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"Terrible!" says the other. "My house burned down."

"Could have been worse," came the reply.

A month later, the two men meet a third time. "'Well, how goes it?" the man asks.

"Oh!" says his friend. "Now my wife has left me!"

The other man nods his head, gives a little smile and, as usual, says, "could have been worse."

This time the man grabs his friend and says, "Wait just a minute! I'm not gonna let you off so easy this time. Three times in the past few months we've run into one another, and every time I've told you the latest disaster in my life. Every time you say the same thing—'could have been worse'. I want you to tell me—How could it have been any worse?"

"Well," said the other man, "It could have happened to me."



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* On June 6, 1884, philanthropist and businessman George Williams co-founded the Young Mens Christian Association, or YMCA, with the aim of creating a supportive community for men like himself to address societal challenges.

* On June 9, 1902, Woodrow Wilson was elected president of Princeton University, holding the office until resigning in 1910 to run for governor of New Jersey. Wilson had graduated from the university in 1879 before studying law at the University of Virginia, then earning a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University. He remains the sole U.S. president to have received a doctoral degree.

* On June 7, 1939, George VI and Elizabeth I became the first king and queen of Great Britain to travel to the United States, where they met with President Franklin D. Roosevelt at his invitation. In a letter to her mother-in-law, Queen Elizabeth described the Roosevelts as "such a charming and united family and living so like English people when they come to their country house."



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* On June 10, 2003, the Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation in Dearborn, Michigan, opened Mrs. Fisher's Southern Cooking restaurant in honor of Abby Fisher, who journeyed from enslaved plantation cook to upscale caterer and cookbook author after migrating west to California. "What Mrs. Fisher

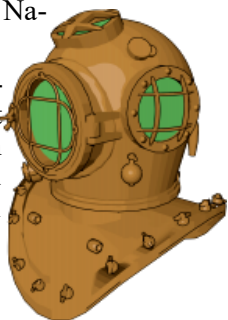
Knows About Old Southern Cooking, Soups, Pickles, Preserves, Etc." is the oldest known cookbook by a formerly enslaved person.

* On June 5, 1981, a weekly Morbidity and Mortality Report published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted five cases of a rare form of pneumonia in Los Angeles. Later, they would be recognized as the first incidences of the AIDS virus.

* On June 11, 1963, Alabama governor George Wallace stood in front of the Foster Auditorium at the University of Alabama and refused entry to two African American students, resulting in the issue of Executive Order 11111 by President John F. Kennedy. The order brought in the National Guard, forcing Wallace to step aside.

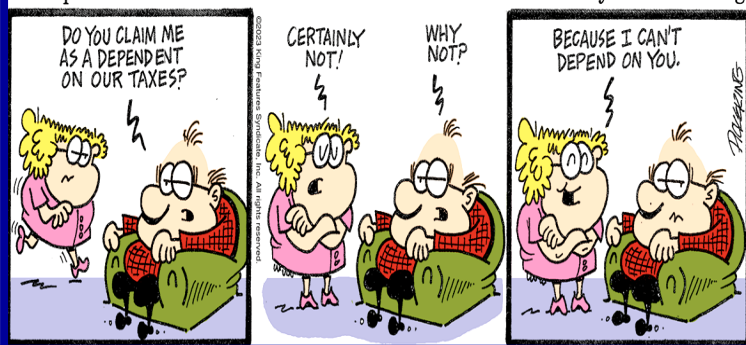
* On June 9, 2020, Dr. Kathy Sullivan became the first woman to reach the deepest part of the ocean, the Mariana Trench (36,201 feet). Sullivan had earlier achieved notoriety by becoming the first American woman to complete a spacewalk, in 1984.

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by Jeff Pickering



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- Taverns
- "The Middle"
actress
Heaton
- Denny's rival
- Susan of
"Dead Man
Walking"
- Donated
- Business mag
- Rose and fell
on the sea
- Chicago
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- Seethe
- God of war
- Adirondack
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- "Star Wars"
baddie
- Pirate's chart
- Arabian
nomad
- Minus
- Melodies
- Blitzen's boss
- Two-piece
suit
- Jazzy style
- Greek vowels
- Revolutionary
War battle
- Hamlet, e.g.
- Stumble on
- Winter coast-
er
- Thanksgiving
veggie
- Section
- AWOL pursu-
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- Bond rating
- USPS delivery
- Nature walks
- Outlet letters
- God, in Roma
- Eighth U.S.
president
- London land-
mark
- Melville cap-
tain
- Peregrinate
- Raced
- Hostels
- Sharif of
"Funny Girl"
- Purse
- "Topaz"
- author
- Sultry Horne
- Loses color
- Clerics' rob-
ing room
- "So be it"
- Group of
actors
- Futile
- Unpaid TV ad
- Elevated
- Portable PC
- Daytime
drama
- Hotel furniture
- Slanted type
(Abbr.)
- Welles role
- Edge
- Coach
- Parseghian
- Eggs
- Berlin's coun-
try (Abbr.)
- Museum dis-
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by Linda Thistle

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♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ **HOO BOY!**

