Not particularly Christmas issue

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I took my grandson out recently to fly his kite, when suddenly it struck an overhead power cable. Imagine my surprise when he was virtually incinerated on the spot.

Mr P. Banner
Leicester

After queuing overnight to grab some winter sale bargains at a local department store I was amazed to be refused entry by a security guard. I later realised why. I had been queuing outside the local cinema — the department store was on the opposite side of the street.

Penelope Harris-Rathbone
Kent

If there used to be one household chore I hated it was mowing the lawn. So I went out and bought a herd of cattle.

I haven’t needed to mow the lawn since, and furthermore, I don’t have to worry about the milkman being late.

Mr R. Dunning
Leeds

The tripe and onions I prepared for my lunch one day were unusually tough and hard to digest. Hardly surprising, as I soon realised that I was eating a pair of my husband’s underpants by mistake.

Imagine his embarrassment when he arrived at work that day to change into his overalls only to find two pounds of rancid tripe in his trousers. Luckily his workmates saw the funny side!

Mrs B. Fegg
London SE3

Son’s apple confusion

My 3 year old son is a great source of amusement. On a recent visit to the greengrocer’s I was disappointed to find that they had sold out of Granny Smiths.

"Never mind. Surely they will have plenty of Granny Smiths at the residential retirement home for the elderly next door" he said.

Mrs B. Liar
Woking

I am thinking of building a petrol station, or something, and wonder whether any of your readers could tell me the technique that petrol station owners use to site petrol pumps — since wherever they put them they always seem to strike petrol.

Alex Bhanja
Manchester

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Did something lively, breezy, annoying or heart warming happen to you today? Write and tell us about it. There’s prizes for the best letters we receive, sometimes. Write to 'Letterbox', Viz Comic, 16 Lily Crescent, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 2SP.
One evening I noticed that the train was unusually slow travelling home from work. Imagine my surprise to find that I had taken a seat inside the local cinema opposite the railway station, by mistake. This explained why my ticket price had suddenly risen from the usual £1.10 to £2.75.

S. Konker
Bristol

I don't think the letters which appear on your letters page are genuine. I think you just make them all up. In fact, you probably made this one up too.

J. Clark
Rotherham

Place the candles evenly around the surface of a Birthday Cake while it is still frozen. Lighting them will help to defrost the cake.

Mrs J. Thomas
Ryegate

It seems such a waste to throw away old tooth brushes. So when one wears out I dip downstairs to the kitchen and pop it inside the cornflakes packet. It makes a great surprise gift for the kids.

Mrs D. Partington
Clifton

Using a stylus on your record player makes records sound much better than when they are played without one. An additional advantage is that you can listen to your records more than once.

Carl Beck
Falmouth

I enjoy drinking socially, but don’t like to spend money. So instead of drinking beer I gargle it and then spit it back into the glass. That way one pint lasts me all night.

Dave Parker
Avon

Not having a TV, I spend my evenings watching a glass fronted cabinet which I pretend is a television. Not only do I save electricity, but my cabinet does not require a TV license.

I.P.A.
Liverpool

Frozen peas are an ideal replacement for ice in a cool drink when ice cubes are not available. They are just as good, and can be washed afterwards and refrozen.

D. Purnell
Bristol

My husband was knocked down and killed when a car travelling at break-neck speed, radio blaring, mounted the kerb outside my home. In the back window I glimpsed a sticker which read ‘SEX APPEAL — SEE DRIVER FOR DETAILS’. Needless to say I found this most amusing, and it more than made up for the loss of my husband.

Miss W. Robert
Utterby

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Here's a fun, fun, fun competition that anyone who has a copy of the Viz Comic BIG HARD ONE book can enter, the idea of course being that if you haven't got one, you go out and buy one immediately.

Listed below are the titles of 32 cartoons and features all taken from the pages of our BIG HARD ONE. Hidden in the word square are 36 different words and phrases, each taken from one of the listed titles. Simply find as many words or phrases as you can, and list them alongside the title from which you think they come. For example, the phrase "SHIT THICK SHARKS" would be from the PATHETIC SHARKS, etc. Words can be found going forwards and backwards, horizontally, vertically or diagonally.

