

Nuggets of Fun and Nostalgia for Treasure Valley Golden-Agers

What is Love?

A group of professionals posed this question to a group of 4 to 8 year-olds, "What does love mean?" The answers they got were broader, deeper, and more profound than anyone could have ever imagined!

"When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore... So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love."
Rebecca - age 8



"When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth." Billy - age 4

"Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they go out and smell each other." Karl - age 5

"Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs." Chrissy - age 6

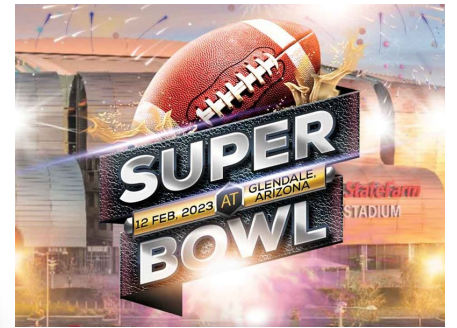
"Love is what makes you smile when you're tired." Terri - age 4

"Love is when my mommy makes coffee for my daddy and she takes a sip before giving it to him, to make sure the taste is OK." Danny - age 8

"Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and just listen." Bobby - age 7 (Wow!)

"If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend who you hate." Nikka - age 6

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Hey everyone, a friend of mine has two tickets for the Super Bowl in Phoenix. They are both box seats. He paid \$2,500 each, they come with ride to and from airport, lunch, dinner, a \$400 concessions coupon and a pass to the winner's locker room after the game.

But he didn't know when he bought them that it was going to be on the same day as his wedding. If you are interested, he is looking for someone to take his place...

It's at Southside Church in Scottsdale at 3 pm. The bride's name is Ashley, she's 5'4", about 115 lbs., she's a good cook and loves to fish, hunt and clean. She'll be the one in the white dress.

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About a year after her husband died, the widow Smith herself died. When she arrived at the pearly gates she asked if she could see her former husband.


“What's his name?”
“Joe Smith.”
“You'll have to give us better identification than that. Maybe his last words? We classify each arrival that way.”
“Well, just before he died he said to me, ‘Kate, if you ever waste any of my hard earned dollars, I'll turn over in my grave.’”
“Oh, sure we know him. We call him Whirling Joe up here.”

What is Love? *Continued from Pg 1*

“Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it every day.” Noelle - age 7

“Love is like a little old woman and a little old man who are still friends even after they know each other so well.” Tommy - age 6

“During my piano recital, I was on stage and I was scared. I looked at all the people watching me and saw my daddy waving and smiling. He was the only one doing that. I wasn't scared anymore.” Cindy - age 8



“My mommy loves me more than anybody. You don't see anyone else kissing me to sleep at night.” Clare - age 6

“Love is when Mommy gives Daddy the best piece of chicken.” Elaine - age 5

“Love is when Mommy sees Daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is handsomer than Robert Redford.” Chris - age 7

“Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone all day.” Mary Ann - age 4

“I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.” Lauren - age 4

“When you love somebody, your eyelashes go up and down and little stars come out of you.” (what an image!) Karen - age 7

“You really shouldn't say ‘I love you’ unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget.” Jessica - age 8

And the final one:

The winner was a four year old child whose next door neighbor was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there. When his mother asked what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy said, “Nothing, I just helped him cry.”



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Dating and Marriage—as seen by kids

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY?

You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming. -- Alan, age 10

WHAT IS THE RIGHT AGE TO GET MARRIED?

Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then. -- Camille, age 10

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE MARRIED?

You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids. -- Derrick, age 8

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR MOM AND DAD HAVE IN COMMON?

Both don't want any more kids. -- Lori, age 8

WHAT DO MOST PEOPLE DO ON A DATE?

Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough. -- Lynnette, age 8

WHEN IS IT OKAY TO KISS SOMEONE?

-The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that. -- Curt, age 7

-The rule goes like this: If you kiss someone, then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do. -- Howard, age 8

IS IT BETTER TO BE SINGLE OR MARRIED?

It's better for girls to be single but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them. -- Anita, age 9

HOW WOULD THE WORLD BE DIFFERENT IF PEOPLE DIDN'T GET MARRIED?

There sure would be a lot of kids to explain, wouldn't there? -- Kelvin, age 8

HOW WOULD YOU MAKE A MARRIAGE WORK?

Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a dump truck. -- Ricky, age 10



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Popeye the Sailor

Frank "Rocky" Fiegel was born in Poland in 1868. He emigrated with his family to America, and joined the Navy in 1887.

Later in life, the retired sailor was hired by a tavern in Chester, Illinois, to clean and maintain order. He had a tough reputation to always be involved in fights, one of which resulted in a deformed eye ("pop-eye"). He had demonstrated his strength in so many fights he became a local legend in his neighborhood.



He always smoked his pipe, so he spoke only with one side of his mouth. Often he would regale the children of the neighborhood with stories from his youth—holding the pipe in the corner of his mouth—boasting of his physical strength and loudly claiming that spinach was the food that made him invincible.



One of the children who grew up in Chester hearing "live" the stories from the legendary sailor was Elzie Crisler Segar, who created the character "Popeye." The famous comic strip character was introduced in 1929, eventually being distributed around the world. The rough, gruff, but good-hearted sailor made a small fortune for Segar, who was making \$100,000 a year by 1938.

Ironically, Segar died of leukemia that year at the age of 43, while "Popeye" Fiegel himself died in 1947 at the age of 79.

