

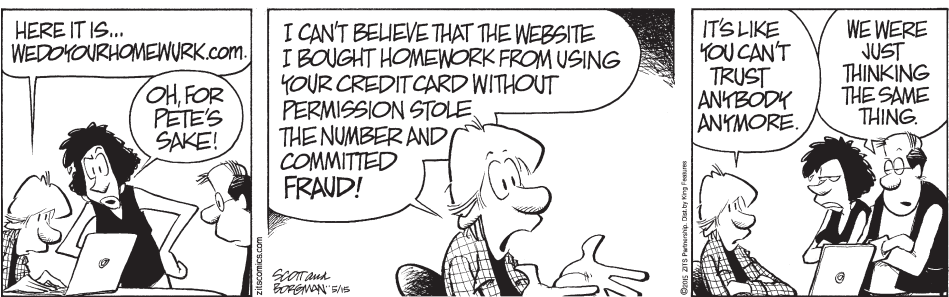
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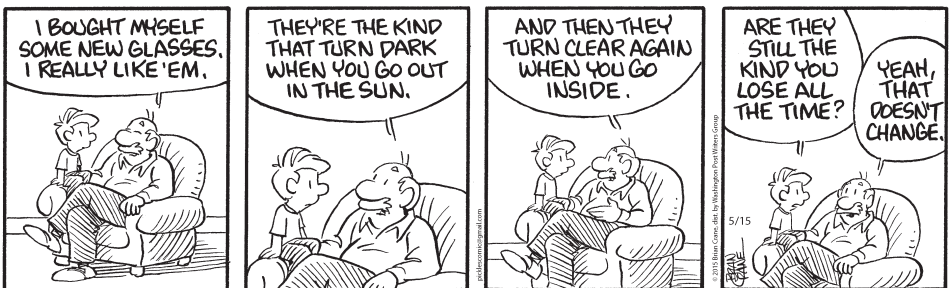
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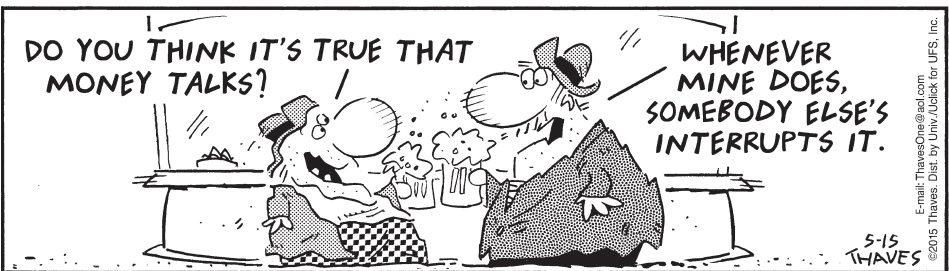
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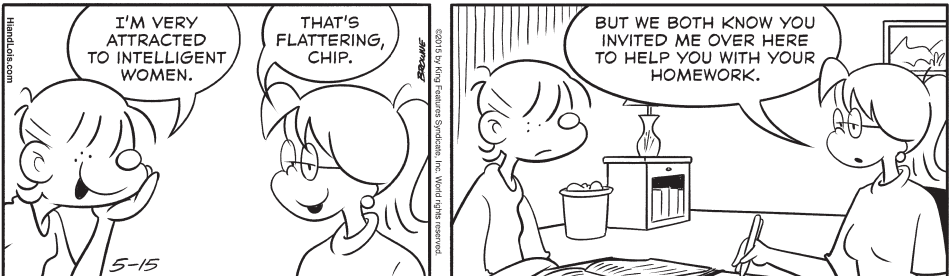
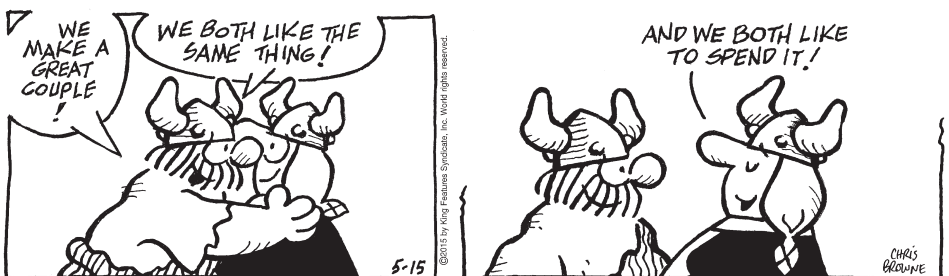
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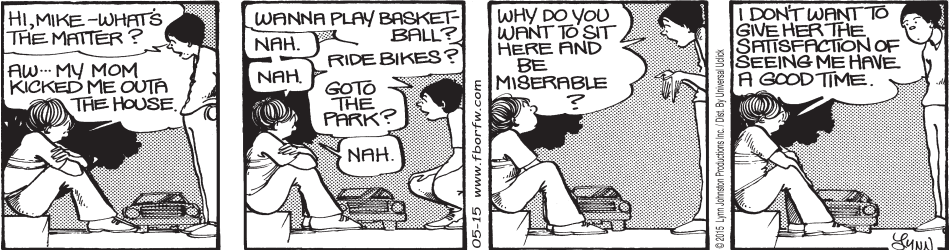
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## Husband Can't Stop Singing Praises Of Bone Marrow Donor

