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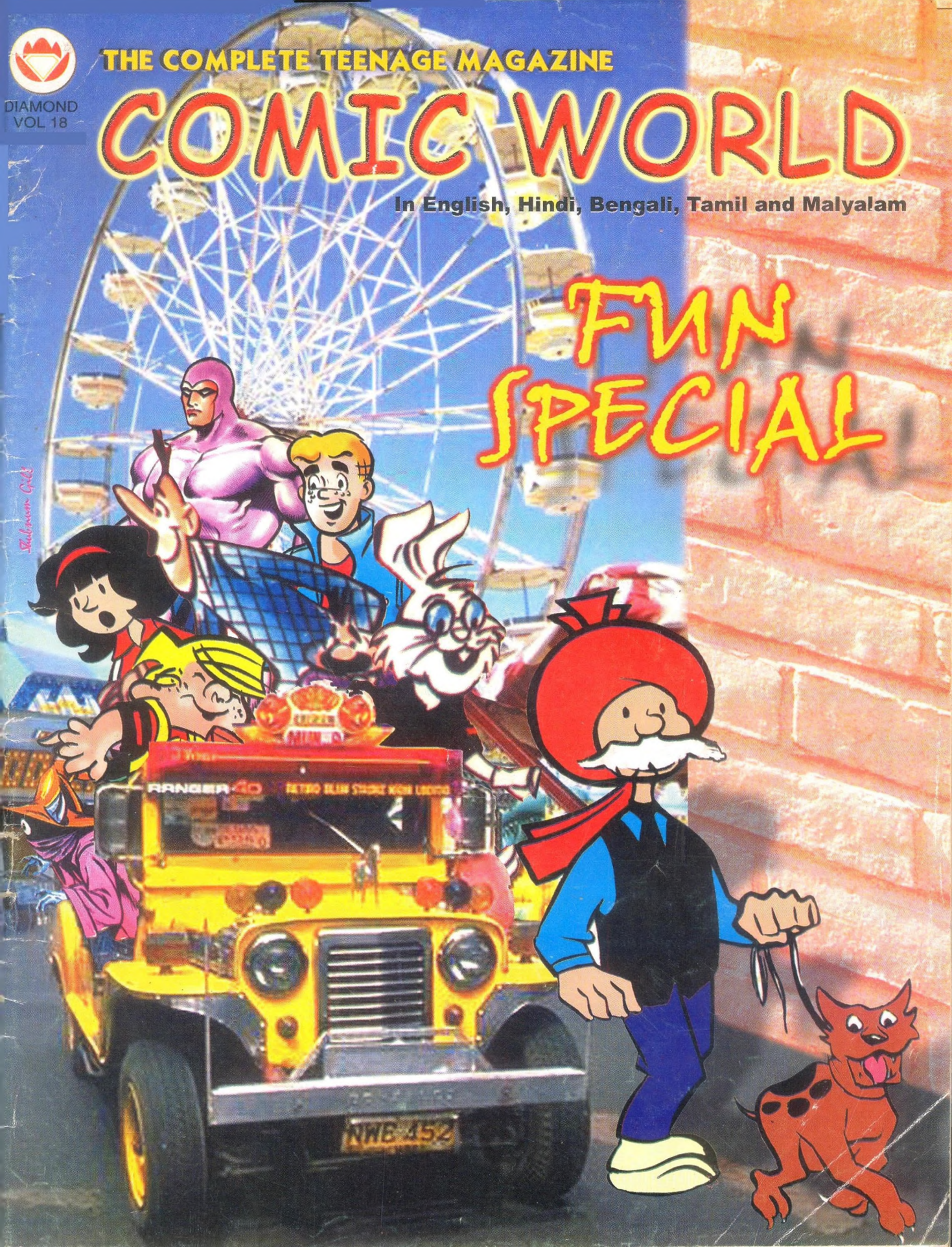
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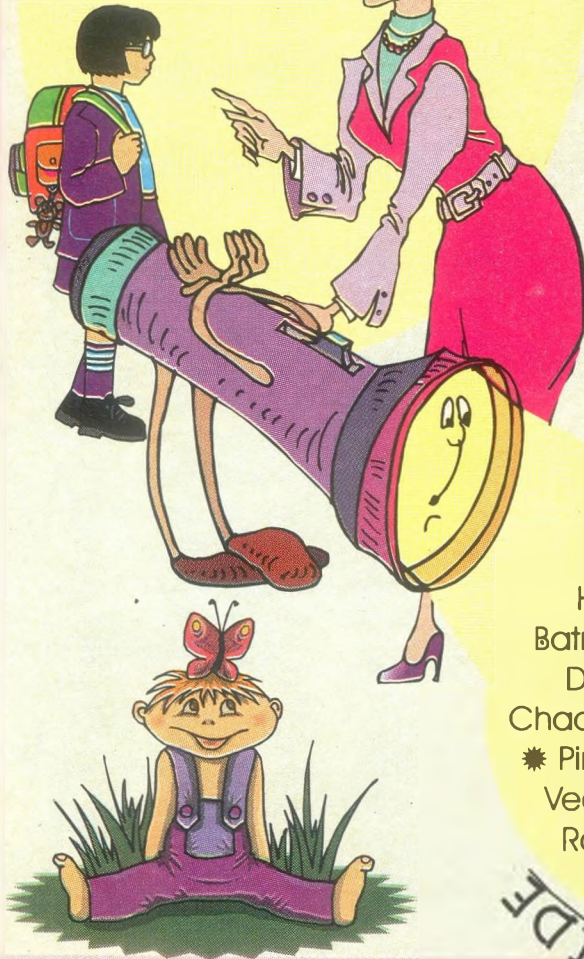


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and lots of Fun



# COMIC WORLD



## Editorial

Dear Friends,  
In an interview, commenting on the success of Thomas Alva Edison, a journalist said Mr. Edison, you must have worked very hard to reach on such a height of success. "Well not much," Edison coolly replied. "But Sir, you have worked sixteen hours a day."

Dear, I have always worked hard but enjoyed it as a fun. Actually it is the attitude and not the hours that matters and that's the secret of my success. You too try it.

We highly appreciate your response, letters and contributions. We've tried to incorporate our reader's contributions, Jokes, Poems, Anecdotes etc. in this 'Fun Special' issue of Comic World. Keep writing to us. Also look for Comic World special issue on Tourism.

Happy reading  
Always Yours

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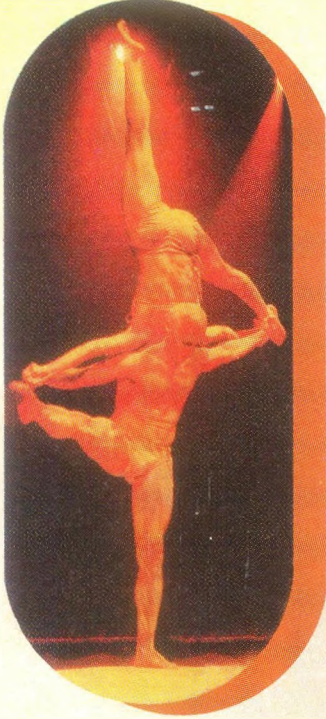
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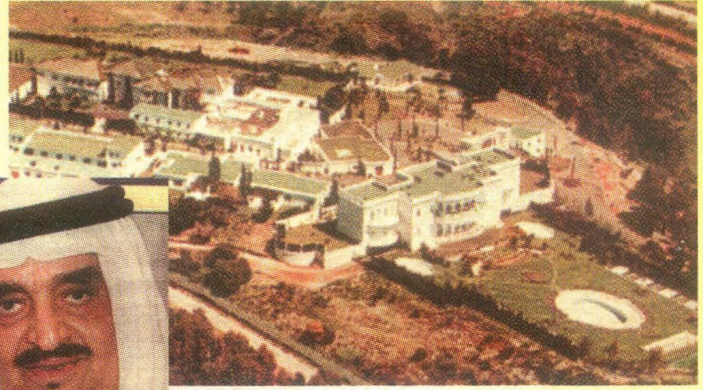


## IN THE NEWS

### *Magic of Aerobatics*



**Y**ou must have seen acrobats performing in circus. To choose the best acrobats, an international competition was organised in Monte-Carlo. Circus artistes from all over the world perform in this event. The best performers receive fabulous prizes. This couple from Provo got the second place in the competition.



### *Holiday* King Fahd Style

**Spain** - Recently King Fahd of Saudi Arabia shelled out a staggering \$80 million for a one-month vacation in Spain, but for a guy with a \$45 BILLION oil fortune, it was just a drop in the gas can!

#### **A FEW THINGS THE SAUDI KING REQUIRES WHILE ON HOLIDAY:**

- 7 planes
- 3 yachts
- 200 limos
- 6 Rolls-Royces
- 5 Mercedes
- 9 Cadillac's
- 245 tons of luggage
- 200 luxury hotel suites
- 300 mobile phones
- 40 chefs
- 3 truckloads of meat and poultry a day
- 2 theaters
- 4 saunas
- 5 pools
- 2 gyms
- 4 banquet rooms
- Ball room
- Golf course
- Private beach
- 50 closed-circuit TVs
- 20 armed guards'
- Entire floor at local hospital



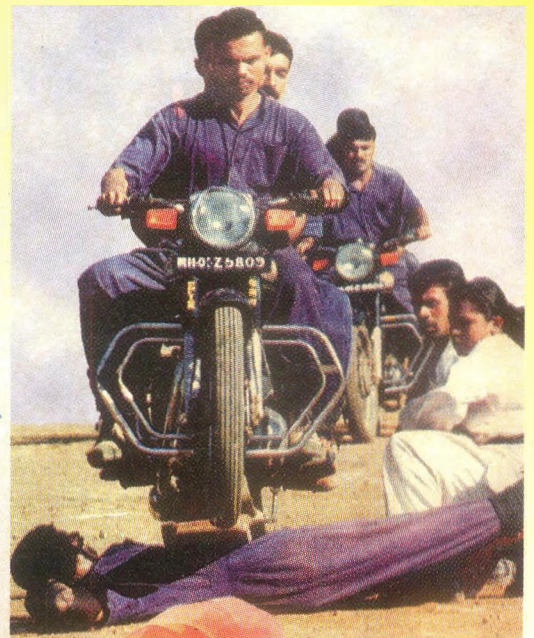
## ART OF ARMS

**W**eapon denotes death and destruction. That's why their display is always somewhat chilling. But in an art exhibition titled 'Guns for Goods,' which was held in Brussels recently, the sight of arms amused the onlookers. The artifacts displayed were all made from discarded weapons. This peacock was bought by a businessman and donated to Red Cross.

ICY SYMBOL



In Japan, recently, a competition was held to create murals using only ice. A team of five artists from Osaka won the competition. They created this wonderful pagoda, entirely made of ice. They also created a model of the Earth, depicting every continent, mountain range, ocean, etc.



POWER DISPLAY

You will never know how strong you are until you test your strength. Regular practice, under experienced coaches, made Mumbai policemen perform unusual feats. A young policeman let pass two motor bikes carrying three policemen each over his stomach. These policemen are also undergoing martial arts training.

We celebrate the onset of spring through many festivals. Preparations are on to welcome the season of spring in a grand manner in Shanghai, China. The Chinese new year starts from the first day of the spring. The Chinese have decided to celebrate this year as the year of the dragon. A giant dragon lantern has also been designed as a part of the celebrations.

WELCOME SPRING

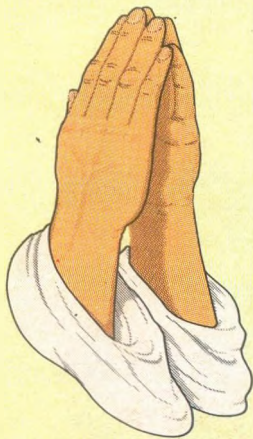




Anant Pai



# Uncle Pai's way to Success



In many tradition-bound Hindu homes, children are made to say prayers and bhajans at dusk. Christians go to church at least once a week and in many orthodox homes offer prayers (grace) before each meal. Such practices are beneficial for developing will power. I would like to make it clear that while advocating the efficacy of prayers, I do not assert or deny the existence of God.

Irrespective of whether there is God or not, structuring of time and performing certain rituals, particularly in the early hours of the morning have the potential to increase your will power. A simple way to develop will power is to learn to say "No," to many things that offer pleasure. I do not say that you have to shun pleasure and practice austerities or severe penance. But you can do simple things like giving up ice cream and chocolates, if you really like them, for a period of three months. If you are fond of chicken, give up chicken for three months. If you love watching movies, decide not to see movies for three months and act on that decision. If you like a particular TV programme, decide not to watch half a dozen episodes and act on that decision. Such acts



of self-denial help develop willpower.

Suppose you spend a lot of time dwelling on sex or your dream-girl or dream-boy. By allotting only a fixed hour for thinking about sex, you can slowly develop mastery over yourself.



Some people observe fasts for sixteen Thursdays to propitiate Dattaguru; some observe fasts on Fridays to propitiate Santoshi Mata. I have no comments to make on the religious aspects of these fasts. But I would like to

assure you that such self-denials develop will power. Muslims, who fast during Ramzan can develop will power out of this exercise. Eating is a basic human need. If a person can deny this to himself, he develops will power. The Ekadashi used to be observed by Hindus by having only one meal on Dashami (the tenth day) and fasting on Ekadashi (the eleventh day). In addition, they were supposed to abstain from sleeping on



the day of Ekadashi. Thus they denied themselves the basic human needs of food as well as sleep. Since this was done only on one day of the fortnight, it did not leave any harmful physiological effects. As for the mind, denial of food and sleep developed will power.

Those who intend to develop will power by fasting should ensure that their bowels are clean before they undertake a fast. They must also take plenty of water (or fruit juice) to avoid auto-intoxication. It is advisable to consult the family physician. If you fast scientifically, it is good for health too. Tapas, performed by our sages were nothing but such self-denial for long periods of time.



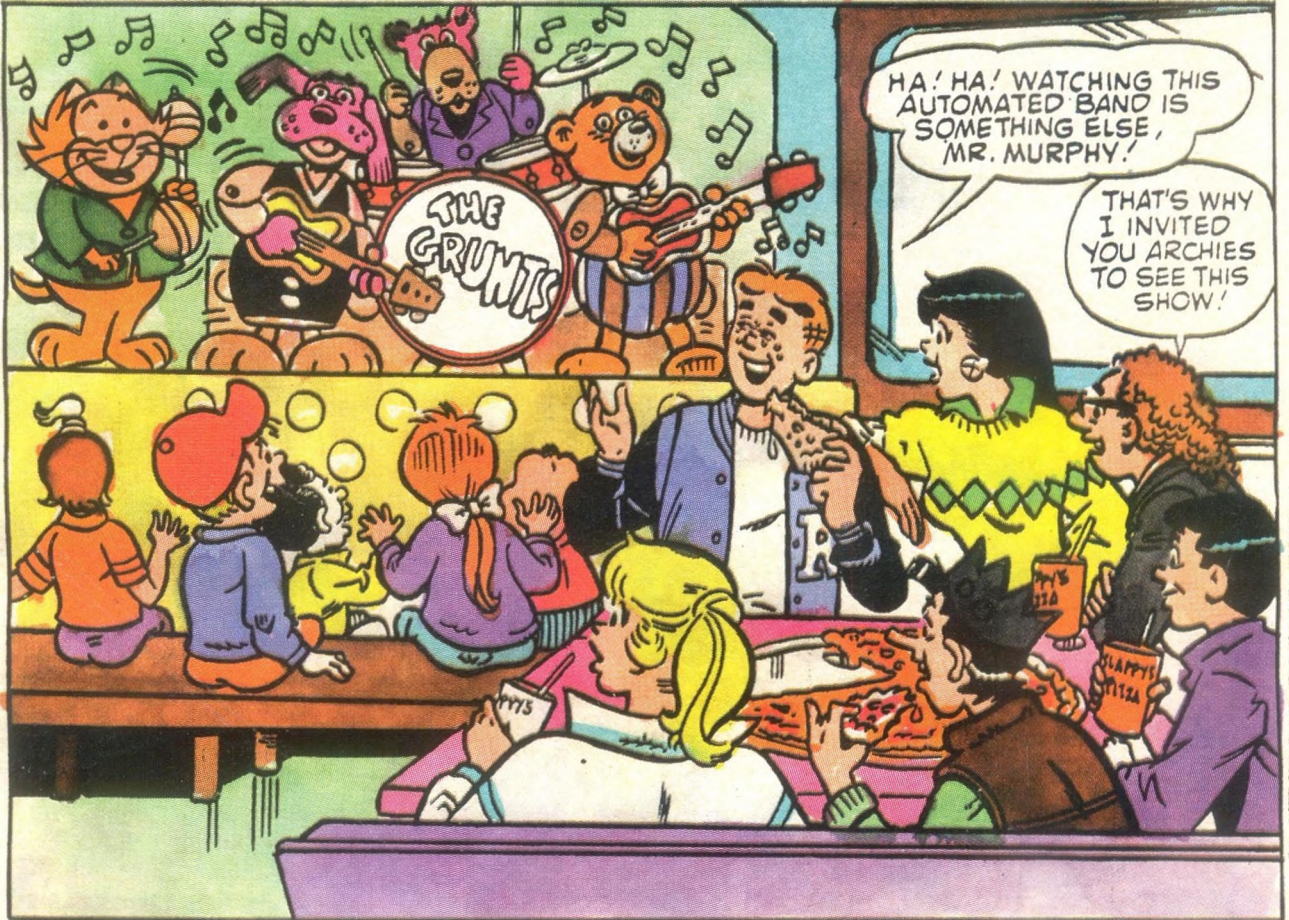


# THE Archies<sup>®</sup> in The REAL THING

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HA! HA! WATCHING THIS AUTOMATED BAND IS SOMETHING ELSE, MR. MURPHY!

THAT'S WHY I INVITED YOU ARCHIES TO SEE THIS SHOW!



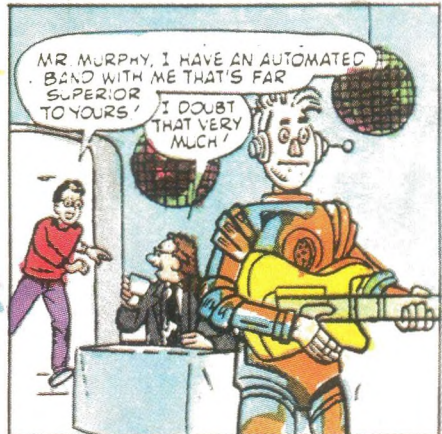
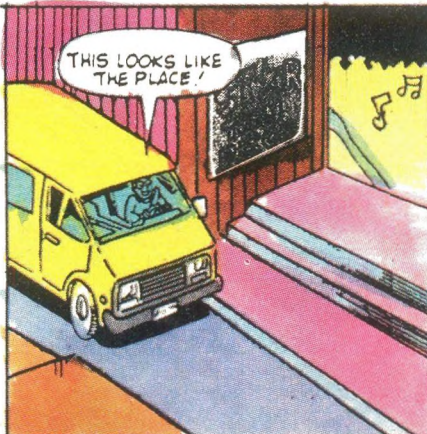
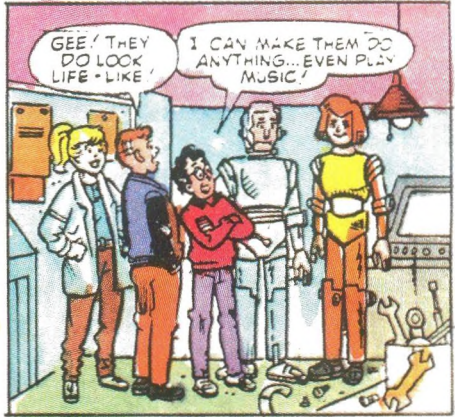
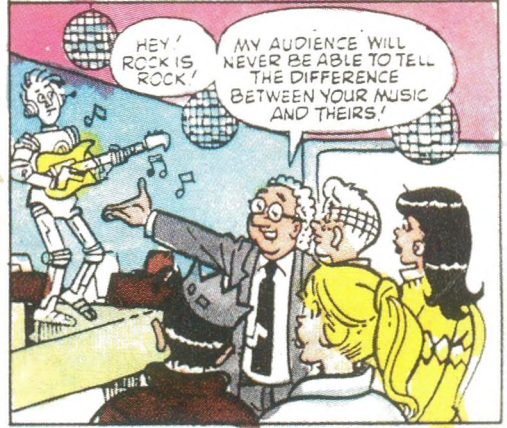
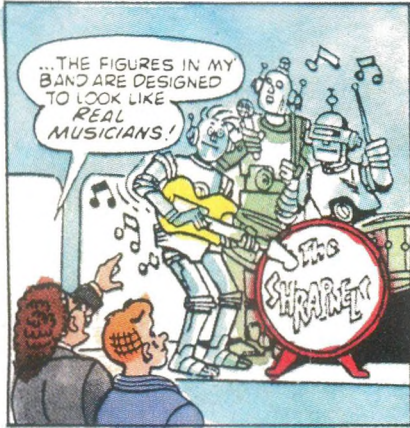
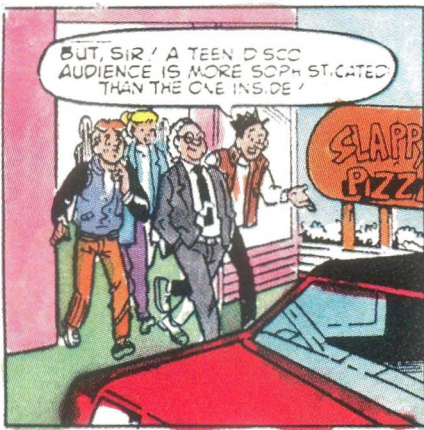
BECAUSE IT EXPLAINS WHY I'M NOT HIRING YOUR GROUP FOR MY NEW TEEN DISCO!

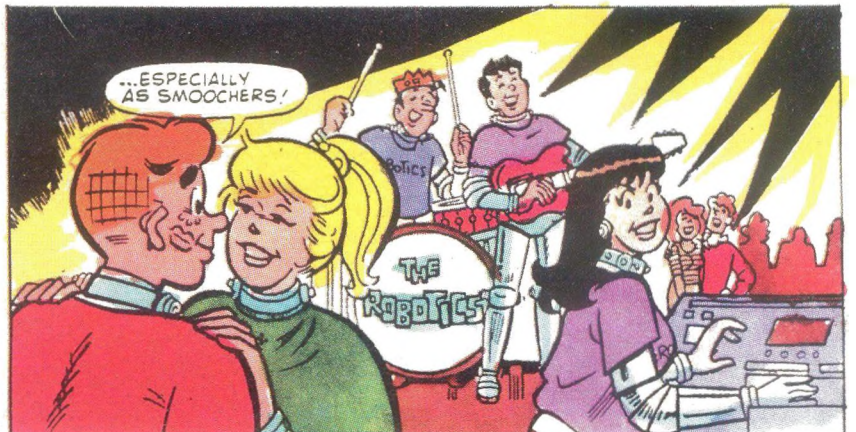
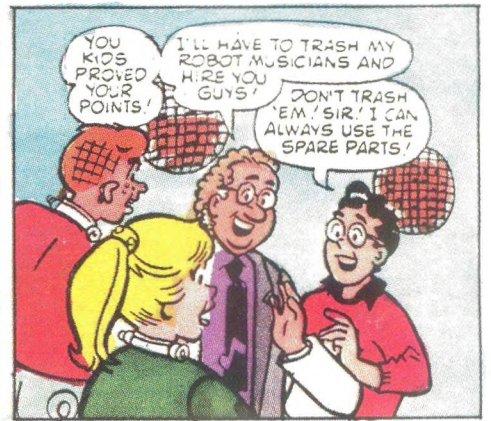
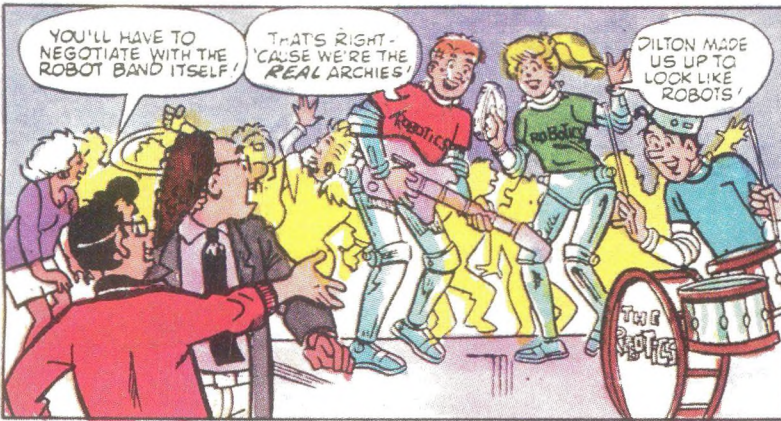
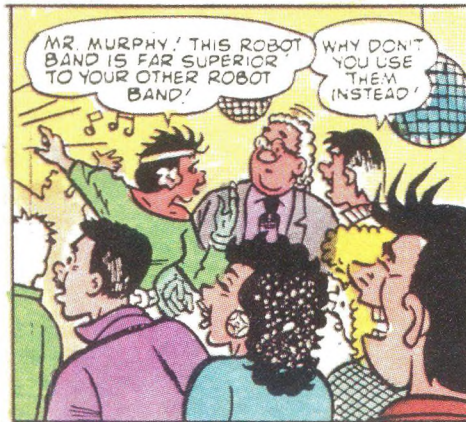
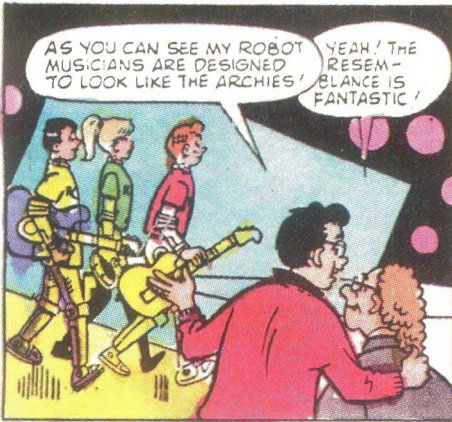
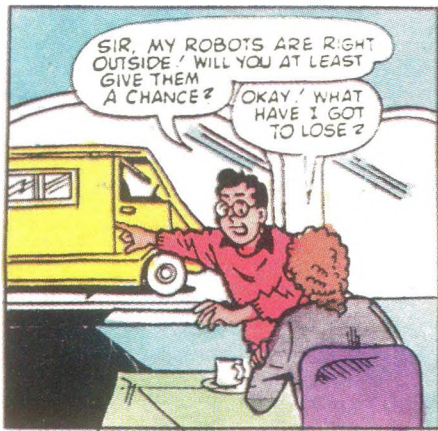
WHAT?!



INSTEAD OF LIVE MUSICIANS I'M INSTALLING AN AUTOMATED BAND LIKE THE ONE YOU SEE HERE!

GOOD GRIEF! THE ARCHIES ARE BEING REPLACED BY AUTOMATION!









## Little World of Mud

I had never thought there was much to be found in the rainwater pond behind our bungalow in north India, except for quantities of mud and the occasional water buffalo. It was Grandfather who introduced me to the pond's diversity of life, so beautifully arranged that each individual gained some benefit from the well being of the others. To the inhabitants of the pond, the pond was the world; and to the inhabitants of the world, commented Grandfather, the world was just a muddy pond.

When Grandfather first showed me the pond world, he chose a dry place in the shade of an old peepul tree, where we sat for an hour, gazing steadily at the thin green scum on the water. The buffaloes had not arrived for their afternoon dip, and the surface of the pond was undisturbed.

For the first ten minutes we saw nothing. Then a small black blob appeared in the middle of the pond. Gradually it rose higher; until at last we could make out a frog's head, its big eyes staring hard at us. The frog did not know if we were friends or enemy so he kept his body out of sight. A heron, his mortal enemy, might have been wading about in search of a meal.

When Mr. Frog had made sure that we were not herons, he passed this information on to his friends and neighbours, and very soon there were a number of big heads and eyes on the surface of the water. Throats swelled. We were treated to a chorus that went, "wurk, wurk, wurk...."

In the shallow water near the tree we could see a dark shifting shadow. When I touched it with the end of a stick, the dark mass immediately became alive. Thousands of little black



tadpoles wriggled into life, pushing and hustling each other. "What do tadpoles eat?" I asked.

"They eat one another most of the time," said Grandfather. "It may seem an unpleasant custom, but if all the young tadpoles in this pond grew into frogs they would take up every inch of the ground between here and the house. And they'd be all over the bedrooms and the bathrooms and the kitchen. Your grandmother wouldn't be too pleased."

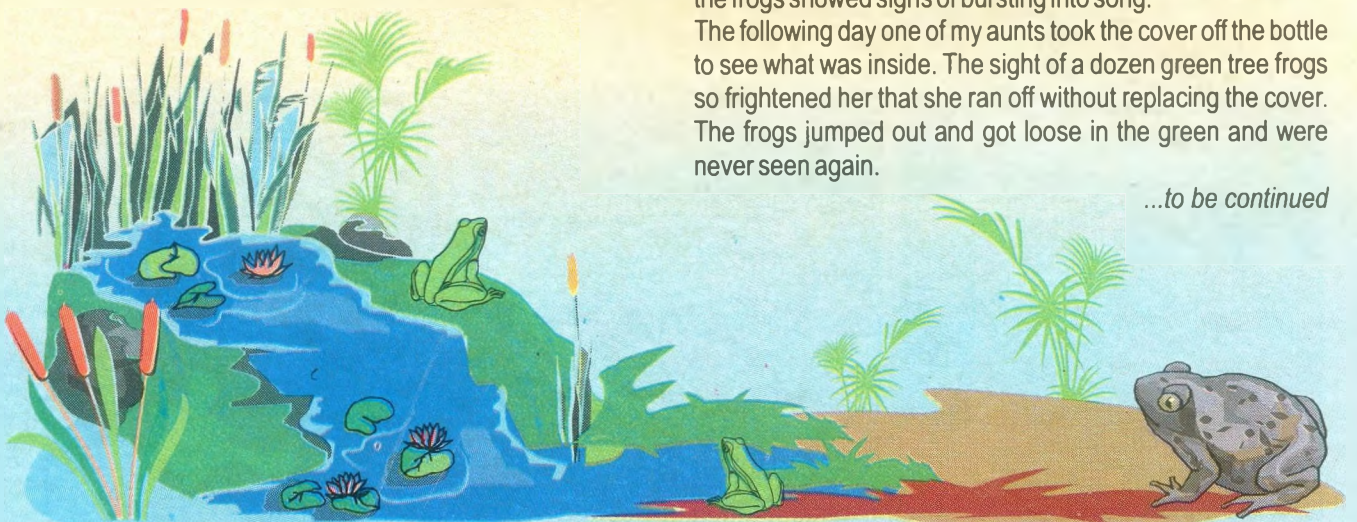
"Their croaking would drive her crazy!"

Grandfather told me that when he was a young man he had once brought home a number of green tree-frogs. He put them in a glass jar and left them on a windowsill without telling anyone of their presence.

At about four in the morning the entire household was awakened by a loud and fearful noise, Grandmother and other members of the household gathered on the verandah for safety. Their fear turned to outrage when they discovered the source of all the noise. At the first glimmer of dawn the frogs had with one accord burst into song. Grandmother wanted them thrown out of the window, but Grandfather gave the bottle a good shaking and that quietened them for some time. Everyone went back to sleep, but Grandfather was obliged to stay awake in order to shake the bottle whenever the frogs showed signs of bursting into song.

The following day one of my aunts took the cover off the bottle to see what was inside. The sight of a dozen green tree frogs so frightened her that she ran off without replacing the cover. The frogs jumped out and got loose in the green and were never seen again.

...to be continued



# Dennis the Menace

by Hank Ketchum

## SPOOKING ENGAGEMENT



I'M OUTTA HERE!



# Interesting Games

Most of you must be interested in games like cricket, football, hockey, basketball, tennis and so on. But there are a number of other games, ones played indoors, which are very popular among people, children in particular. They are simple and can also generate a great deal of fun. We have all played games like Ludo, Snakes and Ladders. As a child I remember not



only refusing to go down the snake to the bottom but also the arguments and quarrels that followed.

Many of these games are board games, in which the players move their pieces or markers on a special board. They follow certain pre-determined rules and are particularly popular: They have a long history, and exist in every culture. They range from games of skill and strategy, such as chess, to more simple games of chance, like Ludo and Snakes and Ladders, where a throw of the dice determines the winner. GO, also known as WEI - CH'I, is more than 4000 years old. It is extremely popular in South-East Asia, especially in China, Japan and Korea. Players capture areas of the board by surrounding them with their own pieces. DRAUGHTS and MANCALAH are ancient games of skill that originated in Africa. Mancalah is played with pebbles.

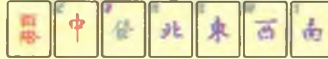


BACK GAMMON is a fast-paced game invented in Asia 5,000 years ago. It draws on both skill and chance, and is most popular around the Mediterranean. The first player to remove all his "men" from the board wins.



What is common to Queen Mother of England, Dilip Kumar, Shabana Azmi, Sophia

## BARRY O' BRIEN QUIZ



Barry O'Brien

Loren, Joan Collins, and Vikram Seth? They are all celebrity fans of SCRABBLE.

