People tell jokes to make others laugh. In the words of Sigmund Freud, “No one can be content with having made a joke for himself alone. An urge to tell the joke to someone is inextricably bound up with the joke-work; indeed, this urge is so strong that often enough it is carried through in disregard of serious misgivings.” Though jokes themselves are not universal, the desire to laugh is common among all nations and generations of the world. From the school yard to the nursing home, people will risk much public esteem in effort to make others laugh. For most, the reward of common laughter far outweighs the risk of giving offense that might otherwise restrain their words.

The phenomenon of group laughter defies psychologists who have attempted to study it. Two psychologists, Ramachandran and Blakeslee said, “The main purpose of laughter might be to allow the individual to alert others in the social group (usually kin) that the detected anomaly is trivial, nothing to worry about.” But that explanation is insufficient to explain the complexities of humor. Without a complete explanation behind the urge humans share to make each other laugh, it is impossible to completely categorize the multitude of ways that people use to urge laughter in their peers. Fortunately for those who like to understand everything, even a partial explanation allows some insight into the complex world of humor, which may in turn lead to fuller explanations as research is documented and further expanded.

To the frustration of many a would-be comedian, jokes are entirely subjective. For a successful joke, the listener must stand in relation to the subject. Generally people do not find jokes funny if they are the subject. Jokes poke fun of outsiders, or situations that others find themselves in to make the teller and the listener feel superior. There is one kind of joke though, that appears at first to focuses inward. Against all rules of humor, self-deprecating jokes allow the comic to allow the listener to feel superior to the comic themselves to inspire laughter. The very idea behind such a joke appears to contradict human nature and even the formula behind jokes themselves. Looking closer though, it appears that self-deprecating humor is utilized when a teller shares a joke about themselves or a folk group that they are a part of, but does not necessarily insult the joke teller themselves.

In self-deprecating folk humor, the narrator is not actually the butt of the jokes. Jokes are told by members of a certain folk group who ‘pass’ as normal to at once distance themselves from negative stereotypes as well as associate themselves with the “real” folk group. By pointing out inconsistencies or odd things about the group, they are acknowledging that they are logical and understand the problematic factors that make outsiders fear or dislike the group and disassociating themselves from
those factors. They are also displaying knowledge of specific factors, building a bridge of themselves between ‘outsiders’ and ‘insiders’ of the group and thus shielding themselves from criticism for acknowledging the problems of their folk group.

For example, in golf jokes, the teller often jokes about the obsessive nature of golfers. They would miss work, church, or even their wife’s funeral to get in a game of golf. The jokes are not told by people who hate golf though, even though the stereotypes portrayed do sound negative. They are told by golfers to golfers and tend to have a sense of pride running through them.

(FA 01 2317)

There were two old friends, Norm and Bill, who had golfed with each other since they were little. They were now in their 90’s and still played golf with each other every Monday morning. They would leave early in the morning and come home by afternoon.

It was 3:00 PM and they had not returned home. Bill’s wife began to worry. Bill was always home by 2:00. By 4:00 Bill’s wife really began to worry. 5:00 and she was frantic. At around 6:00 Bill finally strolled home. She asked him where he had been.

Bill, with a choked up voice, replied that Norm had died of old age out on the golf course. She asked him if that was why he was late. Bill said, “Yeah. It was hit one shot; drag Norm... hit one shot; drag Norm...”

How people actually cause that laughter is even more studied than the motivations behind folk humor. Comedians each have their own personal rules and formulae to success, but every successful comedian will be quick to assure that there is no magical formula for being funny. Much of humor relies on intuition and timing. However, in 2002, psychologist Richard Wiseman conducted a multinational experiment on humor called “Laughlab” intending to discover the funniest joke in the world. To do this, he created an internet survey that asked participants from several countries to submit jokes and then vote on jokes that others had submitted.

Through this process, he discovered a few commonalities between jokes that were popular among a large portion of the participants. The first necessary requirement for a funny joke is to allow the listener to feel a sense of superiority over the subject. Most popular in America and Canada, jokes about how stupid someone else is are popular with most people as long as the subject is the right target.
A navy unit shot down a plane only to discover it was an American plane. When the pilot was retrieved, unhurt, he was questioned as to why he was in the area. The lieutenant answered, “I was taking a short cut to my base.” The admiral asked “Weren’t you warned about flying over our fleet?” The lieutenant replied “Yes, sir, but they also told me about the Navy’s ability to hit anything.”

The various branches of the military have rivalries between them to encourage competition. This has, unfortunately, led to mild hostilities between those in different groups. “Misfortunes (preferably someone else’s) have been a source of laughter for centuries, and have continued to provide a solid basis for humor. Indeed the graver the misfortune, the more humans may need to laugh in response. In the cool light of reason, it seems heartlessly cruel to laugh at mutilation or maiming, but the recorded evidence reveals that laughter is an important defense mechanism, enabling individuals to deal with matters they could not otherwise easily face. What has been termed “gallows humor” suggests that even victims of attempted genocide managed to keep their joke-making facilities until the bitter end.” (Dundes)

After that, people often laugh because of a reversal of expectations. Jokes from deaf culture often take advantage of that.

A man had just bought a beautiful, green house plant and was very excited to watch it grow. He had heard that plants do better if they are sung to, so he put his new plant with his others and started singing to them.

After a few days of vigorous singing, he noticed that his old plants were growing very fast but the new one was actually withering. Confused, he took his plant back to the store and showed the clerk. The clerk examined the plant closely and told the man, “Your plant is deaf.”

Blaise Pascal asserted that “Nothing produces laughter more than a surprising disproportion between that which one expects and that which one sees.” This is often done by purposely creating a pattern and then breaking it. With simple question and answer jokes, the pattern is inherent in the genre of jokes.
Q: How many BYU students does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Only one, but it takes them seven years.

Otherwise, a pattern must be set up within the joke, often with two examples of how a situation should go, and then a third example where the pattern is broken to humorous effect. To create this set up, jokes are often told in story form, and can thus be cross categorized as both folklore and folk tales.

FA 01 1350

Three men went fishing. Out of the blue, they catch a mermaid who begs to be set free in return for granting each of them a wish.

Now one of the guys doesn’t believe it, so he says “Okay, if you can really grant wishes, then double my IQ.”

The mermaid says: “Done.”

Suddenly, the guy starts reciting Shakespeare flawlessly and analyzing it with extreme insight. The second guy is so amazed he says to the mermaid: “Triple my IQ.”

The mermaid says “Done.”

The guy starts to spout all sorts of mathematical solutions to problems that have been stumping scientists for years.

The last guy is so enthralled with the changes in his friends, that he says to the mermaid: “Quintuple my IQ”

The mermaid looks at him and says: You know, I normally don’t try to change people’s minds when they make a wish but I really wish you’d reconsider.”

The guy says “Nope, I want you to increase my IQ times five, and if you don’t do it, I won’t set you free.”

“Please” says the mermaid, “You don’t know what you’re asking. It’ll change your entire view on the universe... won’t you ask for something else... a million dollars? Anything?”
But no matter what the mermaid said, the guy insisted on having his IQ increased by five times.

So the mermaid sight and said: “Done,” and changed him into a woman.

Other aspects of jokes that encourage a positive response are “edgy dialog.” Jokes about topics that people have anxiety about are a way to release tension and express hostile emotions in a “safe” way. Taboo topics and sensitive topics make for funny jokes, but must often be censored because they are exceedingly offensive. The trick to such jokes is that the comic must know their audience; otherwise they will result in anger rather than laughter. Jokes that are considered offensive are also the most defended by those who find them funny.

**Blonde jokes**, a modern form of offensive humor, often discusses the stupidity of blonde women attempting to navigate life as an adult, resulting in embarrassment, confusion, and occasionally even death.

*(FA 01 1930)*

*Q: How do you drown a blonde?*

*A: Place a scratch n sniff sticker at the bottom of a pool.*

When someone gets offended by this portrayal of a large part of the population, the joke tellers will defend their jokes as being ‘just in good fun.’ The analysis on why they chose to tell such a joke often completely ignores an inherent jealousy or fear of blonde women.

The last thing this project discovered is that of all the animals featured in jokes, ducks are the most inherently funny.

Though there are many types and techniques for forming jokes, there are two main categories into which all other jokes fit. The first is called, for lack of a better term, ‘innocent’ jokes. These are they that are merely wordplay or other amusing manipulations of semantics. A joke is a way of playing with words and ideas. Jokes tend to be formed in such a way that an idea is presented without enough explanation to understand the thought fully without making some kind of mental leap. Usually, they must be a mere phrase that makes use of a pun or other literary device. Any longer than that, and ideas are brought into the joke that influence the listener. Such jokes are called “tendentious,” because they have a purpose that may or may not be obvious to the listener.
Tendentious jokes sublimate ideas to bypass the listener’s mental defenses and influence their opinions. Most jokes fall into that category.

While the ideas presented in tendentious jokes may be political or social, most often they are taboo topics that cannot be easily discussed in open forum. Obscene, hostile, or blasphemous jokes express the base urges of man for physical manifestations of such thoughts. Telling such a joke creates an ally in the listener. If the teller expresses a suppressed urge for physical violence against another folk group to a third party and that third party rewards the telling with a burst of laughter that thought is likely to be reinforced in the teller’s mind.

The language that such ideas are cased in is the only difference between “crass humor” and high class satire. Exploring the meanings behind jokes reveals that the themes expressed by comic stories are the same regardless of location or social class.

As folklore, jokes have a secondary function beyond making people laugh. Jokes teach stereotypes and divisions in society. Tad Friend, in his article “What’s So Funny,” said that “Numerous ‘social-identity theory’ studies have shown that the more jokes esteem a subject’s own group and disparage alien groups, the funnier they are. Humor is often a means of saying, ‘We’re civilized and you’re not; we’re human and you’re not.’” By sharing jokes, groups encourage an ‘us vs. them’ mentality.

Q: What’s the difference between a viola and a violin?

A: A viola burns longer.

Jokes in an orchestra or other group defined by a common profession often take a mean bent when it comes to each other. A trumpet player is the butt of the saxophone player’s jokes, and a tenor is the joke to a bass. If someone who was not in the group were to make a joke, all the members of the group would be offended, but by making the joke privately they are reinforcing the group as well as its divisions.

First, jokes regarding specific profession or religion create a status quo. They teach stereotypes and vernacular to the members of a homogenous group as identifiers so that outsiders can be held up against a standard. When those outsiders are found lacking in the arbitrary qualifications, they are then vilified with ethnic jokes; a category of jokes aimed at minority groups, though not necessarily
ethnically different groups. Ethnic jokes are most openly malicious about minority groups that are upwardly mobile, often dismissing altogether groups that present no threat to the current power structure. Research into the subject has revealed a strong correlation between the history of ethnic jokes and the timeline of each ethnic group’s emergence in society as a power faction.

According to Freud in his book, *Jokes and their Relation to the Unconscious*, jokes expose unconscious wishes and/or direct hostilities towards fears. Subjects such as death, marriage, or interacting with minorities scare most people, so they treat them lightly in an attempt to assuage their own anxieties. In the case of interpersonal relations, jokes allow verbal hostilities to take the place of physical violence in polite society.

The enjoyment of humor is directly proportional to the amount of effort expended on the part of listener. Jokes that require much thought, or exhaustive listening, are much less funny than a short thought which presents an easily grasped idea. If the ideas presented in joking manner are too distant, or too difficult to understand, the joke simply fails to be funny. This is why humor is difficult to understand beyond generational, ethnic, or occupational boundaries. The ideas, too far abstracted, cannot create the expectation and reward connection that the brain is searching for.

Jokes go through cycles because they are intrinsically related to current events. While an idea is fresh in the mind, implanted by news and popular discussion, jokes made relating things to that topic are very funny. Later, when the topic is far from the minds of the listener, the joke begins to take too much mental processing, and can only be found funny in rare instances.

Jokes are inherently dangerous because of their political nature. Jokes present ideas in such a way that the brain terms them as ‘play,’ and does not take them seriously. Nevertheless, the idea, once shared, is planted in the mind of the listener, and reinforced in the mind of the teller. If there is no analysis, the joke can fly undetected, and influence more serious actions that relate to the ideas.

With tendentious jokes, there is a difficulty in assessing whether the joking technique itself is causing the hilarity of the joke, or whether the ideas of the joke are either elevating or subordinating the technique beyond what it would be otherwise.

For instance, many jokes are created to package an insult that a person feels the need to deliver to another, for whom they feel initially uncomfortable insulting face to face. However, with the creation of allies in their listeners, they gain popular support for their inclination towards insult, and may choose to express that insult to the intended recipient once they feel that they are in the comfortable majority.
Q: Did you hear about that horse factory in Arizona?

A: They assemble the front half of the horse there, and send the rear end to Washington DC.

In political jokes, tellers feel safe insulting people in positions of great power. They tell them to others who share similar political views and especially after public mistakes their leaders have made. Often, jokes are completely anonymous. Humor moves through society in cycles. “One person procreates a thought, a second carries it to be baptized, a third begets children by it, a fourth visits it on its deathbed and a fifth buries it.” (Freud) Humor cycles appear spontaneously, and disappear when they are exhausted of their creative power or political relevancy. No cycle has ever been successfully attributed to a source, unlike nearly every other form of ideas and commentary; no one is rushing to take credit for jokes, possibly because few jokes are truly original. Jokes from previous cycles are retooled to become an appropriate vehicle for current hostilities.

One must be careful of reliance on verbal hostilities though, for the accumulation of too many dehumanizing jokes that dwell on the use of violence to interact with the world can backfire. The causal disregard for the humanity of an entire group can have devastating ramification. Take BYU coed jokes for an example.

Q: How does a BYU coed take a bath?

A: First she fills up the tub, and then turns on the water.

Though in poor taste, this joke is not considered very offensive. The morbidly obese, filthy, unintelligent coed the jokes describe barely exists in reality, even as a shadow of such lurid descriptions. However, as G. Legman once wrote, “Jokes are not invents; they are evolved.” The “harmless” coed joke has a history longer than its short run used to make BYU coeds feel unwelcome at University.

During a period of Polish immigration to America in the nineteenth century, a similar joke was told:

Q: Do you know how to get a Polack out of a bathtub?

A: Turn on the water.
This is the same joke, and its intentions were exactly the same. “Polack” jokes were told with the intention to release tension and hostility that Americans felt towards the Polish immigrants. At that same time the joke was being told, many Polish immigrants were being lynched. “People joke only about what is most serious. That is why there are so many jokes about death or ethnic stereotypes.” (Dundes) But the joke has an even more difficult history. Once upon a time, Germans told a similar joke.

*Two Jews who met in a neighborhood bathhouse. One said to the other, ‘have you taken a bath?’ and the other replied, “What, is one missing?”*

Though the formatting is different, the intent is yet again the same. Jews were an upwardly mobile section of German society, gaining respect and positions they had never before attained. Their movement in society threatened the status quo, making those who already occupied important roles in society fear their job security. Instead of making themselves irreplaceable by improving their own skills, they presented hostile jokes in an attempt to reinforce cultural understanding of the difference between those on top and those who wished to be there. The problem came when someone used those deeply ingrained cultural understandings to press forward an agenda that resulted in the death of over eleven million people.

Do the perpetrators of modern jokes know the sordid history behind their favorite jests? Of course not! “Certainly, the vast majority of people who transmit and enjoy these jokes seems to have little idea of the possible meaning(s) behind them.” (Dundes) Because much of humor is intuitive, the mental leaps the brain is taking to associate ideas are often skipped over by the consciousness of the individual who is listening. Few people, when asked to explain why they found a joke funny, will jump to hostilities. Often, with jokes like BYU coed jokes, they will turn to their fears instead. Quite a few of the student projects that included such jokes concluded that the joke must stem from a fear of marriage and a frustration with the lack of dating prospects that many students felt.

While that appears on the surface to be a valid analysis, there are a few flaws. BYU Coed jokes only appeared for a very specific period of time and then faded into obscurity. Concerns about marriage and dating are a struggle of every time period. When looked at in the context of the time period that the jokes appeared, late seventies and early eighties, the association with “Pollack” and Jew jokes are more apparent.
During the same time period as Coed jokes prevailed, the women’s movement was changing BYU campus. Suddenly, women were there in more equal proportion to men. They were studying subjects that had been dominated by male students, and they were excelling. Women were considering careers besides becoming a housewife, and were less concerned with catching a mate than perhaps previous generations had been.

This disruption of the status quo created an outpouring of hostile sentiment from male students and female students who wished to leave things as they had always been. Jokes about ugly girls who were desperate for the attention of BYU males ran rampant across campus, reminding girls who focused on their studies instead of their MRS degree of what men though of girls who refused to spend two hours on their hair in the morning.

Even girls who were dating were not safe. Because they were suddenly competitors for spots in previously male dominated subjects, jokes appeared to reinforce the stupidity of females. Despite the difficulty of even getting into BYU, a prestigious university, those in favor of the status quo preferred to think that the females in their class were entirely mindless, undeserving of their grades, and incapable of making the transition into the working world.

With that in mind, BYU coed jokes seem apparently horrible. The important thing to remember is that they did fade. “Folklore does not create society; it only mirrors it. If the mirror image is unattractive, does it serve any purpose to break the mirror? The ugly reality of society is what needs to be altered, not the folklore that reflects that reality.” (Dundes) Society was altered. After a few years of strong resistance, it became unthinkable that there would not be equal numbers of men and women at the University. Society moved on from the expectation that a woman should only come to College to find and please a man. Though marriage was still a desirable goal, it was not unthinkable that a woman could be an intelligent contributor to society.

