friends commented on how he had finally found balance in his life, he responded, "All I had to do was strike a happy medium!"

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As he sat facing her old pump organ, the young minister noticed a cut-glass bowl sitting on top of it. The bowl was filled with water. In the water floated, of all things, a condom! When she returned with tea and scones, they began to chat.

The pastor tried to stifle his curiosity about the bowl of water and its strange floater, but soon it got the better of him and he could no longer resist. "Miss Beatrice", he said, "I wonder if you would tell me about this?" pointing to the bowl.

"Oh, yes" she replied, "isn't it wonderful? I was walking through the park a few months ago and I found this little package on the ground. The directions said to place it on the organ, keep it wet and that it would prevent the spread of disease. Do you know I haven't had the flu all winter!"





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One day, when he was out plowing, his wife brought him lunch in the field. He drove the old mule into the shade, sat down on a stump, and began to eat his lunch. Immediately, his wife began haranguing him again. Complain, nag, nag; it just went on and on.

Il of a sudden, the old mule lashed out with both hind feet; caught her smack in the back of the head and killed her dead on the spot.

At the funeral several days later, the minister noticed something rather odd. When a woman mourner would approach the old farmer, he would listen for a minute, then nod his head in agreement; but when a man mourner approached him, he would listen for a minute, then shake his head in disagreement. This was so consistent, the minister decided to ask the old farmer about it.

So after the funeral, the minister spoke to the old farmer and asked him why he nodded his head and agreed with the women, but always shook his head and disagreed with all the men.

The old farmer said: "Well, the women would come up and say something about how nice my wife looked, or how pretty her dress was, so I'd nod my head in agreement."

"And what about the men?" the minister asked.

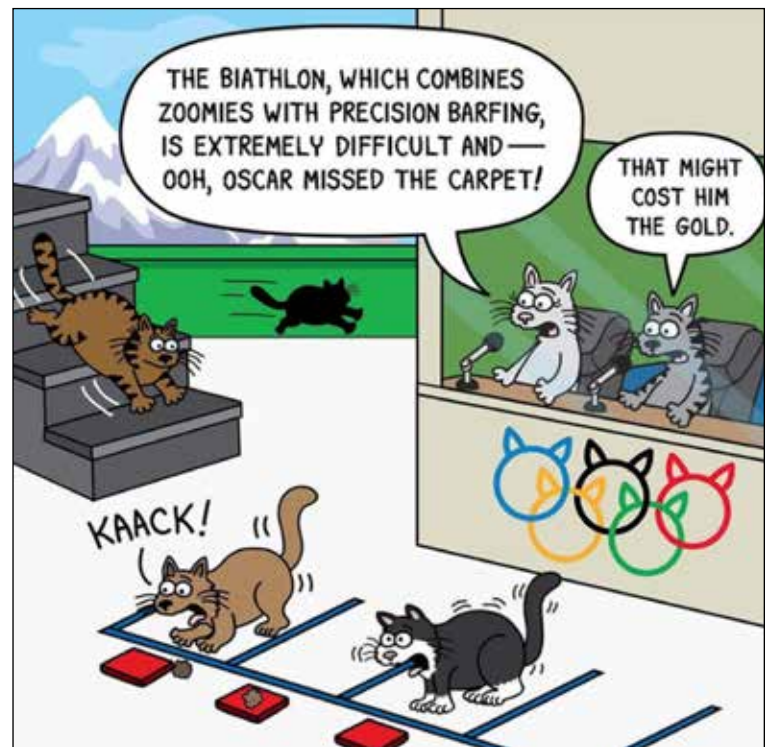
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and hide.
I would have to lend a helping hand, since no ladder could
be found.
I just hoped my back was strong enough, to boost her off
the ground.
I calculated the push required, to get her on the horse.
But I must have overestimated the gravitational force.
I launched her up and gave her all the power that I had,
but unfortunately she passed on by the intended landing
pad.
As I gazed between the horses legs,
and underneath his belly,
she hit the ground all spread out, like
peanut butter and jelly.
I forgot what law of physics I had
studied in a class.
I miscalculated the gravitational
pull upon this lady's.....mass.
Inertia had come into play, and
the results made me frown.
But once you get a mass like that
moving it's hard to slow it down
I gathered her up, and dusted her off, "Sorry, Ma'am", I did
reply,
"I'll help you on one more time, if you're willing to try."
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"Well, that's fifteen years, too." And so she reaches down inside the wetsuit on the other side and pulls out a bottle of Jack Daniels.

"How did you know that Jack Daniels was my favorite drink?"

"Well, Fred, as I said, we have looked into all of those things too. Do you mind if I have a drink, also?"

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