There is at least one recognisable word or phrase from every title listed.

Send your completed list, on a piece of paper, together with your name and address, to: Viz Comic Big Hard Wordsquare Competition, 16 Lily Crescent, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 2SP. The closing date is 31st January 1987. Whoever correctly identifies the most words and phrases will win our first prize — a bumper pack of goodies consisting of a Laurel & Hardy compilation video, a BIG VIZ T shirt, a FRANKIE GOES TO HOLLYWOOD 'Liverpool' LP, two dozen 'King Size' Mars Bars and 20 Rothmans filter cigarettes, plus a one-and-a-half pint packet of Knorr Florida Spring Vegetable soup. There'll also be 3 runner up prizes of BIG VIZ T shirts. In the event of a tie, the winner will be drawn from a hat.

**BIG HARD WORD SQUARE**

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- OFFOKCUFFFWEALAELITH
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- OHVRCFZRCRCEIENASH
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- NNIAAHRHEAUBERILEOG
- AOKAYJOEKRUEIHPCEEGLOE
- MYBOWKECNAIORGNIPSAR

**BIG VERN**
- PHOTO LOVE
- PAUL WHICHER
- BILLY BRITAIN
- BUGGER ME BOB
- LET'S GO HUNTIN'

**PHANTOM OF THE BASTARD OPERA**
- TOMMY BANANA JOHNSON
- WOOLY WILFY WICHARDSON
- SAMMY AND HIS STAMMER
- THE MAN WHO MAKES NOISES (2)
- PROFESSOR PIEHEAD
- THE PARKIE
- THE LAGER LADS
- S.W.A.N.T. (2)
- MR. LOGIC

**ROGER MELLIE**
- Rude Kid (2)
- VICTOR PRATT
- MRS. MAYBEE
- MR. KIPPLIN (2)
- AZOX ADVERT
- DR. JOKE
- SMILES THE CLOWN
- RAYS FROM SPACE
- PATHETIC SHARKS
- SKINHEED

**BIG BALLOCHS**

- BIFI BALLOCCSH
WHY AREN'T YOU OUT PLAYING FOOTBALL WITH THE REST OF THE KIDS? INSTEAD OF SITTING AROUND ARRANGING FLOWERS LIKE SOME KIND OF POOFER?

FATHER, I'M SHY AND SENSITIVE. I DON'T PLAY COMPETITIVE SPORTS.

Shy and sensitive Morris Smith lived the life of a recluse, spending days on end locked in his bedroom reading non-fiction books and writing poetry. Occasionally he would venture out to the local park where he would pick flowers and search for inspiration.

I AM A FLOWER, ANGRY, BLOWING IN THE WIND. YOU ARE A VEGETABLE, HAPPY DANCING IN THE SUN.

OH MARY, IF ONLY I COULD EXPRESS MY REAL FEELINGS FOR YOU. IF ONLY I COULD ASK YOU TO GO OUT WITH ME.

WHY DIDN'T YOU ASK

His main inspiration was young Mary Martin, whom he often met in the park. The two would walk together and observe flowers. They seemed to have a lot in common.

OH MORRIS, AREN'T THE FLOWERS PRETTY.

YES MARY, FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES ARE OFTEN THE SUBJECTS OF MY POETRY.

WORDS ARE MY TOOLS. WITH THEM I TEND THE FLOWERS. POEMS ARE MY GARDEN SHED. I PUT MY WORDS INSIDE THEM.

ROSES ARE RED, VIOLETS ARE BLUE. HERE ARE SOME FLOWERS WHICH I PICKED FOR YOU.

THANKS MORRIS, MAYBE I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW.

OH, IF ONLY MORRIS WOULD ASK ME FOR A DATE. WE GET ON SO WELL... I THINK I LOVE HIM... BUT PERHAPS HE DOESN'T FANCY ME.
Whenever he was upset or emotionally confused, Morris would turn to nature for guidance, and he spent that evening pondering over a bunch of pansies.