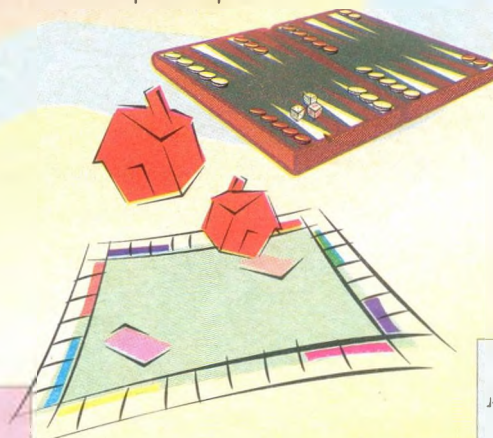
In 1931, Alfred M. Butts invented a crossword game with his wife by sticking 100 handmade letters onto plywood. He devised a scoring game by studying how often each letter appeared on the front page of the New York Times. It was only in 1947 that a friend named the game SCRABBLE. What began as an unemployed architect's invention during the Great Depression of the 1930s, has today captured the attention of millions across the globe.

Scrabble is a word game played with letters, which have fixed values or points. Words are built on a board. The game lasts for 50 minutes.

Full-fledged Scrabble tournaments are held in many places in India. Zygo Scrabble is a society established in the country to promote the game among people. Zygo holds tournaments at various cities in India.



There are a number of people who are extremely fond of playing cards. While there are simple games for children, adults usually play games like BRIDGE, which require concentration, skill and alertness. International Bridge tournaments are held in many countries - India's bridge team has earned quite a reputation for itself.



Here is a quiz on board games.

- In 1992, the chess world was shocked when the Russian World Champion Gary Kasparov was beaten. Who beat him?
- Which term, used in chess, comes from the Persian word "Shahmat"?
- Which game of skill has marbles as pieces, and can be played by only one person?
- Name the ancient Indian game played on a cross-shaped board which, when played by the Pandavas and Kauravas in the Mahabharata, resulted in a war.
- Which popular children's game has originated from the India game described in Question 4?
- Which board game is based on characters from Beatrix Potter's stories?
- What do we call a collection of different board games contained in one box?
- Contract and Auction are two types of a particular game. Name it.
- Which game, patented in 1935, is also known as Business?
- This 6-letter word is the name of a detective board game played around the world and was created in 1944. Name it.

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**QUESTION OF THE MONTH:**  
Which board game was originally known as CRISS CROSS?

ANSWERS  
1. A supercomputer. 2. Checkmate.  
3. Solitaire. 4. Pachisi. 5. Ludo. 6. Peter Rabbit's Race Game. 7. Compendium.  
8. Bridge. 9. Monopoly. 10. Cluedo.

Answer of the Last month's Question  
St. Bernard

EDGAR RICE BURROUGHS' **Tarzan**

**WARRIOR  
giant**

THE MABUTU  
CELEBRATIONS...



LET FEASTING AND  
DANCING BEGIN. WEAR  
THE SACRED GOLDEN  
MASKS WE THANK THE  
GODS FOR GOOD  
HUNTING AND CROPS.

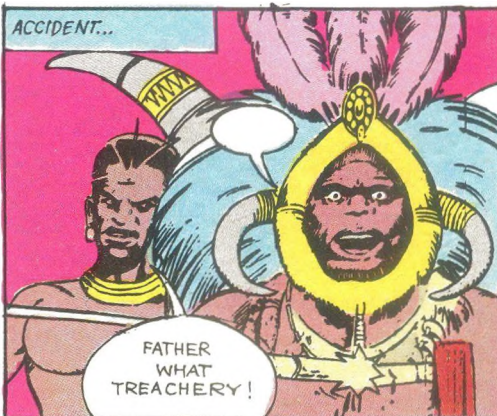
SO BE  
IT CHIEF  
GHARA!



O FATHER, YOU HAVE  
RULED LONG AND  
WISELY. OUR PEOPLE  
HAVE  
PROSPERED!

I HAVE BLOSSOMED  
IN THE WAY. DO NOT  
FORGET THAT!

ACCIDENT...



FATHER  
WHAT  
TREACHERY!



DEATH!  
DEATH!

KURIS... JUNGLE  
CURS! THEY WILL  
PAY!



THEN, FROM AMONG THE  
KURIS HORDE...

ZACKA!  
ZACKA!  
ZACKA!

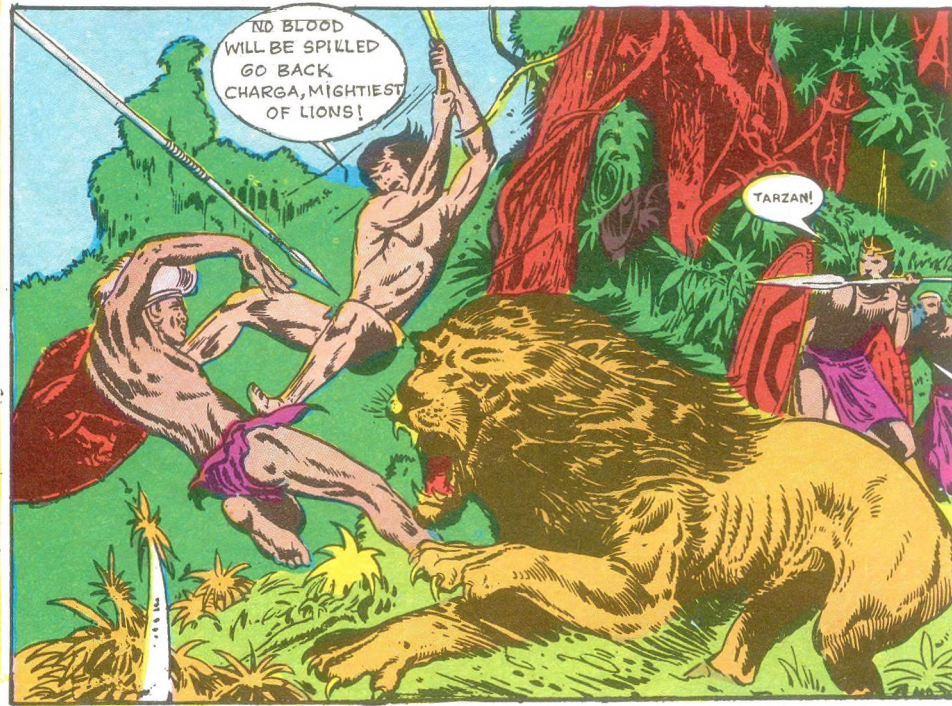
BY THE TWO  
TAILED DOG,  
WHAT MANNER  
OF MAN?

A GIANT!

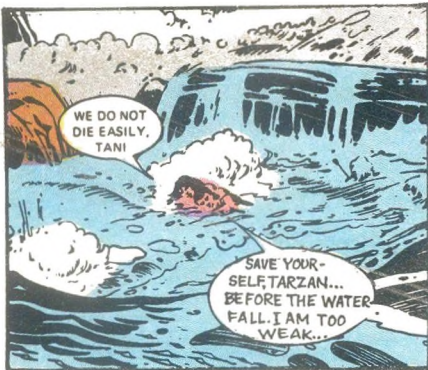


WE PROTECT  
THE SACRED MASKS.  
OTHER HELP OUR  
WOMEN AND  
YOUNG ESCAPE!

BACK,  
JACKALS! TASTE  
MABUTU  
FURY!





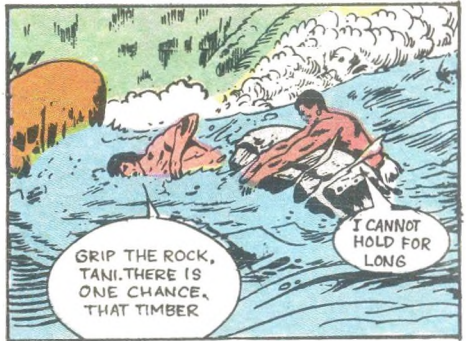


WE DO NOT DIE EASILY, TANI!

SAVE YOURSELF, TARZAN... BEFORE THE WATER FALL. I AM TOO WEAK...



WE WILL BE SWEEPED OVER IN A MOMENT UNLESS...



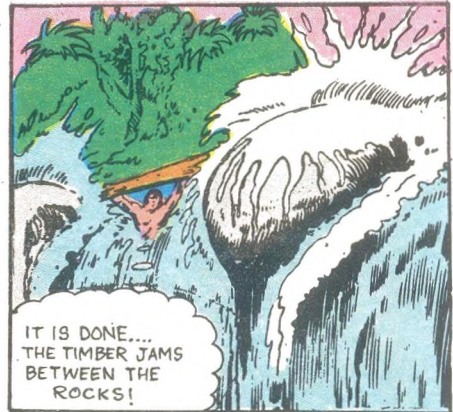
GRIP THE ROCK, TANI. THERE IS ONE CHANCE, THAT TIMBER

I CANNOT HOLD FOR LONG



NEXT MOMENT...

AAAIE!



IT IS DONE... THE TIMBER JAMS BETWEEN THE ROCKS!

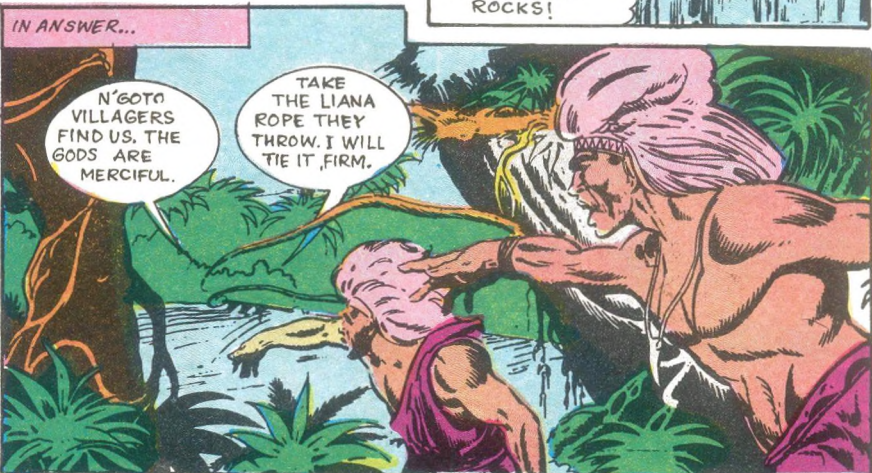


AS TANI REACHED IT...

AIEEEEE

THE KURIS CLAIM ANOTHER LIFE... BUT WE WILL LIVE TO SEE THEM PAY, SWEAR IT!

WE HAVE STILL TO REACH THE BANK, TARZAN.



IN ANSWER...

N'GOTO VILLAGERS FIND US. THE GODS ARE MERCIFUL.

TAKE THE LIANA ROPE THEY THROW. I WILL TIE IT FIRM.



SHORTLY...

I WILL REPAY YOUR HELP, O CHIEF!

THE KURIS ARE BEWITCHED BY THEIR WARRIOR GIANT, TARZAN, THEY BURNED OUR VILLAGE AND STOLE ANCESTRAL TREASURES.



THEY WILL BE RETURNED AND THE GOLDEN MASKS OF THE MABUTU. IT IS TIME I HUNTED THIS WARRIOR THEY CALL ZACKA.



NEAR THE N'GOTA VILLAGE...

KURIS TRACKS WILL LEAD ME TO THEIR LAIR. WAIT FOR ME HERE, TANI.

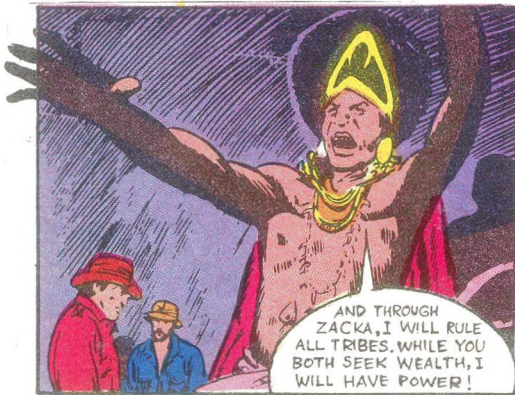
YOU MEAN I WOULD SLOW YOUR MOVEMENTS, JUNGLE LORD, THEN I'LL OBEY.



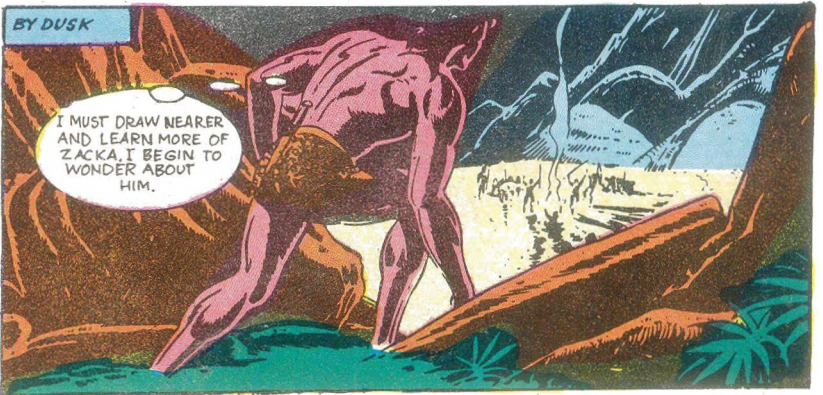
MEANWHILE...

WE'VE ONLY JUST BEGUN BLAKE. OUR KURIS FRIENDS WILL STRIKE AT EVERY VILLAGE IN THE REGION.

THESE GOLDEN MASKS ARE PRICELESS! THERE'S A FORTUNE IN GEMS HERE, TOO STANTON!

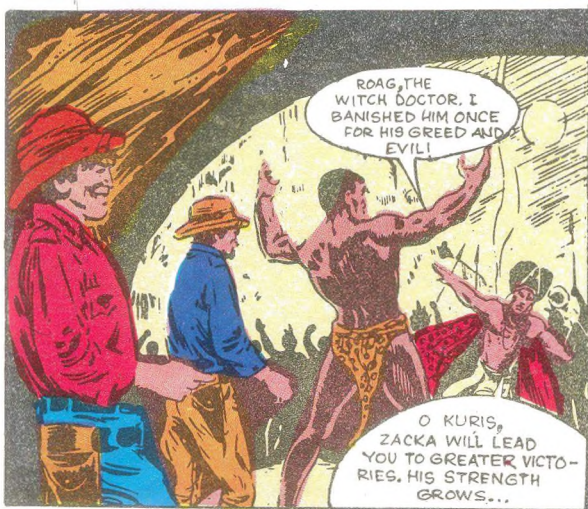


AND THROUGH ZACKA, I WILL RULE ALL TRIBES, WHILE YOU BOTH SEEK WEALTH, I WILL HAVE POWER!



BY DUSK

I MUST DRAW NEARER AND LEARN MORE OF ZACKA. I BEGIN TO WONDER ABOUT HIM.



ROAG, THE WITCH DOCTOR, I BANISHED HIM ONCE FOR HIS GREED AND EVIL!

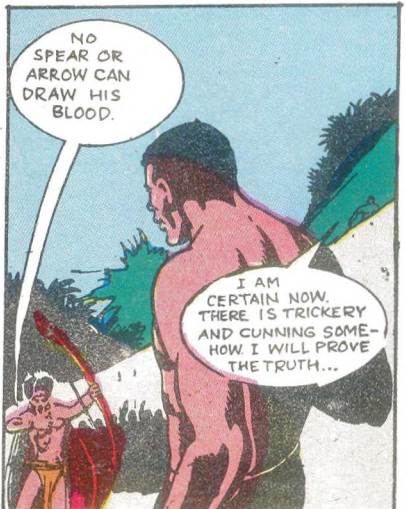
O KURIS, ZACKA WILL LEAD YOU TO GREATER VICTORIES. HIS STRENGTH GROWS...



THEN, INCREDIBLY...

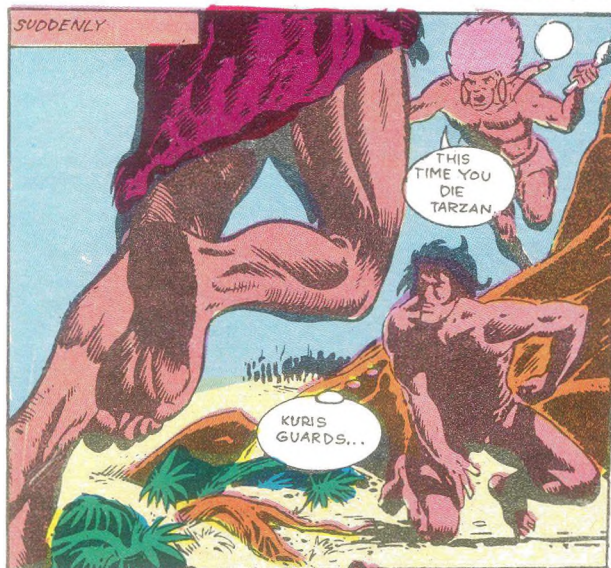
SEE ZACKA OBEYS ME ALONE. NOTHING CAN HARM HIM

ZACKA IS WHOM THEY FEAR.



NO SPEAR OR ARROW CAN DRAW HIS BLOOD.

I AM CERTAIN NOW. THERE IS TRICKERY AND CUNNING SOMEHOW I WILL PROVE THE TRUTH...



SUDDENLY

THIS TIME YOU DIE TARZAN!

KURIS GUARDS...



AIEEEEE

I AM NO EASY PREY JACKAL!

OKO! THE JUNGLE LORD...



BACK CURS... BEFORE YOU STIR MY ANGER!

SHOW ZACKA WE ARE WORTHY! WE WILL SLAY TARZAN!



ROAG, WHY DO YOU NOT SEND ME A WORTHY OPPONENT? I CHOOSE TO FIGHT ZACKA!

NNNGHI!



BUT MAY IT BE BEFORE ALL TRIBAL CHIEFS... AT NOON... WHERE THE RIVER FORKS, IF I AM DEFFATED, ZACKA WILL BE NEW JUNGLE LORD.

AND HIS MASTER. IT IS AGREED, TARZAN. YOU ARE A FOOL. GO. NOW LET THE JUNGLE DRUMS SPEAK OF THIS.

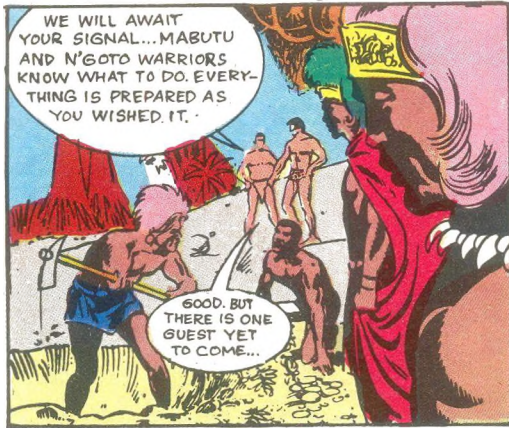




NEXT DAY,...

ALL ANSWER THE CALL, TARZAN. BUT I FEAR EVEN YOU MAYBE NO MATCH FOR ZACKA'S STRENGTH!

WE SHALL SEE, I CHOSE THIS PLACE CAREFULLY TANI.



WE WILL AWAIT YOUR SIGNAL... MABUTU AND N'GOTO WARRIORS KNOW WHAT TO DO. EVERYTHING IS PREPARED AS YOU WISHED IT.

GOOD, BUT THERE IS ONE GUEST YET TO COME...



WELCOME, MAND. YOU ARE AMONG FRIENDS, I HAVE NEED OF YOU.

AIEE! SEE! SEE!

HREEEE



WHEN THE SUN WAS HIGH...

I STILL SAY WE SHOULD HAVE FINISHED TARZAN LAST NIGHT

IT IS BETTER THIS WAY. NO TRIBE WILL STAND AGAINST US, WHEN THEY SEE THEIR JUNGLE LORD SLAIN BEFORE THEM.



ALSO, TARZAN WILL NOT DIE ALONE THIS DAY. THE CHIEFS WHO GATHER WILL NEVER RETURN TO THEIR TRIBES



AND...

THAT IS FAR ENOUGH, ROAG. LET ONLY ZACKA COME FORWARD...

YOU HASTEN YOUR OWN DEATH, TARZAN. I HAVE WAITED LONG FOR THIS.



ZACKA... DESTROY HIM!



WHAT FOOLERY? TARZAN KNOWS HE CANNOT STOP ZACKA WITH THAT.

STONE AND SLING ARE MY BEST WEAPON IF I HAVE GUESSED RIGHTLY WITH THE STEEL FANG MY AIM MUST BE PERFECT.



WHAT THE...?

HE MISSES ZACKA! THE WARRIOR GIANT MOVES TOO QUICKLY!



NEXT SECOND...

DIE TARZAN!

NOT YET BOASTFUL ONE!



COME ZACKA... TRY AGAIN. I WOULD HATE TO BE UNFAIR!

YOU WILL PAY FOR YOUR MOCKING!

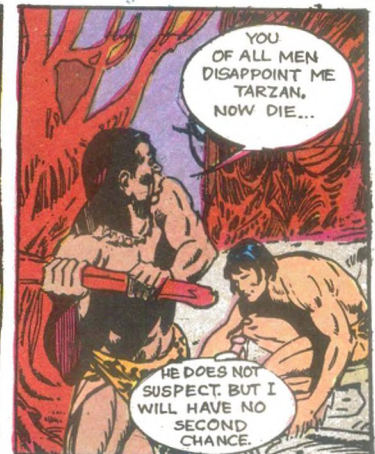
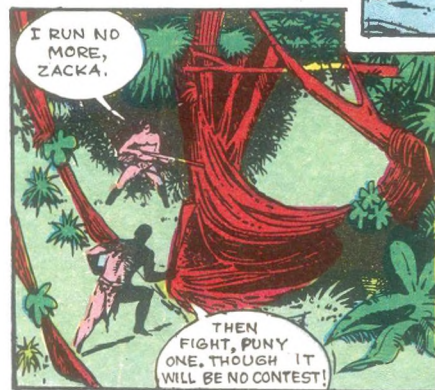


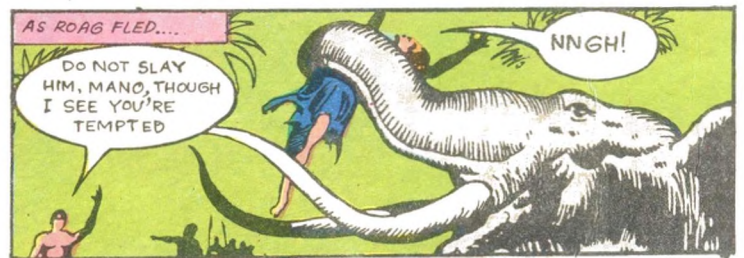
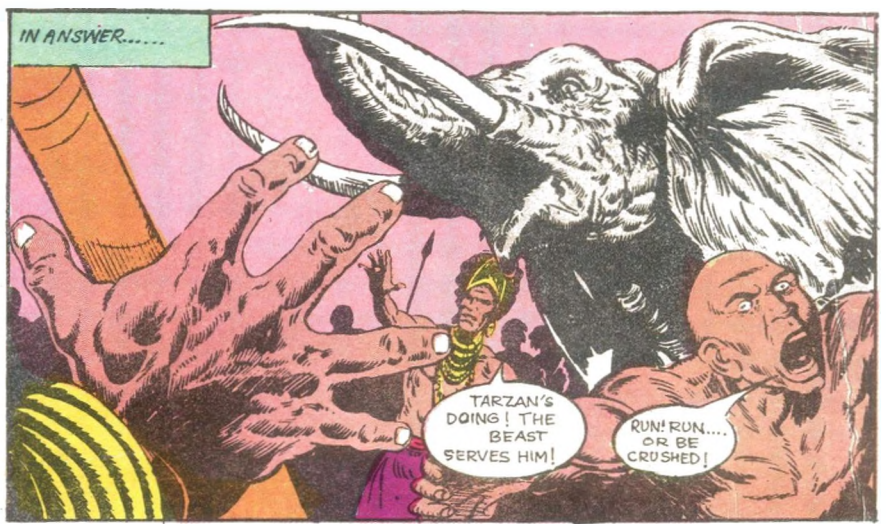
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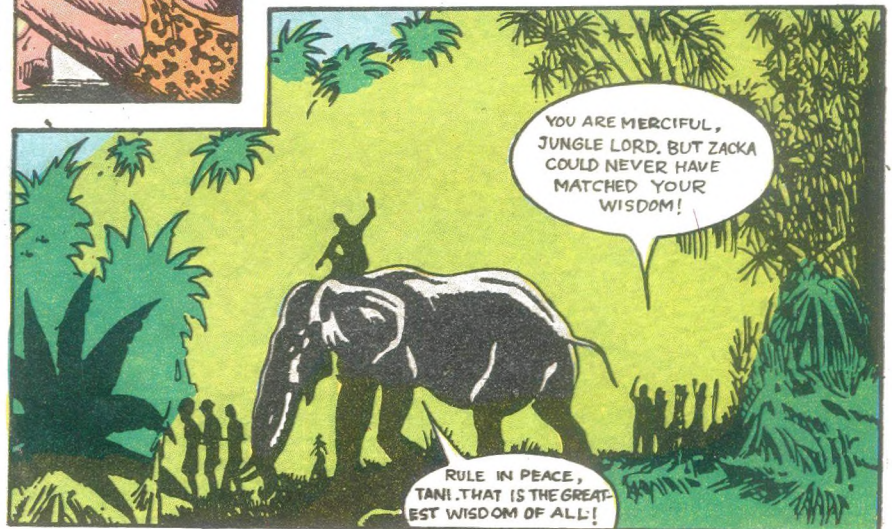
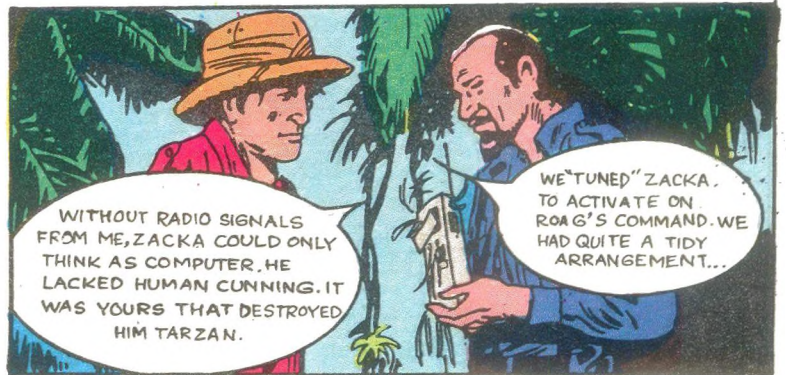
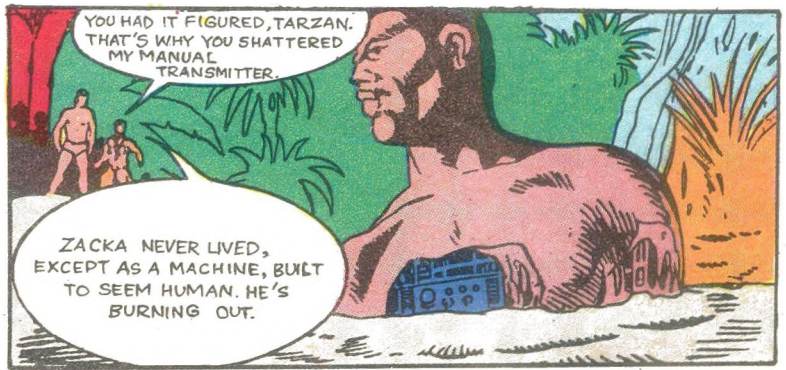
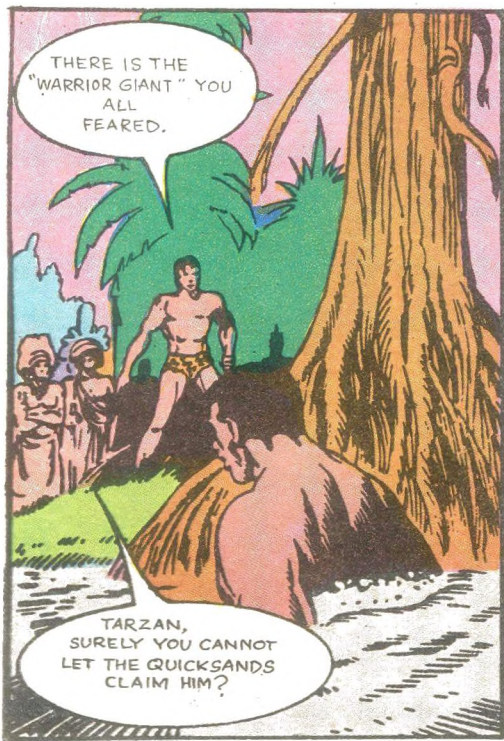
HIS AXE CUTS CLEAN THROUGH. IF I HAD BEEN A MOMENT SLOWER...



NNH! HIS BODY IS HARD AS STONE. YET HE TOPPLES...







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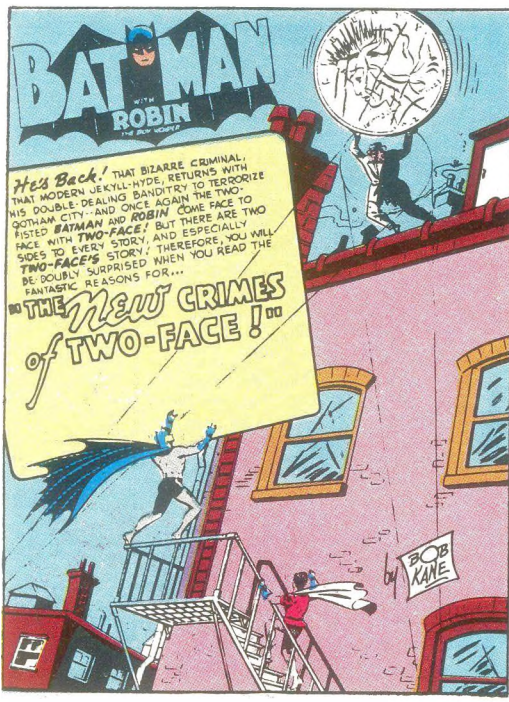
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**He's Back!** THAT BIZARRE CRIMINAL THAT MODERN JEKYL-HYDE RETURNS WITH HIS DOUBLE DEALING BANDITRY TO TERRORIZE BOTH CITIES--AND ONCE AGAIN THE TWO-FACED BATMAN AND ROBIN COME FACE TO FACE WITH TWO-FACE! BUT THERE ARE TWO SIDES TO EVERY STORY, AND ESPECIALLY TWO-FACE'S STORY; THEREFORE, YOU WILL BE DOUBLY SURPRISED WHEN YOU READ THE FANTASTIC REASONS FOR...

**THE NEW CRIMES of TWO-FACE!**



IN THE REHEARSAL STUDIO OF "TRUE CRIME TELEVISION PLAYHOUSE", HOPEFUL ACTORS APPLY TO THE CASTING DIRECTOR...

GENTLEMEN, OUR NEXT PLAY WILL FEATURE THE STORY OF **TWO-FACE!** SOME OF YOU MAY REMEMBER HOW A VIAL OF ACID ONCE SCARRED THE FACE OF OUR EX-DISTRICT ATTORNEY, HARVEY DENT. THE MENTAL SHOCK MADE DENT BECOME A CRIMINAL, UNTIL PLASTIC SURGERY GAVE HIM A NEW FACE AND HELPED HIM TO REFORM.



PAUL SLOANE--YOU'RE HANDSOME AND THE IMAGE OF HARVEY DENT! YOU'LL DO FINE! REMEMBER, STUDY YOUR ROLE--GET INTO THE CHARACTER OF THE MAN YOU'RE PORTRAYING--I WANT YOU TO **LIVE** THE PART!

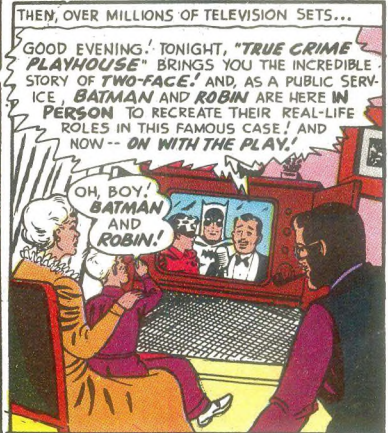
I WILL, SIR!



ONE WEEK LATER, BACKSTAGE JUST BEFORE CURTAIN TIME...

PLACES, EVERYBODY! LIGHTS--CAMERAS ALL SET? JOE, GOT THAT PROP BOTTLE OF "ACID", READY?

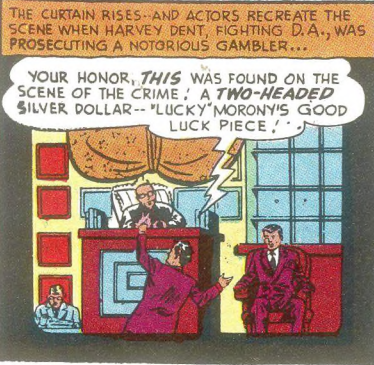
YEAH--I FILLED IT WITH BLUE WATER SO IT'LL LOOK LIKE REAL VITRIOL!



THEN, OVER MILLIONS OF TELEVISION SETS...

