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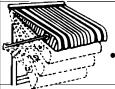








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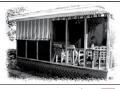


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National Lighthouse Day, Aug. 7. Lighthouses are beautiful, and incredibly useful. On National Lighthouse Day, we celebrate how these scenic, historic structures guided sea travelers throughout the centuries.

Book Lovers Day, Aug. 9. An unofficial holiday encouraging everyone to celebrate reading and literature. People are advised to put away their smartphones and technological distractions and pick up a book to read.

World Orangutan Day, Aug. 19. To raise awareness and encourage the public to take action in preserving this amazing and endangered species.

Women's Equality Day, Aug. 26. Women's Equality Day commemorates the passage of women's suffrage in the U.S. and reminds everyone of the hurdles overcome by the women who faced violence and discrimination to propel the women's movement forward.

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Torld Breastfeeding Week, Aug. 1–7. Breastfeeding is key to sustainable development strategies post-pandemic, as it improves nutrition, ensures food security, and reduces inequalities between and within countries.

International Assistance Dog Week, Aug. 7–13. Created to recognize all the devoted, hardworking assistance dogs helping individuals mitigate their disability-related limitations.

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Area 51

ate one afternoon, Air Force officers at Area 51 were very surprised to see a small Cessna landing at their "secret" base. They immediately impounded the aircraft and hauled the pilot into an interrogation room.

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The pilot told them that he'd taken off from Las Vegas, got lost, and spotted the base just as he was about to run out of fuel. The Air Force started a full background check on the pilot and held him overnight during the investigation.

By the next day, they were finally convinced that the pilot really was lost and wasn't a spy. They gassed up his airplane, gave him a terrifying "you-did-not-see-a-base" briefing, complete with threats of spending the rest of his life in prison, gave him directions to Las Vegas, and sent him on his way.

The day after that, to the total disbelief of everyone at the base, the same Cessna showed up again. Once again, MPs surrounded the plane on the ground, only to find this time that there were two people in the plane.

The same man jumped out and said, "Do anything you want to me, but you have to tell my wife where I was last night!"

Language is funny



linguistics professor was lecturing his class one day.

"In English," he said, "a double negative forms a positive. In

some languages, though, a double negative is still a negative. However, there is no language wherein a double positive can form a negative.'
A loud voice from the back of the room piped up, "Yeah, right."

Hall of mirrors

nce a dog sneaked into a museum filled with mirrors. Seeing his reflection everywhere, he froze at the sight of a whole pack of dogs surrounding him from all sides.

The dog bared his teeth and barked. All the reflections responded to it in the same way. Frightened, the dog barked frantically; the dog's reflections imitated the dog and increased it many times. The dog barked even harder, but the echo was magnified. The dog ran from one side of the museum to another while his reflections followed him, snapping at his heels.



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Charity case

The president of a local charity realized that he had never received a donation from the town's most successful lawyer. The president gave him a call. "Our research shows that out of a yearly income of more than \$10 million, you give not a penny to charity. Wouldn't you like to give back to the community in some way?"

The lawyer thought this over for a moment and replied, "First, did your research also show that my mother is dying after a long illness, and has medical bills that are several times her annual income?"

Embarrassed, the president mumbled, "Uh, no."

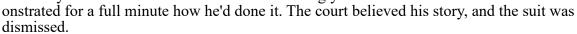
"Second, that my brother, a disabled veteran, is blind and confined to a wheelchair?"

The stricken president began to stammer an apology, but the lawyer interrupted him. "Third, that my sister's husband died in a traffic accident, leaving her penniless with three children?"

The humiliated president, completely beaten, said simply, "I'm sorry, I had no idea—"
The lawyer cut him off once again. "And I don't give any money to them, so why should I give any to you?"

Warning light

uring a trial that involved a car accident at a train track, an engineer insisted that he had given the driver ample warning by waving his lantern back and forth for nearly a minute. He even stood and convincingly dem-



"Congratulations," the lawyer said to the engineer when it was over. "You did superbly under cross-examination."

"Thanks," he said. "But the plaintiff's lawyer sure had me worried."

"Why is that?"

"I was afraid he was going to ask if the lantern was lit!"

Laughter is carbonated holiness.

— Anne Lamott

When you lose your laugh, you lose your footing.

