



## JOKES

### Partnership

A story of the mid-nineteenth century tells of the man who, upon meeting a friend, told him he was going into business.

"What sort of business?" the friend asked.

"A partnership," the other replied.

"Are you putting in much capital?"

"No. I put in no capital. I put in the experience."

"And he puts in the capital, is that it?"

"Yes. We go into business for three years. He puts in the capital and I put in the experience. At the end of the three years I'll have the capital, and he'll have the experience."



What does a man do standing up, a woman do sitting down, and a dog do with one leg raised?

- Shake hands -



### No Funds

Indignantly a daughter said to her father when he returned home one evening, "Dad, why in the world did you tell me to put my money in such a bank? It is absolutely on the rocks."

"What," said her father, "that's one of the strongest banks in the country. What do you mean by that?"

Waving a check in the air, his daughter replied, "Look at this. It's my withdrawal slip for \$25.00 and it was returned today by the bank and marked 'No Funds'."



"Waiter, when I ordered this steak, I said 'Well done'."

"Thank you Sir."



Paul had a terrible twitch in his left eye and had gone to see his doctor about it. The doctor told him to take aspirin for it. Two weeks later Paul went back to him. The doctor asked him for his health insurance card and Paul searched through his pockets for it. Condom after condom fell out of his pockets. The doctor looked amazed and asked: "Have you got some sort of sexual problem, too?"

"No, doctor, nothing like that. But have you ever tried going into a chemist's and asking for aspirins while twitching?"



How many people does it take to bury a Puerto Rican?

- Five. One to lower the coffin, four to lower the radio. -



Adam was feeling rather lonely in paradise. He asked for some company.

"That's no problem," God replied. "I'll make you a perfect mate. She'll not only be beautiful and clever, she'll also look after your every need and never argue with you. However, perfection is expensive. She'll cost you an arm and a leg."

Adam thought for a while, then said: "What can you give me for ... say, a rib?" he asked.



Little boy: Mummy, why doesn't Daddy have any hair on top of his head?

Mother: That's because he does a lot of thinking, dear.

Little boy: Why have you got such a lot of hair then, Mummy?

Mother: Because I ..., oh, go play in the garden.



Doctor: For a man of 50 you are in great shape.

Patient: I didn't say I was 50. Actually, I'm 65.

Doctor: Did your father live to a ripe old age?

Patient: I didn't say my father was dead. He's still alive and will be 95 next week.

Doctor: Amazing! How old was your grandfather when he died?

Patient: I didn't say he was dead. Actually, he's 110 and is getting married again tomorrow.

Doctor: I don't believe it! A 110-year-old wanting to get married again!

Patient: Did I say he wanted to get married?



Learner driver: What do I do if the brakes suddenly fail?

Instructor: Look for something cheap to crash into!



Why are Polish jokes so short? So Italians can understand them too.



Doctor to unfit patient: Give up smoking, drinking, sex and stick to a healthy diet and you'll have no problems.  
Patient: Will that make me live longer?  
Doctor: Not really, but it will certainly make your life seem longer to you!



### Every Business Was Small Once

A wholesaler in Texas once received an order for \$13.31 worth of candy from the "Horsie Hollow Candy Shop" in a small town. As he had never heard of a firm with this name, he asked the Dallas office of Dun & Bradstreet, the famous American mercantile agency, for a credit report. Dun & Bradstreet had no record of the firm either, so they instructed one of their reporters to investigate. \$13.31 is a small sum, to be sure, but the point is that there was a new firm which was not yet on file - an intolerable state of affairs. The investigator turned in the following report: "The Horsie Hollow Candy Shop is situated on a dirt road just off the main highway. The shop consists of a remodeled turkey coop, valued at \$37. A small but steady business is being done. The shop is run by two partners. Both are 11 years of age and unmarried. Their liquid assets amount to \$14.84 in merchandise and cash. The owners have had two years' experience in selling cookies and lemonade. Their principal suppliers are their mothers, both of whom reported prompt payments, that is, strictly C.O.D. Although the owners are men of limited means, they have a high standing in the community."

The wholesaler was favorably impressed and sent the goods on his regular credit terms. The bill was paid promptly, and the wholesaler opened a new account in his books in the name of the Horsie Hollow Candy Shop.



