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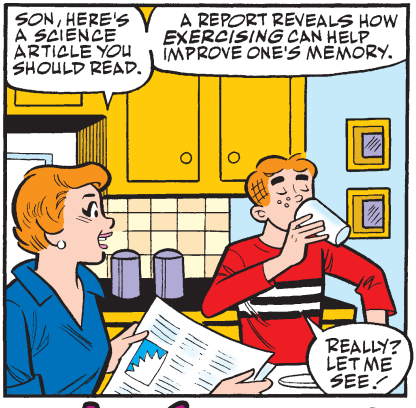

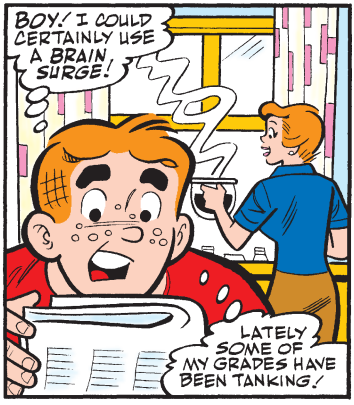

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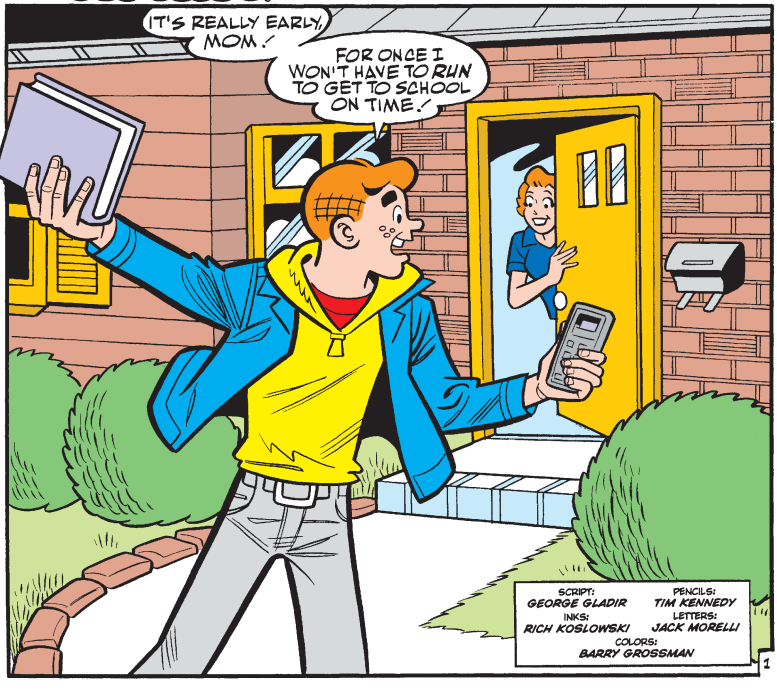

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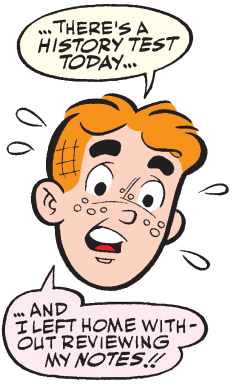
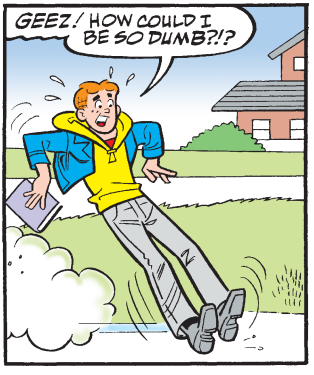
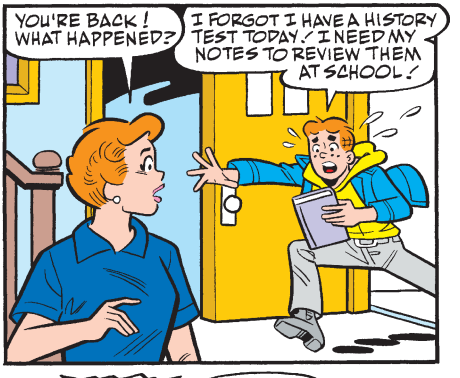
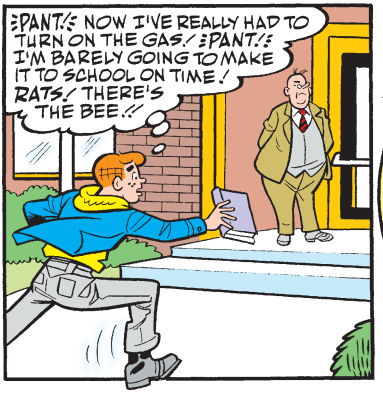
...BUT I THINK I'LL WALK AT A FAST PACE.
IT'LL BE A GOOD WAY TO SEE IF EXERCISING DOES JOG ONE'S MEMORY!

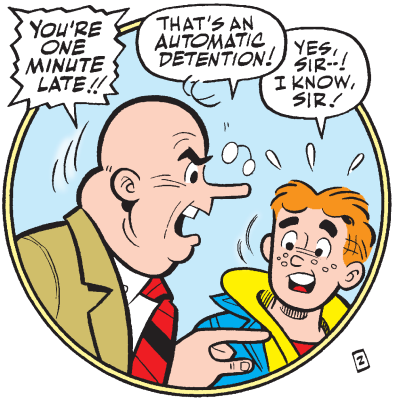
HEY! IT'S WORKING! SUDDENLY I'VE REMEMBERED THAT...


...THERE'S A HISTORY TEST TODAY...
...AND I LEFT HOME WITHOUT REVIEWING MY NOTES!!


GEEZ! HOW COULD I BE SO DUMB?!?


YOU'RE BACK! WHAT HAPPENED?
I FORGOT I HAVE A HISTORY TEST TODAY! I NEED MY NOTES TO REVIEW THEM AT SCHOOL!


PANT! NOW I'VE REALLY HAD TO TURN ON THE GAS! PANT! I'M BARELY GOING TO MAKE IT TO SCHOOL ON TIME! RATS! THERE'S THE BEE!!


YOU'RE ONE MINUTE LATE!!
THAT'S AN AUTOMATIC DETENTION!
YES, SIR--! I KNOW, SIR!

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:GULP!: ... AND GRUNDY IS STARTING THE EXAM...
... BEFORE I CAN REVIEW MY NOTES!
HEY... RUNNING TO SCHOOL REALLY HELPS... IT'S ALL COMING BACK TO ME!
I'M GOING TO ACE THIS EXAM!
ARCHIE! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!
PUSH-UPS, MS. GRUNDY! IT HELPS TO STIR MY BRAIN CELLS!
BACK IN YOUR SEAT, NOW!
hmm... WHAT CITY WAS OUR NATION'S FIRST CAPITAL?
I KNOW IT'S NOT WASHINGTON!
THE ANSWER'S ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE!
SO HOW'D YOU DO ON THE EXAM, ARCHIE?
I WOULD'VE HAD A PERFECT PAPER...
... IF ONLY GRUNDY HAD LET ME DO ONE MORE PUSH-UP!
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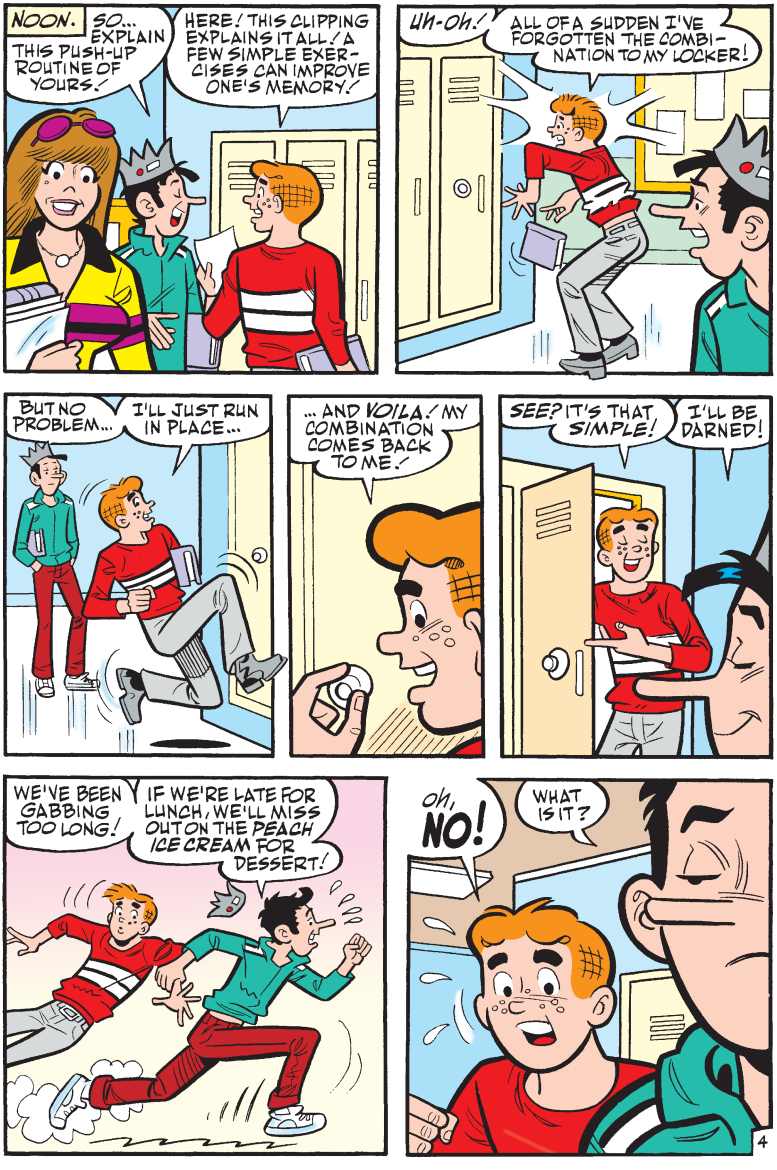
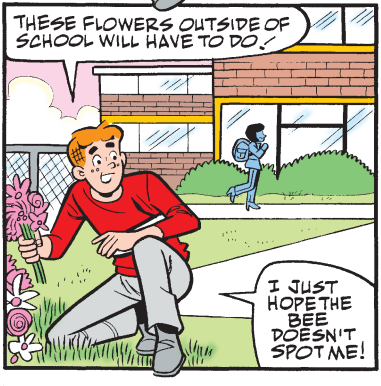
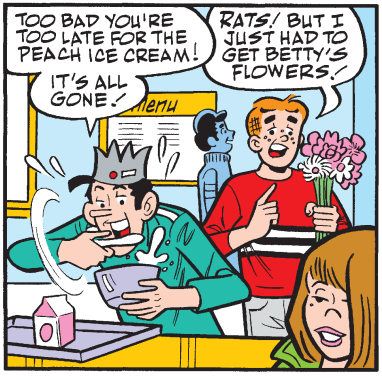
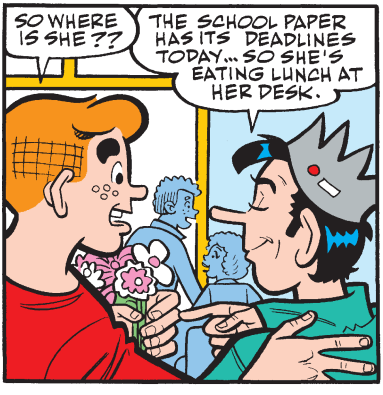