In the morning he returned to the park, determined to ask that all important question.

Mary... My true love... Will you go out with me?

Soon.

Hello Morris.

Oh, hi!

Have you got the time on you?

Mary, I can't go on any longer. There's something I simply have to ask you.

Yes? What is it?

Dejected and miserable, Morris returned to his room and locked the door. He was a failure, unable to ask that one small question. That night he set about expressing himself in the only way he knew how, sewing together his words and emotions in a poem.

Oh god, is that all?
We were going to call our shop
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The next day there was no sign of Morris in the Park.

THAT'S FUNNY. MORRIS ISN'T HERE. Perhaps he's not well.

I THINK I'LL TAKE HIM SOME FLOWERS. HE DOESN'T LIVE TOO FAR FROM HERE.

HE KILLED HIMSELF LAST NIGHT. GIRL TROUBLE I SUPPOSE. ANYWAY, HE LEFT THIS NOTE.

IS MORRIS AT HOME, MR SMITH?

NO, I'M AFRAID NOT.

IS MORRIS AT HOME. MR SMITH?

NO, I'M AFRAID NOT.

As she wiped the tears from her eyes Mary read Morris's farewell poem.

Darling Mary,
I love you, I love you, I love you so much,
I'm like a rabbit who is trapped in a hutch.
Oh Mary, how I long to go out with you,
Maybe to the pictures, or even the zoo,
But now I know that I never will,
Because myself I'm about to kill.

Farewell Mary
I will love you forever.

Morris ***

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CLIFF'S AGE SHOCK HORROR

‘Baby faced’ star faces future in a pram

Despite thirty years at the top in the hectic world of show business, pop superstar Cliff Richard looks as young today as he did when he began his musical career back in the fifties.

And now, incredible though it may seem, experts believe that Britain's former Eurovision Song Contest winner is actually getting younger! For hard though it is to imagine, they are claiming that fresh faced Cliff is physically growing younger with every day that passes.

EXCLUSIVE

uncommon in humans, Richard shows all the symptoms of reversed ageing", we were told. “Increasingly he tends to dance around, wear colourful clothing and prefer fashionable haircuts. These, together with less obvious symptoms like wearing roller skates, all lead to the same conclusion”.

RARE

In many cases this rare condition can prove fatal if left untreated. However Cliff's many thousands of fans need not be alarmed. The condition can be completely cured, but as our expert pointed out, it is largely up to the patient to help himself.

“What Team Do You Support?

Every week we ask a famous face which is their favourite football team.

This week:

SHAKIN' STEVENS

Shaky supports Cardiff City.

An artist's impression of Cliff Richard in the year 2000.

CLIFF should take a break away from the pressures of the music business, and wear formal clothing with a more sensible haircut. In future he should steer clear of top ten hits and record slower songs, concentrating on easy listening albums. He should cut down on his live performances too, and when he does sing he should try sitting on a stool instead of dancing”.

“Gradually the process will begin to reverse itself, and after a few months he will begin to age normally again”.

FATAL

But failure to act now could prove fatal, our expert warned. “If the process isn’t halted, it will escalate. If he chooses to ignore the problem, by the year 2007 Cliff Richard will be nothing more than a helpless, crying baby”.

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ON PAGE 17, YOU LIST NON-REFUNDABLE BONDED TERMINABLE ANNUITIES AS EXCISE DEDUCTIBLE WHEREAS THEY SHOULD BE DECLAIMED AS ASSET LIABILITIES AND THIS DUE FOR A 5% SURTAX.

A SIMPLE AUDIT OF PAGE 24 SHOWS UP 103 FAULTS IN YOUR BASIC ARITHMETIC AND ALGEBRA...

WHERE CAN I FIND SINCLAIR?

WHO WANTS HIM?

TEX WADE!

I'M SINCLAIR!

WHERE CAM I FIND SINCLAIR?