Each time a cycle such as the BYU Coed joke cycle is overcome, it is a step forward for society. Moving beyond veiled talk into open discussion is an important aspect of change, because as long as a subject is taboo, it can only be carefully referenced and can never be addressed. There are many current joke cycles that could stand to be discussed rather than laughed about. All of the projects utilized in this analysis were at least twenty years old, so times have past and many of the social attitudes hinted at have been brought forward and discussed publically. There are twenty years more of joke though, which may contain many ideas that are hovering under the surface of public consciousness, hiding feelings that will only blow up later.
Jokes concern the ugliness in society. “If it is concealed, it must be uncovered in the light of the comic way of looking at things; if it is noticed only a little or scarcely at all, it must be brought forward and made obvious, so that it lies clear and open to the light of days.” (Freud) It’s important to avoid censoring the existence of current jokes in an academic setting. Calling attention to group feelings that are currently occurring starts the process of fixing problems. Without analysis, it is impossible to understand where feelings are coming from and respond accordingly.

### Blonde Jokes

**Getting Back To the Roots: The Origin of “Dumb Blonde Jokes” (FA 01 1299)**

*Smart Blonde (FA 01 1299)*

*Q:* What do you call a smart blonde?

*A:* A golden retriever.

*Cheerios (FA 01 1299)*

*Q:* What did the blonde say when she looked into the box of Cheerios?

*A:* Look, little doughnuts!

*Computer (FA 01 1299)*

*Q:* How can you tell a blonde has been on a computer?

*A:* There’s whiteout on the screen.

*Frozen Blondes (FA 01 1299)*

*Q:* What do you call a couple of blondes in a freezer?

*A:* Frosted Flakes.

*Ten Blondes (FA 01 1299)*

*Q:* What do you call ten blondes standing in a row ear-to-ear?

*A:* A wind tunnel.

*Cookies (FA 01 1299)*
Q: How can you tell if a blond has made chocolate chip cookies?

A: There are M&M shells all over the floor.

_Hair Dye (FA 01 1299)_

Q: What do you call a blonde who has dyed her hair brown?

A: Artificial Intelligence.

_Shoulder Pads (FA 01 1299)_

Q: Why do blonds wear shoulder pads?

A: So they won’t hurt themselves when they shrug “I don’t know.”

_Shoes (FA 01 1299)_

Q: Why do blonds paint TGIF on their shoes?

A: Toes go in first.

_Laughter (FA 01 1299)_

Q: Why will a blonde laugh at your joke three times?

A: Once when you tell it, once when you get to the punch line, and once when she gets it.

_Kool-Aid (FA 01 1299)_

Q: Why don’t blondes like to make Kool-Aid?

A: They can’t get two quarts of water in that little package.

_Sparkle (FA 01 1299)_

Q: How do you make a blonde’s eyes sparkle?

A: Shine a light in her ear.

_Reaction (FA 01 1299)_

Q: How do you make a blonde laugh on Friday?

A: Tell her a joke on Monday.
Q: What’s the similarity between Santa Claus, the Tooth Fairy, and a smart blonde?
A: They’re all make believe.

Q: How do you keep a blonde busy?
A: Ask her to alphabetize a bag of M&Ms

Q: How do you drown a blonde?
A: Put a mirror at the bottom of a swimming pool.

Q: What do Blondes and beer bottles have in common?
A: They are both empty from the neck up.

Q: Why did the blondes keep getting fired from the M&M factory?
A: They kept eating all the W’s.

Q: Why don’t blondes get coffee breaks?
A: It takes too long to retrain them.

Q: How many blondes does it take to change a light bulb?
A: One, she just holds the bulb up to the socket and waits for the world to revolve around her.

Q: How many blondes does it take to start a car?
A: Five. One to steer, one to work the pedals, two to push, and one to sit under the hood saying, “Vroom, Vroom.”

*Popcorn (FA 01 1299)*

Q: How many blondes does it take to make popcorn?

A: Four, one to hold the pot and three to shake the stove.

*Acid (FA 01 1299)*

Q: Why did the blonde hippie take two hits of acid?

A: She wanted to take a round trip.

*9-1-1 (FA 01 1299)*

Q: Why don’t blondes dial 911?

A: They can’t find eleven on their telephones.

*Light bulb 2 (FA 01 1299)*

Q: How many blondes does it take to change a light bulb?

A: None, their boyfriends do it for them.

*Bigfoot (FA 01 1299)*

Q: What’d the difference between a smart blonde and Bigfoot?

A: Bigfoot has been sighted.

*Fence (FA 01 1299)*

Q: Why did the blonde climb over the chain link fence?

A: She wanted to see what was on the other side.

*Accident (FA 01 1299)*

Q: What did the blonde do when she heard that most accidents occur within ten miles from home?

A: She moved.

*AM Radio (FA 01 1299)*
Q: Did you hear about the blonde who bought an AM radio?

A: It took her a month before she figured out that she could play it at night.

Gravity (FA 01 1299)

Q: If a blonde and a brunette jump off a building, which will land first?

A: The brunette. The blonde has to stop and ask for directions.

**BYU Employee E-Mail Jokes and Anecdotes (FA 01 1350)**

Disney Land (FA 01 1350)

A blonde was driving down the highway to Disneyland when she saw a sign that said “DISNEYLAND LEFT”. After thinking for a minute, she said to herself, “oh well!” and turned around and drove home.

Clean Restrooms (FA 01 1350)

On her way home, the same blonde drove past another sign that said, “CLEAN RESTROOMS 8 MILES”. By the time she drove eight miles, she had cleaned forty-three restrooms.

Bird (FA 01 1350)

A blonde and a brunette were walking along in a park. The brunette says suddenly, “Aww, look! A dead birdy.” The blonde looks up and says, “Where?”

One Way (FA 01 1350)

A policeman pulled over a blonde who had been driving the wrong way on a one way street. “Do you know where you’ve been going?” he said, when she rolled down her window. “No,” She replied, “But wherever it is, it must be bad ‘cause all the people were leaving.”

Tracks (FA 01 1350)

Two blondes were walking through the woods when one looked down and said, “Oh look at the deer tracks.” The other blonde looked and said, “Those aren’t deer tracks, those are wolf tracks.” No. Those are deer tracks.” They keep arguing, and arguing, and half hour later they were both killed by a train.

Top Down (FA 01 1350)
Two blondes were observed in a parking lot, trying to unlock the door of their Mercedes with a coat hanger.

Blonde #1: I can't seem to get this door unlocked!"
Blonde #2: Well, you'd better hurry up and try harder, it's starting to rain and the top is down!

**Blonde, Beautiful, and Constantly Under Attack: An Analysis on the Persistence of Blond Jokes in American Culture (FA 01 1930)**

*Malicious Drownings (FA 01 1930)*
Q: How do you drown a blonde?

A: Place a scratch n sniff sticker at the bottom of a pool.

*Instructions (FA 01 1930)*
Q: How do you confuse a blonde?

A: Tell her to sit in the corner of a round room.

*Nutri-Sweet (FA 01 1930)*
Q: Why was the blonde snorting Nurti-Sweet?

A: She thought it was diet Coke.

*Pickles (FA 01 1930)*
Q: Why don't blondes eat pickles?

A: They get their heads stuck in the jars.

*Baby (FA 01 1930)*
Q: Why does it take so long for a blonde baby to be born?

A: He's looking for a flashlight.

*Kitchen Sink (FA 01 1930)*
Q: Why do blondes wash their hair in the kitchen sink?

A: That's where you clean vegetables.
Lightning (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why do blondes smile when they see lightning?
A: They think their picture is being taken.

Tree (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde sit in a tree?
A: So she could call herself the branch manager.

Scarf (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde return her new scarf?
A: It was too tight.

Children (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blond only have three children?
A: She had heard that one in every four children is Chinese.

Makeup (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde put eye shadow on her forehead?
A: She wanted everyone to know she could make up her mind.

Elevator (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde lose her job as an elevator operator?
A: She couldn’t learn the route.

Around the Block (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde drive around the block fifty-seven times?
A: Her turn signal got stuck.

Burned Out (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde ask her friends to save their burned out light bulbs?
A: She needed them for the dark room she was building.
Pharmacy (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the blonde lose her job at the pharmacy?
A: She kept trying to fit the little bottles in her typewriter.

Hysterectomy (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why did the aging blond have her tubes tied?
A: So she would stop having grandchildren.

Japanese (FA 01 1930)
Q: Why are the Japanese so smart?
A: No blondes.

Natural Childbirth (FA 01 1930)
Q: What’s a blonde’s idea of natural childbirth?
A: Absolutely no makeup.

Circle (FA 01 1930)
Q: What do you call twenty blondes in a circle?
A: A dope ring.

Half a Brain (FA 01 1930)
Q: What do you call a blonde with half a brain?
A: Gifted.

Tarzan (FA 01 1930)
Q: If Tarzan and Jane were both blonde, what would that make Cheetah be?
A: The smartest of the three.

Bank Robbery (FA 01 1930)
Q: How did the blonde rob the drive in window at the bank?
A: She put her gun in the basket, along with a note that read, “This is a stick up.”
Valentine (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the blonde who sent out fifteen hundred perfumed valentines signed “Guess who”?
A: She’s a divorce lawyer.

Cowgirls (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the blonde cowgirls who couldn’t tell their horses apart?
A: First they put a hat on one, but it fell off. Then they clipped the tail of the other, but that stopped working as soon as the tail grew back. So finally they put the white horse in one stall, and the black horse in another.

Labor (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the pregnant blonde who drove to the supermarket when she went into labor?
A: She heard they had free delivery.

Zebra (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the blonde who got a zebra for a pet?
A: She named him Spot.

Stationary Bike (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the blonde who bought an exercise bike and died the same day?
A: She tried to ride it home.

Skydiver (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the blonde skydiver?
A: She missed Earth.

Hoodlum (FA 01 1930)
Q: Did you hear about the blonde hoodlum?
A: She spray paints her name on chain-link fences.

Shakespeare (FA 01 1930)
Q: One blonde asked another, “Have you ever read Shakespeare?”


_Time (FA 01 1930)_

“Excuse me, could you tell me the time?” asked a blonde of a man on a street corner. “Sure... it’s three-fifteen,” replied the man. “Thanks,” she said, looking puzzled. “You know, it’s the weirdest thing. I’ve been asking that question all day long, and each time I get a different answer.”

_Traffic Cops (FA 01 1930)_

Two friends were speeding down a highway at well over the speed limit. “Hey,” asked the brunette at the wheel, “are any cops following us?”

The blonde turned to look, “As a matter of fact, there are.”

“Oh dear, are his flasher’s on?” The brunette asked.

The blonde turned around again, “Yup...nope...yup...nope...yup...”

_Airplane problems (FA 01 1930)_

There was a blond who landed a job as a spokeswoman for a major cosmetics label. The position required quite a bit of business travel, so she spent a lot of time flying back and forth across the country.

One day, the blonde was on a small commuter flight when she happened to catch sight of one of the propellers breaking down. A minute later, the pilot calmly announced, “Ladies and gentlemen, this flight will be fifteen minutes late,” so she thought nothing more about it.

Ten minutes later, a second propeller stopped working. “Ladies and gentlemen, this flight will be forty minutes late.”

Later, the blonde looked out her window and saw a third propeller fail. “Ladies and gentlemen, this flight will be an hour and fifteen minutes late.” “Goodness,” muttered the blonde, “if that last propeller goes out we’ll be up here all day.”

_Puzzled (FA 01 1930)_
A blonde was thrilled to get a jigsaw puzzle for her birthday. She set all sixteen pieces out on a card table and every day when she got home from the office she’d set to work on it. Finally, one day she jumped up from the table and ran to the phone.

“Sylvia!” she cried. “Remember that puzzle you gave me? I finished it!”

“Gee, Stacy, that’s great,” responded her friend after a little hesitation. “But you mean to say it took you three months to put it together?”

“Not bad, eh?” Stacy said quite proudly, “On the box it says two to five years!”

Guilty (FA 01 1930)
A blond hillbilly had shot her abusive husband point blank with his turkey gun, and felt a wave of panic when she saw her sophisticated jury filing into the courthouse. Positive she’d never beat the murder rap, she managed to get hold of one of the kinder looking jurors, bribing him to go for a manslaughter verdict.

Sure enough, at the close of the trial the jury declared the hillbilly guilty of manslaughter. Tears of gratitude welling up in her eyes, the young woman had a moment with the juror before being led off to prison. “Thank you, thank you—how did you do it?”

“It wasn’t easy,” he admitted. “They all wanted to acquit you.”

Pizza (FA 01 1930)
A blonde stopped at a pizza place on her way home. As her pizza came out of the oven, the guy asked her if she’d like it cut into four or eight pieces. “Make it four,” she answered, “I’ll never be able to eat eight.”

BYU Coed Jokes

BYU Jokelore Collected At Utah State University (FA 01 35)

Pig (FA 01 35)
Q: What do you get when you cross a BYU coed with a pig?

A: Nothing, there’s just some things a pig won’t do.
Followed (FA 01 35)
Q: Who do you tell if you’re being followed by a BYU coed?
A: You can hear her knuckles dragging on the ground.

Pig 2 (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a pig?
A: Pigs don’t have acne.

Sunbathing (FA 01 35)
Q: What do you call a group of BYU coeds sunning themselves on a beach?
A: Bay of Pigs.

Elephant (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and an elephant?
A: About 50 pounds.
Q: How do you make up the difference?
A: Force feed the elephant.

Mermaid (FA 01 35)
Q: What do you get when you cross a mermaid with a BYU coed?
A: A carp.

High Heels (FA 01 35)
Q: Why do BYU coeds wear high heels?
A: To keep their knuckles from dragging on the ground.

Astroturf (FA 01 35)
Q: Why did they put Astroturf on the BYU football field?
A: To keep the coeds from grazing.
Police Car (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a police car?
A: It takes two police cars to block the road.

Rolaid (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a Rolaid?
A: A Rolaid only consumes 47 times its weight.

Level-Headed (FA 01 35)
Q: How do you tell when you’ve spotted a level-headed coed?
A: She’s drooling equally from both corners of the mouth.

Toilet Seat (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a toilet seat?
A: A toilet seat doesn’t follow you around after you’ve used it.

Garbage Can (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a garbage can?
A: A garbage can gets taken out once a week.

Rock Pile (FA 01 35)
Q: Who’s under the biggest pile of rocks on BYU campus?
A: The guy who said “let he who is without sin cast the first stone.”

Rat (FA 01 35)
Q: What’s the difference between a rat and a guy at BYU?
A: A rat has hair on its chest.

Tiger (FA 01 35)
Q: Did you hear about the man-eating tiger that got loose on the BYU campus?
A: It starved to death.
Warts (FA 01 35)
A BYU coed walked into the doctor's office waiting room with a frog on her head. She tried to act as inconspicuous as possible. Finally, she was summoned into the doctor's office. The doctor looked at her in a perplexed manner and asked, “What seems to be the problem?” The frog spoke up “Well, I've had this wart on my butt for about six weeks.”

BYU Co-Ed Jokes (FA 01 463)

Provo River (FA 01 35)
Q: What did the Provo river say when the BYU coed fell in?
A: I'll be damned.

Run Over (FA 01 463)
Q: Did you hear about the guy who ran over the BYU co-ed in his car?
A: He didn't have enough gas to get around her.

Marriott Center (FA 01 463)
Q: If a Rick's coed, a skinny BYU coed, and Santa Claus were on top of the Marriott Center which would fall off first?
A: The Rick's coed, the other two don't exist.

Marriott Center 2 (FA 01 463)
Q: If a Rick's coed and a BYU coed are on the top of the Marriott Center, which would fall first?
A: The Marriott Center.

Get Back in Your Place an Analysis of the BYU Coed Joke (FA 01 516)

Toe Jam (FA 01 516)
Q: What's the grey stuff between a coed's toes?
A: Slow elephants.

Bath (FA 01 516)
Q: How does a coed take a bath?
A: First she fills the tub, and then turns on the water.

_Volkswagen (FA 01 516)_

Q: How do you get thirty-six coeds into a Volkswagen?

A: Throw in a Twinkie

Q: How do you get them out again?

A: Throw in a bar of soap.

_Death of a Coed (FA 01 516)_

Q: How do you kill a BYU coed?

A: Slit her girdle and let her spread to death.

_Best Two Years (FA 01 516)_

Q: What are the best two years of a coed’s life?

A: The first grade.

_In the Ear (FA 01 516)_

Q: What did the coed say when her boyfriend blew in her ear?

A: Thanks for the refill.

_BYU Men (FA 01 516)_

Q: Why aren’t there any BYU men jokes?

A: The coeds can’t think of any.

_Rock Band (FA 01 516)_

Q: Did you hear about the brand new band composed of BYU coeds?

A: They’re called Air Supply.

_Organs (FA 01 516)_

Q: Why are the coed’s tonsils and appendix her most favorite organs?
At least they get taken out once.

Bra (FA 01 516)
Q: How does a BYU coed put on a bra?
A: She finds her belly button, and then counts up three folds.