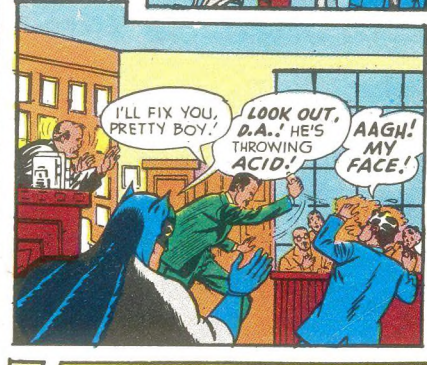
GOOD EVENING! TONIGHT, "TRUE CRIME PLAYHOUSE" BRINGS YOU THE INCREDIBLE STORY OF **TWO-FACE!** AND, AS A PUBLIC SERVICE, **BATMAN AND ROBIN** ARE HERE IN PERSON TO RECREATE THEIR REAL-LIFE ROLES IN THIS FAMOUS CASE! AND NOW--**ON WITH THE PLAY!**

OH, BOY! **BATMAN AND ROBIN!**



THE CURTAIN RISES--AND ACTORS RECREATE THE SCENE WHEN HARVEY DENT, FIGHTING D.A., WAS PROSECUTING A NOTORIOUS GAMBLER...

YOUR HONOR, **THIS** WAS FOUND ON THE SCENE OF THE CRIME, A **TWO-HEADED SILVER DOLLAR**--"LUCKY" MORONY'S GOOD LUCK PIECE!



I'LL FIX YOU, PRETTY BOY!

LOOK OUT, D.A.! HE'S THROWING ACID!

AAGH! MY FACE!



MY FACE--BURNING--OH!!

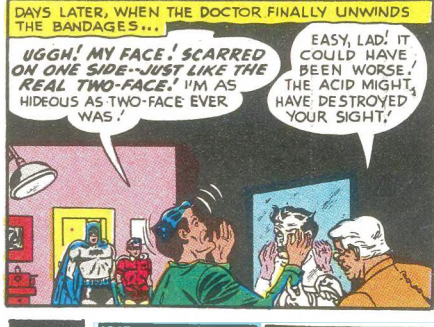
GREAT SCOTT! SLOANE ISN'T ACTING NOW! THERE WAS **REAL ACID** IN THAT BOTTLE!

JOE--THE PROP MAN! HE'S TRYING TO GET AWAY!



YEAH--I DID IT! I WANTED TO RUIN HIS HANDSOME MUG! EVER SINCE HE MET MY GIRL, SHE HAIN'T LOOKED AT ME! SHE'LL NEVER MARRY HIM NOW!

YOU FOOL! BECAUSE OF YOUR JEALOUSY, YOU'VE DONE A TERRIBLE THING!



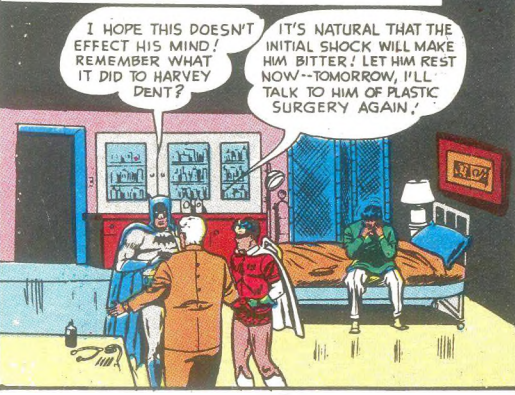
DAYS LATER, WHEN THE DOCTOR FINALLY UNWINDS THE BANDAGES...

UGGH! MY FACE! SCARRED ON ONE SIDE--JUST LIKE THE REAL TWO-FACE! I'M AS HIDEOUS AS TWO-FACE EVER WAS!

EASY, LAD! IT COULD HAVE BEEN WORSE, THE ACID MIGHT HAVE DESTROYED YOUR SIGHT!

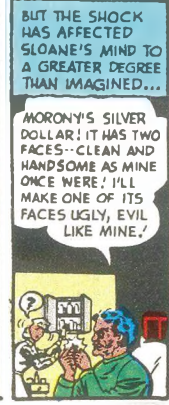


MY ACTING CAREER IS FINISHED! THE ONLY ROLE I CAN EVER PLAY NOW IS **TWO-FACE!** AND I WON'T EVEN NEED ANY MAKEUP! THERE'S IRONY FOR YOU! PAUL SLOANE IS GONE--AND IN HIS PLACE STANDS **TWO-FACE!**



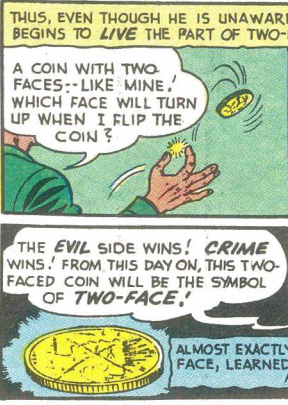
I HOPE THIS DOESN'T EFFECT HIS MIND! REMEMBER WHAT IT DID TO HARVEY DENT?

IT'S NATURAL THAT THE INITIAL SHOCK WILL MAKE HIM BITTER! LET HIM REST NOW--TOMORROW, I'LL TALK TO HIM OF PLASTIC SURGERY AGAIN!



BUT THE SHOCK HAS AFFECTED SLOANE'S MIND TO A GREATER DEGREE THAN IMAGINED...

MORONY'S SILVER DOLLAR! IT HAS TWO FACES--CLEAN AND HANDSOME AS MINE ONCE WERE! I'LL MAKE ONE OF ITS FACES UGLY, EVIL LIKE MINE!



THUS, EVEN THOUGH HE IS UNAWARE OF IT, SLOANE BEGINS TO **LIVE** THE PART OF TWO-FACE...

A COIN WITH TWO FACES--LIKE MINE! WHICH FACE WILL TURN UP WHEN I FLIP THE COIN?

THE **EVIL** SIDE WINS! **CRIME** WINS! FROM THIS DAY ON, THIS TWO-FACED COIN WILL BE THE SYMBOL OF **TWO-FACE!**

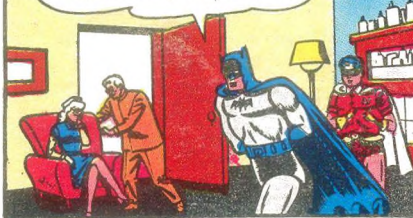


STOP! MR. SLOANE... MY NAME IS NOT SLOANE! I AM THE LIVING JEK YLL-HYDE--A MAN TO BE FEARED! FROM THIS DAY ON, THE WORLD WILL KNOW OF ME AND THE NEW CRIMES OF **TWO-FACE!**

ALMOST EXACTLY THE WORDS OF THE REAL TWO-FACE, LEARNED FROM THE TV SCRIPT HE HAD MEMORIZED!

WHEN SHE RECOVERS CONSCIOUSNESS, THE NURSE TELLS OF SLOANE'S MAD ACTIONS...

JUST AS I FEARED! THE FACT THAT HE'S STUDIED HIS "TWO-FACE" ROLE SO LONG--PLUS THE MENTAL SHOCK--HAS MADE SLOANE REALLY BELIEVE HE IS TWO-FACE!



HEADLINES SOON SHOUT THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS, WHILE THE BATMOBILE CEASELESSLY PATROLS THE STREETS...

**GOTHAM GAZETTE**  
SECOND TWO-FACE STILL AT LARGE;  
POLICE ON LOOKOUT FOR MAD ACTOR

ROBIN, UNDOUBTEDLY SLOANE WILL IMITATE THE KIND OF CRIMES THE ORIGINAL TWO-FACE COMMITTER THEY WERE ALWAYS BASED ON HIS PERSONAL SYMBOL--THE NUMBER TWO!



AND AS BATMAN HAS PREDICTED, THAT VERY NIGHT TWO-FACE SLOANE ROBS THE SAFE OF A BICYCLE COMPANY...

HA-HA! HOW FITTING TWO-FACE SHOULD ESCAPE WITH ONE OF THE MANUFACTURER'S TWO-WHEELED VEHICLES!



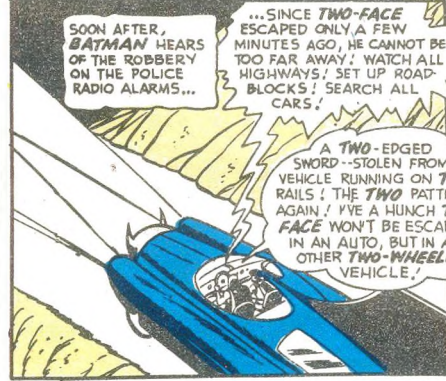
THE NEXT NIGHT, HAVING RECRUITED A HELPER, TWO-FACE PLOTS HIS SECOND CRIME.

THE MAIL CAR IS CARRYING A SWORD DESTINED FOR THE GOTHAM MUSEUM--AN ANCIENT TWO-EDGED SWORD, ITS HILT ENCRUSTED WITH GEMS!



SOON AFTER, BATMAN HEARS OF THE ROBBERY ON THE POLICE RADIO ALARMS...

...SINCE TWO-FACE ESCAPED ONLY A FEW MINUTES AGO, HE CANNOT BE TOO FAR AWAY! WATCH ALL HIGHWAYS! SET UP ROAD BLOCKS! SEARCH ALL CARS!

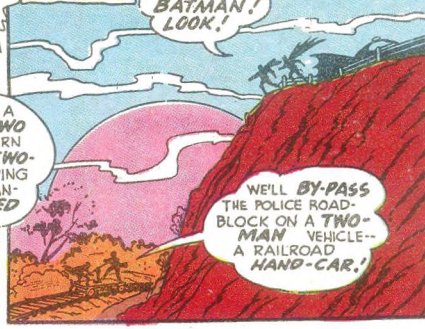


FOLLOWING HIS HUNCH, BATMAN RACES THE BATMOBILE ALONG THE RAILROAD TRACKS, AND SOON...

BATMAN! LOOK!

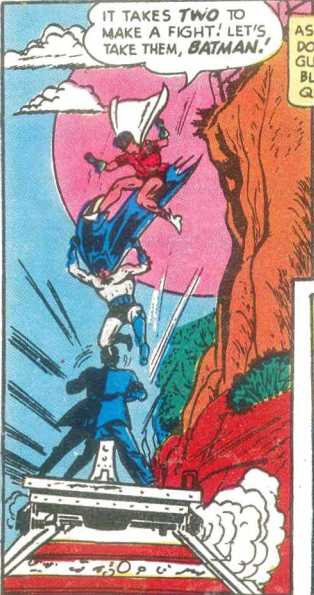
A TWO-EDGED SWORD--STOLEN FROM A VEHICLE RUNNING ON TWO RAILS! THE TWO PATTERN AGAIN! I'VE A HUNCH TWO-FACE WON'T BE ESCAPING IN AN AUTO, BUT IN ANOTHER TWO-WHEELED VEHICLE!

WE'LL BY-PASS THE POLICE ROAD-BLOCK ON A TWO-MAN VEHICLE--A RAILROAD HAND-CAR!



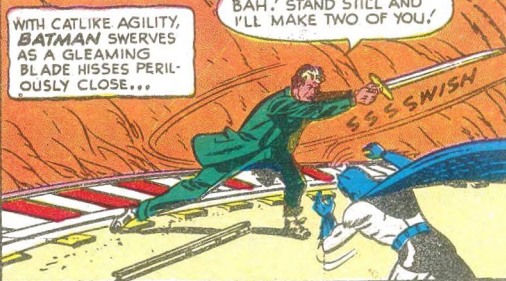
IT TAKES TWO TO MAKE A FIGHT! LET'S TAKE THEM, BATMAN!

AS IF SHOT FROM A DOUBLE-BARRELED GUN, THE TWO FIGURES BLAST INTO THEIR QUARRY!



WITH CATLIKE AGILITY, BATMAN SWERVES AS A GLEAMING BLADE HISSES PERILOUSLY CLOSE...

BAH! STAND STILL AND I'LL MAKE TWO OF YOU!



SNATCHING UP A RUSTY, DISCARDED SECTION OF RAIL, BATMAN PARRIES THE NEXT HACKING THRUST!

HOW APPROPRIATE WE TWO, WITH OUR DUAL LIVES, SHOULD FIGHT A DUEL! HA! HA!

THIS OBSESSION WITH THE SYMBOL TWO HAS REALLY TAKEN CONTROL OF SLOANE'S MIND!



OOMPH!

GOT TO END THIS! I'LL MAKE TWO-FACE DOUBLE UP-- AND THEN GIVE HIM A QUICK ONE-TWO PUNCH!



CRACK!

MOMENTS LATER, BATMAN BENDS OVER THE REVIVING ACTOR...

PLEASE LISTEN TO ME! YOU'RE PAUL SLOANE--AN ACTOR! YOU'RE NOT TWO-FACE! WE WANT TO HELP YOU! WE WANT YOU TO UNDERGO PLASTIC SURGERY! YOUR FACE CAN BE AS HANDSOME AS BEFORE! DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

PLASTIC SURGERY? YES--YES--I'LL BE HANDSOME--PEOPLE WON'T SHUN ME...



RELIEVED BY TWO-FACE'S AGREEMENT, BATMAN AND ROBIN ARE CAUGHT OFF-GUARD BY A TREACHEROUS SURPRISE ATTACK!

YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE TRUSTED MY WORD! IT'S ONLY NATURAL TWO-FACE WOULD DOUBLE-CROSS YOU!



WHEN THE MANHUNTERS AWAKEN, IT'S THEY WHO ARE CAPTIVE...

A LOT O' GUYS IN PRISONS ARE GONNA BE GLAD WHEN THEY HEAR I KNOCKED OFF BATMAN AND ROBIN!

NO, Blinky! MY COIN WILL DECIDE! IF THE GOOD SIDE COMES UP, THEY LIVE--BUT IF THE BAD SIDE COMES UP, THEY DIE!

THE COIN SPINS HIGH, DROPS INTO THE PALM--AND IN THAT PALM RESTS THE FATE OF BATMAN AND ROBIN.

AGH! THE GOOD SIDE WON! BUT YOU DOUBLE-CROSSED 'EM ONCE--WHY DON'T YA DOUBLE-CROSS 'EM AGAIN AND LET ME BLUMP 'EM OFF ANYWAY?

TRUE, I'VE GONE BACK ON MY WORD-- BUT NEVER AGAINST THE DECISION OF MY COIN! THAT COIN IS MY TRADE-MARK--THE SYMBOL OF TWO-FACE!

LATER...

THIS WAS OUR LUCKY DAY! Blinky WOULD'VE SHOT US IF TWO-FACE HADN'T STUCK TO HIS COIN'S TOSS!

ROBIN, IT'S JUST POSSIBLE THAT COIN MAY HELP US END THIS ENTIRE CASE!

AS THEY RETURN TO HEADQUARTERS, THEY ARE MET BY AN OLD FRIEND--HARVEY DENT, THE EX-D.A. WHO WAS ONCE THE ORIGINAL TWO-FACE!

I WAS IN EUROPE WHEN I HEARD ABOUT POOR SLOANE, I JUST FLEW IN! WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

HARVEY, PERHAPS IF SLOANE COULD SEE AND LISTEN TO YOU, IT MIGHT BRING HIM TO HIS SENSES!

THAT VERY NIGHT, ALL TELEVISION NETWORKS ARE GIVEN OVER TO AN EMERGENCY BROADCAST...

SLOANE, WHEREVER YOU ARE, LISTEN TO ME! LOOK AT MY FACE! SEE HOW PLASTIC SURGERY RESTORED MY FEATURES! IT CAN BE THE SAME FOR YOU! YOU'LL BE PAUL SLOANE, THE HANDSOME ACTOR YOU ONCE WERE!

HIS FACE... THE WAY MINE USED TO BE... HANDSOME... UNSCARRED...

WILL THE PLEAS OF THE MAN WHO WAS ONCE TWO-FACE HELP REFORM THE SECOND TWO-FACE?

BUT THE BROADCAST HAS THE REVERSE EFFECT--FOR IT ONLY INFURIATES THE UNFORTUNATE MAN'S TWISTED THOUGHTS!

BAH! THEY DISGUISED AN ACTOR TO LOOK LIKE ME, THEY'RE TRYING TO TRICK ME! THERE IS ONLY ONE TWO-FACE--AND I AM HIM!

THIS GUY'S NUTS, BUT AS LONG AS HE THINKS UP GOOD JOBS, I'M STICKIN' WITH HIM!

AND SO, TWO-FACE AGAIN TURNS TO HIS TRADE-MARK CRIMES, BASING ALL ON THE TOSS OF HIS TWO-FACED COIN!

THE BAD SIDE WINS!

A NICE HAUL OF PAID ADMISSIONS FOR A DOUBLE-HEADER GAME!

DOUBLE HEADER BASEBALL GAME TODAY!

AND WHEN THE SCARRED SIDE WINS AGAIN, A DOUBLE-FEATURE MOVIE HOUSE IS ROBBED!

BIG DOUBLE FEATURE

AND THEN TO HEADQUARTERS COMES NEWS OF ANOTHER STRANGE ROBBERY...

LISTEN TO THIS-- A MIDGET SUBMARINE WAS STOLEN FROM A MILITARY EXHIBIT!

A TWO-MAN SUB! IT'S A TWO-FACE JOB! HE PROBABLY NEEDS THAT SUB FOR A WATER ROBBERY! THAT MEANS ROBIN AND I WILL DO SOME WATER PATROLLING IN THE BAT-PLANE!

AFTERWARD FROM UNDER THE GOTHAM RIVER, A SUBMARINE PERISCOPE SCANS A SLOW-MOVING CRAFT.

I CAN SEE OUR QUARRY ON THE FERRY! PREPARE TO SURFACE!

MOMENTS LATER, AFTER GAINING THE FERRY...

YOU'RE PROFESSOR HODGE OF THE GOTHAM ZOO! YOU'RE CARRYING THE EGG OF AN AMAZON JUNGLE BIRD SO RARE IT'S NEVER BEEN PREP IN CAPTIVITY! I WANT THAT EGG!

B-BUT I'VE ONE ONE EGG! IT'S NOT LIKE YOU TO STEAL SOMETHING UNLESS TWO OF SOMETHING IS INVOLVED!

HOW CAN TWO-FACE STEAL A SINGLE EGG, AND YET FULFILL HIS THEME OF SYMBOLIC CRIMES ALWAYS BASED ON TWO? CAN YOU GUESS?

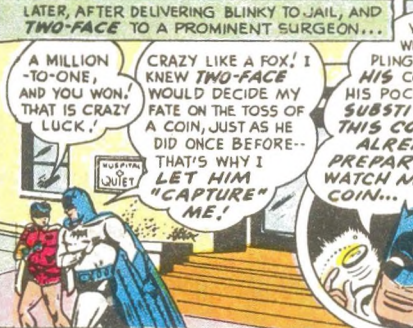
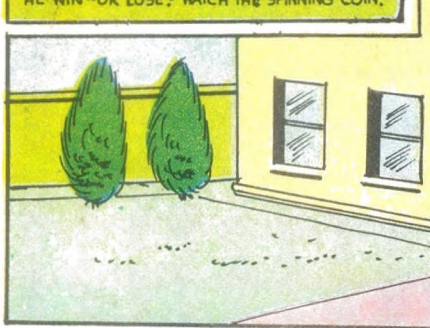
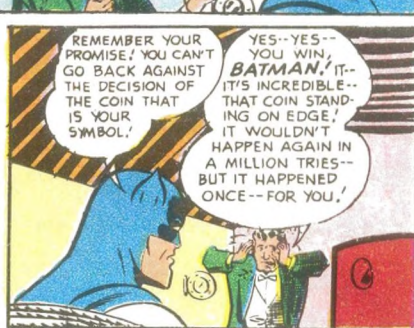
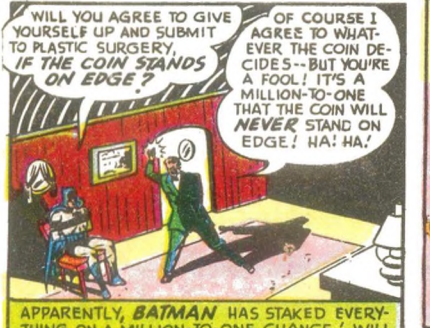
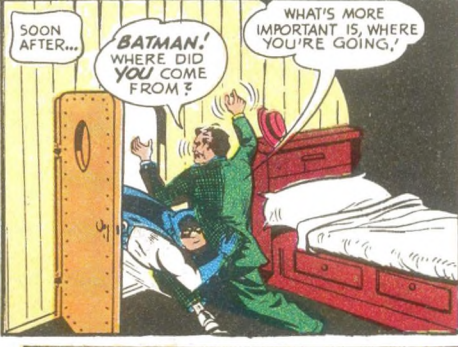
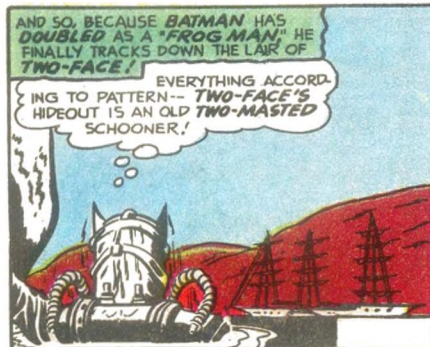
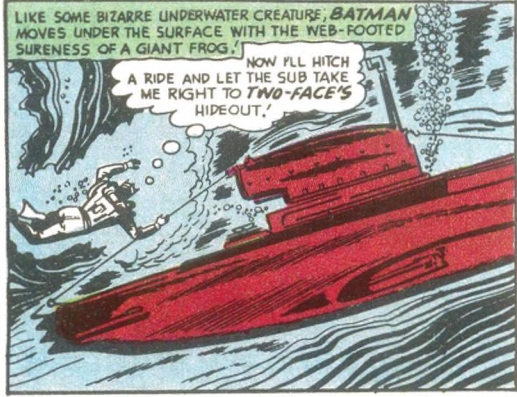
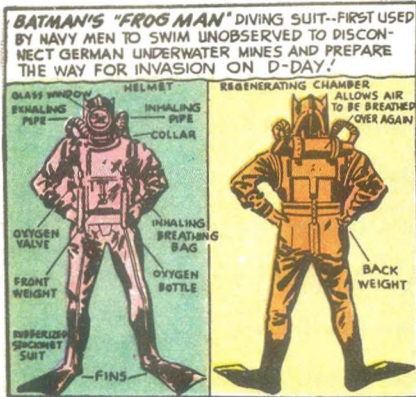
I'VE INSIDE INFORMATION FROM SOMEONE WHO CANDLED THAT EGG! THAT SINGLE EGG HAS A DOUBLE-YOLK--WHICH MEANS IT WILL HATCH TWO RARE AND EXTREMELY VALUABLE BIRDS INSTEAD OF ONLY ONE!

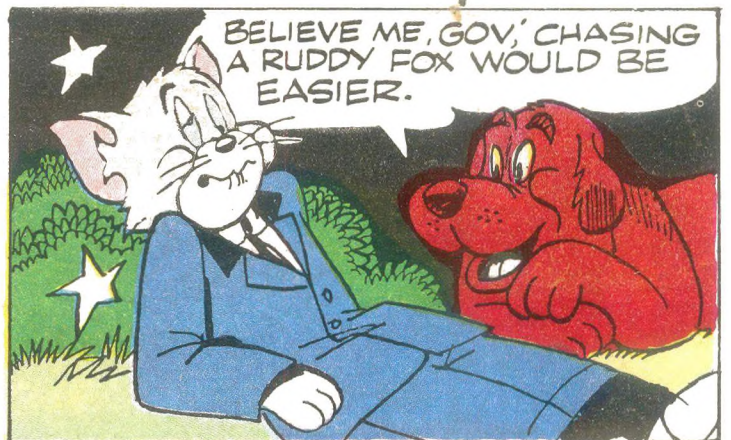
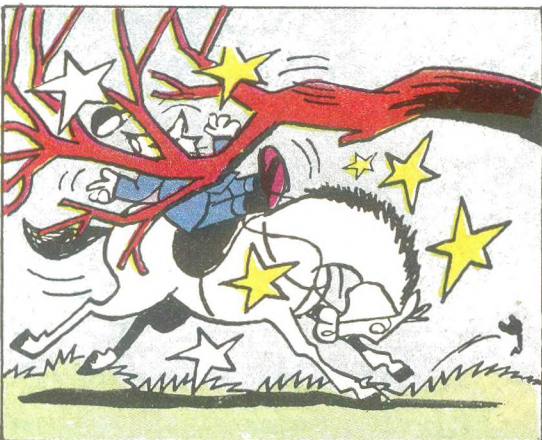
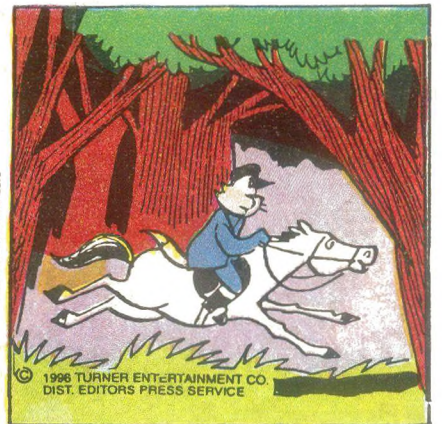
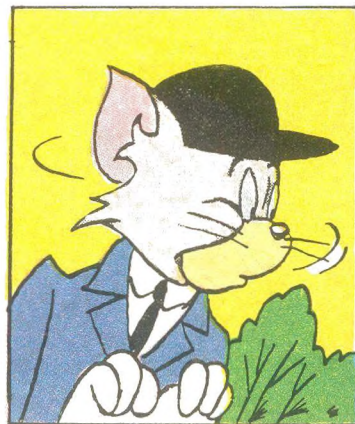
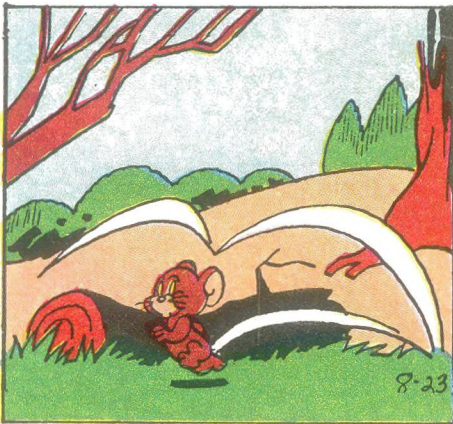
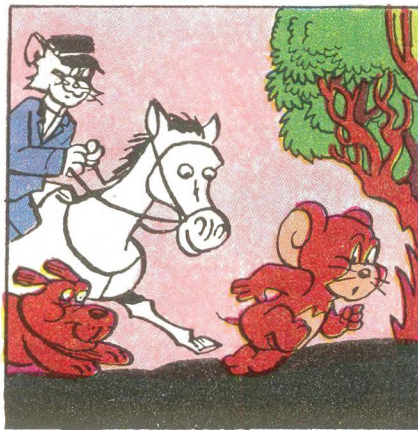
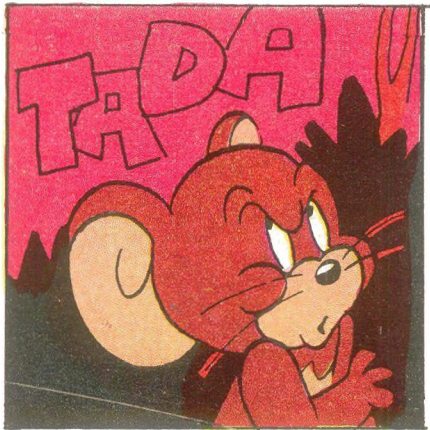
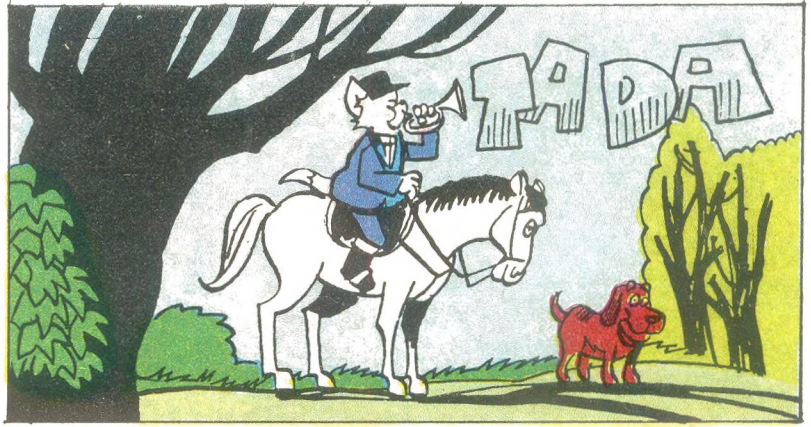
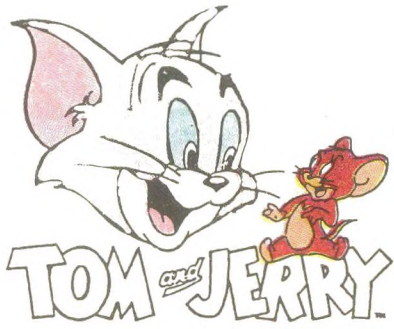
THEN, AS THE TWO BANDITS REENTER THEIR TWO-MAN SUB...

I'VE JUST SPOTTED THE SUB! GET STARTED, BATMAN! THEY'RE SUBMERGING!

TAKE THE CONTROLS, ROBIN! IT'S A GOOD THING WE MADE PLANS FOR JUST SUCH AN EMERGENCY! BATMAN IS GOING TO BECOME A "FROG MAN!"







ONE DAY AS PRINCE ADAM AND MAN-AT-ARMS EXCHANGE BATTLE STORIES...

YES, IT WAS GOOD TO BE YOUNG AND WITHOUT THE CARES AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT BECAME HE-MAN HAVE BROUGHT TO ME.

THINK, THOUGH, OF THE MANY TIMES THAT YOU HAVE SAVED ETERNIA. WHERE WOULD WE BE NOW IF YOU WERE STILL THE BOY WE ONCE MOCKED?

YES, OLD FRIEND, YOU ARE RIGHT. WE CAN NEVER GO BACK TO THE DAYS OF OUR YOUTH.

... BUT IT WOULD BE FUN TO TRY.

MEANWHILE, NEAR THE FRIGHT ZONE, HORDAK IS PLANNING HIS LATEST SCHEME...

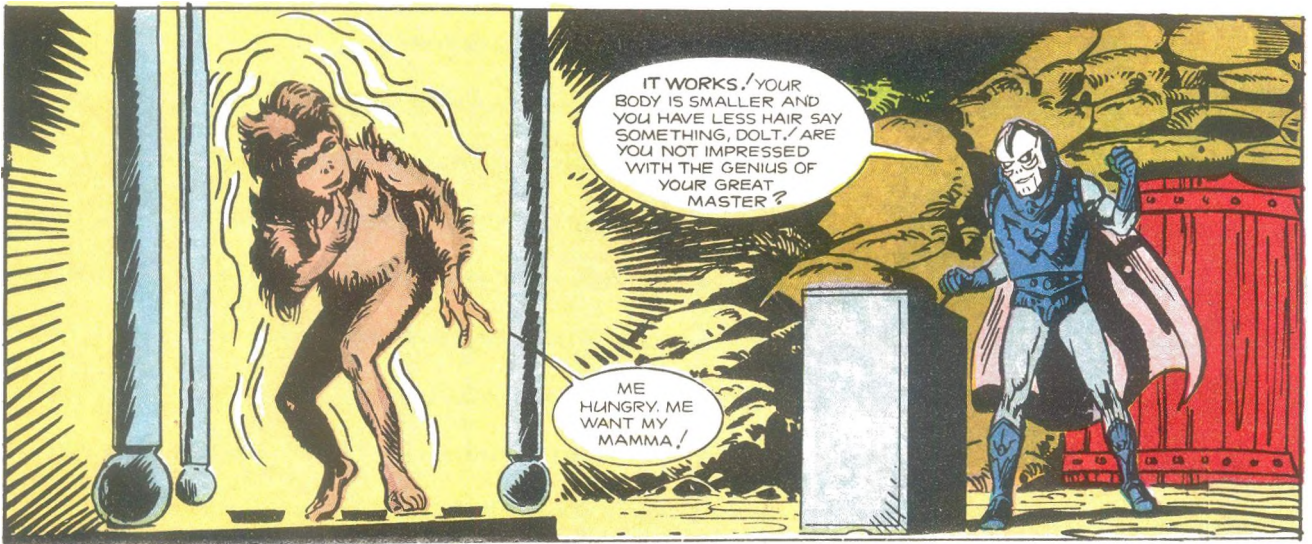
I HAVE FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN ISOLATING A WONDROUS SERUM FROM THIS MAGICAL LAKE. DROP BY DROP I HAVE COLLECTED ALL THAT REMAINS OF THIS ONCE LEGENDARY POTION. I MUST GO NOW TO PREPARE FOR HE-MAN'S DESTRUCTION.

SOON HORDAK HAS PREPARED HIS TRAP. BEFORE HE CAN BE SURE OF SUCCESS THOUGH, HE MUST TEST IT ON ONE OF HIS ASSISTANTS...

STAY STILL, MINDLESS ONE. IN A FEW MOMENTS THE MACHINE WILL BEGIN TO WORK. ALL THAT WAS NEEDED WAS THE FANTASTIC FLUID THAT I COLLECTED EARLIER.

