



KEEP SMILING

No. 5



Ships don't sink because of the water around them. Ships sink because of the water that gets inside of them. Moral of the story, don't let what is happening around you, get inside of you and weigh you down.



At this rate on 31st October, kids will be ringing the doorbell saying, "track and trace!"



10 STRANGE LAWS WHICH ARE STILL ACTIVE TODAY



Make excessive noise after 8.00 p.m. by vacuuming or DIY.

Have a noisy bubbling hot tub.

Pick fruit from their overhanging tree.

Allow your CCTV cameras to point at their land

Have a noisy water feature constantly turned on.

Cause excessive smoke from a barbecue.

Attach a washing line, garden hose or plants to their wall.

Keep chickens which produce noise, odour, or vermin.

Use their unsecure Wi-Fi connection.

Bright security lighting that shines into their property.



THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER – BUT IT IS NOW

A Quiz contestant asked to name a Country and Capital City which used to be in the Soviet Republic, correctly answered:

'They think its Moldova but it Chişinău'

(Fact: Chişinău really is the Capital of Moldova.)

KENNETH WOLSTENHOLME WOULD BE PROUD OF THIS ANSWER



THE SLIPPERY GAP BETWEEN WRITING AND READING

In a restroom: **Toilet out of order. Please use floor below.**

In a laundromat: **Automatic washing machines: Please remove all your clothes when the light goes out.**

In a London department store: **Bargain Basement upstairs.**

In an office: **Would the person who took the step ladder yesterday please bring it back or further steps will be taken.**

In another office: **After tea break staff should empty the teapot and stand upside down on the draining board.**

Outside a second hand shop: **We exchange anything - Why not bring your wife along and get a wonderful bargain?**

Notice in health food shop window: **Closed due to illness.**

Notice in a farmer's field: **The farmer allows walkers to cross the field for free, but the Bull charges.**

Message on a leaflet: **If you cannot read, this leaflet will tell you how to get lessons.**

I went to the chemist yesterday and asked the assistant what is the best way to get rid of the Coronavirus. She said 'ammonia cleaner.' I said 'sorry, I thought you worked here.'

A man saw a cat in a pet shop window with a label round its neck 'Amsterdam cat for sale' He went into the shop and asked. 'How Dutch is that Moggie in the window?'

A burglar caught red-handed by the police had a heart attack. As a result they made a Cardiac Arrest.

I've found that growing up in the 60's was a lot more fun than being in my 60's.



It amazes me that MI6 can foil terrorist plots but they can't find a bloke in France selling 20 dinghies a day. Funny old world...



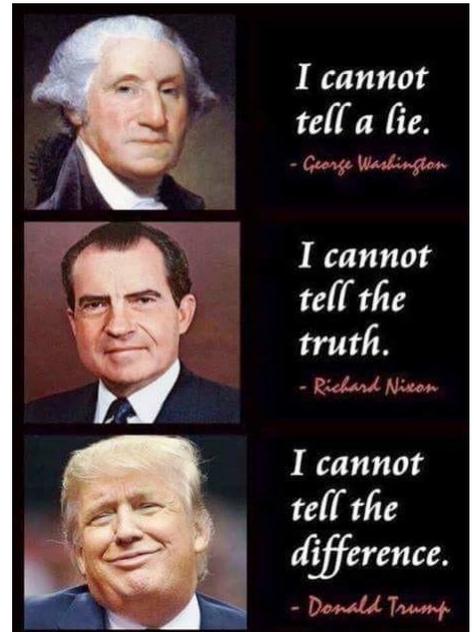
At a nursing home, a group were sitting around talking about their aches and pains. "My arms are so weak I can hardly lift this cup of coffee," said one. "I know what you mean. My cataracts are so bad I can't even see my coffee," replied another. "I can't turn my head because of the arthritis in my neck," said a third. "My blood pressure pills make me dizzy," another contributed. That's the price we pay for getting old," winced an old man. Then there was a short moment of silence. "Thank God we can all still drive," said one woman cheerfully



Somehow we always think we are ageing at a slower rate than everyone else. This was true of an older woman who was seeing a doctor for the first time. She was taken into a room and told to make herself comfortable. While reading the doctor's diploma on the wall, she realised that she went to high school with him many years ago. The doctor entered the room. He was very grey and slightly bent over from old age. He said: "Hello, how can I help you?" The woman asked: "Did you attend Roosevelt High School?" "Yes I did," the doctor answered. "Class of 49?" "Yes I was," he answered. The woman was delighted and said: "You were in my class!" The doctor responded: "Oh really! What did you teach?"

WISE WORDS

- The essence of being human is that one does not seek perfection.
- Successful people are always looking for opportunities to help others.
- If you want to burn a bridge behind you, ensure you've crossed it first.
- If I had to live my life again, I'd make the same mistakes, only sooner.
- Any given computer programme will expand to fill all available memory.
- Taking the first step is what separates the winners from the losers.
- The wise are unshaken by praise or blame.
- A path is made by walking on it and not stepping off.
- I've never sure where brave stops and stupid begins.
- Experience enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.
- Life: A party you join after it has started and leave before it's finished.
- Learn from mistakes. If you're never wrong, you'll never be wise.
- Anyone with confidence in themselves gets the confidence of others.



I got myself a seniors' GPS. Not only does it tell me how to get to my destination, it tells me why I wanted to go there.

If something is thrown at the president.... does the secret service yell DONALD DUCK!!!