Pretty Girls (FA 01 516)
Q: What do you call a pretty girl on BYU campus?
A: Lost.

Red Hair (FA 01 516)
Q: Did you hear about the coed with long, beautiful red hair?
A: It’s too bad it grows out of one nostril.

Dating (FA 01 516)
Q: Why do many men quit dating BYU coeds?
A: They can’t get a grip on the situation.

Locomotive (FA 01 516)
Q: What is the difference between a speeding locomotive and a line of coeds at the cougareat?
A: Superman can stop a speeding locomotive.

Possession (FA 01 516)
Q: Why doesn’t the devil bother possessing BYU coeds?
A: He’s evil, but not desperate.

Doll (FA 01 516)
Q: Did you hear about the new BYU coed doll?
A: You put a ring on its finger and its hips expand.

Stripes (FA 01 516)
Q: Why do BYU coeds wear stripes?
A: So you can tell if they are walking or rolling.

*Swimsuits (FA 01 516)*
Q: Why do BYU coeds wear striped swim suits?
A: So they don’t get harpooned.

*Scarf (FA 01 516)*
Q: Did you hear about the BYU coed who took off her scarf?
A: She got arrested for indecent exposure.

*Under the Bed (FA 01 516)*
Q: How can you tell if a BYU coed is under your bed?
A: Your nose is two inches from the ceiling.

*Mirrored Building (FA 01 516)*
Q: Why did BYU build the Continuing Education Building with an exterior covered with mirrors?
A: So the BYU coeds would have a full width mirror.

*Christmas Tree (FA 01 516)*
Q: Why do BYU coeds buy two Christmas trees?
A: One for their living room, and one for their lapel.

*Hang Gliding (FA 01 516)*
Q: What do you call a coed learning to hang glide?
A: A total solar eclipse.

*300 (FA 01 516)*
Q: What do you call a 300 pound coed?
A: Anorexic.

*Toilet 2 (FA 01 516)*
Q: What does a quarter in a toilet and a BYU coed have in common?
A: They're both there, but you don’t want to take them out.

*Grizzly Bear (FA 01 516)*

Q: What is the difference between a Grizzly Bear and a BYU coed?

A: One is big and hairy, the other lives in the woods.

*Sasquatch (FA 01 516)*

Q: What is the difference between a BYU coed and a Sasquatch?

A: One is fat, ugly, hairy, and smells bad, and the other has big feet.

*Dog (FA 01 516)*

Q: What is the difference between a dog and a BYU coed?

A: A dog only drools from one side of its mouth.

*Elevator (FA 01 516)*

Q: How do you get a BYU coed into an elevator?

A: Grease her hips and throw in a Twinkie.

*Definition (FA 01 516)*

Q: What’s the definition of a BYU coed?

A: A finger looking for a ring.

*Lioness (FA 01 516)*

Q: What’s the difference between a Lioness and a BYU coed?

A: A Lioness eats her prey, and a coed prays to eat.

*Lure (FA 01 516)*

Q: How do BYU men get their way with BYU coeds?

A: They promise them another pizza with extra Twinkies on it.

*Black and White (FA 01 516)*

Q: What is black and white and rolls around on a windy day?
A: A crow and a BYU coed fighting over a Twinkie.

*Difference (FA 01 516)*

Q: What is the difference between a rooster, Fred Flintstone, and a BYU coed?

A: A rooster says “cock-a-doodle-do,” Fred Flintstone says “Ya-ba-dabba-do,” and a BYU coed says “Any-dude’ll-do”

*Hitchhiking (FA 01 516)*

Q: What do you call two BYU coeds hitchhiking?

A: A two ton pickup.

*Bowling Ball (FA 01 516)*

Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a bowling ball?

A: You can roll a bowling ball without worrying whether it will go see the bishop.

*Accessories (FA 01 516)*

Q: What does a BYU coed put behind her ears to make herself more attractive?

A: Her ankles.

**BYU Males vs. BYU Coeds Jokelore at BYU (FA 01 539)**

*Hippopotamus (FA 01 516)*

Q: What is the difference between a BYU coed and a Hippopotamus?

A: The tail.

*Pool (FA 01 516)*

Q: What do you call a pool full of BYU coeds?

A: Bay of Pigs

*Provo Roads (FA 01 516)*

Q: Why are the Provo roads so bad?

A: Coed joggers
**Garbage Pail (FA 01 516)**

Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a garbage pail?

A: The pail.

**Pretty Girls 2 (FA 01 516)**

Q: What do you call a pretty girl on campus?

A: A visitor.

**Light bulb (FA 01 539)**

Q: How many coeds does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Six, one to change it, and five to bear their testimony as to how special it is.

**The BYU Co-Ed Joke Social Pressures Revealed (FA 01 564)**

**Shoplifting (FA 01 564)**

Q: Did you hear about the BYU coed who got picked up for shoplifting at Smiths?

A: They thought she had two watermelons in her back pocket.

**Size Comparison (FA 01 564)**

Q: What’s bigger than a BYU coed?

A: The mouth of an RM.

**BYU Coed Jokes and Their Counterparts: A Verbal Folklore (FA 01 566)**

**Swimsuit Colors (FA 01 566)**

Q: Why were the coeds’ swim suits changed from blue to red?

A: Because too many coeds were being harpooned.

**Spots (FA 01 566)**

Q: Why does a BYU coed have red spots all over her body?

A: From being touched with a ten foot pole.
Fly *(FA 01 566)*

Q: What do you call a fly when it lands in the ear of a BYU coed?

A: Space Invader.

*Tanner Building (FA 01 566)*

Q: Why was the Tanner Building Built?

A: To house the BYU male, since he has such a big head.

*Fiancée (FA 01 566)*

Q: What does the BYU male and his fiancée have in common?

A: They both love him.

*Boyfriend (FA 01 566)*

Q: What did the BYU coed and her boyfriend have in common?

A: They were both in love with the same guy.

*B.Y.U. Co-Ed Jokes (FA 01 693)*

*Manure (FA 01 693)*

Q: Why did the coed begin crying when she stepped in cow manure?

A: She thought she was melting.

*Man-Eating Sharks (FA 01 693)*

Q: Did you hear about the BYU coed who fell into a pool of man-eating sharks?

A: She ate three of them before they got her out.

*Road-Kill (FA 01 693)*

Q: What’s the difference between a dead dog in the road and a dead BYU coed in the road?

A: There are skid marks in front of the dead dog.

*Herd of Elephants (FA 01 693)*

Q: What’s the difference between a herd of elephants and a bus full of BYU coeds?
A: The bus.

*In Bed (FA 01 693)*
Q: Why are BYU coeds always in bed?
A: They rock themselves to sleep trying to get up in the morning.

*Kiss on the Mouth (FA 01 693)*
Q: How do you get a BYU coed to kiss you on the lips?
A: Smile with food in your teeth.

*Car Wreck (FA 01 693)*
Q: What happened to your car?
A: I ran into a BYU coed.

*Mama Elephant (FA 01 693)*
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and an elephant?
A: Elephants can have baby elephants.

*Pretty Coed (FA 01 693)*
Q: What do you call a pretty BYU coed?
A: A fairy tale.

*Coed Brain (FA 01 693)*
There was a person who needed a brain transplant. They went to the brain store to get a new brain. They asked the shopkeeper how much a Harvard coed brain was. He said it would be 25 cents a pound. They asked how much a Princeton coed’s brain was. He said 35 cents a pound. Then he asked what a BYU coed’s brain was worth. He said they were 1000 dollars a pound. The man was shocked. “Why are BYU coed’s brains worth so much?”

“They’ve never been used.”

*Black Hair (FA 01 693)*
Q: Did you hear about the BYU coed with the long black hair?
A: She wears long gloves to cover it up.

**Measurements (FA 01 693)**

Q: What’s 36. 24. 36?

A: A BYU coed’s leg.

**Zippers (FA 01 693)**

Q: Why can’t BYU coeds wear boots with zippers?

A: Their hair gets caught in the zipper.

**BYU Coed Jokes (FA 01 809)**

**Watches (FA 01 809)**

Q: Why do BYU coeds wear a watch on each wrist?

A: One for each time zone.

**Transfer (FA 01 809)**

Q: Did you hear about the BYU coed who transferred to University of Utah?

A: She raised the average IQ of both schools.

**Makeup Kit (FA 01 809)**

Q: What’s the most important item in a BYU coed’s makeup kit?

A: A paint roller.

**BYU Coed and Ed Jokes (FA 01 890)**

**Getting a Drink (FA 01 890)**

Trying to get married at BYU is like trying to drink from a fire hydrant.

**Pick-Up Lines (FA 01 890)**

Q: How do you pick up a BYU coed?

A: With a forklift.
Sunbathing 2 (FA 01 890)
Q: What do you call a BYU coed that lies out in the sun all day?
A: A toasted marshmallow.

Goodyear Blimp (FA 01 890)
Q: Why doesn’t the Goodyear Blimp come to BYU football games?
A: It did once, but with all the coeds around, no one recognized it.

BYU Coed Jokes: Latter-Day Saint Culture? (FA 01 1277)

Pious Coed (FA 01 1277)
Q: What do you call a pious BYU coed?
A: Holy Cow.

Trip (FA 01 1277)
Q: What do you call it when a BYU coed trips and falls?
A: A 9.8 on the Richter scale.

Instructions (FA 01 1277)
Q: What is printed behind a BYU Coed’s ear?
A: Inflate to thirty PSI

Pit bull (FA 01 1277)
Q: What’s the difference between a BYU coed and a rabid pit bull?
A: lipstick.

Honor (FA 01 1277)
Q: What is the most sought after honor at BYU?
A: The MRS degree.

Prison Escapee (FA 01 1277)
Late one dark and stormy night, a BYU coed was driving over the Point of the Mountain when she spotted a hitchhiker at the side of the freeway. She pulled over and let the rather disreputable-looking fellow climb into the passenger seat of the car. “I just escaped from the state prison,” the man said threateningly as the car pulled back out into traffic. “I was in for killing my wife.”

“OOOH!” cried the coed, “So you’re single!”

Refund (FA 01 1277)
I understand that if a BYU coed graduates without getting married, she can apply for a refund of her tuition money.

BYU Coed Jokes (FA 01 1536)

Bowling Ball 2 (FA 01 1536)
Q: What does a BYU coed have in common with a bowling ball?
A: You can roll and throw them in an alley and they keep coming back.

Deaf Cultural Jokes

Laughing Hands: A look at the Humor of the Deaf (FA 01 1291)
A man had just bought a beautiful, green house plant and was very excited to watch it grow. He had heard that plants do better if they are sung to, so he put his new plant with his others and started singing to them.

After a few days of vigorous singing, he noticed that his old plants were growing very fast but the new one was actually withering. Confused, he took his plant back to the store and showed the clerk. The clerk examined the plant closely and told the man, “Your plant is deaf.”

Signed Jokes in Deaf Culture (FA 01 1308)

Lumberjack (FA 01 1308)
One day a man is working in a forest. He comes upon a particular tree that he wishes to chop down. He takes his ax and swings once. The tree starts to lean. He swings again and the tree leans further. He swings a third time, yelling “Timber!” and the tree falls over.
He looks around for another tree. He swings at it, it leans, he swings again, it leans further, and he
yells “Timber!” and the tree falls down.

Then the man sees another tree. He swings at the tree two times but the tree does not budge at all.
He swings again and yells “Timber!” The tree still does not move. The man does not understand why
the tree is not falling down.

He thinks for a moment and goes to tell a doctor. When the doctor comes, he says “I cut that tree
over there, but it won’t fall down. Will you help me?” Both men walk up to the tree. The doctor takes
out his stethoscope and listens to the tree.

After he listens for a moment, he states that he knows what’s wrong. He takes an ax and chops the
tree two times and fingerspells “T-I-M-B-E-R” and the tree falls. The tree was deaf.

Violinist (FA 01 1308)
There was a man who was a famous skilled musician who played the violin. Wow, was he good! One
day, a ferocious lion hears the musician playing, and starts running toward him. The musician does
not even seem to worry, and he continues to play. The lion continues to run towards the musician,
the musician continues to play. The lion continues to charge when all of the sudden, before he
reaches the musician, he drops down dead.

The musician is pretty happy with himself. An observer says “Wow! How did you do that?” Self-
confident, the musician tells the observer to watch again while a buffalo comes. The buffalo is
walking towards the musician. When he hears the music he is mad and starts galloping towards the
musician. The musician continues to play his instrument. The buffalo continues to gallop towards
the musician. The musician is still playing. The buffalo is running when, all of the sudden, he drops
down and dies.

The musician is satisfied with his skill. The observer is shocked and amazed. “Wow,” he thinks. The
musician wants to show his skill again by a third animal, a bear. “I’m ready,” he thought. He starts
playing his instrument. The bear starts tromping closer. The musician is still playing, but noticed the
bear hasn’t died yet. The bear tromps closer. The player is more concerned as he frantically plays his
violin. He raises his hands in dismay as the bear topples him over. Why did the bear do this? The
bear is deaf.

Wilted Flower (FA 01 1308)
There was once a man who loved flowers. He planted three flowers that grew beautifully. The man watered all three flowers. They were growing beautifully and the sun shone on all of them. The next day he looks at his flowers. Something is wrong! The middle flower has wilted.

The man looks at the other two flowers. They seemed to be fine. He waters the flower in the middle more. The man thinks, ‘What’s wrong with this flower? The sun shines on this flower like the other two flowers, I gave it water. Why did it wilt?’ The man feels sad and bad. What is he going to do? He worries and can’t sleep.

He decides he must get help from a floral expert. He tells the expert, “I don’t know what to do. Will you help me? I watered and planted the flower and thought it would be fine. I checked the next day and it had wilted. It’s true. I watered it and this flower also received sun.” The floral expert told the man to go home and rest and he would watch to find out what was wrong.

The floral expert watches the flowers all day and finds out what was wrong with the middle flower. He calls the man and says come here now. He tells the man the reason the middle flower has wilted is because the other two flowers were signing to each other so the flower in the middle had to move his head back and forth to catch the conversation. The flower was so exhausted, it wilted. Poor flower!

Ticket Evasion (FA 01 1308)

There is this man driving. He looks out the window and sees a hitchhiker. He stops and gestures for the hitchhiker to get in the car. He tells the hitchhiker that he is deaf. The hitchhiker nods and pantomimes asking if he can have ride. The driver agrees, and he starts driving again.

He is driving along and is extremely bored. The man starts to speed and weave in and out of the lanes. The hitchhiker is worried and is a little frightened as they speed along the highway. Then a cop sees them, turns on his lights, and pulls them over. The hitchhiker thinks “oh no!” The cop gets out of the car and knocks on the window. He starts talking to the driver but the driver cannot understand because he is deaf. He gestures that he can’t hear. When the cop realizes this, he says it is fine and motions for the driver to go ahead. The driver nods in assent and signs thank you.

The man starts driving again. The hitchhiker is shocked that the driver got out of a ticket. The driver looks like it happens all the time. He looks around mischievously and presses on the accelerator. They speed on the highway again. Another cop comes along and pulls them over. He knocks on their
window and starts talking. The driver gestures that he is deaf. The Cop awkwardly tries to pantomime for the driver to slow down. The driver nods and is let go.

In relief the driver starts to drive again. The hitchhiker is dumbfounded. The driver has not got a ticket yet. The driver continues to drive but starts to get sleepy. He asks the hitchhiker if they can switch places so he can sleep. Now the hitchhiker is behind the wheel. The deaf man falls asleep.

The hitchhiker excitedly starts to speed. A cop stops them and pulls him over. The hitchhiker knows how he is going to get out of it. The cop knocks on the window and starts talking to the hitchhiker. The hitchhiker pretends he can’t hear and that he is deaf. The cop nods, and starts signing to him because he knows sign language. The hitchhiker does not know what the cop is saying so he tries to wake up the deaf man. The cop gives the hitchhiker a ticket, and the hitchhiker feels very sorry for himself.

**Deaf Jokes (FA 01 1646)**

*Half Deaf (FA 01 1646)*

A Deaf man walked into a bar and sat down next to a hearing guy. He pulled out a piece of paper, wrote on it, and passed it to his neighbor. They were soon chatting back and forth via this piece of paper. Then another hearing guy came and sat on the other side of the Deaf man, so he wrote, asking his neighbor if they should invite the new guy to join the conversation. He agreed, and soon the paper was shuffling back and forth between the three of them, and the Deaf man in the middle. It was getting late and the Deaf man waved good-bye to his two friends. He walked out the door, and the two who were left continued to talk by passing the piece of paper back and forth.

A Deaf man walks into a bar and meets another Deaf lady. They chat for a while and get to know each other. Noticing that the Deaf man was signing with only one hand, the lady asked him, “What’s wrong? You are signing with one hand. Why?” The Deaf man replied, “Because this ear (pointing to the left ear) can hear.”

*Three Men on a Train (FA 01 1646)*

A Cuban, a Russian, and a Deaf man are riding together on a train. The Cuban pulls out a cigar, takes one puff, and then throws it out the window. The other two are shocked and ask why he wasted the cigar. He replies, “Where I come from, there are plenty of cigars—no big deal.”
Then the Russian man pulls out a bottle of vodka. He takes one gulp and throws the bottle out the window. The other two are amazed and ask why he would waste such precious stuff. He replies, “Where I come from, there is plenty of vodka—no big deal. “

Then the Deaf man sees the waiter come by, picks him up, and throws him out the window and says “Where I come from, we have plenty of hearing—no big deal.”

