

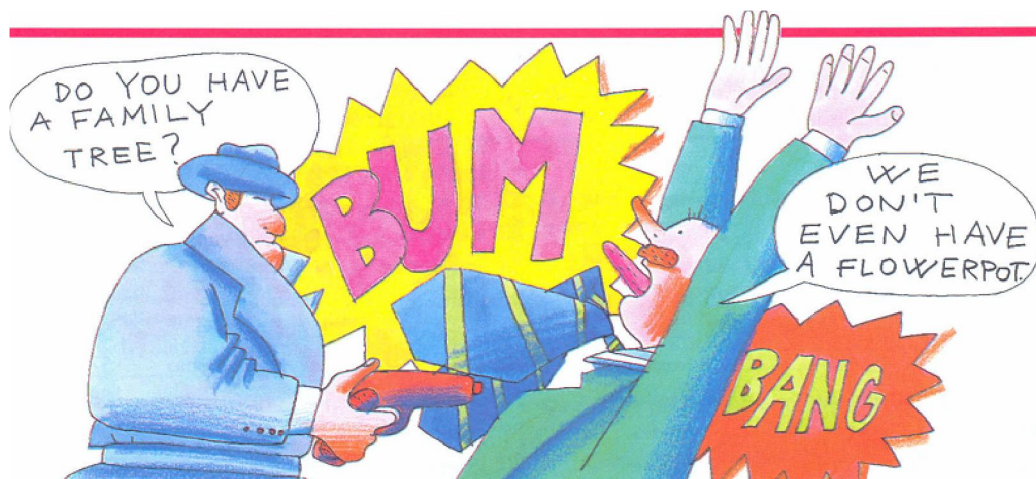
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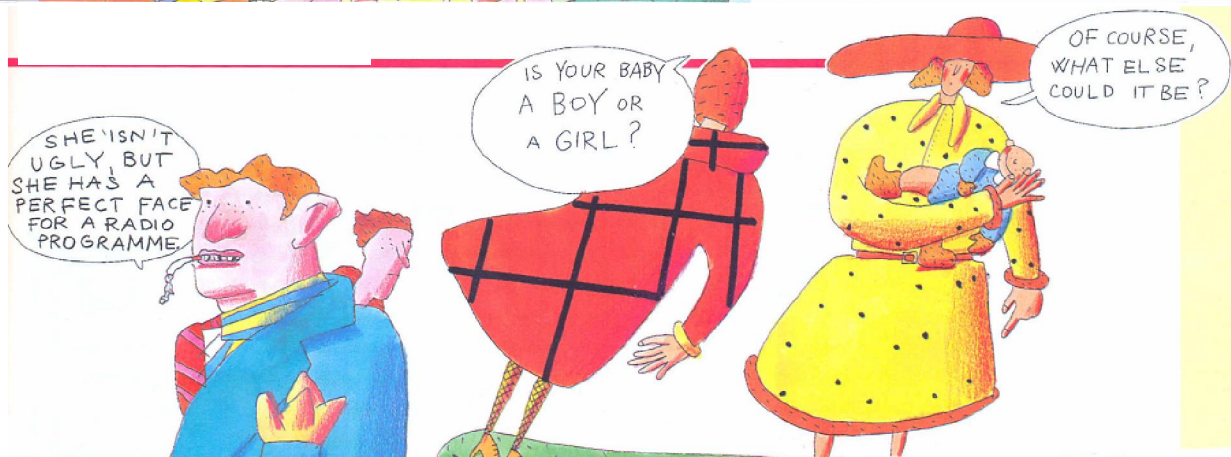
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