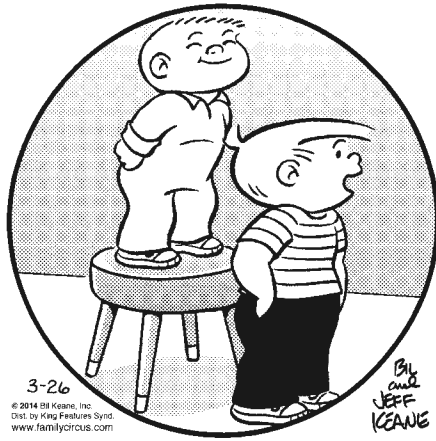


FAMILY CIRCUS | BIL KEANE



"Mommy, I'm helping PJ practice bein' tall."

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When English Majors Marry

Husband Can't Erase Wife's Journal Writing About Affair

DEAR ABBY: I have been married almost 20 years. Eight years ago my wife began an emotional affair with a co-worker. It lasted a year, until he left the company. Although they never had sex, they did have some physical contact that most people would consider inappropriate...



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

lost the only person who ever mattered, aside from our little girl.

My question is, since we were never married, how do I refer to Maggie when relating what happened? I am in the process of adopting her daughter and explanations to strangers are tough.

I would like to compliment you for stepping up to care for the girl when her biological father did not. And I do have suggestions for how to respond to anyone insensitive enough to ask why you would "take on" a child you didn't "have to."

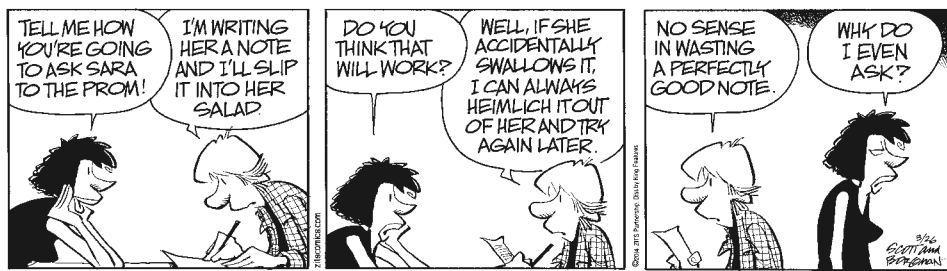
The first would be to ignore the question. The second would be to avoid such a person in the future, and the third would be to reply, "I love her like a daughter, want to make sure she's secure and provided for, and THAT'S why I'm doing it."

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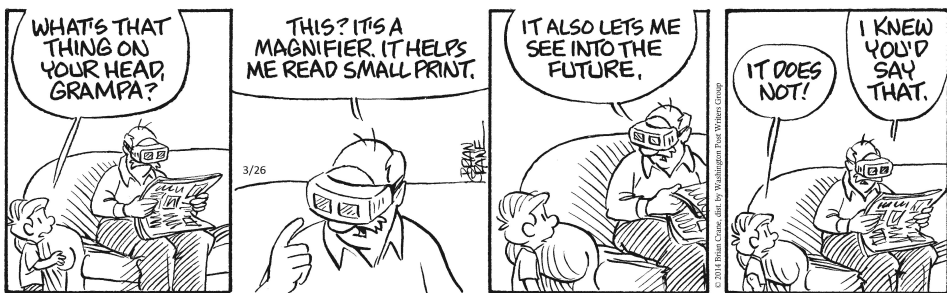
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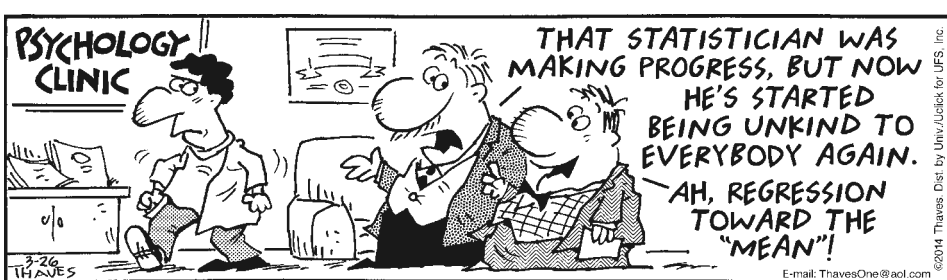
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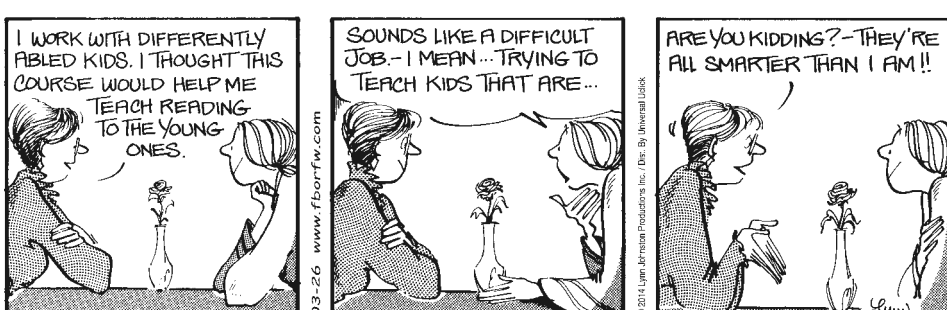
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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Aries and a Moon in Aquarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014:

