

THINGS YOU'D NEVER KNOW WITHOUT

WATCHING THE MOVIES

compiled by Shaan

* All beds have special L-shaped cover sheets which reach up to the armpit level on a woman but only to waist level on the man lying beside her.

* It's easy for anyone to land a plane, providing there is someone in the control tower to talk you down.

* Once applied, lipstick will never rub off - even while scuba diving.

* The ventilation system of any building is the perfect hiding place. No one will ever think of looking for you in there and you can travel to any other part of the building you want without difficulty.

* If you need to reload your gun, you will always have more ammunition even if you haven't been carrying any before now.

* You're very likely to survive any battle in any war, unless you make the mistake of showing someone a picture of your sweetheart back home.

* The Eiffel Tower can be seen from any window in Paris.

* A man will show no pain while taking the most ferocious beating but will wince when a woman tries to clean his wounds.

* If a large pane of glass is visible, someone will be thrown through it before long.

* All telephone numbers in America begin with the digits 555.

* If being chased through town, you can usually take cover in a passing St. Patrick's Day parade... at any time of the year.

* When paying for a taxi, don't look at your wallet as you take out a bill, just grab one at random and hand it over. It will always be the exact fare.

* Interbreeding is genetically possible with any creature from elsewhere in the universe.

* Kitchens don't have light switches. When entering a kitchen at night, you should open the fridge door and use that light instead.

* Word processors never display a cursor on screen but will always say: Enter Password Now.

* Mothers routinely cook eggs, bacon and waffles for their family every morning even though their husband and children never have time to eat them.



* Cars that crash will almost always burst into flames.

* The Chief of Police will always suspend his star detective or give him 48 hours to finish the job.

* A single match will be sufficient to light up a room the size of Wembley Stadium.

* It is not necessary to say hello or goodbye when beginning or ending phone conversations.

* Even when driving down a perfectly straight road it is necessary to turn the steering wheel vigorously from left to right every few moments.

* All bombs are fitted with electronic timing devices with large red readouts so you know exactly when they're going to go off.

* It is always

possible to park directly outside the building you are visiting.

* A detective can only solve a case once he has been suspended from duty.

* Most laptop computers are powerful enough to override the communication systems of any invading alien civilization.

* It does not matter if you are heavily outnumbered in a fight involving martial arts, your enemies will wait patiently to attack you one by one by dancing around in a threatening manner until you have knocked out their predecessors.

* When a person is knocked unconscious by a blow to the head, they will never suffer a concussion or brain damage.

* No one involved in a car chase, hijacking, explosion, volcanic eruption or alien invasion will ever go into shock.

* Police Departments give their officers personality tests to make sure they are deliberately assigned a partner who is their total opposite.

* Any lock can be picked by a credit card or a paper clip in seconds, unless it's the door to a burning building with a child trapped inside.

* An electric fence powerful enough to kill a dinosaur will cause no lasting damage to an eight year old child.

WEIRD WEB WEEKLY

BY SALMAN

Bored with these RS articles? Checkout www.themestream.com for some hilarious ones on various topics.

How many of you have, on average, no idea what I'm talking about most of the time? Last week's issue provoked a storm of "what the heck was that?" responses. My mom asked if I had to do a lot of research to write that... say what? Research? I wrote that in 5 minutes flat. Anyway, I'll try to make more sense from now on.

I finally downloaded download accelerator pro [928kb- <http://download1.speedbit.com/dap3908.exe>], which is a download manager/accelerator. It's not nearly as good as Getright. For its acceleration it relies on a technique of dividing a download into segments, and then downloading the segments simultaneously. Getright can do this too, but there's one crucial difference - Getright requires that there be several places that you can download the file - it then downloads one segment from each location. This usually works for downloading popular programs (e.g. winamp), but it's very unlikely to work when downloading things like mp3s, because its unlikely that 2 websites would have the exact same mp3 file.

Download Accelerator, on the other hand, can download several segments from the same web address - so you don't need to try and find the mp3 file on different servers. That's the main reason I'm using it.

The other reason is that it links to a great mp3 search engine. Usually it allows you to access it through the program, but I you can probably (I haven't tried it this way...) just use your browser-visit www.avfind.com. This is the only search engine I've ever used that took me straight to a page listing the mp3s I wanted, listed their size, and even told me the last time the link was verified!

