

## The Bowel Problem

A man goes to the doctor with a bowel problem and is prescribed a course of suppositories. The doctor inserts the first suppository, then sends the man home to continue the treatment - one suppository every six hours. The time comes for the next suppository, and the man tries to stick the lozenge up his arse. It's very tricky, so the man calls his wife to help. She keeps hold of his arm to keep him steady pushes the pill inside using an index finger. Suddenly the man lets out a yelp. "What's the matter?" asks the wife. "Did I push too hard?" "No" replies her husband. "I've just realised something; when the doctor did it, he had both his hands on my shoulders."



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## Encounter at the Pearly Gates.

Saint Peter is at his station by the Pearly Gates when he sees Jesus walking by. He calls out, "Jesus! Could you mind the gate while I do an errand?" Jesus agrees and waits by the gate while Saint Peter goes about his business. While he's waiting, a wrinkled old man walks up to the gates. Jesus asks him the standard questions, "So what did you do for a living?" he asks. The old man replies, "I was a carpenter." "That's interesting," says Jesus. "My dad was a carpenter. Did you have any family?" "Oh yes," replies the old man. "I had just one son, but I lost him." "You lost your son?" says Jesus. "Can you tell me about him?" "Well, he wasn't really my son, but I raised him." "Wow," says Jesus. "I was lost too: and I was adopted. Anything else you can tell me?" "Well," replies the old man, "my boy had holes in his hands and feet: and he died, but a spirit brought him back to life and people all over the world tell his story to this very day!" "But that's me!" cries Jesus. "You're my daddy!" So saying, he grabs the old man in a hug and shouts, "Father!" The old man hugs Jesus and shouts "Pinocchio!"

## The Wedding.

It's the morning of the wedding, and the young bride is dressing for her big day. Suddenly, the bride realises she can't find her white shoes, so she borrows a pair from one of her bridesmaids. Unfortunately, the new shoes are too small and wearing them is agony, but she hobbles off to the church as best she can. After the wedding her new husband, a retired sea captain, notices that his bride is in distress and offers to carry her to the honeymoon suite. A couple of wedding guests see the captain carry the bride away and, assuming the wedding night is starting early, go and eavesdrop at the couple's door. Standing with their ears pressed against the door, the two guests hear sounds of grunting as the captain struggles to remove his bride's right shoe. It finally comes away, and the young woman gives a cry of relief. "Bloody hell!" exclaims the captain. "That was tight!" "See?" says the first guest to the other. "I told you she was a virgin." Suddenly they hear more grunts and another cry. "And that one was even tighter!" exclaims the captain. The second guest sighs and says, "Once a sailor, always a sailor."

## The Busy Restaurant.

It's a busy night at the restaurant. George places his order, but waits ages for anything to turn up. Finally, a young man arrives and starts handing out plates. "Are you the waiter who took my order?" asks George. "Yes, sir," says the waiter. "Funny," says George, "I was expecting someone much older."



## Did Jesus use Pot?

Jesus was almost certainly a cannabis user and an early proponent of the medicinal properties of the drug, according to a study of scriptural texts recently published. The study suggests that Jesus and his disciples used the drug to carry out miraculous healings. The anointing oil used by Jesus and his disciples contained an ingredient called kaneh-bosem which has since been identified as cannabis extract, according to an article by Chris Bennett in the drugs magazine, High Times. The incense used by Jesus in ceremonies also contained a cannabis extract, suggests Mr Bennett, who quotes scholars to back his claims. "There can be little doubt about a role for cannabis in Judaic religion," said Carl Ruck, professor of classical mythology at Boston University. Referring to the existence of cannabis in anointing oils used in ceremonies, he added: "Obviously the easy availability and long-established tradition of cannabis in early Judaism... would inevitably have included it in the [Christian] mixtures." Mr Bennett suggests those anointed with the oils used by Jesus were "literally drenched in this potent mixture... Although most modern people choose to smoke or eat pot, when its active ingredients are transferred into an oil-based carrier, it can also be absorbed through the skin". This could have been responsible for healing eye and skin diseases referred to in the Gospels.