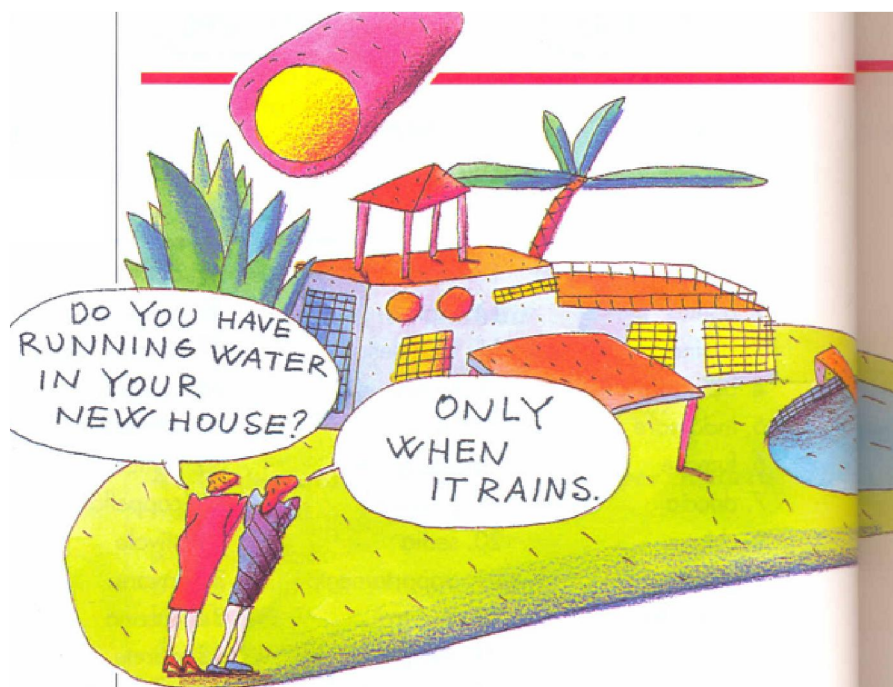
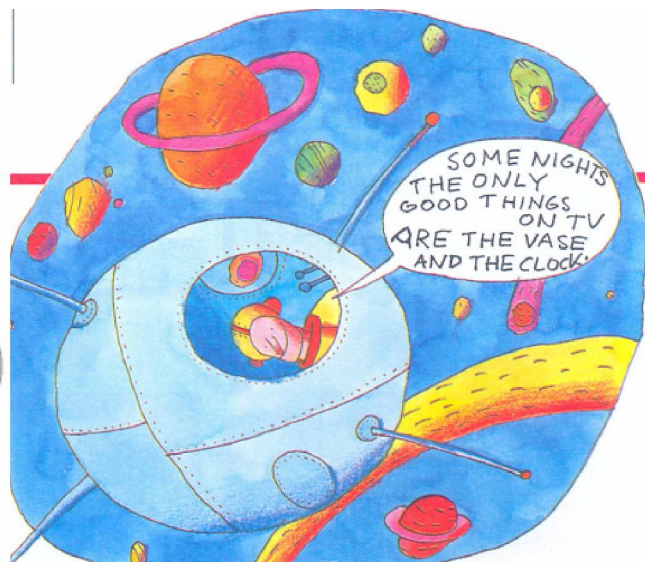
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