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My five-year-old grandson and I were discussing some of the differences between his childhood and mine.

I pointed out that when I was young, we didn't have things such as Nintendo, cellphones, computers or digital cameras.

I realized just how huge the generation gap was when he asked me: "Did you have fruit?"



About 90 fifth-graders piled into the airliner I was flying, on their way home from a school trip.

Once we were in the air, and the crew began serving drinks, I could hear them pleading with the children to settle down and let the other passengers get some sleep.

No amount of reasoning seemed to help, until I thought of the solution that actually worked.

I picked up the PA mike in the cockpit and announced,

"Children, this is the captain speaking. Don't make me stop this airplane and come back there!"

A man came back to the dealer from whom he bought a new car.

"I believe you gave me a guarantee with my car," he said.

"That's right, sir," the salesman answered. "During the warranty period we will replace anything that breaks."

"Fine, I need a new garage door."

The first sign of a child's maturity is the discovery that the volume knob also turns to the left.

Saving for a new car on a teacher's salary takes a while. So while I was saving, a mechanic friend loaned me an old junker to use. It was so beat up, even its dents had dents.

I came out of school one day to find a police officer and a woman examining it.

"What's going on?" I asked.

"I saw this lady hit your car," the cop explained. "But I can't figure out where."

ALWAYS REMEMBER ... There is No Such Thing as Government Money, there is only Taxpayer Money.

Did you hear about the doctor who wrote out a prescription in the usual doctor's fashion?

The patient used it for two years as a railroad pass.

Twice it got him into Radio City Music Hall, and once into Yankee Stadium.

It came in handy as a letter from his employer to the cashier to increase his salary.

And to top it off, his daughter played it on the piano and won a scholarship to the Curtis Music Conservatory.



THIS IS DUE TO ITS POWERFUL HIND LEGS AND THE FACT THAT THE AVERAGE HOUSE CAN'T JUMP.

A company was doing an English-language movie where, at one point, an exhausted messenger was supposed to dash in, collapse, and gasp out a vital message in Swahili. They even found someone who knew the language, and the scene worked beautifully in the movie -- until it played in an African town where Swahili was well-known. A moment of high drama nosedived into comedy as the panting messenger gasped out:

"I don't think I am being paid enough for this part!"

You know you are getting older when you walk with your

head held high ... trying to get used to your bifocals.

Murphy's Laws for Parents

1. The tennis shoes you must replace today will go on sale next week.

2. Leakproof thermoses -- will.

3. The chances of a piece of bread falling with the grape jelly side down is directly proportional to the cost of the carpet.

4. The garbage truck will be two doors past your house when the argument over whose day it is to take out the trash ends.

5. The shirt your child must wear today will be the only one that needs to be washed or mended.

6. Gym clothes left at school in lockers mildew at a faster rate than other clothing.

7. The item your child lost, and must have for school within the next ten seconds, will be found in the last place you look.

8. Sick children recover miraculously when the pediatrician enters the treatment room.

9. Refrigerated items, used daily, will gravitate toward the back of the refrigerator.

10. Your chances of being seen by someone you know dramatically increase if you drive your child to school in your robe and curlers

I just bought a new laptop. I tried to load in a new browser but instead I loaded in a bunch of junk, EG: the usual "We're here to help you" programs.

My son yelled at me, "You do not need all that stuff, it'll just slow down your computer." He rectified the situation and loaded in the correct browser for me.

After he was through, and the computer was up and running a box on the screen appeared, "WARNING YOUR COMPUTER MAY BE AT RISK".

My son remarked, "Every time Dad pushes the ON button."



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The problem with having turkey for the wrong holiday.

Many years ago in a foreign country, the local minister decided that all the Mormons had to leave the city. Naturally, there was a big uproar from the Mormon community. So, the minister made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Mormon community. If the Mormon won, the Mormons could stay. If the minister won, the Mormons would leave.

Realizing they had no choice, the Mormons picked a young missionary from Idaho named Heber, to represent them.