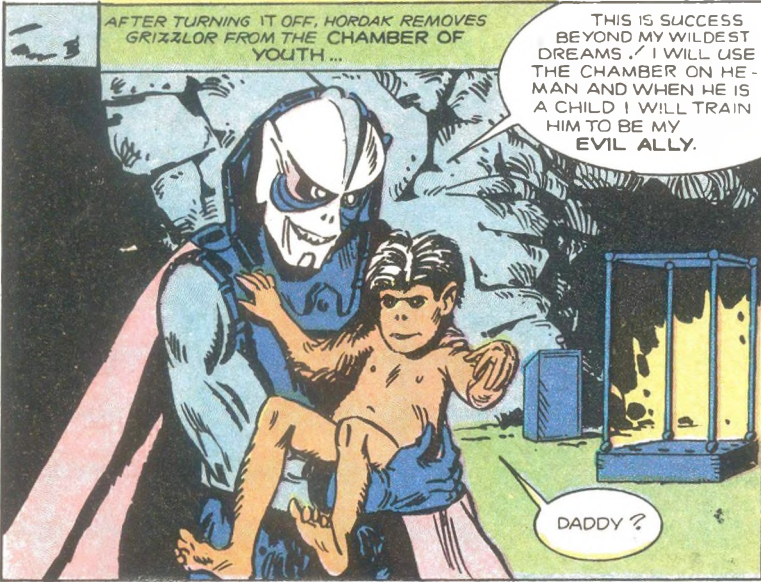
OH, MASTER, WHY IS IT ALWAYS ME? WORK YOUR STRANGE MAGIC ON MANTENNA. HE IS MORE DESERVING OF SUCH A FATE...

AT THE PULL OF A LEVER THE CHAMBER WILL BE BATHED IN A LIGHT. IT WILL MAKE YOU GROW YOUNGER. THE CHEMICAL THAT POWERS THE DEVICE IS KNOWN BY MANY AS THE ELIXIR OF YOUTH.



IT WORKS! YOUR BODY IS SMALLER AND YOU HAVE LESS HAIR SAY SOMETHING, DOLT. ARE YOU NOT IMPRESSED WITH THE GENIUS OF YOUR GREAT MASTER?

ME HUNGRY. ME WANT MY MAMMA!



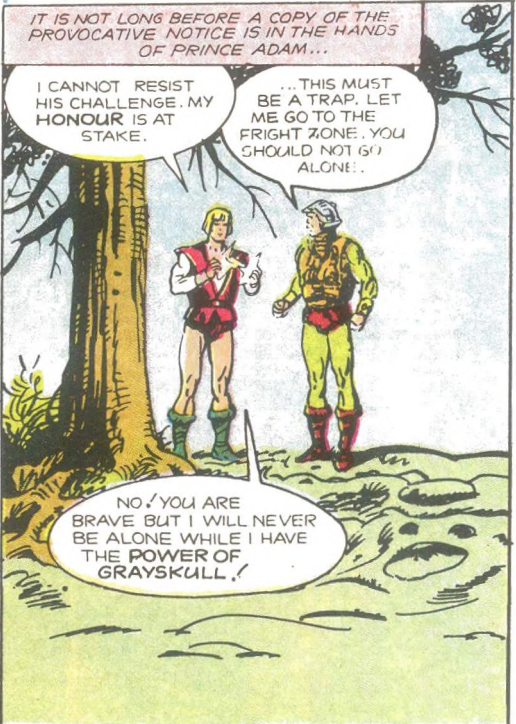
AFTER TURNING IT OFF, HORDAK REMOVES GRIZZLOR FROM THE CHAMBER OF YOUTH...

THIS IS SUCCESS BEYOND MY WILDEST DREAMS. I WILL USE THE CHAMBER ON HE-MAN AND WHEN HE IS A CHILD I WILL TRAIN HIM TO BE MY EVIL ALLY.

IT IS SAID THAT THE CHILD IS THE FATHER TO THE MAN. I WILL EDUCATE HE-MAN IN THE WAYS OF HORDAK. I WILL HAVE REMOVED MY GREATEST ENEMY AND IN HIS PLACE CREATED MY ULTIMATE WARRIOR. FIRST THOUGH I'LL CHANGE GRIZZLOR BACK TO NORMAL. I CANNOT STAND HIS CRYING.

WAAHHHHH!!

DADDY?

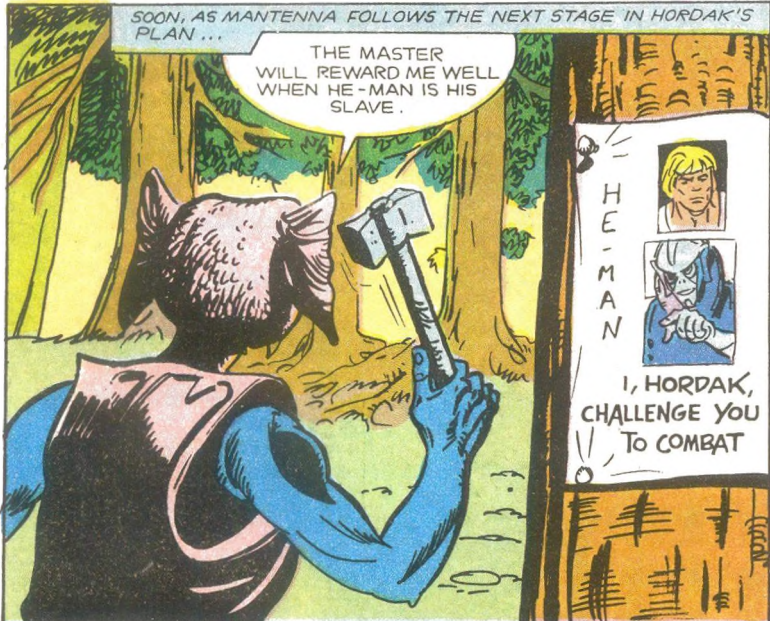


IT IS NOT LONG BEFORE A COPY OF THE PROVOCATIVE NOTICE IS IN THE HANDS OF PRINCE ADAM...

I CANNOT RESIST HIS CHALLENGE. MY HONOUR IS AT STAKE.

...THIS MUST BE A TRAP. LET ME GO TO THE FRIGHT ZONE. YOU SHOULD NOT GO ALONE!

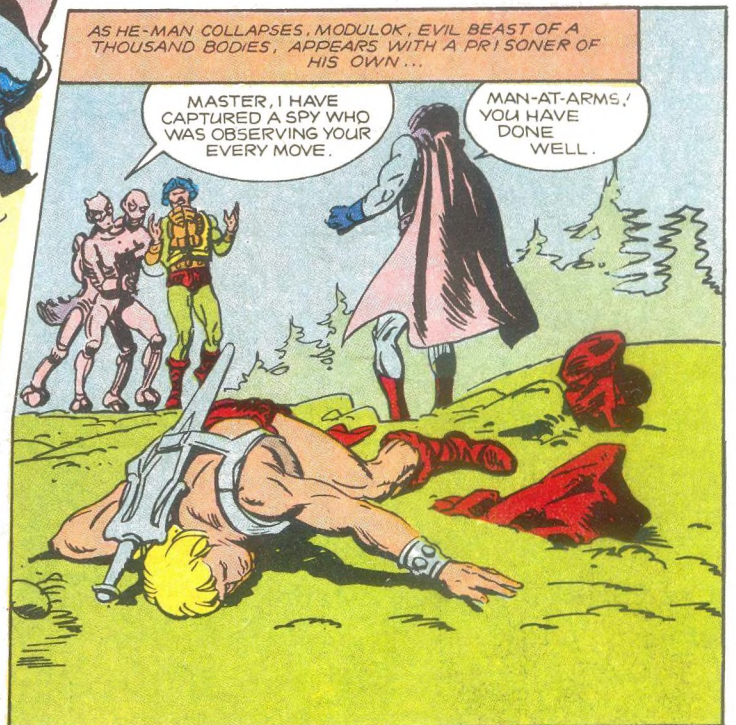
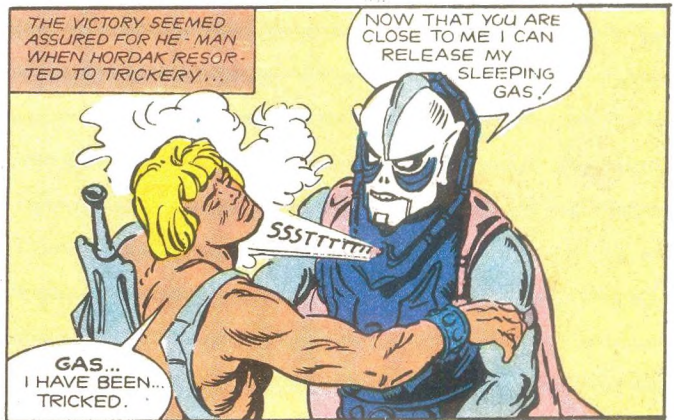
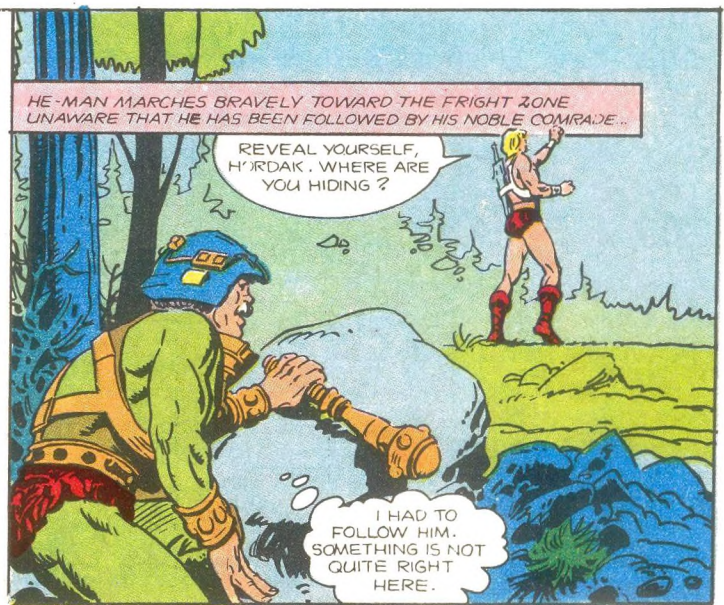
NO! YOU ARE BRAVE BUT I WILL NEVER BE ALONE WHILE I HAVE THE POWER OF GRAYSKULL!

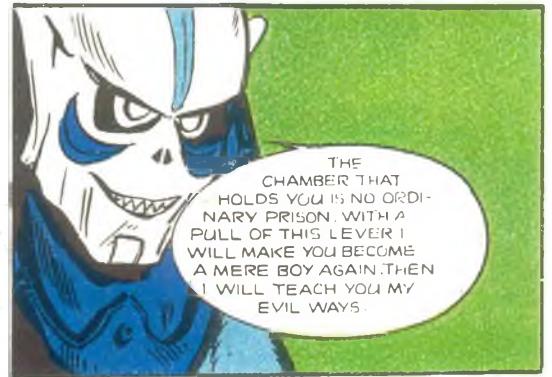
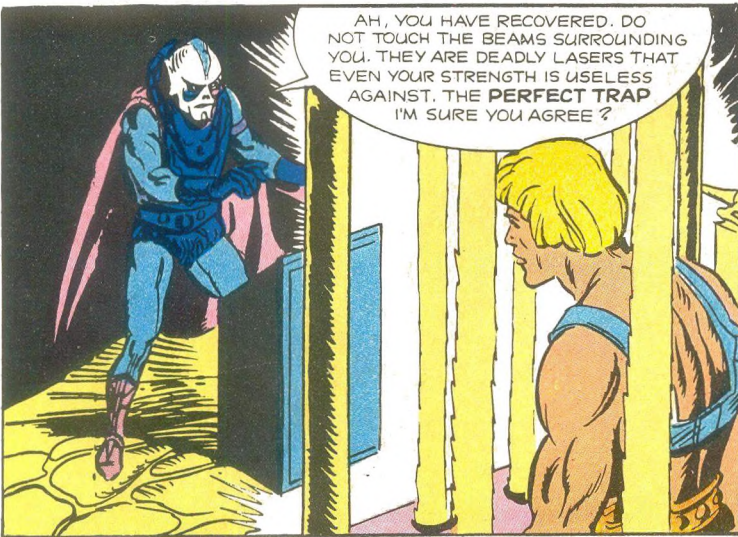


SOON, AS MANTENNA FOLLOWS THE NEXT STAGE IN HORDAK'S PLAN...

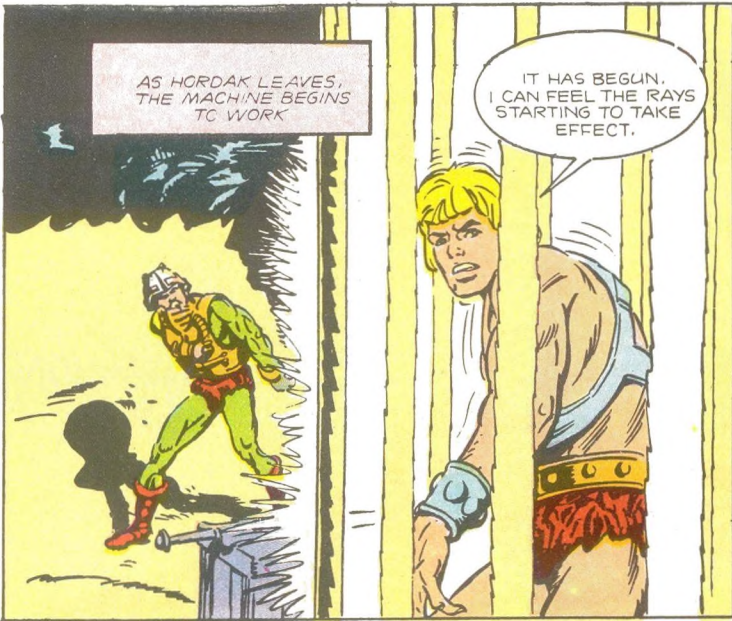
THE MASTER WILL REWARD ME WELL WHEN HE-MAN IS HIS SLAVE.

HE-MAN  
I, HORDAK, CHALLENGE YOU TO COMBAT





AS HORDAK LEAVES,  
THE MACHINE BEGINS  
TO WORK



IT HAS BEGUN.  
I CAN FEEL THE RAYS  
STARTING TO TAKE  
EFFECT.

IF I WERE NOT  
SO LARGE I COULD  
SLIP THROUGH THE  
BEAMS. IT'S MY  
SIZE THAT KEEPS  
ME PRISONER.

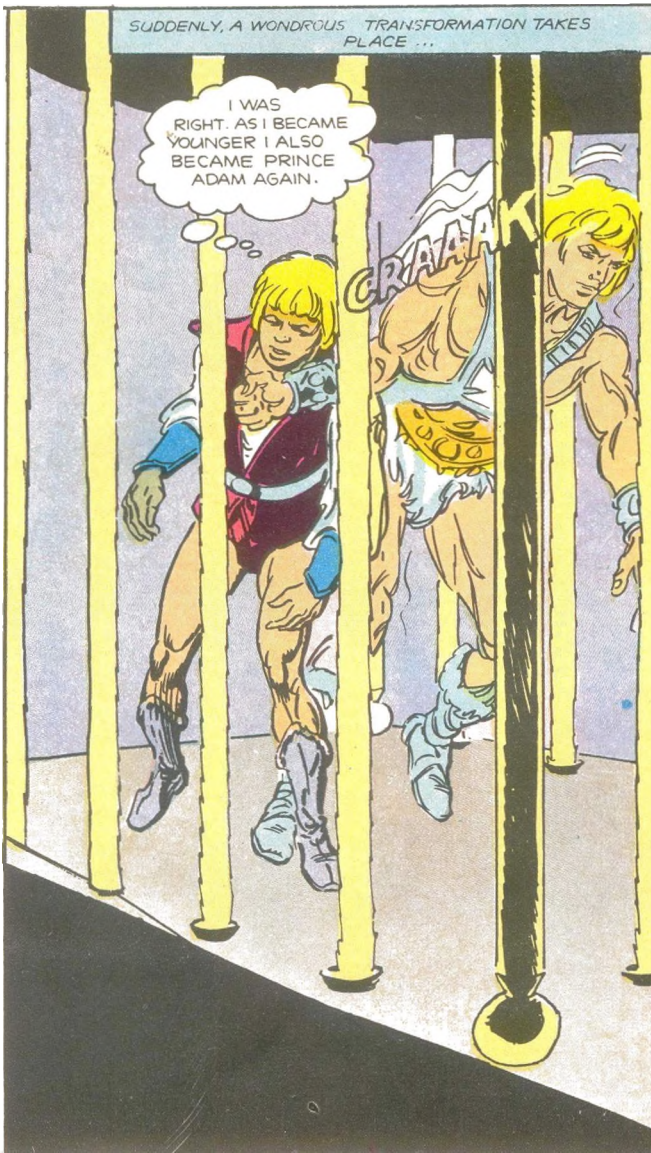


OF COURSE.  
THAT IS THE  
ANSWER. I NEED TO  
WAIT A FEW MORE  
MOMENTS AND THEN.



SUDDENLY, A WONDROUS  
TRANSFORMATION TAKES  
PLACE ...

I WAS  
RIGHT. AS I BECAME  
YOUNGER I ALSO  
BECAME PRINCE  
ADAM AGAIN.



ADAM FINDS IT A SIMPLE TASK TO SLIP BETWEEN  
THE LASER BEAMS ...

FREE  
AT LAST. NOW  
TO FREE MY  
FRIEND AND STOP  
HORDAK.

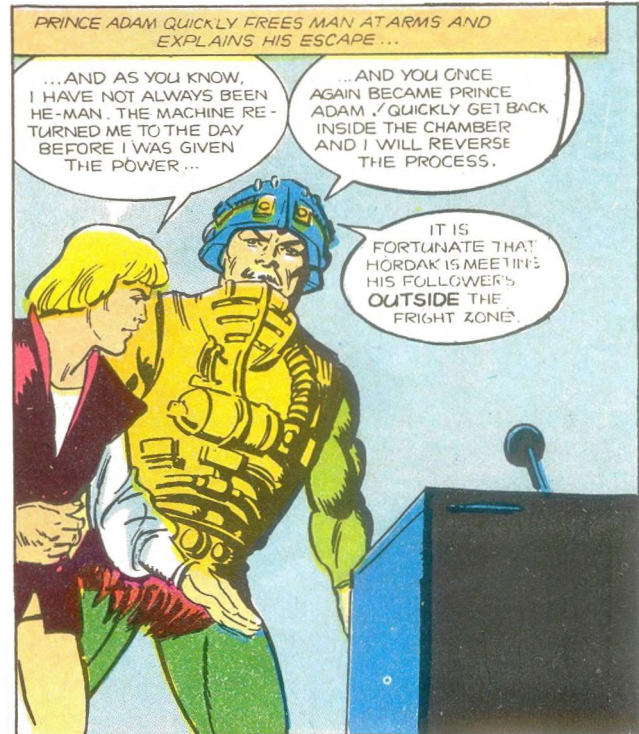


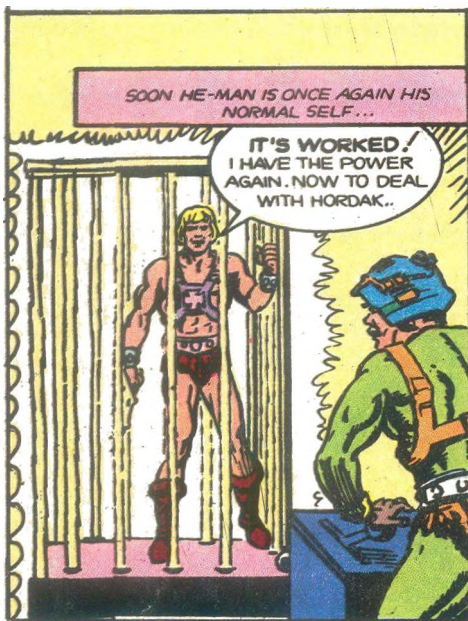
PRINCE ADAM QUICKLY FREES MAN AT ARMS AND  
EXPLAINS HIS ESCAPE ...

...AND AS YOU KNOW,  
I HAVE NOT ALWAYS BEEN  
HE-MAN. THE MACHINE RE-  
TURNED ME TO THE DAY  
BEFORE I WAS GIVEN  
THE POWER ...

...AND YOU ONCE  
AGAIN BECAME PRINCE  
ADAM. QUICKLY GET BACK  
INSIDE THE CHAMBER  
AND I WILL REVERSE  
THE PROCESS.

IT IS  
FORTUNATE THAT  
HORDAK IS MEETING  
HIS FOLLOWER'S  
OUTSIDE THE  
FRIGHT ZONE.





SOON HE-MAN IS ONCE AGAIN HIS NORMAL SELF...

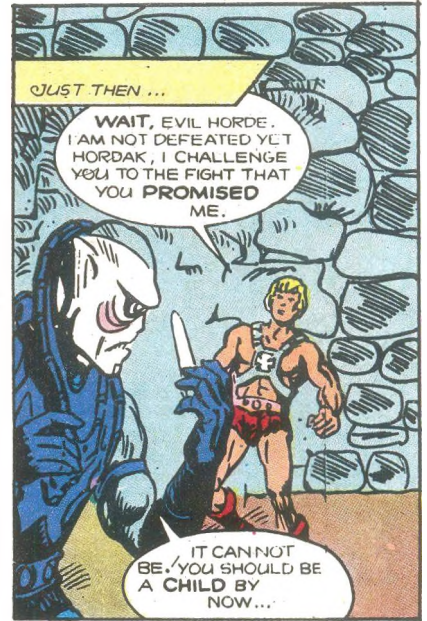
IT'S WORKED! I HAVE THE POWER AGAIN. NOW TO DEAL WITH HORDAK...



EVEN AS HE-MAN SPEAKS, THE EVIL HORDE ARE PRAISING THEIR MASTER...

AND THAT IS HOW I DEFEATED HE-MAN! NOW ON TO CASTLE GRAYSKULL...

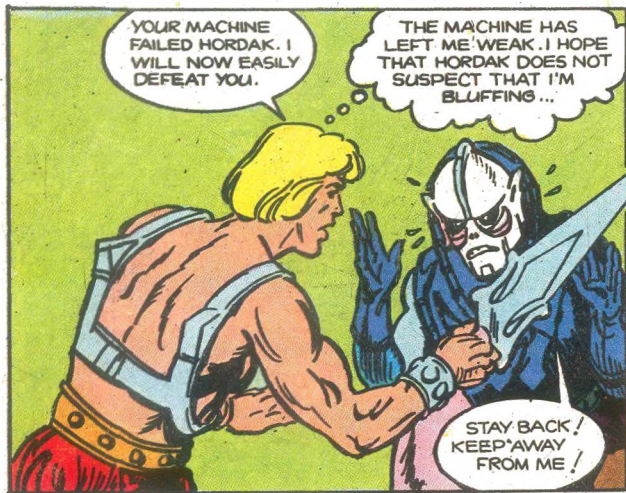
HOR-DAK, HOR-DAK, HOR-DAK...



JUST THEN ...

WAIT, EVIL HORDE. I AM NOT DEFEATED YET HORDAK, I CHALLENGE YOU TO THE FIGHT THAT YOU PROMISED ME.

IT CAN NOT BE. YOU SHOULD BE A CHILD BY NOW...



YOUR MACHINE FAILED HORDAK. I WILL NOW EASILY DEFEAT YOU.

THE MACHINE HAS LEFT ME WEAK. I HOPE THAT HORDAK DOES NOT SUSPECT THAT I'M BLUFFING...

STAY BACK! KEEP AWAY FROM ME!



AFRAID OF LOSING FACE IN FRONT OF HIS HORDE, HORDAK SPEAKS...

TO DEFEAT YOU SO EASILY NOW WOULD BE A HOLLOW VICTORY. I WILL ALLOW YOU TO LEAVE (UNHARMED), HAVE CAUTION THOUGH, FOR THE NEXT TIME WE MEET I SHALL NOT BE SO MERCIFUL...

IT LOOKS LIKE I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE THAT'S BLUFFING.

VERY WELL THEN, WE WILL LEAVE IN PEACE.



SOME TIME LATER, PRINCE ADAM AND MAN AT ARMS ARE ONCE AGAIN DISCUSSING THEIR ADVENTURES...

IT WAS STRANGE TO BE YOUNG AGAIN BUT IT MADE ME AWARE OF ONE IMPORTANT THING...

WHAT'S THE LESSON THAT YOU HAVE LEARNT, ADAM?



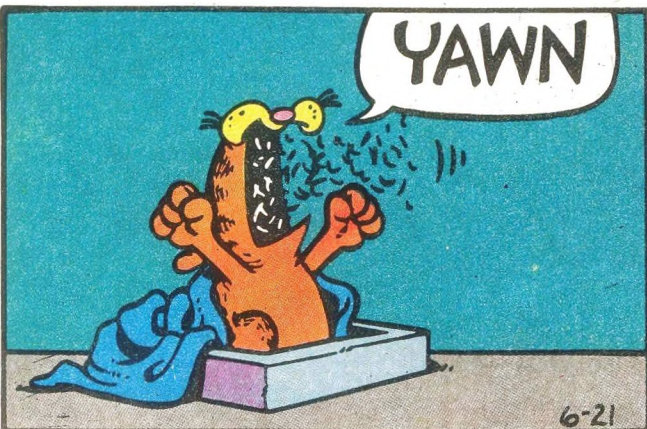
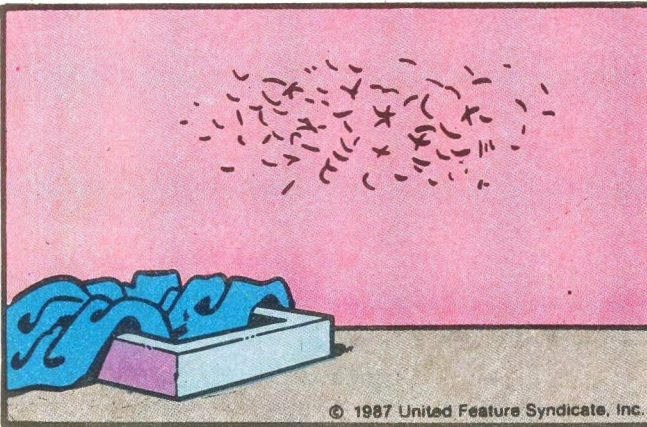
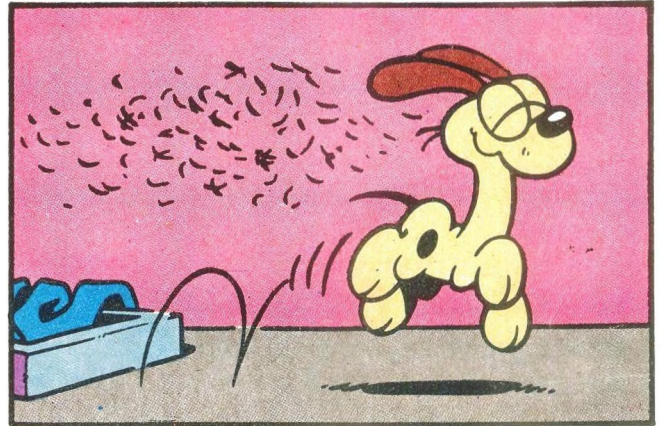
I HAVE LEARNED THE ULTIMATE LESSON. THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY.

HOW WISE. IT'S A SHAME THAT HORDAK CANNOT BENEFIT FROM SUCH NOBLE SENTIMENTS



# GARFIELD

Hair today,  
gone tomorrow



# MIRROR MIRROR ON THE WALL



Now a-days, everybody is more conscious about fitness and beauty. This is the point where you won't just say 'I DON'T CARE': So, if anything is bothering you, write to us. Beauty consultant, Suparna Trikha will tell you how to take care of it.

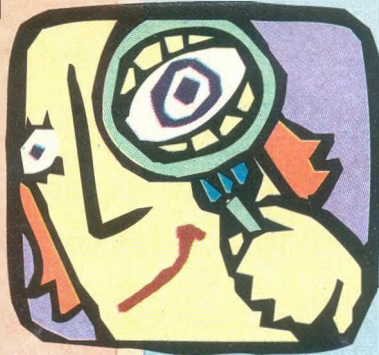


Suparna Trikha

I have very thick eyebrows and want to pluck my hair. But my friends say that my eyesight will become weaker if I pluck them. I have a very weak eyesight.

*Reeta Gurung, Shop 162, Rajbari, Darjeeling*

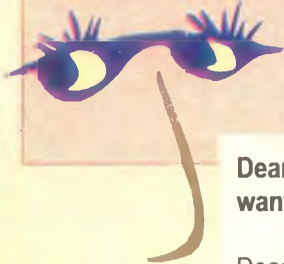
Dear Reeta, I must say that your friends are definitely suffering from some sort of false fallacies. If plucking and threading of the eyebrows lead to weak eyesight, then most women would be suffering from it! Why not get your eyebrows threaded to give them shape? I am quite sure that Darjeeling has a beauty salon where you could go. Be assured that removal of hair does in no way affect the eyesight.



Dear Madam, I have lost some hair on my right eyelashes due to an accident. How could I go about replacing it? It has been seven years since the accident. I am 17 years old.

*Simon Matthew, Bangalore*

Dear Simon, I am surprised that you have waited for seven long years to react to this problem. I would advise you to show it to a specialist immediately. There should be medical experts who could advise you about eyelash grafts. The powerful effects of castor oil mixed with various herbs have known to have miraculous effects on the regrowth and thickening of the hair. But in your case since the area is right next to the eye it is important that you avoid use of oil. I would suggest that you contact a graft specialist in your locality.



Dear Madam, I have grown hair all over my face. Since I want my face to look smooth, I don't want a beard. As I do not like shaving, can you tell me how to remove the hair.

*Hem Kumar Gurung, Upper Kyongsa, Gyalzing Bazar, West Sikkim*

Dear Hem, being a young man of 22, don't you think it is better for you to shave like most young gentlemen of your age? After all surely you cannot go in for waxing or threading. Use a shaver that will make your skin smooth and what better way to finish the shave than with a splash of your favourite after shave!



Dear Suparna, I am 18 years old and have the problem of white spots on my upper lip. I have tried many creams but with no result. Please tell me how I can get rid of them?

*Tenzin Rabgyal, district Mysore, Karnataka*

Dear Tenzin, you have not mentioned clearly what type of white spots you have. These may be white heads or patches. I would suggest that you show it to an expert locally in your area to identify the problem. If they are white heads on the upper lip, you can get them removed professionally from any gents salon. After the removal, to avoid them coming back again, it is important that you keep your skin clean. For this, use a granular face cleanser made from dried orange peel, oatmeal and multani mitti.

Send your probes to:-  
**MIRROR, MIRROR ON THE WALL-16**

**COMIC WORLD**

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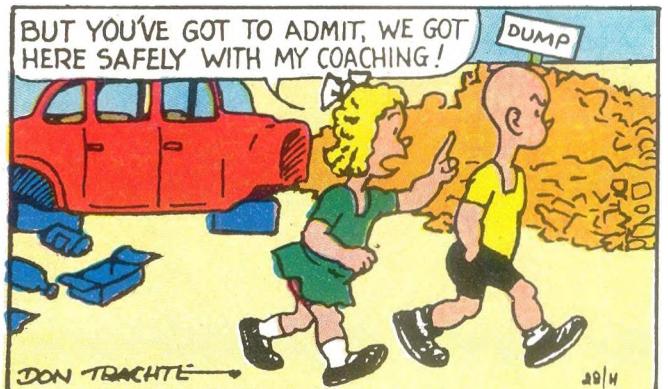
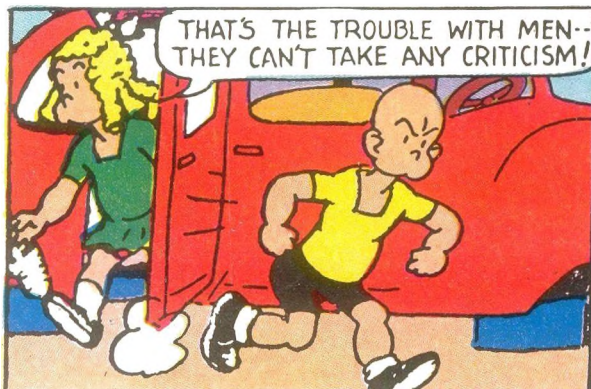
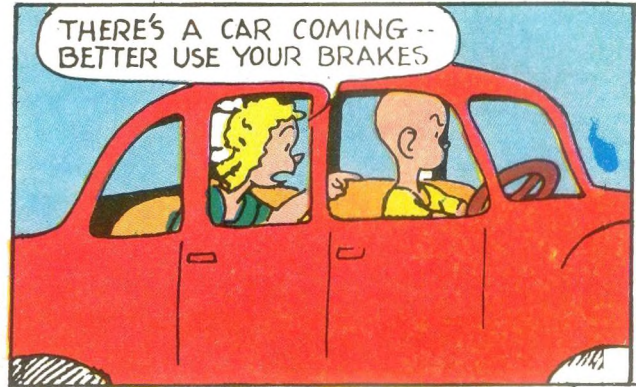
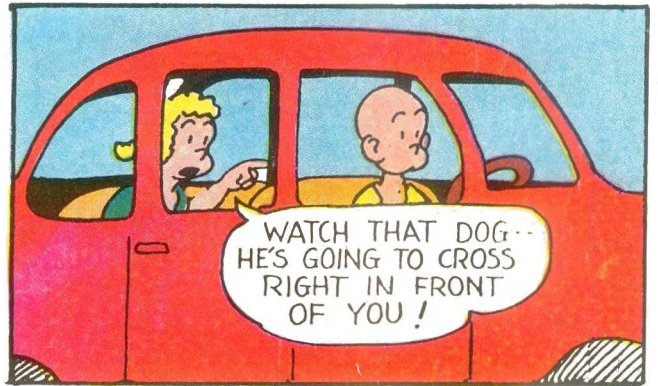
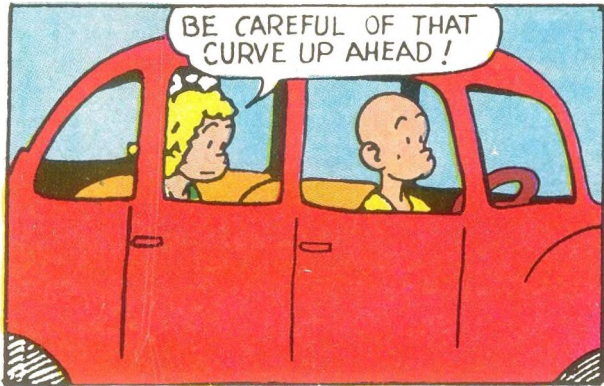
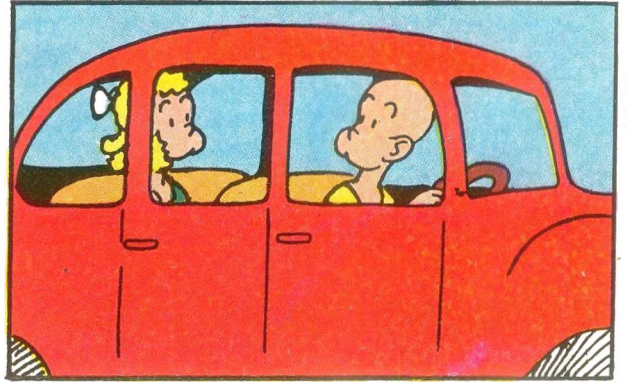
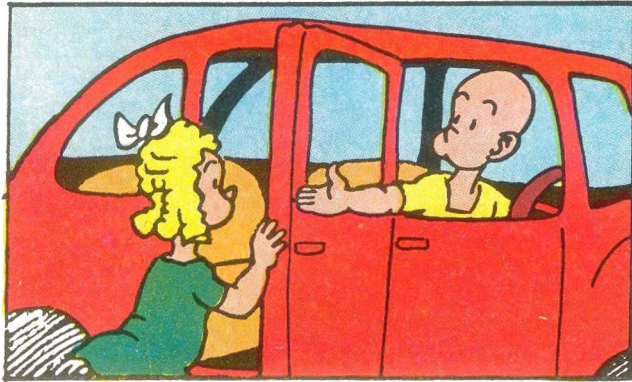
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# HENRY





**C**artoons know no boundaries. They're not limited to laws of physics, they don't have to be believable, and they don't even have to be linear.