NOON.
SO... EXPLAIN THIS PUSH-UP ROUTINE OF YOURS!
HERE! THIS CLIPPING EXPLAINS IT ALL! A FEW SIMPLE EXERCISES CAN IMPROVE ONE'S MEMORY!
UH-OH!
ALL OF A SUDDEN I'VE FORGOTTEN THE COMBINATION TO MY LOCKER!
BUT NO PROBLEM...
I'LL JUST RUN IN PLACE...
... AND VOILA! MY COMBINATION COMES BACK TO ME!
SEE? IT'S THAT SIMPLE!
I'LL BE DARNED!
WE'VE BEEN GABBING TOO LONG!
IF WE'RE LATE FOR LUNCH, WE'LL MISS OUT ON THE PEACH ICE CREAM FOR DESSERT!
OH, NO!
WHAT IS IT?

RUNNING LIKE THIS HAS STIMULATED MY MEMORY AGAIN!
SO?
I JUST REMEMBERED IT'S BETTY'S BIRTHDAY!

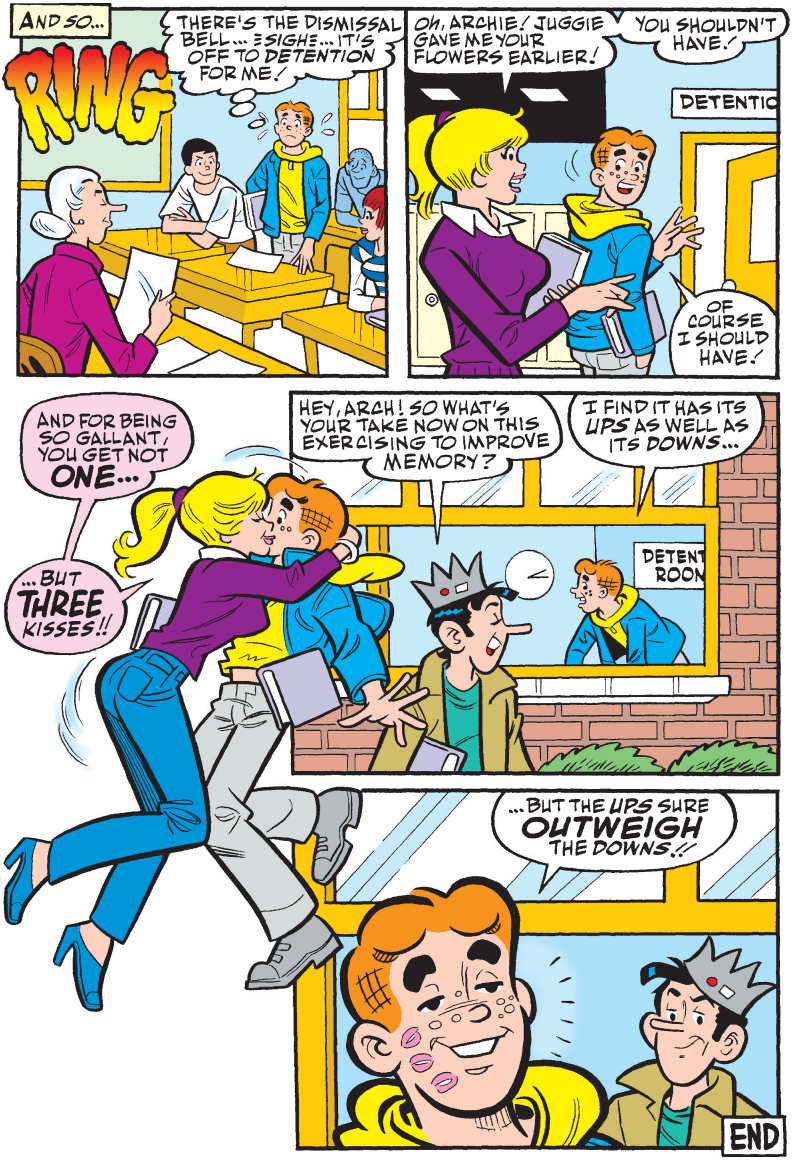
I HAVE TO GO PICK SOME FLOWERS FOR HER!


THESE FLOWERS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL WILL HAVE TO DO!
I JUST HOPE THE BEE DOESN'T SPOT ME!


TOO BAD YOU'RE TOO LATE FOR THE PEACH ICE CREAM!
RATS! BUT I JUST HAD TO GET BETTY'S FLOWERS!
IT'S ALL GONE!


SO WHERE IS SHE??
THE SCHOOL PAPER HAS ITS DEADLINES TODAY... SO SHE'S EATING LUNCH AT HER DESK.

WILL YOU DELIVER THESE FLOWERS TO HER... WHILE I GO EAT?
SURE, NO PROBLEM!
I'LL GO DO IT RIGHT NOW--!


AND SO...
RING
THERE'S THE DISMISSAL BELL... SIGH... IT'S OFF TO DETENTION FOR ME!
OH, ARCHIE! JUGGIE GAVE ME YOUR FLOWERS EARLIER!
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE!
DETENTIO
OF COURSE I SHOULD HAVE!
HEY, ARCH! SO WHAT'S YOUR TAKE NOW ON THIS EXERCISING TO IMPROVE MEMORY?
I FIND IT HAS ITS UPS AS WELL AS ITS DOWNS...
DETENT ROOM
AND FOR BEING SO GALLANT, YOU GET NOT ONE...
...BUT THREE KISSES!!
...BUT THE UPS SURE OUTWEIGH THE DOWNS!!
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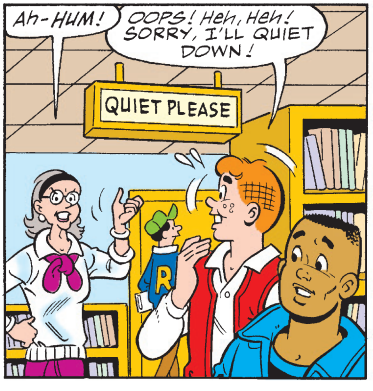