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## An English Pub in Barcelona



This below street level pub is a good meeting place to kick off your evening. **The George & Dragon** is situated just off Passeig de Gracia at Diputacion 269, The George & Dragon opened for business in 1998 and has been a firm favourite with both locals and visitors

ever since. The name of the pub was chosen to reflect the commonality of England and Catalonia, Saint George is patron saint of both countries. It has pleasant atmosphere, character and friendly locals, along with a good range of imported beers. The pub prides itself on serving not only Catalan but authentic English food alongside a selection of popular local tapas. The kitchen opens from 6.30pm until 10pm Tuesday to Friday, and from 1pm until 10pm at the weekend. All major football and rugby sporting events can be seen plus there's live music or stand-up comedy every Saturday night, for which there is no additional cover. The George gets a wide mix of local, tourists and ex-pats - so there'll always be someone there who speaks your language. The whole effect is one that makes you feel as though the George could become your "local" pub, rather than just another one of those tourist pubs in the centre of town. The only downside is that due to its cellar-bar style, the pub can get rather smokey when busy and there's no way to enjoy a pint outside when the weather turns sunny. Still, the G&D is well worth checking out as a more established, proper pub than many of the plastic pubs off the Ramblas.

## Embroidered Panties

A young woman buys some lingerie and asks if the panties can be embroidered with a special message. The message she wants written is "If you can read this, you're too close." "We can do that if you like, madam," says the sales assistant. "Do you want it in block capitals?" "no," replies the woman. "Braille."



## Supermarket customer fined for shopping without a basket

A 32-year-old man from The Netherlands who refused to use a shopping basket in his local supermarket has been convicted for his "crime". Carst Kijlstra was carrying two pieces of veal in his hands when arriving at the check-out in the local Edah supermarket in Assen. The lady at the check-out refused to serve him because he didn't have a basket. "Kijlstra knew he was a guest in the shop and that means he has to act according to the house rules." said the prosecutor during the trial. Mr. Kijlstra said he told the girl he didn't want one because he was in a hurry and the shop was almost closing. "She wouldn't listen but came back with the shop owner who told me it was the rules." "I said: "Don't be ridiculous", left the money at the counter and went home. I was preparing dinner when a police car came to take me to the police station. They put me in jail like a criminal, for half an hour." The judge fined Mr. Kijlstra \$185 and ruled Kijlstra had been "trespassing" by ignoring Edah's mandatory basket policy. Mr. Kijlstra said he will appeal to this ruling. There was a good reason for these rules and they had to be maintained said a spokeswoman for the supermarket chain. She said: "When the goods are all in a shopping basket, employees can clearly see what it contains. It's to prevent shoplifting."

## Buried Treasure.

A man is walking along a beach. He's completely broke and feeling very depressed: almost suicidal. Suddenly, he hears a booming voice call from the heavens. "Dig!" booms the voice. The man looks around, a little confused. "Dig!" booms the voice again. The man's not sure what's going on, but starts digging in the sand by his feet. After a couple of seconds, he unearths a wooden box. He opens it and finds it contains hundreds of gold coins. The heavenly voice booms out again. "Casino!" it says. The man decides to do what he's told, and runs up the beach to the nearby casino. As soon as he walks through the door, the man hears the voice boom the words "Roulette table!" So the man walks over to the roulette table. When he gets there, the voice booms out, "Sixteen, black!" The man puts all the gold coins on sixteen black. The wheel is spun, and the ball jerks around, flipping from number to number. Eventually the wheel slows and the ball comes to a rest on five red. "Bugger!" booms the voice.



### Singing Wolves.

A Chinese zoo is creating a singing wolf troupe - and is also planning to teach them how to dance. Luo Yong, a keeper at Chongqing Wild Zoo, said he discovered the wolves' singing ability by accident, reports People's Daily. "Once I was playing guitar and singing the song 'I Am A Wolf From The North', and a young wolf I raised walked up to me and

stared at me. Suddenly he howled with the rhythm, and even patted the strings with his claw," he said. (or maybe the wolf was trying to get the man to stop!) Luo said that ever since he dedicated himself to training his wolf group, and now all 30 wolves at the zoo can sing along to a rhythm. (would that rhythm be Hungry like the Wolf?) "My next plan is to find someone to write a song just for them, and also to find people to teach them disco dancing," he added optimistically. (before being dragged off back to the asylum?)

### Two Southern Belles.

Two southern belles are talking on the porch swing of a large white-pillared mansion. The first woman says, "When my first child was born, my husband built this beautiful mansion for me." The second woman says, "Well, isn't that nice?" The first woman continues, "And when my second child was born, my husband bought me that Cadillac you parked in the driveway." The second woman replies, "Well, isn't that nice?" The first woman continues, " Then, when my third child was born, my husband bought me this exquisite diamond bracelet." She holds out her arm so the second woman can admire it. Once again the second woman says, "Well, isn't that nice?" "Tell me, my dear," says the first woman, "did your husband give you any gifts when your children were born?" "Oh yes," replies the second woman. "When my eldest was delivered, my husband sent me to a charm school." "A charm school?" exclaims the first woman. "What on earth did he do that for?" "I was having a little trouble with my vocabulary," replies the second woman. "My language was a little on the coarse side. For example, I used to say things like "Who gives a flying F\*\*\*?" whereas now I'll just say "Well, isn't that nice?"

