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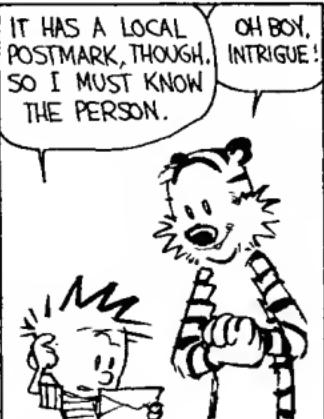
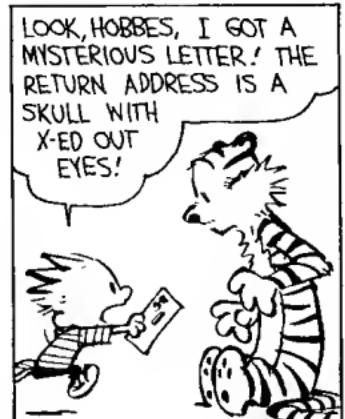
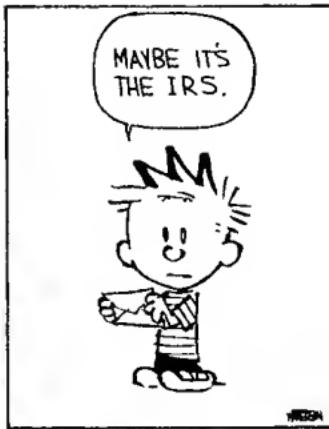
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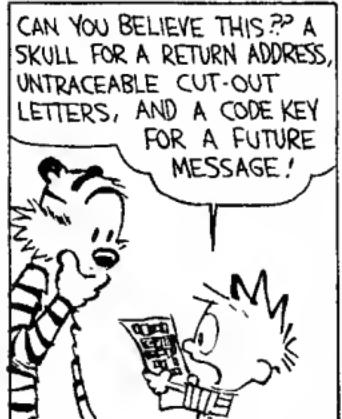
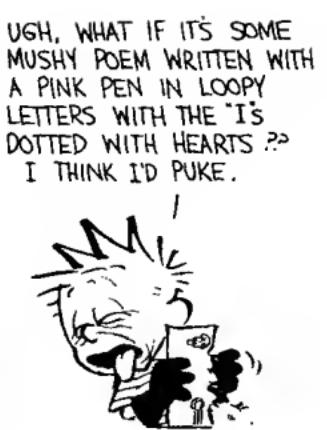


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THIS IS SO EXCITING  
TO GET A SECRET  
UNTRACEABLE MESSAGE  
IN THE MAIL!



IT SAID A CODED LETTER  
WOULD FOLLOW! MAYBE IT  
WILL ARRIVE TODAY! I  
CAN'T WAIT  
TO GET HOME  
AND SEE!



I WONDER WHAT IT WILL  
SAY? I WONDER WHO  
SENT IT? I WONDER WHY  
ITS IN CODE?



I'LL BET I GROW UP TO BE  
A SPY! I'M SO GOOD AT  
FIGURING OUT WHAT'S  
GOING ON!



I'M HOME! I'M HOME! DID  
I GET A LETTER TODAY??

YES, IT'S ON  
THE TABLE.



OH BOY, HOBSES, THIS IS  
IT! THIS IS THE CODED  
MESSAGE!

QUICK, LET'S  
DECIPHER  
IT!



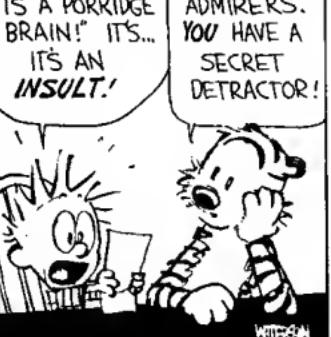
OK, THE FIRST NUMBER IS  
3, SO THAT WOULD BE "C".  
NEXT IS 1, SO THAT'S "A."

THIS IS FUN!



HEY! THIS  
SAYS, "CALVIN  
IS A PORRIDGE  
BRAIN!" IT'S...  
IT'S AN  
**INSULT!**

SOME PEOPLE  
HAVE SECRET  
ADMIRERS.  
YOU HAVE A  
SECRET  
DETRACTOR!



OOH, THIS BURNS ME UP!  
A CODED MESSAGE SAYING  
"CALVIN IS A PORRIDGE  
BRAIN!" THE NERVE!



THE BIZARRE SKULL DRAWING  
THE CUT AND PASTED LETTERS,  
THE CODE ... ALL THAT SUSPENSE  
AND MYSTERY FOR AN INSULT!



WHAT KIND OF DEPRaved  
MANIAC WOULD GO TO SO  
MUCH TROUBLE? RRRGHH,  
I WISH I KNEW WHO  
SENT THIS!!



OUR ONLY  
CLUE IS THAT  
THE TWISTED  
FIEND HAS  
TOO MUCH  
TIME ON  
HIS HANDS.



ANOTHER LETTER  
FOR YOU,  
CALVIN! HOW  
NICE TO GET  
SO MUCH MAIL.

WEISS

LOOK, HOBBS, THE SKULL!  
IT'S ANOTHER LETTER FROM  
THE SECRET INSULTER!



MORE CUT AND PASTED  
LETTERS! IT SAYS, "YOU  
LOOK LIKE A BABOON  
AND YOU SMELL LIKE ONE  
TOO! HA HA."



THE MYSTERY  
DEEPENS.

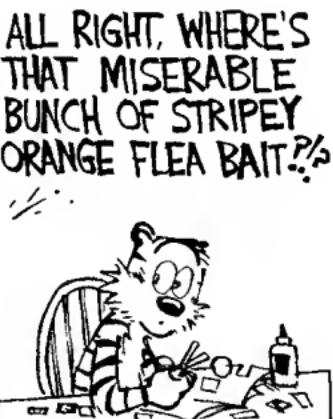
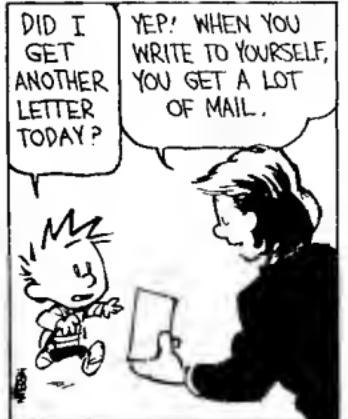
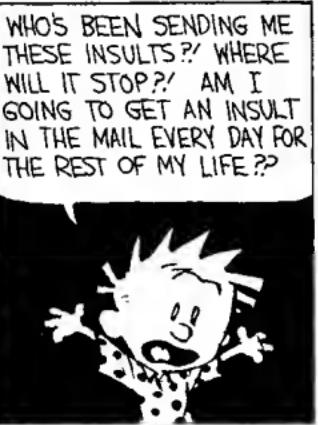
WHO  
COULD BE  
SENDING  
THESE?!



A RECKLESS  
EXAGGERATOR.  
YOU DON'T LOOK  
LIKE A BABOON.

OH,  
YOU'RE  
A BIG  
HELP!



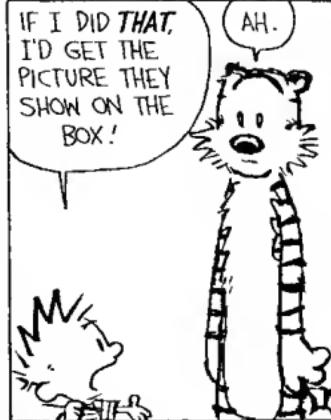
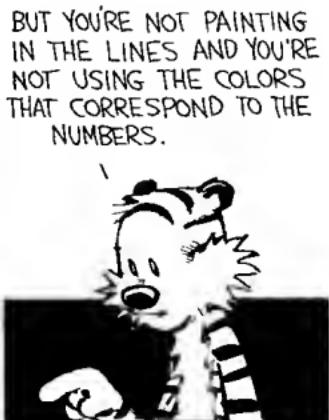
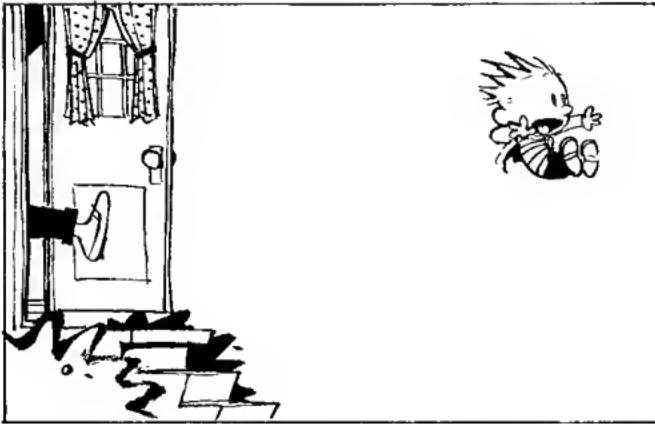


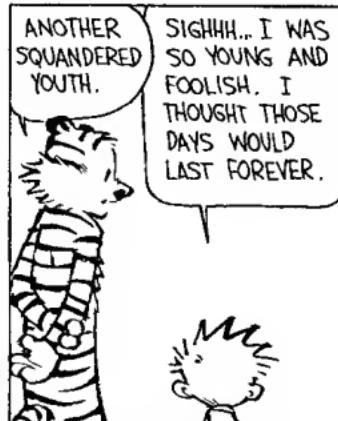


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HELLO? ... NO, MY MOM  
CAN'T COME TO THE PHONE  
RIGHT NOW.



SURE, I'D BE GLAD  
TO TAKE A MESSAGE.



YOU WRITE IT DOWN,  
DRIVE IT OVER HERE,  
PAY ME FIVE BUCKS, AND  
I'LL GIVE IT TO HER THE  
NEXT TIME I SEE HER.



HE MUST NOT HAVE  
WANTED TO TALK TO  
MOM VERY BAD.



I'M GROWING MY  
FINGERNAILS LONG.



THEN I'LL FILE THEM  
INTO POINTS, SO I'LL  
HAVE CLAWS JUST  
LIKE YOU.



MINE ARE  
RETRACTABLE.



NO RETRACTABLE CLAWS,  
NO OPPOSABLE TOES,  
NO PREHENSILE TAIL,  
NO COMPOUND EYES,  
NO FANGS, NO WINGS..

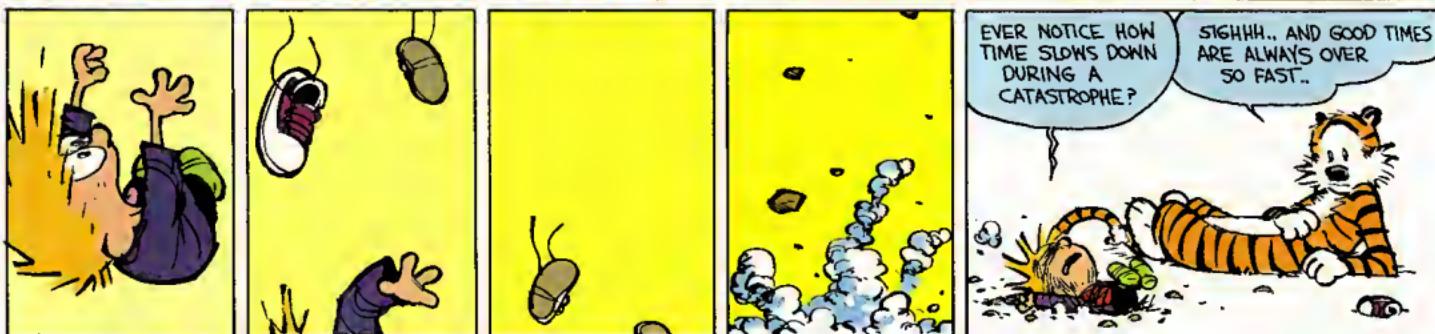
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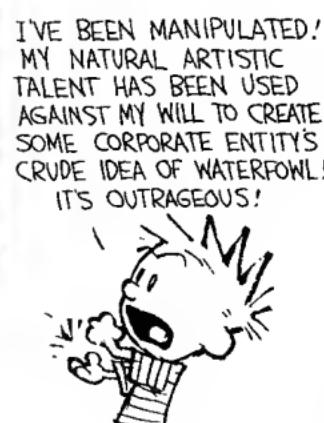
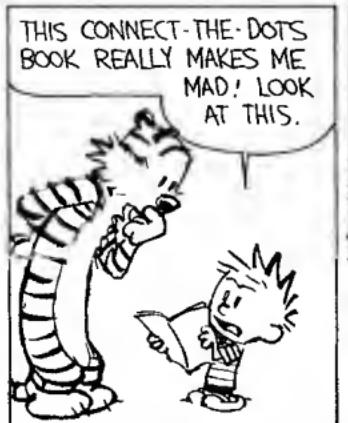


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IM HO-O-ME





MISS WORMWOOD, MY DAD SAYS WHEN HE WAS IN SCHOOL, THEY TAUGHT HIM TO DO MATH ON A SLIDE RULE.



HE SAYS HE HASN'T USED A SLIDE RULE SINCE, BECAUSE HE GOT A FIVE-BUCK CALCULATOR THAT CAN DO MORE FUNCTIONS THAN HE COULD FIGURE OUT IF HIS LIFE DEPENDED ON IT.



GIVEN THE PACE OF TECHNOLOGY, I PROPOSE WE LEAVE MATH TO THE MACHINES AND GO PLAY OUTSIDE.



MY BILLS ALWAYS DIE IN SUBCOMMITTEE.



HOW DO BANK MACHINES WORK?



WELL, LET'S SAY YOU WANT 25 DOLLARS. YOU PUNCH IN THE AMOUNT...



...AND BEHIND THE MACHINE THERE'S A GUY WITH A PRINTING PRESS WHO MAKES THE MONEY AND STICKS IT OUT THIS SLOT.



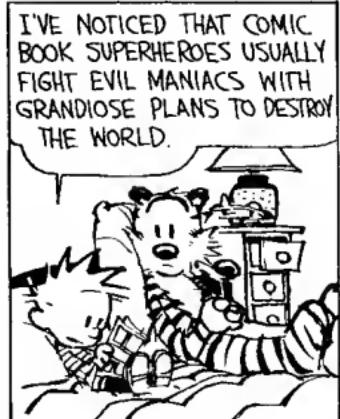
SORT OF LIKE THE GUY WHO LIVES UP IN OUR GARAGE AND OPENS THE DOOR?



MURDOCK



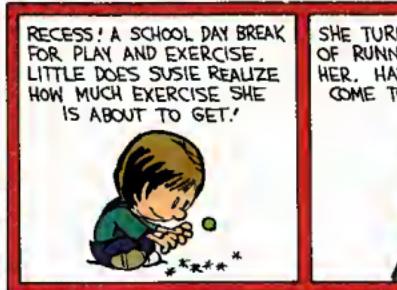
YOU CAN PRESENT THE MATERIAL, BUT YOU CAN'T MAKE ME CARE.



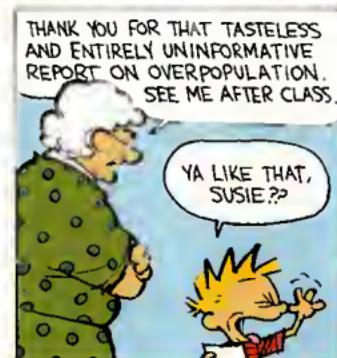
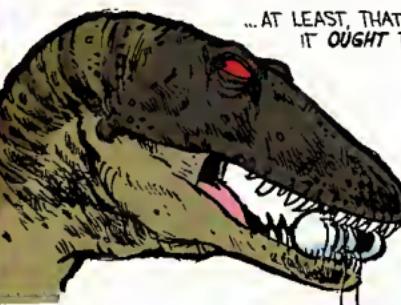
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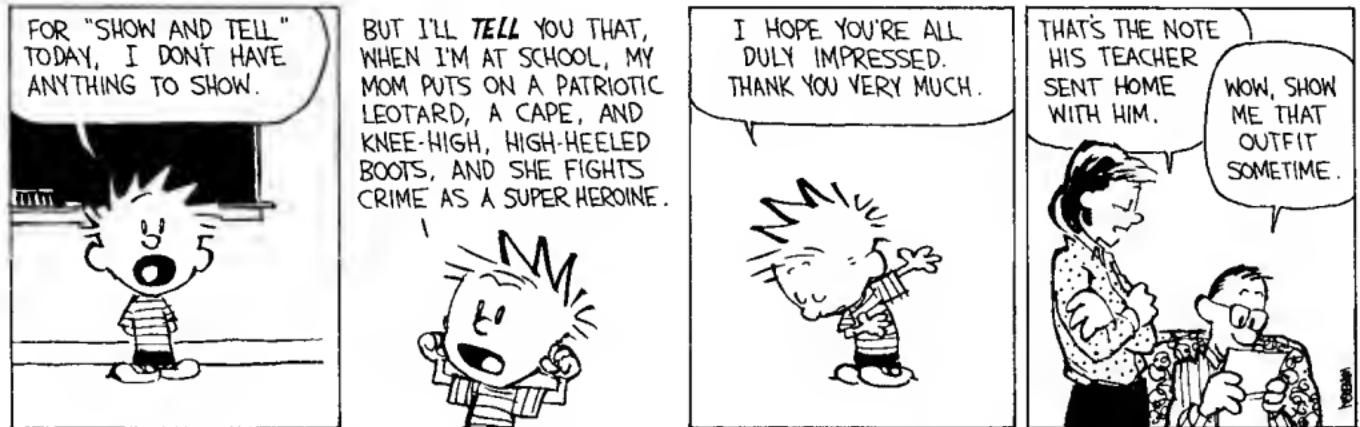
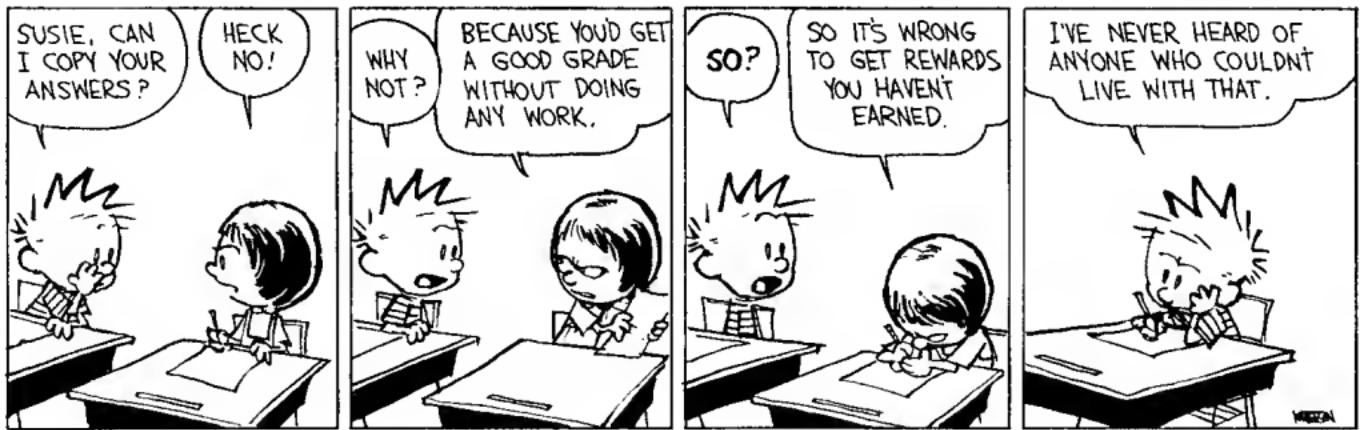
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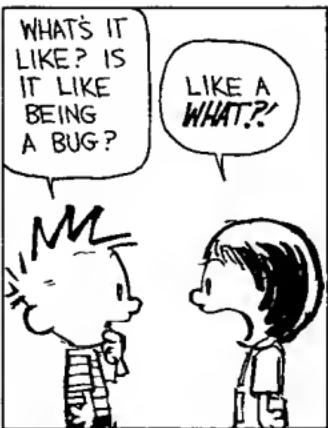
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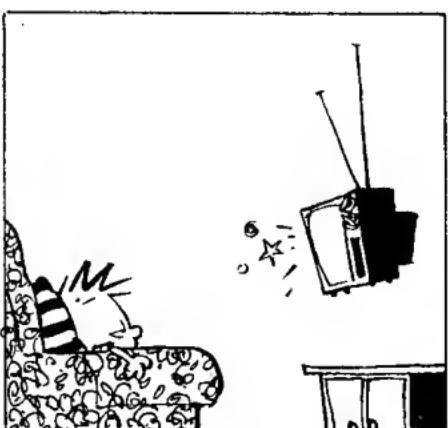
THUS THE WEAK AND STUPID ARE WEDED OUT IN A HEARTLESS, BUT ESSENTIAL, NATURAL SELECTION, KEEPING THE HUMAN POPULATION IN CHECK.



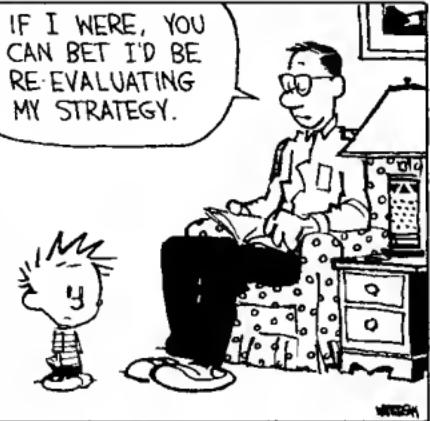
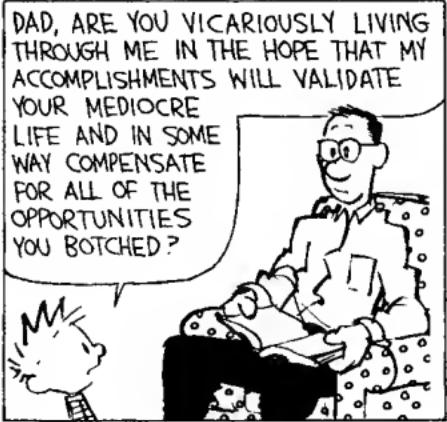




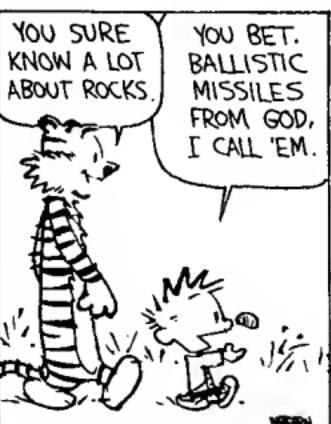
I IMAGINE BUGS AND GIRLS HAVE A DIM PERCEPTION THAT NATURE PLAYED A CRUEL TRICK ON THEM, BUT THEY LACK THE INTELLIGENCE TO REALLY COMPREHEND THE MAGNITUDE OF IT.