Which brings to mind something that didn't work - my link to famous middle fingers apparently didn't work. Sorry.

PC Error Messages

In haiku poetry

In May last, Sony has announced its own computer operating system now available on its hot new portable PC called the Vaio. Instead of producing the cryptic error messages characteristic of Microsoft's Windows and DOS systems, Sony's chairman Asai Tawara said, "We intend to capture the high ground by putting a human, Japanese face on what has been until now an operating system that reflects Western cultural hegemony. For example, we have replaced the impersonal and unhelpful Microsoft error messages with our own Japanese haiku poetry."

The computer haiku messages are just as informative as Microsoft's and they make you pause just long enough that you're able to fight the impulse to put a fist through the screen. The chairman went on to give examples of Sony's new error messages:

A file that big?
It might be very useful.
But now it is gone.
You seek a Web site.
It cannot be located.
Countless more exist
Chaos reigns within.
Stop, reflect, and reboot.
Order shall return.
ABORTED effort:
Close all that you have worked on.
You ask way too much.

Yesterday it worked
Today it is not working
Windows is like that.
First snow, then silence.
This thousand dollar screen dies
So beautifully.
With searching comes loss.
The presence of absence.
"June Sales.doc" not found.
The Tao that is seen
Is not the true Tao
Until you bring fresh toner.
Windows NT crashed.
The Blue Screen of Death.
No one hears your screams.
Stay the patient course.
Of little worth is your ire.
The network is down.

A crash reduces
Your expensive computer
To a simple stone.
Three things are certain:
Death, taxes, and lost data.
Guess which has occurred.
You step in the stream
But the water has moved on.
Page not found.
Out of memory.
We wish to hold the whole sky,
But we never will.
Having been erased,
The document you are seeking
Must now be retyped.
Serious error.
All shortcuts have disappeared.
Screen. Mind. Both are blank.

10 Reasons Why You Shouldn't Get Married

By Sabreena Ahmed

Before marriage your lovely girlfriend speaks very politely. But after marriage she starts to shout at you.

You won't be able to take a nap in the afternoon because of your wife's scoldings to the servants. If you are a girl, you won't be able to check out the new maals (guys) on the block. And if you are a boy, you would lose the right to look at beautiful girls after marriage.

After marriage you would realise that your wife spends too much money on her saris and cosmetics. Still she complains that you don't give her adequate money for maintaining the household.

Whether you are a boy or you are a girl, it's a great fun with friends in the party. You will not be able to attend / arrange the parties that frequently after marriage.

After marriage you don't get the time to spend leisure with your old friends. Your spouse is stuck to you like superglue.

Husbands are very dirty. The more the wife tries to make him tidy, the more he would stay messy. Who wants to be tidy? You'll hate when your wife tries to make you live a disciplined life.

If you are the wife, you have to remember that you'll have to live with the in-laws. And they may always try to find faults with you.

If you are the husband, you'll have to listen to both your mom's and wife's complaints. You won't be able to make up your mind as to which side to choose.

From the above causes it is proved that both the boys and girls should make the good use of their bachelor lives. And they should think a hundred times before getting married.

NUMBER GAME

Mran (Emran)

Have you guys ever heard of proving 4=5 mathematically without any Gool-Gappa? Impossible haa!!! Well here's one. See it to believe it yourself.

- 20 = - 20
=> 16 - 36 = 25 - 45
=> 16 - 36 + 81/4 = 25 - 45 + 81/4
=> (4)2 - 2.4.9/2 + (9/2)2
= (5)2 - 2.5.9/2 + (9/2)2
=> (4 - 9/2)2 = (5 - 9/2)2
=> 4 - 9/2 = 5 - 9/2
=> 4 = 5 (Proved)

Neat haa!! Well there are lots of proves like this. Till now the Maestros of math don't know why this happens.

SHOOKY COOK!!!