### The Divorcing Couple

A couple are getting divorced, but deciding over the custody of the children is a problem. In the resulting court hearing, the mother protests to the judge that she brought the children into this world, so she should retain custody of them. The judge asks the father what he has to say. The father thinks for a moment, then stands up and says, "Your Honour, when I put a fifty-pence piece in a chocolate machine and a chocolate bar belong to me or the machine?"

### The Lumberjack

A man applies for a job as a lumberjack. "Are you a fast worker?" asks the interviewer. "Sure I am," replies the lumberjack. "You won't find faster." "And where was your last job?" asks the interviewer. "I worked in the Sahara Forest," says the lumberjack. "Sahara Forest?" queries the interviewer. "Don't you mean the Sahara Desert?" "Oh, sure," says the lumberjack. "That's what they call it now...."



### Why Aren't All People Beautiful?

Natural selection, we're told, is the process by which nature promotes our best qualities. But a look around strains that notion. If nature selects health, beauty, and intelligence, why are most of us far from flawless? It may be because genes involved in reproduction work against themselves in opposite sexes across generations, says biologist Katharina Foerster at the University of Edinburgh. In her study of eight generations of red deer in Scotland, she noticed a curious pattern: The most prolific male deer sired daughters that tended to have fewer offspring, while the worst male breeders (the deer equivalent of ugly) fathered females that had more offspring. This is evidence, Foerster says, of sexually antagonistic genes. (so basically, beautiful mothers produce ugly sons and vice versa.) Foerster suspects that sexual antagonism is a way to maintain genetic diversity. But she says that with so many reproductive choices available, it would be nearly impossible to detect this pattern in humans. (mmm... I don't know about that, I think I've encountered the phenomenon!)

## The Vasectomy Decision

A man goes to his doctor. "I'm thinking about getting a vasectomy," says the man. "That's a pretty big decision," says the doctor. "Have you talked it over with your family?" "Yes," says the man. "They're in favour of it, 15 to two."



### **German man eaten by his own spiders and lizards**

**A German man was found dead in his home half eaten by his own exotic spiders and lizards.**

The man from Dortmund, Germany lived in his own 'zoo', he had over 200 exotic spiders, lizards and other pets. His house was described as a mix between a botanical garden and a 'The Silence of the Lambs'-style butterfly breeding room. The man was found lying on the floor a few days after he was bitten by his favourite Black Widow spider. After he died of the bite, his pets partially consumed him. Police said spiders were coming out of his mouth and nose. The man's lizards had ripped flesh off his body and parts were found all around the house.

## The Ventriloquist

Harry is a very good ventriloquist, but arthritis means he can't work his puppet any more. Looking around for something to do, he decides to become a medium. He sets up shop in a basement and soon greets his first customer, a widow. "Can you help me get in contact with my husband Stanley?" sniffs the widow. "He passed away last month." "Sure I can," says Harry. "I can guarantee it." "And how much do you charge?" asks the widow. "I'm very reasonable," replies Harry. "You can either have a £40 session, or a £60 session." "What's the difference?" asks the widow. Harry replies, "For £40 you get to hear his voice. For £60 you get to hear his voice while I drink a glass of water."

## The Pregnant Daughter.

A young woman discovers she's pregnant, and breaks the news to her mother and father. The parents demand to know who's responsible, so the daughter picks up the phone and calls the man in question. Half an hour later, a Ferrari pulls up in front of the house and a distinguished-looking man in an expensive suit steps out of it. He walks into the house and confronts the girl's parents. "Your daughter has informed me of the problem." Says the man. "I can only apologise. I'm afraid I can't marry her because of my family situation, but I will take responsibility for the child and make provision for its care. Once it's born I will give you a townhouse and a beach villa, a sum of \$500,000 and a monthly allowance of \$30,000." The parents are astonished at this offer, and sit there in stunned silence. "However," continues the man, "If there's a miscarriage, I'm not sure what I should do. What do you suggest?" There's a pause; then the father says "You could try again."



### **City wants mermaid to get boob job and liposuction.**

**A small Polish town on the Baltic coast wants a makeover for its patron mermaid to improve its appearance and make it look more sexy.** The town's patron, displayed on the right, displays a mermaid with rather small breasts and very wide hips. The town's mermaid shield became a hot topic during talks about a campaign to promote the coastal town of Ustka, in which the mermaid was supposed to play a key role. "There was a discussion about the coat of arms and one female councillor said jokingly that the mermaid's breasts were too small and that she was a bit fat," said the city hall spokesman. Her fellow councillors think she has a point. They are now planning to give the mermaid 'plastic surgery', to give her a sexy new figure and to attract more tourists to the little town of Ustka.