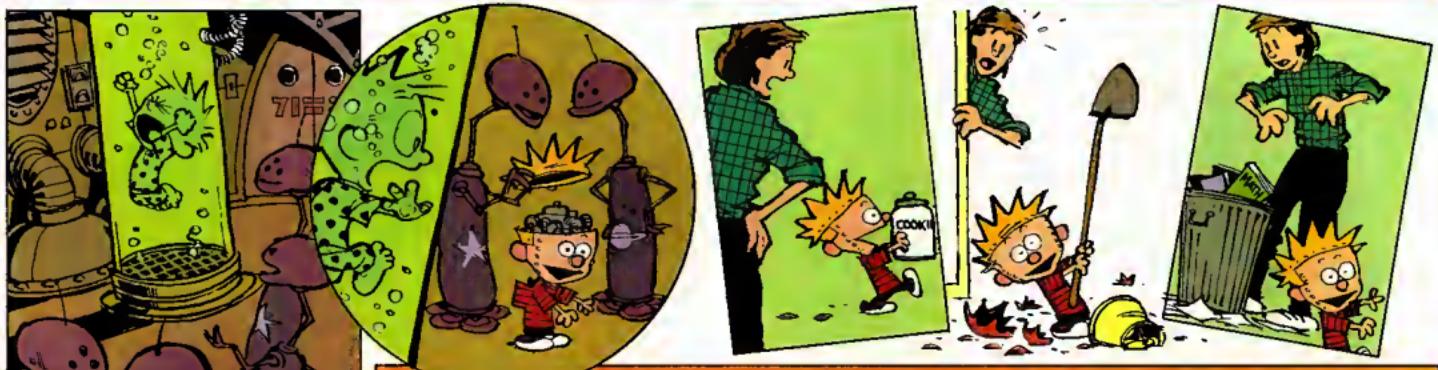


DAD, ARE YOU VICARIOUSLY LIVING THROUGH ME IN THE HOPE THAT MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS WILL VALIDATE YOUR MEDIOCRE LIFE AND IN SOME WAY COMPENSATE FOR ALL OF THE OPPORTUNITIES YOU BOTCHED?



IT'S A SEDIMENTARY ROCK, FORMED BY SEDIMENT DEPOSITS, AS OPPOSED TO, SAY, AN IGNEOUS ROCK, WHICH IS VOLCANIC IN ORIGIN.

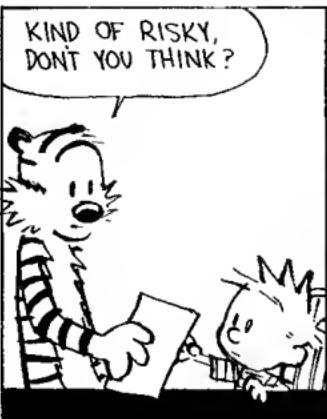
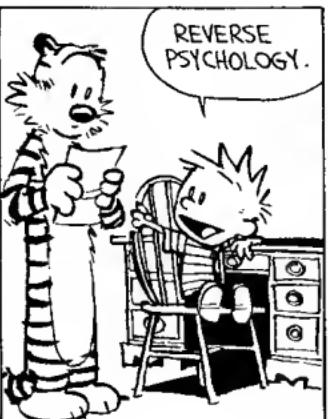


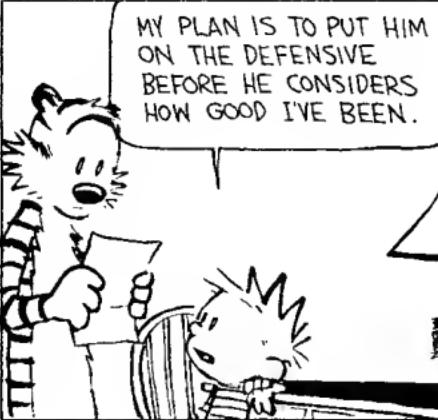




DEAR SANTA,  
This year, I don't  
want any gifts. I  
just want love and  
peace for my fellow  
man.

Watson





LOOK AT THIS GREAT SNOWBALL! I'D SURE LIKE TO PASTE SOMEONE UPSIDE THE HEAD WITH IT.



...BUT I FIGURE EACH SNOWBALL I THROW MEANS I'LL GET ONE LESS PRESENT FROM SANTA.



I WISH I KNEW IF SANTA WAS BRINGING ME ANY UNDERWEAR.



SKI RESORTS USE MAN-MADE SNOW.



THEY HAVE SNOW-MAKING MACHINES THAT CAN COVER A WHOLE HILLSIDE.



HINT, HINT.

YOU CAN RELY ON THE WEATHER LIKE EVERY OTHER KID.



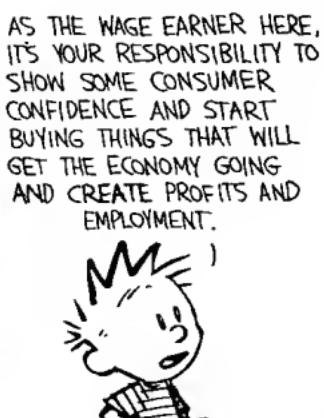
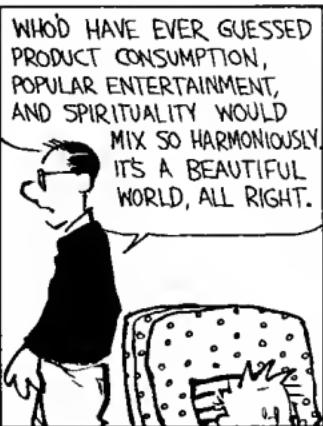
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HE DISCOVERS  
GALAXIES AND  
PLANETS NEVER  
BEFORE CHARTED!





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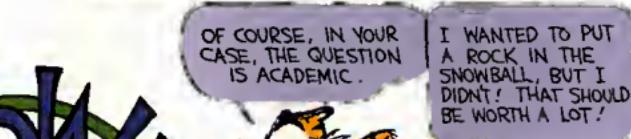
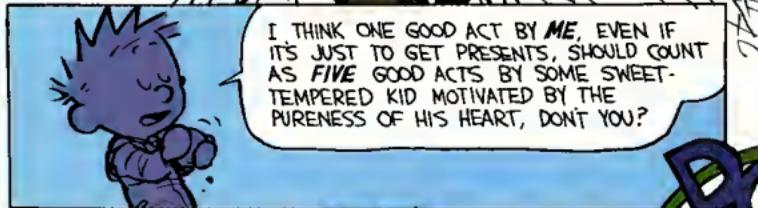
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I WISH SANTA WOULD PUBLISH THE GUIDELINES HE USES FOR DETERMINING A KID'S GOODNESS.

FOR EXAMPLE, HOW MUCH DOES HE WEIGH MOTIVES? DOES HE CONSIDER THE KID'S NATURAL PREDISPOSITION?

I MEAN, IF SOME SICKENINGLY WHOLESOME NERD LIKES BEING GOOD, IT'S EASY FOR HIM TO MEET THE STANDARDS! THERE'S NO CHALLENGE!

HECK, ANYONE CAN BE GOOD IF HE WANTS TO BE! THE TRUE TEST OF ONE'S METTLE IS BEING GOOD WHEN ONE HAS AN INNATE INCLINATION TOWARDS EVIL.



RRRRGGHHH



I SAY, IF A NOVELTY CHRISTMAS SONG IS FUNNY THE FIRST TIME, IT'S FUNNY **EVERY** TIME.



I'M HAVING  
A LOT OF  
HOLIDAY  
STRESS.



WHY? YOU DON'T SHOP FOR ANYONE, YOU'VE GOT TWO WEEKS OFF FROM SCHOOL, AND YOUR PARENTS DO ALL THE COOKING, CLEANING, AND DECORATING!  
HOW COULD YOU HAVE HOLIDAY STRESS?



DEEP DOWN, I DOUBT MY GREED FOR PRESENTS CAN OVERCOME MY DESIRE TO MISBEHAVE.



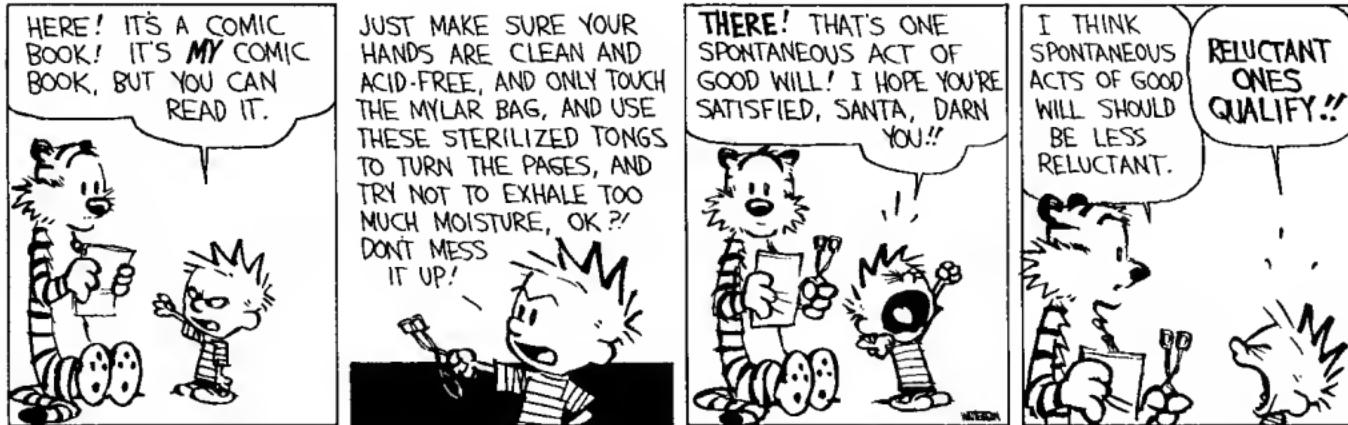


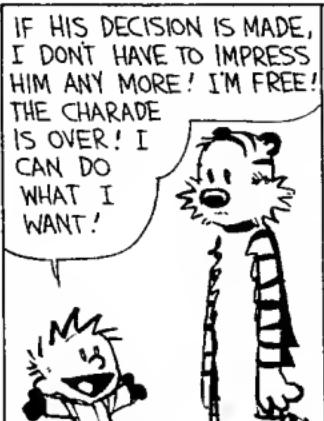
IF I DO TEN SPONTANEOUS ACTS OF GOOD WILL A DAY FROM NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS, SANTA WILL HAVE TO BE LENIENT IN JUDGING THE REST OF THIS LAST YEAR! I CAN CLAIM I'VE TURNED A NEW LEAF!



OH MAN, SUSIE'S RIGHT IN RANGE! IT'S A CLEAR SHOT! I CAN'T MISS!













...THAT IS, HYPOTHECTICALLY, I MEAN ... NOT THAT I'D KNOW FOR A FACT, OF COURSE ... JUST IN THEORY, I IMAGINE THAT MAYBE ... UM, WELL, GOSH, IT'S HARD TO SAY.



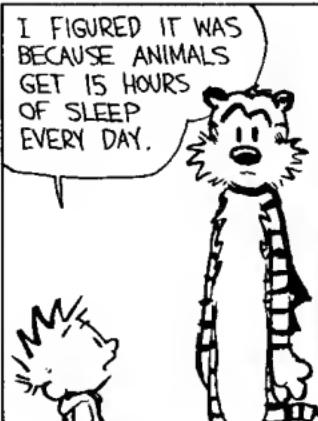
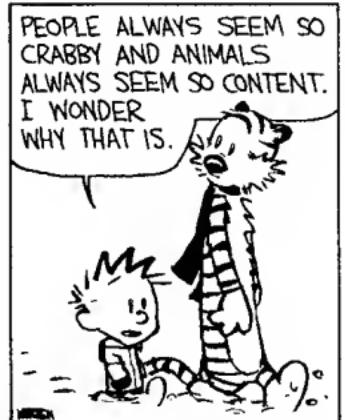
IF THE UNIVERSE HAD ANY DECENT MANAGEMENT, WE'D GET A FULL REFUND IF WE WEREN'T COMPLETELY SATISFIED!

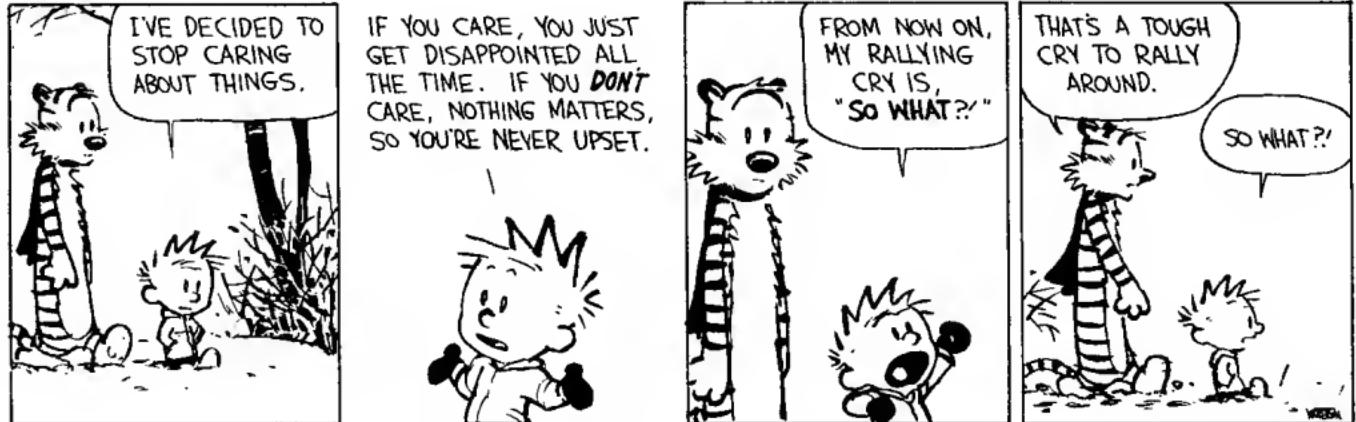




OK, WELL, LET ME KNOW IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND.

MM-HMM.





IT'S A NEW YEAR...  
A NEW BEGINNING!  
NEW POSSIBILITIES!

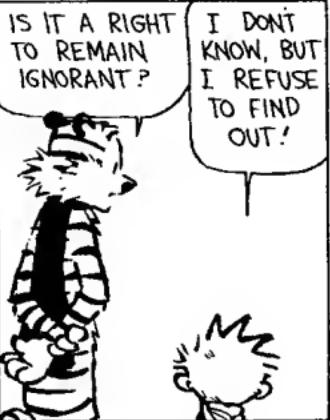


HE CHALLENGES!  
HE IMAGINES!  
HE INVENTS!  
HE CALLS FORTH THE  
BEST QUALITIES OF  
HUMAN DRIVE AND  
INGENUITY!



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IT WOULD SURE BE A BIG SURPRISE IF THE SCHOOL BUS SPONTANEOUSLY EXPLODED AND I DIDN'T HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL!



YEAH, I'D SURE BE SURPRISED IF *THAT* HAPPENED!



LIFE IS FULL OF SURPRISES, BUT NEVER WHEN YOU NEED ONE.



I'M HO-O-ME!



HELLO ??



THANKS FOR THE BIG WELCOME!  
YOU'RE LETTING IN COLD AIR.



PROBLEMS OFTEN LOOK  
OVERWHELMING AT FIRST.



THE SECRET IS TO BREAK  
PROBLEMS INTO SMALL,  
MANAGEABLE CHUNKS.  
IF YOU DEAL WITH **THOSE**,  
YOU'RE DONE BEFORE YOU  
KNOW IT.



FOR EXAMPLE, I'M SUPPOSED  
TO READ THIS ENTIRE  
HISTORY CHAPTER. IT LOOKS  
IMPOSSIBLE, SO I BREAK  
THE PROBLEM DOWN.



YOU FOCUS  
ON READING  
THE FIRST  
SECTION?  
I ASK  
MYSELF,  
"DO I EVEN  
CARE?"



WHITBOOM

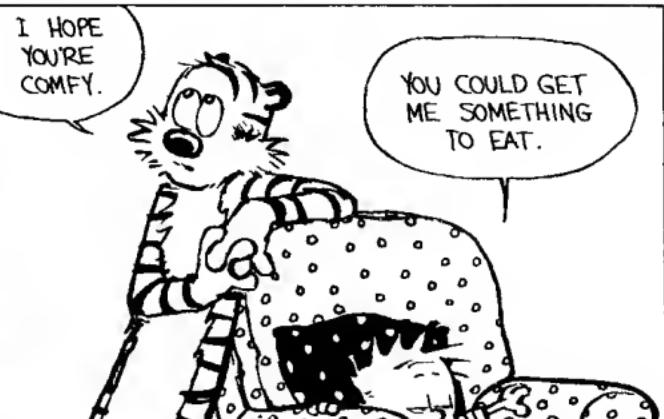
WHATCHA  
DOIN'?

I'M KILLING TIME WHILE  
I WAIT FOR LIFE TO  
SHOWER ME WITH MEANING  
AND HAPPINESS.



I HOPE  
YOU'RE  
COMFY.

YOU COULD GET  
ME SOMETHING  
TO EAT.



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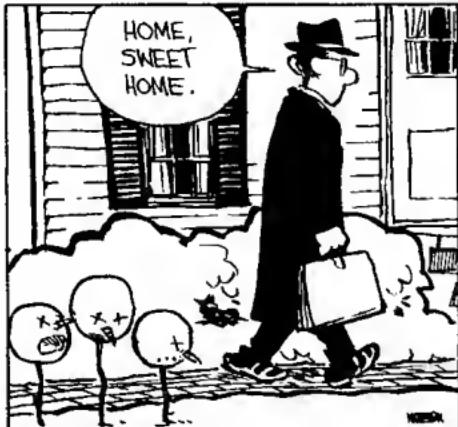
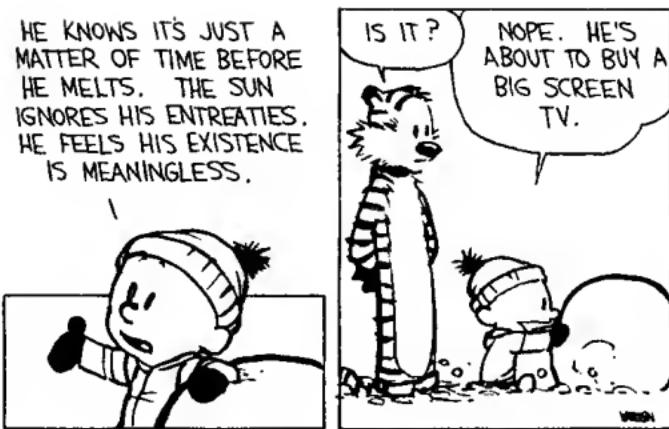
RIGHT. ART IS DEAD!  
THERE'S NOTHING LEFT  
TO SAY. STYLE IS  
EXHAUSTED AND  
CONTENT IS POINTLESS.  
ART HAS NO PURPOSE.  
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS  
COMMODITY MARKETING.



SORRY....IT DOESN'T  
MATCH MY  
FURNITURE.

THE PROBLEM WITH  
BEING AVANT-GARDE  
IS KNOWING WHO'S  
PUTTING ON WHO.









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AND OF COURSE, I'M A GENIUS, SO PEOPLE ARE NATURALLY DRAWN TO MY FIERY INTELLECT. THEIR ADMIRATION OVERWHELMS THEIR ENVY!

ACTUALLY, I BELIEVE JUNGLE CATS ARE HELD IN HIGHER ESTEEM, WHEREAS ONE CAN HARDLY TAKE A KID OUT IN PUBLIC, TIGERS ADD PANACHE AND SAVOIR FAIRE TO ANY SOCIAL OCCASION.



WHADDAYA MEAN KIDS CAN'T GO OUT IN PUBLIC? AT LEAST KIDS DON'T HAVE FLEAS!

THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE FLEAS CAN'T STAND THE WAY KIDS SMELL!

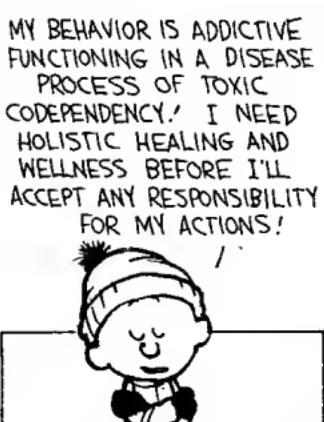


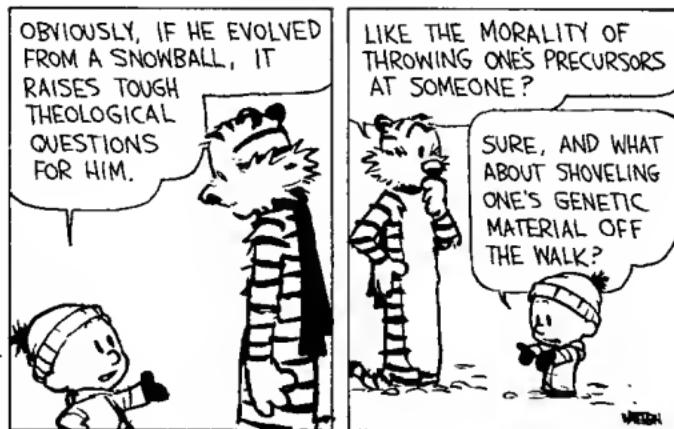
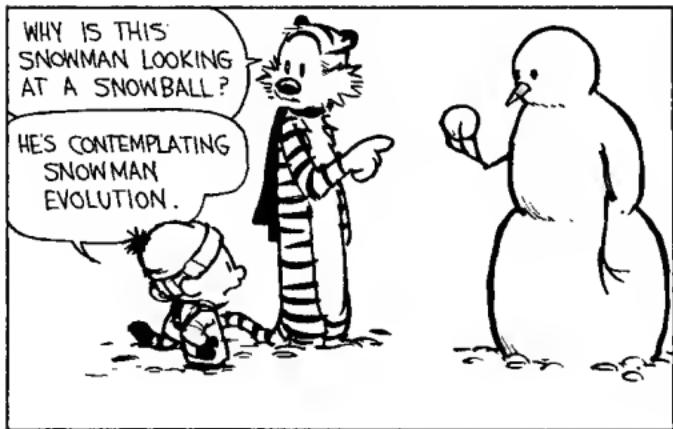
BY GOLLY, YOU'RE ASKING FOR A SNOWBALL IN THE MOUTH!

YOU CAN'T THREATEN ME! I'VE GOT SNOWBALLS TOO!