— Ken Kesey





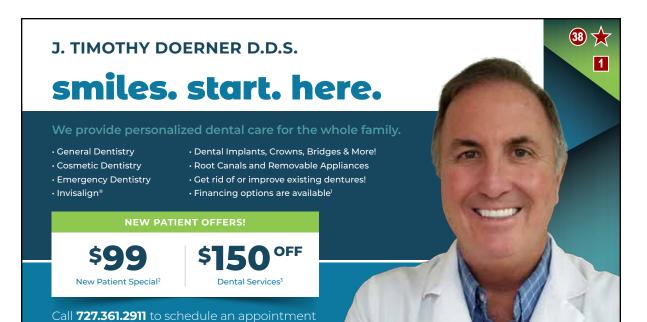
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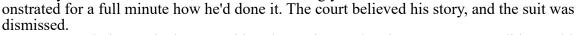
"Second, that my brother, a disabled veteran, is blind and confined to a wheelchair?"

The stricken president began to stammer an apology, but the lawyer interrupted him. "Third, that my sister's husband died in a traffic accident, leaving her penniless with three children?"

The humiliated president, completely beaten, said simply, "I'm sorry, I had no idea—"
The lawyer cut him off once again. "And I don't give any money to them, so why should I give any to you?"

Warning light

uring a trial that involved a car accident at a train track, an engineer insisted that he had given the driver ample warning by waving his lantern back and forth for nearly a minute. He even stood and convincingly dem-



"Congratulations," the lawyer said to the engineer when it was over. "You did superbly under cross-examination."

"Thanks," he said. "But the plaintiff's lawyer sure had me worried."

"Why is that?"

"I was afraid he was going to ask if the lantern was lit!"

Laughter is carbonated holiness.

— Anne Lamott

When you lose your laugh, you lose your footing.

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- Cinnamon. Place a few cinnamon sticks anywhere you spot ants crawling into your house. The pleasant odor will send ants away. (Garlic cloves work as well, though you may not enjoy the scent as much.)
- Vinegar. Spray some apple or white vinegar on areas where ants have set up shop.
- **Black pepper**. Sprinkle a little pepper where you see ants. Watch where they run to, and treat that area as well to prevent them from returning.
- **Mint.** The scent of mint can disrupt ants' sense of smell. Plant mint outside, especially near doors and windows, and place a few mint leaves in and around your windows.

Need something to read? Try these bestsellers

ven in an age of YouTube, Facebook, and other multimedia distractions, books are still ubiquitous. Here's a list of the 10 biggest selling books over the last 50 years. Some of the titles may surprise you; others, not so much:

- The Bible: 3.9 billion copies
- Quotations from Chairman Mao Tse-Tung: 820 million copies
- Harry Potter series: 400 million copies
- The Lord of the Rings: 103 million copies
- The Alchemist: 65 million copies
- The Da Vinci Code: 57 million copies
- The Twilight Saga: 43 million copies
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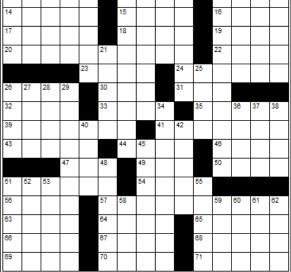




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- 1. Sleighs
- 6. Play parts
- 10. Applications
- 14. Boundary
- 15. Half-moon tide
- 16. Exploded star
- 17. Genus of heath
- 18. Novice
- 19. Twofold
- 20. Picnic dessert
- 22. Prefix meaning "Within"
- 23. Fern clusters
- 24. Yard of a house
- 26. Deposited
- 30. 2000 pounds
- 31. Type of tree
- 32. Dugout shelter
- 33. Clothing
- 35. French for "Red"
- 39. Flower
- 41. Decorated
- 43. Harmony
- 44. Bristle
- 46. Territory
- 47. Paddle
- 49. Soviet space station
- 50. Responsibility
- 51. Mooch
- 54. Angers
- 56. Ripped
- 57. Penalty
- 63. Assistant
- 64. Minerals
- 65. Spooky
- 66. Millisecond
- 67. Let out 68. Overact
- 69. Flippant
- 70. Makes lace
- 71. Snouts











DOWN

- 1. Large number
- 2. Former Italian currency
- 3. Broadcast
- 4. Cubes
- 5. Suns
- 6. Foyers
- 7. Roof
- 8. Tropical root
- 9. Like foam rubber
- 10. The criminal class
- 10. The crimina
- 11. Noise
- 12. Avoid

- 13. Beauty parlor
- 21. Slogan
- 25. Designed for flight
- 26. Places for
- experiments
- 27. With competence
- 28. Metal used in steel
- 29. Unplug
- 34. Sarcastic humorists
- 36. Sloth
- 37. Lady's escort
- 38. Countercurrent
- 40. Carpet type

- 42. Challenges
- 45. Distinguished
- 48. Write-up
- 51. Unit of postage
- 52. Aplomb
- 53. Command
- 55. Gloss
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