*Birds on a Wire (FA 01 1646)*

A bird is sitting on a phone wire. Phone calls are rushing back and forth underneath the bird through the wire on which he is perched. Suddenly, the bird starts bouncing up and down rapidly. Why? A Deaf person is calling another Deaf person on the TTY.

A group of birds are sitting calmly on a telephone wire. A young man decides to scare them and gets out his gun. He takes aim at one of them and fires. All the birds fly off in a fright except for one. Why? That bird was deaf.

*The Hotel (FA 01 1646)*

A deaf couple went on vacation and stayed at a hotel for a night. The man gave the key to his wife and said “I need to get some medicine from the store. You go to the room, and I'll be back in a few minutes.” The wife went to the room, got ready for bed and turned out the lights. Meanwhile, the husband returned to the hotel and realized that he did not get the room number before he left. So he quickly rushed back to his car, opened the driver side door and honked the horn continuously until every light in the hotel turned on except one. His wife couldn’t hear the horn.

*Little Tommy (FA 01 1646)*

Tommy is a six year old deaf boy, a student at an oral day school for the deaf. The school and Tommy’s parents worked very hard and long teaching him to parrot the few words he has learned. The parents were so proud that Tommy learned to speak those few words that they made an appointment for the parish priest to visit the family to hear the boy talk the following Wednesday. They wanted to make a good impression on the priest. The parents learned that when the priest visits families with little children, he always asks the same three questions. They are:

“What is your name?”

“How old are you?”
“Do you know where bad little boys and girls go?”

The parents decided not to tell the priest that Tommy was deaf. They wanted to make a real impression, so they trained him to say “My name is Tommy,” then wait for the next question. Then he’d say, “I’m six years old,” And wait for the priest to speak again, then say “They go to hell.”

They practiced and drilled the boy non-stop all week long until the appointed day arrived. Finally, the priest was there. He came in their house and beamed when he saw the little boy, going on his knees to say “What is your name, little one?”

The deaf boy was so nervous and frozen-tongued from the long hours of no play, drills and practice, that great effort, he tried to get it over with. He quickly blurted out “My name is Tommy, I’m six years old, go to hell!”

**Deaf Jokes and World View (FA 01 1756)**

*Cat (FA 01 1756)*

A man is driving down the street and he rolls over something. He stops the car and gets out. He sees that he has hit a little cat with his car. He doesn’t know who the cat belongs to so he goes to the first house across the street. He knocks on the door and asks if they have a cat. They say no. He goes to the next house down, and they say no also, he asks if they know who may have a cat. They say, “No.” Then he goes to the third house and knocks on the door. He asks if they have a cat. They say, “Yes, we do have a cat.” He tells them he accidentally hit a cat with his car, and he’s wondering if it is their cat. They ask, “What does the cat look like?” He asks them to wait and goes to look at it. He comes back to the house and imitates the dead squished cat for the person at the door.

*“Have You Ever Seen the One About . . .?” Deaf Humor and the Ethnic Joke (FA 01 1781)*

*Dog (FA 01 1781)*

Two deaf men were in a car. The driver didn’t have a rearview mirror or a side view mirror. As they drove along, the driver asked the passenger, “Would you mind looking to see if there is a car in the other lane? I want to change lanes.”

The passenger signed “Okay,” and he looked around. He turned to the driver and signed, “DOG! DOG!”
The driver didn’t understand, “Dog? What do you mean a dog?”

The passenger repeated, “DOG! DOG!” but the driver didn’t pay attention to him.

He switched lanes and got into a big accident. They went to the hospital because the driver broke his leg. The passenger came to check on his friend to see how he was doing. The driver woke up, saw the passenger, and asked, “What happened? Dog? What did you mean by ‘DOG’?”

The passenger signed, “You know! ‘DOG.’ The running dog? The Greyhound bus dog!”

**Golf Jokes**

**Golf Folklore: A Look into Golf Jokes (FA 01 2317)**

*Celestial Golf Trio (FA 01 2317)*

St. Peter, Jesus, and another man were golfing in heaven one day. They have really nice golf courses in heaven, you know. They came to a beautiful downhill par 3. A pond set right in front of the green. Beautiful trees that are only found in heaven bordered the entire hole.

It was St. Peter’s turn to hit the ball. He stepped up and hit a 3 iron; it was a long par 3. The ball was perfectly struck and was heading straight for the pin. It bounced a couple of times on the green, rolled straight for the hole, actually clipping the hole and then rolled to within a foot of the hole. An assured birdie.

Jesus got up, he too hitting a 3 iron. He hit a beautiful shot, on the same line as St. Peter’s ball. The ball bounced a couple of times on the green and was heading straight for the hole. The ball actually hit the pin and then stopped a couple of inches away from the hole.

The third man got up and hit. He shanked it and the ball went bounding towards the pond in front of the green. Just at the same time a fish was jumping out of the water to catch a fly. Instead of catching the fly he caught the golf ball just before it hit the water.

Just as the fish was catching the ball an eagle swooped down to grab the fish. The eagle picked the fish up and began to carry the fish away. When the eagle passed the green the fish dropped the ball.
The ball fell to the green, bounced a couple of times and then rolled into the hole for a hole in one. St. Peter turned to Jesus and said, “I hate it when your Dad comes.”

*Norm is Dead (FA 01 2317)*

There were two old friends, Norm and Bill, who had golfed with each other since they were little. They were now in their 90’s and still played golf with each other every Monday morning. They would leave early in the morning and come home by afternoon.

It was 3:00 PM and they had not returned home. Bill’s wife began to worry. Bill was always home by 2:00. By 4:00 Bill’s wife really began to worry. 5:00 and she was frantic. At around 6:00 Bill finally strolled home. She asked him where he had been.

Bill, with a choked up voice, replied that Norm had died of old age out on the golf course. She asked him if that was why he was late. Bill said, “Yeah. It was hit one shot; drag Norm... hit one shot; drag Norm...”

*Double Bogey (FA 01 2317)*

One day a man and his wife were out golfing. The man was having the best round of his life. He came to the last hole needing a par to shoot his best score ever. He teed off and put his drive right in the middle of a clump of trees about 200 yards from the hole. The man drove the cart up to his ball surrounded by trees and assessed the damages.

He told his wife that he had no chance of knocking the ball on to the green and thus completing his best round ever. His wife assessed the shot and told him that if he were to hood a 2 iron and place it in the back of his stance, he could hit the ball low enough to get through the trees and long enough to land on the green.

The man took his wife’s advice and tried this most delicate shot. The ball went under the first tree but hit a second tree squarely. The ball ricocheted and careened back only to hit his wife in the head. The blow of the ball killed his wife instantly...

A couple of weeks later the man was out golfing with his best friend. This time he was having an even better round. They came to the last hole, the man only needing a bogey and he could still shoot his best round ever. However, the same thing happened. He put drove his ball in the middle of the same clump of trees.
Flabbergasted the man asked his best friend for advice on how he should hit the difficult shot. The friend told him to hood a 2 iron and put it in the back of his stance; he could hit it low enough and long enough to land on the green. The man looked at his friend awkwardly and said, “The last time I tried that I took a double bogey.”

Confession (FA 01 2317)
There was a couple that met while on vacation in Florida and fell in love. At the end of the holiday they began to make plans to continue seeing each other. “Sharron, I need to be completely honest. I am a golf maniac. I eat, sleep, and breathe golf,” he told her.

She replied, “Okay, if we are going to be completely honest with each other, I have something to tell you. I’m a hooker.”

Sam thought about this for a minute, then said, “Hmm, that’s probably because your right elbow isn’t close to your side on the down swing.”

17 years (FA 01 2317)
A threesome was playing the 3rd hole when a single caught up to them. “May I play with you fellows?” asked the man, “I will hardly be a bother.” Impressed by the newcomer’s courteous behavior, the threesome heartily agreed.

Hole after hole, the man let the others tee off first, even though he had the privilege every time. “What a great man,” they all thought. He even gave away his last cigar to one of the men.

On the 17th hole, a funeral procession passed by on the adjoining public road. Just when the man could do no more right in the threesome’s eyes, he stopped in the middle of his swing, took off his hat, and bowed his head in silence. “You are truly a great man to show your respect to the dead!” cried the threesome.

“It’s the least I could do,” said the man, “I was married to her for 17 years.”

Golf in Heaven (FA 01 2317)
An avid golfer visited a fortuneteller with one thing on his mind. He asked the fortune teller if there were golf courses in heaven. The fortuneteller replied, “I have good news and I have bad news.”

The golfer what the good news was. “The good news is that the golf courses in heaven are the most beautiful things you could ever imagine. Take Pebble Beach and times it by 100.”
The golfer was very excited and asked, “How could there be any bad news with that?”

The fortuneteller said, “You have a tee time at 8:30 tomorrow morning.”

*Small World (FA 01 2317)*

Two golfers were golfing behind a slow twosome of women. The women were whiffing their shots, hunting for lost golf balls, and standing over putts for what seemed like hours. One of the men decided to ask the ladies if they could play through.

He started walking towards the green where the ladies were putting, twenty yards from the green he made an abrupt turn and began walking back towards the other golfer. “Can’t do it,” he told the other golfer. “One of them is my wife, and the other is my mistress!”

The other golfer said that he would go and ask the ladies if they could play through. He also got within twenty yards of the green and made an abrupt turn and began walking back towards the other golfer. “What’s wrong?” The man left behind asked. “It’s a small world, isn’t it?”

*Golf Tip (FA 01 2317)*

A golfer was having a real bad time with his golf swing. His golf game was getting worse and worse. He got so bad he was embarrassed to even play. He decided to practice early in the morning so that nobody would see him. On the first morning he teed the ball up and gave it a good smack.

The ball sliced viciously and flew over the golf club fence. He heard the ball bounce once and then nothing. He went home dejected. He decided to try again the next morning. Again he sliced the ball over the fence, this time the ball narrowly missed a man walking his dog.

The golfer apologized to the man. The man asked the golfer if he was hitting a golf ball at the same time yesterday morning. The golfer told him that he did hit a golf ball yesterday. The man asked the golfer if he had seen where the ball had ended up. The golfer said, “No.”

“The ball bounced off a lamppost onto the main road. It caused a car to skid into a mother pushing a baby. Both the mother and baby were killed instantly,” said the man. The golfer felt horrible and asked the man what he should do. “You want to drop your left shoulder.”
Lawyer and Engineer Jokes

**Stitch’s Jokes: Learning From Laughter in the Folk Group (FA 01 1082)**

*Sharks (FA 01 1082)*

Q: How come Sharks won’t eat lawyers?

A: It’s called “professional courtesy.”

*Buried in Sand (FA 01 1082)*

Q: What do you call five hundred lawyers buried up to their neck in the sand?

A: A good start.

*Porcupines (FA 01 1082)*

Q: What’s the difference between BMWs and porcupines?

A: On porcupines, the pricks are on the outside.

**BYU Employee E-Mail Jokes and Anecdotes (FA 01 1350)**

*Genie (FA 01 1350)*

One day a man found an abandoned bottle on a beach. He rubbed it, and out came a genie! The genie said “I will grant you three wishes, but there’s a catch.”

“What catch?” the ecstatic man replied.

“Every time you make a wish, every lawyer in the world receives double what you asked for.”

The man thought about this and said, “I can live with that! No problem.”

“Then what is your first wish?” the genie prepared to do some magic.

“Well, I’ve always wanted a Ferrari,”

POOF! A Ferrari appeared in front of the man.

“Now every lawyer in the world has two Ferrari’s,” said the genie. “Next wish?”

“I’d love a million dollars,” replied the man.
POOF! One million dollars appeared at his feet.

“Now every lawyer in the world has two million dollars,” said the Genie, “What’s your final wish?”

The man thought long and hard, and finally said, “Well you know, I’ve always wanted to donate a kidney...”

**Lawyer Jokes in American Society: A Reflection of the Popular Stereotypes of Lawyers (FA 01 1653)**

*Thump! (FA 01 1653)*

A truck driver has a nasty habit of using his truck to run over every lawyer he sees along the side of the road. One day, he sees a priest whose car has broken down, and the truck driver offers the priest a ride into town.

On the way to town, the truck driver sees a man whom he recognizes a lawyer, and consequently turns the truck in his direction so as to hit him. However, he remembers the priest and turns the wheel to miss the lawyer so as to avoid offending the clergy man.

As they pass the lawyer, he hears a little ‘thump,’ but ignores it in favor of apologizing to the priest.

“I’m sorry!” the truck driver says, “It’s just a bad habit I have, I really don’t like lawyers. I apologize for the lapse.”

“Oh, it’s okay,” the priest replies, “I think I got him with the door.”

*Stuck in a Tree (FA 01 1653)*

Q: A lawyer is stuck in a tree. How do you get him down?

A: Cut the rope.

*Cold Outside (FA 01 1653)*

Q: How can you tell when it’s really cold outside?

A: The lawyers have their hands in their own pockets.

*Lying (FA 01 1653)*

Q: How do you tell if a lawyer is lying?
A: His lips are moving.

_Catfish (FA 01 1653)_
Q: What is the difference between a lawyer and a catfish?

A: One sucks scum off the floor, and the other is a fish.

_Lawyer in Heaven (FA 01 1653)_
A lawyer, the pope, and the prophet all die on the same day. They suddenly find themselves in a world of clouds, waiting at the pearly gates. Then St. Peter approaches and tells the pope that he is worthy of life in heaven. St. Peter then leads the pope beyond the gates and takes him to a small, run-down shack and says, “Here is your kingdom.”

The pope, surprised that his reward was not what he imagined, was nonetheless satisfied. “I will be humble, and be grateful for what I have.”

St. Peter then approached the prophet and led him past the gates, bringing him to his kingdom which was a little house. The prophet, likewise surprised, was also grateful for what he had and said, “This is enough.”

Finally, St. Peter came back to the gates and said to the lawyer, “I welcome you to heaven; we are thrilled to have you here. Please follow me, I hope that your new accommodations will please you, let me know if you need anything.” St. Peter led the lawyer to a huge mansion with a beautiful garden and many fountains.

The pope, upon seeing the lawyer’s reward said to St. Peter, “I have lived a very pious, righteous life devoted to serving you. Why has a man who has devoted his life to secular interests received a greater after-life than me?”

St. Peter replied, “Well, we don’t get many lawyers up this way very often, we got a bit excited.”

_Roadkill (FA 01 1653)_
Q: What is the difference between a dead chipmunk in the middle of the road and a dead lawyer in the middle of the road?

A: There are skid marks in front of the chipmunk.
Sunk (FA 01 1653)

Q: What do you call a thousand lawyers at the bottom of the ocean?

A: A good start.

Tour Bus (FA 01 1653)

A tour bus with a hundred seats was full of lawyers. The driver had a mishap and the bus accidentally plunged into the ocean, killing all on board. The real tragedy was when they discovered that one of the seats was empty.

Pink Pigeon (FA 01 1653)

A small town in Middle America had an infestation of pigeons. The birds were a severe blight on the town and were very destructive and troublesome. The people of the town expressed their concern to the mayor, and told him they were willing to pay any sum of money to eradicate the problem.

The mayor then publicized their problem and offered one million dollars to anyone able to provide relief. The day after the advertisement was publicized; a young man drove up in a small truck and offered his services. He told the mayor that he would be able to rid the town of the pigeons on two conditions.

The first was that the mayor had to pay him the million dollar reward money, and the second was the townspeople could not ask the young man any questions. Each question which they did ask was to cost a hundred thousand dollars.

The mayor readily agreed to the conditions and the boy returned the next day to fulfill his end of the contract. The next morning, the boy arrived in the truck with a pink pigeon. He exited the vehicle and released the pigeon into the air. The pink pigeon flew all around the town and all the other pigeons in the town followed it.

After every pigeon in the area was following the pink pigeon, it dove into a canal, killing itself. All the other pigeons promptly followed. The town was very happy, and the mayor approached the boy with his reward. As the boy looked at the check, he noticed that it was made out for 1.1 million dollars.

The boy then said, “Oh, I see you have a question for me.”

The mayor replied, “Yes, do you have any pink lawyers?”
Lawyer Jokes Focused Field Project (FA 01 1710)

Buried in Sand 2 (FA 01 1710)
Q: What do you have when a lawyer is buried up to his neck in sand?
A: Not enough sand.

Treasure (FA 01 1710)
A Mexican bandit made a specialty of crossing the Rio Grande from time to time and robbing banks in Texas. Finally, a reward was offered for his capture, and an enterprising Texas ranger decided to track him down.

After a lengthy search, he traced the bandit to his favorite cantina, snuck up behind him, put his trusty six-shooter to the bandit’s head, and said, “You’re under arrest. Tell me where you hid the loot or I’ll blow your brains out.”

The bandit didn’t speak any English, and the ranger didn’t speak any Spanish. Fortunately, a bilingual lawyer was in the saloon and translated the ranger’s message.

The terrified bandit blurted out, in Spanish, that the loot was buried under the oak tree in back of the cantina. “What did he say?” asked the ranger.

The Lawyer answered, “He said, ‘get lost, you turkey. You wouldn’t dare shoot me.”

Flood Insurance (FA 01 1710)
A Lawyer and an engineer were fishing in the Caribbean. The lawyer said, “I’m here because my house burned down and everything I owned was destroyed by the fire. The insurance company paid for everything.”