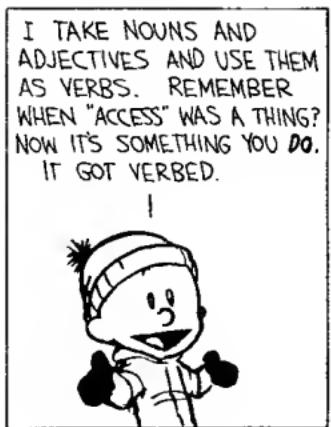


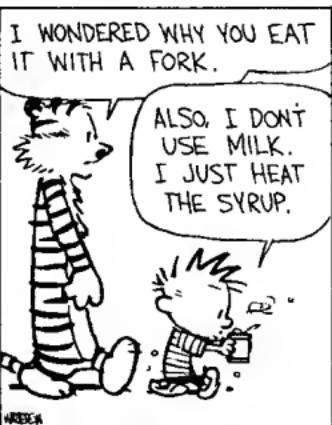
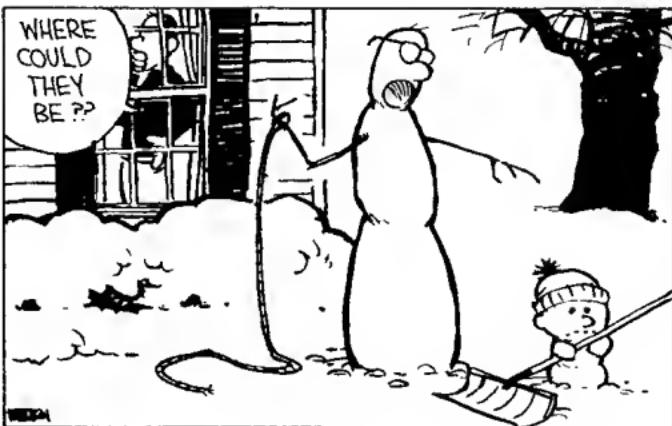


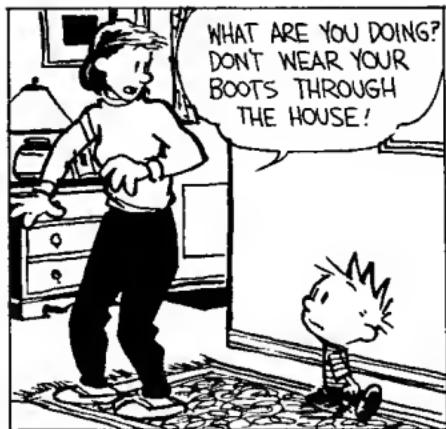


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MM, THIS DINNER YOU FIXED IS DELICIOUS, HONEY. WHAT IS IT?

IT'S DOG FOOD.  
AND DON'T CALL  
ME "HONEY."

YOU CAN'T FEED ME DOG FOOD! I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES!

NO, YOU'RE THE PRESIDENT OF DELUDED FRUITCAKES ANONYMOUS! GIVE ME A BREAK!

YOU'RE JUST MAD BECAUSE YOU'RE THE "FIRST HUSBAND" AND YOU HAVE TO VACUUM THE WHITE HOUSE ALL DAY!

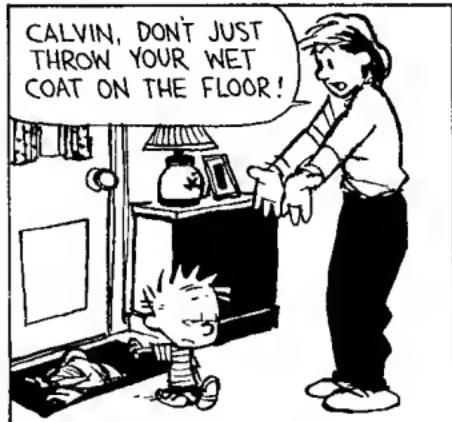
I DO NOT.  
IN FACT,  
I'M NOT  
YOUR  
HUSBAND  
AT ALL!

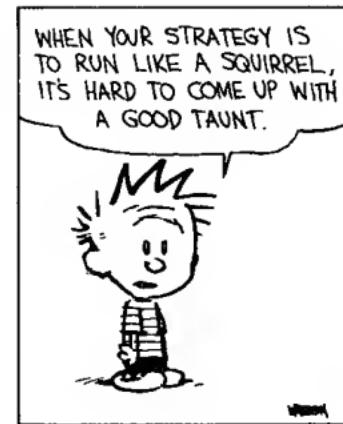


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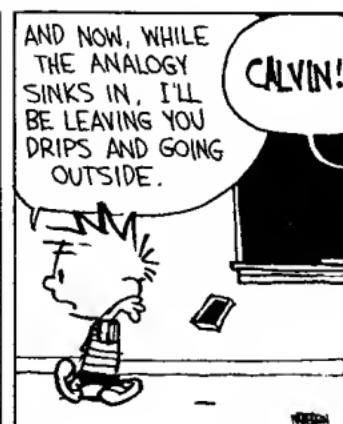
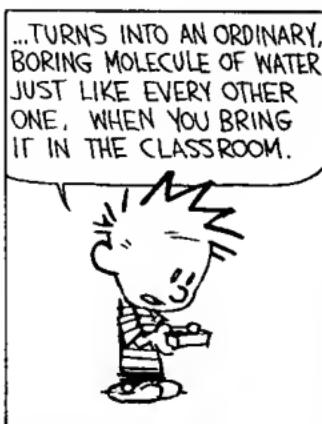


A GAS MASK, A SMOKE GRENADE,  
AND A HELICOPTER .... THAT'S  
ALL I ASK.





I THINK WE MIGHT ALL LEARN A LESSON FROM HOW THIS UTTERLY UNIQUE AND EXQUISITE CRYSTAL ...



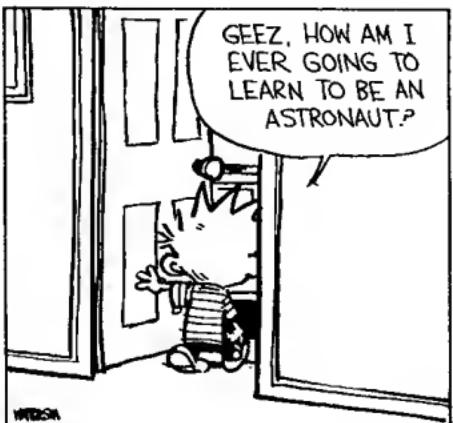
LOOK AT THIS SANDWICH  
MY MOM MADE! I'M NOT  
EATING THIS WRETCHED  
THING!

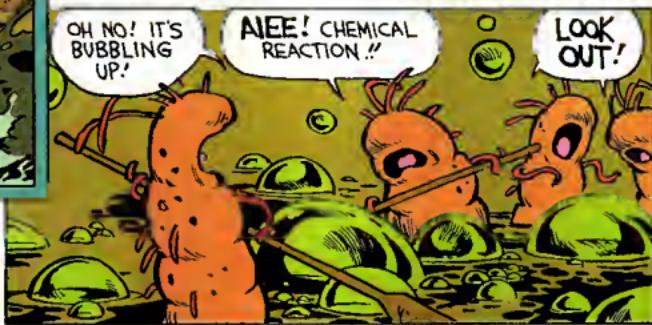
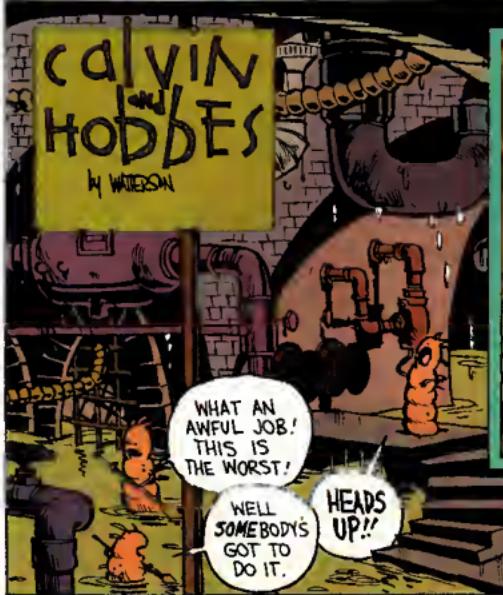


WHY, THIS SQUID ISN'T  
EVEN FRESH! SMELL IT!  
LOOK HOW RUBBERY IT IS!  
AND THE INKY BRINE HAS  
SOAKED THE BREAD! THE  
PICKLES ARE PULP! GROSS!



NOBODY WILL TRADE  
WITH A KID WHOSE MOM  
MAKES A BAD SANDWICH.





OH LOVELY SNOWBALL,  
PACKED WITH CARE,  
SMACK A HEAD THAT'S  
UNAWARE!



THEN WITH FREEZING  
ICE TO SPARE,  
MELT AND SOAK THROUGH  
UNDERWEAR!



FLY STRAIGHT AND TRUE,  
HIT HARD AND SQUARE!  
THIS, OH SNOWBALL,  
IS MY PRAYER.



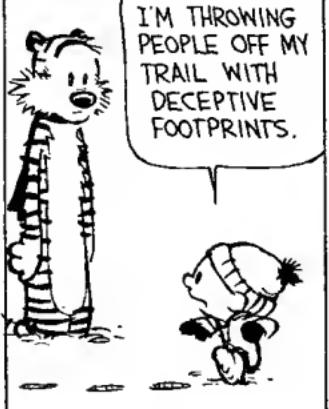
I ONLY THROW  
CONSECRATED  
SNOWBALLS.



WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING?



I'M THROWING  
PEOPLE OFF MY  
TRAIL WITH  
DECEPTIVE  
FOOTPRINTS.



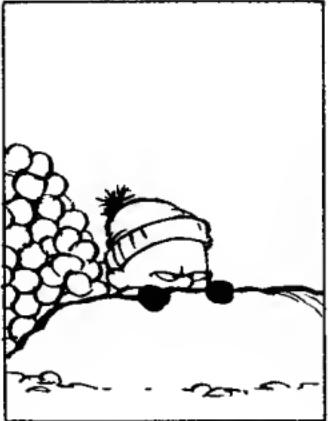
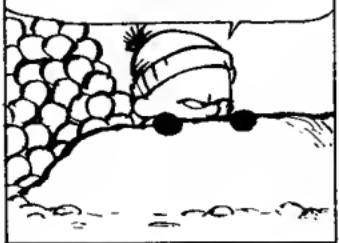
SEE EVERYONE WILL  
THINK THESE TRACKS WERE  
MADE BY A ONE-LEGGED  
KID GOING THAT WAY, AND  
THEY'LL BE COMPLETELY  
WRONG!



LOOK, IT  
DOESN'T HURT  
TO TAKE  
PRECAUTIONS.



Nobody can make me go inside! I've got 200 snowballs that say I'm staying **out**! No one's gonna make **me** come in the house!



DOESN'T ANYBODY **MISS** ME??



WEEDON

I USED TO HATE WRITING ASSIGNMENTS, BUT NOW I ENJOY THEM.



I REALIZED THAT THE PURPOSE OF WRITING IS TO INFLATE WEAK IDEAS, OBSCURE POOR REASONING, AND INHIBIT CLARITY.



WITH A LITTLE PRACTICE, WRITING CAN BE AN INTIMIDATING AND IMPENETRABLE FOG! WANT TO SEE MY BOOK REPORT?



"THE DYNAMICS OF INTERBEING AND MONOLOGICAL IMPERATIVES IN DICK AND JANE: A STUDY IN PSYCHIC TRANSRELATIONAL GENDER MODES."



ACADEMIA,  
HERE I COME!

WEEDON

HERE WE ARE, HIGH ON RIGOR MORTIS RIDGE, STEELING OURSELVES FOR THE TERRIFYING DESCENT INTO GRIM REAPER GORGE!



WHY DO WE RISK LIFE AND LIMB IN A VERTICAL FREE FALL, WHEN WE COULD BE SAFE AT HOME BY THE FIRE?



BECAUSE IT IS MAN'S INDOMITABLE NATURE TO SCARE HIMSELF SILLY FOR NO GOOD REASON!



IF YOU MAKE IT HOME TO THE FIRE, YOU CAN TELL ME HOW IT WAS.



**SNACK!**



AH HA HA HA!  
THAT WAS  
HILARIOUS!  
HA HA HA!



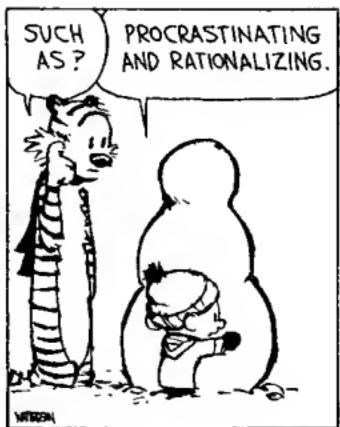
**POW!**



A JOKE IS NEVER AS FUNNY THE SECOND TIME YOU HEAR IT.

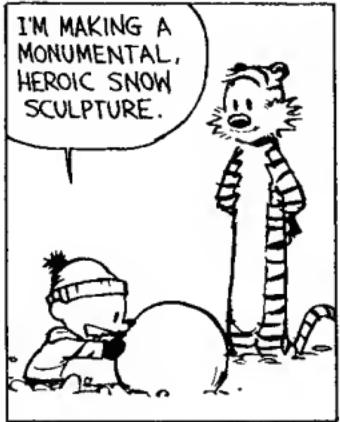


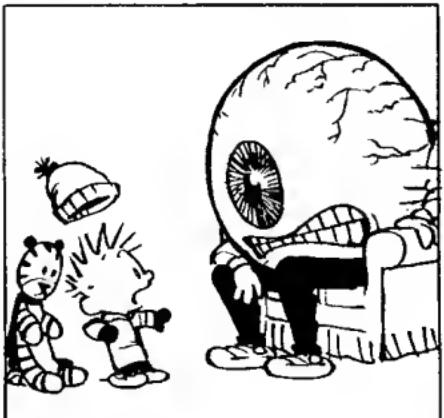
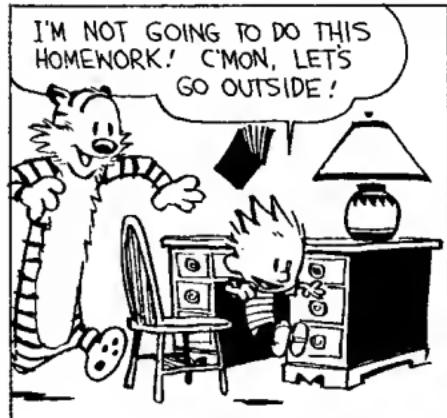




IT MUST BE A **FALLEN** ANGEL! GENERALLY THEY BURN UP IN THE ATMOSPHERE, BUT THIS ONE APPARENTLY VAPORIZED ON IMPACT, LEAVING THIS ANGEL-SHAPED CRATER IN THE SNOW!





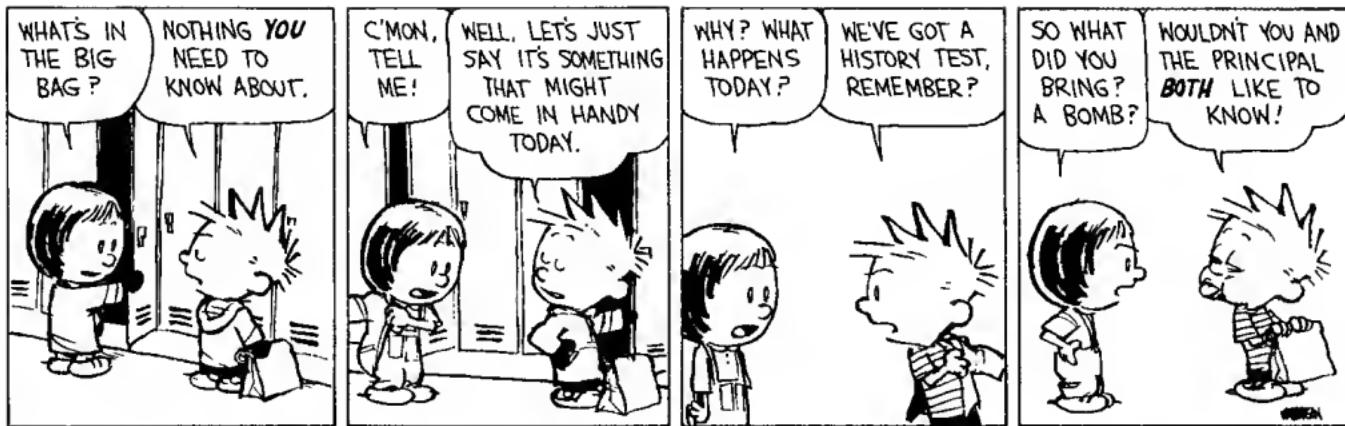


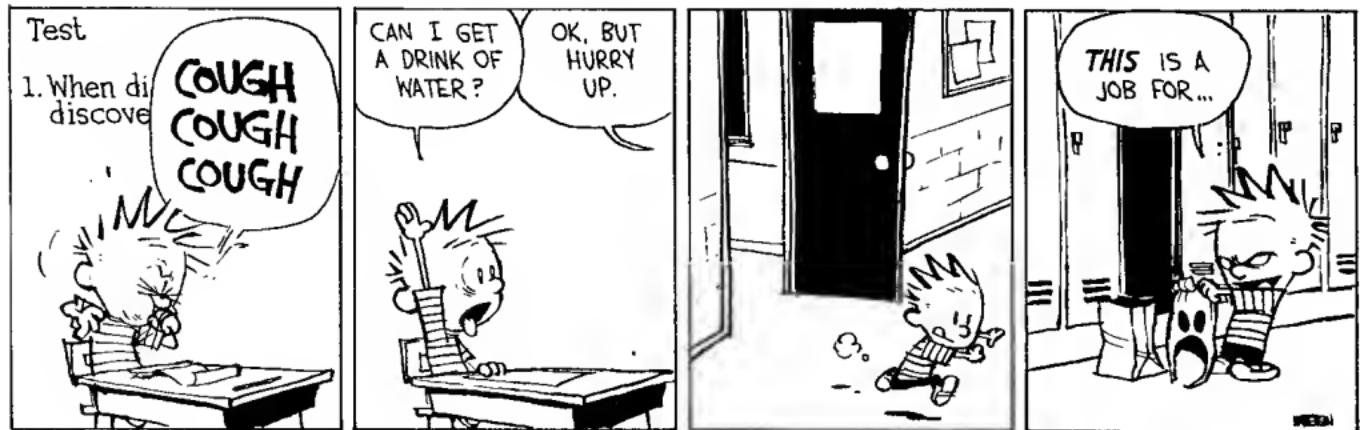
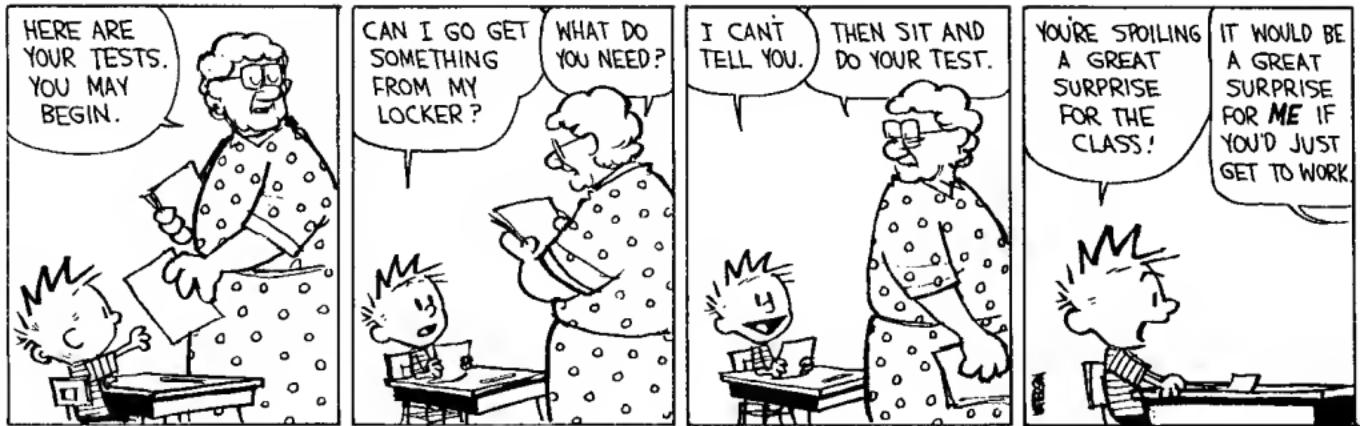


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TO AVOID DETECTION WHILE CHANGING IDENTITIES, MILD-MANNERED CALVIN LEAPS INTO HIS LOCKER!

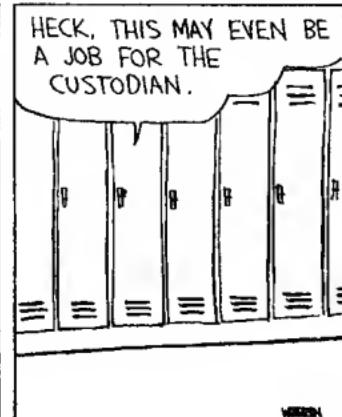
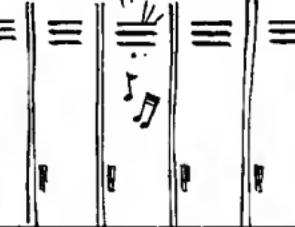


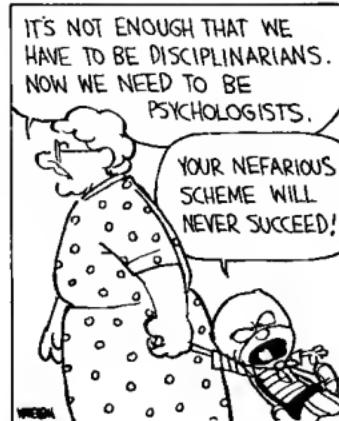
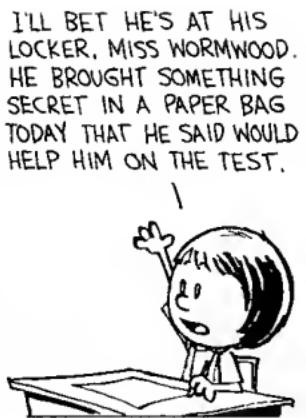
THERE HE MAKES THE STUPENDOUS TRANSFORMATION INTO....

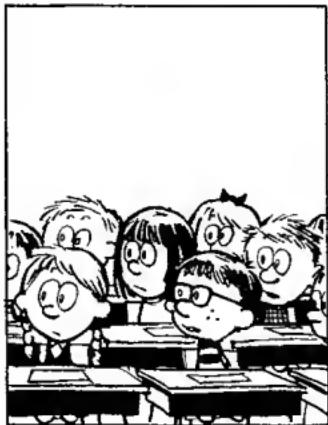
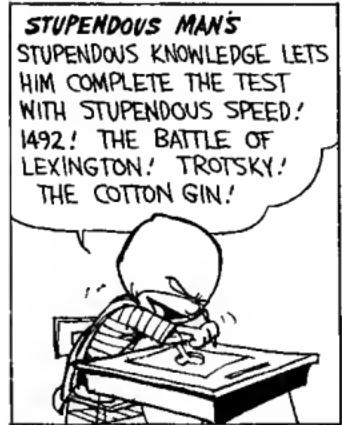
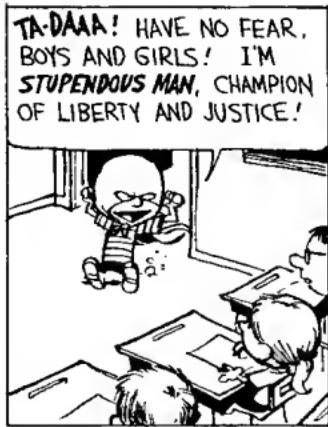
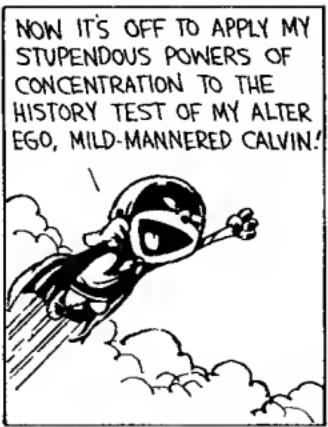


STUPENDOUS  
MANN!

DA TA DA TUM TUM  
DA TA DA TUM TUM







AAAUGH! LET GO! LET GO! YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG GUY! I'M CALVIN! I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!