The Ol' Switcheroo



I'm going to install switches on my car's dash board that don't do anything. When someone gets in my car I'll look them dead in the eye and say, "Buckle up!"

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"Why sir," said the farmer, "Didn't you know? The wind picks up pollen from the ripening corn and swirls it from field to field. If my neighbors grow inferior corn, cross-pollination will steadily degrade the quality of my corn. If I am to grow good corn, I must help my neighbors grow good corn."

So is with our lives... Those who want to live meaningfully and well must help enrich the lives of others, for the value of a life is measured by the lives it touches. And those who choose to be happy must help others find happiness, for the welfare of each is bound

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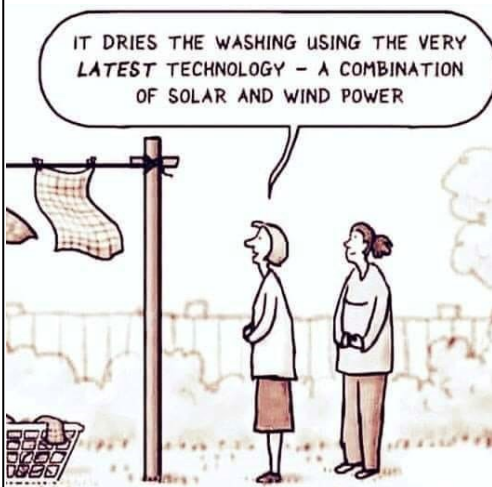
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SON: "Dad, I've got a part in the school play. I play a man who's been married 25 years."

DAD: "Great! Maybe next time you'll get a speaking part!"

WHEN PARENTS GET OLD ...

Let them grow old with the same love that they let you grow ...

Let them speak and tell repeated stories with the same patience and interest that they heard yours as a child ...

Let them overcome, like so many times when they let you win ...

Let them enjoy their friends just as they let you ...

Let them enjoy the talks with their grandchildren, because they see you in them ...

Let them enjoy living among the objects that have accompanied them for a long time, because they suffer when they feel that you tear pieces of this life away ...

Let them be wrong, like so many times you have been wrong and they didn't embarrass you by correcting you ...

LET THEM LIVE and try to make them happy the last stretch of the path they have left to go; give them your hand, just like they gave you their hand when you started your path!



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The boss wondered why one of his most valued employees had not phoned in sick one day. Having an urgent issue he needed help with, he dialed the employee's home phone number and was greeted with a child's whisper. "Hello?"

"Is your daddy home?" he asked. "Yes," whispered the small voice. "May I talk with him?" The child whispered, "No."

Surprised and wanting to talk with an adult, the boss asked, "Is your Mommy there?" "Yes."

"May I talk with her?" Again the small voice whispered, "No."

Hoping there was somebody with whom he could leave a message, the boss asked, "Is anybody else there?"

"Yes," whispered the child, "a policeman."

Wondering what a cop would be doing at his employee's home, the boss asked, "May I speak with the policeman?"

"No, he's busy," whispered the child.

"Busy doing what?"

"Talking to Daddy and Mommy and the fireman," came the whispered answer.

Growing more worried as he heard a loud noise in the background through the phone, the boss asked, "What is that noise?"

"A helicopter," answered the whispering voice.

"What is going on there?" demanded the boss, now truly apprehensive.

Again, whispering, the child answered, "The search team just landed a helicopter."

Alarmed, concerned and a little frustrated the boss asked, "Who are they searching for?"

Still whispering, the young voice replied with a muffled giggle... "ME!!"



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OPERATOR: Can you spell that for me?

MAN: (long, awkward pause)

OPERATOR: Sir? Are you there?

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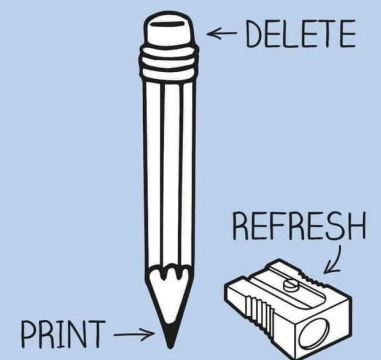
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In a Pickle

My husband has been lying to me for years.

Ever since we started dating, whenever we go out to eat and there is a pickle on his plate, he gives it to me.

One of our first dates was at a sandwich shop and mine came with a pickle and I ate it first. I think he picked up on that because ever since he just slid his pickle onto my plate, I would eat it and never thought twice about it.

The other day we went out to eat and had pickles on our plates, and just being silly, I offered mine to him.

To my surprise, he accepted it and ate it in four bites!

I was a little taken aback and was like, "Wait, you like pickles?" and he was like, "Yeah!"

So I asked him why, if he likes pickles, he always gave them to me.

And he said, "Because I know you love them, and seeing you smile is worth a few pickles."

And my heart just melted, because for year I had believed this man hated pickles.

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Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

By Robert Frost



Whose woods these are I think I know.
His house is in the village though;
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.

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3. It is important that a man knows how to make you laugh.
4. It is important that a man can be counted on and doesn't lie to you.
5. It is important that a man loves you and spoils you.
6. It is important that these five men don't know each other.

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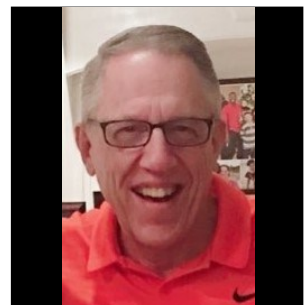


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