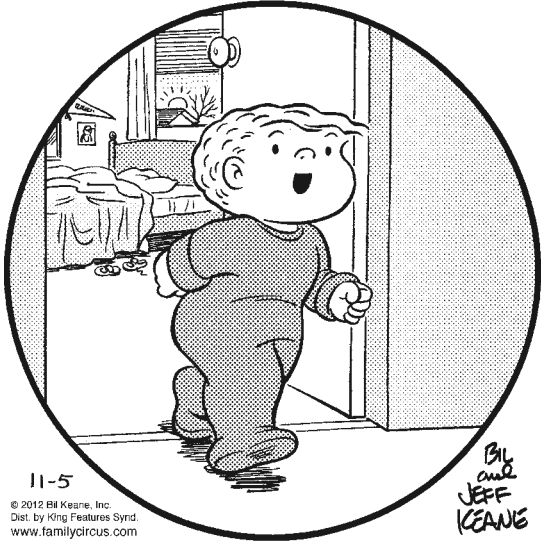


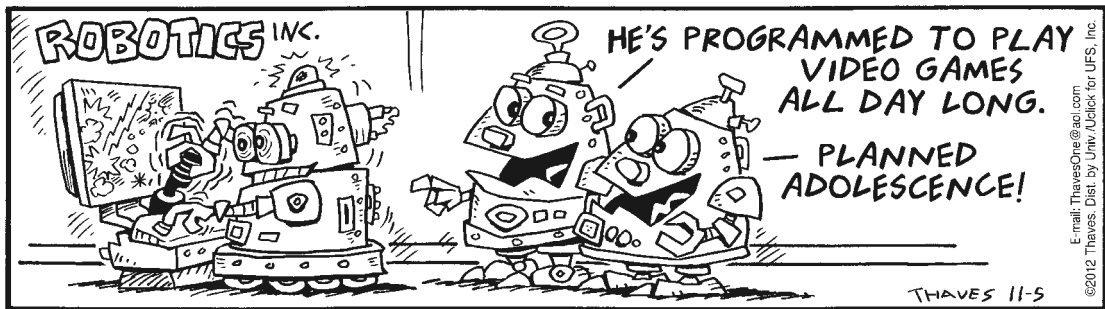
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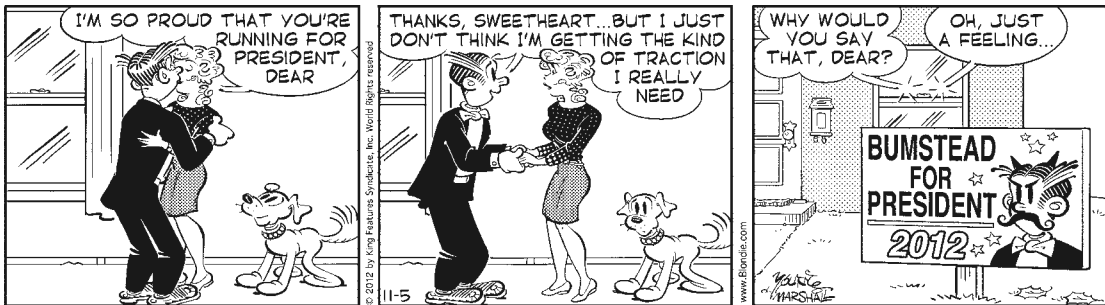
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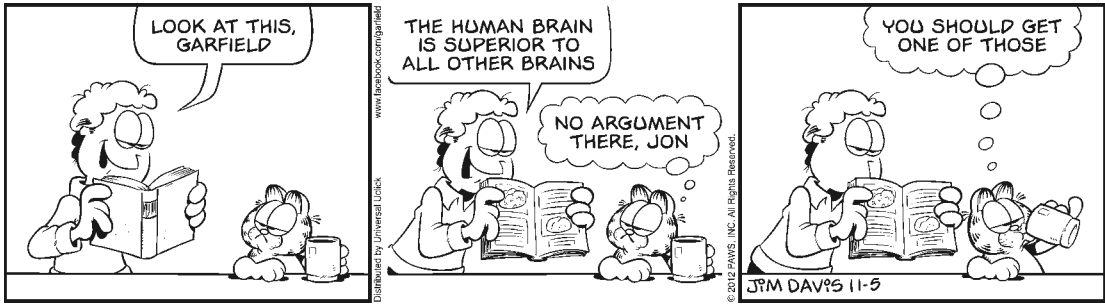
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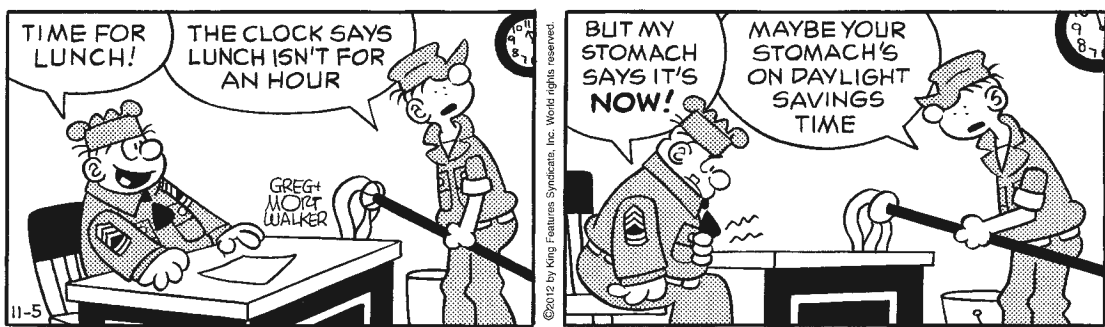
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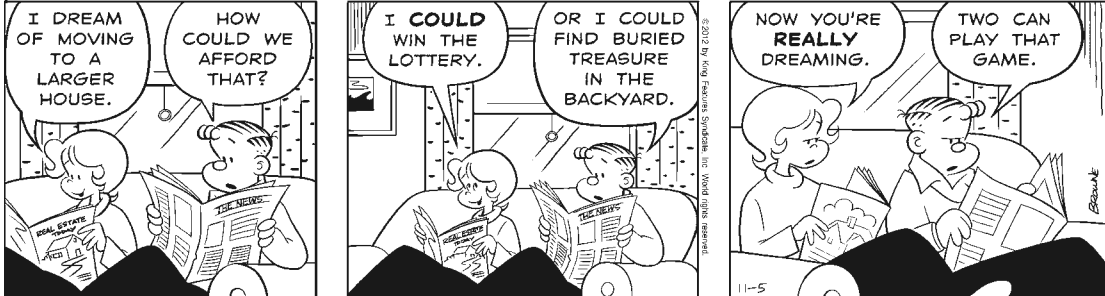
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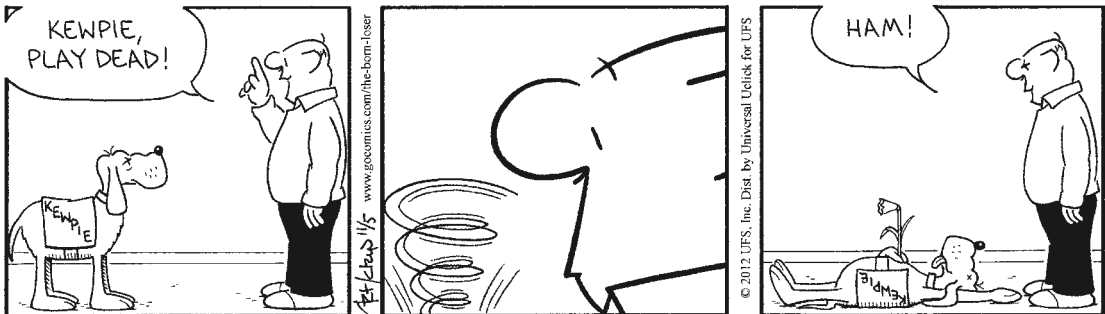
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# Earphones May Be Best Way To Handle Moaning Co-Worker