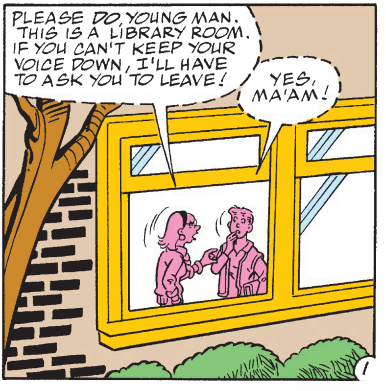

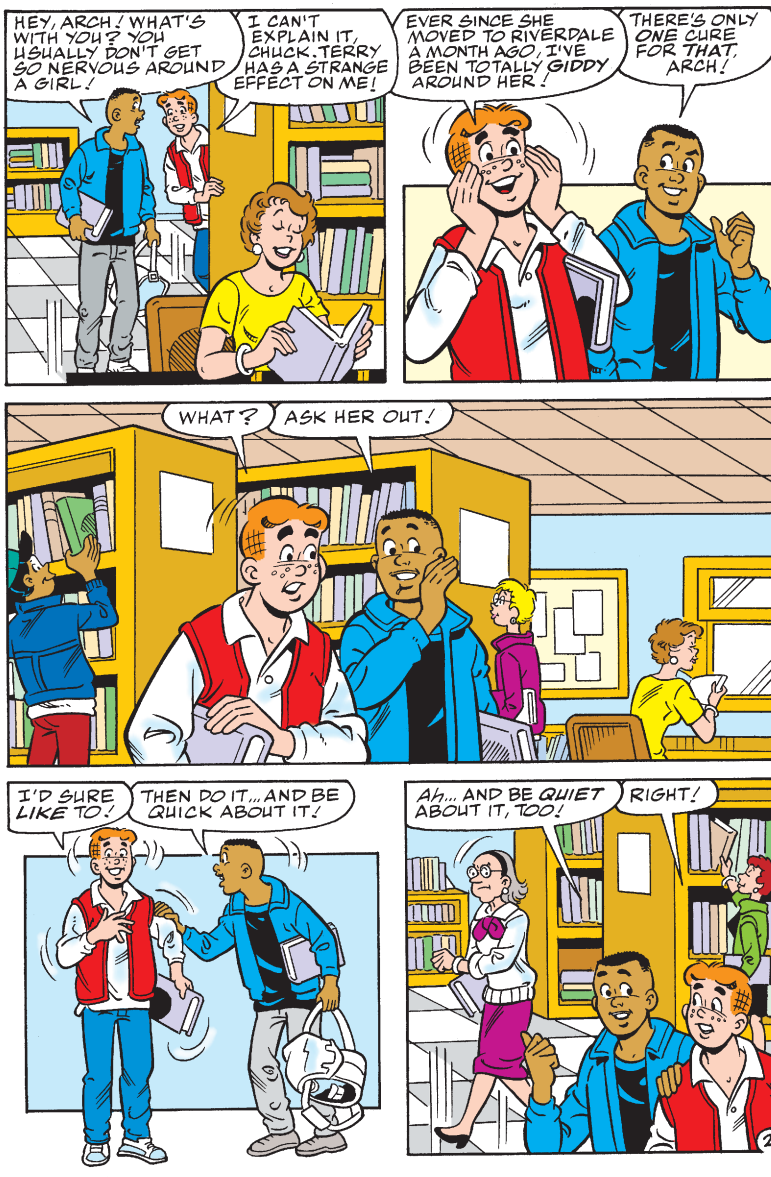
HEY, ARCH! WHAT'S WITH YOU? YOU USUALLY DON'T GET SO NERVOUS AROUND A GIRL!
I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT, CHUCK. TERRY HAS A STRANGE EFFECT ON ME!
EVER SINCE SHE MOVED TO RIVERDALE A MONTH AGO, I'VE BEEN TOTALLY GIDDY AROUND HER!
THERE'S ONLY ONE CURE FOR THAT, ARCH!
WHAT?
ASK HER OUT!
I'D SURE LIKE TO!
THEN DO IT... AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!
Ah... AND BE QUIET ABOUT IT, TOO!
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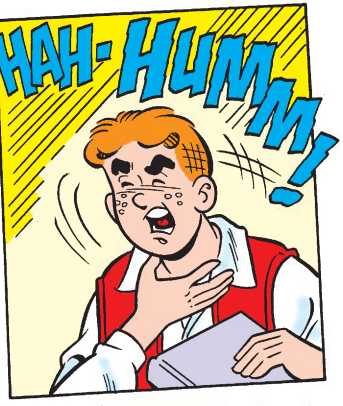
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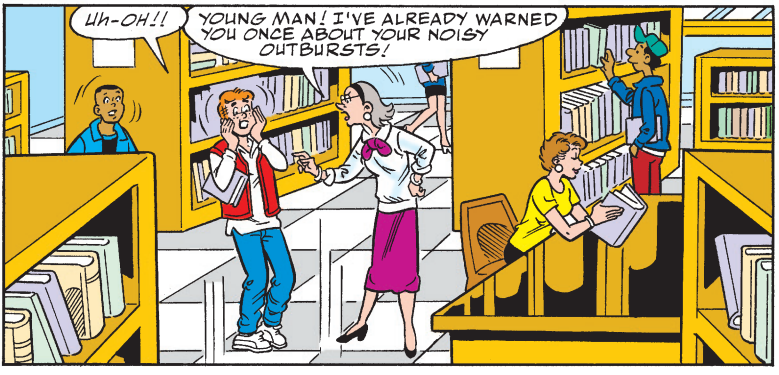
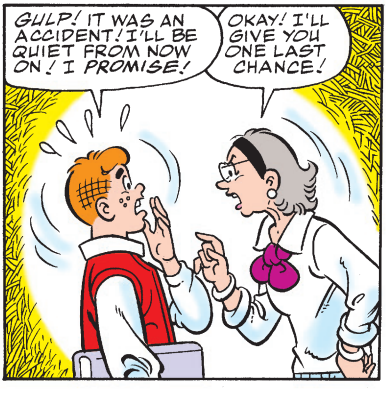
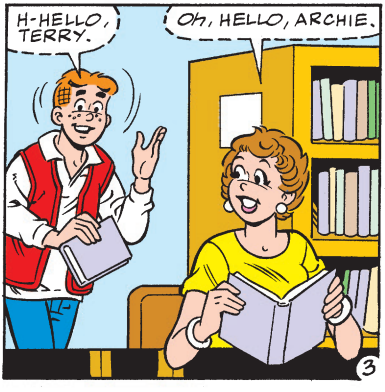

Uh-OH!!
YOUNG MAN! I'VE ALREADY WARNED YOU ONCE ABOUT YOUR NOISY OUTBURSTS!

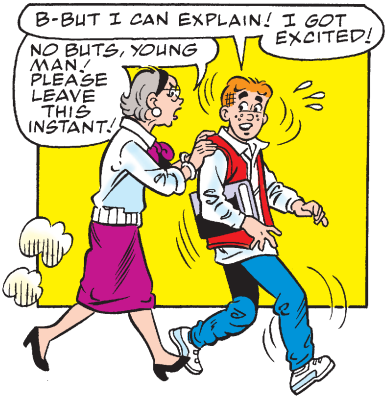

GULP! IT WAS AN ACCIDENT! I'LL BE QUIET FROM NOW ON! I PROMISE!
OKAY! I'LL GIVE YOU ONE LAST CHANCE!

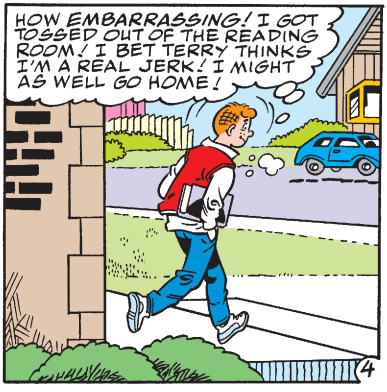

H-HELLO, TERRY.
OH, HELLO, ARCHIE.

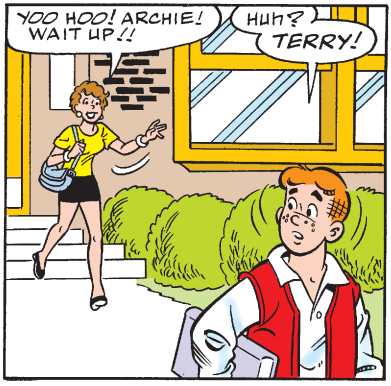
T-TERRY, THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU.
EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T HEAR YOU.

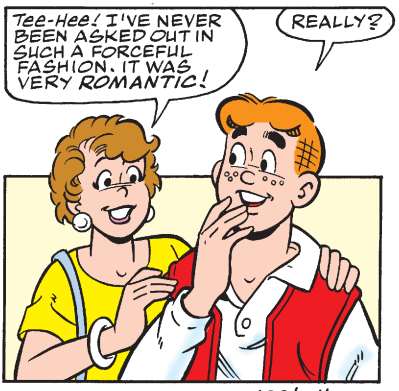
I SAID... THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU.
GOSH, ARCHIE, I STILL CAN'T HEAR YOU. PLEASE, SPEAK UP!

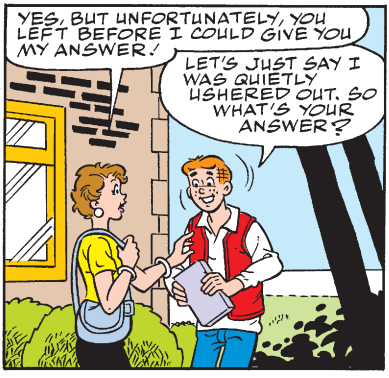
GULP! OKAY-- WILL YOU GO OUT WITH ME ?!?
THAT DOES IT!!
Tee-Hee!!

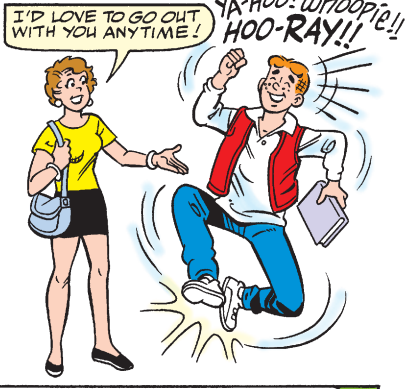

B-BUT I CAN EXPLAIN! I GOT EXCITED!
NO BUTS, YOUNG MAN! PLEASE LEAVE THIS INSTANT!

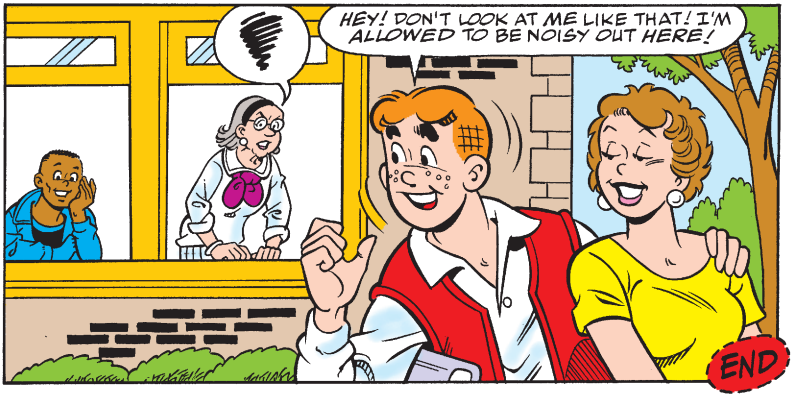

HOW EMBARRASSING! I GOT TOSSED OUT OF THE READING ROOM! I BET TERRY THINKS I'M A REAL JERK! I MIGHT AS WELL GO HOME!