A man is in desperate financial straits and prays to God to save him by letting him win the lottery. Days go by, then weeks, and the man fails to win a single lottery. Finally, in misery, he cries out to God: "You tell us 'Knock and it shall be opened to you. Seek and you shall find.' I'm going down the tubes here, and I still haven't won the lottery!"

A voice from above answers: "You've got to meet me half way, bubbleh! Buy a ticket!"



### Substitution

A customer ordering a box of men's handkerchiefs initialed "H" from a large mail-order house received a box of handkerchiefs with the initial "I" and the following explanatory enclosure slip: "We regret that we are at present out of the merchandise you ordered. The enclosed is the nearest thing to it and we trust that the substitution will be satisfactory."



A headmaster who became an astronaut was planning to fly to the sun. The science teacher tried to explain to him that he would be burnt up if he went within 50 million miles of the sun.

"No, I won't," said the headmaster. "I'm going at night."

Did you hear about the Italians who emigrated to Poland?

It raised the I.Q. of both countries.



How can you tell when a lawyer is lying?

His lips are moving.



Angry woman to Winston Churchill: "If I were your wife I'd put poison in your tea."

Winston: "If I were your husband, I'd drink it."



### If I Were You

Dear Customer:

If I were you  
And you were me,  
A different story this would be.

If you were me  
And I were you,  
This bill would not be overdue.

Since I am I  
And you are you,  
Please send your check in  
P.D.Q.<sup>1</sup>

(<sup>1</sup>= pretty damn quick)



Winston Churchill was at a party and he had had too much to drink.

Woman: "Winston, you're drunk."

Winston Churchill: "And you're ugly, but tomorrow I'll be sober."



### Tit for Tat

An elderly American farmer wrote to a mail-order house as follows: "Please send me one of the diesel engines you show on page 345, and if it's any good, I'll send you a check."

After a few days he received the following reply: "Please send check. If it's any good, we'll send the engine."

Man: I need 25 get-well cards.  
Shopkeeper: Have all your relatives caught something nasty?  
Man: No, I'm a chef and the fish was off!



American ships say "USS", British ships say "HMS", and Italian ships say "AMB".

Atsa My Boat!



Q: Why can't an Englishman, living in Germany, be buried in England?

A: Because they normally do not bury living people.



What's printed on the top of Polish ladders?

"STOP"



"Will you lend me ten pounds?"

"But you owe me five pounds already."

"Okay, if you lend me fifteen pounds, I'll give you the five pounds that I owe you."

"Okay."



In the space age, man will be able to go around the world in two hours  
- one hour for flying and the other to get to the airport.



A staff manager asked a girl applicant if she had any special talents. She said she had won several prizes in crossword-puzzle contests. "Sounds good", the manager told her, "But we want somebody who will be smart during office hours." "Oh," said the girl, "this was during office hours."





The new secretary came into work half an hour late, to be greeted by an angry boss. "You're late!" she roared. "No, I'm not late," replied the secretary, calmly. "I took my lunch break early today - on my way to work."



A factory advertised for workers. The response revealed just how bad the unemployment situation was in the area. Three of those who applied answered the question "salary expected: ..." by inserting "yes".



When clearing out her filing cabinets, Samuel Goldwyn's secretary wanted to destroy some of the old files to make room for the more recent ones. "Go ahead," the movie mogul replied, "but make sure you keep copies."



Why don't Mexicans have barbecues?

The beans fall through the grill.



What does it say on the bottom of Coke cans in Poland?

"Open other end!"



The accounts clerk was chasing a customer for payment and had sent several "final reminders" but to no avail. Eventually, a phone call was necessary. When the call was put through to the right department, the frustrated clerk was told, "The director whose signature is needed is laid up with an sprained ankle."

"So?" exclaimed the fuming clerk. "Do they sign them with their feet?"



Q: Some months have 31 days and some have 30. How many have 28?

A: All of them!



Why is Cuba so screwed up?

The island's in the Caribbean,  
the government's in Russia,  
the troops are in Angola,  
and the population's in Miami.

Lady, what is in your bag?  
A bottle of wine - I got it for my husband.  
Oh, that's a good trade.



### A gentleman pays promptly

"My good man," said Mr. Shand to the grocery-store owner, "how is it you have not called on me for my account?"  
"Oh, I never ask a gentleman for money."  
"Indeed! But what do you do if he doesn't pay?"  
"Well, after a certain time," said he, "I conclude he is not a gentleman, and then I ask him."