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Clue: R equals T

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SDVSHD JHCJNQ BAJSD RGDY-
QDHYDQ UM HVMF QVORG JQUJM
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1. TELEVISION: What is the name of the high school in "Buffy the Vampire Slayer"?
2. MOVIES: Who voiced the character Woody in "Toy Story"?
3. LITERATURE: Who are the tragic lovers in the novel "Wuthering Heights"?
4. AD SLOGANS: Which product invites consumers to "taste the rainbow"?
5. FOOD & DRINK: Which root vegetable is known as Japanese horseradish?
6. ANATOMY: What substance gives skin its color?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Great Pyramids of Giza located?
8. HISTORY: Who was the first female prime minister of Great Britain?
9. SCIENCE: What is the hollow, woody tissue that carries water and nutrients from a plant's roots to the entire plant?
10. U.S. STATES: Which is the only state that doesn't have a mandatory seat belt law for adults?

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 10. New Hampshire.
 9. Xylem.
 8. Margaret Thatcher.
 7. Egypt.
 6. Melanin.
 5. Wasabi.

Answers
 1. Sunnydale High.
 2. Tom Hanks.
 3. Heathcliff and Catherine.
 4. Skittles.

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CryptoQuip answer

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selves in long South Asian
garments: a sari state.

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 22 mins.

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Weekly SUDOKU

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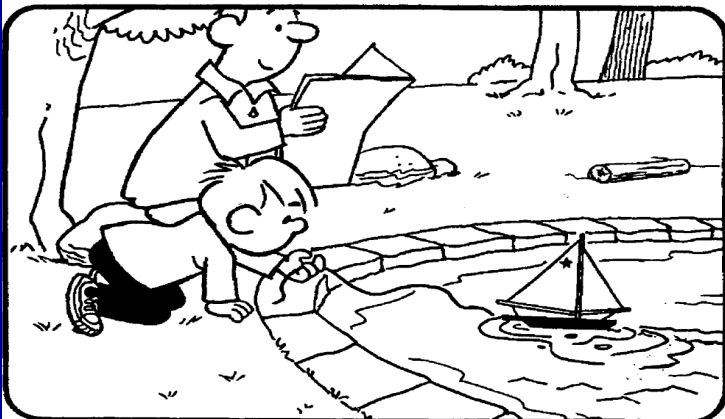
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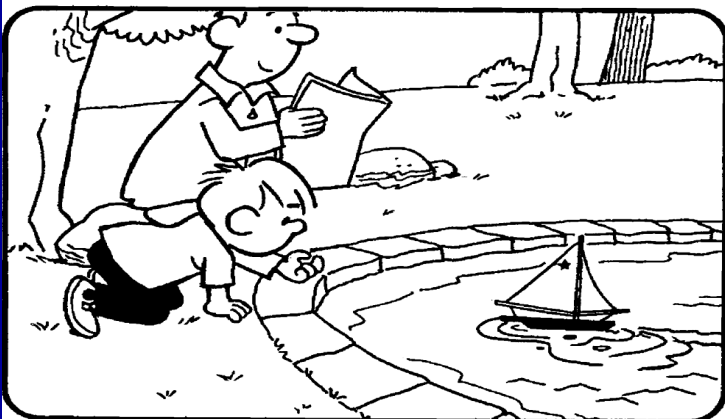
YOU CAN'T PRAY A LIE –MARK TWAIN

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY
HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sneaker is different. 2. Sleeve is shorter. 3. Paper is smaller. 4. String is missing. 5. Sail is different. 6. Log is missing.

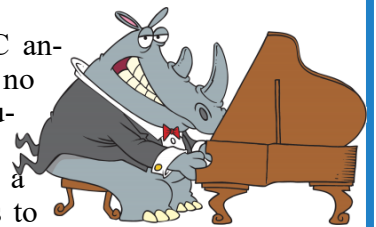
Strange BUT TRUE

By
Lucie
Winbourne

* At just 15 years old, actor Sylvester Stallone's classmates voted him "most likely to end up in the electric chair."

* One day in 1930, the BBC announced on air that "there is no news," and played piano music.

* If viewed from space or a high altitude, the sun appears to be white.



* Larry Lemieux, a Canadian sailor at the 1988 Olympics, was about to win a silver medal when he abandoned the race to save two other competitors whose boat had capsized. While he lost the silver medal, he was given the Pierre de Coubertin medal for sportsmanship.

* A hydrangea flower's color is determined by the relative acidity of the soil in which it's grown: Acidic soil will produce a blue flower, while alkaline soil will yield a pink blossom.

* The Sami people of Northern Finland have a unit of measurement called the "poronkusema"-- the distance a reindeer can walk before it needs to urinate.

* Had a solar eruption happened nine days earlier than it did in 2012, the Earth would have been hit by a massive solar storm that would likely have caused major X-ray and UV radiation and power failure over the planet. It also would likely have cost trillions of dollars and taken four to 10 years to recover from. Timing really is everything!

* Fulmars, a type of seabird, vomit putrid fishy oil on predatory birds in self-defense, which not only smells awful but is lethal to the attackers, as it permanently glues their feathers together.

* The hotel that inspired Stephen King to write "The Shining" plays the Stanley Kubrick film of the same name on a continuous loop on channel 42 for guests.



Thought for the Day: "Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day." -- Sally Koch

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