DEAR ABBY: I work in a cubicle in close proximity to my co-workers. I can't help but hear everything. A co-worker who sits next to me is driving me crazy. She spells her name wrong to customers every day, 20 times a day. She also makes seductive moans during the day. I almost want to peek over the cubicle to see what she's doing.

When I have mentioned to her that perhaps she must spell her name so often to customers because she's spelling it wrong in the first place, her retort is, "No, I don't!" Everyone in the office can hear her, too. They think it's funny.

Abby, she's making me crazy. Should I record her for a few hours and play it back? Unless I do, she won't believe she does it. By the end of the week, I can hardly speak to her. Please help. — TORTURED IN ORANGE, CALIF.

DEAR TORTURED: Although your co-worker may seem to spell her name wrong to you, there are variations on the spelling of many names (i.e., Jean-nie-Jeanne, Shari-Sherry-Cheri, Brian-Bryan, Steven-Stephen). The spelling of someone's name is usually determined by one's parents — so lighten up.

Your co-worker may be unaware that she makes these sounds. Instead of criticizing her, perhaps you should mention this to her. I don't think you need to make any recordings.

If the noise is distracting others in the office, a group of you should approach a supervisor about it. If not, then I'd recommend earphones for you.

DEAR ABBY: I'm sure I speak for hairstylists all over the country who style hair for our dearly departed. It is the last time their family will see them, so it is very important that it looks "just right." PLEASE bring us a picture of your loved one that was taken within the last few years, not one from 20 or 30 years ago. (Yes, Abby, it happens all the time.)

Also, please describe how the deceased wore their hair if the picture has a pompadour and the person has a short bob. It's really frustrating! If you would take snapshots of your loved ones occasionally, I wouldn't have to wonder what Mom looked like. — SANDY THE HAIR-STYLEST

DEAR SANDY: Obviously, this is something that families don't always consider when they are grieving. Thank you for the heads-up.