Not able to speak the language very well, Heber asked for one addition to the debate. To make it more interesting, neither side could talk. The minister agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Heber and the minister sat opposite each other for a full minute before the minister raised his hand and showed three fingers. Heber looked back at him and raised one finger.

The minister waved his fingers in a circle around his head. Heber pointed to the ground where he sat.

The minister pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Heber pulled out an apple.

The minister stood up and said, "I give up! This man is too good! The Mormons can stay."

Afterwards, the church council, gathered around the minister, asking him to explain what had happened. The minister said, "First, I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that there was still one God common to both our religions.

Then I waved my finger around me to show him that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground to show that God was also right here with us.

I pulled out the wine and wafer to show that God absolves us from our sins. He pulled out an apple to remind me of the original sin. He had an answer for everything. What could I do?"

Meanwhile the Mormon community and all the missionaries had crowded around Heber. "What happened?" they asked.

"Well," said Heber, "First he said to me that the Mormons had three days to get out of here. I told him that not one of us was leaving. He told me that his whole city would be cleared of Mormons. I let him know we were staying right here."

"And then?" asked a woman. "I don't know," said Heber, "He took out his lunch and I took out mine."

A young executive is working late one evening. As he comes out of his office about 8 pm, he sees the Big Boss standing by the shredder in the hallway, a piece of paper in his hand.

"Do you know how to work this thing?" the Big Boss asks. "My secretary's gone home and I don't know how to run it."

"Yes, sir," says the young executive, who turns on the machine, takes the paper from the Big Boss and feeds it in.

"Now," says his boss, "I just need the one copy..."



A guy driving a Yugo pulls up at a stoplight next to a Rolls-Royce. The driver of the Yugo rolls down his window and shouts to the driver of the Rolls, "Hey, buddy, that's a nice car. You got a phone in your Rolls? I've got one in my Yugo!" The driver of Rolls looks over and says simply, "Yes, I have a phone."

The driver of the Yugo says, "Cool! Hey, you got a fridge in there too? I've got a fridge in the back seat of my Yugo!" The driver of the Rolls, looking annoyed, says, "Yes, I have a refrigerator."

The driver of the Yugo says, "That's great, man! Hey, you got a TV in there, too? You know, I got a TV in the back seat of my Yugo!" The driver of the Rolls, looking very annoyed by now, says, "Of course I have a television. A Rolls-Royce is the finest luxury car in the world!"

The driver of the Yugo says, "Very cool car! Hey, you got a bed in there, too? I got a bed in the back of my Yugo!"

Upset that he did not have a bed, the driver of the Rolls-Royce sped away, and went straight to the dealer, where he promptly ordered that a bed be installed in the back of the Rolls. The next morning, the driver of the Rolls picked up the car, and the bed looked superb, complete with silk sheets and brass trim. It was clearly a bed fit for a Rolls Royce.

So the driver of the Rolls begins searching for the Yugo, and he drove all day. Finally, late at night, he finds the Yugo parked, with all the windows fogged up from the inside. The driver of the Rolls got out and knocked on the Yugo. When there wasn't any answer, he knocked and knocked, and eventually the owner stuck his head out, soaking wet. "I now have a bed in the back of my Rolls-Royce," the driver of the Rolls stated arrogantly.

The driver of the Yugo looked at him and said, "You got me out of the shower for that?"

The painter arrived in the morning, and the homeowner spelled out exactly what he wanted done: "I want you to paint the porch out front. I've already purchased the paint – it's the best. Once it's on – it'll never come off. I expect this to take you all day, but I am willing to pay very well."

About halfway through the day the painter came back – he was done. "Wow, you're done? Great. Here's the money and a big tip for doing the job so fast."

The painter replied, "Wow cash. Thanks! And by the way –that's not a Porsche. It's a Mercedes."

Three older ladies were discussing the trials of getting older. One said, "Sometimes I catch myself with a jar of mayonnaise in my hand in front of the refrigerator and can't remember whether I need to put it away, or start making a sandwich."

The second Lady chimed in, "Yes, some times I find myself on the landing of the stairs and can't remember whether I was on my way up or on my way down."