## Nostalgia Piece



**Catweazle** was a British television series in 1970, created and written by Richard Carpenter, the man responsible for such classics as 'Robin of Sherwood', 'The Ghosts of Motley Hall' and 'The Adventures of Black Beauty', and produced by London Weekend Television. There were two seasons with 13 episodes of 25 minutes each and originally shown between Sunday, 15 February 1970 and Sunday, 10 May

1970. The series featured Geoffrey Bayldon as the title

character, an eccentric, incompetent, dishevelled and smelly (but lovable) old 11th century wizard who accidentally travels through time to the year 1970 and befriends a young red-headed boy, nicknamed Carrot (Robin Davies), who spends most of the rest of the series attempting to hide Catweazle from his father and farmhand Sam. Meanwhile Catweazle searches for a way to return to his own time whilst hiding out in 'Castle Saburac', a disused water tower, with his 'Familiar', a toad called Touchwood. Catweazle mistakes all modern technology for powerful magic particularly 'electrickery' (electricity) and the 'telling bone' (telephone). Geoffrey Bayldon took on the role of Catweazle after turning down another time-travelling character: he passed on the opportunity to replace William Hartnoll as the second Doctor Who. After Catweazle, Bayldon starred in another hit children's series from 1979-1981 playing The Crowman in *Worzel Gummidge*. The Beatles were reportedly big fans of Catweazle. In an interview, Geoffrey Bayldon says he was sent letters by Paul McCartney.

### The Truck Driver.

Barney is driving down the road behind a truck. At every red light, the truck driver gets out of his cab, runs back and bangs on the truck door. This happens several times and Barney, curious about this behaviour, follows the truck into the parking area of a roadside café. The driver parks his rig and, as before, gets out and starts banging on the back door of the truck. Barney comes over. "Excuse me," he says. "I don't mean to be nosey, but why do you keep banging on the door of your truck?" The driver replies, "I'm carrying 20 tonnes of canaries and this truck has a 10-tonne limit: I have to keep them flying."

## Forgotten Classic Album



**Here Come the Warm Jets** is the debut solo album by **Brian Eno**, released in 1973.

Produced by Eno, it was his first album for Island Records. The musical styles of *Here Come the Warm Jets* differed notably from Eno's previous album work with Roxy Music and Robert Fripp, with songs becoming more quirky and experimental. The album also boasted sixteen guest musicians, including Fripp and members of Roxy Music, Hawkwind, Matching Mole, and The Pink Fairies. The songs on *Here Come the Warm*

*Jets* reference various musical styles. The album kick starts with Phil Manzanera's razor like rhythm guitar on "Needles In The Camel's Eye". Side 2 is more musically thematic with all the pieces segueing into one another. The transition from the dreamy "On Some Faraway Beach" to "Blank Frank" will jolt you out of your seat. The music is both simple and inventive: the frames of the songs are relatively straightforward, but stretched and mashed into all kinds of strange sounds. "Cindy Tells Me" is a semi-doo-wop-ish 50s tune reworked via a quick spin through the world of early sci-fi movies. The standout "Baby's on Fire" coasts on a low driving groove before Robert Fripp's red-hot guitar propels it into the stratosphere and beyond. "Driving Me Backwards" is indeed backwards.. or at least, some of the instrumental tracks are. At times it seems like Brian even sang the words backwards. Speaking of the lyrics, they're just as surreal as anything else to be found here. Again Brian's approach was unorthodox; he chose the words for the rhythm & patterns made by the vowel and consonant sounds rather than any sense they might make on their own. As a result we get 42 minutes of lines like "Luana's black reptiles sliding round make chemical choices" and "now he'll barbecue your kitten/he's just another learner lover" to raise the bizarreness quotient to a whole new level. Anyone interested in hearing the ideas of popular music being stretched with gleeful abandon, there's no question. This has got to be one of the top ten most essential albums of the 70's.

### Cooking in the Kitchen

A man gets up one morning and finds his wife in the kitchen. She's standing at the stove, and her husband looks over her shoulder to see what's cooking. He's astonished to see one of his socks sizzling in the frying-pan. "What on earth are you doing?" he asks. "I'm doing what you asked me to do last night," she replied. "I'm not surprised you don't remember; you were very drunk." Puzzled, the man walks away thinking to himself, "I must have been plastered, I don't remember asking her to cook my sock."