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

BUT...

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SORRY MATE - I HAVEN'T GOT A WATCH

LATER... AH DEREK! MY CAR HAS STOPPED. IT NEEDS A PUSH. COULD YOU LEND ME A HAND?

EXCUSEME DEREK, COULD YOU TELL ME THE RIGHT TIME?

LATER... AH DEREK! MY CAR HAS STOPPED. IT NEEDS A PUSH. COULD YOU LEND ME A HAND?

PLEASE... I'VE GOT A WATCH, I'VE GOT A WATCH!

PERHAPS I CAN OBTAIN ONE BY THE SUBTLE USE OF MY DOCTOR MARTENS.

ARF, ARF, CHUCKLE!

OH GOOD! BECAUSE THERE'S A FEW PEOPLE HERE TO SEE YOU!

HELLO, DEREK!

IN THE GARDEN...

GET THE BOOT IN!

THIS LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR MY DOCTOR MARTENS!
DURING A ROUTINE SURGICAL OPERATION, BILLY THOMPSON'S HEAD WAS ACCIDENTALLY REPLACED BY A LARGE BANANA...

AS BILLY SOON FOUND OUT, WITH A BANANA FOR A HEAD, AN ADVENTURE WAS NEVER VERY FAR AWAY!!

WELL, IT'S HALLOWEEN AGAIN, CANC., AND I'M OFF OUT TO TRICK OR TREAT MYSELF INTO A SMALL FORTUNE!!

HA! DON'T WORRY, READERS, IT'S ONLY ME!!

ER...TRICK! NOW GO ON FRUIT FEATURES! F**K OFF!!

BAAAAH! I'LL FIX HIM!!

I KNEW THAT FOUR POUNDS OF PLASTIC EXPLOSIVE WOULD COME IN HANDY ONE DAY!

OH CRUMBS! THAT'S BASH BATES! GRANDPA, I'M IN FOR A REAL BIFFING WHEN HE FINDS OUT I'VE FRIGHTENED HER TO DEATH!

OH CRUMBS! A GORILLA!

CRAKERS VOICE

HA! HE'LL NEVER FIND ME IN HERE!!

BUT...

GAA, I'VE BEEN PEELED!!

HA! I CAN'T RUN IN THESE HUGE BOOTS I'LL HAVE TO HIDE SOMEWHERE, AHAH!! THE ZOO!!

INSIDE...

BOO!!

OH NO!! CRAKERS VOICE

PERI HERE HE COMES NOW I'D BEST SCARPER

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FIGHTER PILOT ROY TUCKER WAS LUCKY TO ESCAPE FROM HIS BURNING COCKPIT AFTER BEING BAGGED BY A JAP BANDIT SOMEWHERE OVER THE SOUTH PACIFIC.

BLIMEY! THAT WAS A CLOSE SHAVE.

OR WAS HE? HOPELESSLY ADRIFT IN A LEAKING DINGHY, ROY TUCKER WAS NOW AT THE MERCY OF A FAR GREATER ENEMY... THE SEA ITSELF.

I'M HOPELESSLY ADRIFT, MILES FROM ANYWHERE, WITH LITTLE OR NO FOOD AND SUPPLIES. IT LOOKS PRETTY GRIM.

IF HUNGER DOESN'T GET ME, THE SHARKS WILL. THEY'RE OUT THERE NOW... JUST WAITING TO ATTACK.

AS THE HOURS PASSED BY, SLOWLY THE SHARKS BEGAN TO CLOSE IN.

I CUT MY ARM IN THE CRASH - THEY CAN SMELL THE BLOOD. THEY MUST BE CLOSING IN FOR THE KILL.

BRAVELY, TUCKER PREPARED TO DEFEND HIMSELF IN A FIGHT HE COULD NOT WIN.

I DON'T STAND A CHANCE, BUT I'LL MAKE SURE I TAKE A COUPLE OF SHARKS WITH ME WHEN I GO!

SUDDENLY, THE ATTACK CAME.

BOING!