“What a coincidence,” said the engineer. “I’m here because my house and all my belongings were destroyed by a flood, and my insurance company also paid for everything.”

The lawyer looked somewhat confused. “How do you start a flood?” he asked.

Two plus Two (FA 01 1710)
A housewife, an accountant and a lawyer are asked, “How much is two plus two?”

The housewife replies: “Four!”
The accountant says: “I think it could be either three or four. Let me run those figures through my spreadsheet one more time.”

The lawyer pulls the drapes, dims the lights, and asks in a hushed voice, “How much do you want it to be?”

**Consulting Fee (FA 01 1710)**

A doctor and a lawyer were attending a cocktail party when the doctor was approached by a man who asked advice on how to handle his ulcer. The doctor mumbled some medical advice, then turned to the lawyer and asked, “How do you handle the situation when you are asked for advice during a social function?”

“Just send a bill for such advice!” replied the lawyer. On the next morning, the doctor arrived at his surgery and issued the ulcer-stricken man a bill for fifty dollars. That afternoon he received a bill for a hundred dollars from the lawyer.

**Butcher (FA 01 1710)**

A dog ran into a butcher shop and grabbed a roast off the counter. Fortunately, the butcher recognized the doc as belonging to a neighbor of his. The neighbor happened to be a lawyer.

Incensed at the theft, the butcher called up his neighbor and said, “Hey, if your dog stole a roast from my butcher shop, would you be liable for the cost of the meat?”

The lawyer replied, “Of course, how much was the roast?”

“It was seven ninety-five,” said the butcher.

A few days later, the butcher received a check in the mail for seven ninety-five. Attached to it was an invoice that read: “Legal Consultation Service: A hundred and fifty dollars.”

**Train Ticket (FA 01 1710)**

Three lawyers and three accountants were travelling on a train to the same city. The accountants noticed that the lawyers bought only one ticket for the three of them, and they asked how three lawyers could get away with buying only one ticket.

The lawyers just replied, “Watch and learn!”
When the ticket-checker began to make his rounds on the train, the three lawyers went into the
bathroom together. The ticket checker knocked on the bathroom door and said “Ticket please.” The
lawyers opened the door a crack and handed him one ticket.

The three accountants were very impressed. On the way back, they bought one ticket for the three of
them. They also noticed that this time the lawyers didn’t buy any ticket. More puzzled than before,
they asked how three lawyers could possibly get away with having not ticket.

Again, the lawyers just said, “Watch and learn!”

On the train, the ticket-checker began to make his rounds. The three accountants went together into
the bathroom. Before the ticket-checker got to the bathroom, one of the lawyers knocked on the
doors. The accountants opened it a crack, and the lawyer said, “Ticket, please.”

*A Defense Attorney Cross-Examining the Coroner (FA 01 1710)*

A: Are you sure the man was dead?

C: Absolutely

A: Did you check to see if the man had a pulse before pronouncing him dead?

C: No.

A: Did you check to see if he was breathing?

C: No.

A: Did you see if his eyes were dilated?

C: No.

A: So how are you so sure he was dead?

C: His brains were sitting in a jar on my desk!

A: But isn’t there some remote possibility he could have been alive?

C: Yes, there is a possibility that he could have been alive and practicing law somewhere.
Hell (FA 01 1710)

An engineer dies and reports to hell. Pretty soon, the engineer gets dissatisfied with the level of comfort in hell, and starts designing and building improvements. After a while, they’ve got air conditioning and flush toilets and escalators, and the engineer is a pretty popular guy.

One day God calls Satan up on the telephone and says with a sneer, “So, how’s it going down there in hell?”

Satan replies, “Hey, things are going great. We’ve got air conditioning and flush toilets and escalators, and there’s no telling what this engineer is going to come up with next.”

God replies, “What? You’ve got an engineer? That’s a mistake—he should never have gotten down there; send him up here.”

Satan says, “No way. I like having an engineer on the staff, I’m keeping him.”

God says, “Send him back up here or I’ll sue.”

Satan laughs uproariously and answers, “Yeah right, and just where exactly are you going to get a lawyer?”

Brain Store (FA 01 1710)

A man goes to a brain store to get some brain for dinner. He sees a sign remarking on the quality of professional brain offered at this particular brain store. So he asks the butcher:

MAN: How much for an engineer brain?

Butcher: Three dollars an ounce

M: How much for doctor brain

B: Four dollars an ounce

M: How much for lawyer brain?

B: One hundred dollars an ounce.

M: Why is lawyer brain so much more?
B: Do you know how many lawyers you need to kill to get one ounce of brain?

**Engineering Jokes (FA 01 2150)**

*You Might Be an Engineering Major If (FA 01 2150)*

You have no life- and you can prove it mathematically.

You know vector calculus but you can’t remember how to do long division.

You chuckle whenever anyone says “centrifugal force.”

You’ve actually used every single function on your graphing calculator.

When you look in your mirror, you see an engineering major.

It is sunny and seventy degrees outside, and you are working on a computer.

You frequently whistle the theme song to “MacGyver.”

You always do homework on Friday nights.

You know how to integrate a chicken and can take the derivative of water.

You think in “math.”

You’ve calculated that the World Series actually diverges.

You hesitate to look at something because you don’t want to break down its wave function.

You have a pet named after a science.

You laugh at jokes about mathematicians.

The humane society has you arrested because you actually performed the Schrodinger’s Cat experiment.

You can translate English into Binary.

You can’t remember what’s behind the door in the science building which says “Exit.”
You have to bring a jacket with you, in the middle of summer because there’s a wind-chill factor in the lab.

You are completely addicted to caffeine.

You avoid doing anything because you don’t want to contribute to the eventual heat-death of the universe.

You consider ANY non-science course “easy.”

When your professor asks you where your homework is, you claim to have accidentally determined its momentum so precisely, that according to the Heisenberg it could be anywhere in the universe.

The “fun” center of your brain has deteriorated from lack of use.

You’ll assume that a “horse” is a “sphere” in order to make the math easier.

You understood more than five of these indicators.

You make a hard copy of this list, and post it on your door.

Glass (FA 01 2150)
To the optimist, the glass is half full.

To the pessimist, the glass is half empty.

To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

Blind Golfers (FA 01 2150)
A pastor, a doctor, and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers. The engineer fumed, “What’s with these guys? We must have been waiting for fifteen minutes!”

The doctor chimed in, “I don’t know, but I’ve never seen such ineptitude!” and the pastor said, “Hey, here comes the greens keeper. Let’s have a word with him.”

“Hi George. Say, what’s with that group ahead of us? They’re rather slow, aren’t they?”

“Oh yes, that’s a group of blind firefighters. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime.”
The group was silent for a moment. The pastor said, “That’s so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight.”

The doctor said, “Good idea, I’m going to contact my ophthalmologist buddy and see if there’s anything he can do for them.”

The engineer said, “Why can’t these guys play at night?”

One Chalk Mark (FA 01 2150)

There was an engineer who had an exceptional gift for fixing all things mechanical. After serving his company loyally for over thirty years, he happily retired. Several years later the company contacted him regarding a seemingly impossible problem they were having with one of their multi-million dollar machines.

They had tried everything and everyone else to get the machine to work but to no avail. In desperation, they called on the retired engineer who had solved so many of their problems in the past.

The engineer reluctantly took the challenge. He spent a day studying the huge machine. At the end of the day, he marked a small “x” in chalk on a particular component of the machine and stated, “This is where your problem is.”

The part was replaced and the machine worked perfectly again. The company received an invoice for fifty thousand dollars from the engineer for his service. They demanded an itemized accounting of his charge.

The engineer responded briefly:

One chalk mark: $1
Knowing where to put it $49,999

It was paid in full and the engineer retired again in peace.

Mechanical vs. Civil (FA 01 2150)

Q: What is the difference between Mechanical Engineers and Civil Engineers?

A: Mechanical Engineers build weapons, Civil Engineers build targets.
Great Questions (FA 01 2150)
The graduate with a Science degree asks, “Why does it work?”

The graduate with an Engineering degree asks, “How does it work?”

The graduate with an accounting degree asks, “How much will it cost?”

The graduate with a Liberal Arts degree asks, “Do you want fries with that?”

Broke (FA 01 2150)
Normal people believe that if it ain’t broke, don’t fix it.

Engineers believe that if it ain’t broke, it doesn’t have enough features yet.

Wife and Mistress (FA 01 2150)
An architect, an artist and an engineer were discussing whether it was better to spend time with the wife or a mistress.

The architect said he enjoyed time with his wife, building a solid foundation for an enduring relationship.

The artist said he enjoyed time with his mistress, because of the passion and mystery he found there.

The engineer said, “I like both.”

“Both?”

“Yeah,” he said, “If you have a wife and a mistress, they will each assume you are spending time with the other woman, and you can go to the lab and get some work done.”

Talking Frog (FA 01 2150)
An engineer was crossing a road one day when a frog called out to him and said, “If you kiss me, I’ll turn into a beautiful princess.”

He bent over, picked up the frog, and put it in his pocket.

The frog spoke up and said, “If you kiss me and turn me back into a beautiful princess, I will stay with you for one week.”
The engineer took the frog out of his pocket, smiled at it and returned it to the pocket.

The frog then cried out, “If you kiss me and turn me back into a princess, I'll stay with you forever!” Again, the engineer took the frog out, smiled at it and put it back into his pocket.

Finally, the frog asked, “What is the matter? I've told you I'm a beautiful princess, they I'll stay with you forever, why won't you kiss me?”

The engineer said, “Look I'm an engineer. I don’t have time for a girlfriend, but a talking frog, now that’s cool.”

**Car Trouble (FA 01 2150)**

A physicist, an engineer and a computer scientist are traveling in a car. Suddenly, the car starts to smoke and stops. The three astonished men try to solve the problem:

The physicist says: This is obviously a classic problem of torque. It has overloaded the elasticity limit of the main axis.

The engineer says: Let's be serious! The matter is that it has burned the spark of the connecting rod to the dynamo of the radiator. I can easily repair it by hammering.

The computer scientist says: What if we get out of the car, wait a minute, and then get in and try again.

**Santa Claus: An Engineer's Perspective (FA 01 2150)**

1. There are approximately two billion children (persons under 18) in the world. Since Santa does not visit children of Muslim, Hindu, Jewish, or Buddhist religions, this reduces the workload for Christmas night to 15% of the total, or 378 million (according to the Population Reference Bureau). At an average (census) rate of 3.5 children per household, that comes to 108 million homes, presuming that there is at least one good child in each.

2. Santa has about 31 hours of Christmas to work with, thanks to the different time zones and the rotation of the earth, assuming he travels east to west. This works out to 967.7 visits per second. This is to say that for each Christian household with a good child. Santa has about 1/1000th of a second to park the sleigh, hop out, jump down the chimney, fill the stockings, distribute the remaining presents under the tree, eat whatever snacks have been left for him, get back up the chimney, jump into his sleigh and get on to the next house. Assuming that each of these 108 million stops is evenly distributed around the earth (which, of course, we know to be false, but will accept for the purposes of our calculations), we are now talking about 0.78 miles per household; a total trip of 75.5 million miles, not counting bathroom
stops or breaks. This means Santa’s sleigh is moving at 650 miles per second—3000 times the speed of sound. For purposes of comparison, the fastest man-made vehicle, the Ulysses space probe, moves at a poky 27.4 miles per second, and a conventional reindeer can run (at best) 15 miles per hour.

3. The payload of the sleigh adds another interesting element. Assuming that each child gets nothing more than a medium sized Lego set (two pounds), the sleigh is carrying over 500 thousand tons, not counting Santa himself. On land, a conventional reindeer can pull no more than 300 pounds. Even granting that the “flying” reindeer could pull ten times the normal amount, the job can’t be done with eight or even nine of them—Santa would need 360,000 of them. This increases the payload, not counting the weight of the sleigh, another 54,000 tons, or roughly seven times the weight of the Queen Elizabeth (the ship, not the monarch).

4. 600,000 tons traveling at 650 miles per second creates enormous air resistance—this would heat up the reindeer in the same fashion as a spacecraft re-entering the earth’s atmosphere. The lead pair of reindeer would absorb 14.3 quintillion joules of energy per second each. In short, they would burst into flames almost instantaneously, exposing the reindeer behind them and creating deafening sonic booms in their wake. The entire reindeer team would be vaporized within 4.26 thousandths of a second, or right about the time Santa reached the fifth house on his trip. Not that it matters, however, since Santa, as a result of accelerating from a dead stop to 650 mps in .001 seconds, would be subjected to centrifugal forces of 17,500 g’s. A 250 pound Santa (which seems ludicrously slim) would be pinned to the back of the sleigh by 4,315,015 pounds of force, instantly crushing his bones and organs and reducing him to a quivering blob of pink goo.

5. Therefore, if Santa did exist, he’s dead now.

Merry Christmas!

Hotel Fire (FA 01 2150)

A physicist, an engineer and a mathematician were all in a hotel sleeping when a fire broke out in their respective rooms.

The physicist woke up, saw the fire, ran over to the desk, pulling out his CRC, and began working out all sorts of fluid dynamics equations. After a couple of minutes, he threw down his pencil, got a graduated cylinder out of his suitcase, and measured out a precise amount of water. He threw it on the fire, extinguishing it, with not a drop wasted, and went back to sleep.

The engineer woke up, saw the fire, ran into the bathroom, turned on the faucets full-blast, flooding out the entire apartment, which put out the fire, and went back to sleep.
The mathematician woke up, saw the fire, ran over to his desk, began working through theorems, lemmas, hypotheses, you name-it, and after a few minutes, put down his pencil triumphantly and exclaimed, “I have proved that I can put the fire out!” He then went back to sleep.

Directions (FA 01 2150)

A man is flying a hot air balloon and realizes he is lost. He reduces height and spots a man down below. He lowers the balloon further and shouts, “Excuse me. Con you help me? I promised my friend I would meet him a half-hour ago, but I don’t know where I am.”

The man below says, “Yes, you are in a hot air balloon, hovering approximately 30 feet above this field. You are between 40 and 42 degrees N. latitude, and between 58 and 60 degrees W. longitude.”

“You must be an engineer,” says the balloonist.

“I am,” replies the engineer, “How did you know?”

“Well,” says the balloonist, “everything you have told me is technically correct, but I have no idea what to make of your information, and the fact is I am still lost.”

The man below says, “You must be a manager.”

“I am,” replies the balloonist, “but how did you know?”

“Well,” says the engineer, “you don’t know where you are or where you are going. You’ve made a promise which you have no idea how to keep, and you expect me to solve your problem. The fact is you are in exactly the same position you were in before we met, but now it is somehow my fault.”

You might be an engineer if (FA 01 2150)

Choosing to buy flowers for your girlfriend or upgrading your RAM is a moral dilemma.

You take a cruise so you can go on a personal tour of the engine room.

The sales people at the local computer store can’t answer any of your questions.

At an air show you know how fast the skydivers are falling.

You bought your wife a new CD-ROM drive or a palm pilot for her birthday.

You can quote scenes from any Monty Python movie.
You can type 70 words per minute but can’t read your own handwriting.

You commit to your wife that her straight hair is nice and parallel.

You sit backwards on the Disneyland rides to see how they do the special effects.

You have saved every power cord from all your broken appliances.

You have more friends on the Internet than in real life.

You know what http:// stands for.

You look forward to Christmas so you can put the kid’s toys together.

You see a good design and still have to change it.

You spend more on your calculator than you did on your wedding ring.

You still own a slide rule and know how to use it.

You think that people yawning around you are sleep deprived.

You window shop at Radio Shack.

You laptop computer costs more than your car.

Your wife hasn’t the foggiest idea of what you do at work.

You’ve already calculated how much you make per second.

You’ve tried to repair a $5 radio.

*Career Decision (FA 01 2150)*

Q: When does a person decide to become an engineer?

A: When he realizes he doesn’t have the charisma to be an undertaker.

*Birth Control (FA 01 2150)*

Q: What do engineers use for birth control?
A: Their personalities.

_Extroversion (FA 01 2150)_
Q: How can you tell an extroverted engineer?
A: When he talks to you, he looks at your shoes instead of his own.

_Cross the Road (FA 01 2150)_
Q: Why do engineers cross the road?
A: Because they looked in the file and that’s what they did last year.

_Torture (FA 01 2150)_
Q: How do you drive an engineer completely insane?
A: Tie him to a chair, stand in front of him, and fold up a road map the wrong way.

_Genesis (FA 01 2150)_
A doctor, an engineer, and a lawyer get together and have a discussion about which profession came first.

The doctor said, “God created Eve out of one of Adam’s ribs, so He was a doctor first.”

The engineer said, “God created the earth out of chaos and confusion. He must have been an engineer first.”

The lawyer said, “Oh yeah? Well, where do you think the chaos and confusion came from?”

_Management (FA 01 2150)_
A group of managers were given the assignment to measure the height of a flagpole. So they go out to the flagpole with ladders and tape measures, and they’re falling off the ladders and dropping the tape measures- the whole thing is just a mess.

An engineer comes along and sees what they’re trying to do, walks over, and pulls the flagpole out of the ground, lays it flat, measures it from end to end, gives the measurement to one of the managers and walks away. After the engineer has gone, one manager turns to another and laughs. “Isn’t that just like an engineer? We’re looking for the height and he gives us the length.”
Military Jokes

Jokes (FA 01 240)

Speaking of Death (FA 01 240)
This lieutenant comes up to a sergeant and says, “Sergeant, there is a man in your squad whose father died and I’d like you to tell him.”