Tasty Traffic Jam

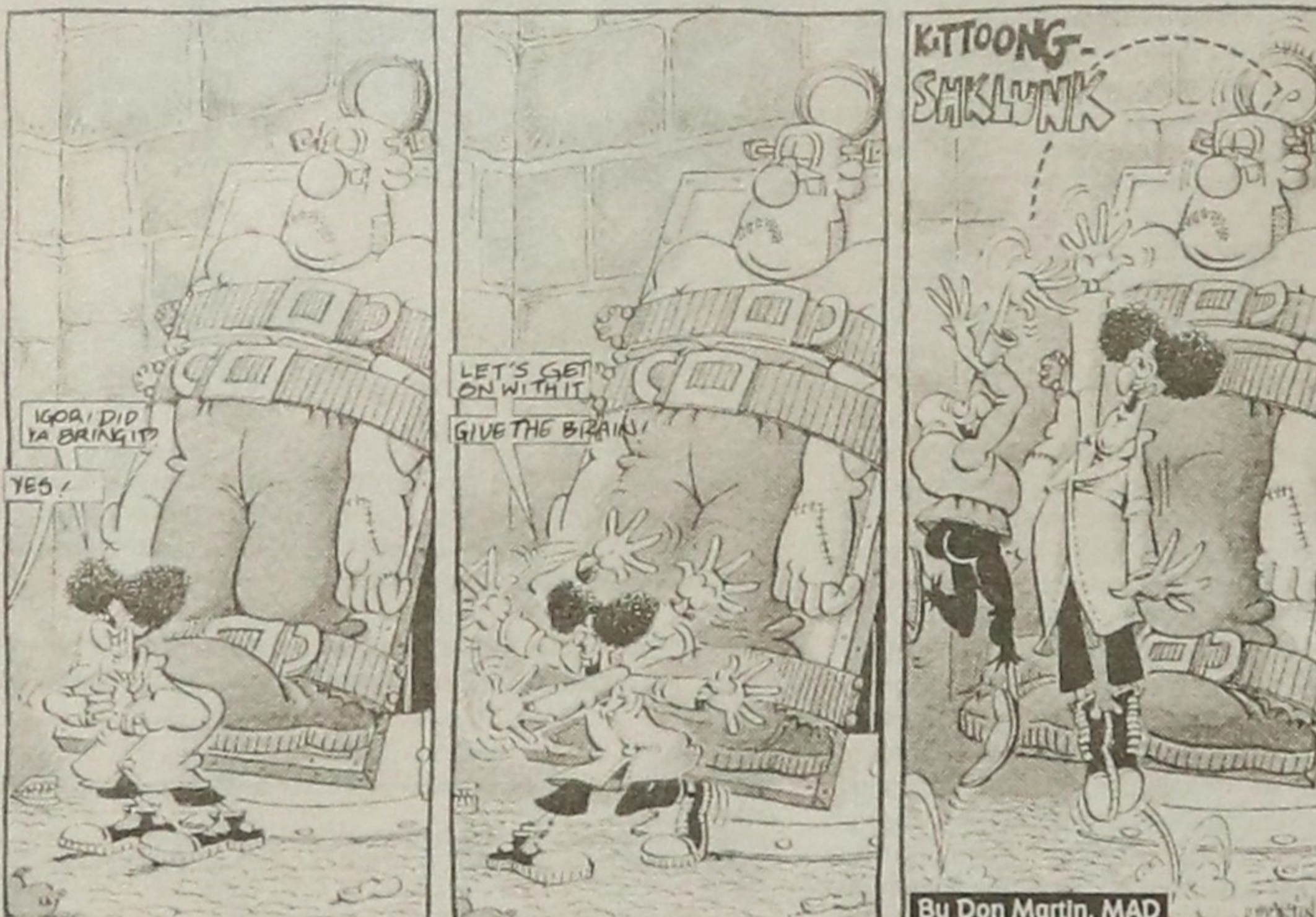
By Sabrina Haq

Ingredients:

A scrambled road - 1 sheet.
Private cars - (as many as you want). The more the better.
Private minibuses - a few hundred will be fine.
Motor bikes - as many as possible
Rickshaws - at least 60-70 (you can add more if you like).
Baby taxis - same amount
Trucks - at least 20. Don't forget the black fumes.
Buses - a dozen double deckers.
And finally the Main ingredient: 1 Prime minister's car travelling on the wrong side of the road.

For gamishing: A few lazy traffic surgeons, some hawkers (peanut ones), some lame, blind beggars.
Procedure: Place the scrambled road in a hot, sticky day, put all the ingredients side by side, so that it just looks like a typical Bengali traffic-jammed road. Sprinkle the traffic surgeons, hawkers etc. Then let the PM's car run along on the other side of the road. Leave it for formation for 2 1/2 hours. Serve. (Best if served on a hot, sticky day).

ONE-ON-ONE NIGHT IN THE LABORATORY



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