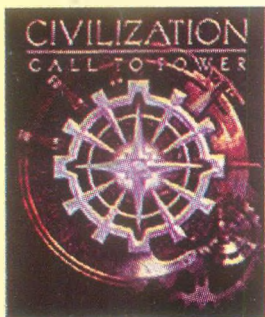
As long as it's funny, you've got a good cartoon. Bugs Bunny has played many roles in his 50-year career, such as a knight of the Round Table, a space-faring astronaut, a cave bunny, and a present-day rascal. His first 3D game, Bugs Bunny: Lost in Time, is an action-adventure that tries to capture the humor and spirit for which he's so well known.

The plot of Lost in Time is extremely simple, just like most Looney Tunes skits. Bugs has taken another wrong turn on

# BUGS BUNNY

his way to Pismo Beach and ended up in a mysterious shed containing a time machine he mistakes for a carrot-juice dispenser. He pulls a few levers and soon he's lost in time. Soon into his history-spanning travels, he comes across Merlin, who explains that Bugs has to fetch numerous clocks and golden carrots to return to his present day. This adventure will lead him through all the important time periods: the Stone Age, the Medieval Period, the Pirate Years, the 1930s, and of course, the future. While collecting clocks and carrots, he'll run into all his famous adversaries including Elmer Fudd, Yosemite Sam, Witch Hazel, and Marvin the Martian. More importantly, you'll be able to relive some of your favorite Looney Tunes routines, as the game features numerous re-creations of classic cartoon scenarios.

# CIVILIZATION: CALL TO POWER II



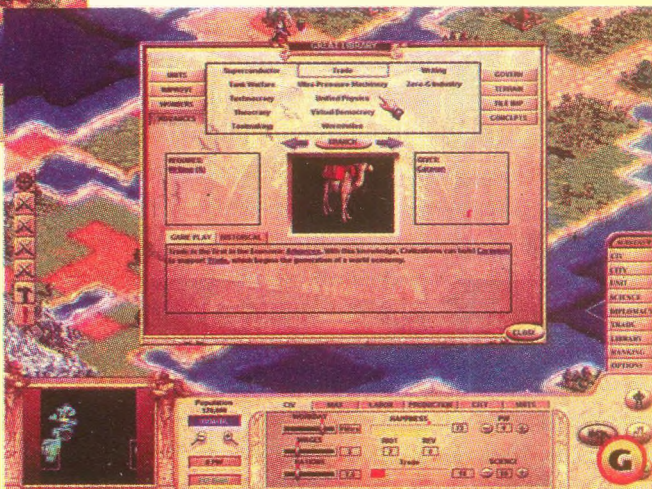
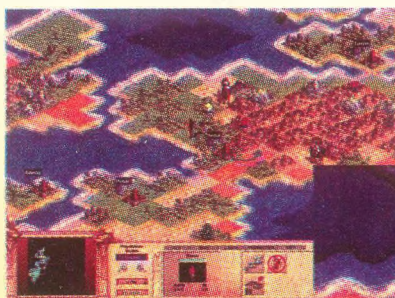
**T**he game lays claim to expanding the traditional timeline of the Civilization game, spanning 6000 years from prehistory to 2300 AD. The gameplay is very much the same as it ever was, being familiar to those who have played the original Civilization Call to Power and Alpha Centauri. However,

the original Call to Power was doomed by its sacrifice of the Civilization-style attention to details and intricate balance for a more global approach to empire management. Activision realises its mistake, and in announcing Call to Power II, it took the opportunity to illustrate the changes in the upcoming game. Combat, for one, will be "refined and rebalanced for more realistic outcomes." Also, advanced units will now have more obvious tactical superiority over primitive units, cutting down on the more ridiculous episodes of axe-wielding cavemen trouncing 20th-century paratroopers. In Civilization: Call to Power, we have the answer to what some would call the single-most daunting challenge in PC gaming: to design the direct heir to Civilization II, widely regarded as the best turn-based strategy game of all time. Whatever else you may think about Call to Power, you have

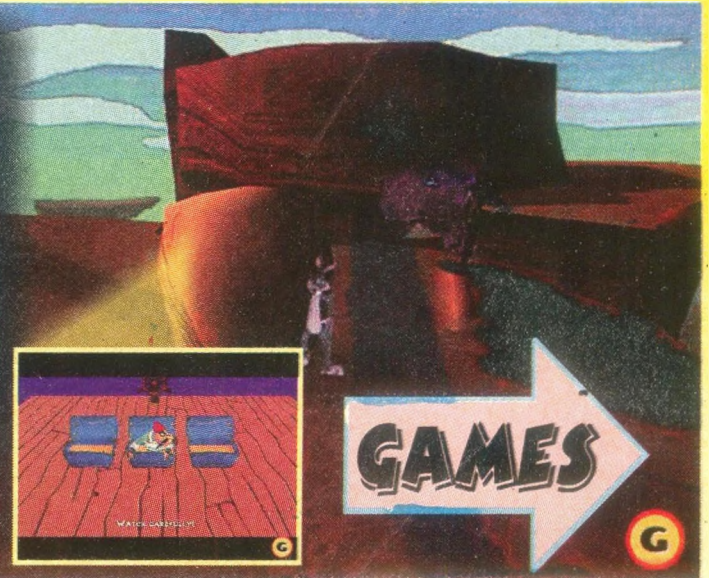
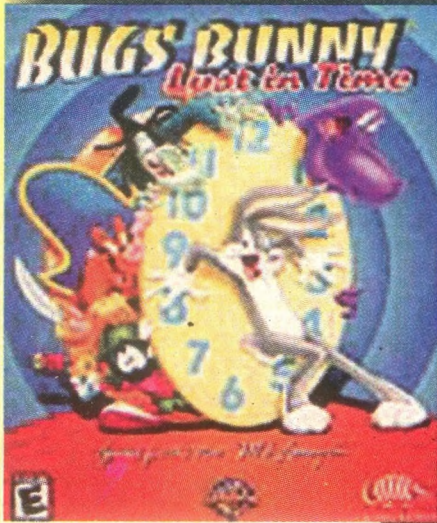
to admire the ambition behind the effort. This is not a mere rehash of Civilization II. Rather, it is a bold step in a new and at times almost entirely different direction. The designers took the opportunity to revisit almost every major aspect of the Civ II experience - units, combat, interface, graphics, and more.



While superficial similarities exist, in truth, Civilization: Call to Power bears less resemblance to Civilization II than Civilization II did to the original Civilization.



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# Dependence on Computers

Computers have become a vital part of life today. Microsoft Corporation Chief Bill Gates' dream of a computer in every home has been realised in the developed countries. Developing countries like India too would join them in a mere few years. And then it would be the turn of the most backward ones.

The microprocessor chip is the mind and heart of the computer. This chip is also present in several electrical equipment and gadgets that we use. Even a watch has a microprocessor in it. At the heart of gadgets like cameras, calculators, washing machines, dishwashers, food-processors, music systems and now even cars there is a microprocessor chip or a minute computer. The chips help these machines to take instructions and carry out many jobs intelligently.

The latest in-thing is fuzzy logic systems, that is, machines which do some sort of thinking. Such "thinking" chips are there in the latest washing machines, automatic cameras, microwave ovens, etc.

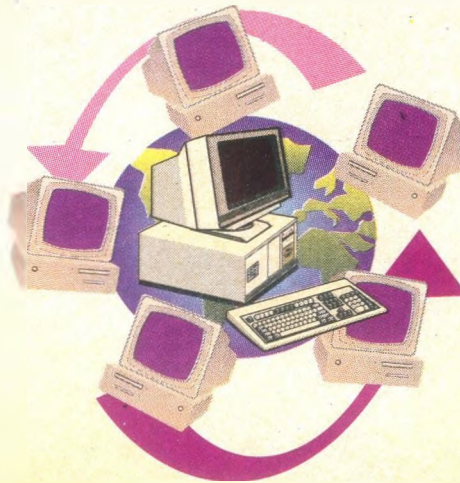
The chip has made our life simpler and easier. But actually computers have revolutionised the way we carry on our work.

Looking at the state of development today and the pace at which all this is happening, it is very hard to predict what will happen in another ten years or so. All our fantasies will

come true. All that we could only dream of will be happening. Fighter jets will be replaced by unmanned crafts. Car companies like Ford and Mercedes are working towards making automatically driven cars with a navigator system which will enable a person to reach his destination by only instructing the computer in his car as to where he wants to go. Surgical operations without incisions have now become possible. All this and many other things have become possible and will become possible just because of developments in the area of computer and information technology.

But the question is: "How much dependence on computers?" This is no ordinary question and requires deep understanding and an insight on the future. We are growing dependent upon computers as it makes our life simple and easy. But should we become fully dependent on the machine. We must have full knowledge so that we can do our jobs even if the computer breaks down. Total dependence on computers could lead to computers overpowering the human being as the machines are quicker, faster and could one day possess super intelligence. Couldn't computers threaten our very existence some day?

**By Anshul Verma**



## HOLLY WOOD



# Girl, Interrupted

In 1967, after a session with a psychiatrist she'd never seen before, Susanna Kaysen was diagnosed with Borderline Personality Disorder-an affliction with symptoms so ambiguous almost any adolescent girl might qualify-and sent to a renowned New England psychiatric hospital where she spent the next two years in a ward for teenage girls. There, Susanna loses herself in an Oz-like nether world of seductive and disturbed young women: among them Lisa, a charming sociopath who stages a disastrous escape with Susanna, Daisy, a pampered girl with a predilection for rotisserie chicken, and Polly, a remarkably kind burn victim. Ultimately, assisted by the hospital's head psychiatrist, Dr. Wick, and a no-nonsense ward nurse, Valerie, Susanna, like Dorothy, resolves to leave this Oz and reclaim her life.

## Next Friday

Craig is still living with his parents in South Central Los Angeles while looking for a job and remembering his moment of glory four years before. That was when he finally bested the local bully, Debo, during an eventful Friday. But now Debo has escaped after several years behind bars, and he's bent on exacting painful revenge on Craig. Fearing for his son's safety, Craig's father sends him to live with his eccentric Uncle Elroy and cousin Day\_Day, who have parlayed their lottery winnings into a home in the suburbs. Craig soon learns, however, that trouble can find you no matter where you live. Once again, forces beyond his control will test his survival skills and his commitment to family and Craig, with comic relief from Day\_Day, will rise to the challenge.



# THE END OF THE AFFAIR

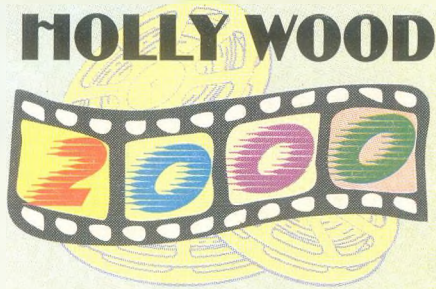


Starring: Ralph Fiennes, Julianne Moore, Stephen Rea, Heather Jay Jones and James Bolam  
Directed by Neil Jordan.  
Produced by Neil Jordan and Stephen Woolley.

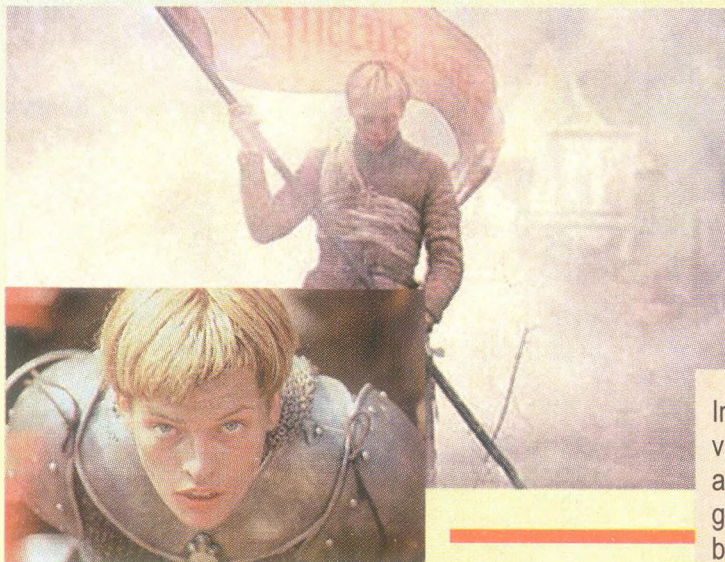
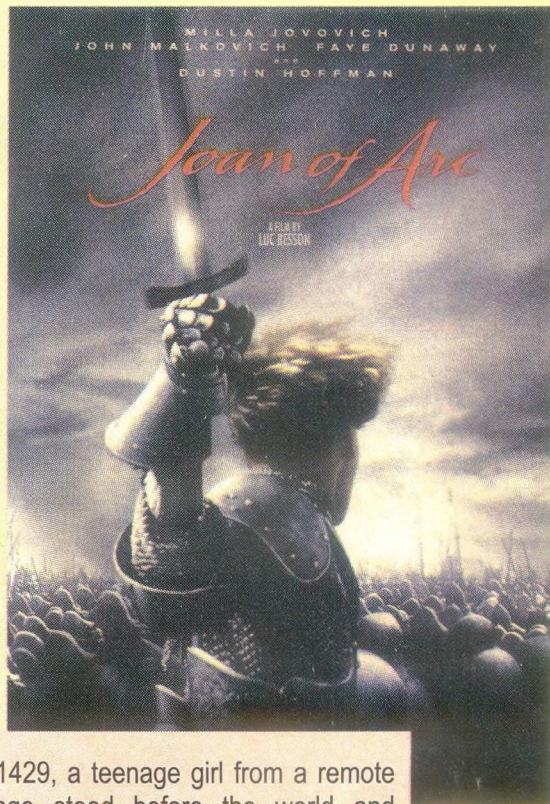
Written by Neil Jordan and Graham Greene. On a rainy London night in 1946, novelist Maurice Bendrix has a chance meeting with Henry Miles, husband of his ex\_mistress Sarah, who abruptly ended their affair two years before. Bendrix's obsession with Sarah is rekindled; he succumbs to his own jealousy and arranges to have her followed. As the investigation progresses, we learn the reason for their separation. During a bombing raid, Sarah struck a bargain with God to sacrifice their relationship\_in exchange for Bendrix's life. When Bendrix reappears in her life, Sarah realises that her promise to God has become impossible for her to keep. She is placed in a spiritual

dilemma as she struggles with her continuing love for her former lover in the face of the realisation that she is fatally ill





# Joan of Arc



In 1429, a teenage girl from a remote village stood before the world and announced she would defeat the world's greatest army and liberate her country. It began as a small voice in the heart of a simple girl... but the voice grew stronger, rulers were drawn to listen, armies were empowered to fight and her countrymen were inspired to believe.

Starring: Milla Jovovich, John Malkovich, Faye Dunaway, Dustin Hoffman and Timothy West  
Directed by Luc Besson.

Produced by Patrice Ledoux.  
Written by Luc Besson and Andrew Birkin.

Distributor: Columbia Tristar



# SPORTS

## DAVENPORT BROUGHT MARTINA TO HER KNEES

The hard-hitting American, Lindsay Davenport brought Swiss Miss Martina Hingis to her knees in Melbourne. The story of the women's champion in Australian open is in some ways similar to the Agassi saga. Nobody doubted Davenport's shot-making talents but she carried considerable excess baggage and fitter players took advantage of that before the Californian decided to shed weight, train hard and maximise her potential.

Rewards came quickly, the first big one at the U.S. Open two years ago. And, since then Davenport has been a genuine world-beater, adding the Wimbledon crown last summer and the Australian here last fortnight.

"I play tennis because I love the sport. I don't do it for attention or for money or for anything else," said Davenport, 23, after beating Martina Hingis 6-1, 7-5 in the women's final for her fourth straight victory over the Swiss world No.1

"I've been lucky I have gotten this good at tennis and I have worked really hard to get it," said Davenport, who thanked her longtime coach Robert Van't Hof for helping her become the champion she is. "Robert has done so much for me. Without him I don't know where I will be." It is very obvious that Hingis' game doesn't match up very well with Davenport's. The American has been able to overpower the Swiss teenager time after time, and on all surfaces.



### ICC Revokes Power of Its Own Advisory Panel!

The International Cricket Council (ICC), in a landmark decision, announced it had revoked the powers of its own advisory panel to ban bowlers with suspect actions. ICC President Jagmohan Dalmiya stated that the decision was made at a two-day executive board meeting in Singapore. The decision will reinstate Pakistan pacesman Shoaib Akhtar in Test cricket.

Shoaib Akhtar is currently barred from playing Test cricket because of a flawed bowling action, though he was cleared last month to play one-day internationals for Pakistan. The ICC chief explained his decision. The ICC's advisory panel on illegal deliveries would "no longer ban a player with a suspect action until such time as there has been a full review by the ICC of that power and related procedures."

Replying to questions, Dalmiya explained that pressure would now be on the respective national bodies to take action when the panel reported a bowler with a "suspect" action. With regard to Shoaib Akhtar, the ICC president said: "Pakistan will report the progress on the work on the bowler's action and this will then be reviewed by the panel."

"If further correction is required, then the panel will advise the Pakistani Cricket board accordingly. It is then up to Pakistan to take Shoaib Akhtar out of its international squad."



# Triumph at the Under-19 World Cup

# SPORTS

Indian juniors won the under-19 world cup in Sri Lanka beating the host nation comfortably. Set a target of 179 to win the Indian juniors won easily.

The future is the key. It is easy to be euphoric about a very creditable performance. But the question now is how to build for the future from here.

While India's triumph at the second ICC under-19 World Cup in Sri Lanka is indeed heart-warming, the familiarity with the conditions was an advantage which cannot be easily discounted.

In the light of the weaknesses shown by the senior team in Australia, the question that arises is would Md. Kaif and his boys have performed as well

under different conditions.

The junior World Cup was essentially a race between the powerhouses of the sub-continent, all three of which made it to the semifinals. India's superiority over the rest arose from the fact that it fielded a far-experienced composition, with



almost all of them first class cricketers.

The unfortunate exit of South Africa and the surprise qualification of Nepal made things much easier for Sri Lanka and India in the Super-Eight Group II. Defending champion England was no force in these conditions while the spirited Reetinder Singh Sodhi, who made 74 after the side was trickily placed at 74 for three, was the success factor in the outing against Sri Lanka which enabled the side top the group.

India went into the final with a psychological edge having beaten Sri Lanka in each one of their previous five meetings over two seasons. India won convincingly, the overall experience providing the cutting edge.

The qualities displayed by the young Indian brigade throughout the tournament were refreshingly different, and one must say indelible. The spirit was right, the bottom line of which was the desire to excel as a team.



# CAR AND BIKE

## Mercedes-Benz CL600

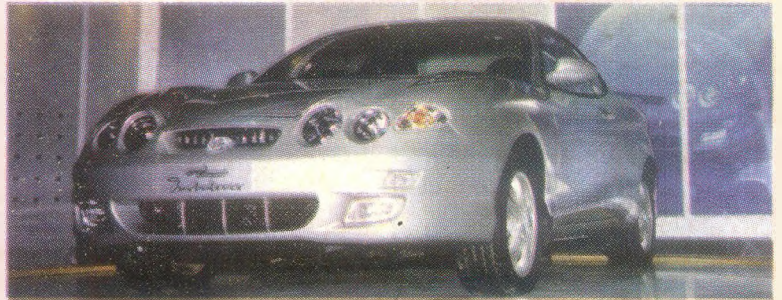
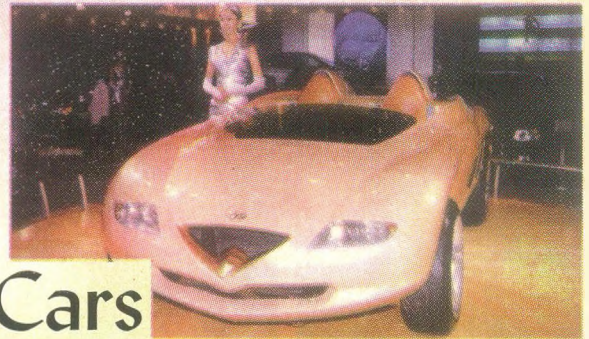
The new Mercedes-Benz flagship model is now the CL600 with the 5.8-litre V12 engine. Truly a superb specimen befitting the term Grand Tourer, the CL600 features the revolutionary Active Body Control (ABC) that virtually eliminates body roll and pitch during cornering, braking and acceleration. ABC makes use of high-speed servos and sensors to give the system its split-second reaction time.



The two most exciting cars on display at Auto Expo came from Hyundai in the form of the Tiburon Turbulence sports coupe (Right-above) and the Euro Sport concept car (Right-below).

## Sport Concept Cars

The powerful Tiburon Turbulence was launched just last May and with its 153bhp four-cylinder motor it is capable of speeds upto 225kmph. The Euro Sport has been seen at international motor shows before. Conceived and styled by Hyundai's R&D centre in Germany it features a mid-engine, rear wheel drive layout. A six-speed sequential shift gearbox effects the transmission of power to the rear wheels from the 2-litre engine dohc MPFI engine.



## Dilip Chhabria's Most Emphatic Creation



The cat's whiskers and slinky eyes job denote the distinctive front end of the Ikoncept 2003 convertible sportster by DC Design. Built on the recently released Ford Ikon platform, this car is one of Dilip Chhabria's most emphatic creations. Use of large diameter alloy wheels with low profile radials helps in the low purposeful stance. The rear end with its pseudo ground effect venturi treatment is notable as are the minimalist overhangs while another design detail worthy of mention is the way the wheel arches blend into the side skirts. Very impressive!

## MERCEDES SLA

Exciting Vision SLA roadster from Mercedes-Benz (Left) based on the A-class and is pegged as a rival for the Mazda Miata. Expect it in production soon. Merc rival Volkswagen stormed Detroit with its stunning AAC pick-up concept (Below) heralding its move into SUV and truck territory. Expect a full blown pukka SUV soon.



## TOYOTA SEQUOIA

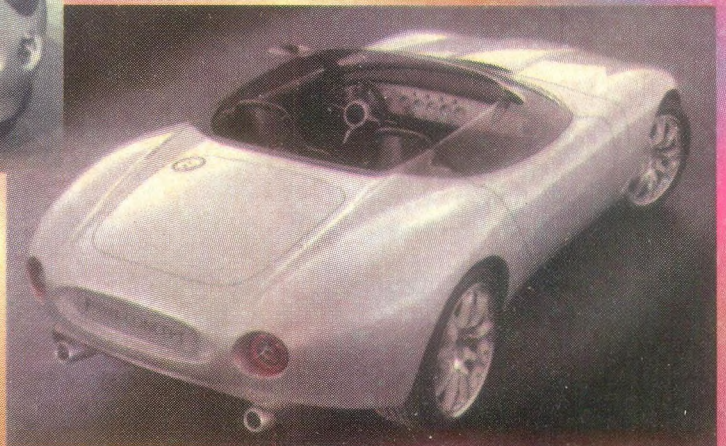


**T**oyota premiered its new Sequoia SUV (Left) powered by a large 4.5-litre V8. Seems even the Japs cannot do without SUVs for the US market.

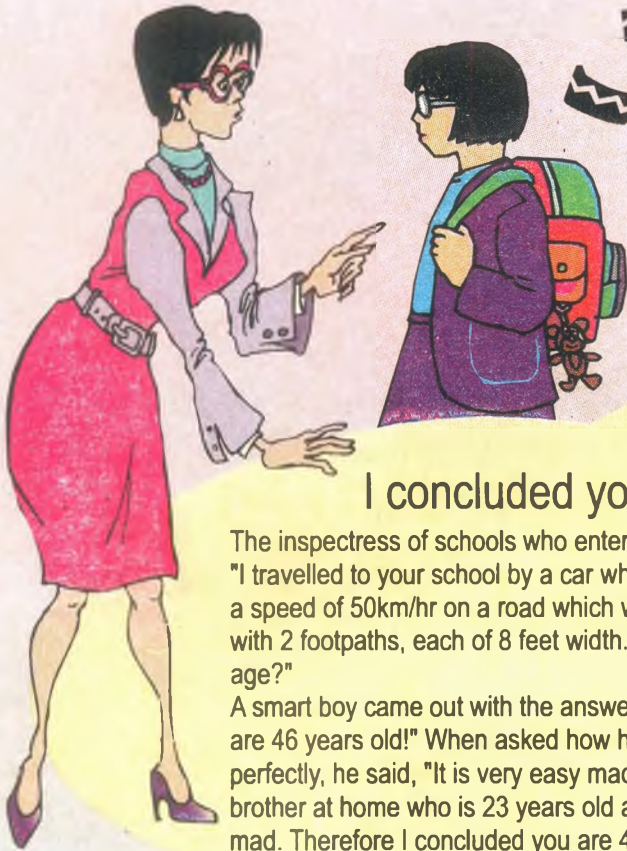


The Jaguar small car concept was shown for the first time, known as F-Type. Though featuring many design elements from the XK180 seen some years ago, F-Type generated a fair bit of response and insiders say it could be in showrooms within the next two or three years.

## Jaguar F-Type



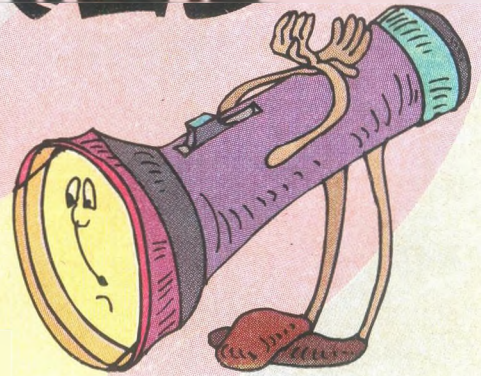
# JOKES



## I concluded you are 46!

The inspectress of schools who entered a class and asked, "I travelled to your school by a car which took 1 hour at a speed of 50km/hr on a road which was 80 feet wide with 2 footpaths, each of 8 feet width. What is my age?"

A smart boy came out with the answer. "Madam, you are 46 years old!" When asked how he guessed it so perfectly, he said, "It is very easy madam. I have a brother at home who is 23 years old and he is half-mad. Therefore I concluded you are 46!"



**Pupil:** Do you think it is right to punish people for the things they haven't done?  
**Teacher:** Why, of course not!  
**Pupil:** Well, I haven't done my homework.

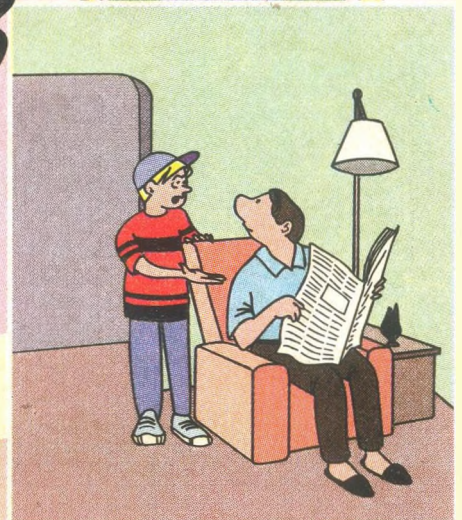
## My Creditor Died

A man met his friend in the street and asked, "You are looking bright and happy this morning, what is the matter?"

"I am cleared of all my debts," replied the friend.

"But where did you get the money from?" asked the man.

"I did not get any money," replied the friend. "My creditor died, last night."

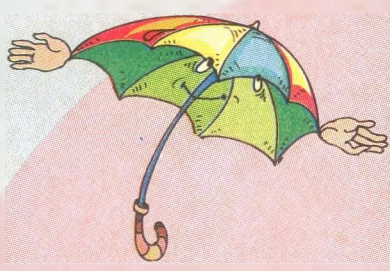


**Father to son :** Son ! Intelligent Children do not answer silly questions, only they laugh at it.  
**Son :** Father, that is why, when I was taking the exams, I read the question paper, I laughed and came back.





# JOKES



"Have you heard eight persons standing under one umbrella and none getting wet?"  
"How is that?"  
"It wasn't raining."



**Teacher (on the phone):** You say Lata has a cold and can't come to school today? To whom am I speaking?  
**Voice:** This is my mother.

The kindly old lady was much impressed with the street beggar. "Oh, you poor man!" she exclaimed. "It must be dreadful to be lame. But you know, it could be worse. I think it would be much worse if you were blind!"  
"Your are telling me lady," responded the beggar. "When I was blind, people were all the time giving me foreign coins."

When the mother brought her new baby daughter home from the hospital, she forgot to remove the baby's identification tag. Her three-year old son saw it and immediately asked, "Mummy, when are you going to take off her price tag?"

**Raju:** Mom, does God stay in a bathroom?  
**Mother:** No, dear. Why did you ask so?  
**Raju:** Well, this morning I heard dad knocking on the bathroom's door and saying, "Oh God, are you still in there?"



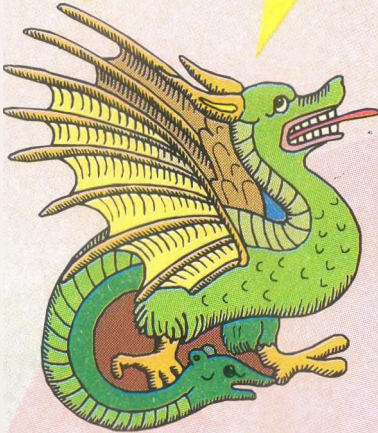
# J O K E S

**Shamu :** What is the name of BruceLee's sister ?  
**Ramu :** I don't know.  
**Shamu :** Unglee! (Ha! Ha! Ha!)



**How to bully someone?**  
**Call a bull.**

**How do you make holy water?**  
**You boil the hell out of it.**

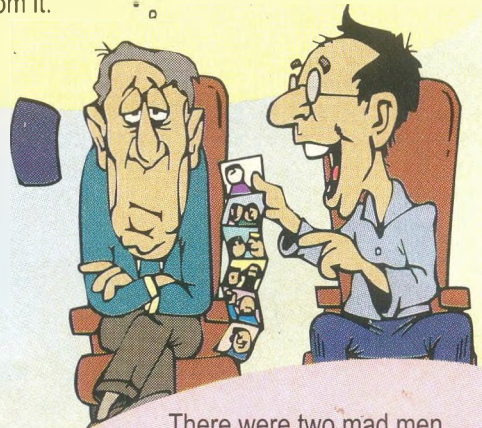


**What does a monster eat after a tooth check up?**  
**The Dentist.**



**What are best bookmarkers?**  
**Dirty fingers. (yuck)**

A tailor confessed that he had stolen a roll of cloth from a van.  
 "I hope you won't make a habit of it," said the priest.  
 "Certainly not," said the tailor, "I was going to make suits from it."



There were two mad men.  
 First mad man : I'll rub the whole world.  
 Second mad man : I'll not give you the rubber.