OH NO!

CRAP SHARKS!!

HOORAY!!

I GOT HIM!

I GOT HIM!!

IT WAS THE RETURN OF THE PATHETIC SHARKS!!

AND THEY WERE CRAPPER THAN EVER!

AAGH!

SQUIRT!

ARF ARF!

BLOODY HELL!

GET OFF!!

OH COME ON, IT'S ONLY A WATER PISTOL.

REALLY! THERE'S NO NEED TO SWEAR.

MAY I HAVE AN ICE CREAM?

I WANT TO USE THE WATER PISTOL. IT'S MY TURN. GIVE IT TO ME!

OH! IS THAT A WATER PISTOL? CAN I HAVE IT? I WANT TO HAVE IT.

AND THEY WERE CRAPPER THAN EVER!

BANG!

OH! LOOK! A PRETTY FIREWORK!

GEE MISTER! HAVE YOU GOT ANY MORE FIREWORKS?

LOOK EVERYBODY! I'VE FOUND ANOTHER FIREWORK HERE!

OR SPARKLERS! IT'S NOT FAIR! I WANT A SPARKLER!

FAIR! I WANT A SPARKLER!

IT WAS THE RETURN OF THE PATHETIC SHARKS!!

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What a fantastically wide and exciting range of entries we've had for this issue's Top Ten chart. From household names FRANKIE GOES TO HOLLYWOOD and their new LP 'Liverpool' to unknown band MWAB and their D.I.Y. cassette 'Flush' which got broken in the post. They all count in the Viz Top Ten — the chart that gives everyone a fair chance, providing they come up with the money.

A cheque for £10.99 is no big deal, but that's all it needed to give Scotland's BATHTIME their first ever No.1 single. An unusual two piece, their single 'Pussy Pussy Pussy' is an unusual record.

Meanwhile at three, Maidstone's notorious KILLER RABBITS return with their Christmas re-release of 'Captain Marvellous', available by post (see our Miniads).

Elsewhere in the chart London's ZZT label found the going tough. They sent us goods worth less than £10 in total, and as a result FRANKIE have to settle for equal seventh place.

Among bands failing to make the chart at all were SPIZZ SEXUAL who sent unacceptable foreign currency, and THE SPEECH BOYS who we forgot about.

In our next issue there's a bonanza of benefits open to bands and artists with an eye for an opportunity. We will be giving favourable record reviews from only £25, while a written feature on the band will cost a mere £75. But for the band or artist really going places, why not have YOUR photo on the cover of our next issue, a bargain at only £1250, with a favourable review thrown in free of charge.

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I MADE LOVE TO MY WIFE
- claims sex husband

A housewife made love to her husband on regular occasions over a period of several years, it has been revealed. For shapely Sandra Higgins of 42 Rectory Gardens, Bagthorpe, had regular steamy sex sessions with her ex-husband Brian before they were divorced last year.

And now Brian is prepared to describe how his wife regularly WENT TO BED with him at the end of the day. Her saucy antics included:

* Living in the same house as her husband.
* Wearing underwear beneath her clothes.
* Taking her clothes off to get into the bath.

SIZZLING

In fact, it is estimated that there are thousands of couples just like Sandra and Brian living in Britain. Indeed, more than 9 out of 10 married couples have sex with each other during their lives, a sizzling new survey revealed today. The torrid truth about Britain's bedroom frolics came to light in a revealing investigation lead by senior sexpert Dr. Randall Wino.

STEAMY

"It's incredible! Everybody's at it!" he told us.

ROASTING

Among the revealing revelations are:

* Over two thirds of married couples sleep in the same bed and make love in the nude.
* Many couples who make love together are sexually attracted to each other.
* After making love many couples then fall asleep.

PERCOCATED

They usually sit together and talk quietly, sometimes for hours on end." Mr Smith refused to comment on allegations that couples had later made love together after leaving his premises.