YOO HOO! ARCHIE! WAIT UP!!
HUH? TERRY!


Tee-Hee! I'VE NEVER BEEN ASKED OUT IN SUCH A FORCEFUL FASHION. IT WAS VERY ROMANTIC!
REALLY?


YES, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, YOU LEFT BEFORE I COULD GIVE YOU MY ANSWER!
LET'S JUST SAY I WAS QUIETLY USHERED OUT. SO WHAT'S YOUR ANSWER?


I'D LOVE TO GO OUT WITH YOU ANYTIME!
YA-HOO! WHOOPIE!! HOO-RAY!!


HEY! DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT! I'M ALLOWED TO BE NOISY OUT HERE!
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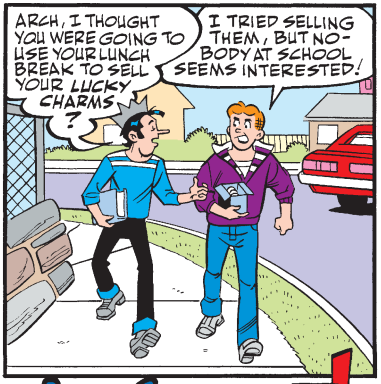

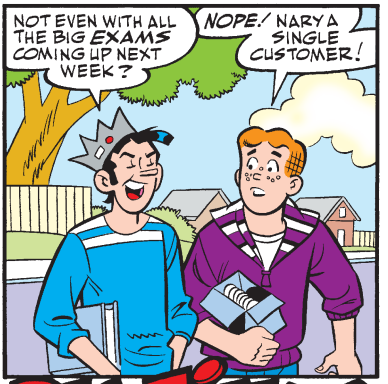

Archie IN The BIG JINX

I WAS HOPING TO TREAT US BOTH TO ONE OF POP'S NEW SUPER BURGERS FROM MY SALES!

GUESS WE'LL HAVE TO SETTLE FOR A SIMPLE LIME FIZZ!

TOO BAD!

POP'S NEW SUPER-BURGER SUPREME WITH FRIES

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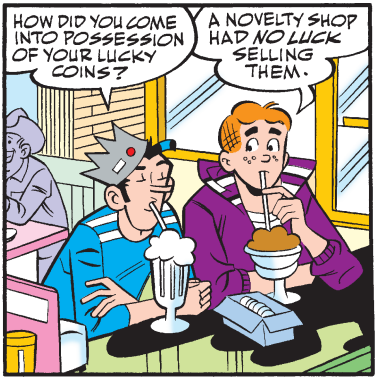
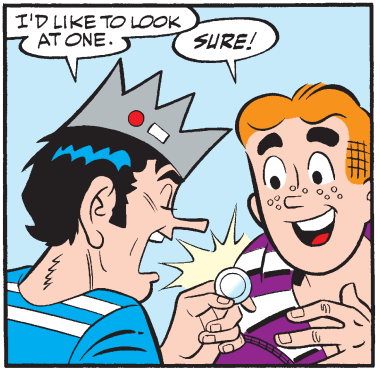
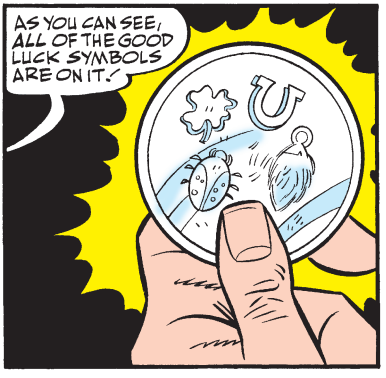
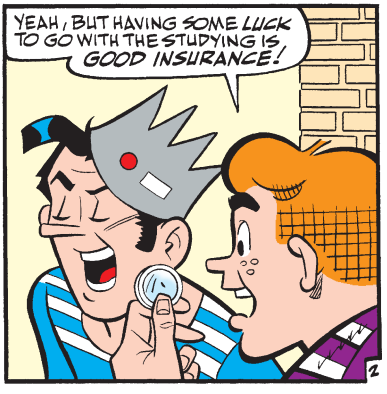

HOW DID YOU COME INTO POSSESSION OF YOUR LUCKY COINS?
A NOVELTY SHOP HAD NO LUCK SELLING THEM.

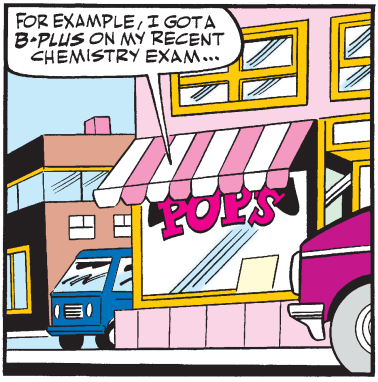
SO ALL OF THE COINS WERE DUMPED, AND I PICKED UP A BOX OF THEM.!

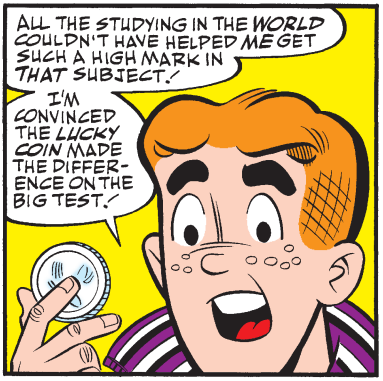

I'D LIKE TO LOOK AT ONE.
SURE!


AS YOU CAN SEE, ALL OF THE GOOD LUCK SYMBOLS ARE ON IT.!

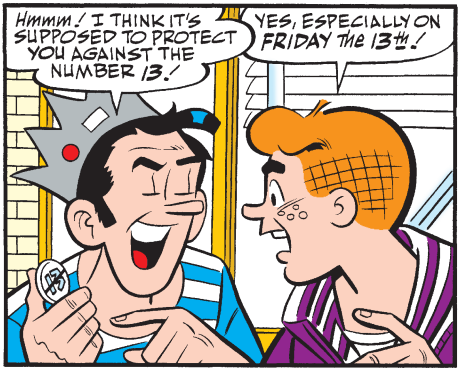
I GUESS MOST OF THE STUDENTS PREFERRED STUDYING TO RELYING ON A COIN!

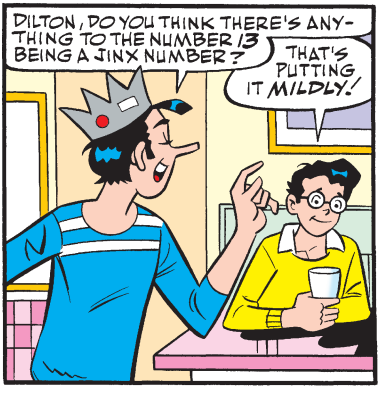

YEAH, BUT HAVING SOME LUCK TO GO WITH THE STUDYING IS GOOD INSURANCE!

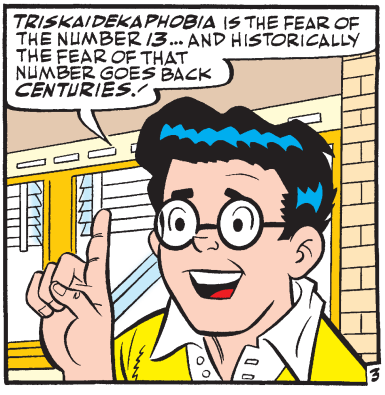

FOR EXAMPLE, I GOT A B-PLUS ON MY RECENT CHEMISTRY EXAM...
POPS


ALL THE STUDYING IN THE WORLD COULDN'T HAVE HELPED ME GET SUCH A HIGH MARK IN THAT SUBJECT.!
I'M CONVINCED THE LUCKY COIN MADE THE DIFFERENCE ON THE BIG TEST.!

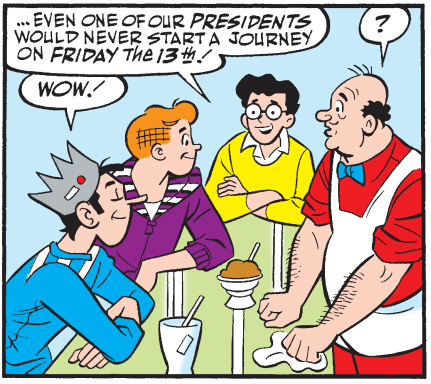
LET ME SEE THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN!


Hmmm.! I THINK IT'S SUPPOSED TO PROTECT YOU AGAINST THE NUMBER 13.!
YES, ESPECIALLY ON FRIDAY THE 13TH.!


DILTON, DO YOU THINK THERE'S ANYTHING TO THE NUMBER 13 BEING A JINX NUMBER?
THAT'S PUTTING IT MILDLY.!


TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA IS THE FEAR OF THE NUMBER 13... AND HISTORICALLY THE FEAR OF THAT NUMBER GOES BACK CENTURIES.!

NAPOLEON WAS AFRAID OF "13"...
AND IN MODERN TIMES MANY PROMINENT PEOPLE AVOID IT LIKE THE PLAGUE!