DEAR ABBY: My husband of 28 years had a bone marrow transplant, and six months ago he learned who his donor was. He now wants to meet up with the person. Turns out, it was a woman.

I'm not usually a jealous person, but it's all he ever talks about every single minute of the day. He wants to meet her two hours from where we live. I am fine with it, but I'm tired of hearing how "great" she is. What can I do to keep the peace in my house? – WIFE OF A TRANSPLANT

DEAR WIFE: Because of your husband's donor, you are a wife and not a widow. A step in the right direction would be to regard her as the person who saved your husband's life at a point when you could have lost him.

Of course he thinks she is "great." Not everyone is willing to be tested to see if it's possible to BE a bone marrow donor. I think she is great, too.

Please calm down. With the passage of time, your husband will not feel the need to speak about her as often.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend booked a cruise with his ex-wife to celebrate their son's eighth birthday. They plan to share the same cabin. He has mentioned at least twice in the past that she wants him back, but now he denies having said it.

I didn't expect him to pay for my ticket (I can afford it), but an invite would have been nice. I have included him in my children's celebrations and have stood by him through difficult times. I have yet to meet the ex, so there's no animosity between us.

When I suggested separate cabins would be appropriate and affordable considering they had booked a suite, and two regular cabins are about half the price, he flat-out told me I'm not invited. He says this isn't

about "us" but about his son, whom I get along with.

I love this man and feel this isn't just about trust, although he has been less than truthful lately. I don't want to have to wonder what happened in that cabin when their son was asleep or at the kids' club or when they had a bit too much to drink.

Am I unreasonable in thinking sharing such close quarters with an ex is inappropriate? Should I jump ship from this relationship? He clearly could care less about my feelings. – WAITING AT THE DOCK

DEAR WAITING: When parents separate, most children hope and pray they will find a way to get back together. If your boyfriend and his ex are sure that isn't going to happen, then it really isn't right to bunk together and get their son's hopes up only to be disappointed when the ship returns to shore.

That this man acts like your feelings are irrelevant and isn't always truthful are huge red flags and do not bode well for your future if you continue with him. I don't know how much time you have invested, but if more of the same is what's in store, you'd be better off to cut your losses and bail.

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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 Taurus and a Moon in Aries.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015:

This year you open up to many different options, though you might not act on any of them right away. You have a tendency to reflect on decisions and observations for quite a while. Your perspective changes though encounters with people who are very different from you. If you are single, check out any person you are dating with care, as he or she might not be everything he or she seems to be. Do not commit until you are absolutely sure of your choice. If you are attached, the two of you love spending time away from the everyday concerns of life. Plan a special happening anytime from fall onward. You might be able to fool many of the signs, but you can't fool ARIES.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

### ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

★★★★ You might have decided to clear the air with someone you deal with on an intellectual level. Hold back for now, as your timing could be off and a nasty tiff might result. Be spontaneous, but make a point of returning all of your calls. Tonight: Embrace surprises.

### TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Try getting more information before making a decision. You could be in a position where it would be a mistake to say or do anything more. The unexpected might throw off your plans; your imagination is likely to go haywire as a result. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

### GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ You could be in a position where you would prefer to relax. Nevertheless, someone close to you will make a demand of sorts. Lighten up the moment -- not with energy and conversation, but with a smile. It will be very much appreciated. Tonight: Hang out with friends. TGIF!

### CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ You could be pushed beyond your limits and might feel more tired than you thought was possible. Let go of a need to control others. The unexpected will run rampant at the workplace or with an older friend. Tonight: Greet the impossible with laughter and a smile.

### LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ Consider taking a trip or planning to

do something new; it will refresh your energy. You have a lot to do, so don't allow others to distract you for too long. A call or email from someone at a distance could be confusing. Ask questions to clarify. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

### VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ A close relationship could demand a lot of your time and attention. You might feel as if someone has prevented you from doing something you want to do. You will make some decisions involving a relationship. Hold on to them for now. Tonight: A close encounter.

### LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ You could be in a situation that causes a dilemma. You might not be sure which direction to head in or what solution would work best. Allow greater give-and-take between you and others. Your conversations will prove to be most enlightening. Tonight: In the limelight.

### SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ Pace yourself, and know what you must do. Touch base with a loved one who tends to be quite controlling and unpredictable. Learn to go with the flow of this person's different moods. You will like the results, as unpredictable as they might be. Tonight: Try a new spot.

### SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ You could be more tired than you realize. You might want to rethink a personal issue that is affecting your day-to-day life. A loved one seems to be very touchy and difficult at the moment. Do not let this person's words get to you. Tonight: Be a little naughty.

### CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ Focus on an investment that might not be financial but could involve emotions. You could feel as though someone is pushing you very hard to get you to do something. Consider asking a different person to help you with a project. Tonight: Invite some friends over.

### AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

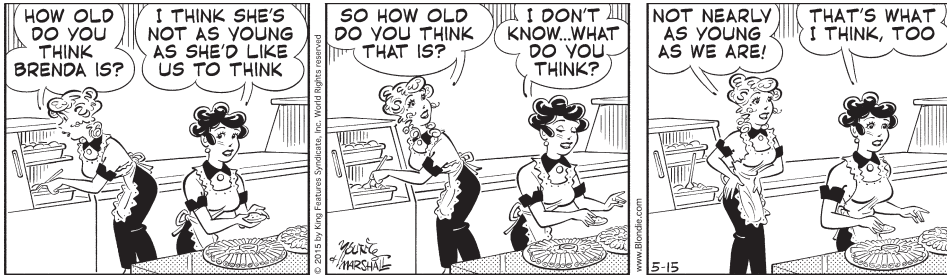
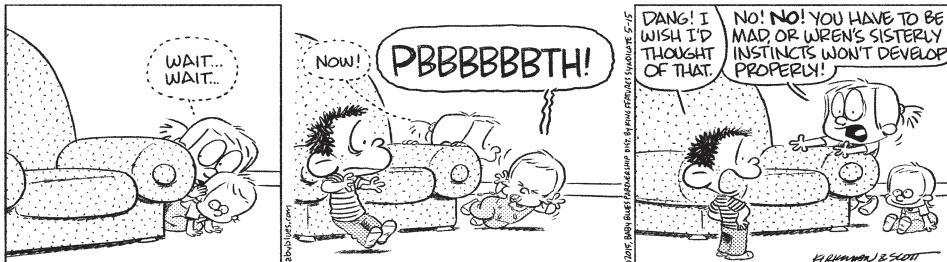
★★★★ You seem to know what to say in order to calm down a situation and intrigue a loved one. In your playfulness, you could trigger someone else's temper. Try to remain sensitive to this person, not only for him or her, but also for you. Tonight: Let go of stress.

### PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

★★★★ Your ability to handle funds comes forward. You might feel justified in making a purchase right now, but it wouldn't be the best decision. Honor a change of pace, and seek out a friend for his or her feedback. You will feel more upbeat as a result. Tonight: Love doesn't have to cost.

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