This year you remain optimistic, even when others can't seem to smile. Your sense of direction and high energy will allow you to make a difference. In the summer, your creativity seems to soar, and those around you will learn to count on your ingenuity.

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

You'll feel optimistic about a situation, yet you might not be sure as to which direction you should head in. The unexpected tosses a new factor into the mix, which you'll feel is a good thing.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

Tension builds as you set out to deal with many different options. Is it possible that you are receiving too much good news in your life? You could be overwhelmed by all the opportunities coming your way.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

You could be overwhelmed by what is happening, yet you will remain positive. You will make the correct choice, and financial gain will be the incentive that guides you.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

You have more to offer someone than you realize. The way this person approaches you at the present time might clue you in. Learning to establish suitable boundaries could be a very positive step.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

Defer to others, as you likely won't

have much choice anyway. Someone might want to demonstrate his or her worth. Do not interfere. Your ability to get past a problem will allow you to have more bounce in your step.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

Your ability to enjoy your work makes many other signs either jealous or worried about you. In either case, use that ability to clear as much as you can off your plate.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

You know which path is the right one for you to follow, but perhaps you are feeling anxious about taking the first step. Be careful not to push someone too hard, as he or she might decide to say "enough" and head for the hills!

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

Your ability to visualize what you desire and to do what you feel is necessary will be clear. It will take action to proceed in the right direction. Ask yourself whether there is any real obstacle here.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

You see life with greater clarity and openness. How you handle a personal matter could change, as you seem to be establishing who you are on a new level. Maintain a sense of humor when a partner teases you a bit about your new attitude.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

You could be taken back by an opportunity to see a loved one in a new light. This person suddenly might be so cheerful that you won't know which way to head.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

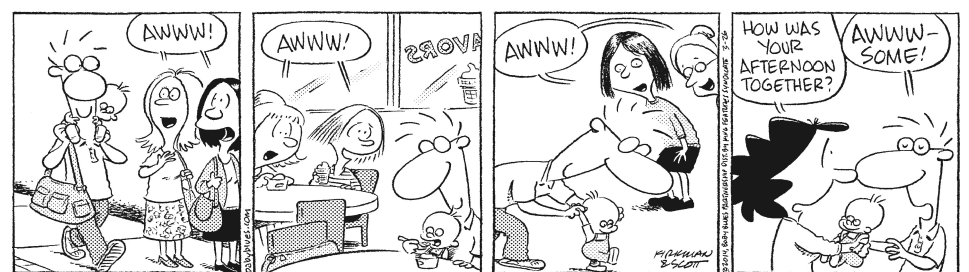
You seem to be on cruise control no matter what you do. Move important matters along quickly, as you don't often have extra free time, like you do now.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

You are a sign that experiences many intuitive hunches. Right now, you could be acting on an emotional level, especially around a child or new friend.

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