POEM FROM THE PAST

Editor: I wrote this poem for a poetry competition with Essex Age UK 4 years ago (prize winner!) so thought I would share it with you. Those of you who have lived locally for some time will probably remember the Trolley Buses and those living here since will also recognise the turn around next to Oak Hill and opposite the Napier Arms (now called Lokkum) on the A104 in Woodford Green. The turn around is now full of cars from The Woodford Motor Company.



EXISTING TURNAROUND AT
OAK HILL WOODFORD GREEN



ROUTE 581 WOODFORD TO BLOOMSBURY
AT THIS TURNAROUND



ROUTE 625 WOODFORD TO
WINCHMORE HILL



ROUTE 623 WOODFORD TO
MANOR HOUSE



TROLLEYBUS TICKETS

DEMISE OF TROLLEY BUSES

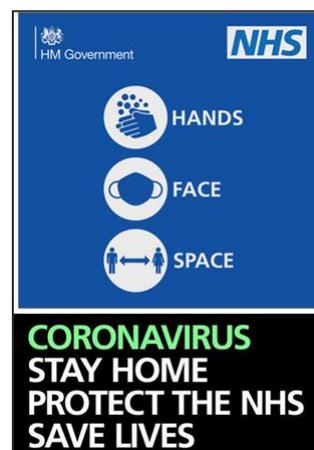
On the A104 in Woodford Green, a trolley bus turnaround is still to be seen.
 But this local vehicle runs no more, abandoned by a Transport Law.
 Just what we had always feared. In '69 they last appeared.
 This turnaround is still intact, And now with cars is fully packed.
 There were 3 routes that shared this space and used it as their Woodford base.
 Now looking back in history, commencing with the 623.
 Manor House was its destination, via Tottenham Hale and Finsbury Station.
 The 625 I remember still, turned around at Winchmore Hill.
 The 581, it's route I'll share, finished up at Bloomsbury Square.
 Most of them were built the same and 'Diddlers' was their fond nickname.
 All had spring loaded trolley booms, which saved us from the diesel fumes.
 They ran just on electricity, avoiding all toxicity.
 With overhead wires from posts suspended, their efficiency was truly splendid.
 A conductor collected all the money, which to us now seems rather funny.
 One penny was the cheapest fare, whilst five old pence took you anywhere.
 I do not want to spread these tales, but at times the boom came off the rails.
 And all the traffic was affected, whilst the boom was reconnected.
 I get so cross, but I'll make no fuss about the demise of the trolley bus.



POEM FROM THE PRESENT

A TRIBUTE TO THE NHS

Corona used to be a beer, they garnished it with limes.
 But now it's filled the world with fear. These days are scary times.
 Cease from travel, cease from flying. Shops stripped bare by panic buying,
 No shaking hands, no social hugs. They've even closed the clubs and pubs.
 Keep your distance, stay away. Now's not the time for simple play.
 Stay indoors, self isolate, more stringent measures, well they await.
 But never fear, the NHS is here, your frontline team, a healthcare dream.
 With PPE, gown, gloves, face shield, onwards they venture to the battlefield.
 Come on you virus, bring it on, do your worst, they'll take you on.
 For they have spirit, compassion and love, They will destroy you and rise above.
 Months, years from now, you'll be no more, A mere memory of what passed through our shore.
 Carry on we will, the human race. Supporting each other, our saving grace.



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DINGBAT ANSWERS

SET A	SET B
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Odds and ends 2. Wise Guys 3. Long overdue 4. Take from the rich give to the poor 5. Barber 6. Who's in charge 7 Getting away from it all 8. Putting the past behind you 9. The Aftermath 10. Searching high and low 11. Count on us 12. Foreign Language 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Frank Sinatra 2. Too big to ignore 3. Dominoes 4. The Three Musketeers 5. Business before pleasure 6. A little on the large side 7. Running away from home 8. 99.9 9. Making a monkey out of him 10. Lie in wait 11. A grave error 12. Take from the rich give to the poor

CRYPTIC BIRDS

1	Found on a chess board corner alternatively	
2	A way to get rich illegally?	
3	Caused by having a chest freezer?	
4	Yeast infection opposed by U.N.C.L.E	
5	What grumpy old men do	
6	Royal angler	
7	When the cat gets up?	
8	Have an argument after visiting health resort?	
9	Gulp it down	
10	A cowardly tool for banging	
11	Cost of a shave maybe	
12	A bit of fun up in the air	
13	Bad tackle costs £1.05	
14	Fuel for bad weather perhaps	
15	Did Wayne Bobbit carve himself a new one?	

CRYPTIC BIRDS ANSWERS

1	Found on a chess board corner alternatively	Rook
2	A way to get rich illegally?	Robin.
3	Caused by having a chest freezer?	Blue Tit
4	Yeast infection opposed by U.N.C.L.E	Thrush
5	What grumpy old men do	Grouse or Snipe
6	Royal angler	Kingfisher
7	When the cat gets up?	Kittiwake
8	Have an argument after visiting health resort?	Sparrow
9	Gulp it down	Swallow
10	A cowardly tool for banging	Yellow Hammer
11	Cost of a shave maybe	Razorbill
12	A bit of fun up in the air	Skylark
13	Bad tackle costs £1.05	Guinea Fowl
14	Fuel for bad weather perhaps	Storm Petrel
15	Did Wayne Bobbit carve himself a new one?	Woodcock