The junior clerk came out of his boss's office shaking his head.  
"What's happened?" asked the secretary.  
"I'm not sure," said the clerk, "but I think I've been fired."  
"What do you mean, you don't know?"  
"The boss just looked at me and said: "Tottenham, I don't know how we're going to do without you, but from next week we're going to do our best."



### Rules for meetings

1. Never arrive on time, or you will be stamped a beginner.
2. Don't say anything until the meeting is half over; this stamps you as being wise.
3. Be as vague as possible, this prevents irritating others.
4. When in doubt, suggest that a subcommittee be appointed.
5. Be the first to move for adjournment, this will make you popular - it's what everyone is waiting for.



### Definitions

Secretary: The only person who knows how, why, when and if.  
Senior executive: Anyone with an office on the carpeted corridor.  
Statistician: One who knows which numbers to use in any eventuality.  
Colleague: The person to whom one passes the buck.  
Conference: Time off from the hurly burly of hard graft and actual thought.  
Filing cabinet: A useful container where things can be lost alphabetically.  
Salesman: A fellow with a smile on his face, a shine on his shoes, and a lousy territory.



"Pollution? Nonsense! I have my scientists working on proof that too much ozone is bad for you."

Patient: Every night I get panic attacks. I have to get out of bed and check that no one is hiding under it.

Psychiatrist: I think I can solve your problem. It may take several months and cost about \$100 a visit. Come back next week and we'll start the treatment.

A week later:

Patient: I don't need treatment, doctor. My wife cured me.

Psychiatrist: How?

Patient: She cut the legs off the bed!



Susan was away on a long business trip. She finished her job quicker than expected and faxed her husband to inform him that she'd be home a day earlier.

On arriving back she noticed her colleague's car outside the house. She peered through a window and saw her husband cuddling the woman. She stormed round to her father's house to tell him. He told her not to panic. He would go and speak to his son-in-law.

A few minutes later he returned. "I knew he'd have a good reason", he said. "He didn't get your fax."



A young man shyly crept into the office of a sales manager.

"You don't want to buy any insurance, do you?"

"No, I don't."

"I thought as much." He turned to go.

"Wait a minute. I've been working with salespeople all my life and I've never seen such a poor approach as yours. You'll never make any sales because you lack confidence. I tell you what I'll do. I'll give you confidence by proving you can make a sale. You can write me up for a life policy."

When the proposal had been completed, the sales manager said:

"Now that you have confidence, you should learn some of the tricks of the trade."

"Thank you very much. You're quite right about the tricks of the trade, of course. The one I just used is for sales managers."



The retired executive was giving some business advice to his son who was just starting up a company.

"In business, ethics are very important. For example, a customer comes in and pays a \$100 account in cash. Just as he is leaving you realize that there are two \$100 notes stuck together. Do you tell your partner?"



Two little girls were discussing their ages. "I'm five or six. How old are you?" asked one little girl.

"That's silly!" said the other, "don't you know exactly?" Her friend looked puzzled. "I'm not sure. It says in my knickers [brit. Engl. f. 'Unterhose'] AGE 5 to 6!"

An elderly man went into the library and asked the librarian if she knew the best way to trace long-lost relatives. "Try winning the National Lottery. It works wonders!" she replied.



A successful businessman suffered badly from wind. "It's so embarrassing," he complained to his doctor. "I pass wind at board meetings, in the lift, in shops, everywhere! I can't control it at all. But I'm lucky in two respects as it doesn't smell or make a sound. In fact, I've passed wind twice since talking to you." The doctor grabbed his pad and quickly wrote out a prescription and handed it to him.

"What! Nose drops?" the businessman queried.

"We'll sort out your nose first, then your hearing and then your wind," said his doctor.



Tony went to the doctor because his hands wouldn't stop shaking. The doctor examined him and then asked if he drank a lot. "No," replied Tony. "I spill most of it!"



"I am going to ask a question every day," said the teacher to her class, "and the student who can answer it will be allowed to go home early."