The third one responded, "Well, I'm glad I don't have that problem, knock on wood," as she rapped her knuckles on the table. Then she said, "That must be the door..... I'll get it!"



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Tom was so excited about his promotion to Vice President of the company he worked for and kept bragging about it to his wife for weeks on end.

Finally she couldn't take it any longer, and told him, "Listen, it means nothing, they even have a vice president of peas at the grocery store!"

"Really?" he said. Not sure if this was true or not, Tom decided to call the grocery store.

A clerk answers and Tom says, "Can I please talk to the Vice President of peas?"

The clerk replies, "Canned or frozen?"

His father said, "Son, I'm real proud of you. You have brought your grades up, you've read your scriptures every night, but you didn't get a haircut!"

The young man waited a moment and replied, "You know dad, I've been thinking about that. You know Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, Noah had long hair, and even Jesus had long hair."

His father replied, "Yes son, and they walked everywhere they went!"



A young man had just gotten his driving permit. He asked his father, who was the bishop, if they could discuss his use of the car.

His father said to him, "I'll make a deal with you. You bring your grades up, read the scriptures more, and get your hair cut, then we will talk about it."

A month later the young man came back and again asked his father if they could discuss his use of the car.

While talking with my semi-deaf uncle one evening, I noticed that his "hearing aid" was actually an earphone from a transistor radio. The wire had been cut and was sticking out of his shirt.

"How does that help your hearing?" I asked.

"Don't help my hearing none," he replied. "Makes people talk louder."

My husband and I were on a flight to San Diego, he on business, me to continue on to El Paso. As the plane arrived in San Diego, he collected his things, kissed me goodbye and left with the other departing passengers.

"That's sweet," said the woman sitting next to us. "I always just drop my husband at the curb."

A man comes up to the owner of a lumberjack business and says, "I need a job and I think I'm pretty good."

The owner replied, "Okay, show me what you can do, chop down that redwood over there." The man said okay and left. Five minutes later he came back and was done.

The owner was shocked and asked, "How did you chop

that tree down so fast?"

The man said, "I got a lot of practice in the Sahara." The owner replied, "You mean the Sahara desert?" "Yes" he said, "or at least that's what they call it now."



A little boy was upset with his parents' financial situation, so he decided to write God a letter:

Dear God,

My mommy and daddy need \$500 for bills, and I don't know who else to ask. Could You please help?

Johnny

The letter was received by the local post office and put in the "dead letters" pile. The clerk, being curious of the letter addressed to God, opened it to see what it said. As you can imagine, he was touched by the letter and decided to help. He asked all his fellow workers to "chip-in" a few dollars to help a family in need. When all the money was collected, it came to \$300. The clerk sent a money order in an official Post Office envelope with the return address simply: God.

Several weeks later the same clerk found another letter addressed to God in the same writing. The letter said:

Dear God,

Thank you for the \$300, but next time don't use the Post Office. They have a \$200 service charge.

We blame fate for other accidents but we feel personally responsible when we make a hole in one on the golf course.

A couple was arranging for their wedding, and asked the bakery to inscribe the wedding cake with "1 John 4:18" which reads "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."

The bakery evidently lost, smudged or otherwise misread the noted reference, and beautifully inscribed on the cake "John 4:18" ...

"for you have had five husbands, and the man you have now is not your husband."

As the lone female in our house, I find that certain male habits have really begun to get on my nerves. One day, I emerged from the bathroom completely exasperated when I bumped into my husband.

"What is it with guys that they won't replace the toilet paper?!" I raged.

"I know," he said, nodding in agreement. "I noticed that when I was in there earlier."

Warning! Do not look at laser with remaining eye.

Toward the end of our senior year in high school, we were required to take a CPR course.

The classes used the well known mannequin victim, Resusci-Annie, to practice. Typical of most models, this Resusci-Annie was only a torso, to allow for storage in a carrying case.

The class went off in groups to practice.

As instructed, one of my classmates gently shook the doll and asked "Are you all right?" He then put his ear over the mannequin's mouth to listen for breathing.

Suddenly he turned to the instructor and exclaimed, "She said she can't feel her legs!"