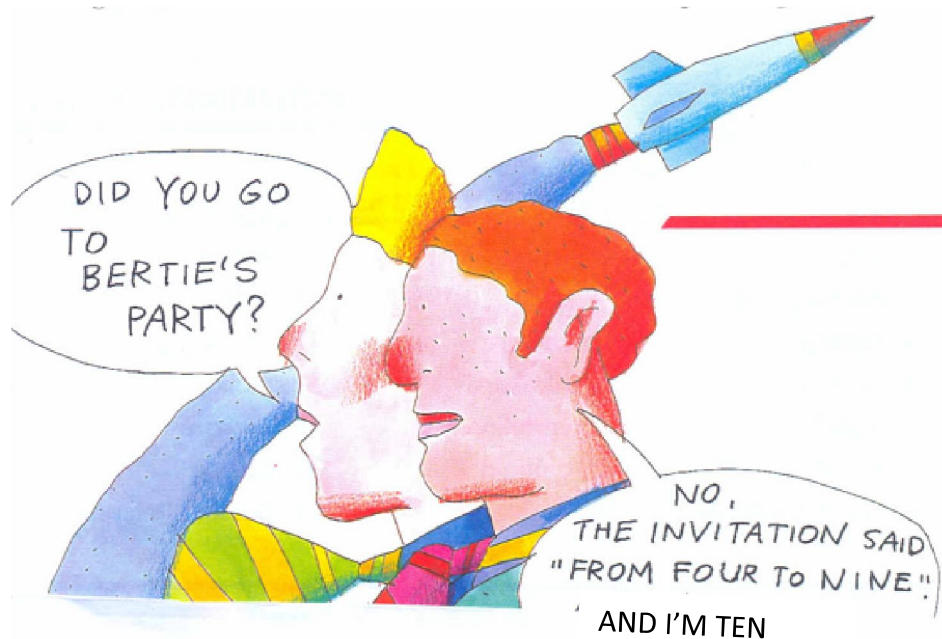
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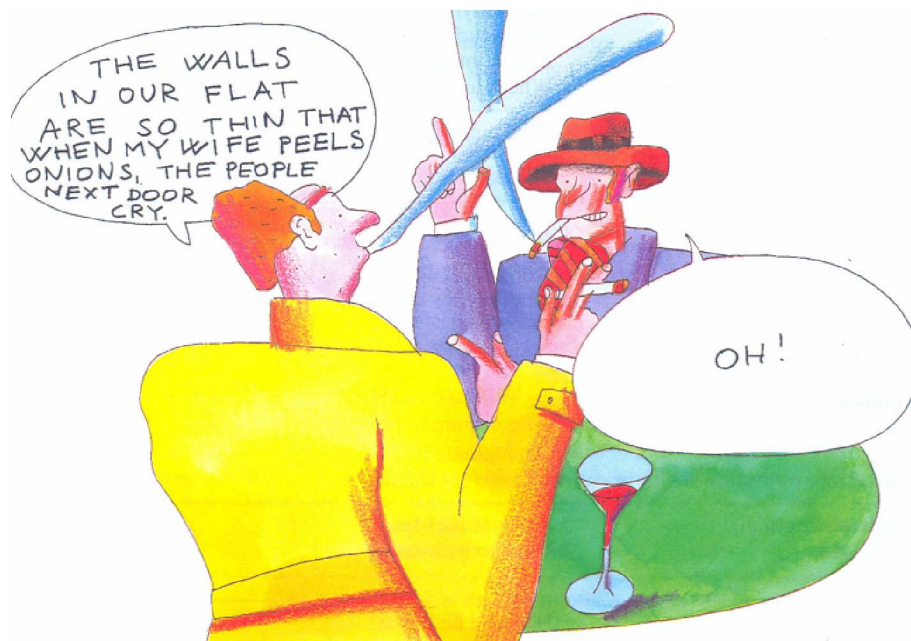
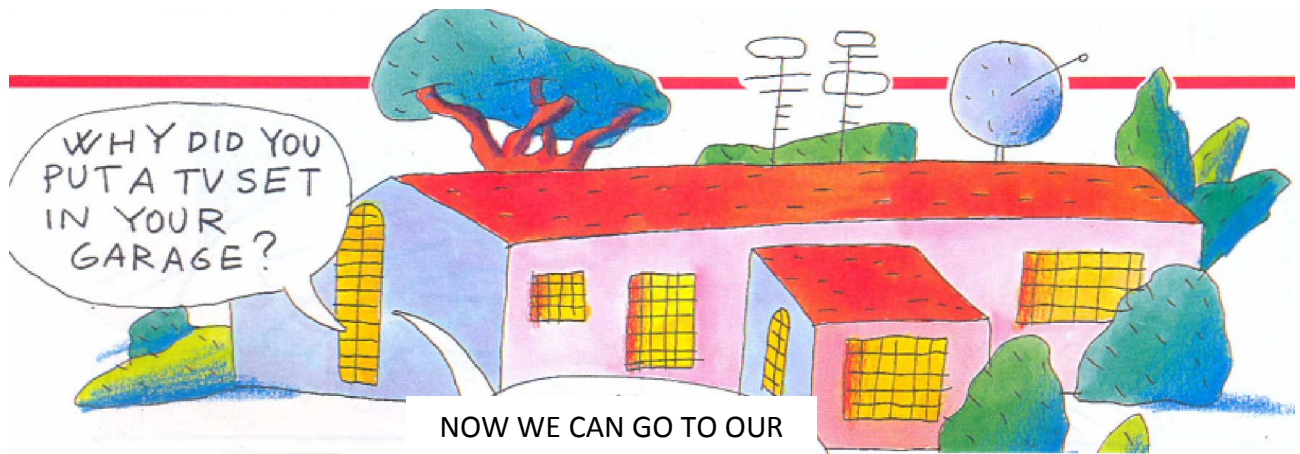