The first day she asked: "How many liters of water would it take to fill the Pacific Ocean?". The second day she asked: "How many grains of salt are there in a kilo of salt?" Of course no one could answer those questions. The next day Julian, who was fed up with the impossible-to-answer questions, placed a coin on the teacher's desk. "Who does this money belong to?" she asked her class. "Me. Can I go home now, Miss?" asked Julian, cheekily.



Larry wakes up at home with a huge hangover. He forces himself to open his eyes, and the first thing he sees is a couple of aspirins and a glass of water on the side table. He sits up and sees his clothing in front of him, all clean and pressed. Larry looks around the room and sees that it is in perfect order, spotless, clean. So is the rest of the house. He takes the aspirins and notices a note on the table: "Honey, breakfast is on the stove, I left early to go shopping. Love you." So he goes to the kitchen, and sure enough there is a hot breakfast and the morning newspaper. His son is also at the table, eating. Larry asks, "Son, what happened last night?" His son says, "Well, you came home after 3 A.M., drunk and delirious, broke some furniture, puked [to puke = "kotzen"] in the hallway." Confused, Larry asks, "So, why is everything in order and so clean, and breakfast is on the table waiting for me?" His son replies, "Oh, that! Mom dragged you to the bedroom, and when she tried to take your pants off, you said, "Lady, leave me alone, I'm married!"

A taxi driver just happened to be driving past a certain street when he got a call to pick up an old lady at that location.

The lady had just put the phone down when the doorbell rang and the taxi driver was standing there.

"How's that for fast service?" he joked.

"Too fast! I'm not going anywhere with someone who drives like a lunatic!" she shouted and shut the door with a bang.



Jim had to leave his job because of illness and lack of energy.

His boss got sick and tired of him.



Receptionist to young students touring Europe:

"Would you like a room with a bath or a shower?"

One student, fearing they haven't got enough money for an expensive room, asks:

"What's the difference?"

"You have to stand in a shower and lie in a bath," the receptionist sighed.



Mike's wife arrived in Heaven and asked St. Peter if her husband was there.

"Which Mike do you mean? We have lots of Mikes here," he replied. "Can you tell me something about him?"

"Well, the last thing he said before he died was that he would turn in his grave if I was ever unfaithful to him," she answered.

"Ah, you mean Revolving Mike, then!" said the angel.



An antique dealer spotted a valuable desk in a junk shop one day. It was obviously designed by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. Not wanting to show too much interest in the piece, he told the shopkeeper he'd buy it for firewood. They agreed on a small sum, and the dealer said he would pick it up the next day. However, when he arrived with his van, there was only a pile of wood to be seen. "I thought I'd chop it up for you so that you could transport it more easily," said the shopkeeper.



A teacher was once driving down a long country road when she passed a young boy being chased by a large, muddy pig. Recognizing him as one of her pupils, she stopped her car to save him from the animal. Opening the door, she yelled: "Get in quickly!"

"Thanks, Miss. There aren't many people who'd give a lad and his pet pig a lift!"

A cat dies and goes to Heaven. God meets him at the gate and says, "You've been a good cat all of these years. Anything you desire is yours, all you have to do is ask."

The cat says, "Well, I lived all my life with a poor family on a farm and had to sleep on hardwood floors." God says, "Say no more." And instantly, a fluffy pillow appears. A few days later, 6 mice are killed in a tragic accident and they go to Heaven. God meets them at the gate with the same offer that He made the cat.

The mice said, "All our lives we've had to run. We've been chased by cats, dogs and even women with brooms. If we could only have a pair of roller skates, we wouldn't have to run anymore." God says, "Say no more." And instantly, each mouse is fitted with a beautiful pair of tiny roller skates.

About a week later, God decides to check and see how the cat is doing. The cat is sound asleep on his new pillow. God gently wakes him and asks,

"How are you doing? Are you happy here?"

The cat yawns and stretches and says, "Oh, I've never been happier in my life. And those Meals on Wheels you've been sending over are the best!"



Morris and his wife Esther went to the state fair every year, and every year Morris would say, "Esther, I'd like to ride in that airplane."

Esther always replied, "I know Morris, but that airplane ride costs 50 dollars, and 50 dollars is 50 dollars."

One year Morris and Esther went to the fair and Morris said, "Esther, I'm 85 years old. If I don't ride that airplane I might never get another chance."

Esther replied, "Morris, that airplane ride costs 50 dollars, and 50 is dollars is 50 dollars."