BONK.  
CRASH

I JUST GOT A DRINK OF WATER! YOU SAID I COULD! STUPENDOUS MAN IS THE ONE YOU WANT! I'M NOT HIM! HELP! HELP!

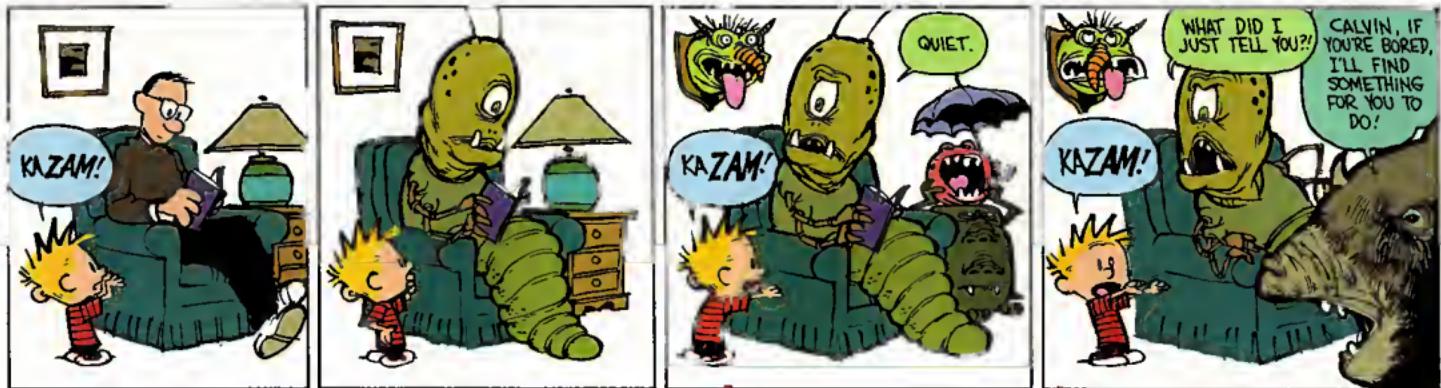
SCRAPE  
DRAG

CLASS, YOU SAW STUPENDOUS MAN! TELL MISS WORMWOOD! ARRGH! HELP! I'VE BEEN FALSELY ACCUSED!

WHEN MOM ASKS ME HOW MY DAY AT SCHOOL WAS, I ALWAYS JUST SAY, "FINE." AND CHANGE THE SUBJECT.

NO!  
NO!

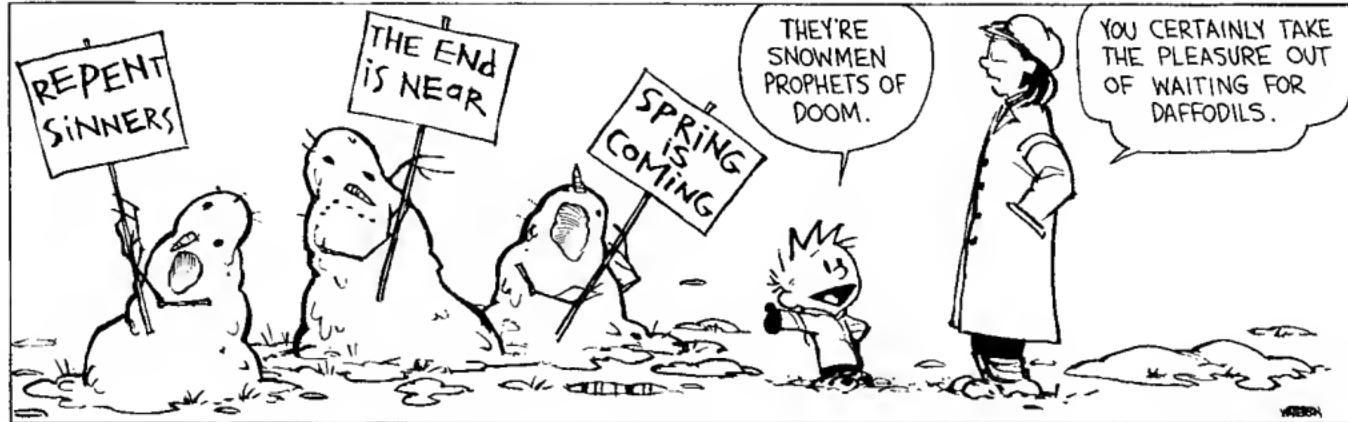




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by watterson





ATCHOO!



UH OH.



I'M LEAKING BRAIN LUBRICANT.

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LOOK, HOBBS. THERE'S A QUIZ IN MY NEW ISSUE OF CHEWING MAGAZINE. "DOES YOUR GUM DELIVER? 10 QUESTIONS SHOW WHAT YOU COULD BE MISSING!"



LET'S SEE HOW MY GUM DOES. "1. HOW HARD IS YOUR GUM AT THE BEGINNING?

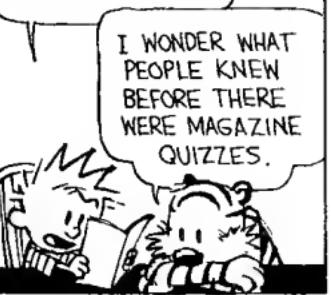
- A) ROCK-LIKE OR BRITTLE
- B) PLEASANTLY FIRM
- C) SQUISHY OR BENDY"



HMM... MY GUM IS PRETTY HARD AT FIRST. I'LL MARK "A".



GOSH, I'VE GOT NEGATIVE FIVE POINTS ALREADY! I'M NOT GETTING ALL THE PERFORMANCE I'M ENTITLED TO!



I WONDER WHAT PEOPLE KNEW BEFORE THERE WERE MAGAZINE QUIZZES.

OK, YOU'VE ALL READ THE CHAPTER, SO LET'S REVIEW.

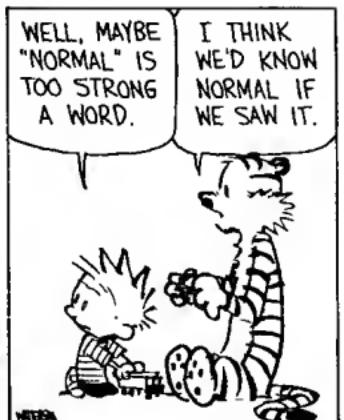
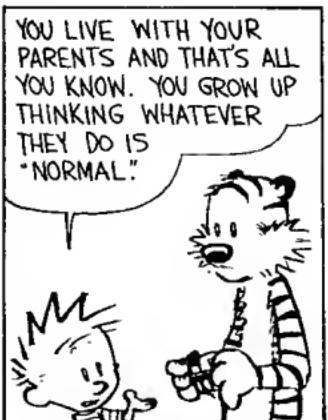
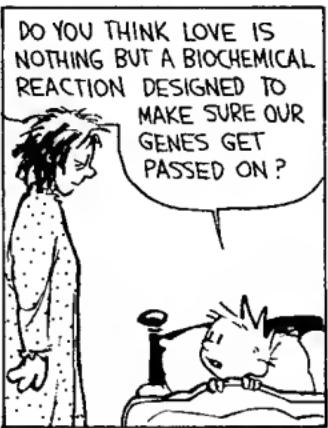


CALVIN, WHERE WAS THE BYZANTINE EMPIRE?



I'LL TAKE "OUTER PLANETS" FOR \$100.







BOY, AM I GLAD  
TO SEE YOU,  
HOBSES!

ANOTHER TYPICAL  
SCHOOL DAY?



RRGGGH....125 ...



OOF



RRGGH... 5,200!



EXERCISE IS A LOT MORE  
GRATIFYING IF YOU COUNT  
WHAT IT FEELS LIKE.



I DON'T WANT TO GET UP.  
I DON'T WANT TO GET  
DRESSED. I DON'T WANT  
TO WAIT FOR THE BUS.



I DON'T WANT TO GO TO  
SCHOOL. I DON'T WANT  
TO LISTEN TO THE  
TEACHER.



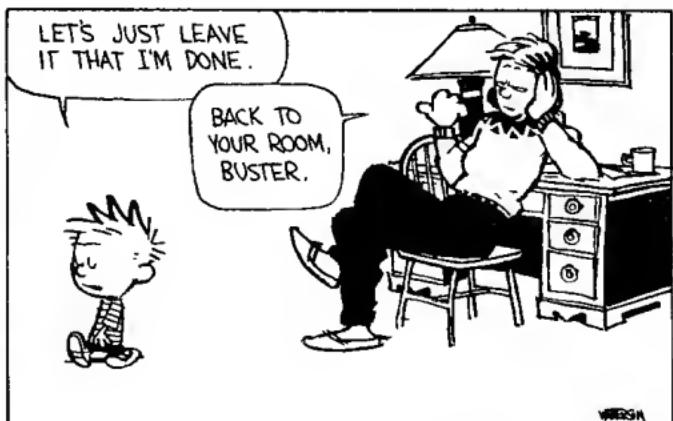
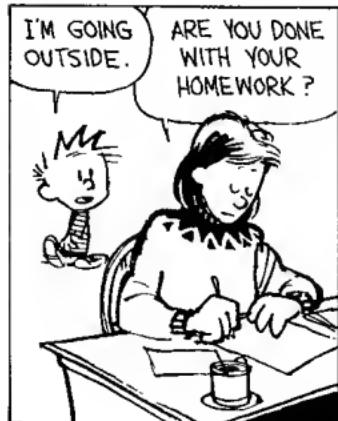
I DON'T WANT TO STUDY.  
I DON'T WANT ANY TESTS.  
I DON'T WANT ANY  
HOMEWORK.



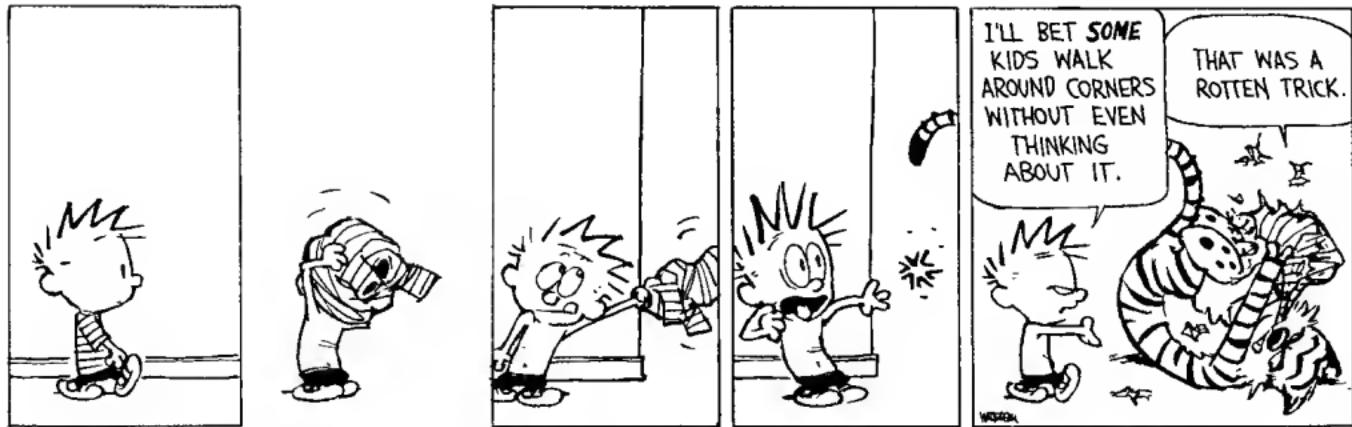
HOW WAS  
YOUR DAY?

IT PITCHED  
A PERFECT  
NO-HITTER.





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by WATSON



LOOK AT THESE TV COMMERCIALS. EACH ONE IS A JUMBLE OF LIGHTNING QUICK, UNRELATED IMAGES AND FILM TECHNIQUES.



IT DUPLICATES THE EFFECT OF RAPIDLY FLIPPING THROUGH CHANNELS. IT'S A BARRAGE OF NON-LINEAR FREE ASSOCIATION.



I GUESS THEY'RE ADMITTING THAT A 15-SECOND COMMERCIAL EXCEEDS THE AMERICAN ATTENTION SPAN BY A GOOD 14 SECONDS.



HUH? ARE YOU STILL TALKING ABOUT THAT?



SCIENTIFIC NAMES?



SURE. SCIENTISTS COME UP WITH GREAT, WILD THEORIES, BUT THEN THEY GIVE THEM DULL, UNIMAGINATIVE NAMES.

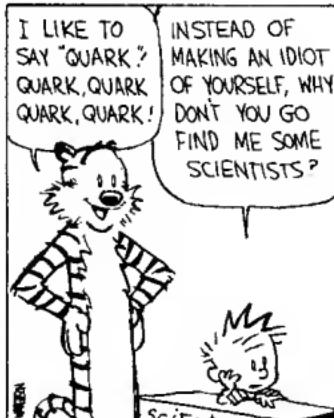


FOR EXAMPLE, SCIENTISTS THINK SPACE IS FULL OF MYSTERIOUS, INVISIBLE MASS, SO WHAT DO THEY CALL IT? "DARK MATTER"! DUHH! I TELL YOU, THERE'S A FORTUNE TO BE MADE HERE!



I LIKE TO SAY "QUARK" QUARK, QUARK QUARK, QUARK!

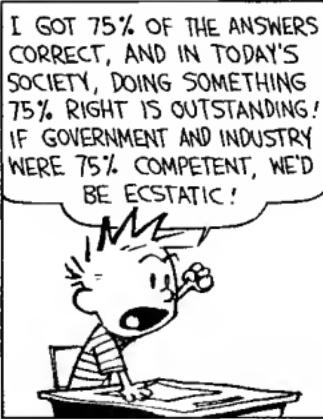
INSTEAD OF MAKING AN IDIOT OF YOURSELF, WHY DON'T YOU GO FIND ME SOME SCIENTISTS?



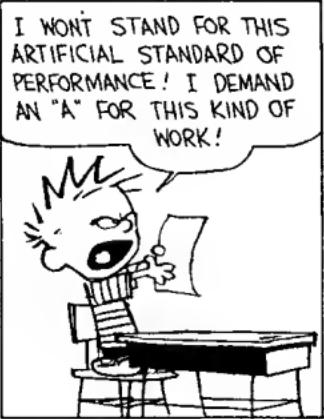
MISS WORMWOOD, I PROTEST THIS "C" GRADE! THAT'S SAYING I ONLY DID AN "AVERAGE" JOB!



I GOT 75% OF THE ANSWERS CORRECT, AND IN TODAY'S SOCIETY, DOING SOMETHING 75% RIGHT IS OUTSTANDING! IF GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY WERE 75% COMPETENT, WE'D BE ECSTATIC!



I WON'T STAND FOR THIS ARTIFICIAL STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE! I DEMAND AN "A" FOR THIS KIND OF WORK!



I THINK IT'S REALLY GROSS HOW SHE DRINKS MAALOX STRAIGHT FROM THE BOTTLE.



HISTORY WILL THANK ME FOR KEEPING THIS JOURNAL AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE.



AS ONE OF THOSE RARE INDIVIDUALS DESTINED FOR TRUE GREATNESS, THIS RECORD OF MY THOUGHTS AND CONVICTIONS WILL PROVIDE INVALUABLE INSIGHT INTO BUDDING GENIUS.



THINK OF IT! A PRICELESS HISTORICAL DOCUMENT IN THE MAKING! WOW!



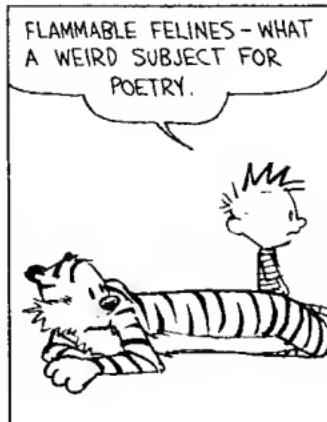
..SO WHO ELSE SHOULD I ADD TO MY LIST OF TOTAL JERKS? WHO ELSE DO YOU EVEN KNOW?



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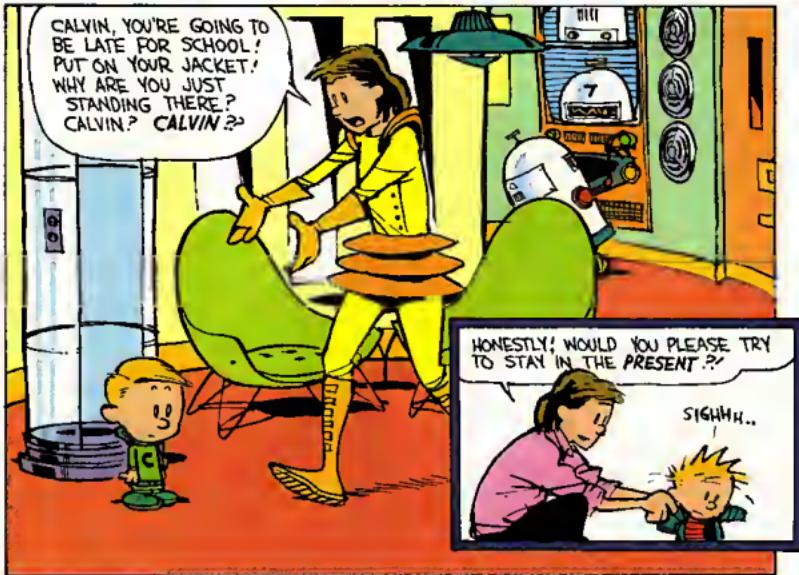


DON'T SHAVE NEXT TO YOUR MOUTH, OK? LET THE WHISKERS GROW ABOUT A FOOT LONG AND THEN WAX 'EM SO THEY STICK STRAIGHT OUT! THEN YOU'LL LOOK LIKE A BIG CAT!



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NATE WARD





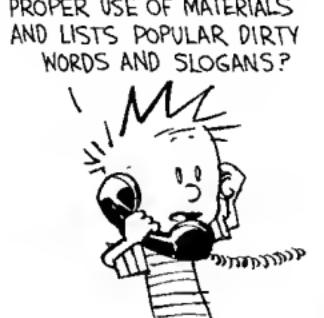
HELLO, COUNTY LIBRARY?  
REFERENCE DESK, PLEASE.  
THANK YOU.



HELLO? YES, I NEED A  
BOOK ON PAINTING THEORY  
AND TECHNIQUE.

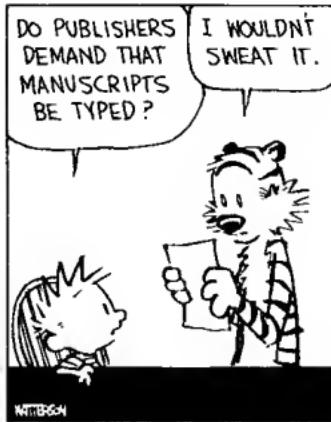
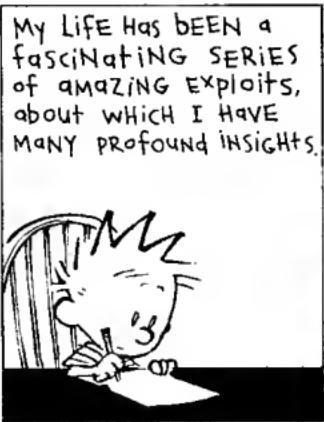


SPECIFICALLY, I'M INTERESTED  
IN GRAFFITI. IS THERE A  
BOOK THAT EXPLAINS THE  
PROPER USE OF MATERIALS  
AND LISTS POPULAR DIRTY  
WORDS AND SLOGANS?

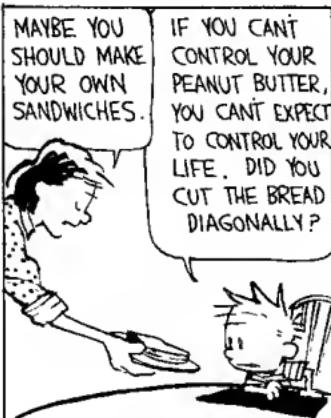


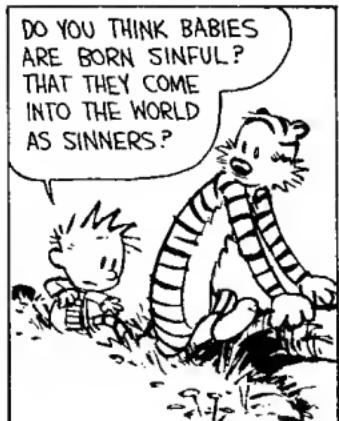
WHAT ON EARTH DO THEY  
SPEND THEIR MONEY ON  
OVER THERE?





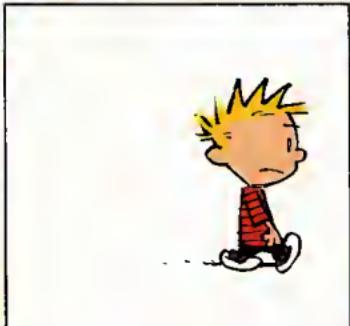
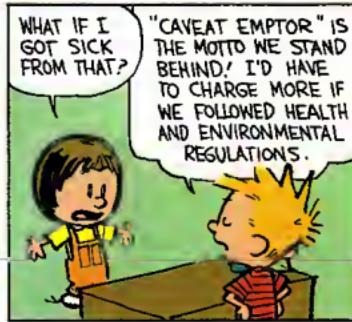
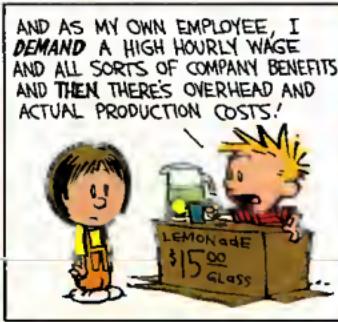
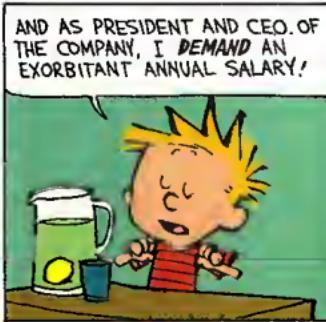
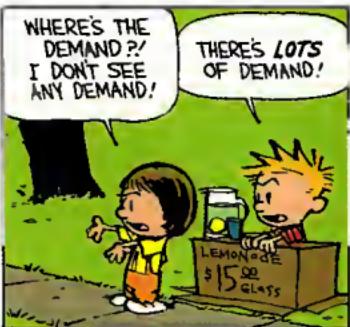
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SCOOP ONE HALF STRAIGHT DOWN AND THEN DIG OUT THE OTHER SIDE FROM THE BOTTOM, SO PART OF THE TOP REMAINS UNDISTURBED UNTIL THE VERY END!





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THE TV LISTINGS SAY THIS MOVIE HAS "ADULT SITUATIONS." WHAT ARE ADULT SITUATIONS?



PROBABLY THINGS LIKE GOING TO WORK, PAYING BILLS AND TAXES, TAKING RESPONSIBILITIES...



WOW, THEY DON'T KID AROUND WHEN THEY SAY "FOR MATURE AUDIENCES."



I'VE NEVER UNDERSTOOD HOW THOSE MOVIES MAKE ANY MONEY.

BANG WHANG CLANG



ZANG PANG BLANG



WILL YOU STOP THAT AWFUL RACKET?!  
YOU'RE DRIVING ME CRAZY!