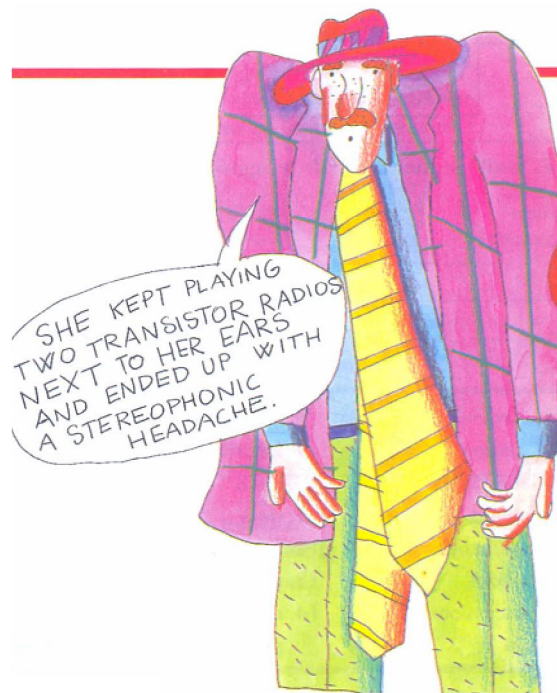


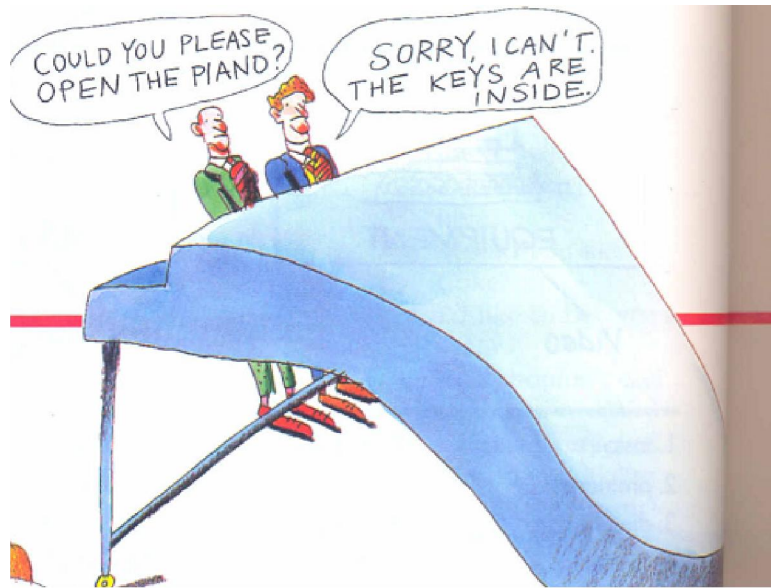


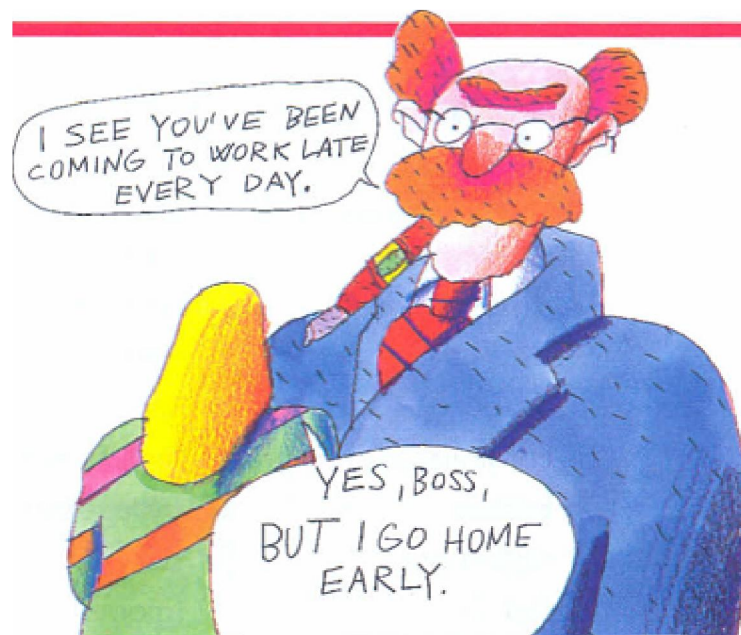
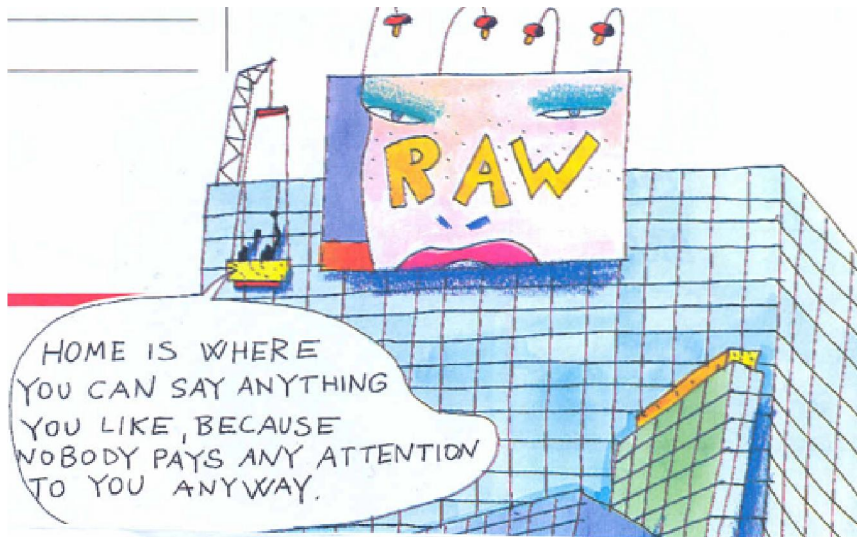