**Teacher to the students :**

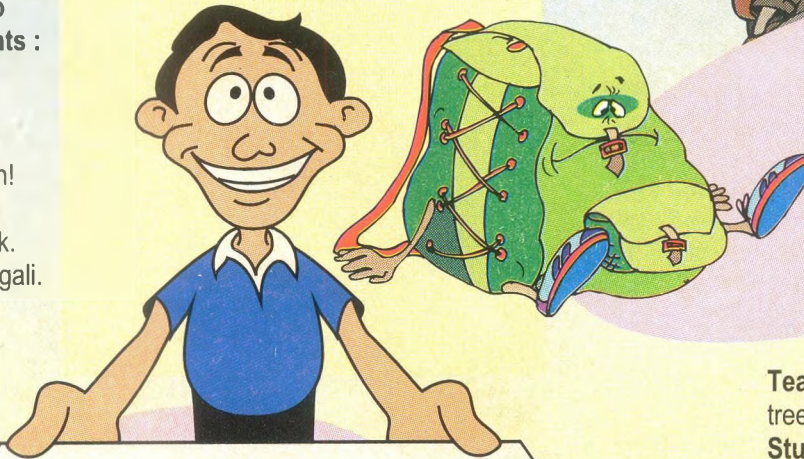
Who can speak Bengali?

**Ajay :** I can!

**Teacher :**

Then speak.

**Ajay :** Bengali.



## Exams

Oh! My dear examinations, I have made no preparations and terribly afraid of you. Kindly tell me what to do? You are early, I am late. I am daily losing my weight. Oh! Go away, Go away, You must. Let me learn my lessons first. Oh! I Shall not bother about you. What if I get zeroes just a few.

**Teacher :** What is the outside of the tree called ?

**Student :** Mam, I don't know.

**Teacher :** Bark.

**Student :** Bow! Bow! Bow!



# A anecdotes...

**S**ir Redmond Barry, a distinguished Australian judge in Colonial Victoria, was renowned for his gracious manners. Once, when walking along a Melbourne street with a friend, a tattered, unshaven man passed and raised his dirty old hat to the judge. Sir Redmond lifted his own handsome top hat and elaborately returned the greetings. His friend was surprised at this great courtesy and when asked, he said: "Sir," said Redmond, "Would you have me outdone in politeness by a beggar?"



**D**uring the Civil War, in a discussion about the fortunes and setbacks of the Northern armies; Abraham Lincoln said that people should pray for victory. One of his critics asked: "Are you sure, Mr. President; that God is on; our side?"

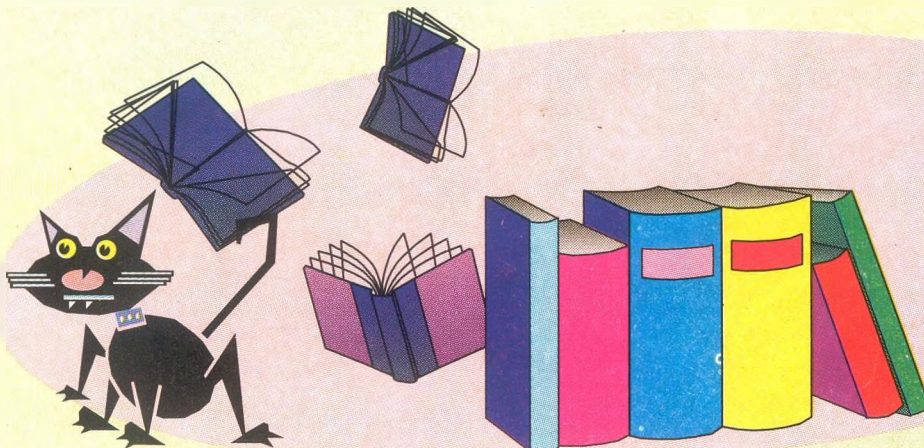
"I'm much more concerned that we should be on God's side," replied Lincoln.



**S**arasate, the great Spanish violinist; was once called a genius by a famous critic. In reply to this, Sarasate shook his head and snorted: "Genius! For thirty seven years I have practised fourteen hours a day, and now they call me a genius."

**O**ne day, shortly after Christmas, a friend of Mark Twain paid a visit to the humourist's house. When he entered the library, he noticed a pile of books on the floor. "Gifts?" he asked. Twain nodded.

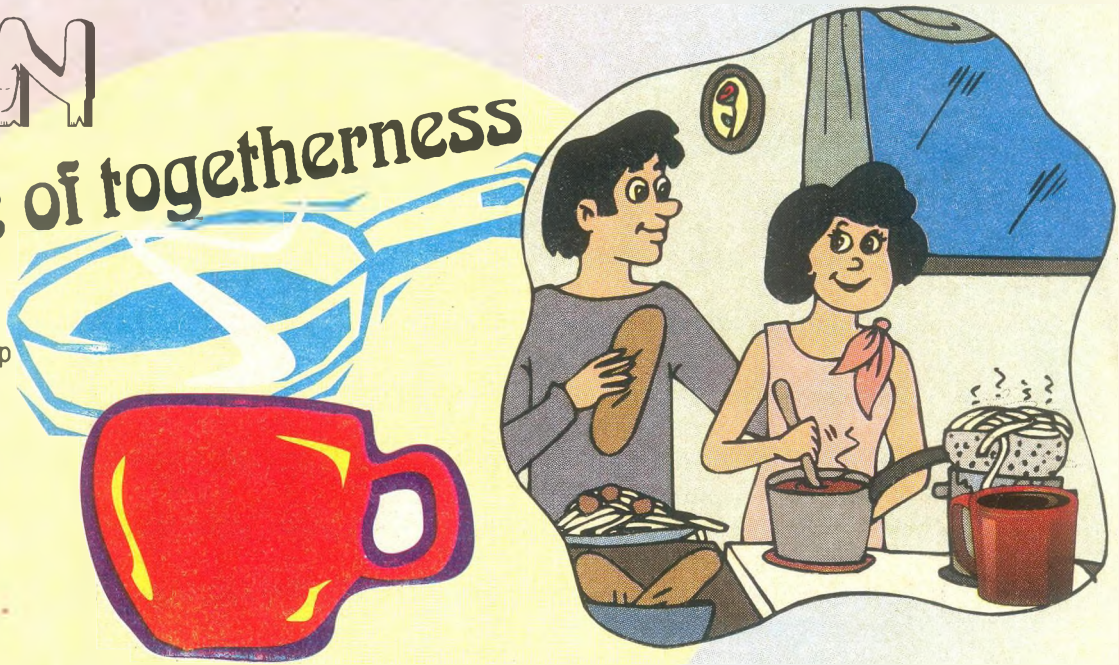
"Why do people always give writers books for gifts?" asked the other. "Don't they think we ever need anything else?" "Oh, I like books," Said Twain. "Take these heavy books, for example. There's nothing like a heavy book for throwing at noisy cats. And thin books are just the things to put under shaky tables and chairs. And look at this leather bound volume. It makes an ideal razor-sharp. Books are ideal gifts, I can't get enough of them."



# FUN

## Recipe of togetherness

Love- 3 cups  
Understanding- 1 cup  
Kindness- 1 cup  
Humour- 1 cup  
Humility- 1 cup  
Forgiveness- 1 cup  
Feeling- 3 cups  
Patience- 2 cups  
Faithfulness- 3 cups



### Method

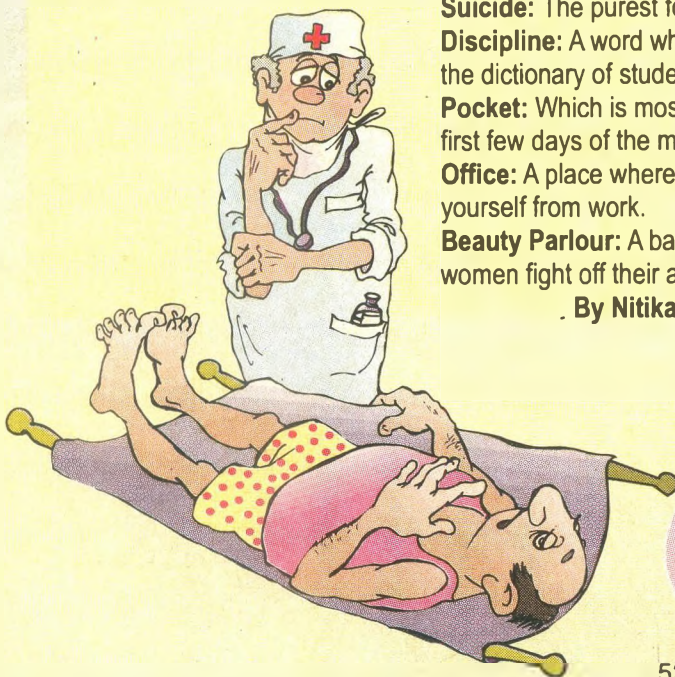
Mix love and faithfulness in a stainless steel pan. Heat slowly until the anger has evaporated. Now add one cup of understanding while stirring with a large spoon. Heat it and cool down to room temperature. Slowly add all the three cups of feeling. While mixing, pour one cup of kindness along the inside of the pan. Heat it and allow it to settle down. Then pour out the upper layer of pride. Put forgiveness, humour, patience and humility in a blender and liquefy at a high speed. Now empty the blender while mixing into the stainless pan. Then bake it to 45 degrees for 15 minutes. Serve big helpings topped with smiles.

By Sharad Dagar, Class-IX

## Funny Definitions

**School:** A place where papa pays and beta plays.

**Father:** A Banker provided by Nature.



**Suicide:** The purest form of self-criticism.

**Discipline:** A word which is missing from the dictionary of students.

**Pocket:** Which is mostly empty except for first few days of the month.

**Office:** A place where you can release yourself from work.

**Beauty Parlour:** A battle field where aged women fight off their age.

By Nitika Chaudhary, Jammu



**Hostel:** Modern hospital visited by special patient suffering from a disease called studentus.

**Family:** A group of people who own different keys to the same house.

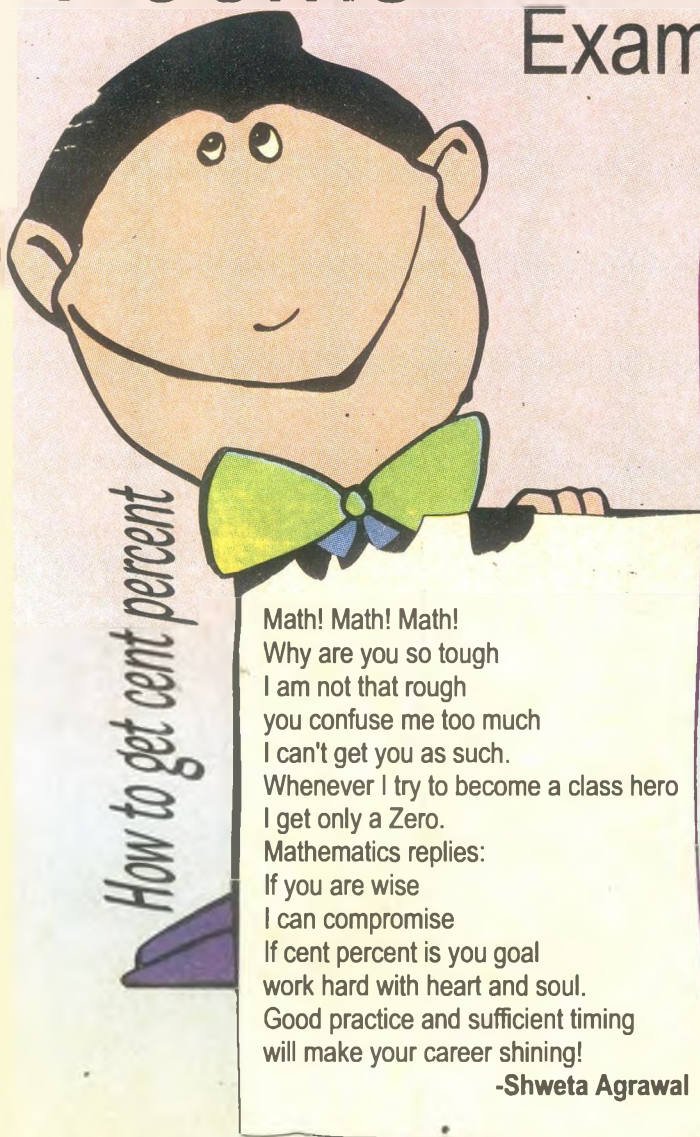
**Doctor:** One who charges before discharging his client.

By Shweta Agrawal, Class IX



# Poems

## Examination



*How to get cent percent*

Math! Math! Math!  
Why are you so tough  
I am not that rough  
you confuse me too much  
I can't get you as such.  
Whenever I try to become a class hero  
I get only a Zero.  
Mathematics replies:  
If you are wise  
I can compromise  
If cent percent is your goal  
work hard with heart and soul.  
Good practice and sufficient timing  
will make your career shining!

**-Shweta Agrawal**

Education is necessary for every nation.  
But I am seized with tension  
Because of my examination.

In English we have comprehension,  
While in Hindi we have composition.  
In Geography study denudation,  
In History its revolution.

In Maths solve equation,  
In Physics its reflection.  
In Chemistry its simple combination,  
And I don't get time for relaxation.

Every evening I have tuition,  
But still it's a big confusion,  
Even so I have to do my examination.

So dear friends, I have to mention  
No matter what confusion,  
Don't give up your education,  
Because you are the back-bone of the nation.

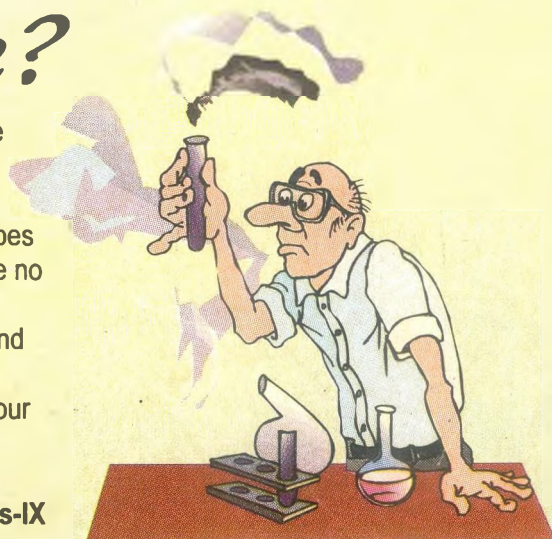
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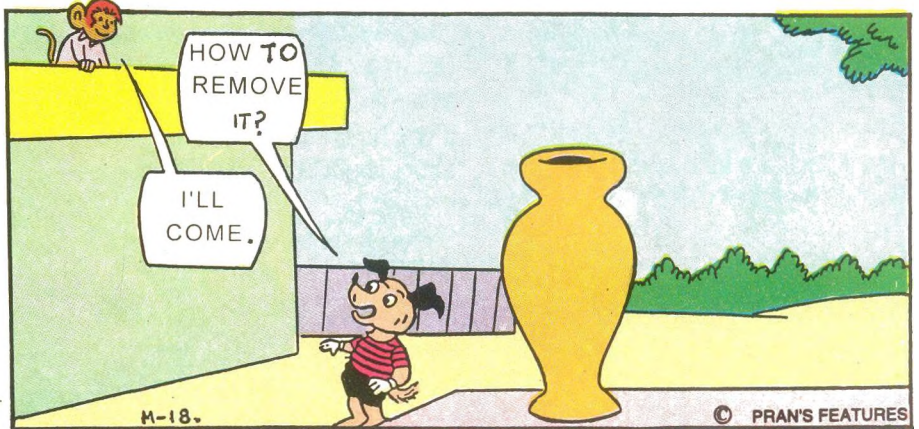
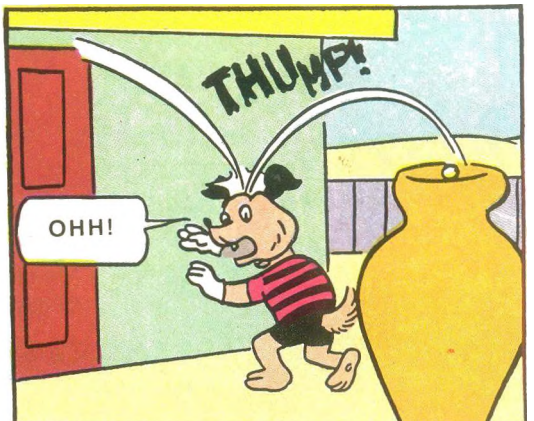
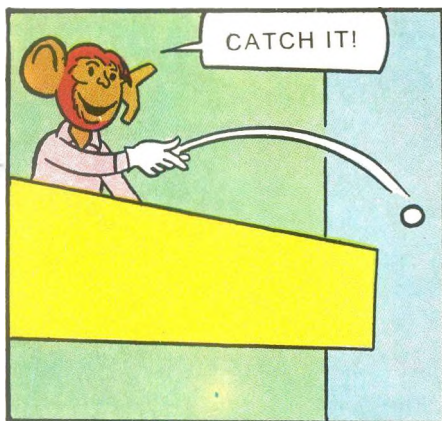
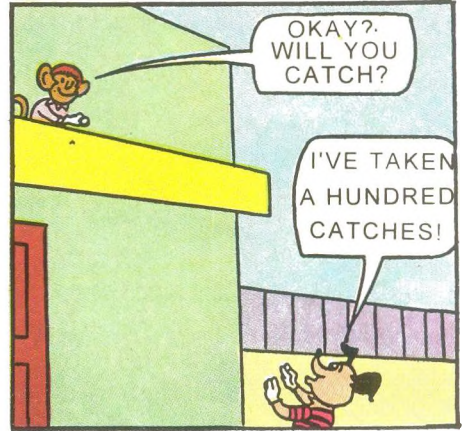
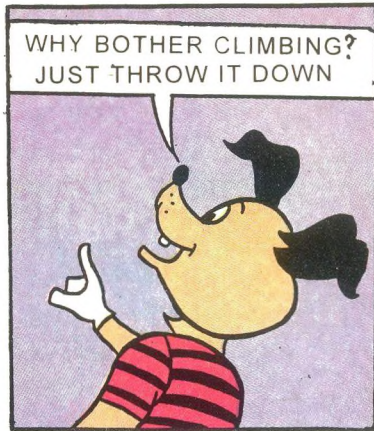
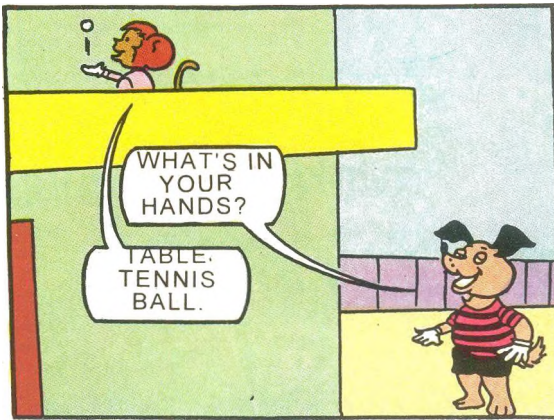
## *Is chemistry a bore?*

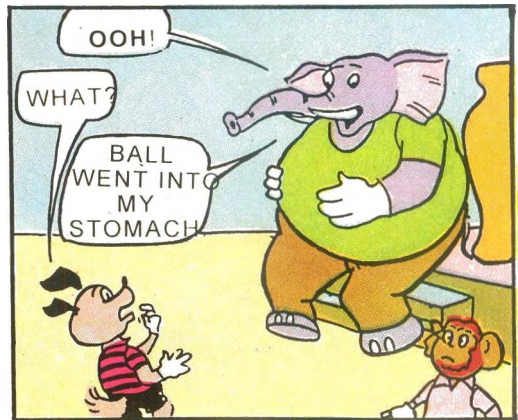
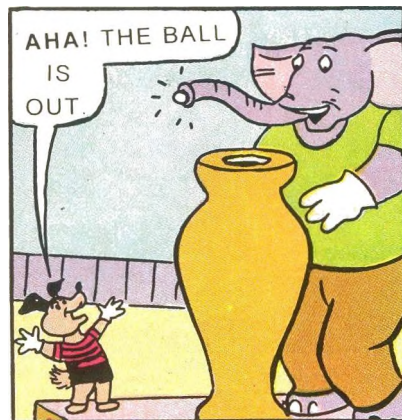
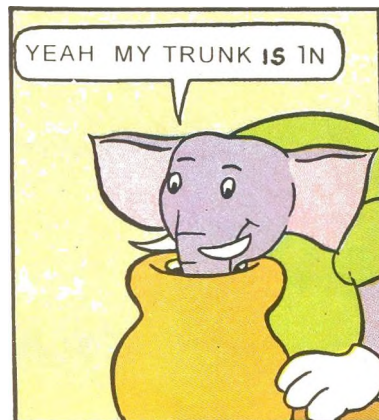
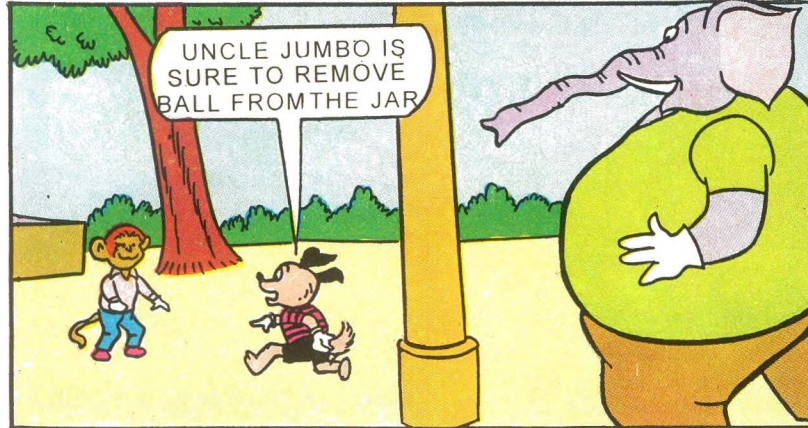
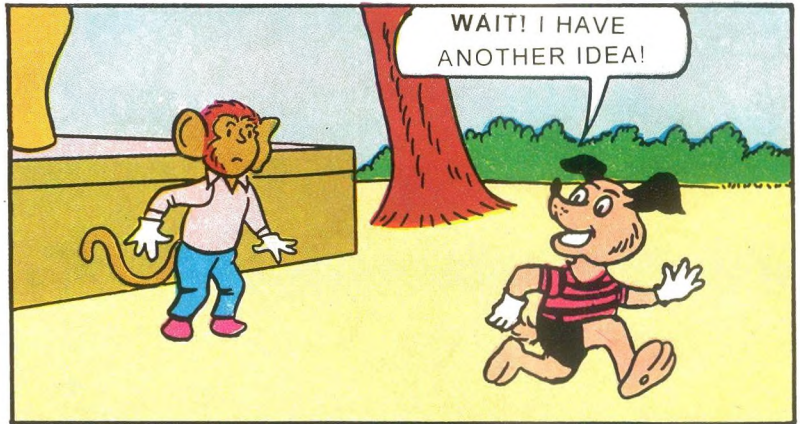
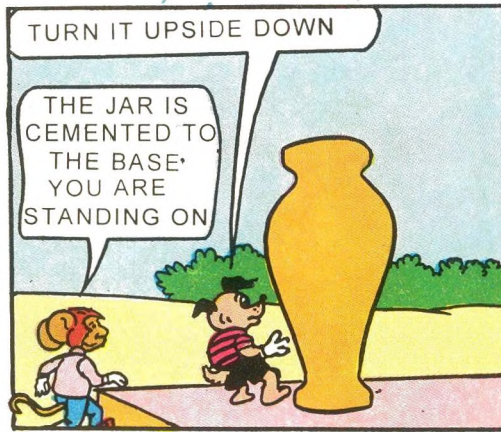
If you find chemistry a bore  
have a few drops of  $H_2SO_4$ .  
But if you feel it light and free  
you better have some  $CaCO_3$ .  
And if you take both of them, its true  
you will be full of  $CO_2$ .  
The other products could be  $CaSO_4$   
and water  
no matter what you are dad's only son  
or daughter.  
And if you by change happen to smell  
the gas that we call  $HCl$

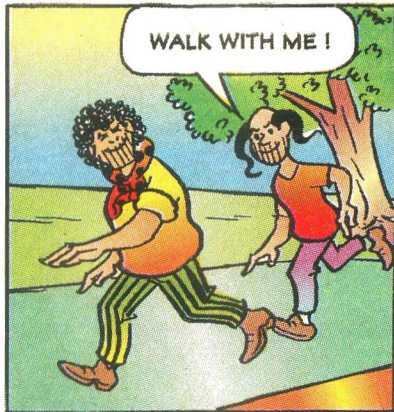
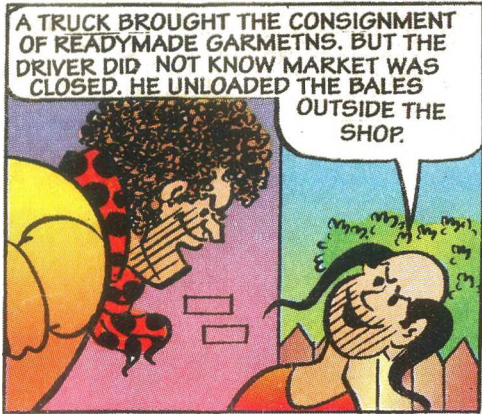
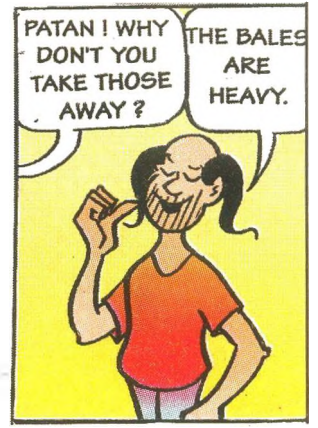
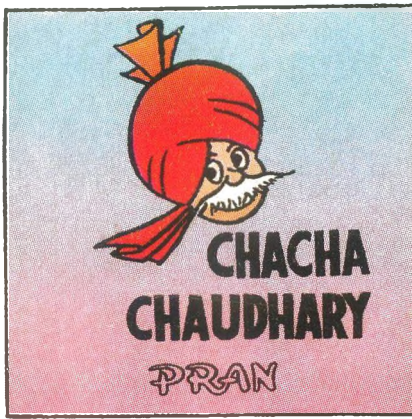
you will jump about and dance  
like water when it reacts with  
sodium.  
If you hear atoms called isotopes  
about your future you will have no  
hopes.  
So folks, lie flat on your bed and  
take  
every bit of chemistry out of your  
brain's lobes.

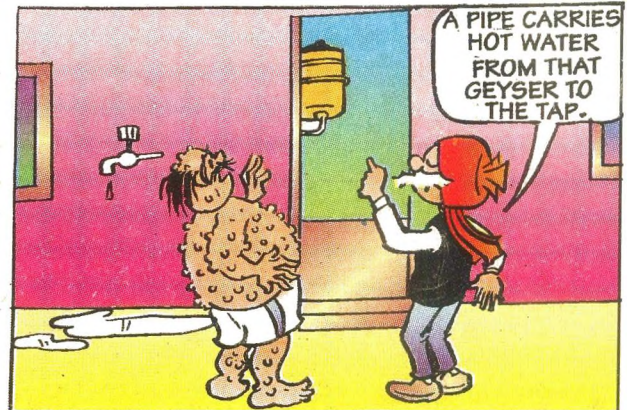
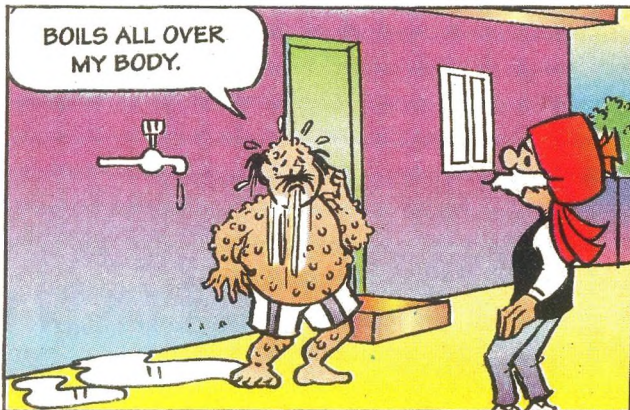
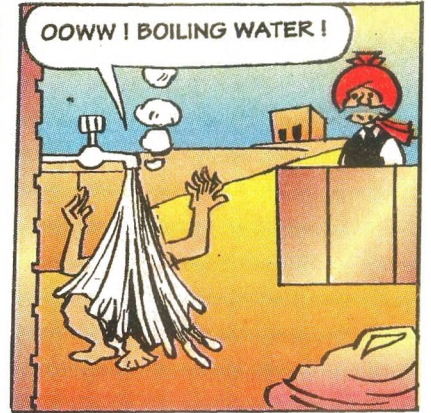
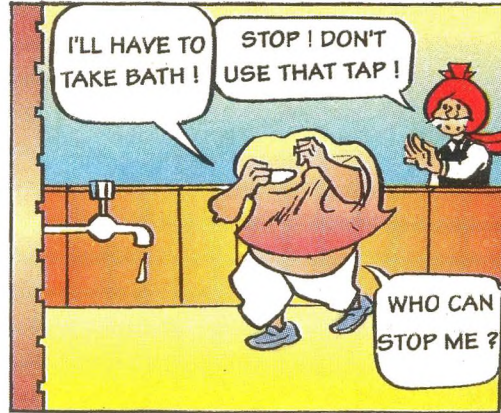
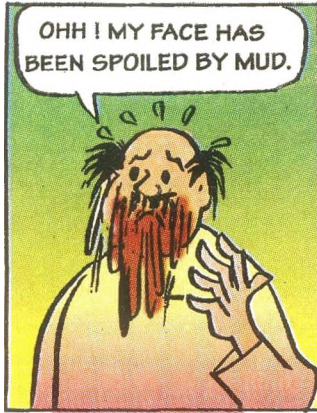
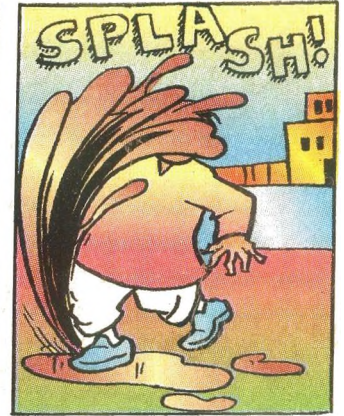
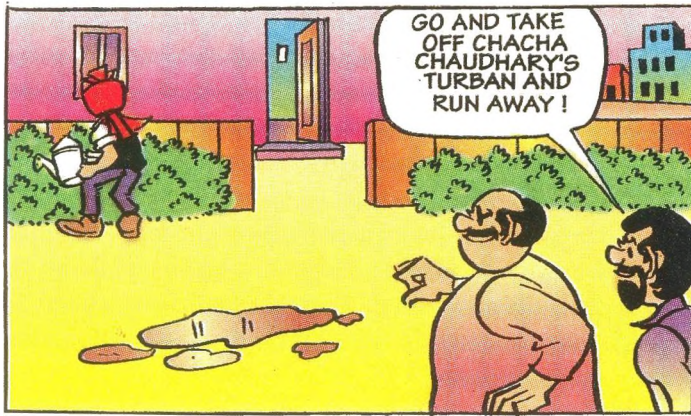
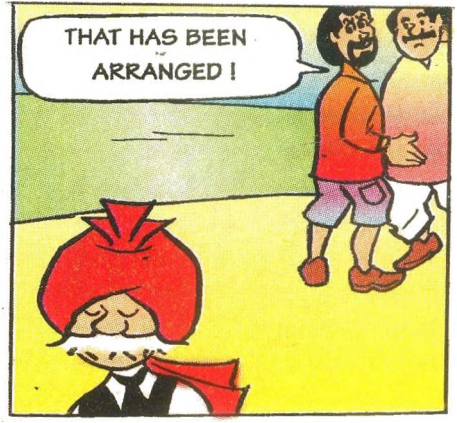
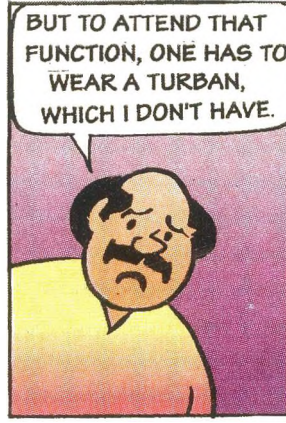
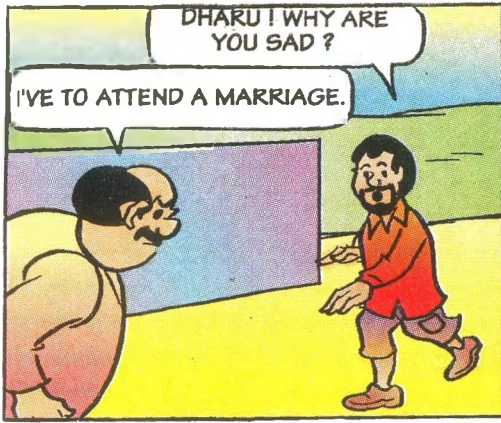
**-Garima Shakya, Class-IX**