The pilot overheard them and said, "Folks, I'll make you a deal. I'll take you both up for a ride. If you can stay quiet for the entire ride and not say one word, I won't charge you; but if you say one word it's 50 dollars."

Morris and Esther agreed and up they went.

The pilot did all kinds of twists and turns, rolls and dives, but not a word was heard. He did all his tricks over again, but still not a word. When they landed, the pilot turned to Morris and said, "By golly, I did everything I could think of to get you to yell out, but you didn't."

Morris replied, "Well, I was gonna say something when Esther fell out, but 50 dollars is 50 dollars."



Q: If shoes are made from animal skins, what are made from banana skins?

A: Slippers.

While attending a marriage seminar on communication, Jim and his wife listened to the instructor declare: "It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other."

He addressed the men: "For instance, gentlemen, can you name your wife's favorite flower?"

Jim leaned over, touched his wife's arm gently and whispered, "Pillsbury All-Purpose, isn't it?"

The rest of the story is not pleasant.



What is the difference between Capitalism and Communism?

Capitalism is the exploitation of man by man;  
communism is the reverse.



A married couple was in a terrible accident where the woman's face was severely burned.

The doctor told the husband that they couldn't graft any skin from her body because she was too skinny. So the husband offered to donate some of his own skin.

However, the only skin on his body that the doctor felt was suitable would have to come from his buttocks. The husband and wife agreed that they would tell no one about where the skin came from, and requested that the doctor also honor their secret. After all, this was a very delicate matter.

After the surgery was completed, everyone was astounded at the woman's new beauty. She looked more beautiful than she ever had before! All her friends and relatives just went on and on about her youthful beauty!

One day, she was alone with her husband, and she was overcome with emotion at his sacrifice. She said, "Dear, I just want to thank you for everything you did for me. There is no way I could ever repay you."

"My darling," he replied, "think nothing of it. I get all the thanks I need every time I see your mother kiss you on the cheek."



After a long illness, a woman died and arrived at the Gates of Heaven. While she was waiting for Saint Peter to greet her, she peeked through the Gates. She saw a beautiful banquet table. Sitting all around were her parents and all the other people she had loved and who had died before her. They saw her and began calling greetings to her -- "Hello" "How are you! We've been waiting for you!" "Good to see you."

When Saint Peter came by, the woman said to him, "This is such a wonderful place! How do I get in?"

"You have to spell a word," Saint Peter told her.

"Which word?" the woman asked.

"Love."

The woman correctly spelled "Love" and Saint Peter welcomed her into Heaven.

About six months later, Saint Peter came to the woman and asked her to watch the Gates of Heaven for him that day. While the woman was guarding the Gates of Heaven, her husband arrived.

"I'm surprised to see you," the woman said. "How have you been?"

"Oh, I've been doing pretty well since you died," her husband told her. "I married the beautiful young nurse who took care of you while you were ill. And then I won the lottery. I sold the little house you and I lived in and bought a big mansion. And my wife and I traveled all around the world. We were on vacation and I went water skiing today. I fell, the ski hit my head, and here I am. How do I get in?"

"You have to spell a word," the woman told him.

"Which word?" her husband asked.

"Czechoslovakia."



An elderly couple who were childhood sweethearts had married and settled down in their old neighborhood. They were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and decided to walk down the street to their old school. There, they hold hands as they find the old desk they'd shared and where he had carved "I love you, Sally."

On their way back home, a bag of money falls out of an armored car and lands practically at their feet. Sally quickly picks it up and decides to take it home until they decide what to do with it. There, she counts the money, and it's fifty thousand dollars.

The husband says, "We've got to give it back."

She says, "finders keepers" and puts the money back in the bag and hides it up in their attic.

The next day, two FBI men are going door-to-door in the neighborhood looking for the money and show up at their home. They say, "Pardon me, but did either of you find or know about some money that fell out of an armored car yesterday?"

She says, "No."

The husband quickly interjects, "She's lying!! She hid it up in the attic."

She says, "Don't believe him, he's getting senile."

However, the agents sit the man down and begin to question him. "Sir, please tell us the story from the beginning."

The old man says, "Well, when Sally and I were walking home from school yesterday..."

The FBI agents immediately look at each other and say, "Let's get out of here!!!"