Johnny



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When eighty-four-year-old William fell in love with his eighty-three-year-old neighbor Phyllis, he thought his heart would burst with joy. However, little did he know that it was another part of his body that would give way first.

Getting down on his knees to propose to Phyllis, he told her that he wanted to ask her two questions. Firstly, would she marry him?

"Oh yes," she replied. "But what's your second question?"

"Will you help me up?"

Hard work doesn't harm anyone, but I don't want to take chances.



It was a particularly tough football game, and nerves were on edge. The home team had been the victim of three or four close calls, and they were now trailing the visitors by a touch-down and a field goal. When the official called yet another close one in the visitors' favor, the home quarterback blew his top.

"How many times can you do this to us in a single game?" he screamed. "You were wrong on the out-ofbounds, you were wrong on that last first down, and you missed an illegal tackle in the first quarter."

The official just stared.

The quarterback seethed, but he suppressed the language that might get him tossed from the game. "What it comes down to," he bellowed, "is that you STINK!"

The bishop was called to the nursing home to perform a wedding. An anxious old man met him at the door. The pastor sat down to counsel the man.

The bishop asked, "Do you love her?"

The old man replied, "I guess."

"Is she a good woman?"

"I don't know for sure."

"Does she have lots of money?"

"I doubt it."

"Then why are you marrying her?"

"She's allowed to drive at night."

When my wife came home from the hospital with our second baby, she hired Myrna, a live-in-nurse, to come along and help out for the first few weeks. Having read up on sibling rivalry, my wife watched our eighteenmonth-old daughter Chelsey for signs of jealousy or insecurity. But Chelsey adored her little brother from the start. She loved to help Myrna feed and bathe the baby. She even offered to share her toys. Several weeks passed and the mother of my two children, convinced that Chelsey was suffering no ill effects, decided she could manage without a nurse.

As she watched Myrna walk out to her car that last day, she heard an unmistakable cry of distress. "Myrna!" yelled Chelsey, running after her. "You forgot your baby!"'



"Sorry, Johnson, but that's not what I meant When I said to clean out your locker."

Climate is what you expect. Weather is what you get.

The salesman at the electronics store was pitching a high-definition television to a customer.

A fellow shopper, overhearing the spiel, mentioned that he'd upgraded his regular TV to high-def.

"How did you do that?" my husband asked.

"I dusted the screen."

A honeymoon couple is in the Watergate Hotel.

The new bride is concerned and asked, "What if the place is still bugged?"

The groom says "Hmm... Good point. I'll look for a bug."

He looks behind the drapes, behind the pictures, under the rug . . . "AHA!" he shouts!

Sure enough, under the rug was a small disc shaped plate, with four screws. He gets his Swiss army knife,

unscrews the screws, throws them and the plate out the window.

The next morning, the hotel manager asks the newlyweds "How was your room? How was the service? How was your stay at the Watergate Hotel?"

Curious, the groom says, "And why, sir, are you asking me all of these questions?"

The hotel manager says "Well, the room UNDER yours complained of the chandelier falling on them!"

A little boy forgot his lines in a Primary presentation.

His mother, sitting in the front row to prompt him, gestured and formed the words silently with her lips, but it didn't help. Her son's memory was blank.

Finally she leaned forward and whispered the cue, "I am the light of the world."

The child beamed and with great feeling and a loud, clear voice said, "My mother is the light of the world."

My cousin, Chuck, works at a snowmobile dealership.

One day Chuck asked a customer if he needed help. The man said he wanted a certain kind of snowmobile and that it had to be yellow. Chuck had the right make, but not in yellow.

"It has to be yellow," the customer insisted.

Curious, Chuck asked why.

"Because," the man replied, "I've been buying a new snowmobile every year -- and my wife hasn't noticed yet!"

A Mom was helping her son review his math while her daughter was in the kitchen.

"You have seven dollars and seven friends," she said. "You give a dollar to two of them but none to the others. What do you have left?"

From the kitchen her daughter called, "Two friends."

People will accept your ideas much more readily if you tell them that Benjamin Franklin said it first.