.. AND A CHECK MARK FOR TUESDAY!



MISS  
WORMWOOD?

YES,  
CALVIN?



MY GENERATION DOESN'T ABSORB INFORMATION THIS WAY. COULD YOU REDUCE EVERYTHING TO FACTOIDS?

TURN TO PAGE 21, CLASS.



AT LEAST OUR TELEVISIONS  
UNDERSTAND US.



MEGAN

I HATE IT  
WHEN IT'S  
THIS WINDY.

YOU KNOW WHAT  
I HATE? I  
HATE WHEN I'M  
TALKING AND  
SOMEONE TURNS  
THE CONVERSATION  
TO HIMSELF!



IT'S SO RUDE! WHY DO THEY  
THINK I'M TALKING?! IT'S SO  
THEY CAN HEAR ABOUT **ME**!  
WHO CARES WHAT **THEY** HAVE  
TO SAY! IF I START A  
CONVERSATION, IT SHOULD  
STAY ON THE SUBJECT OF **ME**!

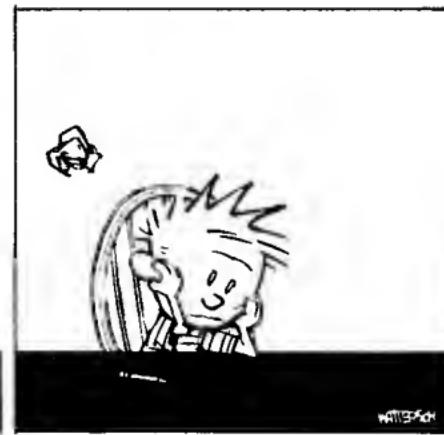


I ALSO HATE  
IT WHEN PEOPLE  
LOOK AT ME  
ALL BUG-EYED.

THAT MUST  
HAPPEN  
A LOT.



HOW MANY BOARDS  
WOULD THE MONGOLS HOARD,  
IF THE MONGOL HORDES  
GOT BORED?



NO SENSE PUTTING IT OFF. IT'S  
TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING.

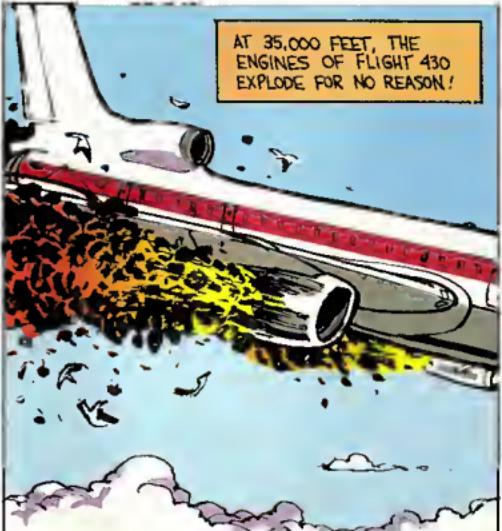
GOOD FOR YOU.



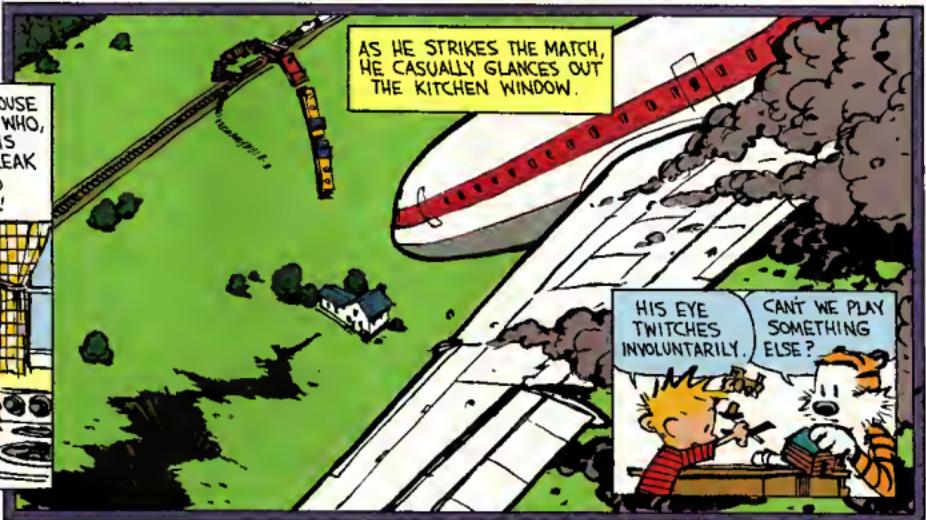
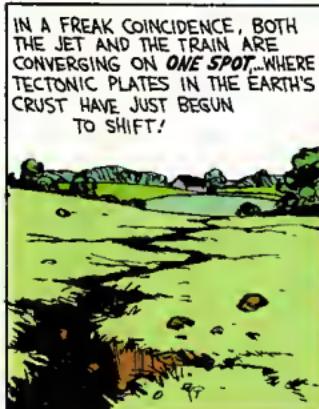
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THE HOUSE?

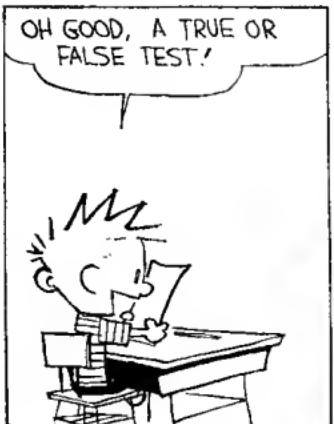
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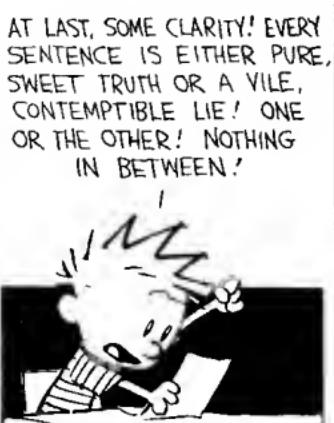


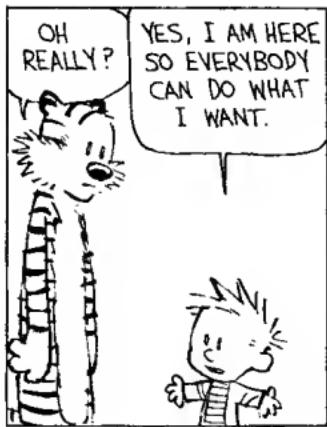
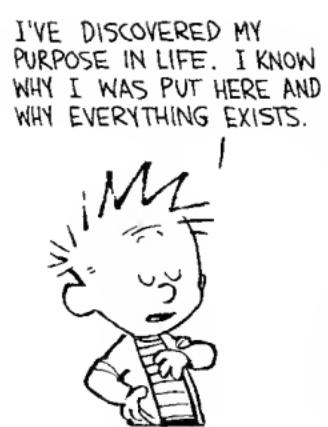
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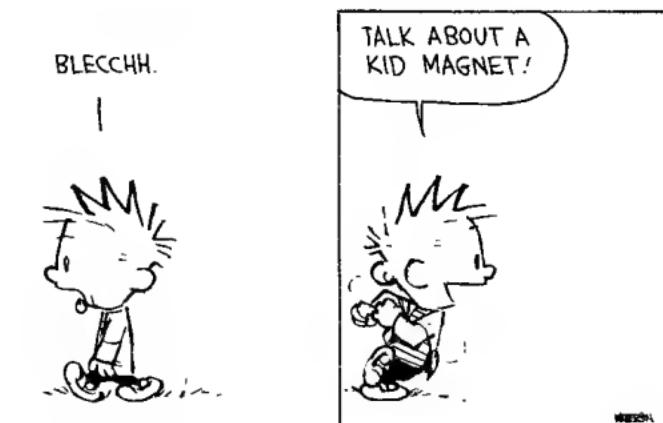




AT LAST, SOME CLARITY! EVERY  
SENTENCE IS EITHER PURE,  
SWEET TRUTH OR A VILE,  
CONTEMPTIBLE LIE! ONE  
OR THE OTHER! NOTHING  
IN BETWEEN!







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W. MATTISON

IT ALL BOILS DOWN  
TO LUCK, HOBBES.  
SOME PEOPLE ARE  
BORN LUCKY AND  
SOME PEOPLE ARE  
BORN UNLUCKY.

EITHER WAY, THERE'S  
NOTHING YOU CAN  
DO ABOUT IT. YOU  
CAN'T FIGHT LUCK.

WERE HEADED  
FOR THAT CLIFF!

YIKES! BAD  
LUCK!

'BYE.'

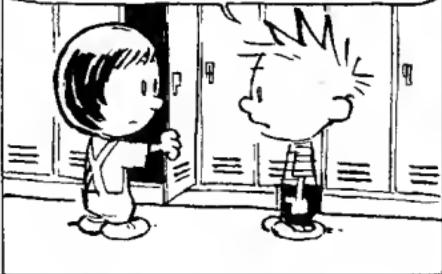
SEE WHAT I  
MEAN? YOU GO  
ALONG, MINDING  
YOUR OWN BUSINESS,  
AND SUDDENLY  
YOUR LUCK  
RUNS OUT!

IF YOU'RE OH UNLUCKY,  
WHAT CAN YOU DO?  
OH! YOU'RE CONDEMNED  
TO SUFFER! OH!

OOH, RIGHT IN THE  
PRICKER BUSHES.  
...JUST LIKE YESTERDAY.

MAYBE MY  
LUCK WILL  
CHANGE  
TOMORROW.

SUSIE, I THINK IT'S ONLY FAIR TO TELL YOU THAT THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO WAY I WOULD EVEN *CONSIDER* ASKING YOU TO THE SENIOR PROM.



THAT'S ELEVEN YEARS FROM NOW!



I FIGURE THAT MIGHT GIVE YOU ENOUGH TIME TO FIND SOMEBODY WHO WILL.

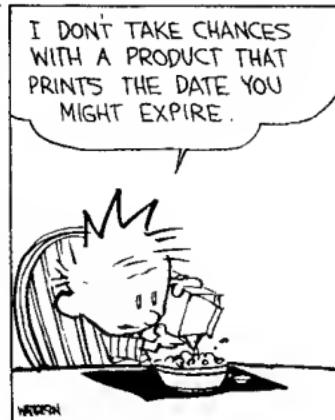
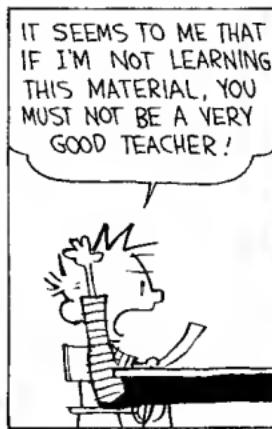


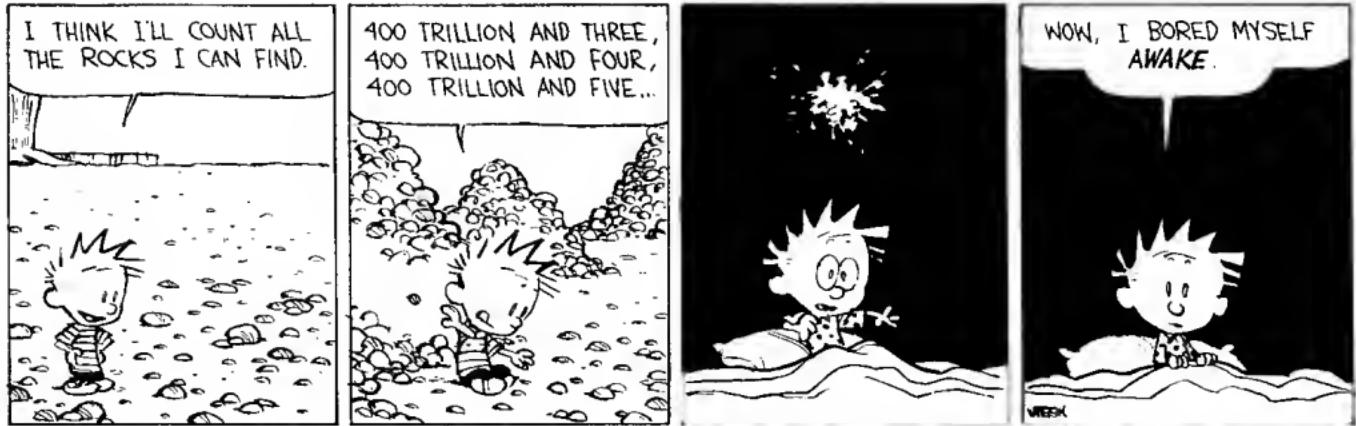
IF I'D KNOWN HER LONGER, I COULD'VE GIVEN HER MORE NOTICE.



I THINK TIGERS ARE ACTUALLY CLASSIFIED AS LIQUIDS.

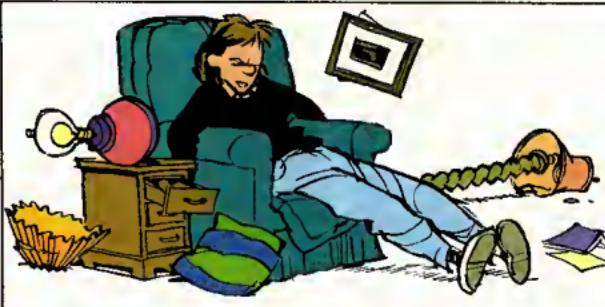


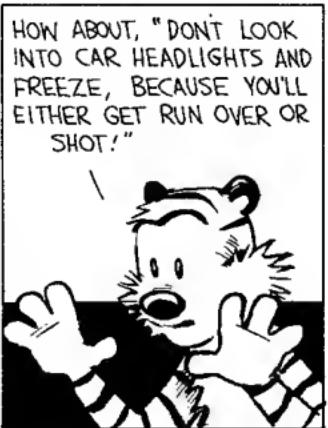
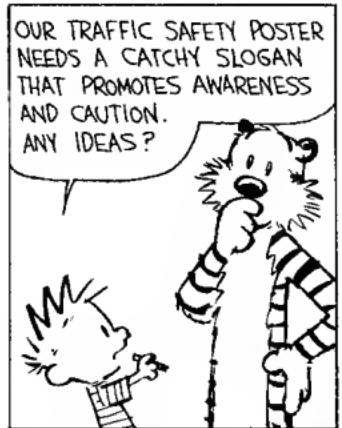
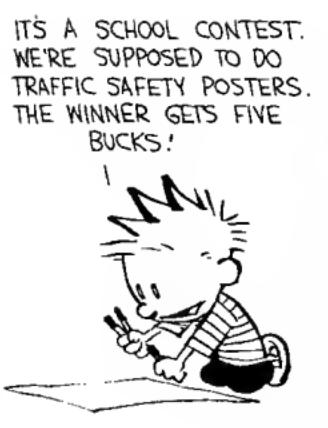




# calvin and HOBBES

by WATSON



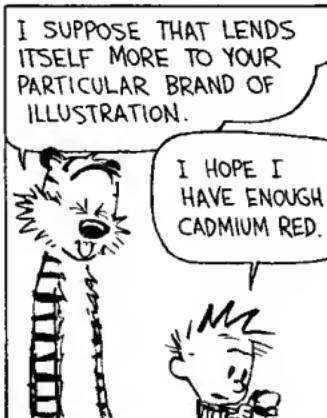


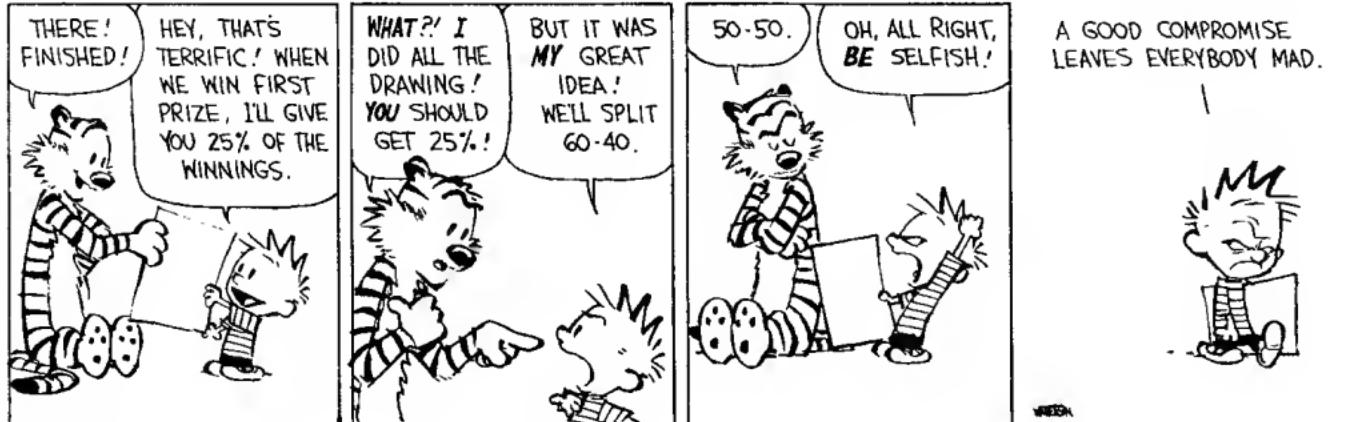
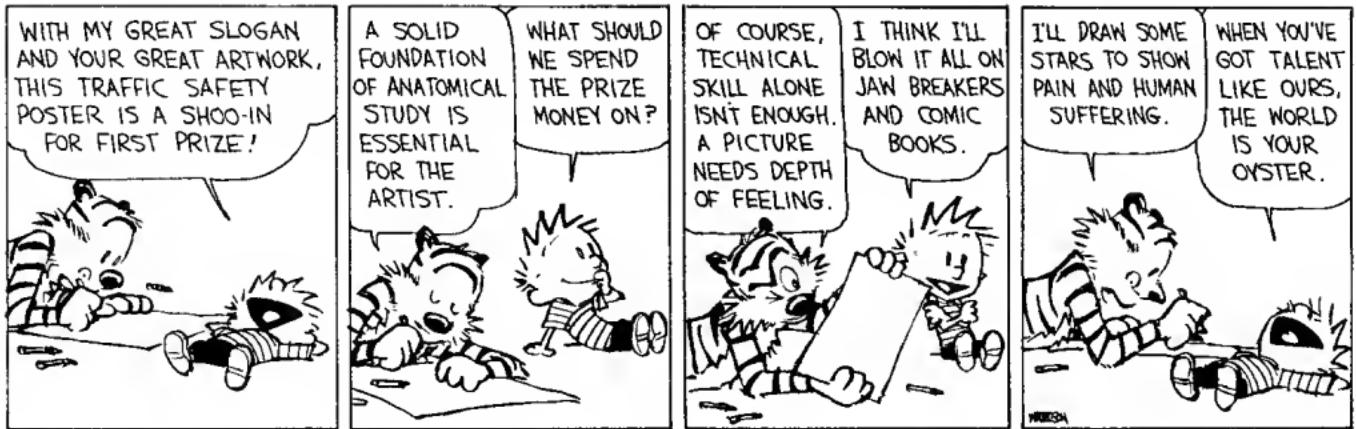


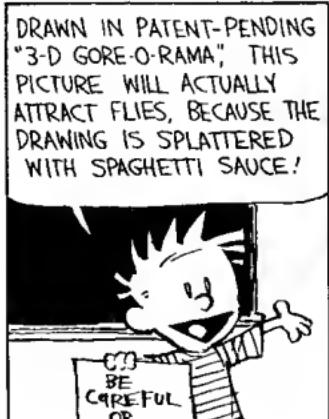
SURE! "CYCLISTS HAVE A RIGHT TO THE ROAD TOO, YOU NOISY, POLLUTING, INCONSIDERATE MANIACS! I HOPE GAS GOES UP TO EIGHT BUCKS A GALLON!"

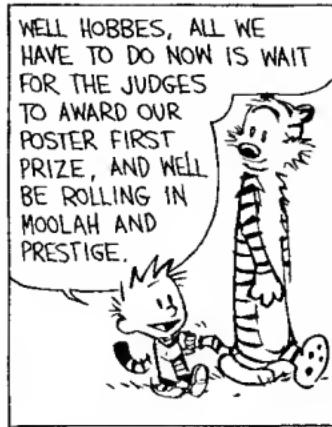


"BE CAREFUL, OR BE ROADKILL!"









THURSDAY

# ALVIN WINS POSTER CONTEST

Judges Astounded By Quality; Boy Rakes In Cash, Shares With Tiger



Classmates Shamed By Wunderkind's Incredible Talent

## LOCAL PARADE FOR POSTER WINNER

### Calvin Drives Fire Engine; Few Injured



Jubilant crowds lined the streets yesterday as Silly Poster Contest Winner Calvin drove a fire truck haphazardly through town in a victory celebration. With bells ringing and sirens screaming, the young lad careened over curbs and across lawns at speeds in excess of 50 mph. Onlookers dove for cover, and amazingly, few people were

#### EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW

##### Boy Tells Secret Of Greatness

## Town Hall Razored, Statue of Calvin Commissioned for Site

NEW STATE MOTTO: "BE CAREFUL OR BE ROADKILL!"



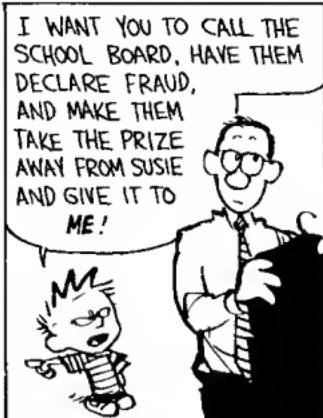
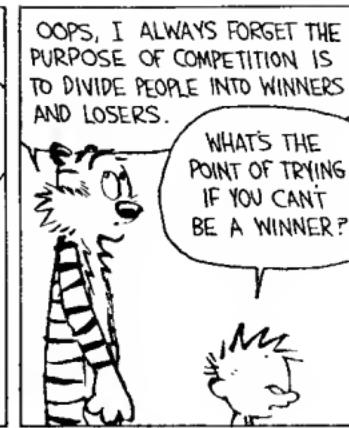
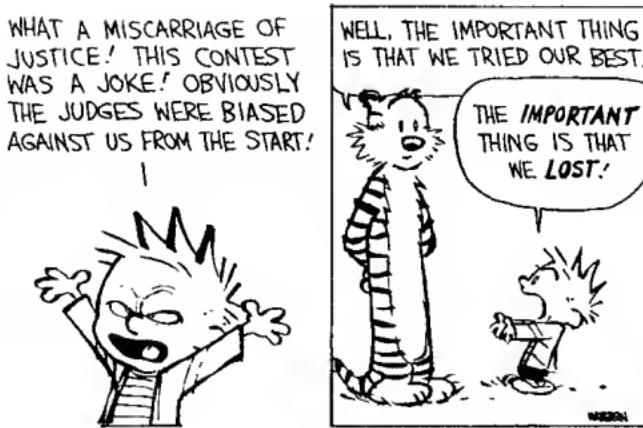
Though of historic importance, the building was "an eyesore," according to the mayor, who pushed the button that sent Town Hall flying in a cloud of debris. The statue that replaces it will be 80 ft. high and visitable from several countries. Plans to melt the hand were never discussed due to expense and

LOOK CALVIN, MY POSTER WON!

# HUH?



WILSON



# calvin and HOBES

by WATSON

BLECHH..