The sergeant said, “Well, I’d rather not.”

So the lieutenant says, “Well, he’s one of your men and you know him real good, so you just explain it to him.”

So the sergeant calls his men together, you know, “Atten…hup! Private Jones, your father died. Dismissed.”

The guy broke down when he realized it was him the sergeant was talking about. He fell to the ground, crying and bawling and carrying on.

The lieutenant notice and goes back to the sergeant and said, “Look, you ought to do it, you know, in a little better way. Ah, you know, use some common sense and some tact. And let him know in a better way.”

They didn’t have any more bad news for anybody in the squad for a couple of months. After a period of peace, the lieutenant comes back up to the sergeant and says “Ah, you need to tell Private Smith that his mother was killed in a car wreck. Now use a little tack on him, don’t do it like you did the last one.”

The sergeant says, “Okay. I believe I can do it better.”

So he calls all his men together. “Atten…hup! Will everyone in my squad whose mother is still living please step forward. Not so fast Private Smith...”

Vietnam Underwear Exchange (FA 01 240)
Deep in the field, there are troops who haven’t seen civilization for over a month, and haven’t had the chance to shave or bathe or even change their clothes. One day, the lieutenant comes up to the troop and says “Ah, got some good news for you and some bad news.”

“First, the good news. Ah, I’ve arranged for everyone to have a change of underwear.”

Cheers rang out through the crowd; everyone was understandably excited about the news.

“No, the bad news.” He said, after everyone had settled down a bit. “Private Smith, you change with Private Brown. Private Jones, you change with Private Bennet…”

**Military Jokes (FA 01 485)**

**Army Jokes:**

*How to Get in the Army (FA 01 485)*

It’s really easy to get into the army. Two doctors just stand on either side of the recruited and look into his ears. If they can’t see each other, then the recruit is accepted.

*Heart Murmur (FA 01 485)*

A young man with a medical history of heart murmurs was drafted. His doctor said he couldn’t understand his acceptance, so he went to the army doctor. The reply from the Army doctor was, “Think nothing of it, we’ve assigned him to heavy artillery and nobody will ever hear it.”

*Postcard (FA 01 485)*

The army recruiter received a post card from a young man he had recently signed up. The time worn greeting on it had a slight difference, “Having a wonderful time, wish you were here.”

*Purple Heart (FA 01 485)*

The army cook, preparing chow one morning, got a piece of eggshell in his eye. Two weeks later his copy of his “purple heart” award read “treatment—shell fragment removed from eye.”

**Navy Jokes**

*Commander-in-Chief (FA 01 485)*

Just after Pearl Harbor, Admiral Ernest King was appointed Commander-in-Chief, US Fleet. To his displeasure he found his call sign to read “CinCUS” (pronounced Sink us)
A navy unit shot down a plane only to discover it was an American plane. When the pilot was retrieved, unhurt, he was question as to why he was in the area.

The lieutenant answered, “I was taking a short cut to my base.”

The admiral asked “Weren’t you warned about flying over our fleet?”

The Lieutenant replied “Yes, sir, but they also told me about the Navy’s ability to hit anything.”

**Air Force Jokes**

*Birds (FA 01 485)*

The Air Navigation school cadets were hoping for a little unscheduled free time because of dense fog. The instructor insisted that the sky would clear until two starlings walked through the door. Class was immediately canceled. “If the birds are walking, so are we!”

*Thumbtacks (FA 01 485)*

The air force had trouble with unsightly white streaks left on the planes from birds perching on the tails. Crew struggled to keep the planes clean, all except for one plane. Their solution: a neat row of thumbtacks, glued on with the points up.

*Officer (FA 01 485)*

An enlisted man’s son showed up to school on a test day without his pencil. Upset by this, the teacher made an analogy she thought would get her point across. “What would you call a soldier who turned up to battle without a gun?”

Without a second of hesitation, he replied “An officer.”

**Miscellaneous Jokes**

*Telephone Gags and Jokes (FA 01 152)*

_Gag Answers  (FA 01 152)*

Hello, is John there?
This is the place—Brigham speaking.

Joe’s Pool Parlor—eight ball speaking.

Joe’s Bar and Grill—which drunk do you want?

[Smith]’s Mortuary—you kill ‘em we chill ‘em how may I help you?

[Smith]’s Mortuary—you stab ‘em we slab ‘em; how may I help you?

BYU office of student affairs; which student would you like to have an affair with?

Watertower __ which drip would you like?

[Smith] Poultry Farm, which chick would you like?

[Smith]’s Rent-a-Truck, which pick-up would you like?

[Smith]’s Bakery, which crumb would you like?

City Dump

Police Department, Sgt. Berk speaking.

Calling Random numbers on the Telephone:

This is BYU goodnight service—goodnight! (hang up)

Pull the string on a Chatty Kathy Doll (hang up)

Is your clock/refrigerator running? Better go catch it! (hang up)

If a woman answers: Are you the washing woman?

If she says no: You dirty woman! (hang up)

Is your TV on? Does it fit?

To a drugstore: Do you have Prince Albert in a can? You’d better let him out before he smothers.

To a gas station: Do you have Ethyl? You’d better send her home.
Do you have Pop in a can? You’d better let him out, he’s supposed to be home for dinner!

Is John there? Sorry wrong number. (X3) Hi, this is John, are there any messages for me?

Hello, this is the Provo Sewer; we’re getting too much crap on this line.

Do you believe in witches? (Yes) You get three wishes! (No) A witch is going to curse you this night.

**Jokes (FA 01 240)**

*Big John (FA 01 240)*

Ah, did you ever hear the story of Big John?

Well, it takes place in Arizona in the 1800s. There’s these men, all sittin’ around in this saloon talking, and this fellow comes ridin’ in, you know—and runs in the saloon and says, “Big John’s comin’ to town.”

And everybody just scatters—the place just vacates. And this one fellow goes over, with the bartender, and they look out the door. And they see this big guy comin’ in from the edge of town. He’s riding two buffalo (a foot on each buffalo) and he’s whippin’ them with rattlesnakes.

He rides up in the front of the saloon and he stops. He jumps off and runs in and he says, “Give me a drink.”

The bartender says “Ye-es sir.” and gave him a drink. After the big man finished his drink, the bartender offered to pour him another.

He says “Ain’t got time, Big John’s coming to town!”

*Nose on strike (FA 01 240)*

What do you do when your nose is on strike?

Well, you pick it.

*The Boston Bag (FA 01 240)*

I finally got my genealogy traced back as far as the Boston Tea Party. We found out that my great-great-great aunt was the last bag they threw in.

**One-Liner Jokes (FA 01 616)**
Cheerios (FA 01 616)
Q: What did the Frenchman say when he saw a bowl of cheerios?
A: Oh look! Doughnut seeds.”

Devil (FA 01 616)
Q: What did the Frenchman say when he came face to face with the Devil?
A: Where the hell are we?

Cross the Road (FA 01 616)
Q: Why did the chicken cross the road?
A: Because the light was green.

Cross the Road 2 (FA 01 616)
Q: Why did the chicken cross the road?
A: To get to the other side.

Red Sneakers (FA 01 616)
Q: Why was the elephant wearing red sneakers?
A: His blue ones were in the wash.

Biscuit (FA 01 616)
Q: What did one biscuit say when the other one was run over by a car?
A: Oh crumbs.

Pencil (FA 01 616)
Q: What did the fast pencil say to the slow one?
A: Get the lead out.

Green Slam (FA 01 616)
Q: What is green and goes slam, slam, slam, slam?
A: A four door pickle.
Big Red (FA 01 616)
Q: What is big, red, and rides a white horse?
A: The lone Tomato.

Purple (FA 01 616)
Q: What is purple and crawls along the bottom of the ocean?
A: Moby Grape.

The Jokes of Linda Corliss (FA 01 1101)

Spoon (FA 01 1101)
Q: What happened to Aunt Sally when she swallowed a spoon?
A: She couldn’t stir.

Old Lady (FA 01 1101)
Q: What do you call an old lady taking a nap?
A: A sleeping bag.

Why god created the French (FA 01 1101)
God looked down, and he decided to make a beautiful land. So, God created France.

It was a beautiful country. It had the Alps to go skiing. It had Southern France and the ocean and the Mediterranean and the Riviera and Paris. It was just a beautiful country.

God thought about what he had done and decided that he didn’t want all the other countries to be jealous of France.

So, he created the French.

What day is it? (FA 01 1101)
A woman goes window shopping one day, and she sees a beautiful dress in the store window. She goes home and tells her husband about the dress. The next morning as they are waking up, she says, “Honey, do you know what day this is?”
And he goes, “Don’t tell me, don’t get out of bed. I know what day this it.” Then he fixes her a nice breakfast, and brings it to her while she’s in bed. After that, he goes to work.

A few hours later, there’s a delivery boy at the door with a dozen long-stemmed roses for the woman. A couple hours later, another delivery boy comes with a five pound box of chocolates. Two hours after that, a third delivery boy shows up with the exact same dress she had been talking about the night before.

Then her husband comes home and asks his wife, “How was your day?”

She throws her arms around him and says, “That was the best Groundhog’s Day ever!”

**Young Boy’s Jokes (FA 01 1202)**

*Toenails (FA 01 1202)*

Q: Why did the elephant paint his toenails red?

A: To hide in a cherry tree.

*V-day (FA 01 1202)*

Q: What did the rabbit say for Valentine’s Day?

A: HOPPY Valentine’s Day!

*Gorilla Interpersonal Relations (FA 01 1202)*

Q: Why did the gorilla slap its face?

A: It didn’t; a female gorilla slapped it.

Q: Why did the female gorilla slap the male gorilla?

A: Because she felt like it.

*Turkey Crossing (FA 01 1202)*

Q: Why did the turkey cross the road?

A: To get to the feast of the chickens.

*Lion Dinner (FA 01 1202)*
Q: Why did the lion eat the chicken?
A: Because he was too hungry to eat an elephant.

Cat Car (FA 01 1202)
Q: What kind of car does a cat drive?
A: A Cadillac.

Boo (FA 01 1202)
Knock Knock
Q: Who’s there?
A: Boo
Q: Boo who?
A: You don’t have to cry, it’s only a joke.

V-day 2 (FA 01 1202)
Q: What did the astronaut say on Valentine's Day?
A: You’re out of this world.

BYU Employee E-Mail Jokes and Anecdotes (FA 01 1350)

Subject: Levity (obituary) (FA 01 1350)
Veteran Pillsbury spokesman Pop N. Fresh died Wednesday of a severe yeast infection. He was 71. He was buried Friday in one of the biggest funerals in years. Dozens of celebrities turned out, including Mrs. Butterworth, the California Raisins, Hungry Jack, Betty Crocker, and the Hostess Twinkies. The graveside was piled high with flours, as longtime friend Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy, describing Fresh as a man who “never knew he was kneaded”.

Fresh rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a smart cookie, and wasted much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Still, even as a crusty old man, he was a role model to millions. Fresh is survived by his second wife. They had two children and one in the oven.
Spellchecker Song (FA 01 1350)

I have a spelling checker.

It came with my PC.

It plane lee marks four my revue

Miss steaks aye can knot see.

Eye ran this poem threw it.

Our sure real glad two no.

Its very polished in its weigh,

My checker tolled me sew.

A checker is a blessing.

It freeze yew lodes of thyme.

It helps me right awl stiles two reed,

And aides me when aye rime.

Each frays comes posed up on my screen

Eye trussed too bee a joule.

The checker pours o'er every word

To cheque sum spelling rule.

Bee fore a veiling checkers
Hour spelling mite decline,

And if we’re lacks oar have a laps,

We wood bee maid too wine.

Butt now bee cause my spelling

Is checked with such grate flare,

There are know faults with in my cite,

Of nun eye am a wear.

Know spelling does not phase me,

It does not bring a tier.

My pay purrs awl due glad den

With wrapped words fare as hear.

To rite with care is quite a feet

Of witch won should be proud,

And wee mussed dew the best wee can,

Sew flaws are knot around.

Sow eye can sea why aye dew prays

Such soft wear four pea seas,
And why eye brake in two averse
Buy righting want too please.

Mermaid (FA 01 1350)
Three men went fishing. Out of the blue, they catch a mermaid who begs to be set free in return for granting each of them a wish.

Now one of the guys doesn’t believe it, so he says, “Okay, if you can really grant wishes, then double my IQ.”

The mermaid says, “Done.”

Suddenly, the guy starts reciting Shakespeare flawlessly and analyzing it with extreme insight. The second guy is so amazed he says to the mermaid, “Triple my IQ.”

The mermaid says, “Done.”

The guy starts to spout all sorts of mathematical solutions to problems that have been stumping scientists for years.

The last guy is so enthralled with the changes in his friends, that he says to the mermaid, “Quintuple my IQ”

The mermaid looks at him and says, “You know, I normally don’t try to change people’s minds when they make a wish but I really wish you’d reconsider.”

The guy says, “Nope, I want you to increase my IQ times five, and if you don’t do it, I won’t set you free.”

“Please,” says the mermaid, “You don’t know what you’re asking. It’ll change your entire view on the universe... won’t you ask for something else... a million dollars? Anything?”

But no matter what the mermaid said, the guy insisted on having his IQ increased by five times.

So the mermaid sight and said, “Done,” and changed him into a woman.

Panda (FA 01 1350)
A panda walks into a bar, sits down and orders a sandwich. He eats the sandwich, pulls out a gun and shoots the waiter dead.

As the panda stands up to go, the bartender shouts, “Hey! Where are you going? You just shot my waiter and you didn’t pay for your sandwich!”

The panda yells back at the bartender, “Hey man, I’m a PANDA! Look it up!”

The bartender opens his dictionary and sees the following definition for panda: “A tree dwelling marsupial of Asian origin, characterized by distinct black and white coloring. Eats shoots and leaves.”

Why God Never Got Tenure (FA 01 1350)
1. Only one major publication
2. … in Hebrew
3. … no references
4. It wasn’t published in a refereed journal.
5. There are some doubts that he wrote it himself
6. It may be true that he created the world, but what has he done since then?
7. The scientific community has a hard time replicating his results.
8. Never applied to the ethics board for permission to use human subjects.
9. When experiment went awry, tried to cover it by drowning subjects.
10. When subjects didn’t behave as predicted, deleted them from sample.
11. Rarely came to class and just told students to read the book
12. Expelled the first two students for learning too much
13. Only had ten requirements, but most of his students failed them.
14. Office hours infrequent and usually held on mountain top.

Filipino Humor: Understanding the Meaning behind the Jokes (FA 01 1870)

Toothpick (FA 01 1870)

There was once a senora, a rich lady of the house. She said to her maid, “Oh Maria, why don’t we have any toothpicks? I just bought some, but there aren’t any.” Maria replied, “Oh goodness, I don’t know! Whenever I use a toothpick, I always put it back!”
Jose’s Cat  (FA 01 1870)
There were once two brothers, Mario and Jose. One day, Jose says to Mario, “I’m going to Canada. Would you please look after my cat while I’m away?”

“Yes of course,” Replies Mario, “You can leave it with me. I’ll watch it carefully.” So Jose leaves his cat with Mario. A little while later, Jose calls up Mario and says, “How is my cat?”

Mario said, “Your cat died because it went out of the gate and ran through traffic. It was run over and died instantly.”

“Gosh big brother! Don’t do that! You surprised me. I wish you had only said, ‘Oh, your cat, I was looking for it because I couldn’t see it. It went out of the house, climbed a tree, couldn’t get down, fell, was hurt and crippled, then got sick and died.’ If you would have said it like that I wouldn’t have been surprised.

Oh well, there’s nothing I can do, my cat is dead, how’s mom?”

“Oh mom… climbed up a tree...”

Wrong Number  (FA 01 1870)
There was a man named Jose who was very angry with his wife. One day he was at work and he called home. “Totoy?” (younger male person) he asked, when the phone was picked up. “Is the lady of the house there?”

“Yes sir, she is here.”

“Where is she?”

“She is in the bedroom, sir.”

“Can I talk to her?”

“Er, the room is locked.”

“Why is it locked?”

The boy didn’t answer.

“Why is it locked? Tell me the truth.”
“She has a friend who came over. He is male. They went into the room and locked the door.”

“Okay totoy, this is what you’re going to do: Go to the study room, open the cabinet. In the cabinet is a gun, get it and come talk to me again.”

The boy left, and when he came back, said, “I’m holding the gun sir.”

Okay. Open the door to the room and then shoot the man and the woman, your senora.”

Totoy went into the room and shot them. “I shot them, sir.”

“Now, wrap them in a blanket and toss them in the swimming pool.”

“We don’t have a swimming pool, sir.”

“What? Who am I talking to? Isn’t this Juan?”

“No, sir.”

“Oh. Wrong number.”

*The American  (FA 01 1870)*

An American went to the Philippines to pick up his mail-order bride. He was going to Macabebe. He stood up and asked the driver, “How long is it to Macabebe (pronounced like make-a-baby).

The bus driver looks at him and says, “Nine months.” The man is upset because that is so long and so gets off the bus and goes to the nearest restaurant. At the restaurant the waiter asks him what he wants to eat.