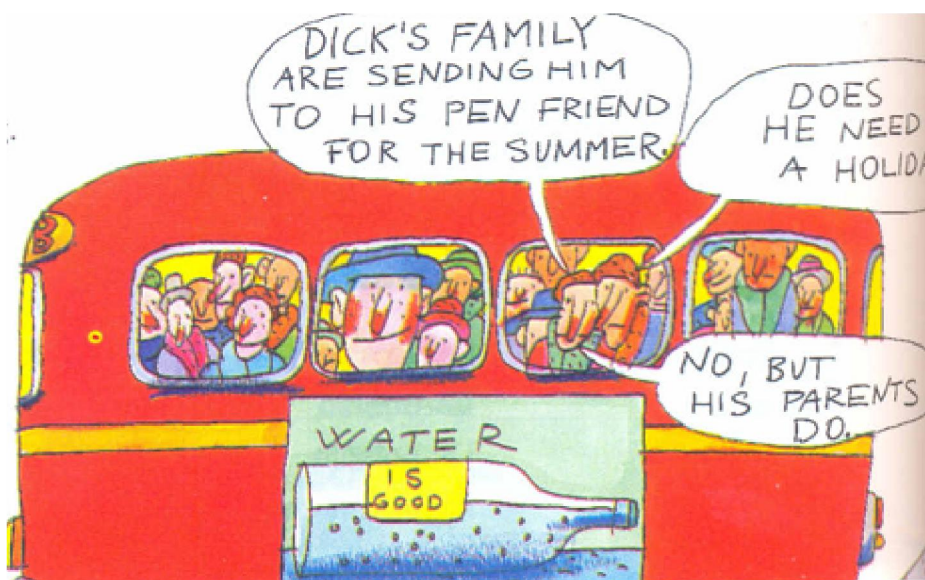


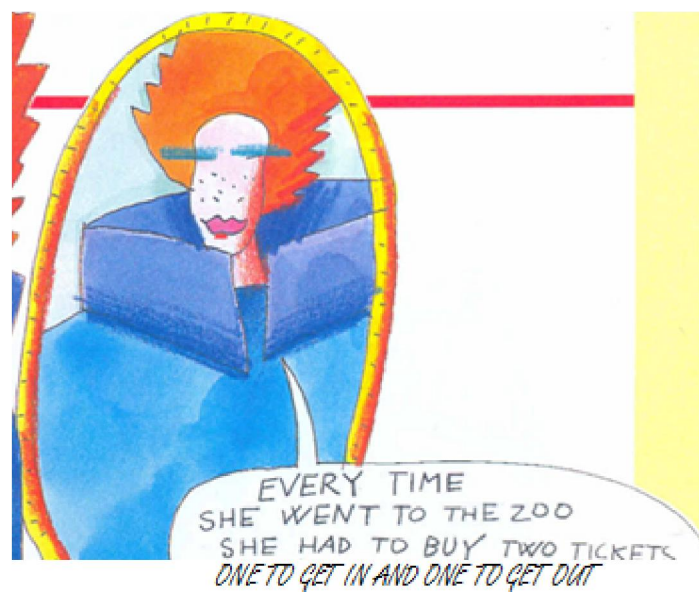
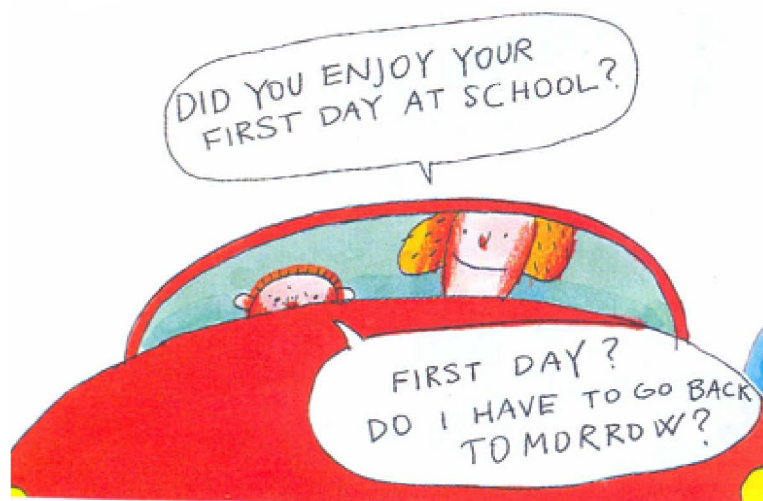
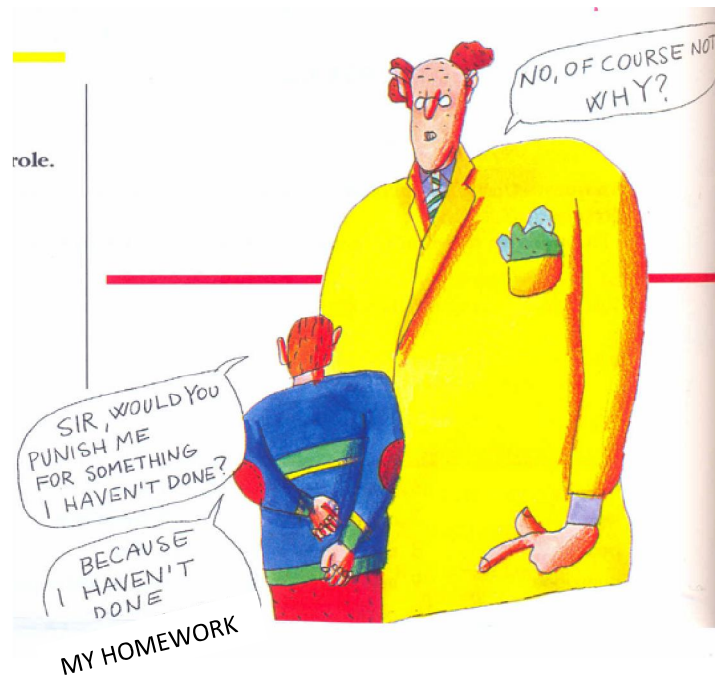






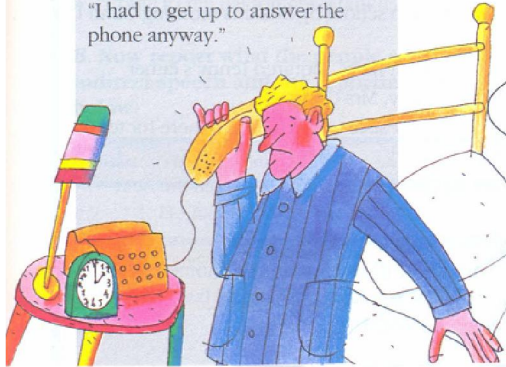






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Mr Able's telephone rang in the middle of the night and a voice said, "Is that 1212?"
 "No," he replied, "this is 1211."
 "Sorry to have troubled you," said the caller.
 "Oh, that's all right," said Mr Able, "I had to get up to answer the phone anyway."