...EVEN ONE OF OUR PRESIDENTS WOULD NEVER START A JOURNEY ON FRIDAY THE 13TH!
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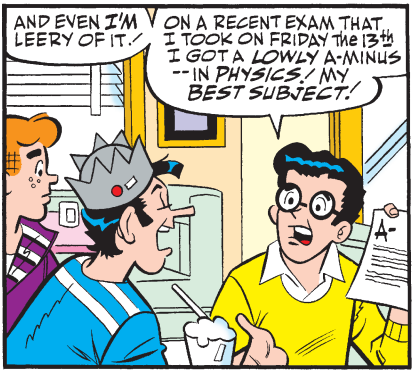
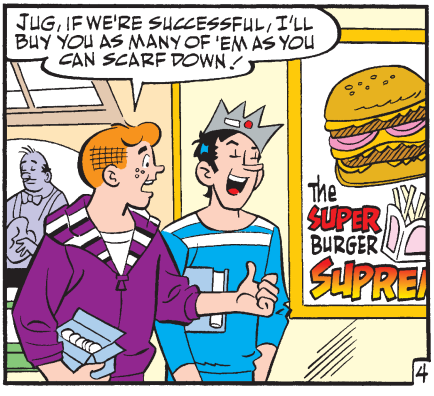
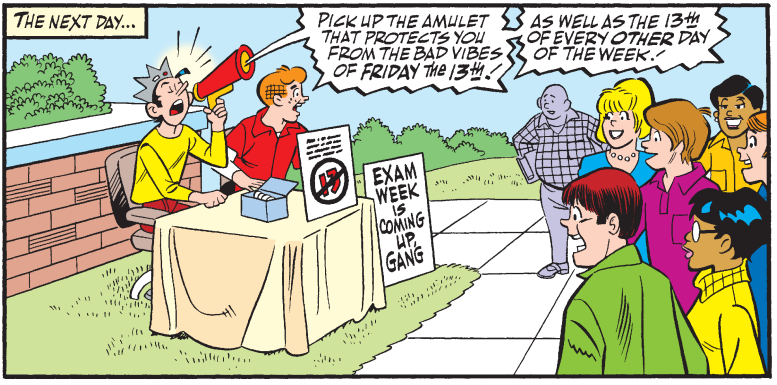
WOW!

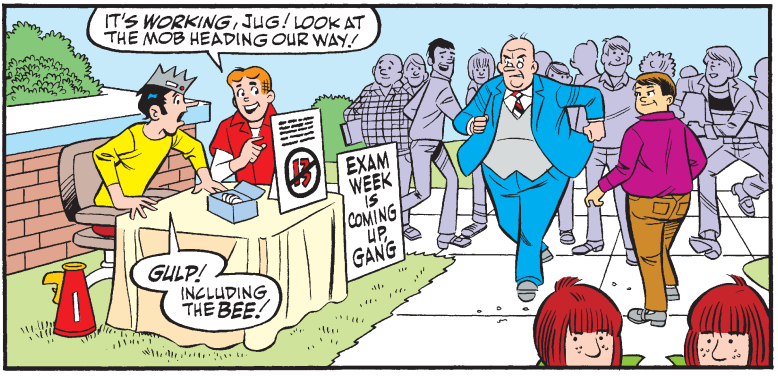

AND EVEN I'M LEERY OF IT!
ON A RECENT EXAM THAT I TOOK ON FRIDAY THE 13TH I GOT A LOWLY A-MINUS --IN PHYSICS! MY BEST SUBJECT!
A-

I GOT IT, ARCHIE!
I KNOW HOW WE CAN SELL 'EM ALL!
HOW?

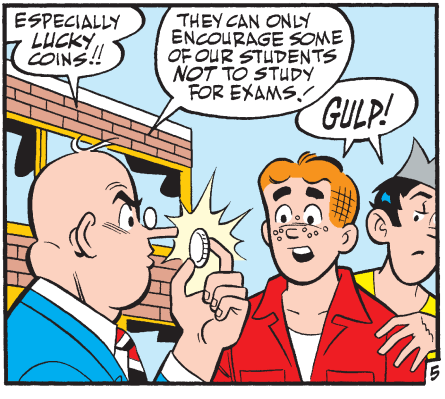
BY NOT PITCHING THEM AS LUCKY COINS... BUT AS AMULETS OR MEDALLIONS THAT WARD OFF NEGATIVE SPIRITS!


JUG, IF WE'RE SUCCESSFUL, I'LL BUY YOU AS MANY OF 'EM AS YOU CAN SCARF DOWN!
The SUPER BURGER SUPREI

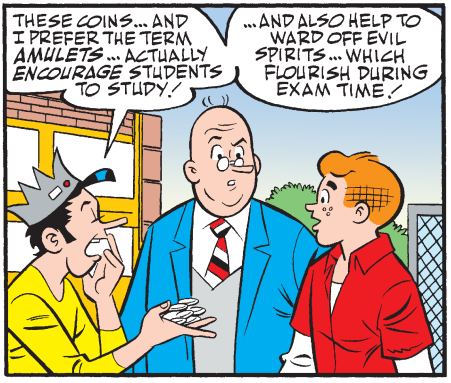

THE NEXT DAY...
PICK UP THE AMULET THAT PROTECTS YOU FROM THE BAD VIBES OF FRIDAY the 13th!
AS WELL AS THE 13th OF EVERY OTHER DAY OF THE WEEK.
EXAM WEEK IS COMING UP, GANG

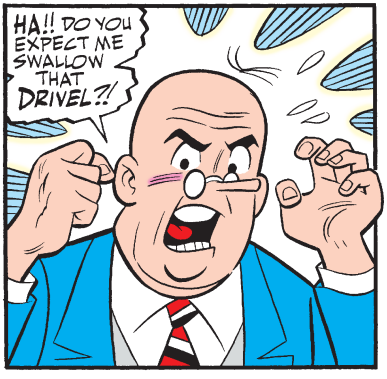

IT'S WORKING, JUG! LOOK AT THE MOB HEADING OUR WAY!
EXAM WEEK IS COMING UP, GANG
GULP! INCLUDING THE BEE!

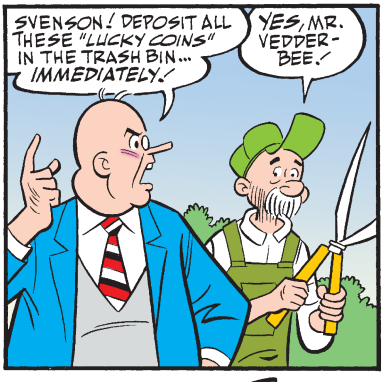
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!!
SELLING ANYTHING ON SCHOOL PREMISES IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED!!

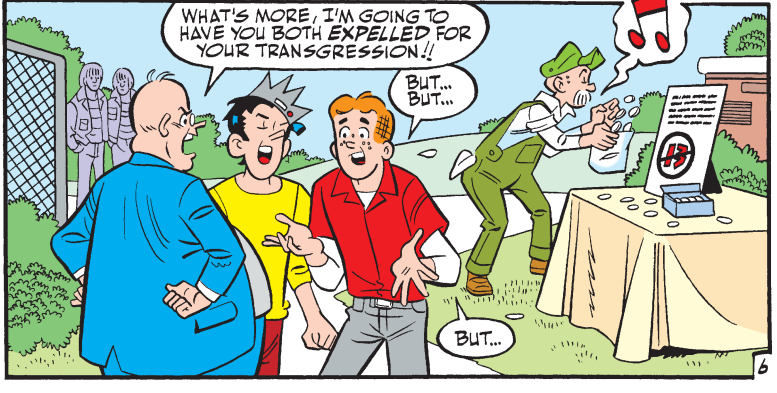

ESPECIALLY LUCKY COINS!!
THEY CAN ONLY ENCOURAGE SOME OF OUR STUDENTS NOT TO STUDY FOR EXAMS.
GULP!

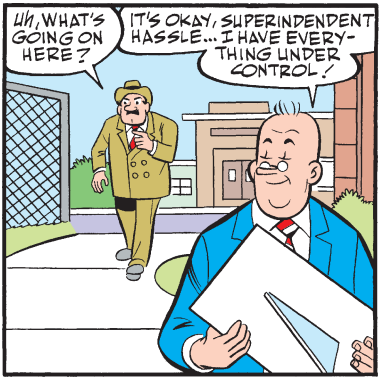
SIR! NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER THAN THE TRUTH!

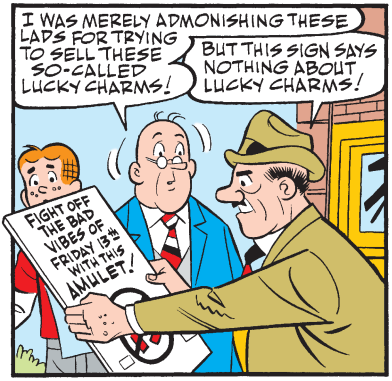

THESE COINS... AND I PREFER THE TERM AMULETS... ACTUALLY ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO STUDY!
...AND ALSO HELP TO WARD OFF EVIL SPIRITS... WHICH FLOURISH DURING EXAM TIME!

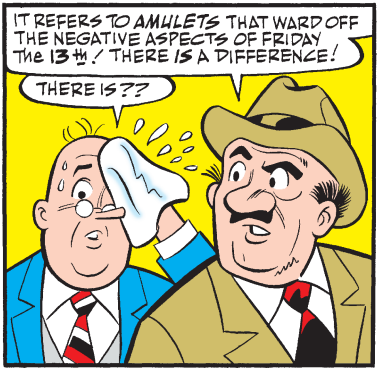

HA!! DO YOU EXPECT ME SWALLOW THAT DRIVEL?!

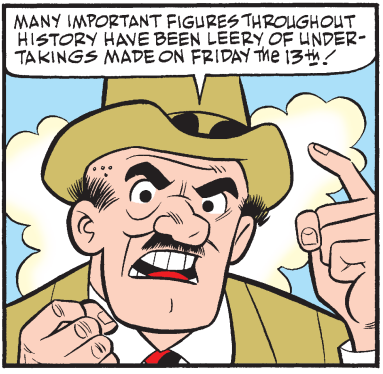

SVENSON! DEPOSIT ALL THESE "LUCKY COINS" IN THE TRASH BIN... IMMEDIATELY!
YES, MR. VEDDER-BEE!