The American said, “It’s up to you” (it sounds like ketchup at toyo which means ketchup and soy sauce)

The waiter thinks this is weird, but brings him ketchup and toyo. After the meal, the waiter asks, “How was your meal, sir.”

Angry, the American says “Shut up!”

The waiter says “He said, Masarap!”(delicious)
Light Bulb Jokes (FA 01 1741)

Relief Society Sister (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many relief society sisters does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Three, one to change the light bulb, one to bring the tablecloth, and one to bring the refreshments.

Elders Quorum Members (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many elders quorum members does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Four: you assign four, but only one shows up.

High Priests (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many high priests does it take to change a light bulb?

A: One to change it, two to support the wheelchair.

Tenors (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many tenors does it take to change a light bulb?

A: One, he stands with the bulb in the socket, and the world revolves around him.

Surrealists (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many surrealists does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Three, one to go get the elephant, the second to drive the truck, and one to pick the apples.

Psychologists (FA 01 1741)
Q: how many psychologists does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Just one, but the light bulb has to want to make the change.

Elder Missionaries (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many elder missionaries does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Two, they work in pairs, but they never show up.

Newfies (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many Newfies does it take to change a light bulb?
A: Two, one to hold the bulb, and one to turn his legs.

_BYU Students (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many BYU students does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Only one, but it takes them seven years.

_Feminists (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many feminists does it take to change a light bulb?

A: That’s not funny!

_Blondes (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many blondes does it take to change a light bulb?

A: A hundred, one to hold the light bulb and ninety-nine to turn the house.

_Politicians (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many politicians does it take to change a light bulb?

A: One to change the light bulb and two to assure the public that everything that can be done is being done.

_Bullies (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many bullies does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Four, you got a problem with that?

_Mormons (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many Mormons does it take to change a light bulb?

A: One, and the rest bring refreshments.

_Frat Boys (FA 01 1741)_

Q: How many frat guys does it take to change a light bulb?

A: One to hold the light bulb and the rest to drink until the world starts spinning.

_Engineers (FA 01 1741)_
Q: How many engineers does it take to change a light bulb?

A: None if it was engineered right.

Irish Men (FA 01 1741)
Q: How many Irish men does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Fourteen, one to hold the bulb and thirteen to drink until the room spins ‘round.

A Light Bulb for Every Occasion: A Collection Of and Commentary on Light Bulb Jokes (FA 01 1804)

Christians (FA 01 1804)
Q: How many non-denominational Christians does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A: Three, yet they’re really one.

Engineers 2 (FA 01 1804)
Q: How many engineers does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A: None, that’s a maintenance problem.

Flies (FA 01 1804)
Q: How many flies does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A: Two.

Programmers (FA 01 1804)
Q: How many programmers does it take to change a light bulb?

A: None, that’s a hardware problem.

Activists (FA 01 1804)
Q: How many gay=rights activists does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A: None, the light bulb shouldn’t have to change for society to accept it.

Actors (FA 01 1804)
Q: How many actors does it take to change a light bulb?
A: Only one, they don’t like to share the spotlight.

*Princeton Students (FA 01 1804)*

Q: How many Princeton students does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Two. One to mix the martinis and one to call the electrician.

*Brown Students (FA 01 1804)*

Q: How many Brown students does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Eleven. One to change the light bulb, and ten to share the experience.

*Penn Students (FA 01 1804)*

Q: How many Penn students does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Only one, but he gets six credits for it.

*Columbia Students (FA 01 1804)*

Q: How many Columbia students does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Seventy-six. One to change the light bulb, fifty to protest the light bulb’s right not to change, and twenty-five to hold a counter-protest.

**Occupational Jokes**

*Jokelore of Western Airlines Reservation Agents (FA 01 219)*

*Plane Crash (FA 01 219)*

Customer: Do the big planes crash very often?

Travel Agent: Only once!

*Bags (FA 01 219)*

Customer: How many bags can I take on the plane?

Travel Agent: Two
Customer: Does that include my wife?

*Payment (FA 01 219)*

Travel Agent: How are you going to pay for your ticket?

Customer: Reluctantly.

*New Jersey (FA 01 219)*

Customer: I’d like to make a reservation for Newark, New Jersey.

Travel Agent: I’m sorry, the only Newark that Western services is in New York.

*Dog (FA 01 219)*

Customer: Can I take my dog with me into the cabin?

Travel Agent: I’m sorry; the dog has to go into the baggage compartment.

Customer: But he doesn’t know he’s a dog!

Travel Agent: I’m sorry; no dogs are allowed in the front.

Customer: Well, we just can’t be separated. Can I ride with him in the baggage compartment?

*North Carolina (FA 01 219)*

Customer: I want to go to North Carolina.

Travel Agent: Where abouts in that state?

Customer: About in the middle.

*Spelling (FA 01 219)*

Travel Agent: How do you spell your name sir?

Customer: S as in Sam—no wait, S as in Stanley, Sam is my dog.

*Jokes (FA 01 240)*
One day a priest was going about his duties when he saw a drunken man stumble in the back door. He went around back to the confession booths. The priest thought that no one would come into Confession in that condition, but after waiting about five minutes, the drunk still hadn’t come out, so he decided that he must have come to confess.

The Priest goes into his side of the booth, and peeks through the little slot to see if the drunken man is okay and meets the old drunks’ eyes. Then the drunk says, “What’s the matter? Don’t you have any toilet paper over there either?”

Socialized Medicine  (FA 01 240)
I was reading in the paper the other day about socialized medicine. Do you know what socialized medicine is? Well, they have it like in Canada and England. It’s where the government pays for the doctor’s expenses and everything, so it’s all government funded.

This one fellow, he hurt his leg at work (on the job) and he was having trouble with it. And finally, he went to the doctor, but he waited, he waited quite some time because he didn’t know it was really that bad until it started hurting really bad.

He goes to the doctor and the doctor tells him that he has got gangrene and the only way to save his life is to amputate—cut his leg off. And the guy didn’t want to lose his leg, but then he didn’t want to lose his life either, so he said, “Okay... fine.”

Now the way socialized medicine works over in England is that they work eight hours and when the time’s up, then they leave and whoever replaces them takes over when they left off.

And this guy goes in and they shave his legs for medical purposes before he goes into the operating room. Well, the time came for the doctor to go home, so another doctor comes in and he is just told to cut the bad leg off. By mistake, he cuts off the wrong leg, since they’re both shaven. When the other doctor comes back, he realizes the mistake and they cut the right leg off since it’s still diseased.

When the man recuperates, he wants to press charges against the doctors. He goes before bench, and the judge says “I’ve been reviewing all the facts, and I’m sorry but you just don’t have a leg to stand on.”

The Traveling Salesman Joke Today (FA 01 330)

It’s the Cat!  (FA 01 330)
There are three traveling salesmen who stopped for the night at a farm house. The farmer said they could stay in his spare room, but warned them to stay away from his daughter’s room. He spent the night sleeping in a chair in the hallway with his shotgun across his lap.

The first salesman decided to try something anyway. He sneaked into the daughter’s room and out successfully, but on the way back, he stepped on a squeaky board, startling the farmer awake. The farmer cried “Who’s there!!”

The salesman said “Meow,” and the farmer said, “Oh, it’s just the cat.”

Flush with success, the first salesman tells his tale of victory to his comrades, and the second salesman decides to follow his pattern. He goes successfully to and from the room, but gets caught on the squeaky board. He too is saved by the pretense of his being a cat. So the third salesman figures he has nothing to lose.

He goes to the room, but on the way back, he steps on the squeaky board, and when the farmer calls out “Who’s there?” He replies “It’s the cat!”

Trading Sides  (FA 01 330)
There was a traveling salesman, and his car broke down, so he went to a farm house to see if he could spend the night there. The farmer said “Yeah, there’s a bed upstairs and you can sleep there. But it’s my daughter’s bed too. She isn’t home now, but she’ll probably be coming in later, and she’ll share the bed with you.”

The salesman went up to bed, and went to sleep. When the daughter got home, she bumped him to wake him up, knowing how these sorts of jokes go. She lay there, waiting for him to make a move, but he never did. She figured that if she asked him to trade sides with her, he’d have to roll over her, and that would get things started. Instead, he got out of the bed, walked to the other side, and went back to sleep.

Half an hour later, she decided to try it again, but the result was the same. He walked to the other side and went back to sleep. Finally, she decided to give it one last try, and she asks to trade sides. He walks all the way around the bed, and as he gets in, she gives up on subtlety and says, “Don’t you know by now what I want?” and the salesman says “Yeah, you want the whole damn bed!”

“Rice”  (FA 01 330)
A traveling salesman stays at a farmhouse. The Farmer gave him a room and asked him not to go into his daughter’s room. He does, because what else is a traveling salesman to do? The next morning the farmer asks him if he kept his word, and he admits that he hadn’t. He asks “I kissed her, but she had rice in her mouth. What was the rice for?” The farmer says “That’s maggots, she’s been dead for two years.”

**Thirsty (FA 01 330)**

There is this traveling salesman who is driving across the desert, and he is extremely dehydrated. There was no place to stop in sight and he didn’t have any food or water. He gets thirstier and thirstier as he drives but finally he comes across a small farmhouse. He drives up and asks the farmer if he has any water, and the farmer says “Sure do. I’ve got lots. You can stay the night and have all the food and water you want, but I don’t have a daughter.” So the salesman says, “Where’s the next farm house?”

**Without Thinking (FA 01 330)**

A travelling salesman had just come home to his wife after several weeks on the road. Just inside the door, they were clenched together in a long hug when a knock came at the door, and, without thinking she said, “That’s my husband. Quick, jump out the window!” and, without thinking, he did.

**You’re It (FA 01 330)**

The travelling salesman goes out, gets stuck and has to spend the night at a small farm. The farmer says “You’ll be sleeping in the room next to my daughter, so don’t try anything.” The salesman is really straight, and figures he’s not going to try anything or cause any trouble. So he’s sleeping in the room next to where the daughter is, and he doesn’t try anything, but pretty soon the daughter comes into his room and starts going after him. She chases him around the room and he runs outside. She chases him all over the farm, inside and out, and finally the guy is worn out and stops running. “All right!” he says, “You win, here I am.” So the girl comes up, tags him on the shoulder, and says, “You’re it!”

**Fridge Joke (FA 01 330)**

There was an old man who lived with his beautiful daughter. He was fiercely protective of her, to the point of being smothering, and wouldn’t let her go out or stay home alone. One day though, he had to go to town and decided it would be okay for her to stay home alone. He told her to lock the door and not allow anyone in until he got back.
He returned home earlier than expected and discovered his daughter dressed up in a beautiful evening gown, listening to soft music and wearing exotic perfume. He immediately jumped to the conclusion that someone must be there with her, though she claimed that she was alone. He raged through the house, ripping through closets and tossing furniture about, searching for her mystery man.

Unable to find anyone, he almost gave up and accepted his daughter's word for truth, but as he looked out the window, he caught a glimpse of an attractive man leaning against a nice car while smoking a cigarette.

In a fit of rage and vindication, he threw his refrigerator out the window, killing the young man below. Unfortunately for him, the strain caused his heart to seize, and he killed himself along with the young man.

Up in heaven, St. Peter had to deal with the incoming. The young man showed up first, and Peter asked him “What’s your story? How did you die?” The guy said “I know it sounds kind of crazy, but I was just standing by my car when this refrigerator fell out of the sky and landed on me!” To this, St. Peter replied “Well, I’m pretty busy right now, go sit on that bench over there and I’ll attend to you later.”

The young man vacated his space just as the old father appeared. Answering the same question for St. Peter, he told St. Peter the whole story about his daughter and the refrigerator and St. Peter throws up his hands, “This is too much for me! Go sit on that bench and I’ll deal with you later!”

As the old man leaves, yet another man enters. “What do you want?” St. Peter snaps, to which the guy says “I want to get in.” So St. Peter asks him how he dies, and the man says “Well, I was sitting in this refrigerator...”

The Vacuum Cleaner Salesman  (FA 01 330)

There was once a vacuumed seller who grew tired of people slamming the door in his face in the city. He decided to go to the country where he thought that people would appreciate him more. He was so enthusiastic about it that he ran up to the first farmhouse he saw, knocked on the door and started right into his pitch when the woman of the house opened the door.
“I want to demonstrate my product; the finest electric vacuum money can buy!” Then he threw some
dirt on the floor, poured a little ketchup on it and made a real mess. “I guarantee that my vacuum
cleaner will clean all that up. If it doesn’t, I’ll eat it up!”

The woman turned and went out to the kitchen and came back with a spoon. The salesman said,
“What’s that for? You haven’t even given me a chance.” The lady replied “It won’t do you much good
to try—we don’t have electricity.”

Sassy Farmer  (FA 01 330)

A group of traveling salesmen in a joking mood were walking along a farm and came upon a farmer
at work in his field. “Have you seen a wagon full of monkeys pass by here?” They asked. “Nope,” he
answered, “Why, did you fall off?”

BYU Employee E-Mail Jokes and Anecdotes (FA 01 1350)

Understanding What Want Ads Really Mean (FA 01 1350)

“JOIN OUR FAST-PACED COMPANY”

We have no time to train you; you’ll have to introduce yourself to your coworkers.

“IMMEDIATE OPENING”

The person who used to have this job gave notice a month ago. We’re just now running the ad.

“SALES POSITION REQUIRING MOTIVATED SELF-STARTER”

We’re not going to supply you with leads; there’s no base salary; you’ll wait 30 days for your first
commission check.

“SELF MOTIVATED”

Management won’t answer questions.

“PENSION/RETIREMENT BENEFITS”

After 3 years, we’ll allow you to fund your own 401(k) and, if you behave we’ll give you a 5 percent
matching contribution.

“COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT”
We have a lot of turn over.

“EXCITING AND PROFESSIONAL WORK ENVIRONMENT”

Guys in gray suits will bore you with tales of squash and their weekends on yachts.

“JOIN OUR DYNAMIC TEAM”

We all listen to nutty motivational tapes.

“MUST BE DEADLINE ORIENTED”

You’ll be six months behind schedule on your first day.

“FLEXIBLE HOURS”

Work 40 hours; get paid for 25.

“DUTIES WILL VARY”

Anyone in the office can boss you around.

“MUST HAVE AN EYE FOR DETAIL”

We have no quality control.

“SEEKING CANDIDATES WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF EXPERIENCE”

You’ll need it to replace three people who just left.

“PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS A MUST”

You’re walking into a company in perpetual chaos.

“REQUIRES TEAM LEADERSHIP SKILLS”

You’ll have the responsibilities of a manager, without the pay or respect.

“GOOD COMMUNICATION SKILLS”

Management communicates, you listen, figure out what they want and do.
“ABILITY TO HANDLE A HEAVY WORK LOAD”

You whine, you’re fired.

*Medical Terminology for the Lay Person (FA 01 1350)*

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Genital not a Jew

Hangnail a coat hook

Impotent distinguished, well known

Labor pain getting hurt at work

Medical staff a doctor’s cane

Minor operation coal digging

Morbid a higher offer

Nitrate lower than the day rate

Node was aware of

Organic church musician

Outpatient a person who has fainted

Pelvis a cousin of Elvis

Post-operative a letter carrier

Protein in favor of young people

Recovery Room place to do upholstery

Recti, dang near killed ‘em

Secretion hiding anything

Seizure Roman emperor

Tablet a small table

Terminal illness getting sick at the airport

Tumor an extra pair
Urinalysis                             what you get from your psychiatrist
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Urine                                     opposite of ‘you’re out’
Varicose veins                   veins that are very close together
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Thermodynamics Exam (FA 01 1350)
A thermodynamics professor had written a take home exam for his graduate students. It had one question: “Is hell exothermic or endothermic? Support your answer with a proof.”

Most of the students wrote proofs using their beliefs using Boyle’s Law or some variant. One student however wrote the following:

First we postulate that if souls exist, then they must have some mass. If they do, then a mole of souls can also have a mass. So, at what rate are souls moving into hell and at what rate are souls leaving? I think we can safely assume that once a soul gets to hell, it will not leave.

Therefore, no souls are leaving. As for souls entering hell, let’s look at the different religions that exist in the world today. Some of these religions state that if you are not a member of their religion, you will go to hell. Since there are more than one of these religions, and people do not belong to more than one religion, we can project that all people and all souls go to hell.

With birth and death rates as they are, we can expect the number of souls in hell to increase exponentially. Now, we look at the rate of change in volume in hell. Boyle’s Law states that in order for temperature and pressure in hell to stay the same, the ration of mass of souls and volume needs to stay constant.

So, if hell is expanding at a slower rate than the rate at which souls enter hell, then the temperature and pressure in hell will increase until all hell breaks loose.

Of course, if hell is expanding at a rate faster than the increase of souls, than the temperature and pressure will drop until hell freezes over.

Dissonance, Blasting, Pizzicato: The Ethnocentric Jokes Musicians Tell (FA 01 2054)

Stage (FA 01 2054)
Q: How can you tell if the stage is level?

A: If drool is coming out of both sides of the drummer’s mouth.

*Drummer (FA 01 2054)*

Q: How do you get a drummer to stop playing?

A: Put a sheet of music in front of him.

*Viola Players (FA 01 2054)*

Q: What do viola players use for birth control?

A: Their personality.

*Viola vs. Violin (FA 01 2054)*

Q: What’s the difference between a viola and a violin?