DEAR ABBY: Can a man be too good to a woman? I dated this fantastic lady for four years. We made a commitment to be true to each other. She broke up with me. Her reason? She said I treated her too well.

We were good to EACH OTHER. We never had a disagreement. We went on several trips together. I love her so much. How can a person be too good to the one he loves? — BEGGING FOR ANSWERS IN NORTH CAROLINA

DEAR BEGGING: If a woman is used to abusive relationships, she may find being treated well not "exciting" enough. This usually happens when the person confuses love with feelings of anxiety and pain. Others can't resist a "challenge" and find stress-free relationships boring.

I'm sorry you are hurting, but please understand that you may have dodged a bullet. Once you accept it, you can move on.

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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 Scorpio and a Moon in Leo if born after 11:39 a.m. (PDT). Before that time, the Moon is in Cancer.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR MONDAY, NOV. 5, 2012:

This year your family and love life become even higher priorities. You set the tone in everyday situations, and you'll be a role model to others. Your ideas will be deemed good for the most part. Sometimes you might want more privacy, but because of your increasing popularity, this could become a burden. If you are single, you manage to meet people with ease, and you could meet someone of significance this year. If you are attached, do your best to include your significant other in a few of your many activities. LEO likes your mysterious ways.

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)

★★★★ Your sharpness and ingenuity are increasing multifold. Your communication style also excels, as you seem to say the right words at the right time. You often might find yourself stumbling into brainstorming situations. Tonight: Ever playful.

### TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Know what you want regarding a personal matter. Try to clear up problems, hassles and misunderstandings by noon. You might want to know more of what is happening behind the scenes with a child. Ask the right questions, and everything will come out. Tonight: Stay centered.

### GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ You have a lot to say, and you will say just that. Investigate your alternatives more thoroughly. You might be quite verbal once you grasp the depth of an issue. Perhaps the wise action would be to say little until you are entirely sure of yourself. Tonight: Talk up a storm.

### CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ Use the morning well, when you are a powerhouse and feel close to invincible. You could be overserious and not willing to take a risk. The unexpected works for you -- just remember to slow down if you become upset. Tonight: Treat time.

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

★★★ Honor your desires, and remain sure of yourself. Someone could push you beyond your limits. Incoming news opens your eyes to a different perspective. The

words of an expert or someone in the know will surprise you. Tonight: All smiles.

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

★★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max in order to accomplish tasks that involve others. Be aware of your innate limits. You might want to understand more. Pull back and listen. You could be surprised by how much is revealed. Tonight: Have a chat with a friend.

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

★★★★ Zero in on what you want, whether it is professionally or personally. You'll want to take care of your finances, so try not to get overcommitted. A risk at this point could backfire. You might feel centered, until someone acts in a strange manner. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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

★★★★ Take a stand and remain secure when dealing with others who you believe have more experience and/or knowledge than you. You could feel quite jittery about everything that is happening. You might feel as if an obstacle is in your way. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

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

★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance. A conversation in the morning points to how important this person is to you. He or she understands you better than many people do in your life. An important discussion could occur as a result. Tonight: Where there is music.

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

★★★★ You finally can relate to one person directly and discuss your authentic feelings; now you both can drop the act. A friend or loved one continues to jolt you with his or her behavior. Know that this individual might be coming from a slightly depressed perspective. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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

★★★★ Let others seek you out -- that is, if you have enough patience. You will hear much more if you allow them to initiate interactions instead of you. Though you might have a naysayer very near to you, just ignore this person. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

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

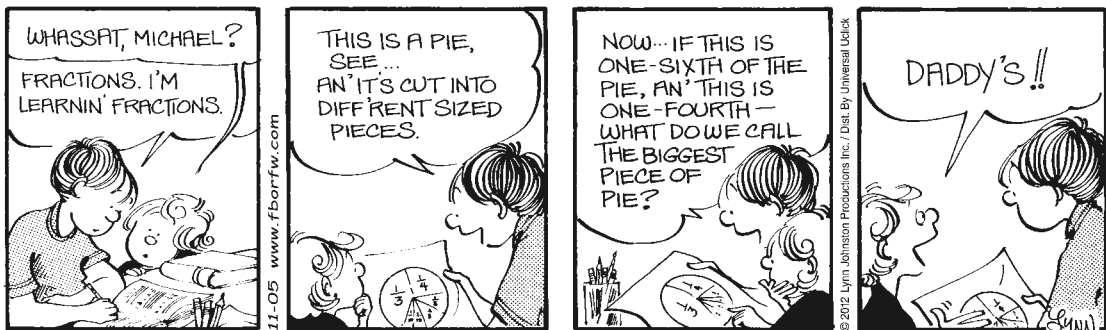
★★★ Your creativity dominates the morning, while your concentration rules the evening. If you can blend the two together, you will succeed. What you accomplish as a result could be awesome and unusual. You might decide to go off and choose a fun happening. Tonight: Not in the mood to stop.

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