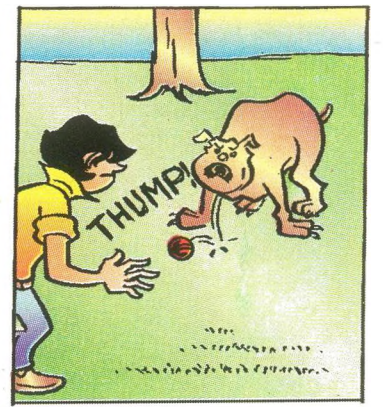
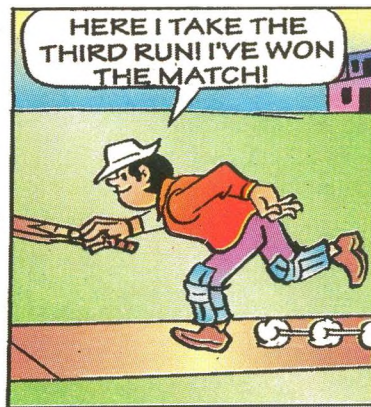
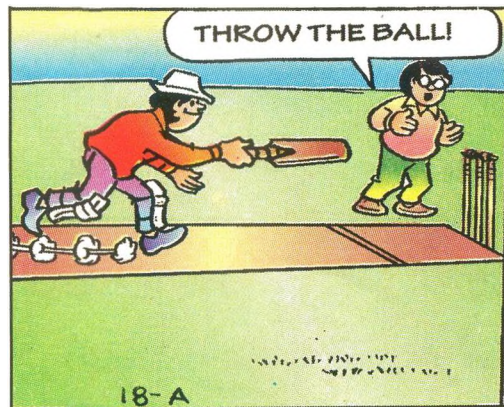
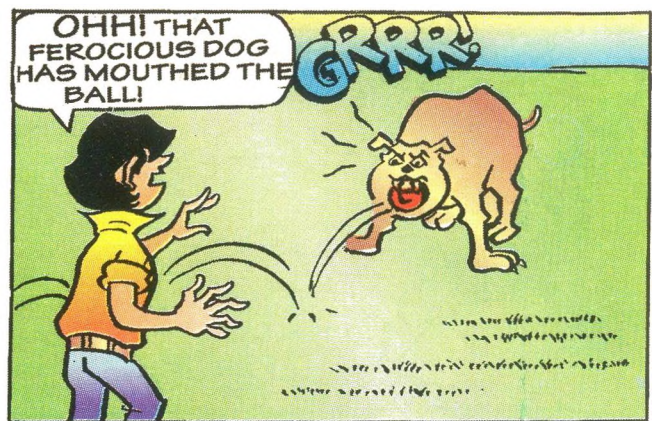
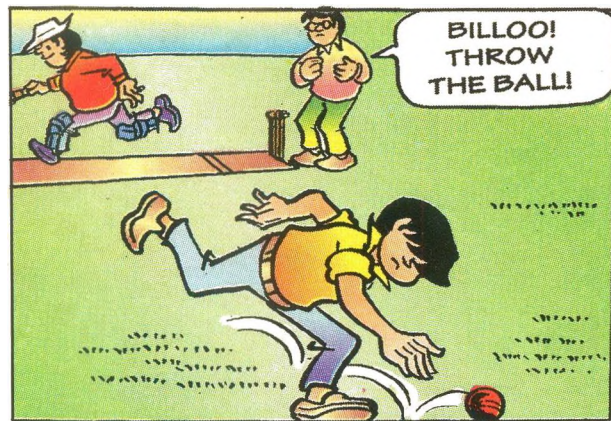
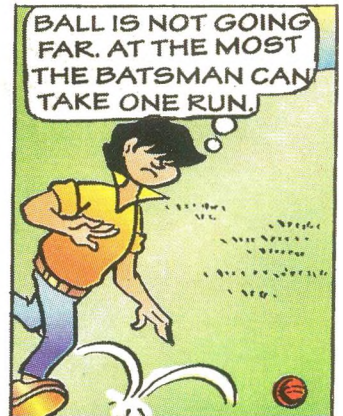
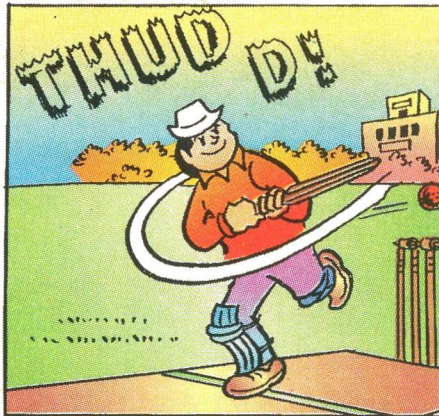
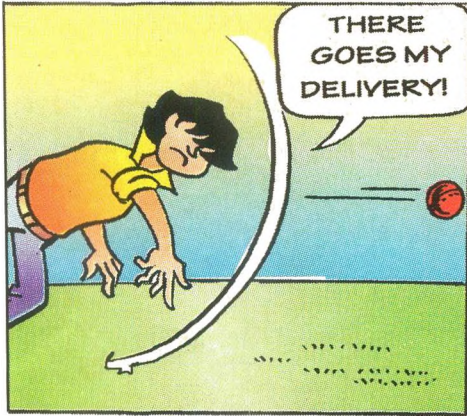
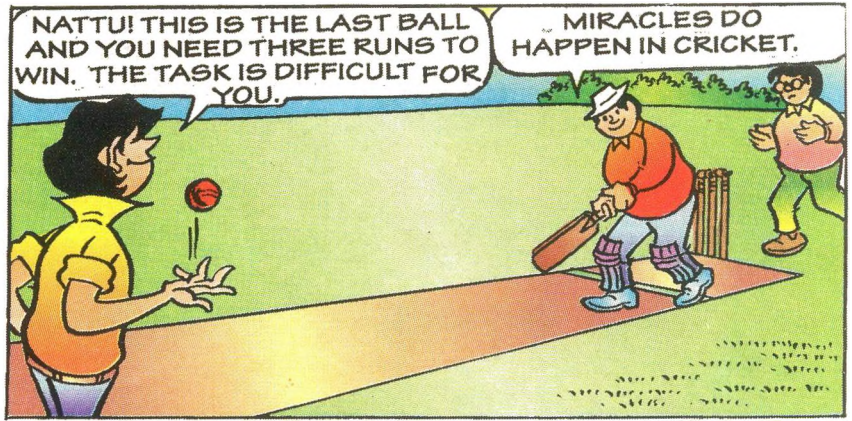
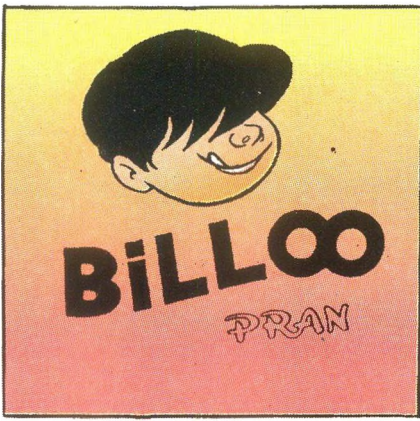


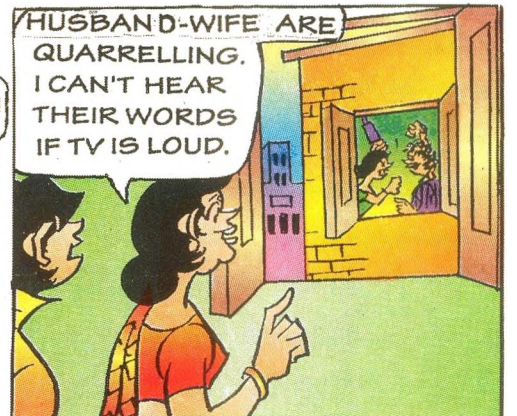
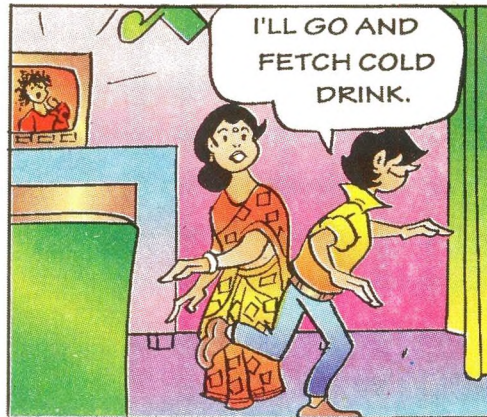
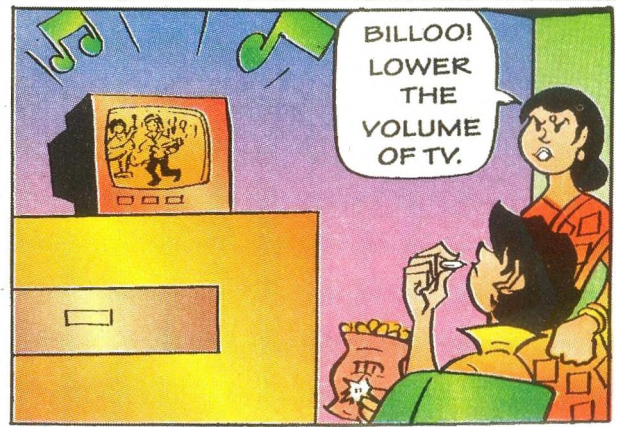
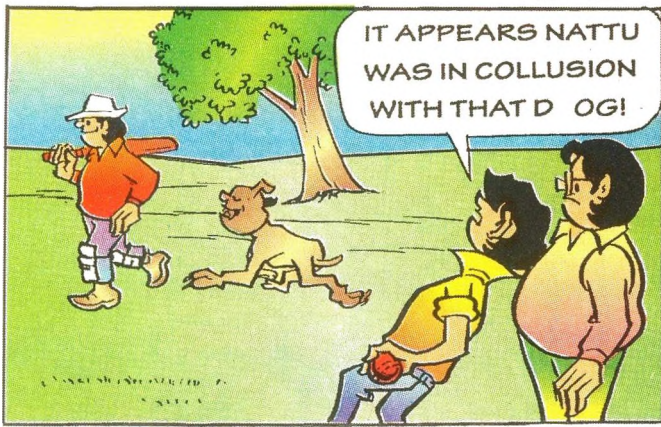


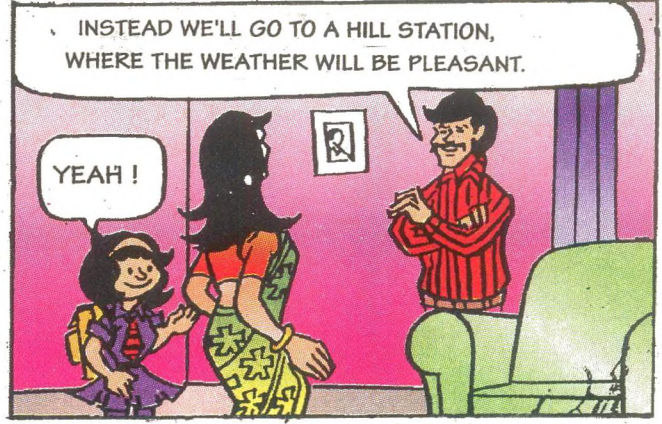
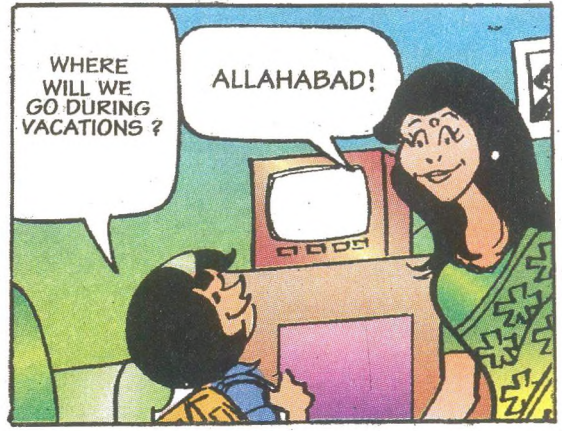












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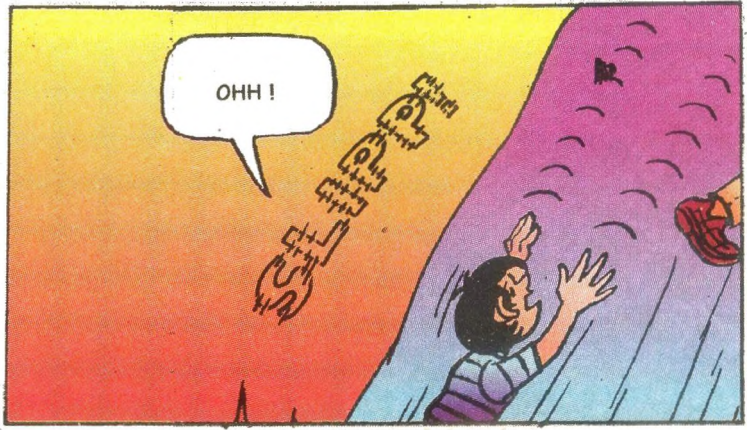
MUMMY !! I AM GOING OUT.



PINKI ! LET'S DO TREKKING. SEE, WHO'LL REACH THE SUMMIT FIRST ?



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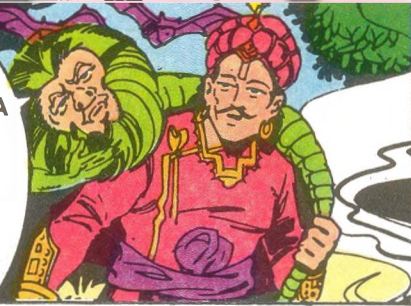
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# SEARCH FOR SUCCESSOR

VETAL RETURNS TO THE GRAVEYARD AND HANGS BACK ON THE SIRAS TREE. BUT KING VIKRAM FOLLOWS HIM AND GETS HIM DOWN, WITH DIFFICULTY. THEN PUTTING HIM ON HIS SHOULDERS HE MOVES AHEAD.

YOUR DESTINATION IS FAR OFF, O' KING, SO I'LL TELL YOU A STORY. BUT THE CONDITION IS SAME. IF YOU SPEAK ON THE WAY, I'LL RETURN TO THE TREE.



THE STORY I'M GOING TO NARRATE TO YOU, THIS TIME, IS OF A KING NAMED KIRTICHAKRA, WHO FOR HIS PEOPLE'S WELFARE, TOOK SUCH A GREAT DECISION, WHICH MADE HIS NAME IMMORTAL IN THE HISTORY OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY VARIOUS KINGS, FOR THEIR PEOPLE'S WELFARE.



THE KING HAD TWO SONS... WHO DIDN'T POSSESS ANY BAD QUALITIES. ACCORDING TO THE TRADITION OF FAMILY SUCCESSIONS, THE FIRST SUCCESSOR OF THE KING'S THRONE WAS NITICHAKRA, HIS ELDER SON. BUT THAT GREAT KING, REFUSED TO MAKE ANY OF HIS SONS THE INHERITOR AND MADE ANOTHER YOUNG MAN, OF AN ORDINARY FAMILY, AS HIS SUCCESSOR.



GLORY BE TO...!

KING KIRTICHAKRA!

KING KIRTICHAKRA HAD TAKEN THIS DECISION AT THAT TIME ONLY, WHEN HE HAD BECOME THE FATHER OF HIS TWIN SONS...!



BOTH YOUR SONS HAVE GONE ON YOU, YOUR MAJESTY! I BET, THEY'LL BECOME POPULAR RULERS LIKE YOU.



NO... PRIME MINISTER...! I'VE NOT DECIDED YET, AS TO WHO WILL BE THIS KINGDOM'S FUTURE KING.

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, YOUR MAJESTY...! WHAT'S THERE TO DECIDE IN IT? AS ACCORDING TO FAMILY TRADITION, YOUR ELDER SON WILL SUCCEED YOU, AS KING.



NO, PRIME MINISTER! I'M NOT THAT SELFISH, THAT TO FULFILL MY FAMILY TRADITION, I PLACE ANY UNSUITABLE MAN ON THE THRONE. SO I'VE DECIDED THAT, WHEN THE TWO PRINCES SHALL...!



... REACH ADOLESCENCE, LIKE CRORES OF OTHER SONS OF THIS KINGDOM... THEN I'LL DECLARE THAT YOUTH TO BE MY SUCCESSOR, WHO IS THE MOST SUITABLE AMONG ALL OTHERS.



SLOWLY, 20 YEARS GO BY. THE TIME THEN CAME FOR THE PEOPLE TO LEARN ABOUT THEIR FUTURE KING, WHEN ONE DAY THE PRIME MINISTER COMES TO THE PALACE, WITH A SPECIAL NEWS. THEN...!



WHAT NEWS DO YOU BRING, PRIME MINISTER?

I'VE VISITED ALL SCHOOLS IN THE KINGDOM, ACCORDING TO YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, YOUR MAJESTY!



I'VE TALKED TO ALL STUDENTS THERE. THEY ALL SAY THAT THEIR TEACHERS DO NOT DISCRIMINATE AMONGST THEM. THEY EDUCATED EVERYONE..

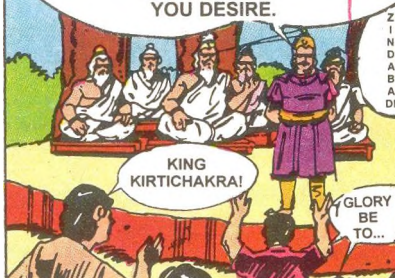
EQUALLY. SO YOU CAN NOW WITHOUT HESITATION, START THE WORK OF CHOOSING YOUR SUCCESSOR.

**KING KIRTICHAKRA, THEN VISITS VARIOUS SCHOOLS OF HIS KINGDOM, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINDING A SUCCESSOR.**

BRAVE LADS OF MY KINGDOM! THE PRICELESS GEM OF KNOWLEDGE, THAT YOU'VE ACQUIRED, IN THIS SCHOOL... I BELIEVE YOU'LL SPREAD IT'S LIGHT, NOT ONLY HERE, BUT ALL OVER THE WORLD.



BUT BEING THE KING OF THIS KINGDOM, I HAVEN'T GIVEN YOU ANYTHING TILL NOW. SO TODAY I'LL GIVE YOU WHATEVER GIFT YOU DESIRE.



KING KIRTICHAKRA!

GLORY BE TO...

ALL STUDENTS START CHEERING KING KIRTICHAKRA, HEARING THIS GENEROUS KING'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

**RAISING HIS HAND, KING KIRTICHAKRA QUIETENS THE STUDENTS AND SAYS...!**



ALL STUDENTS WILL COME ONE-BY-ONE, UNDER THAT TREE AND APART FROM ASKING TO BE MY SUCCESSOR, HE'LL GET WHATEVER HE ASKS FOR.

**THEN THE STUDENTS, ONE-BY-ONE APPROACH THE KING AND ASK FOR WHAT THEY DESIRE.**

I WANT TO BECOME A GREAT BUSINESSMAN, YOUR MAJESTY! BUT MY PARENTS CAN'T ARRANGE FOR MONEY, FOR EVEN A SMALL BUSINESS.

ALL RIGHT, GIVE THE DETAILS OF WHATEVER BUSINESS YOU WISH TO TAKE UP, TO THE PRIME MINISTER. HE'LL ARRANGE FOR ALL FACILITIES YOU REQUIRE.



THIS WAY, KING KIRTICHAKRA PROMISED ALL STUDENTS WHATEVER THEY ASKED FOR. NOT UNDERSTANDING THE REASON, FOR HIS BEING SO GENEROUS, THE PRIME MINISTER, GATHERS THE COURAGE TO ASK...!

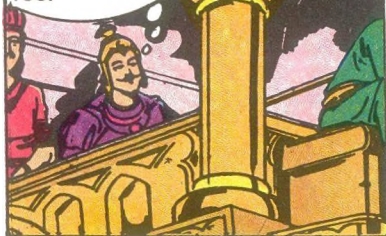
FORGIVE ME, YOUR MAJESTY! BUT I CAN NOT UNDERSTAND, HOW WILL YOU DECIDE TO CHOOSE YOUR SUCCESSOR, BY FULFILLING ALL THE DESIRES OF THESE YOUTH.

IT'S THIS WAY, PRIME MINISTER... I'M TRYING TO STUDY THE PSYCHOLOGY OF ALL THESE STUDENTS... THE YOUTH, WHOSE PSYCHOLOGY MATCHES MY DESIRE, I'LL DECLARE HIM AS MY SUCCESSOR.



**THE KING REPEATS EVERYTHING IN THE NEXT SCHOOL, WHICH HE HAD SAID IN THE FIRST SCHOOL.**

I COULDN'T GET A SUITABLE SUCCESSOR IN THIS SCHOOL, TOO.



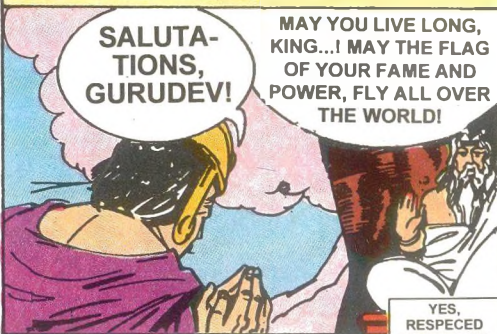
**THE KING REPEATS THIS IN ALL OTHER SCHOOLS OF HIS KINGDOM...!**



**FINALLY, HE COMES TO THE BIGGEST SCHOOL OF HIS KINGDOM, WHERE HIS TWO SONS WERE ALSO STUDYING, LIKE OTHER STUDENTS.**

SALUTATIONS, GURUDEV!

MAY YOU LIVE LONG, KING...! MAY THE FLAG OF YOUR FAME AND POWER, FLY ALL OVER THE WORLD!



YES, RESPECTED FATHER... HE SCOLDS US A LOT, AS WELL AS LOVES US DEEP IN HIS HEART.

NO, GURUDEV! INSTEAD OF MY FLAG OF FAME, FLYING ALL OVER THE WORLD, BLESS ME SO, THAT MY HEARTLY DESIRE, WHICH IS UNFULFILLED TILL NOW, GETS FULL FILLED HERE.



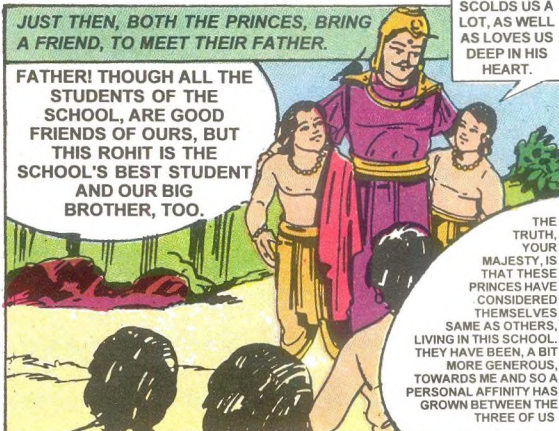
IF WITH ONE OF MY BLESSINGS, YOUR AIM IS FULFILLED... I GIVE YOU INFINITE BLESSINGS. FOR I KNOW, THE AIM OF YOUR PURPOSE, IS NOT JUST FOR YOUR KINGDOM... BUT, FOR THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS WHOLE WORLD!



ENOUGH, GURUDEV! NOW, I'M CERTAIN, THAT MY AIM WILL DEFINITELY BE FULFILLED, UNDER YOU.

**JUST THEN, BOTH THE PRINCES, BRING A FRIEND, TO MEET THEIR FATHER.**

FATHER! THOUGH ALL THE STUDENTS OF THE SCHOOL, ARE GOOD FRIENDS OF OURS, BUT THIS ROHIT IS THE SCHOOL'S BEST STUDENT AND OUR BIG BROTHER, TOO.



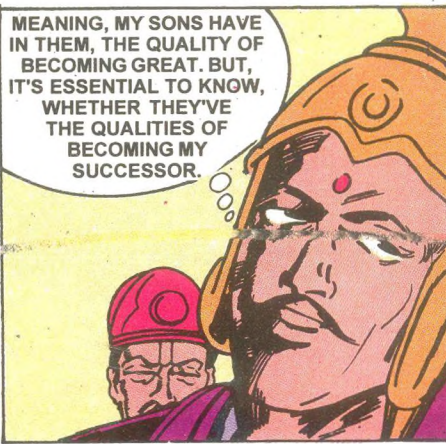
THE TRUTH, YOUR MAJESTY, IS THAT THESE PRINCES HAVE CONSIDERED THEMSELVES SAME AS OTHERS, LIVING IN THIS SCHOOL. THEY HAVE BEEN, A BIT MORE GENEROUS, TOWARDS ME AND SO A PERSONAL AFFINITY HAS GROWN BETWEEN THE THREE OF US

HEARING THEM, KING KIRTICHAKRA, SAYS HAPPILY TO HIMSELF...!

I AM VERY PLEASED TO LEARN THAT MY SONS, DIDN'T THINK THEMSELVES TO BE PRINCES, BUT AS EQUAL TO EVERYONE IN THE SCHOOL... AND THEY'VE PROVED THAT THERE'S NO PRIDE IN THEM OF BEING A RAJPUT, BY MAKING THIS STUDENT, THEIR BIG BROTHER.



MEANING, MY SONS HAVE IN THEM, THE QUALITY OF BECOMING GREAT. BUT, IT'S ESSENTIAL TO KNOW, WHETHER THEY'VE THE QUALITIES OF BECOMING MY SUCCESSOR.



SINCE, THE FIRST INDICATION OF GOOD FRIENDS, IS THE MUTUAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THEM... THEREFORE, I'M HAPPY TO MEET YOU.



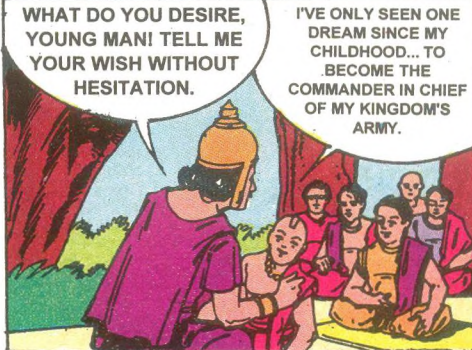
AND AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE MAIN GURU OF THAT SCHOOL, KING KIRTICHAKRA REPEATED THE SAME PROCEDURE USED IN OTHER SCHOOLS.



I PROMISE TO FULFILL ALL YOUR WISHES, EXCEPT THAT OF BECOMING MY SUCCESSOR.

GLORY BE KING KIRTICHAKRA!

THEN, ONE BY ONE, THE STUDENTS COME TO HIM... KING KIRTICHAKRA ASKED THEM THE SAME QUESTION!



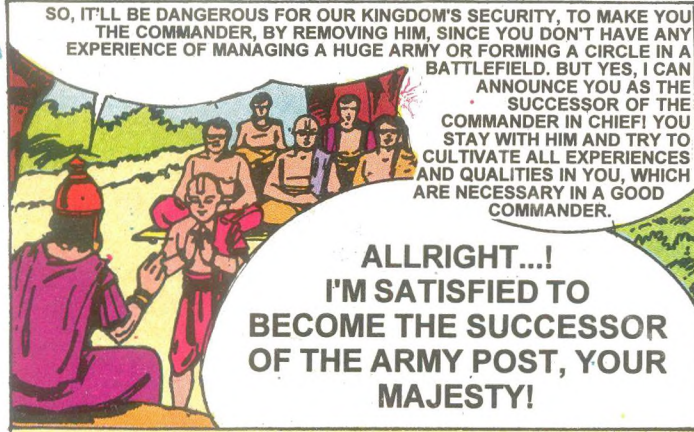
WHAT DO YOU DESIRE, YOUNG MAN! TELL ME YOUR WISH WITHOUT HESITATION.

I'VE ONLY SEEN ONE DREAM SINCE MY CHILDHOOD... TO BECOME THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF MY KINGDOM'S ARMY.



THE LEADING POST OF OUR ARMY, IS HELD BY A PERSON CALLED PRATAP SINGH, WHO'S FULLY EFFICIENT IN CONTROLLING THE ARMY.

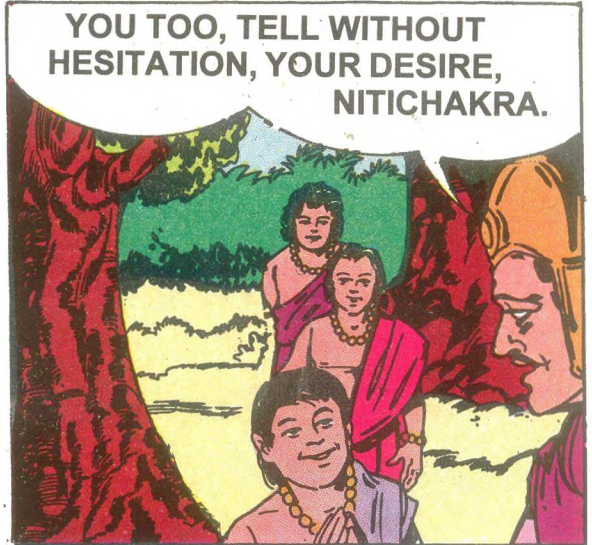
SO, IT'LL BE DANGEROUS FOR OUR KINGDOM'S SECURITY, TO MAKE YOU THE COMMANDER, BY REMOVING HIM, SINCE YOU DON'T HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE OF MANAGING A HUGE ARMY OR FORMING A CIRCLE IN A BATTLEFIELD. BUT YES, I CAN ANNOUNCE YOU AS THE SUCCESSOR OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF! YOU STAY WITH HIM AND TRY TO CULTIVATE ALL EXPERIENCES AND QUALITIES IN YOU, WHICH ARE NECESSARY IN A GOOD COMMANDER.



ALLRIGHT...! I'M SATISFIED TO BECOME THE SUCCESSOR OF THE ARMY POST, YOUR MAJESTY!

THIS WAY, WITH HIS INTELLIGENCE AND LONG-SIGHTEDNESS, THE KING SATISFIED ALL STUDENTS. AND THEN CAME THE TURN OF HIS ELDER SON.

YOU TOO, TELL WITHOUT HESITATION, YOUR DESIRE, NITICHAKRA.

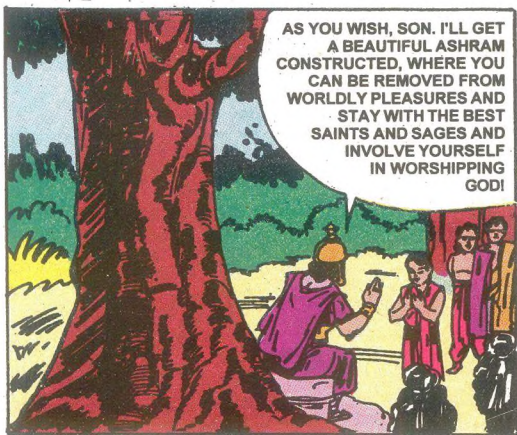


I DON'T HAVE ANY ATTRACTION FOR ROYAL COMFORTS, YOUR MAJESTY. I AM REMOVED FROM WORLDLY THINGS, FROM THIS YOUNG AGE ONLY. I DON'T WANT TO BE A WORLDLY MAN.

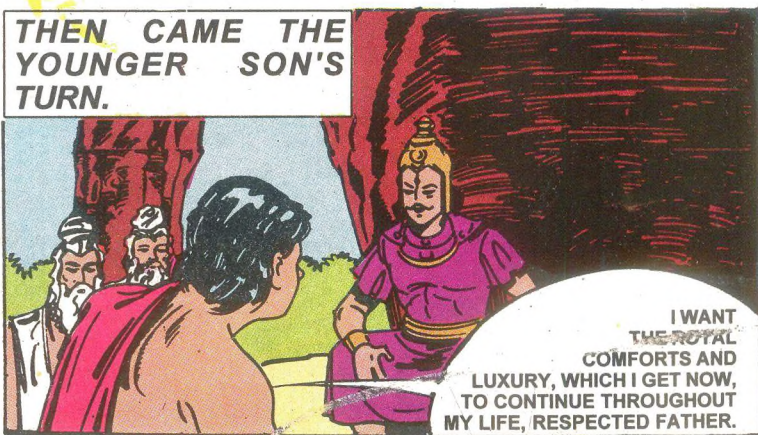


THEN WHAT DO YOU WANT?

I WANT TO SERVE THE SAINTS AND DOING SEVERE PENANCE, GET INVOLVED IN GOD'S WORSHIP. NOT EVEN THE BIGGEST LURE OF THE WORLD IS WORTH ANYTHING, IN FRONT OF MY DESIRE.

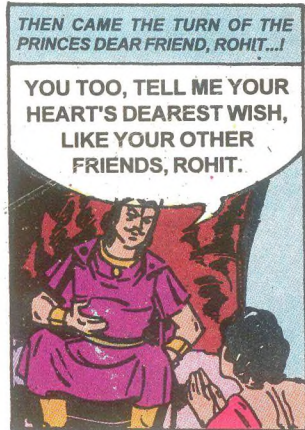


AS YOU WISH, SON. I'LL GET A BEAUTIFUL ASHRAM CONSTRUCTED, WHERE YOU CAN BE REMOVED FROM WORLDLY PLEASURES AND STAY WITH THE BEST SAINTS AND SAGES AND INVOLVE YOURSELF IN WORSHIPPING GOD!



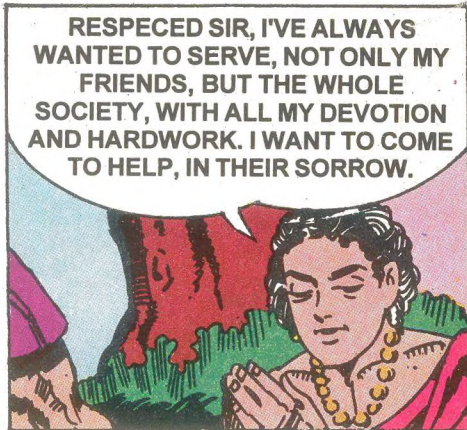
THEN CAME THE YOUNGER SON'S TURN.

I WANT THE ROYAL COMFORTS AND LUXURY, WHICH I GET NOW, TO CONTINUE THROUGHOUT MY LIFE, RESPECTED FATHER.



THEN CAME THE TURN OF THE PRINCES DEAR FRIEND, ROHIT...!

YOU TOO, TELL ME YOUR HEART'S DEAREST WISH, LIKE YOUR OTHER FRIENDS, ROHIT.