!



EEP!



YIKES! HELLP!!



HAUGH!! UGHH



URGLE GACKK  
ORG

PLUTCH SPLUTCH  
BLUTCH



URRRP



THPPTHH



UGHH, HOW  
REVOLTING.

AT LEAST  
IT WORKED.



LET'S  
DANCE!

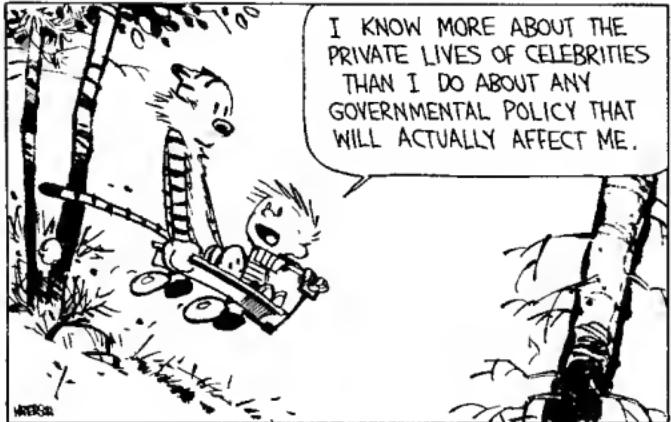
DARLING!



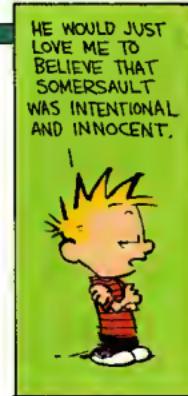
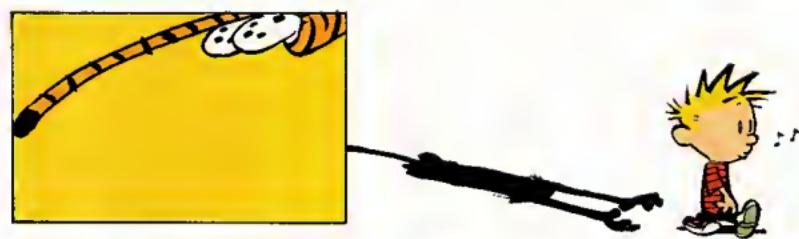
YOU'RE TRYING TO  
KILL ME WITH  
THIS STUFF,  
AREN'T YOU??  
JUST ADMIT  
IT!!

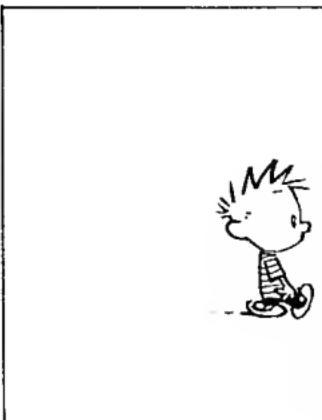
IF YOU DON'T LIKE  
IT, DON'T EAT IT,  
BUT I'M NOT  
FIXING YOU  
SOMETHING  
DIFFERENT.

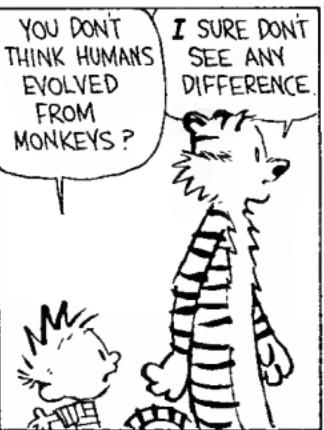


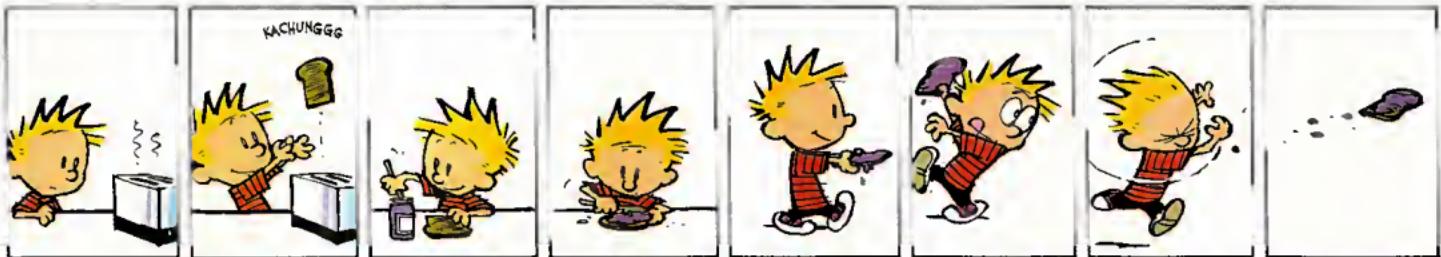


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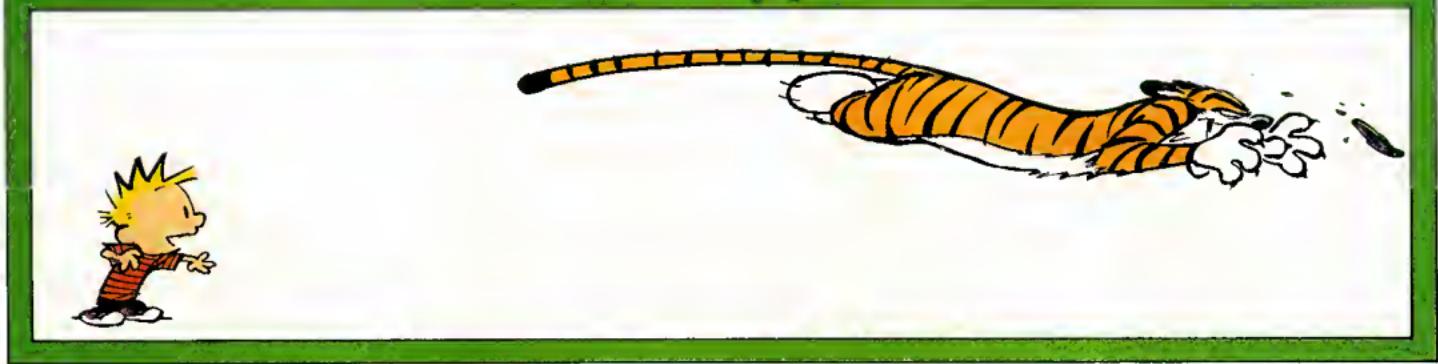






## CAVIN and HOBBES

by NARROW



THAT CERTAINLY WAS  
A GRIM SPECTACLE.

I LIKE  
BREAKFAST  
ON THE RUN.

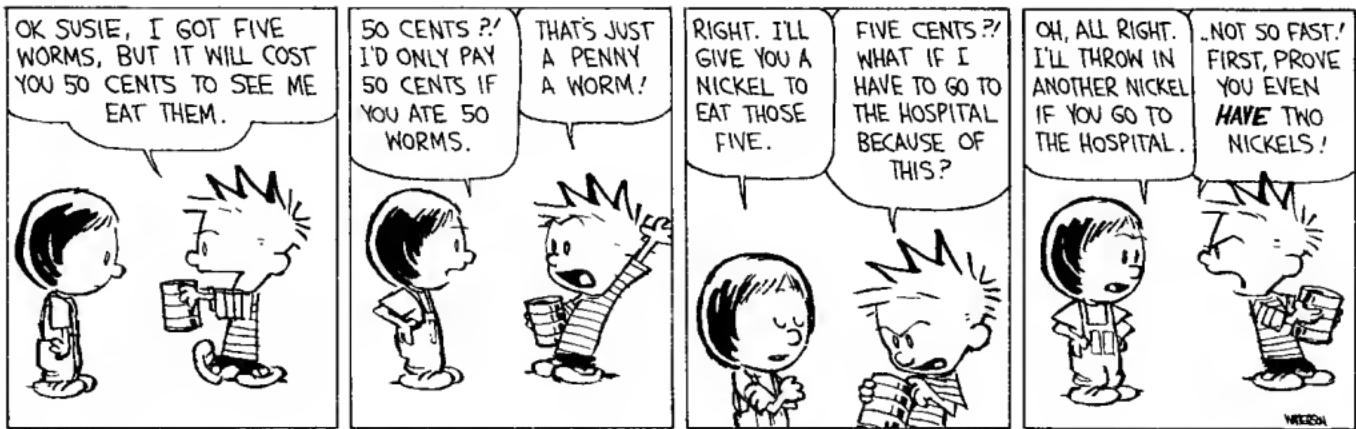
CRUNCH  
CRUNCH

BUT MOM,  
IT'S THEIR  
NATURE!

WHY CAN'T YOU EAT AT THE  
TABLE LIKE A CIVILIZED  
HUMAN BEING?!



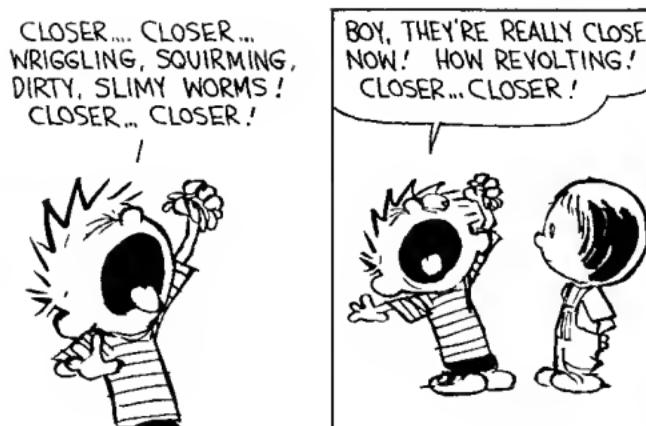




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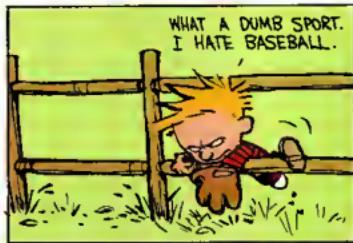


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by watterson



### LITTLE JOYS OF LIFE

1. READING A NEW COMIC BOOK.
2. PETTING A HAPPY DOG.
3. GETTING A LETTER IN THE MAIL.
4. EATING THE MARSHMALLOWS IN HOT CHOCOLATE.



5. SMILING WHEN A BIG KID CALLS YOU A NASTY NAME... AND THEN PUNCHING HIS TEETH STRAIGHT DOWN HIS UGLY NECK.



YOU REALLY  
PULL THE OL'  
HEARTSTRINGS

SOME OF THESE  
I HAVEN'T PERSONALLY  
EXPERIENCED, SAD  
TO SAY.



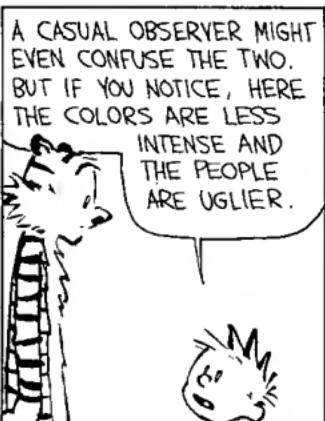
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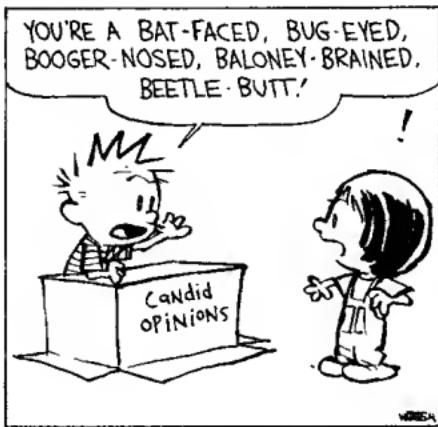
LOOK, HOBBS,  
THIS WORLD IS  
KIND OF LIKE  
TV.

A CASUAL OBSERVER MIGHT  
EVEN CONFUSE THE TWO.  
BUT IF YOU NOTICE, HERE  
THE COLORS ARE LESS  
INTENSE AND  
THE PEOPLE  
ARE UGLIER.

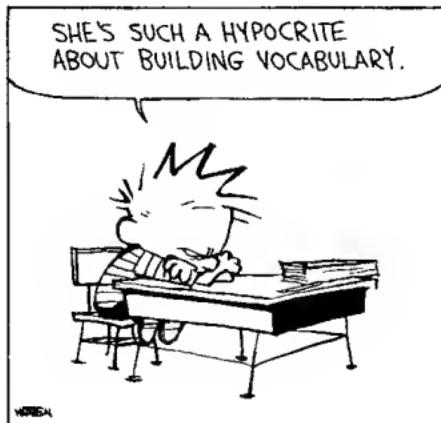
ALSO, I SEE THAT SEVERAL  
MINUTES CAN GO BY WITHOUT  
A SINGLE CAR CHASE,  
EXPLOSION, MURDER OR  
PAT PERSONAL EXCHANGE.

WHY SETTLE  
FOR LESS,  
HMM?  
SHH, THIS IS  
MY FAVORITE  
DEODORANT  
COMMERCIAL.





EACH CARD HAS A LETTER FOLLOWED BY SEVERAL DASHES. WHEN I SHOW THE CARD, YOU YELL THE VULGAR, OBSCENE OR BLASPHEMOUS WORD THEY STAND FOR! ... READY?

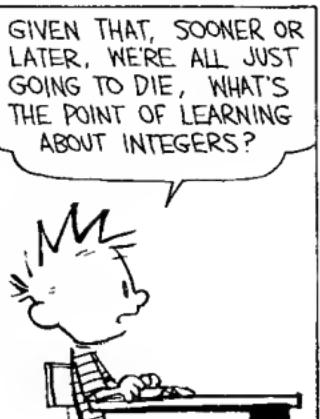
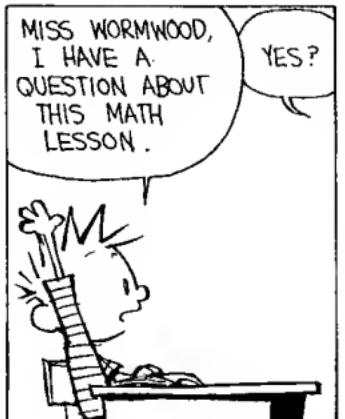
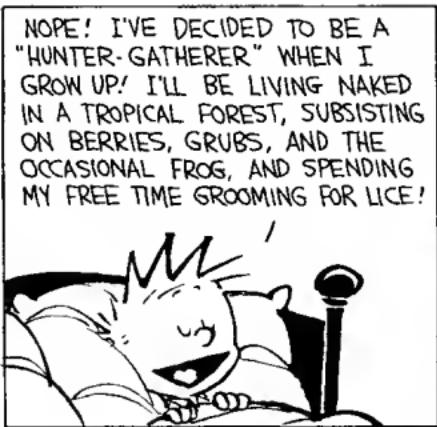




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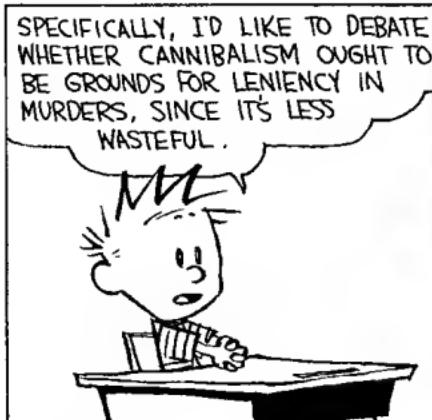
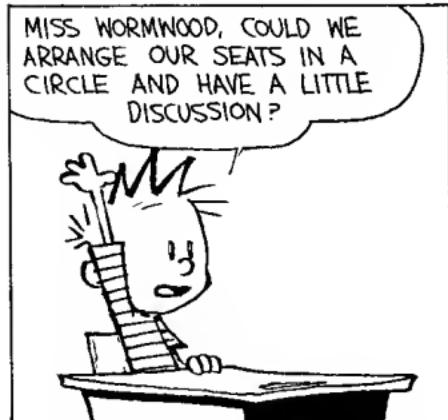
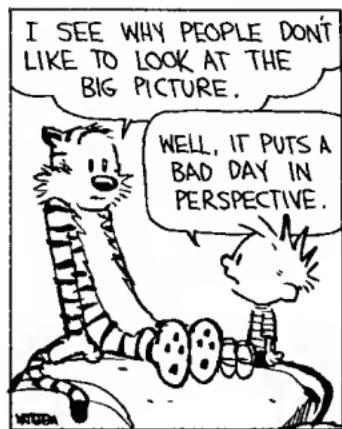
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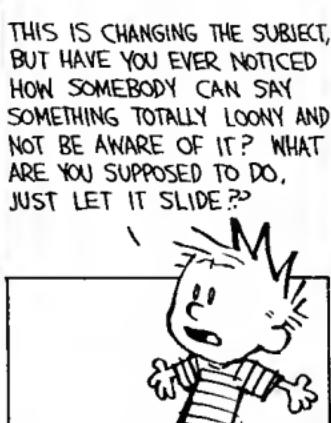
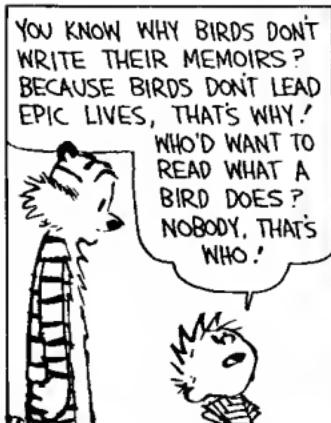
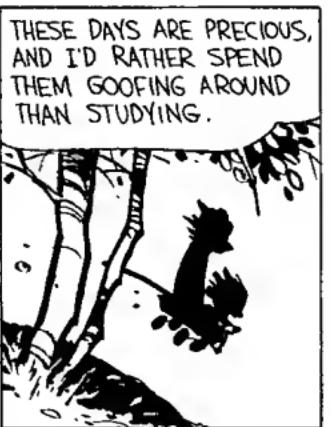
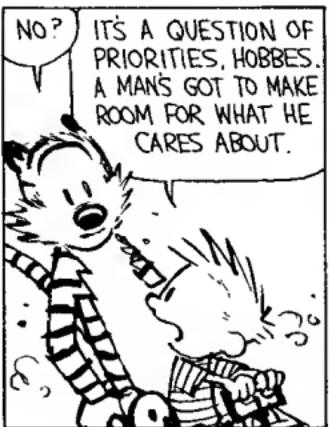






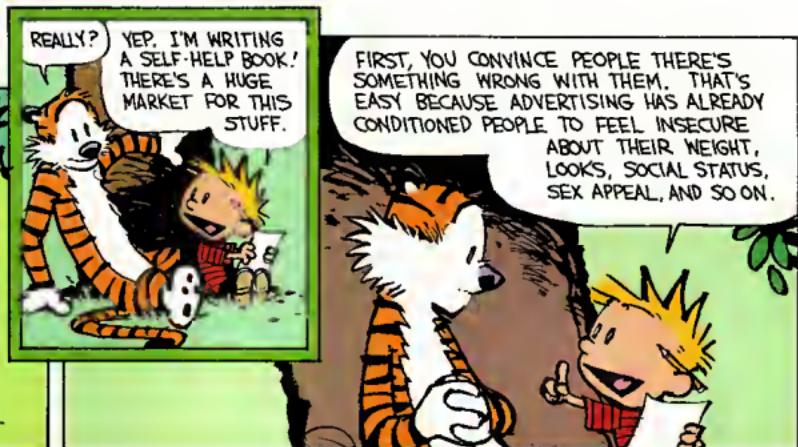
EXISTENCE IS NOT ONLY TEMPORARY, IT'S POINTLESS! WE'RE ALL DOOMED, AND WORSE, NOTHING MATTERS!





# calvin and hobbes

by waterson



NEXT, YOU CONVINCE THEM THAT THE PROBLEM IS NOT THEIR FAULT AND THAT THEY'RE VICTIMS OF LARGER FORCES. THAT'S EASY, BECAUSE IT'S WHAT PEOPLE BELIEVE ANYWAY. NOBODY WANTS TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OWN SITUATION.



FINALLY, YOU CONVINCE THEM THAT WITH YOUR EXPERT ADVICE AND ENCOURAGEMENT, THEY CAN CONQUER THEIR PROBLEM AND BE HAPPY!



INGENIOUS. WHAT PROBLEM WILL YOU HELP PEOPLE SOLVE?



THEIR ADDICTION TO SELF-HELP BOOKS!

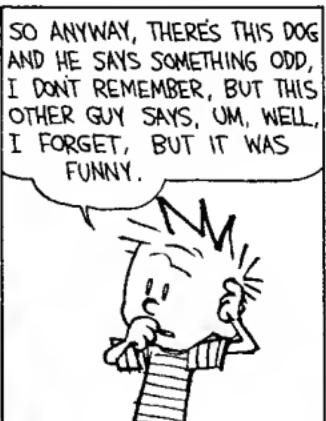
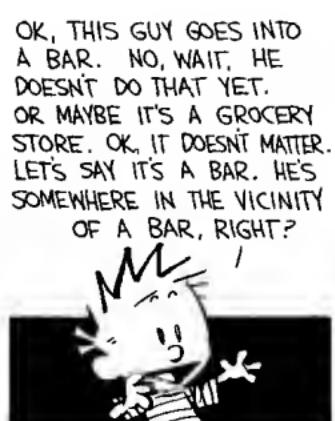
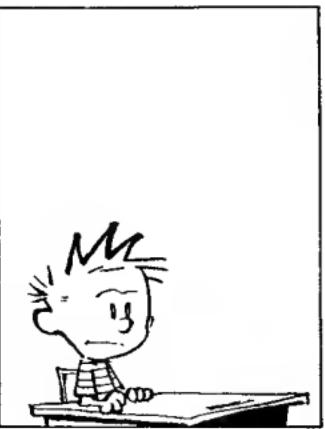
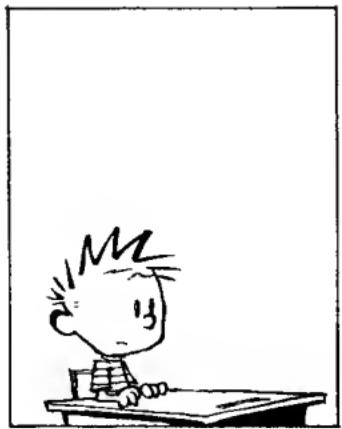
MY BOOK IS CALLED,  
SHUT UP AND STOP WHINING:  
HOW TO DO SOMETHING  
WITH YOUR LIFE BESIDES  
THINK ABOUT YOURSELF."



YOU SHOULD PROBABLY WAIT FOR THE ADVANCE BEFORE YOU BUY ANYTHING.

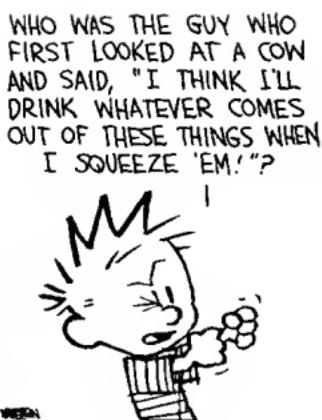


THE TROUBLE IS...  
IF MY PROGRAM WORKS,  
I WON'T BE ABLE TO  
WRITE A SEQUEL.