Next week: The sexy secrets of married couples who have sex on their honeymoon, with pictures.
YES FOLKS, WE SELL MORE GUITARS, DRUMS, AMPS, SYNTHESIZERS AND BULGARIAN NOSE FLUTES THAN THE TRENT HOUSE, BARLEY MOW AND CONCERT BAR PUT TOGETHER. HARDLY SURPRISING REALLY, SINCE THEY KNOW FUCK ALL ABOUT MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, AND HAVE NEVER GOT ANY IN STOCK ANYWAY. YES, WE SAY BUY FROM THE EXPERTS, THE PEOPLE WITH YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE AT THEIR FINGERTIPS. BUT DON'T WORRY - IF THEY HAVEN'T GOT IT IN STOCK, COME TO US - WE'RE CHEAPER! ANYWAY, DON'T TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT, JUST LISTEN TO WHAT A FEW FAMOUS PEOPLE HAD TO SAY ABOUT 'MUSIC UNLIMITED'.

PETE TOWNSEND .... "WHO?"
ERIC CLAPTON ..... "NEVER FUCKIN' HEARD OF 'EM"
ELVIS PRESLEY ............... "I GO THERE ALL THE TIME TO PICK UP STEVE'S DIRTY WASHING"

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"Heh-heh! It's nearly Christmas already and I'm broke as usual. I'd better get some cash so as I can buy myself a festive feast!"

Hm, this looks interesting.

Buster Gonad & His Unfeasibly Large Testicles

"By golly, you're a fat bastard. You can start tomorrow!"

Store Manager

"Ho ho ho! And what do you want for Christmas, sonny?"

Santa's Grotto

But... Oh, lordy!

I'm off! Grrr!

Grand Xmas Fancy Dress Competition All Welcome

"Well done, lad. Your Santa gear has earned you the first prize."

Sue "Cheeky"

"Now for some festive cheer, eh, readers?"

POLICEMAN

Ho ho ho! Your gonads make great Christmas tree ornaments and I should put an end to your testicle tomfoolery. See you on the twelfth night, Buster!!

Later...

"Barp!!"

CAUSING TROUBLE AGAIN ARE WE, GONAD? WELL, WE WANT YOU TO HELP DECORATE THE TREE IN THE TOWN SQUARE...

"..."
ONE DAY... DRAT! THE T.V. IS ON THE BLANK. I'M GOING TO MISS THE NEWS! DON'T WORRY DAD!

USING MY UNIQUE MINIATURISING DEVICE, I CAN REDUCE THE T.V. SET TO POCKET SIZE.

STEREOTYPE CARTOON CHARACTER HUGO HALL DISCOVERED A UNIQUE SHRINKING DEVICE, WITH WHICH HE WAS ABLE TO REDUCE OBJECTS IN SIZE!

OUTSIDE... EXCUSE ME! MY SHOPPING IS RATHER HEAVY, COULD YOU HELP ME TO CARRY IT HOME?

I'M GOING TO MISS THE NEWS, I/'..

MY MINIATURISING MARVEL WILL REDUCE YOUR SHOPPING DOWN TO A MORE EASILY MANAGEABLE SIZE!

ER... I SEE.

VOILA! OH, FUCKING TREMENDOUS! A POCKET SIZE T.V. THAT DOESN'T WORK, THAT'S A LOT OF BLOODY USE ISN'T IT?

WHY DON'T YOU TAKE THAT STUPID TOY OF YOURS OUTSIDE, AND LEAVE ME ALONE.

WHY DON'T YOU TAKE THAT STUPID TOY OF YOURS OUTSIDE, AND LEAVE ME ALONE.

AND... THERE WE ARE! LIGHT AS A FEATHER.

BUT I BROUGHT THESE GROCERIES TO FEED MY FAMILY OF EIGHT!! THERE'S NOT ENOUGH LEFT TO FEED MY CAT!

PLEASE DON'T SEEM TO APPRECIATE THE VALUE OF A REMARKABLE SHRINKING DEVICE SUCH AS MINE!

PEOPLE DON'T SEEM TO APPRECIATE THE VALUE OF A REMARKABLE SHRINKING DEVICE SUCH AS MINE!