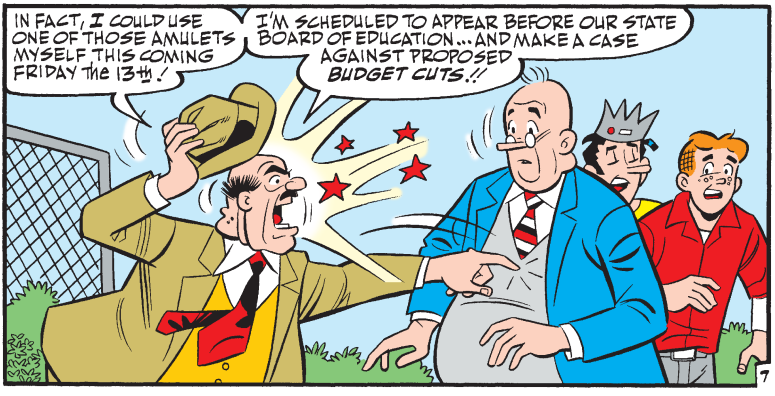

WHAT'S MORE, I'M GOING TO HAVE YOU BOTH EXPELLED FOR YOUR TRANSGRESSION!!
BUT... BUT...
BUT...


UH, WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
IT'S OKAY, SUPERINDENDENT HASSLE... I HAVE EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL!

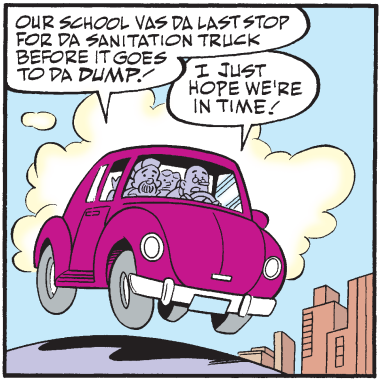

I WAS MERELY ADMONISHING THESE LADS FOR TRYING TO SELL THESE SO-CALLED LUCKY CHARMS!
BUT THIS SIGN SAYS NOTHING ABOUT LUCKY CHARMS!
FIGHT OFF THE BAD VIBES OF FRIDAY 13TH WITH THIS AMULET!


IT REFERS TO AMULETS THAT WARD OFF THE NEGATIVE ASPECTS OF FRIDAY THE 13TH! THERE IS A DIFFERENCE!
THERE IS??

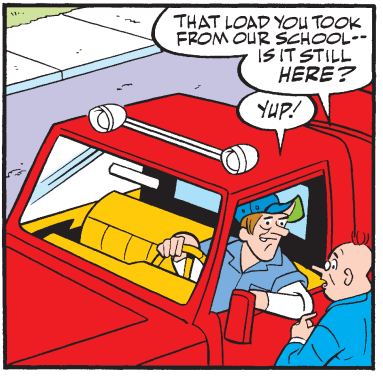

MANY IMPORTANT FIGURES THROUGHOUT HISTORY HAVE BEEN LEERY OF UNDERTAKINGS MADE ON FRIDAY THE 13TH!

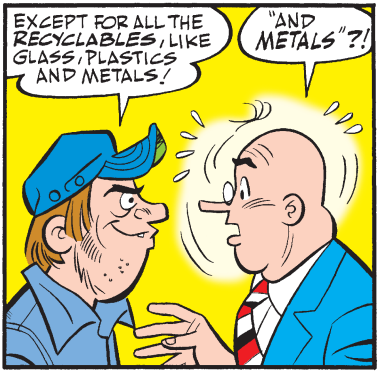

IN FACT, I COULD USE ONE OF THOSE AMULETS MYSELF THIS COMING FRIDAY THE 13TH!
I'M SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE OUR STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION... AND MAKE A CASE AGAINST PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS!!

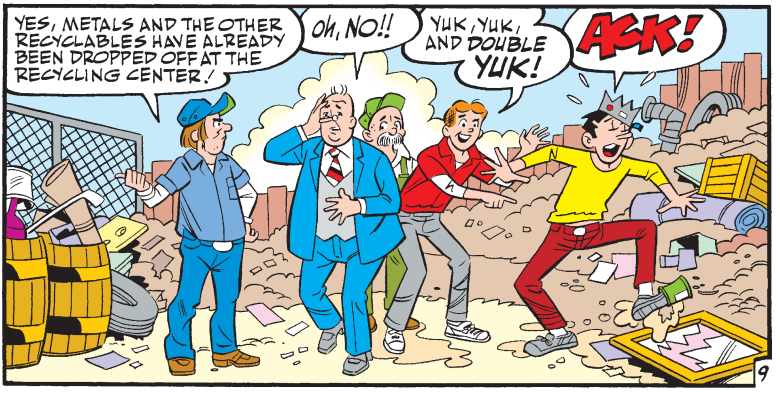
SO LET ME HAVE ONE!!
UH...
I'M AFRAID THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE, SIR.
I INSTRUCTED OUR JANITOR TO DISPOSE OF THEM.
YOU DID WHAT?!
BUT IT'S ABSOLUTELY IMPERATIVE I HAVE ONE!!
SVENSON, I WANT YOU TO BRING BACK THOSE COINS -- I MEAN AMULETS -- FROM THE TRASH.
IT'S TOO LATE, SIR!
THE SANITATION TRUCK JUST PICKED UP ALL OUR TRASH!
OH, NO!
QUICK!
ALL OF YOU-- INTO MY CAR!
WE MUST RETRIEVE THOSE COINS... ER... I MEAN AMULETS.
FACULTY PAR

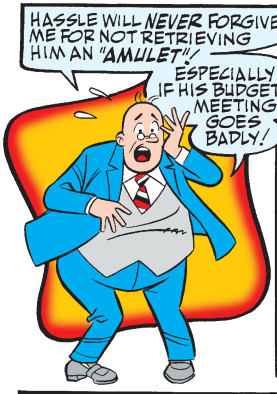

OUR SCHOOL VAS DA LAST STOP FOR DA SANITATION TRUCK BEFORE IT GOES TO DA DUMP!
I JUST HOPE WE'RE IN TIME!

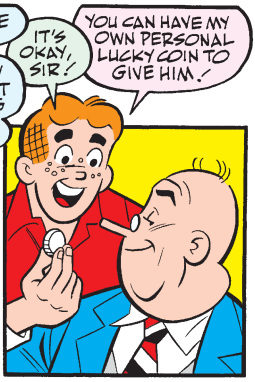
DERE'S OUR TRUCK, MR. VEDDERBEE!
RIVERDALE DUMP
GOOD!
STOP


THAT LOAD YOU TOOK FROM OUR SCHOOL-- IS IT STILL HERE?
YUP!


EXCEPT FOR ALL THE RECYCLABLES, LIKE GLASS, PLASTICS AND METALS!
"AND METALS"?!


YES, METALS AND THE OTHER RECYCLABLES HAVE ALREADY BEEN DROPPED OFF AT THE RECYCLING CENTER!
OH, NO!!
YUK, YUK, AND DOUBLE YUK!
ACK!





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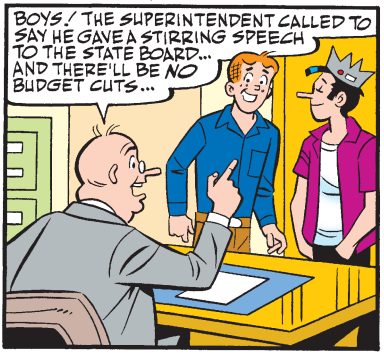
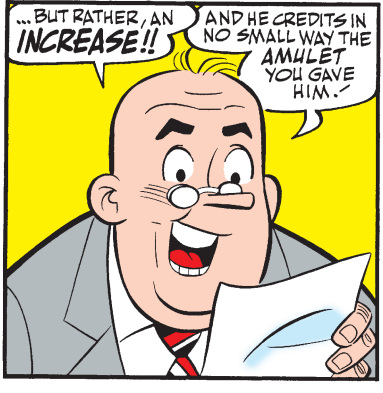
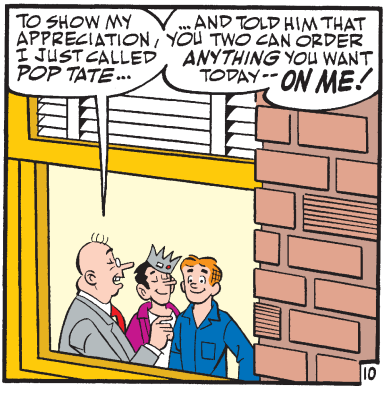
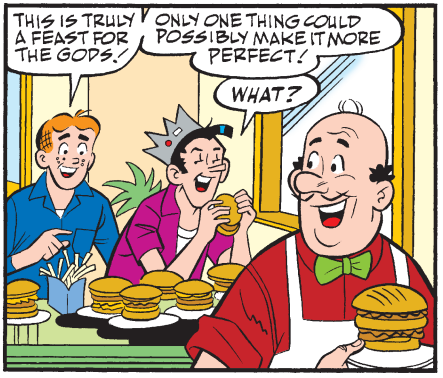
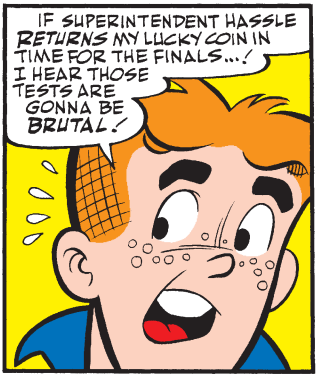