NEEDHAM





I'VE BEEN DISEMPowered!  
MY CENTERING, SELF-ACTUALIZING  
ANIMA HAS BEEN IMPACTED BY  
TOXIC, CO-DEPENDENT  
DYSFUNCTIONALITY!



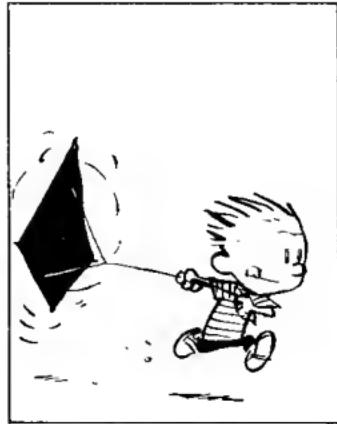
ARE YOU SAYING THERE'S  
A DIFFERENCE?!



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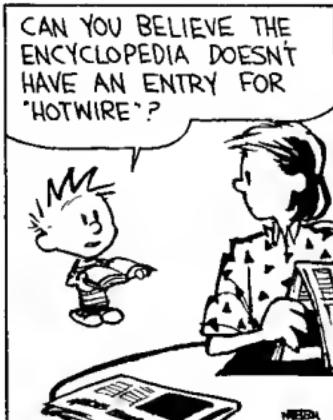
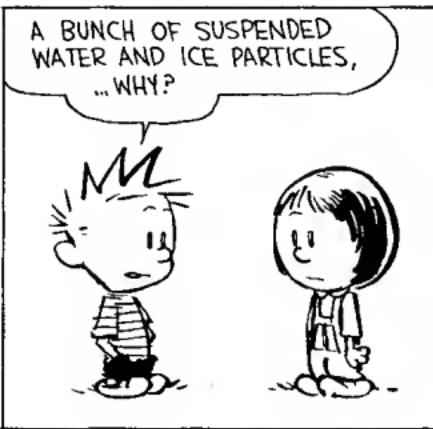


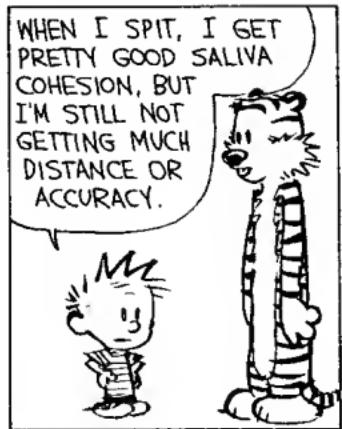


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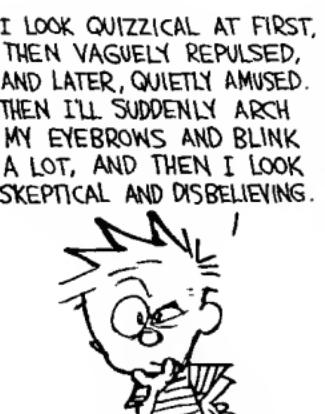


WEEBZ





I THINK THE PROBLEM LIES IN THE MIX OF PHLEGM. IF YOU DON'T GET THAT CRITICAL MUCUS MASS, YOU JUST...



# calvin and HOBBES

by WATTERSON



WHAT IF THERE'S NO  
AFTERLIFE? SUPPOSE  
THIS IS ALL WE GET.



PHUP  
PHUPP  
PHUP

PHBBTTB



HEY, THAT WAS  
A **GOOD** ONE!

THANK  
YOU.



IT'S FUNNY HOW  
YOU NEVER SEE  
MOM AND DAD  
PRACTICE THESE.

THEY'RE PROBABLY  
GOOD AT IT  
ALREADY.





THE LITERARY WORLD IS ABUZZ ABOUT MABEL SYRUP'S SEQUEL TO "HAMSTER HUEY AND THE GOOEY KABLOOIE."



WE HAVE TO BUY IT! IT'S CALLED, "COMMANDER CORIANDER SALAMANDER AND 'ER SINGLE HANDER BELLYLANDER".



ARCHITECTS SHOULD BE FORCED TO LIVE IN THE BUILDINGS THEY DESIGN, AND CHILDREN'S BOOK AUTHORS SHOULD BE FORCED TO READ THEIR STORIES ALOUD EVERY SINGLE NIGHT OF THEIR ROTTEN LIVES.



HOBBS IS LAUGHING IN HIS SLEEP.

HEE  
HEE  
HEE



PSST!  
WHAT'S SO FUNNY?



ZZZ... SHH,  
I'M GOING TO POUNCE ON CALVIN...  
ZZ... HEE...  
HEE...

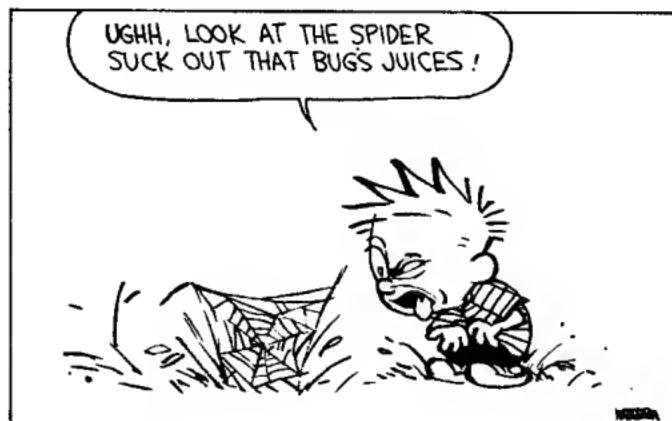
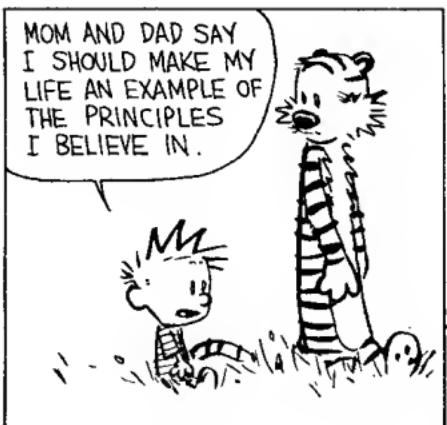
RUN FOR YOUR LIFE,  
CALVIN!

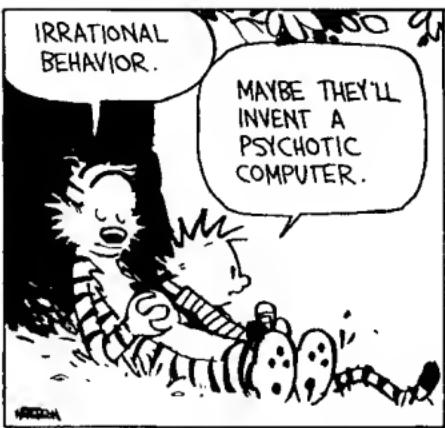
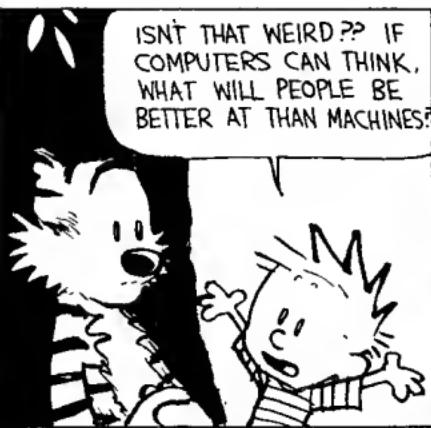
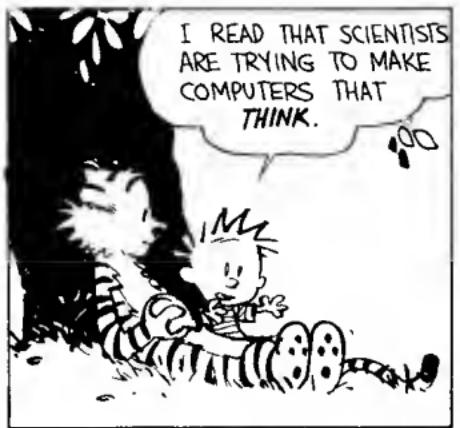


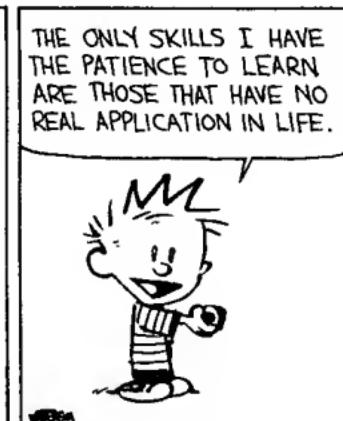


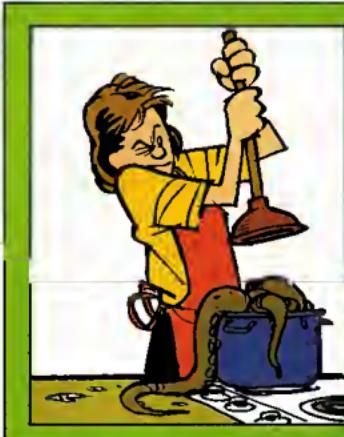
BACK IN THE DARKNESS OF OUTER SPACE, SPIFF REFLECTS ON HIS ONE MISCALCULATION. OUR HERO RESOLVES TO REVISIT THE PLANET, THIS TIME WITH MORE AMMO!

NO SLEEP TONIGHT, I SEE.









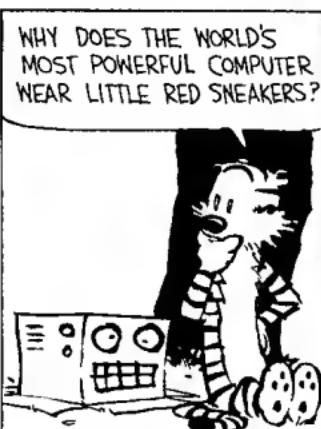
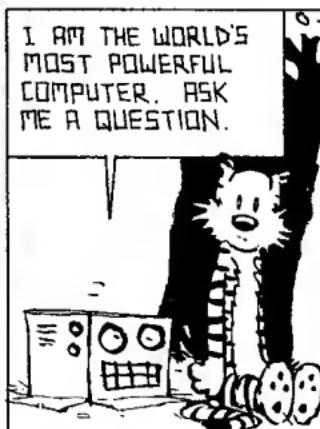
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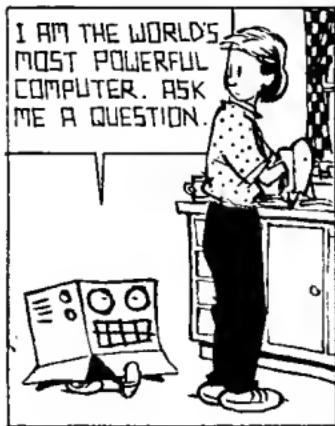
CALVIN, I SPENT OVER AN HOUR  
FIXING THIS! AT LEAST  
TRY IT!

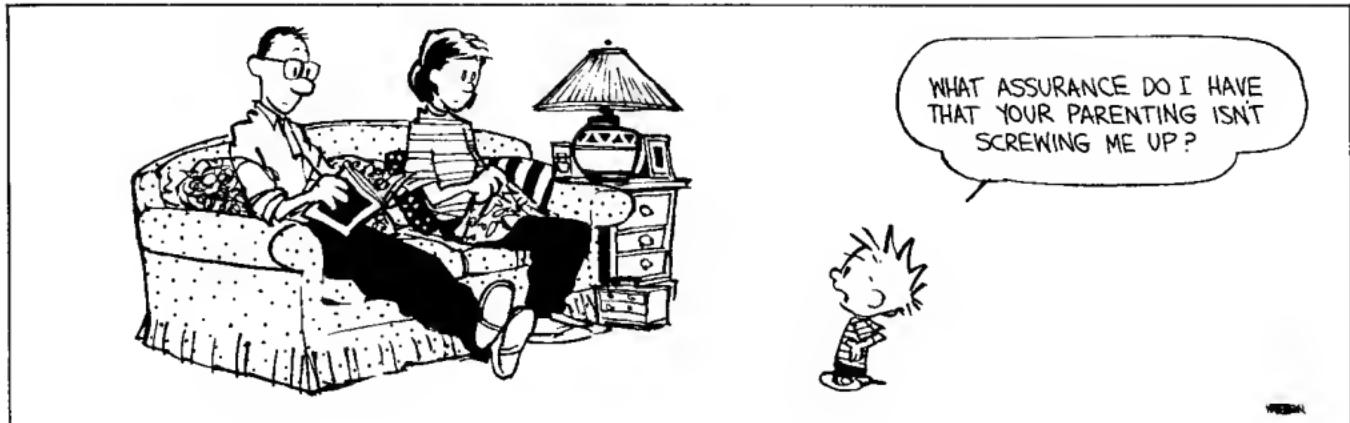
I SAW WHAT  
WENT IN IT!  
I'M NOT  
TOUCHING IT!





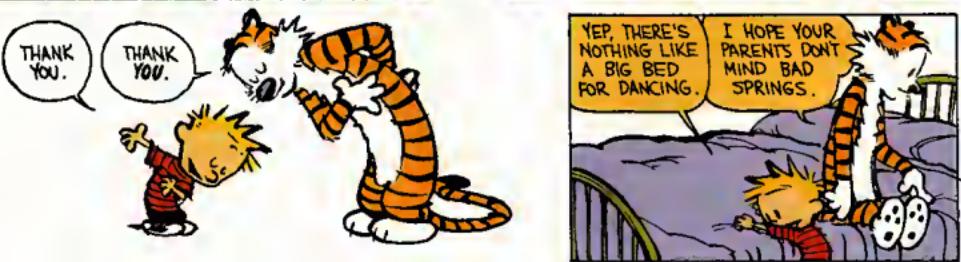
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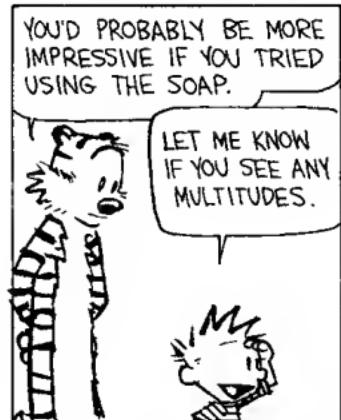
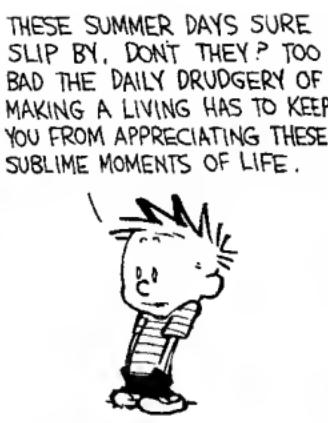




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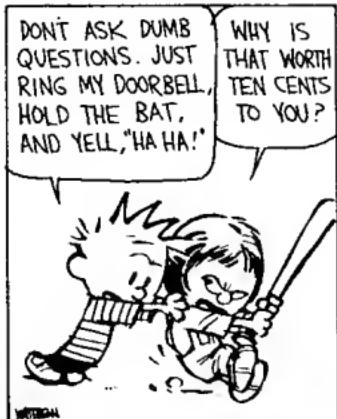








I DUNNO... I KINDA FIGURED TEACHERS SLEPT IN COFFINS ALL SUMMER.





## calvin and hobbes

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WE DON'T UNDERSTAND  
WHAT REALLY CAUSES  
EVENTS TO HAPPEN.



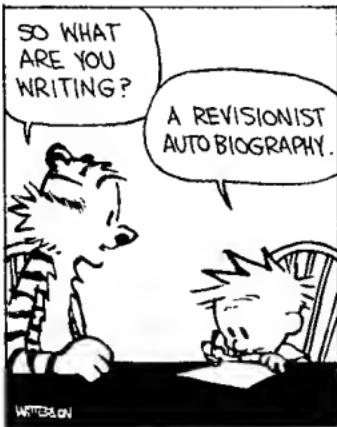
HISTORY IS THE FICTION  
WE INVENT TO PERSUADE  
OURSELVES THAT EVENTS  
ARE KNOWABLE AND THAT  
LIFE HAS ORDER AND DIRECTION.



THAT'S WHY EVENTS ARE  
ALWAYS REINTERPRETED  
WHEN VALUES CHANGE.  
WE NEED NEW VERSIONS  
OF HISTORY TO ALLOW FOR  
OUR CURRENT PREJUDICES.



SO WHAT  
ARE YOU  
WRITING?



A REVISIONIST  
AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

A PAINTING. MOVING.  
SPIRITUALLY ENRICHING.  
SUBLIME. ...."HIGH" ART!



THE COMIC STRIP. VAPID.  
JUVENILE. COMMERCIAL  
HACK WORK. ...."LOW" ART.



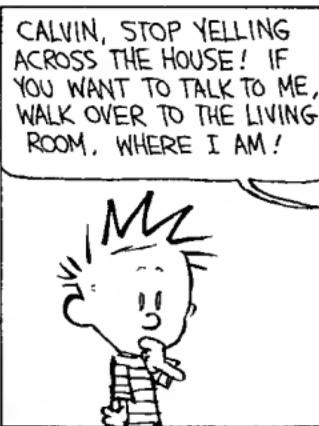
A PAINTING OF A COMIC  
STRIP PANEL. SOPHISTICATED  
IRONY. PHILOSOPHICALLY  
CHALLENGING.  
...."HIGH" ART.



SUPPOSE I DRAW A CARTOON  
OF A PAINTING OF A  
COMIC STRIP?

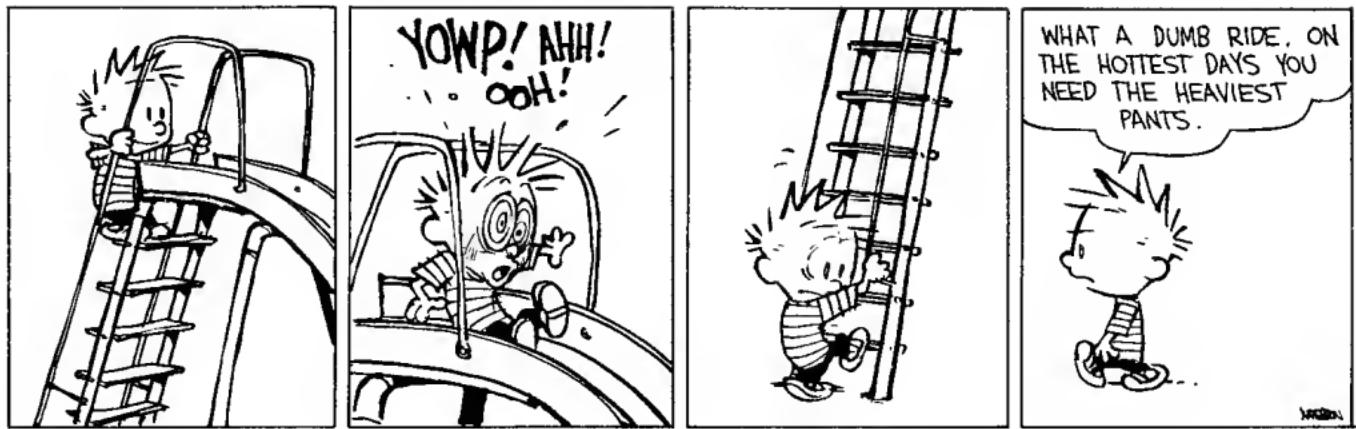


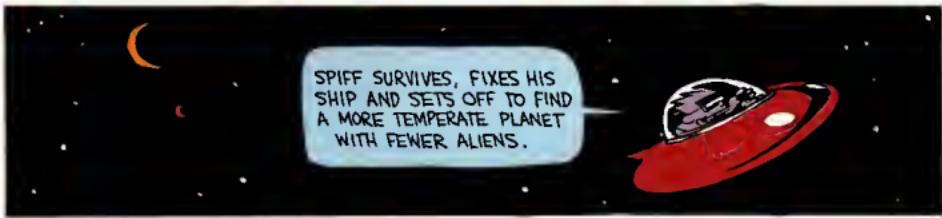
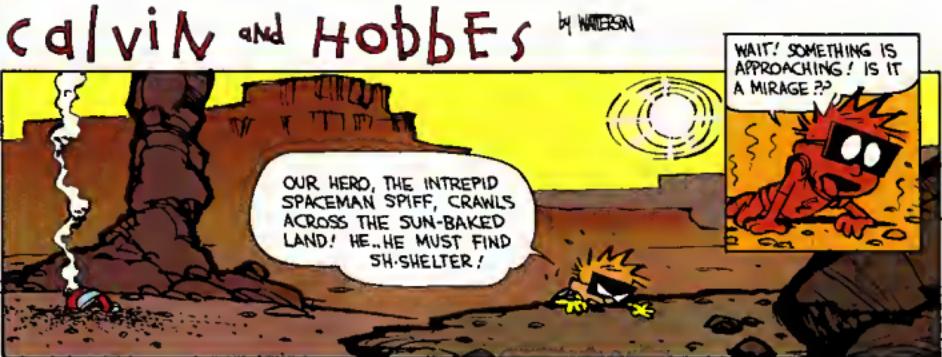
SOPHOMORIC.  
INTELLECTUALLY  
STERILE...."LOW"  
ART.

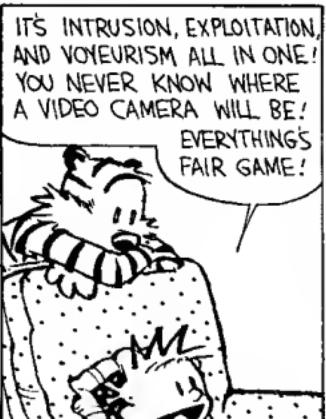
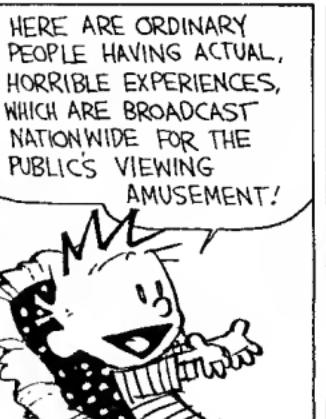


PUT A ROCK IN HIS WAY, AND HE JUST GOES AROUND IT. FLIP HIM ON HIS BACK, AND HE RIGHTS HIMSELF AND CONTINUES ON HIS WAY. HE'S FOCUSED, DETERMINED, AND STEADFAST.













# Calvin and Hobbes

WATerson



THIS MEETING OF THE GET RID OF SLIMY GIRLS CLUB WILL NOW COME TO ORDER! FIRST TIGER HOBBS WILL READ THE MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETING.



THANK YOU. "9:30 - MEETING CALLED TO ORDER. DICTATOR-FOR-LIFE CALVIN PROPOSES RESOLUTION CONDEMNING EXISTENCE OF GIRLS."



"9:35 - FIRST TIGER ABSTAINS FROM VOTE. MOTION FAILS. 9:36 - PATRIOTISM OF FIRST TIGER CALLED INTO QUESTION. 9:37 - PHILOSOPHICAL DISCUSSION 10:15 - BANDAGES ADMINISTERED. DICTATOR-FOR-LIFE REBUKED FOR BITING."



IS THIS A GREAT CLUB, OR WHAT? "10:16 - FORGOT WHAT DEBATE WAS ABOUT. MEDALS OF BRAVERY AWARDED TO ALL PARTIES."