A: A viola burns longer.

*Accordion (FA 01 2054)*

Q: What is the range of an accordion?

A: About 300 feet.

*Banjo Player (FA 01 2054)*

Q: How can you tell if a banjo player has perfect pitch?

A: He can throw his banjo into a lake without hitting any ducks.

*Perfect Pitch (FA 01 2054)*

Q: What is perfect pitch?

A: A banjo thrown into a dumpster.

*Smashed Banjo (FA 01 2054)*

Q: What’s the difference between a dead skunk in the road and a smashed banjo in the road?

A: There are skid marks in front of the skunk.
Monster (FA 01 2054)
Q: What has twelve arms, twelve legs, and fourteen teeth?
A: The front row of a banjo workshop.

Saxophone and Trombone (FA 01 2054)
Q: If you drop a saxophone and a trombone off a cliff at the same time, which will hit the ground first?
A: Who cares?

Oboe vs. Onion (FA 01 2054)
Q: What’s the difference between an oboe and an onion?
A: Nobody cries when an oboe gets cut up.

Bari Sax and Lawnmower (FA 01 2054)
Q: What’s the difference between a bari sax and a lawnmower?
A: A little bit of vibrato.

Trumpet Players (FA 01 2054)
Q: How many trumpet players does it take to screw in a light bulb.
A: One to do it, and five to stand around and say how much better they could have done.

Unlocked (FA 01 2054)
There was a banjo player who went into a restaurant and halfway through the meal said, “Oh no! I left my car unlocked with my banjo inside!” He rushed out to lock his car and sure enough, there were five more banjos in the car.

Instrumentalists (FA 01 2054)
St. Peter was sitting at the gate when three people came up to try to get in. The first guy comes up and says, “I was a successful trial lawyer and made three hundred thousand dollars a year.” St. Peter said, “That’s great, come on in.”

The next guy comes up and says, “I was an upper level executive in a major corporation and I made three hundred fifty thousand dollars a year.” St. Peter said, “Alright, come on in.”
The third guy came up to the gate and said, “I made thirteen thousand dollars a year.” “Oh really,” said St. Peter, “What instrument did you play?”

**Political Jokes**

**A Collection of Political Jokes and Stories (FA 01 161 )**

*Spiro’s Bodyguard (FA 01 161 )*

Q: Did you hear about the bodyguard assigned to Spiro Agnew?

A: His orders are that if anything happens to President Nixon, he’s supposed to shoot Agnew.

*McGovern’s Military Officers (FA 01 161 )*

Q: Some people are worried that if McGovern gets elected the military officers will be out of a job.

A: I’m not worried! They’ll have to activate the Guard to keep him in office.

*Mary Jo (FA 01 161 )*

Q: What did Teddy Kennedy say to Mary Jo when she told him that she might be pregnant?

A: We’ll cross that bridge when we come to it.

*Peace Talks (FA 01 161 )*

Q: Do you know how they forced North Vietnam to come to the peace talks?

A: They threatened to send Spiro Agnew over there with a bucket of golf balls.

*Oral Surgery (FA 01 161 )*

Q: Did you hear about the oral surgery that they had to perform on Spiro Agnew?

A: They had to remove his foot from his mouth.

*Nixon vs. Kennedy (FA 01 161 )*

Q: If Nixon were running against Ted Kennedy in this election which would you vote for?

A: Nixon, because he can put a man on the moon and Kennedy can’t even drive a whore across a bridge.
McGovern Fried Chicken (FA 01 161)
Q: Did you hear about that special on McGovern fried chicken?
A: It’s all left wings and rear ends.

Nixon Ends Hijacking (FA 01 161)
Q: Did you hear Nixon’s plan for ending hijacking?
A: He’s going to bomb all the airports.

McGovern Ends Hijacking (FA 01 161)
Q: Did you hear McGovern’s plan?
A: He’s going to give everyone $1000 as they get on the airplane.

Poverty Program (FA 01 161)
Q: Have you heard Nixon’s new slogan for the poverty program?
A: “Join the war on poverty: kill a beggar.”

Redecorating (FA 01 161)
Q: Did you hear how L.B.J. is redecorating the white house?
A: He’s carpeting it with wax paper to catch the Bird droppings.

Horse Factory (FA 01 161)
Q: Did you hear about that horse factory in Arizona?
A: They assemble the front half of the horse there, and send the rear end to Washington DC.

Hall of Fame (FA 01 161)
They wanted to put a bust of LBJ in the Hall of Fame, but they couldn’t decide where to put it. They couldn’t put it next to George Washington because he never told a lie. They couldn’t put it next to Franklin Roosevelt because he never told anything but a lie. Finally, the decided to put it next to Christopher Columbus because he started out not knowing where he was going, and ended up not knowing where he’d been, and did it all on borrowed money.

Happy (FA 01 161)
One day the LBJ family was flying over the United States in their private plane. LBJ took out a twenty dollar bill from his pocket and said, “I think I’ll throw this out and make one person happy.” Lady Bird said, “Why don’t you throw out two ten dollar bills and make two people happy? Linda said “Why don’t you throw out four five dollar bills and make four people happy?” Lucy said, “Why don’t you throw out twenty one dollar bills and make twenty people happy?” Finally, the pilot said, “Why don’t you jump out and make everybody happy?”

*Obituary (FA 01 161)*

One day a Southern Democrat was reading the obituaries when he came across an item which read: “Today we buried a good Republican and a great man.” “Well,” he said, “I didn’t know that they would put two men in the same grave.”

*Winning (FA 01 161)*

During the last election a group of people at party headquarters noticed that their candidate was pacing up and down and really looked worried. One of them informed the candidate that he was leading by a large margin and asked him why he looked so worried. “Well,” he said, “I know what we Republicans do when we lose, but what do we do when we win?”

*Self-Made Man (FA 01 161)*

Two politicians were having a debate and the first kept praising himself. When the second finally had an opportunity to speak, he said “My opponent says that he is a self-made man. Well, that sure exonerates the Lord from a lot of responsibility.”

*Political Jokes of the 70’s (FA 01 214)*

*Politician Code (FA 01 214)*

When a politician says “Let me make one thing perfectly clear” you know he is really saying, “I’m going to pull the wool over your eyes.”

*Drinking (FA 01 214)*

You know you’ve had too much to drink when you listen to one of the president’s explanations and it makes sense.

*Milhous (FA 01 214)*

I don’t understand why everyone is so surprised about the political goings on, where there’s a Milhous, there’s bound to be a Watergate.
Did you know that Barry Goldwater is the only republican who is not out on bail this year?

When Barry Goldwater was asked if he belonged to an organized political party, he answered, “No, I’m a republican.”

McGovern said he always wanted to run for president in the worst way, and that’s just the way he ran.

McGovern said they named a new movie after him. It’s called “Downhill Racer.”

John Mitchell told the President that he’d always be on tap if he needed him.

Have you heard about the new group called the Nixons? They’ll give you the records but not the tapes.

I’ve finally figured out why he is called Nixon. He’s always saying “Nix” on this or “Nix” on that. Like “Nix” on giving up the tapes or “Nix on getting gas on Sunday.

Can you think of a better name for the president’s friend than Rebozo? Like I Bozo’ed yesterday, I’ll Bozo today, and I’ll Rebozo tomorrow!

At the time Nixon ran for his second term, his motto was “four more years.” Now his motto is “Four more years, with time off for good behavior.”

There’s good news, bad news, and Agnews.
Everyone these days has been getting confused with all we hear about the energy crisis. Even the
President is confused, he started driving 68 and turned his heat down to 50.

*Pat (FA 01 214)*

Pat and the President were sitting in their resort at Key Biscane when Pat said, “Dick, what would
you do if I told you I drove the get-away car?”

*Nixon Sandwich (FA 01 214)*

The Nixon Sandwich—Buy it at Waldorf Astoria for $2.98. It consists of two slices of dry bread,
catsup, mustard, a piece of wilted lettuce, and a whole lot of baloney.

*Watergate Deodorant (FA 01 214)*

Have you heard about Watergate Deodorant—it doesn’t stop the odor, it just puts the blame on
someone else.

*80 WPM (FA 01 214)*

Most secretaries have to be able to type 80 words a minute to be hired for a job. In Washington D.C.,
secretaries have to be able to erase 80 words per minute to get a job.

*Nixon Doll (FA 01 214)*

What do you do with a Nixon Doll? You wind it up and it has a crisis.

**Political Jokes from Central America: “La Pintura Morado” (FA 01 481)**

*Black and Blue (FA 01 481)*

Q: Why did they paint the National Palace black and blue?

A: To disseminate the signs of so many Military Coups.

*General Electric (FA 01 481)*

One time in Guatemala there were so many Generals that the army did not know what to do with
them. There was one general in specific that they just didn’t have anything to do with, so they made
him President. In his new presidential office, they sent him a television from General Electric, but
the only words he could read were his own name, so he sent it back, because it was for some other
general.

*Natural Disaster (FA 01 481)*
The communists were defeating one country after another. They defeated Nicaragua and were going to execute the President by firing squad. When they were just about to shoot him, he got an idea of how to escape. He shouted, “Earthquake! Earthquake!” and escaped while the communists were panicking. The president of El Salvador followed his example and shouted “Hurricane! Hurricane!” and likewise escaped. In Guatemala, however, when President Lucas tried the same trick, he shouted “Fire! Fire!” and they did.

*Tables (FA 01 481)*

President Molina was traveling by car with his bodyguards. They came to a bridge made of boards that had to be crossed. The bodyguard went to see if the bridge was fine. They realized that the tables were broken. They came back running and screaming, “President, tables! Tables!” President Molina began directly, “One and one are one, one and two are two ...”

*No Smoking (FA 01 481)*

One day the President of El Salvador traveled on a passenger plane that had many instructions written in English. When he had sat took off his smoking jacket and his friends asked him if he needed more fresh air. He said no and only had complied with the rules of “no smoking” light.

*Nivea (FA 01 481)*

President of Salvador was in her bathroom using Nivea cream on her face with her eyes closed. One of her friends asked her why she was doing so on. The president replied, “The cream says ‘Ni-vea’.” (Command form of don’t look.)

*Guatemala (FA 01 481)*

The candidates for President in Guatemala are traveling together in a passenger plane just before the election. Some of these candidates wanted to poll the passengers to see who would win the election. When asked his opinion of the venture, Candidate Llevara said “What for, I already know I won.”

*OJ Simpson Jokes (FA 01 1248)*

*Dr. Seuss Style (FA 01 1248)*

Judge Ito: Did you do this awful crime? Did you do it anytime?

OJ: I did not do this awful crime. I could not, would not, anytime.

JI: Did you take this person’s life? Did you do it with a knife?
OJ: I Did not do it with a knife. I did not, could not, kill my wife. I did not do this awful crime. I could not, would not, anytime.

JI: Did you leave a pool of blood? Did you drop this bloody glove?

OJ: I did not leave a pool of blood. I cannot even wear that glove. I did not do it with a knife. I did not, could not, kill my wife. I did not do this awful crime. I could not, would not, anytime.

Marriage (FA 01 1248)
Q: Did you hear that OJ wants to get remarried?
A: He thought he might take another stab at it.

Sponsor (FA 01 1248)
Q: Did you hear that OJ has a new sponsor?
A: Slice picked him up.

Hertz (FA 01 1248)
Q: Did you hear that OJ was picked up by Hertz again?
A: They have a new slogan: Hertz gets you there with an hour to kill.

Golf (FA 01 1248)
Q: Did you hear that OJ played golf right after he got out of prison?
A: He has his slice down pat, but his driving stinks.

Rodney King (FA 01 1248)
Q: Did you know that during OJ’s slow freeway chase Rodney King called him on his car phone?
A: He told him, “Whatever you do, don’t get out of the car!”

John Elway (FA 01 1248)
Q: What is the difference between John Elway and OJ Simpson?
A: OJ had a slow white Bronco, and John Elway is a slow white Bronco.

Justice (FA 01 1248)
Q: Robert Shapiro asked Johnny Cochran what the verdict was. Johnny said “Justice prevailed!”

A: Shapiro yelled, “Appeal, Appeal!”

Arkansas (FA 01 1248)
Q: Do you know why OJ can’t move to Arkansas?
A: Because they all have the same DNA.

Joe Montana (FA 01 1248)
Q: What would happen if Joe Montana killed three people?
A: He’d set a new NFL record.

Jokes of Disapproval: The Function of Jokes Regarding Homosexuality (FA 01 1427)

Son Bragging (FA 01 1248)
Three guys are out golfing and the first guy is really proud of his son, so bragging, he says, “My son is doing so well in the hot tub business that he was able to give one of his friends a free hot tub.”

The second guy, also proud of his son and not to be out done, says, “Oh yeah? My son is doing so well in the car business that he was able to afford to give a car to one of his friends for free.”

The third guy is quiet for a while and finally he speaks up and says, “My son just came out of the closet. He’s gay, but at least his lovers gave him a hot tub and a car.”

Jokes, Politics, and Privacy (FA 01 1475)

Lawyer and Politician (FA 01 1248)
Q: What do you get when you mix a crooked lawyer with a bad politician?
A: Chelsea.

Saddam Hussein (FA 01 1248)
Q: What do Clinton and Saddam Hussein have in common?
A: Saddam is a dictator and Bill is married to one.

Pigs (FA 01 1248)
Clinton brings home some pigs and says “got one for Hillary and one for Chelsea.” The reply then comes, “Good trade sir.”

*Marrying Well (FA 01 1248)*

Clinton and Hillary pull up to a gas station in Arkansas. Hillary notices that she used to date the gas station attendant in high school. As they are driving away, Bill says, “You know Honey, if you hadn’t married me; it’s possible you would be married to a gas station attendant today!”

Hillary replies, “You know Bill, it’s possible if you hadn’t married me, he’d be the President of the United States.”

**Political Jokes and Bill Clinton (FA 01 1687)**

*Underwear (FA 01 1248)*

Q: Why does Clinton wear underwear?

A: To keep his ankles warm

*Washington, Nixon, and Clinton (FA 01 1248)*

Q: What is the difference between George Washington, Richard Nixon, and Bill Clinton?

A: Washington couldn’t tell a lie, Nixon couldn’t tell the truth, and Clinton can’t tell the difference.

*Sinking (FA 01 1248)*

Q: Bill and Hillary are on a sinking boat. Who gets saved?

A: The nation.

*Spelling Contest (FA 01 1248)*

Q: If Ted Kennedy, Dan Quayle, Bob Packwood, and Bill Clinton all had spelling contest, which one would win?

A: Dan Quayle, he’s the only one who know that harass is one word.

*Jogging (FA 01 1248)*

Q: Why doesn’t President Clinton need to jog anymore?

A: He gets plenty of exercise backpedaling.
Ronald Reagan (FA 01 1248)
Q: What did Ronald Reagan say after hearing President Clinton’s latest State of the Union speech?
A: “You know, Nancy, that man is a much better actor than I ever was.”

Security Breach (FA 01 1248)
The Secret Service got a real scare the other day when someone threw a beer at Bill Clinton during his morning jog. Fortunately, it was a draft, so he was able to dodge it.

Small Dog (FA 01 1248)

New Intern (FA 01 1248)
Hillary Clinton hired a new intern for Bill. Lorena Bobbit.

Recruitment (FA 01 1248)
The Green Bay Packers are trying to recruit Bill Clinton for next season. After all, he has a better percentage of completed passes than Brett Favre.

Kansas (FA 01 1248)
Bill Clinton, Saddam Hussein, and Al Gore are all on a plane coming back from the Middle East. They are flying over Kansas when their plane crashes. Saddam Hussein says, “If we’re in Kansas, I wonder if we can find the Wizard of Oz because I could really use a heart.”

Al Gore says, “I could really use a brain.”

Bill Clinton, ignoring the other two, looks around and says, “Ugh, has anyone seen Dorothy?”

Genie (FA 01 1248)
Clinton finds a bottle, opens it, and a genie pops out and offers to grant him one wish. Clinton wishes for peace in the Middle East. The genie says there are some things even a genie can’t do and tells Clinton to make another wish. Clinton says he wishes the whole Monica thing would go away. The genie says he’ll take a second look at the map of the Middle East.

Picket (FA 01 1248)
White House Crisis Watch reported on Sunday morning that Clinton’s Chief of Staff, Erskine Bowls, approached the President with some news. “Mr. President,” he began, “I am afraid I have some bad news, some good news, and some bad news for you.”

“Give it to me in order,” requested the President.

“The bad news is that a picket demanding your impeachment is in front of the White House,” Erskine said.

“What is the good news?” asked the president.

“Well,” said Erskine cautiously, “there is only one so far.”

“That’s not too bad,” said the President, “What could be so terrible about that?”

“It’s Gore holding the sign, sir,” said Erskine.

Compromise (FA 01 1248)
At a recent press conference, President Clinton reiterated that any compromise with Iraq must include allowing inspections of all facilities. And if an agreement was not reached soon, the military stands ready to act. When asked when the press and the public could inspect the White House logs pertaining to Monica Lewinsky’s visits, he said they were unavailable.

Letter (FA 01 1248)
Clinton received a letter from a man who said he’d break his legs if he bothers his wife one more time. Clinton goes and asks an adviser what he should do.

His adviser says, “Contact the man and promise to never see his wife again.”

Clinton says, “I can’t, the guy didn’t even sign his name.”