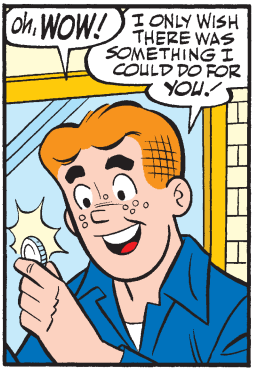


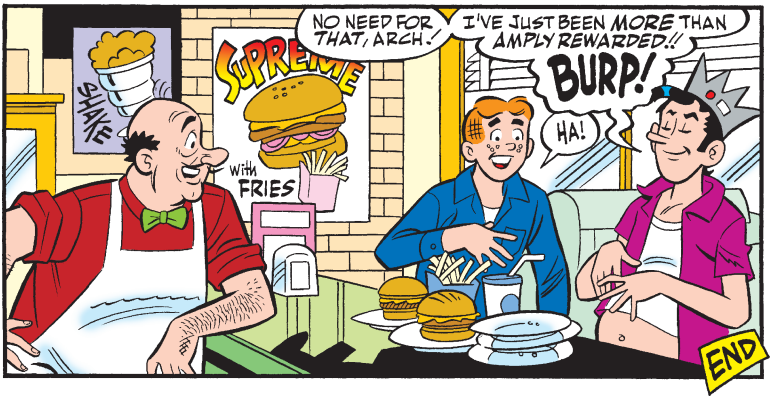

THIS IS TRULY A FEAST FOR THE GODS!
ONLY ONE THING COULD POSSIBLY MAKE IT MORE PERFECT!
WHAT?


IF SUPERINTENDENT HASSLE RETURNS MY LUCKY COIN IN TIME FOR THE FINALS...! I HEAR THOSE TESTS ARE GONNA BE BRUTAL!

LET ME RELIEVE YOU OF THAT WORRY, OL' CHUM...!

SVENSON KNOCKED ONE OF THE COINS OFF THE TABLE THAT DAY... AND I LATER RETRIEVED IT!


OH, WOW!
I ONLY WISH THERE WAS SOMETHING I COULD DO FOR YOU!


NO NEED FOR THAT, ARCH!
I'VE JUST BEEN MORE THAN AMPLY REWARDED!!
BURP!
HA!
SHAKE
SUPREME
with FRIES
END

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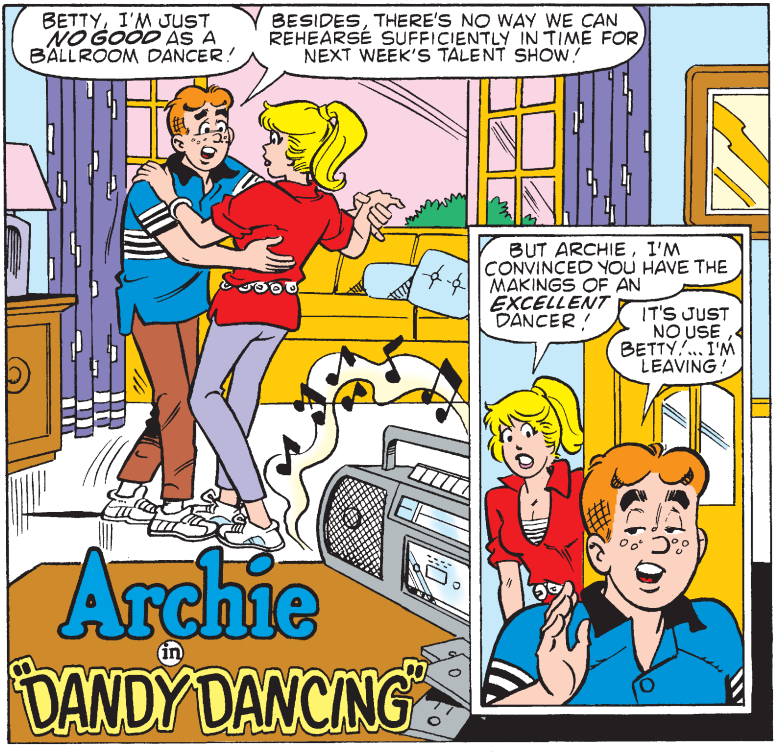

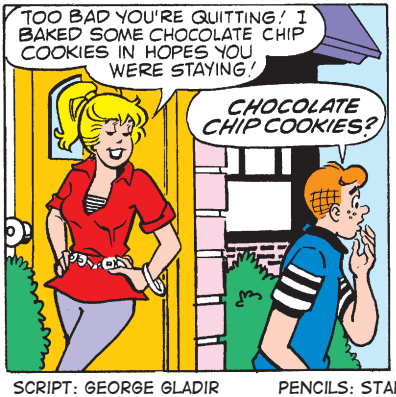

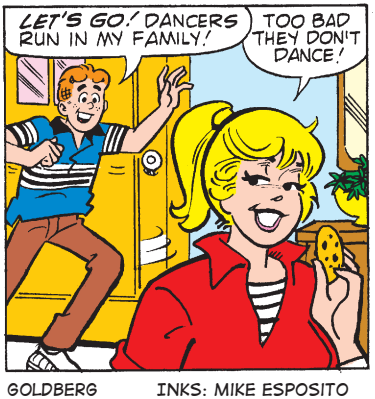

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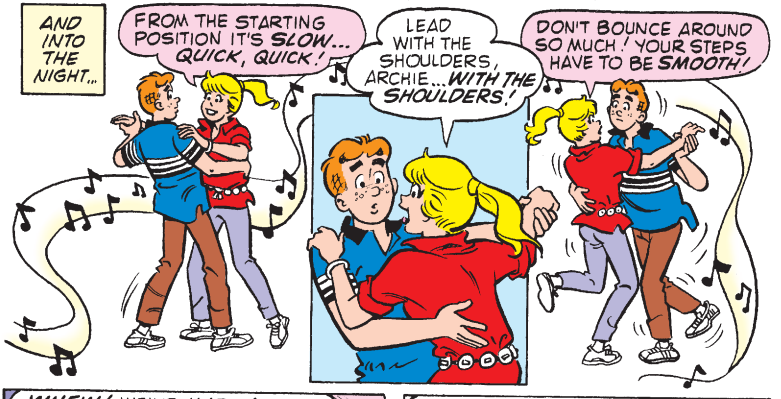
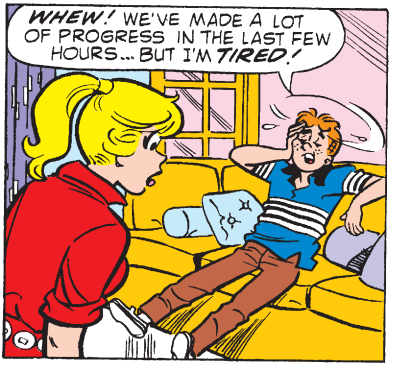
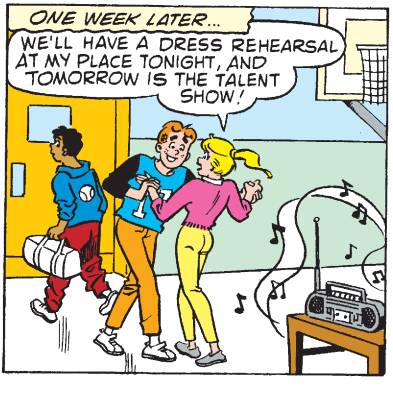
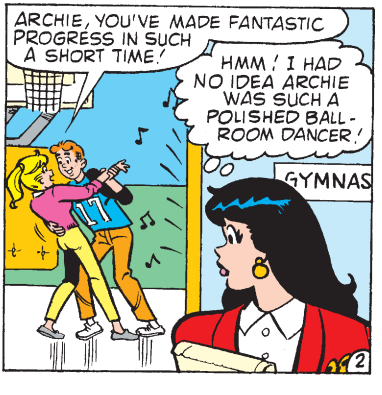

AND INTO THE NIGHT...
FROM THE STARTING POSITION IT'S SLOW... QUICK, QUICK!
LEAD WITH THE SHOULDERS, ARCHIE... WITH THE SHOULDERS!
DON'T BOUNCE AROUND SO MUCH! YOUR STEPS HAVE TO BE SMOOTH!

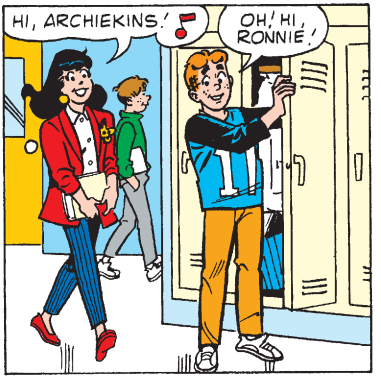

WHEW! WE'VE MADE A LOT OF PROGRESS IN THE LAST FEW HOURS... BUT I'M TIRED!

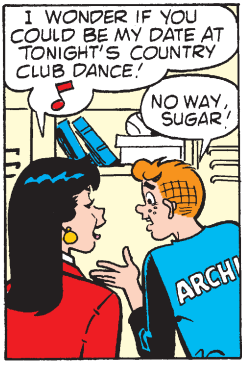
I HAVE MORE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES IN THE OVEN!
SUDDENLY I'M NOT SO TIRED!

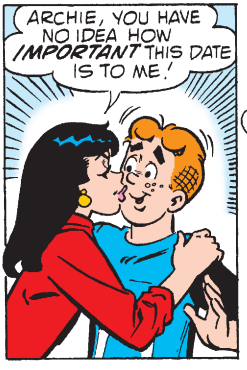

ONE WEEK LATER...
WE'LL HAVE A DRESS REHEARSAL AT MY PLACE TONIGHT, AND TOMORROW IS THE TALENT SHOW!