GENTLEMEN, THE PURPOSE OF TODAY'S MEETING IS TO DEVISE ANOTHER BRILLIANT PLAN TO ANNOY OUR ENEMY!



DICTATOR-FOR-LIFE CALVIN'S BOLD PROPOSAL IS GREETED WITH HUZZAHS FROM MEMBERSHIP.

WE HAVE TOLERATED THE ENEMY'S PRESENCE TOO LONG. I SAY!



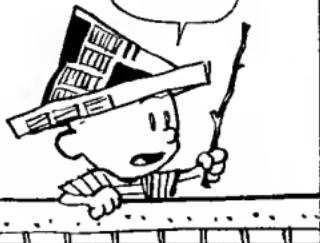
"SHOUTS OF ASSENT. MUCH POUNDING ON TABLES. THREE CHEERS ERUPT FOR CLUB IDEALS. MEMBERSHIP REDUCED TO TEARS. MORE HUZZAHS. PANDEMONIUM ENSUES."

BOY, LEADING A CLUB IS A HEADY EXPERIENCE.



GOOD MEETINGS ALWAYS TURN INTO RIOTS.

FIELD SCOUT CALVIN  
REPORTS THE ENEMY WAS  
SIGHTED, ENGAGED IN  
ENEMY ACTIVITY, ON  
THE SIDEWALK TWO DOORS  
DOWN.



ALL RIGHT, HERE'S THE PLAN!  
WE MAKE UP A FAKE CODE  
WITH FAKE INSTRUCTIONS AND  
SEE THAT IT "ACCIDENTALLY"  
FALLS INTO SUSIE'S HANDS!



SHE DECODES THE MESSAGE,  
WHICH SAYS WE DON'T WANT  
HER TO GO BEHIND OUR HOUSE.  
NATURALLY, SHE'LL GO THERE,  
AND WE'LL BE WAITING, READY  
TO SOAK HER WITH WATER  
BALLOONS!



WHY DON'T WE JUST HIT  
HER WITH WATER BALLOONS  
RIGHT NOW,  
WHERE SHE'S  
SITTING?



YOU'RE A GOOD OFFICER,  
HOBSES, BUT LET'S FACE IT,  
YOU DON'T HAVE AN  
EXECUTIVE MIND.



NOW THIS IS SUPPOSED TO  
LOOK LIKE A CODED  
MESSAGE FROM ME TO YOU,  
BUT WE'LL LEAVE IT FOR  
SUSIE TO FIND.



OBVIOUSLY, THE CODE WILL  
HAVE TO BE EASY TO  
BREAK, SO SHE CAN READ  
THE DISINFORMATION WE'RE  
GIVING HER.



TOP SECRET!!

DEAR HOBBE'S,

IF SUSIE GOES BEHIND  
OUR HOUSE AT NOON,  
ALL OUR SECRET PLANS  
WILL BE RUINED!

CALVIN



THERE! ONCE SUSIE DECODES THIS  
MESSAGE, SHE'LL BE LURED TO  
OUR WATER BALLOON TRAP!  
WHAT A GREAT PLAN!



MY ONLY REGRET  
IS BLOWING THE  
BEST DAY OF MY  
LIFE WHILE I'M  
SO YOUNG.



GOOD! SUSIE'S STILL PLAYING ON THE SIDEWALK! WE'LL STROLL BY AND "ACCIDENTALLY" DROP THE CODED MESSAGE.



YES HOBSES, I HAVE A **TOP SECRET, CODED** LETTER FOR YOU HERE! VERRRRY MYSTERIOUS! VERRRRY SECRET!



JUST MAKE SURE THE NOTE DOESN'T FALL INTO A **GIRL'S** HANDS! IF THE CODE IS BROKEN AND READ, OUR PLANS WILL BE RUINED!



WE DID IT!  
HA! EVERYTHING IS GOING PERFECTLY!

..EXCEPT SHE'S NOT PICKING UP THE LETTER.



WHY ISN'T SUSIE PICKING UP THE CODED MESSAGE?  
DOESN'T SHE SEE IT??



WHAT'S **WRONG** WITH HER?/ DOESN'T SHE KNOW ENOUGH TO INTERCEPT SOMEBODY ELSE'S SECRET LETTER WHEN IT'S DROPPED RIGHT IN FRONT OF HER??



MAYBE SHE WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION TO US.  
THAT'S INCONCEIVABLE!  
WHO WOULDN'T BE INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING WE DO?!



LOOK! SUSIE SEES THE LETTER! SHE'S PICKING IT UP! SHE'S READING THE ENVELOPE!

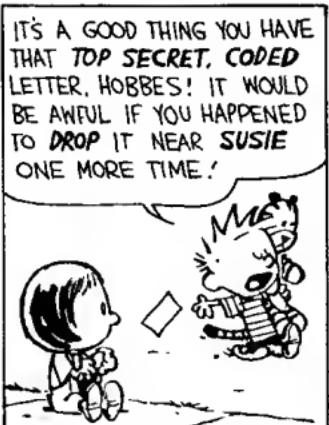
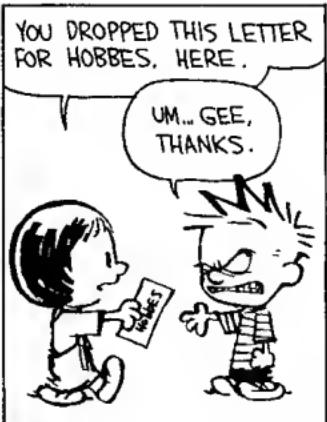
... SHE'S WALKING OVER HERE ...

YOU DROPPED THIS LETTER FOR HOBBS, HERE.

UM... GEE, THANKS.

WELL, THAT WAS AWFULY DECENT OF HER.

IT'S NO USE! IT'S NO USE! EVERYBODY GETS GOOD ENEMIES, EXCEPT ME!



THIS MUST BE THE CODED LETTER CALVIN'S TRYING TO GET ME TO READ. HMPH, NOT MUCH OF A CODE...JUST BACKWARD LETTERS! I CAN READ IT THROUGH THE BACK OF THE PAGE.



"DEAR HOBBS,  
IF SUSIE GOES BEHIND OUR HOUSE AT NOON,  
ALL OUR SECRET PLANS WILL BE RUINED.  
CALVIN"



GOSH, IT'S ALMOST NOON!  
I'D BETTER HURRY OVER TO CALVIN'S HOUSE IF I WANT TO SPOIL HIS PLANS!



WHEEE! HA HA!  
SHE FELL FOR IT! C'MON  
HOBBS, HURRY!

OH BOY, THIS IS GOING TO BE GREAT! GET THE WATER BALLOONS! HURRY! WE'VE GOT TO HIDE BEFORE SUSIE GETS HERE.



HA HA! SHE SWALLOWED THAT FAKE LETTER HOOK, LINE, AND SINKER! SHE THINKS SHE'S TRICKING US, BUT WELL TRICK HER!



WE'RE GENIUSES, HOBBS!  
HEE HEE! MAN, IS SHE IN FOR A SURPRISE!



I WONDER  
WHAT'S KEEPING  
HER.



SHE  
PROBABLY  
GOT LOST.

IT'S PAST NOON! WHY ISN'T SUSIE WALKING INTO OUR BRILLIANT AMBUSH? WHERE IS SHE?!



YOU STAY HERE AND GUARD THE WATER BALLOONS. I'LL GO ON A RECONNAISSANCE MISSION AND FIND OUT WHAT SHE'S DOING.



WAIT A MINUTE. WHY CAN'T I GO ON THE RECONNAISSANCE MISSION?



BECAUSE IF YOU GOT CAPTURED, YOU'D TELL SUSIE ANYTHING FOR A TUMMY RUB.



I MIGHT NOT!

YOU CAN'T TRUST A GIRL TO DO ANYTHING RIGHT! WE GO TO ALL THIS TROUBLE TO LURE SUSIE INTO A TRAP, AND SHE DOESN'T SHOW UP!

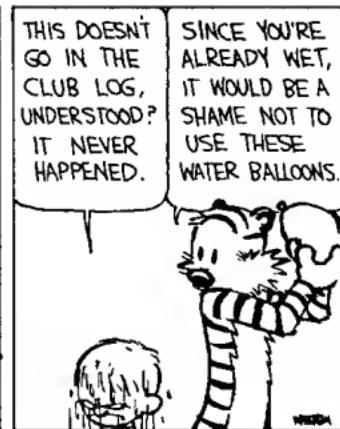


AS SOON AS I FIND OUT WHERE SHE IS, I'LL GET HOBBS AND THE WATER BALLOONS AND WE'LL LET HER HAVE IT!



IF SHE WON'T COME TO THE AMBUSH, WE'LL BRING THE AMBUSH TO HER!





WELL HOBSES, THE BATTLE  
MAY HAVE BEEN LOST,  
BUT THE WAR GOES ON!



THIS AFTERNOON, WE'LL  
DEVISE A BIGGER, BETTER,  
AND EVEN MORE COMPLICATED  
SCHEME, AND REVENGE WILL  
BE OURS! THE SPIRIT OF  
G.R.O.S.S.NESS CANNOT BE  
EXTINGUISHED!



...AND FOR COURAGE IN  
THE FACE OF TEMPORARY  
SETBACKS, I AWARD US  
BOTTLE CAPS OF VALOR!



A GOOD MEETING ALWAYS  
ENDS WITH US GETTING  
NEW MEDALS!

THIS IS **SUCH**  
A GREAT CLUB!



HERE CALVIN,  
I BROUGHT  
SOME LUNCH  
FOR YOU AND  
HOBSES.



GEE  
THANKS,  
MOM.

WHAT DO YOU SAY WE BREAK  
OUT THE COMIC BOOKS  
WHILE WE THINK UP  
OUR BIG PLANS?



OH  
BOY!

IT'S LOOKING LIKE  
A GOOD AFTERNOON,  
OL' BUDDY.

I LOVE  
SUMMER.



# calvin and HOBBEs

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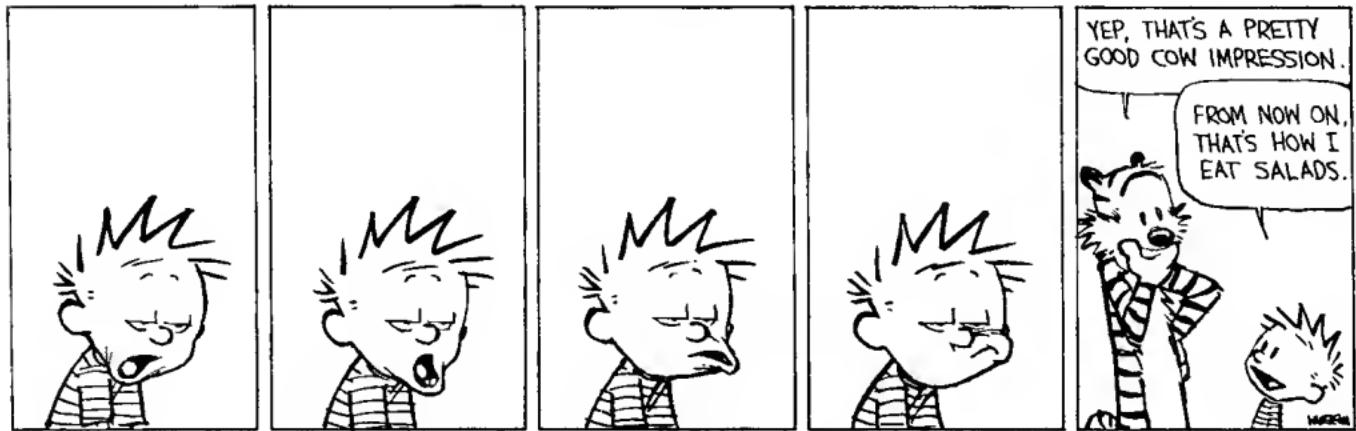
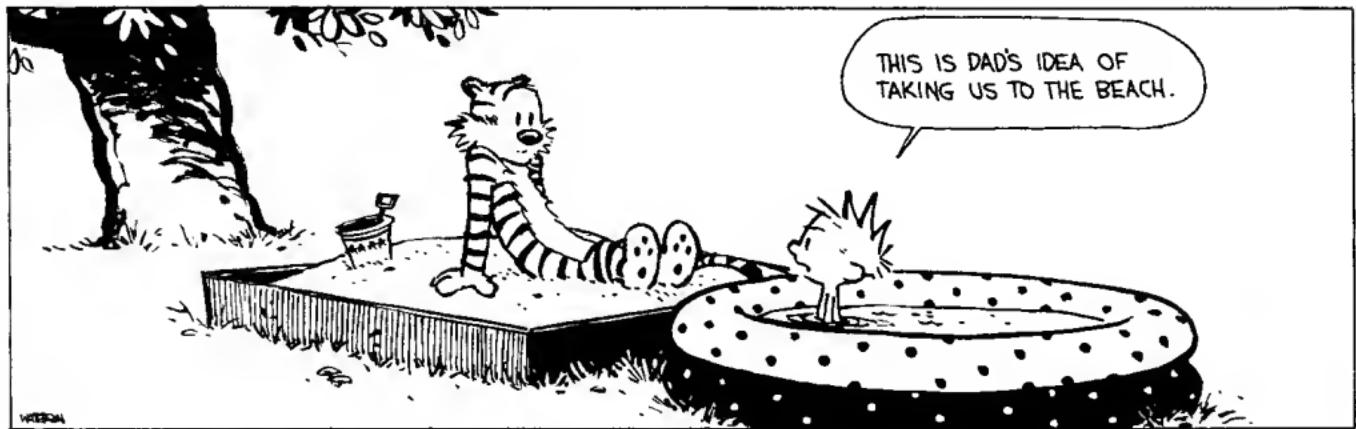
A BEE NEST!  
I HATE BEES!

WHAP.

ZZZZZZZ

EEE!



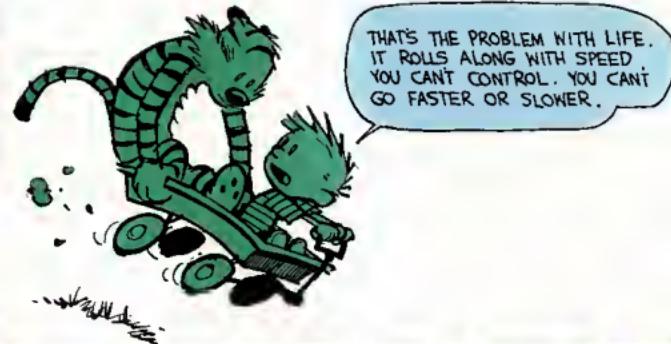


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WATTERSON



I WISH WE COULD STOP SUMMER RIGHT HERE AND HAVE THE DAYS STAY JUST THE WAY THEY ARE.



THAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH LIFE. IT ROLLS ALONG WITH SPEED. YOU CAN'T CONTROL. YOU CAN'T GO FASTER OR SLOWER.



FUN EXPERIENCES ALWAYS GO ROARING BY

...WHILE BAD EXPERIENCES NEVER PASS QUICKLY ENOUGH



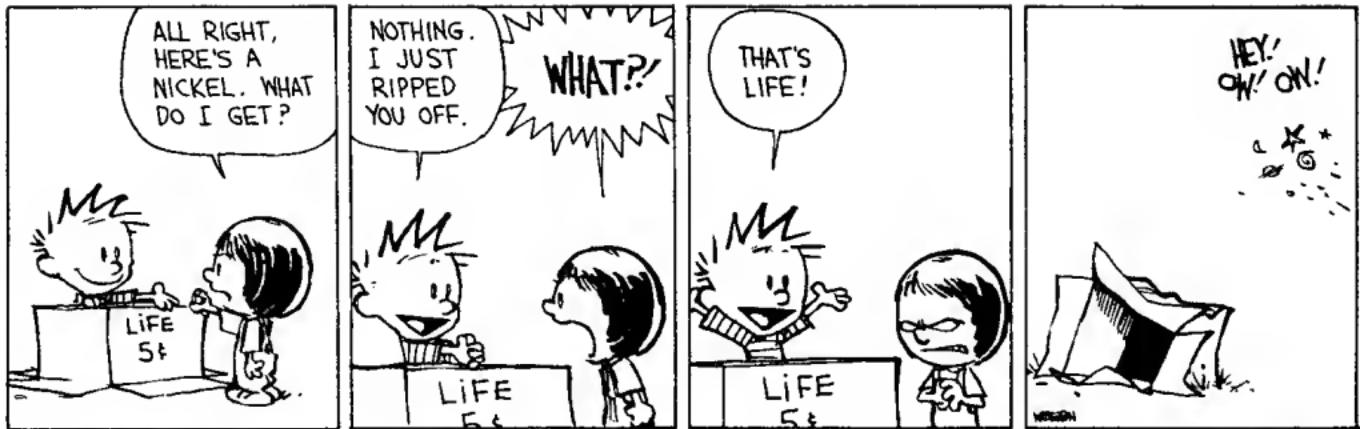
I WISH WE COULD CHOOSE HOW FAST AND SLOW EVENTS GO.



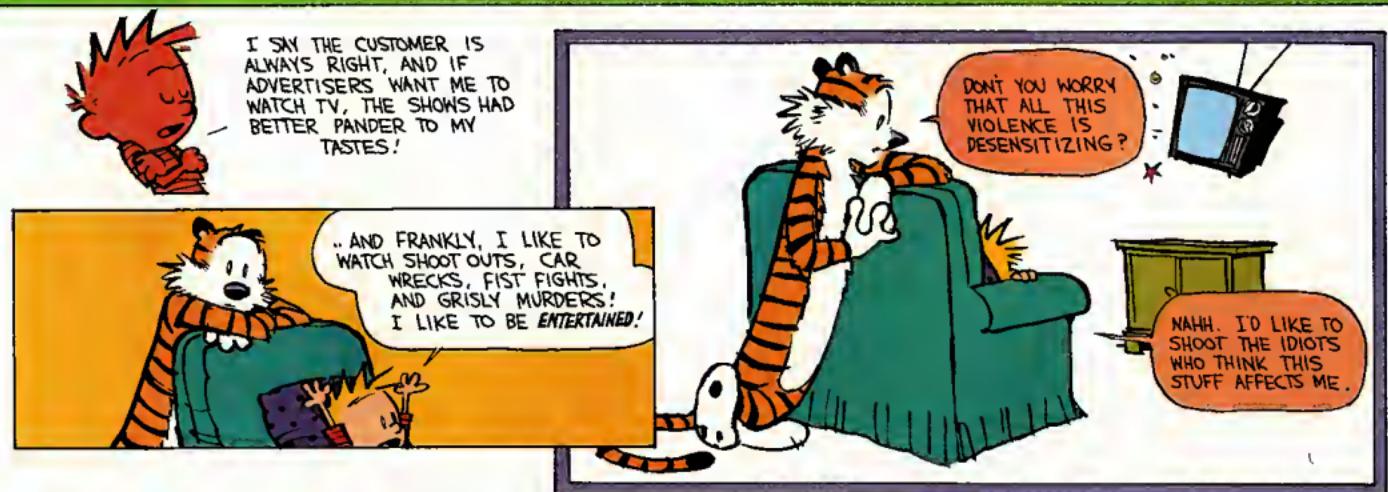
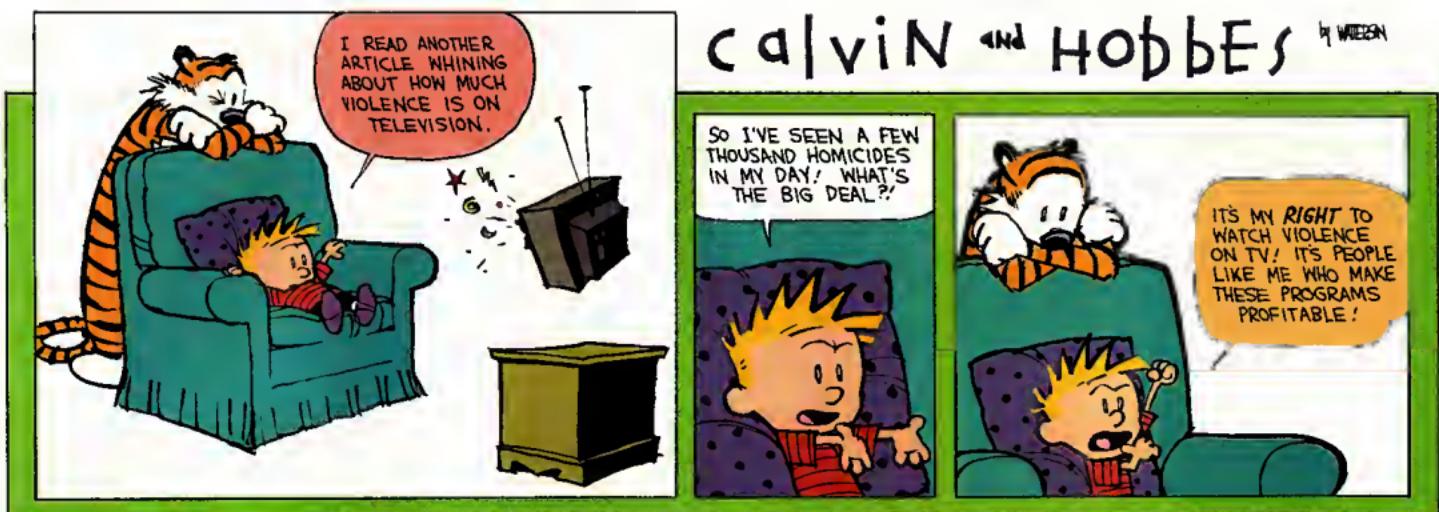
FOR EXAMPLE, I'D LIKE TO SPEED UP CHILDHOOD AND GET TO DRIVING AGE.

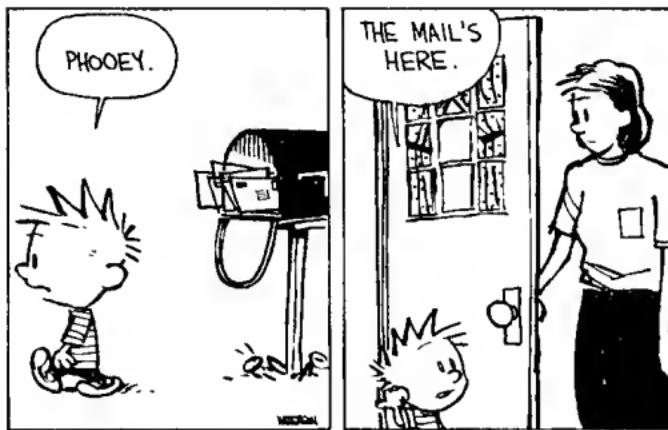
IT'S NOT THE PACE OF LIFE I MIND. IT'S THE SUDDEN STOP AT THE END.





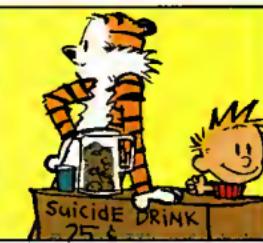
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by WATERSON



SUMMER DAYS ARE SUPPOSED  
TO BE LONGER, BUT THEY  
SURE SEEM SHORT TO ME.

I'LL SAY, WE DIDN'T  
GET TO DO HALF  
OUR ITINERARY.