What did the big telephone say to the little telephone?

you're too young to be engaged. Why don't you give the ring back?

When is the cheapest time to ring your friends?

When they're out.

Why are telephone wires so high up?

So that they can keep up the conversation.

When is a telephone like a trapeze act?

When you're left hanging on.

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A little Yorkshireman went to the Council Housing Department one day to complain about his living conditions.
 "I've got three older brothers," he explained. "We all live in the same room. One of my brothers has four dogs, one has five cats, and the other one keeps a goat. The smell is terrible and I want you to do something about it."
 "Couldn't you open the windows?" asked the official.
 "What – and lose all my pigeons?" said the little Yorkshireman.

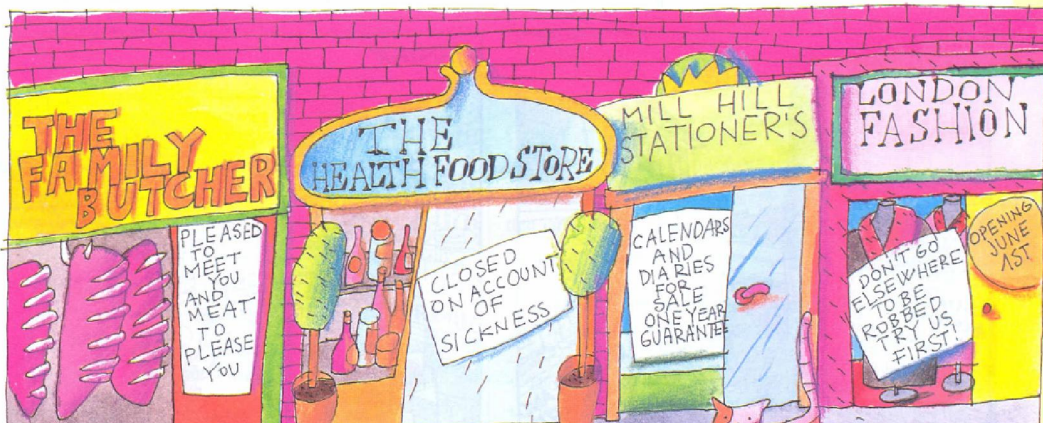


Our house is so small that we can only use condensed milk in the kitchen!

Our house is so damp that we only catch fish in the mousetraps!

Our new house is so small that we had to take the wallpaper off in the living room to get the furniture in.

THE LIGHTER SIDE



FIRST COW:

Moo-ooo-ooo.

SECOND COW:

Cock-a-doodle-doo-ooo.

FIRST COW:

What's with the
"Cock-a-doodle-doo-ooo"?

SECOND COW:

I'm learning foreign
languages.

WELL, JENNY,
WHAT ARE YOU
LEARNING
AT SCHOOL
THESE DAYS?

WHICH COUNTRY
SPEAKS
GEOMETRY?

THIS TERM
WE STARTED
GEOMETRY AND
FRENCH

THE LIGHTER SIDE

A fireman called out, "Throw the baby down!" to a woman who was trapped at the top of a building on fire.

"I can't!" she screamed back. "You might drop him!"

"I won't!" shouted the fireman. "I'm a professional footballer!"

So the woman dropped the baby. The fireman caught him, bounced him three times and kicked him over the fire engine.

A fireman.

Who is assured
of a warm
reception wherever
he goes?

What lives if you feed it,
but dies if you water it?

A fire!

RIGHT, BILLY,
CAN YOU TELL ME
THE BEST WAY
TO START
A FIRE
USING TWO STICKS?

MAKE SURE
ONE'S
A MATCH,
SIR!

b)

Does this train stop
at Waterloo Station?

Well, if it doesn't
there'll be an
enormous crash.

Which is the
hardest train
to catch?

The 12.50, because it's ten
to one if you catch it.

THE LIGHTER SIDE

PASSENGER: Is this my train?

GUARD: No, sir, it belongs to
British Rail.

PASSENGER: Don't make jokes
with me! Can I take this train
to Liverpool?

GUARD: Oh, no, sir. It's too
heavy.

My new house is right
by a railway station.

Won't the trains disturb
you at night?

They say I'll get used to it
in a few nights, so for the first week
I'm going to sleep in a hotel.