ARCHIE, YOU'VE MADE FANTASTIC PROGRESS IN SUCH A SHORT TIME!
HMM! I HAD NO IDEA ARCHIE WAS SUCH A POLISHED BALL-ROOM DANCER!
GYMNAS

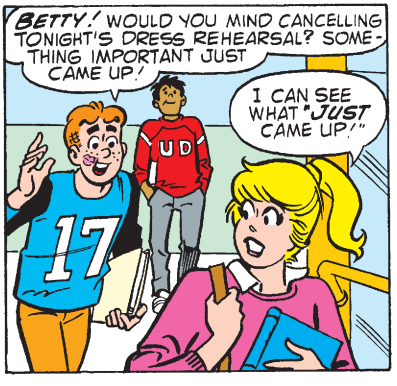
HMM! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA! I'LL WAIT TILL THOSE TWO SEPARATE!
ARCHIE


HI, ARCHIEKINS!
OH! HI, RONNIE!


I WONDER IF YOU COULD BE MY DATE AT TONIGHT'S COUNTRY CLUB DANCE!
NO WAY, SUGAR!
ARCHI


ARCHIE, YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW *IMPORTANT* THIS DATE IS TO ME!

WELL, ACTUALLY IT'S ONLY A DRESS REHEARSAL I'D HAVE TO CANCEL!
I *KNEW* I COULD DEPEND ON YOU!


BETTY! WOULD YOU MIND CANCELLING TONIGHT'S DRESS REHEARSAL? SOMETHING IMPORTANT JUST CAME UP!
I CAN SEE WHAT "*JUST* CAME UP!"
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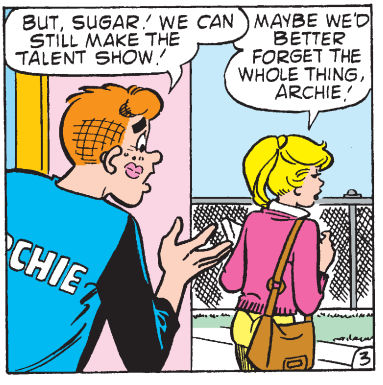
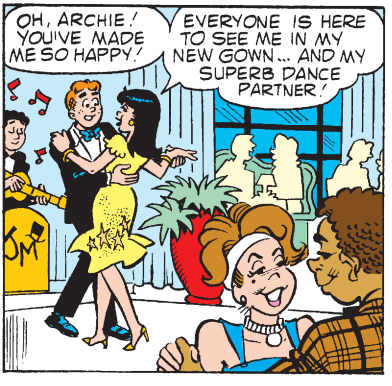
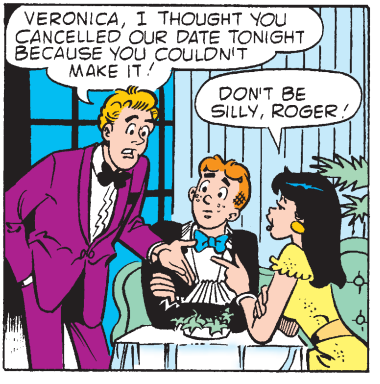
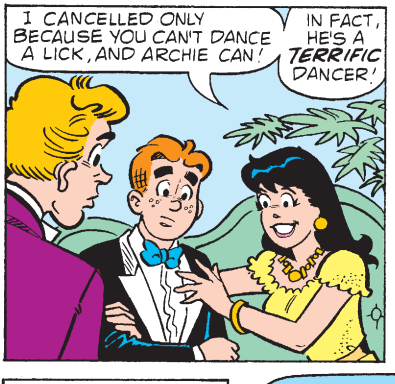
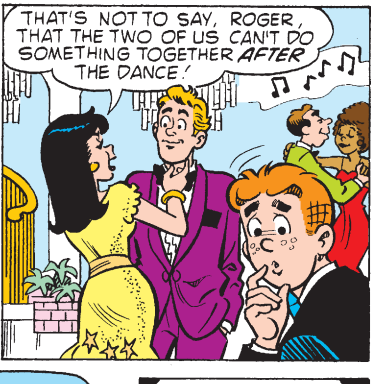
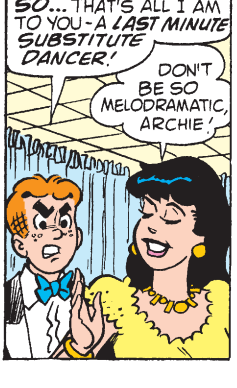

BUT, SUGAR! WE CAN STILL MAKE THE TALENT SHOW!
MAYBE WE'D BETTER FORGET THE WHOLE THING, ARCHIE!
CHIE

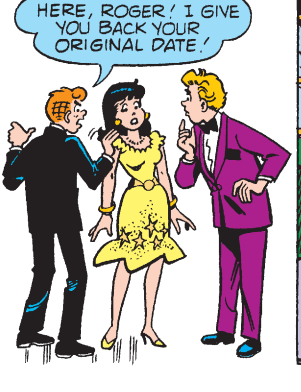

OH, ARCHIE! YOU'VE MADE ME SO HAPPY!
EVERYONE IS HERE TO SEE ME IN MY NEW GOWN... AND MY SUPERB DANCE PARTNER!

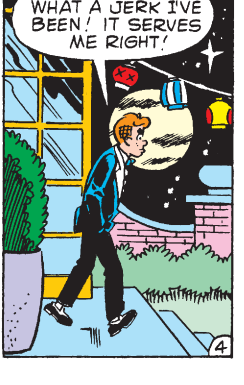

VERONICA, I THOUGHT YOU CANCELLED OUR DATE TONIGHT BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T MAKE IT!
DON'T BE SILLY, ROGER!

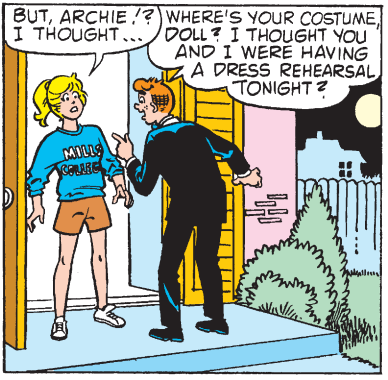

I CANCELLED ONLY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T DANCE A LICK, AND ARCHIE CAN!
IN FACT, HE'S A TERRIFIC DANCER!

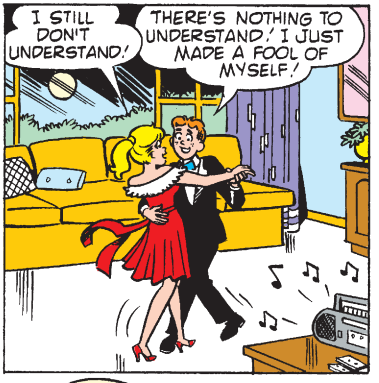

THAT'S NOT TO SAY, ROGER, THAT THE TWO OF US CAN'T DO SOMETHING TOGETHER AFTER THE DANCE!

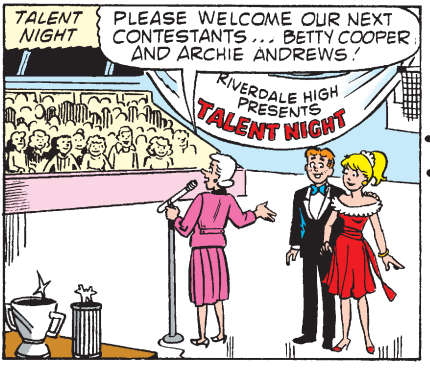

SO... THAT'S ALL I AM TO YOU - A LAST MINUTE SUBSTITUTE DANCER!
DON'T BE SO MELODRAMATIC, ARCHIE!


HERE, ROGER! I GIVE YOU BACK YOUR ORIGINAL DATE!

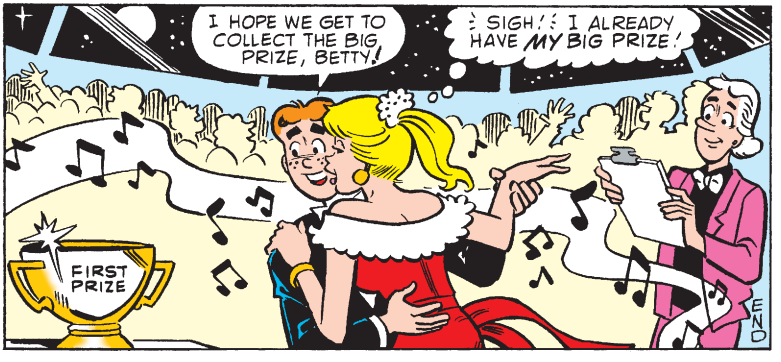

WHAT A JERK I'VE BEEN! IT SERVES ME RIGHT!


BUT, ARCHIE!? I THOUGHT...
WHERE'S YOUR COSTUME, DOLL? I THOUGHT YOU AND I WERE HAVING A DRESS REHEARSAL TONIGHT?
MILLS CLUB


I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND!
THERE'S NOTHING TO UNDERSTAND! I JUST MADE A FOOL OF MYSELF!


TALENT NIGHT
PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEXT CONTESTANTS... BETTY COOPER AND ARCHIE ANDREWS!
RIVERDALE HIGH PRESENTS TALENT NIGHT

LISTEN TO THAT APPLAUSE!
THEY REALLY LIKE US!


I HOPE WE GET TO COLLECT THE BIG PRIZE, BETTY!
SIGH! I ALREADY HAVE MY BIG PRIZE!
FIRST PRIZE
END

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