OH CRIMES! I HAVE A LARGE, INSIGHTLY STAIN OF SOME SORT ON MY TROUSERS.

I CAN HELP!

I WILL REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE STAIN WITH MY MINIATURISING DEVICE, LIKE SO...

SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD IDEA!

OH DEAR! I SEEM TO HAVE MADE A HUGE ERROR! A REDUCTION IN THE SIZE OF YOUR TROUSERS!

YOU BUNGLES! IDIOT! I'LL GET YOU FOR THIS!

COME BACK HERE!

MY ONLY CHANCE OF ESCAPE IS BY CONCEALING MYSELF IN THIS SMALL DUSTBIN...

USING MY SHRINKING DEVICE TO REDUCE MYSELF TO MINIATURE SIZE!

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SEVERAL MINUTES LATER...

SHIT! IT OCCURS TO ME THAT THE EFFECTS OF MY REMARKABLE MINIATURISING DEVICE ARE PERMANENT!!

THAT MAKES ME...

REPAVED IN SIZE IN A FREAK MINIATURISING ACCIDENT, YOUNG HUGO HALL WAS LEFT MEASURING A REMARKABLE SIX INCHES TALL.

DAD! MY AMAZING MINIATURE DIMENSIONS ENABLE ME TO...

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Mrs E. Lacey
Manchester

What is the highest number of goals scored by one player in an F.A. Cup Final?

Peter Lawson
Hull

Billy says: I’m sorry Peter, I couldn’t tell you.

Please could you settle an argument between me and my Dad. I am sure that Billy Bremner of Leeds United was sent off against Sheffield United in 1973 for butting an opponent in the face. But my Dad insists that he had called the referee a bastard. Could you tell us who is correct?

Daryl Potter
Barnsley

Billy says: sorry Daryl, we’ve searched through the record books and can find no trace of the incident in question. However, both butting an opponent and swearing at the referee are red card offences, incidentally, would be butting the referee.

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WELL, LITTLE BOY, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE SANTA TO BRING YOU? HO! HO! HO!

I'D LIKE... OH... ERM... I'D LIKE... OH MY!

OUTSIDE... ARE YOU COMING TO THE PARK, JOHNNY? WE CAN HAVE A SNOWBALL-FIGHT WITH BASHER BLOGGS!

HERE COMES THE BUM-GRAS BLIGHTER AND HIS GIRLIE FAH, I'LL GIVE THEM A SNOWBALL WHACKING!

THAT'S A GUFFING GOOD IDEA!

YIP! JOHNNY! WE'RE UNDER ATTACK!

AH! BUT DO NOT FEAR! THE VICAR'S BREATH WILL SAVE US!!

BY SIMPLY LOADING SNOWBALLS INTO THE PATH OF A GIANT PUMP WE'VE MADE A RAPID-FIRE BOTTOM-BURP SNOWBALL MACHINE-GUN!

IN THIS COLD WEATHER A CURRY-FUELED TROUSER-COUGH WILL MELT THE SNOWBALLS BEFORE THEY HIT US!

AH! BUT YOU AIN'T SEEN PUMPIN' YET! I HAVE A PLAN FOR A COUNTER-ATTACK... WHISPER, WHISPER...

SO... RIGHT-JOHNNY!

HE'S COMING BACK NOW!!

OH YES GRAN!

BELLA! I'M GOING HOME!

DAD, GRANNY'S GOT A COLD AND SHE'S JUST NOT SMELLING MY BAIT.

LATER, AT A NEARBY SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE... THERE HAS BEEN AN UNPRESIDENTED EARTHQUAKE IN FULCHESTER!

HELP! SEND AN AMBULANCE, MY SON HAS GUFFED, CAUSING MY MOTHER-IN-LAW TO HAVE A HEART ATTACK!

IN JAIL... REMEMBER KIDS-I AM AN EXPERT, DON'T YOU PLAY WITH YOUR PUMPS-IT CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS!

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