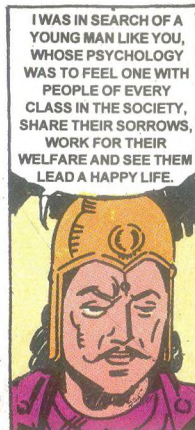


RESPECTED SIR, I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SERVE, NOT ONLY MY FRIENDS, BUT THE WHOLE SOCIETY, WITH ALL MY DEVOTION AND HARDWORK. I WANT TO COME TO HELP, IN THEIR SORROW.



COULD THIS DESIRE OF MY LIFE, BE FULFILLED, YOUR MAJESTY?

YOU'RE GREAT, SON.. AND GREAT ARE YOUR PARENTS, WHO INCULCATED SUCH CULTURE IN YOU!

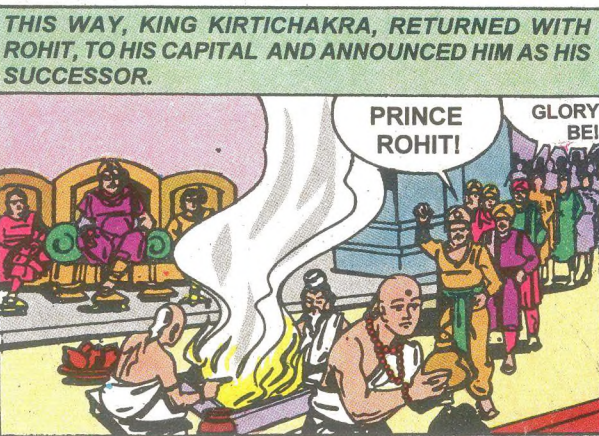


I WAS IN SEARCH OF A YOUNG MAN LIKE YOU, WHOSE PSYCHOLOGY WAS TO FEEL ONE WITH PEOPLE OF EVERY CLASS IN THE SOCIETY, SHARE THEIR SORROWS, WORK FOR THEIR WELFARE AND SEE THEM LEAD A HAPPY LIFE.



YOU'RE ACTUALLY CAPABLE OF BECOMING MY SUCCESSOR.

M... ME! YOUR SUCCESSOR?



THIS WAY, KING KIRTICHAKRA, RETURNED WITH ROHIT, TO HIS CAPITAL AND ANNOUNCED HIM AS HIS SUCCESSOR.

PRINCE ROHIT!

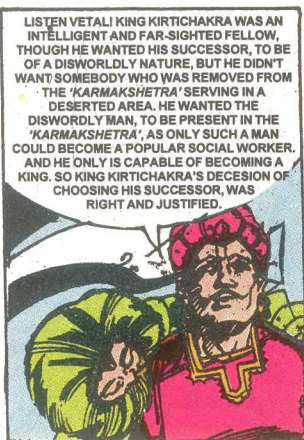
GLORY BE!



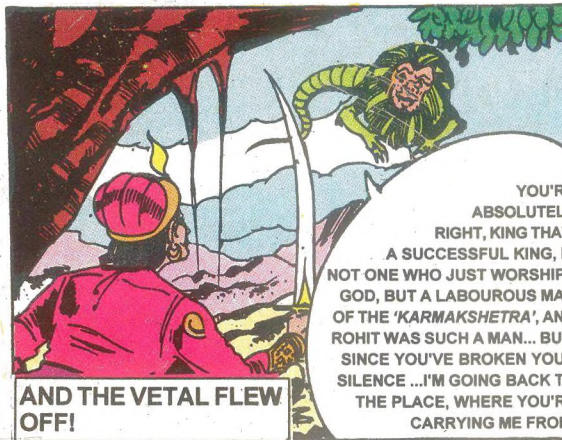
NOW TELL ME, KING VIKRAM... WHY DID THE KING CHOOSE ROHIT AS HIS SUCCESSOR, WHEN HIS ELDER SON HAD EXPRESSED ALMOST THE SAME DESIRE...!



...THAT HE HAS NO WANT FOR WORLDLY THINGS, BUT WOULD LIKE TO SERVE SAINTS AND GET INVOLVED IN GOD'S WORSHIP. THEN, AFTER ALL, WHAT DIFFERENCE DID THE KING FIND IN HIS AND ROHIT'S DESIRE? IF KNOWING THE ANSWER, YOU DO NOT SPEAK, YOUR HEAD WILL BREAK INTO PIECES!



LISTEN VETAL! KING KIRTICHAKRA WAS AN INTELLIGENT AND FAR-SIGHTED FELLOW, THOUGH HE WANTED HIS SUCCESSOR, TO BE OF A DISWORLDLY NATURE, BUT HE DIDN'T WANT SOMEBODY WHO WAS REMOVED FROM THE 'KARMAKSHETRA' SERVING IN A DESERTED AREA. HE WANTED THE DISWORLDLY MAN, TO BE PRESENT IN THE 'KARMAKSHETRA', AS ONLY SUCH A MAN COULD BECOME A POPULAR SOCIAL WORKER. AND HE ONLY IS CAPABLE OF BECOMING A KING. SO KING KIRTICHAKRA'S DECISION OF CHOOSING HIS SUCCESSOR, WAS RIGHT AND JUSTIFIED.

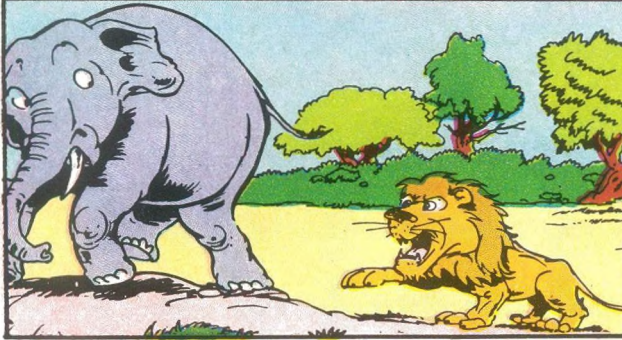


AND THE VETAL FLEW OFF!

YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, KING THAT, A SUCCESSFUL KING, IS NOT ONE WHO JUST WORSHIPS GOD, BUT A LABOURIOUS MAN OF THE 'KARMAKSHETRA', AND ROHIT WAS SUCH A MAN... BUT, SINCE YOU'VE BROKEN YOUR SILENCE ...I'M GOING BACK TO THE PLACE, WHERE YOU'RE CARRYING ME FROM.

**HITOPDESH**  
**THE**  
**LION,**  
**THE**  
**CAT**  
**AND**  
**THE**  
**MOUSE**

A DANGEROUS LOOKING LION, USED TO STAY IN A JUNGLE, OF WHOM, ALL ANIMALS WERE SCARED...



EXCEPT A TINY MOUSE —

HA! HA! I'LL MAKE A SOFT BED OF THE SLIPPERY HAIR FROM YOUR MANE, FOR MY CHILDREN!



THE MOUSE USED TO BITE OFF SOME HAIRS FROM THE LION, WHILE HE SLEPT —



EVERYDAY, WHEN THE LION AWOKE —

MY HAIR ARE AGAIN CUT, FROM MY MANE!



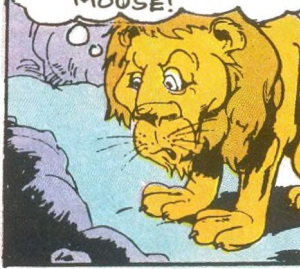
OH! THERE YOU ARE. WAIT, I'LL NOT REST TILL I CATCH YOU!



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BUT THE MOUSE QUICKLY RUNS INTO ITS HOLE —

SAVED! DOESN'T MATTER! I'M NOT A CAT, TO CATCH MOUSE!



HEY, WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THIS BEFORE? I SHOULD ARRANGE FOR A CAT, IMMEDIATELY!

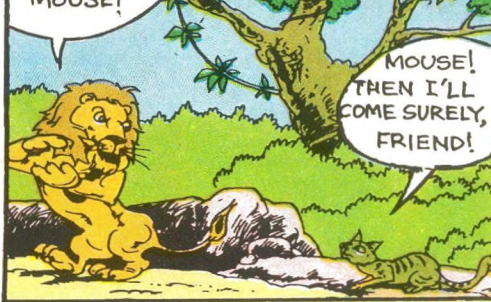
SOON HE FINDS A CAT —

WILL YOU STAY IN MY DEN, DEAR CAT?



WHY, WHAT USE DO YOU HAVE OF ME?

I JUST WANT YOU TO SCARE OFF A SMALL MOUSE!



MOUSE! THEN I'LL COME SURELY, FRIEND!

IN THE LION'S DEN — HERE

CAT, FRESH FISHES FOR YOU. JUST TAKE CARE OF MY HAIR, WHILE I SLEEP!



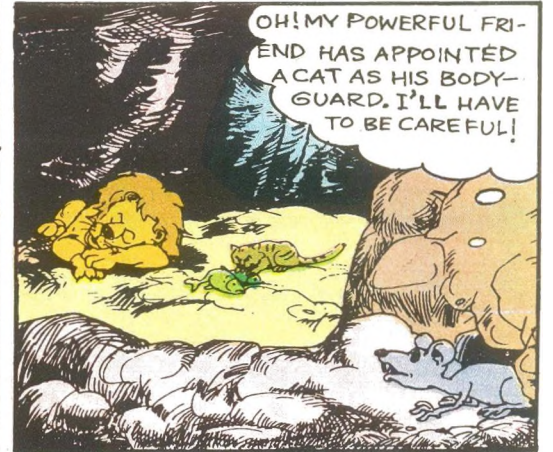
ALL FOR ME! AA-HA!

THE MOUSE WON'T BE ABLE TO EVEN COME NEAR YOU, FRIEND, YOU SLEEP PEACEFULLY!



THE CAT STARTS EATING —

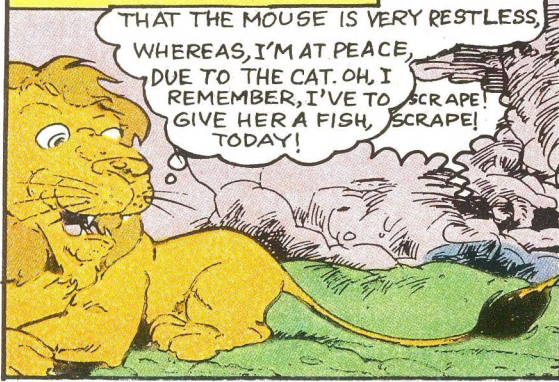
NOW, I'LL BE ABLE TO SLEEP SOUNDLY!



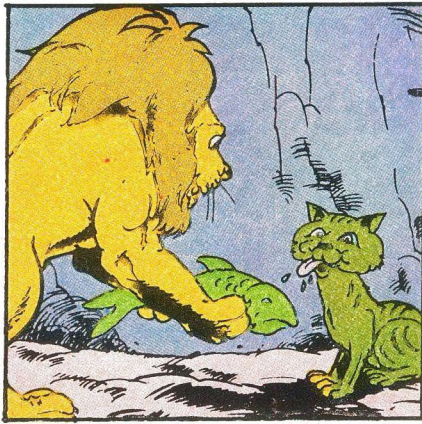
OH! MY POWERFUL FRIEND HAS APPOINTED A CAT AS HIS BODY-GUARD. I'LL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL!

THE DAYS PASS IN FUN —

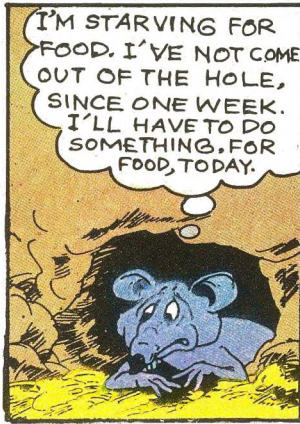
AA-HA! IT SEEMS



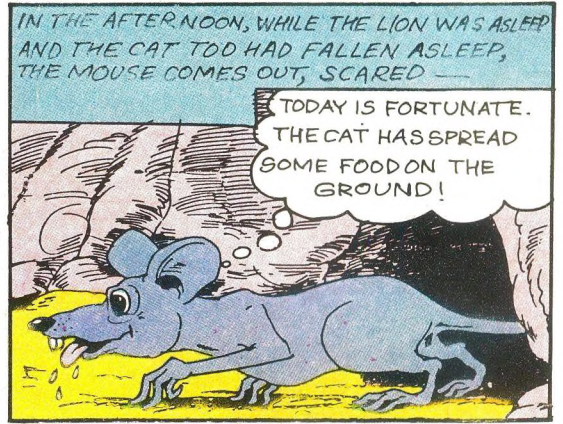
THAT THE MOUSE IS VERY RESTLESS, WHEREAS, I'M AT PEACE, DUE TO THE CAT. OH, I REMEMBER, I'VE TO GIVE HER A FISH, TODAY!



M-M-M! VERY DELICIOUS, FRIEND. YOU'LL SPOIL ME!

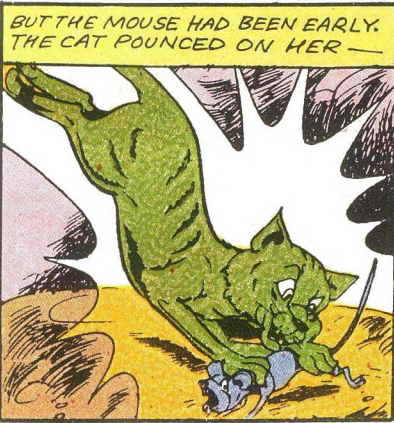


I'M STARVING FOR FOOD. I'VE NOT COME OUT OF THE HOLE, SINCE ONE WEEK. I'LL HAVE TO DO SOMETHING, FOR FOOD, TODAY.

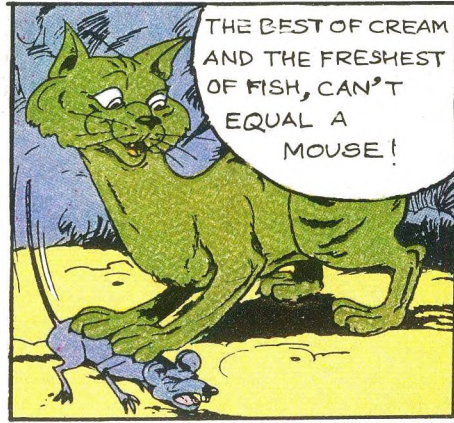


IN THE AFTERNOON, WHILE THE LION WAS ASLEEP AND THE CAT TOO HAD FALLEN ASLEEP, THE MOUSE COMES OUT, SCARED —

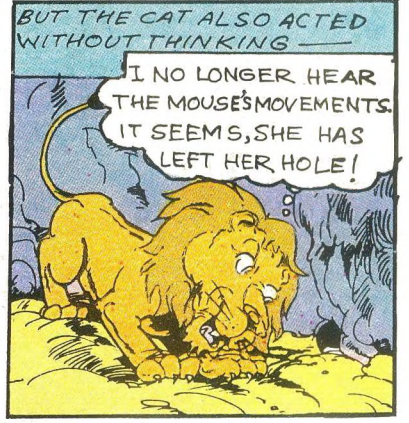
TODAY IS FORTUNATE. THE CAT HAS SPREAD SOME FOOD ON THE GROUND!



BUT THE MOUSE HAD BEEN EARLY. THE CAT PONCED ON HER —



THE BEST OF CREAM AND THE FRESHEST OF FISH, CAN'T EQUAL A MOUSE!



BUT THE CAT ALSO ACTED WITHOUT THINKING —

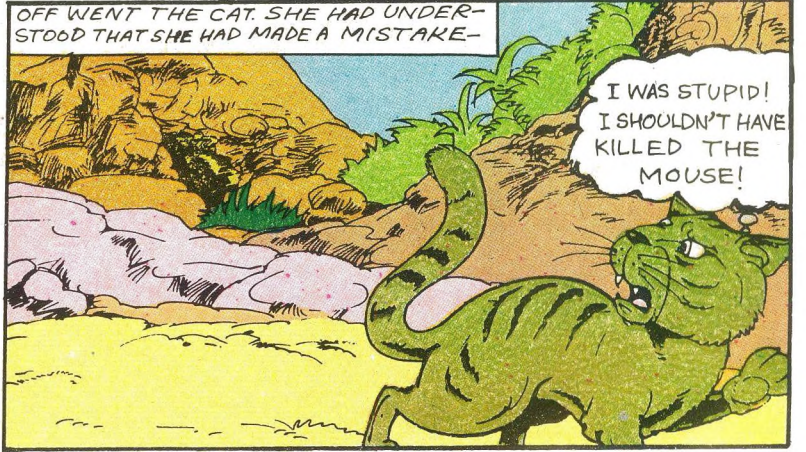
I NO LONGER HEAR THE MOUSE'S MOVEMENTS. IT SEEMS, SHE HAS LEFT HER HOLE!



AS DAYS PASSED, THE LION DIDN'T REQUIRE THE CAT'S SERVICES. HE BEGAN IGNORING HER —

FRIEND, I'M VERY HUNGRY!

THEN GO AND CATCH SOME RATS. I'M FEELING SLEEPY, DON'T DISTURB ME!



OFF WENT THE CAT. SHE HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT SHE HAD MADE A MISTAKE —

I WAS STUPID! I SHOULDN'T HAVE KILLED THE MOUSE!

# TENALI EQUALS THE SCORE

BRING BACK THE SWORD SMEARED WITH HIS BLOOD AS PROOF. THEN ONLY I'LL BELIEVE, YOU KILLED HIM.

NEXT DAY TENALI APPEARED BEFORE KING KRISHNADEV RAI.

TAKE HIM TO THE FOREST AND BEHEAD HIM. HE INSULTED THE RAJGURU.

AS YOU SAY LORD!

TWO SOLDIERS TOOK TENALI TO THE FOREST.

SUDDENLY TENALI STARTED TO LAUGH.

HEY... WHATS HAPPENED TO HIM?

PERHAPS FEAR OF DEATH HAS MADE HIM CRAZY.

TENALI LAUGHED LOUDER.

HA... HA... HA... HA..!

ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO KILL ME?

YES, CERTAINLY..!

YOU ARE DUMB FOOLS.. KING JUST MADE A JOKE.

LISTEN, YOU KNOW HOW MUCH THE KING LOVES ME. ON THE OTHER SIDE, HE DOES NOT WANT TO DISPLEASE RAJGURU. THAT'S WHY HE GAVE SUCH AN ORDER.

JOKE... WHAT JOKE?





IT DOES NOT CONCERN US... WE HAVE TO CARRY OUT HIS ORDER.

TO KILL ME?



WHAT ELSE?

YOU'LL REGRET, FOOLS... IF YOU DO THAT, KING WILL HANG YOU.



WHY SHOULD I LIE? WATCH MY FACE. IF IT WASN'T A JOKE, WHY AM I LOOKING SO RELAXED?

YOU HAVE A POINT.



TENALI STRIKES AGAIN.

YOU POOR FOOLS, I AM ONLY CONCERNED ABOUT YOU. BY KILLING ME, YOU'LL ONLY KILL YOURSELF.

WELL.. WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW?



KILL ANY ANIMAL AND SHOW THE BLOODY SWORD TO THE KING. HE WILL NOT ONLY BE PROUD OF YOUR WIT, BUT WILL REWARD YOU.



TENALI WENT ON...!

AND YOU'LL BE REWARDED BY ME ALSO



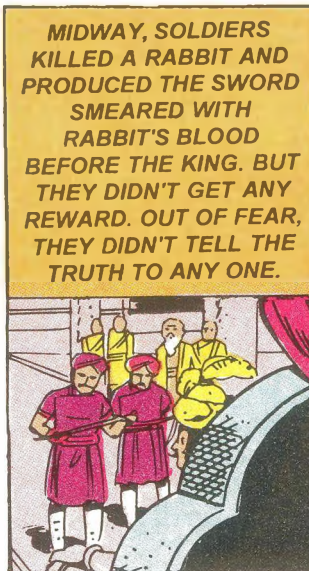
GREED MAKES THEIR EYES GLOW

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE US?

TEN GOLD COINS EACH.



SOLDIERS FELL INTO TENALI'S TRAP. THEY TOOK THE COINS AND DEPARTED.



MIDWAY, SOLDIERS KILLED A RABBIT AND PRODUCED THE SWORD SMEARED WITH RABBIT'S BLOOD BEFORE THE KING. BUT THEY DIDN'T GET ANY REWARD. OUT OF FEAR, THEY DIDN'T TELL THE TRUTH TO ANY ONE.



TENALI'S MOTHER AND WIFE BECAME HAPPY TO SEE HIM ALIVE AND UNHURT.

RAM... MY CHILD! ARE YOU O.K.? WE BECAME VERY MUCH AFRAID!



I'M QUITE O. K.! BUT I HAD TO PAY DEARLY FOR THIS JOKE.

HOW?

TENALI TOLD THE WHOLE STORY AND HIS PLAN TO THEM.

NEXT DAY BOTH MEET THE KING CRYING ALOUD.

WHO'RE YOU? AND WHY ARE YOU WEEPING?

I'M TENALI'S MOTHER... O' KING!

AND I AM HIS WIFE!

MAHARAJ! YOU SNATCHED AWAY OUR ONLY BREAD WINNER. HOW'LL WE LIVE?

CALM DOWN LADIES... I TOO AM REGRETING. I MADE A CRUEL DECISION AGAINST TENALI, IN A RAGE.

FIX A MONTHLY PENSIA OF FIVE COINS EA FOR THEM.

RETURNING HOME, THEY INFORMED TENALI.

RIGHT MOTHER... NOW TO EQUAL THE SCORE, I'LL DISAPPEAR FOR TWO MONTHS.

WHAT SCORE, SON?

I HAD TO SPENT TWENTY COINS TO SAVE MY LIFE. I'LL GET THEM BACK IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS.

O. K.! BUT DON'T DO ANY MISCHIEF AGAIN.

I NEVER DO ANY MISCHIEF. IT JUST HAPPENS.

THE NEWS OF TENALI'S EXECUTION SPREAD IN THE CITY.

KING DID AN UNFAIR THING.

IT'S NOT GOOD TO BEHEAD A BRAHMIN ON A PETTY CRIME. KING'LL PAY THE PRICE.

SOON MANY RUMOURS BEGAN CIRCULATING.

DID YOU HEAR... TENALI HAS BECOME A GHOST.

SURE, NOW HE'LL TAKE REVENGE.

NEWS REACHED THE PALACE.

MAHARAJ... PEOPLE SAY THAT TENALI HAS BECOME A GHOST.

WELL... THEY ARE JUST RUMOURS.



I REGRET HIS DEATH... I BECAME MAD WITH RAGE. I REALLY GAVE A WRONG ORDER.



WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING. SO THAT TENALI'S SOUL MAY REST IN PEACE.



NEXT DAY KING SUMMONED RAJGURU...!

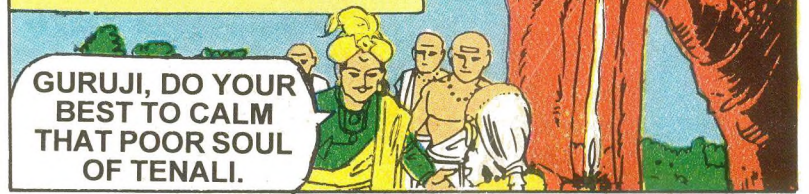
GURUJI... TENALI HAS BECOME A GHOST. DO SOME HAVAN ETC. TO PROVIDE PEACE TO HIS SOUL.

TENALI WAS AWARE OF THE HAPPENINGS. HE MADE A PLAN.



WELL... IT'D BE FUN WHEN BRAHMIN'S'LL FACE A REAL GHOST.

NEXT MORNING, KING REACHED NEAR A BANYAN TREE WITH BRAHMIN'S.



GURUJI, DO YOUR BEST TO CALM THAT POOR SOUL OF TENALI.

THEN THE KING LEFT... BRAHMIN'S STARTED TO RECITE.



OM SHANTI... SHANTI... SHANTI!!

JUST THEN A DARK FIGURE JUMPED FROM THE TREE AND STARTED LAUGHING.



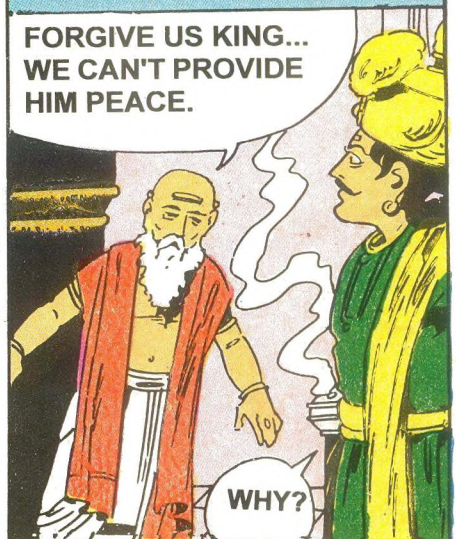
HA... HA... HA... HA...!

BRAHMIN'S RAN HELTER-SKELTER!



RUN... TENALI'S GHOST IS HERE!

TERRIFIED BRAHMIN'S REACHED THE KING.



FORGIVE US KING... WE CAN'T PROVIDE HIM PEACE.

WHY?

AN EMBARRASSED RAJGURU, TELLS EVERYTHING.



ALL RIGHT.. YOU PEOPLE GO. I'LL THINK OF ANOTHER WAY, FOR HIS PEACE.

NEXT DAY, AN ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE ON BEHALF OF THE KING, IN THE WHOLE TOWN.



VIJAYNAGAR'S KING ANNOUNCES AN AWARD OF A 1000 GOLD COINS, TO WHOMSOEVER MAN, WHO FREES TENALIRAM FROM BEING A GHOST.

DAM.. DAM... DAM!

TENALIRAM, TOO HEARS THIS ANNOUNCEMENT. THROWING HIS GHOST GARMENTS AWAY, HE TOO RETURNS TO TOWN, IN ANOTHER FORM AND MIXES IN THE CROWD.



WOW... A 1000 GOLD COINS! I SHOULD AVAIL THIS GOOD OPPORTUNITY.



HE REACHES THE ROYAL COURT AND TELLS THE KING, THAT HE WILL FREE TENALI.

THEN DO SO, SAINT. I'LL GIVE YOU A 1000 GOLD COINS, IN RETURN.



NO, YOUR MAJESTY! I'M A SAINT. WHAT SHALL I DO WITH THE MONEY? I JUST WANT ONE PROMISE FROM YOU.



WHAT PROMISE?



THIS, THAT IF I PLEASE YOU, YOU'LL GIVE WHATEVER I ASK FOR.



PLEASE FORGIVE ME, SAINT. BUT, I CAN'T GRANT YOU ANYTHING WHICH IS DISRESPECTFUL FOR ME, OR HARMS MY PEOPLE, IN ANY WAY.

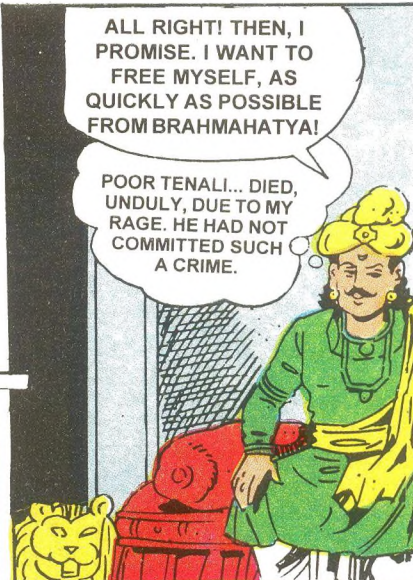


I WON'T ASK FOR ANY SUCH THING. BELIEVE ME, YOUR MAJESTY!



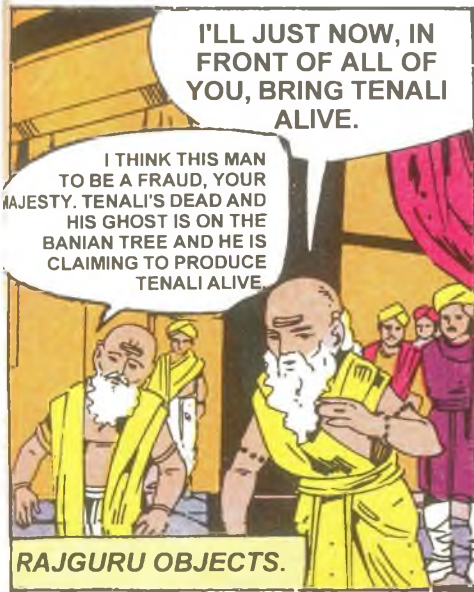
THEN, THINK YOURSELF, TO BE SIN-FREE.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



ALL RIGHT! THEN, I PROMISE. I WANT TO FREE MYSELF, AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE FROM BRAHMAHATYA!

POOR TENALI... DIED, UNDULY, DUE TO MY RAGE. HE HAD NOT COMMITTED SUCH A CRIME.



I'LL JUST NOW, IN FRONT OF ALL OF YOU, BRING TENALI ALIVE.

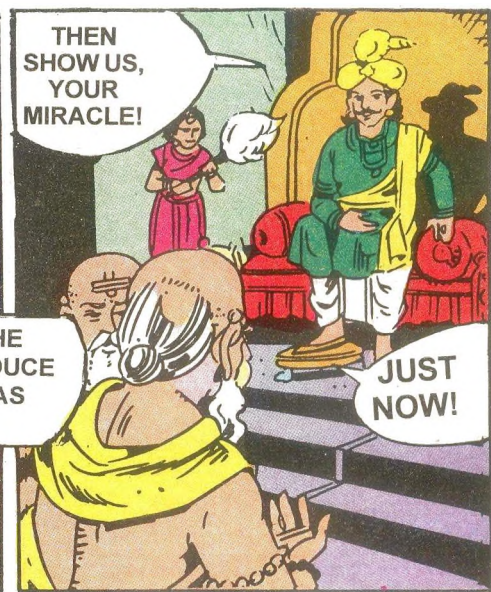
I THINK THIS MAN TO BE A FRAUD, YOUR MAJESTY. TENALI'S DEAD AND HIS GHOST IS ON THE BANIAN TREE AND HE IS CLAIMING TO PRODUCE TENALI ALIVE.

RAJGURU OBJECTS.



IS IT TRUE, THAT YOU CAN PRODUCE TENALI, IN HIS FULL FORM, O' SAINT?

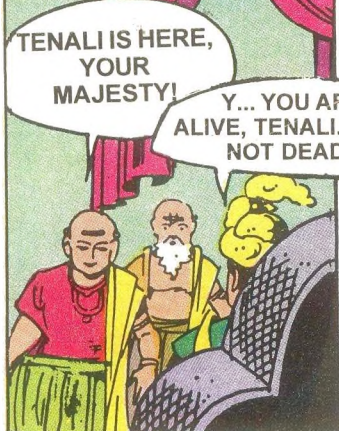
I'M TELLING THE TRUTH, I'LL PRODUCE TENALI HERE, AS EVIDENCE.



THEN SHOW US, YOUR MIRACLE!

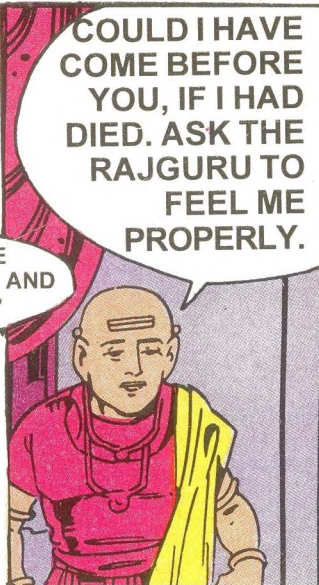
JUST NOW!

TENALI, TAKES AWAY HIS BEARD AND MOUSTACHE AND THROWS IT AWAY. THEN HE TAKES OFF HIS SAGE'S GARMENTS. THEN BOWING BEFORE THE KING, HE SAYS...!



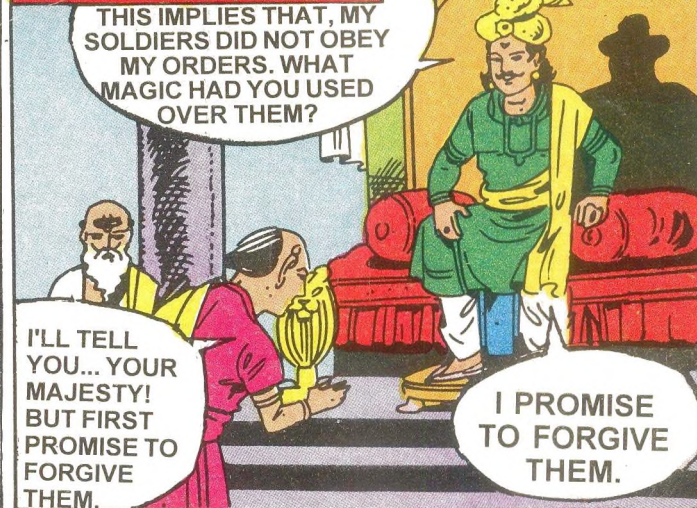
TENALI IS HERE, YOUR MAJESTY!

Y... YOU ARE ALIVE, TENALI... AND NOT DEAD?



COULD I HAVE COME BEFORE YOU, IF I HAD DIED. ASK THE RAJGURU TO FEEL ME PROPERLY.

A HUGE ROAR OF LAUGHTER, ECHOES IN THE COURT. RAJGURU'S TURNS BLACK WITH EMBARRASSMENT.



THIS IMPLIES THAT, MY SOLDIERS DID NOT OBEY MY ORDERS. WHAT MAGIC HAD YOU USED OVER THEM?

I'LL TELL YOU... YOUR MAJESTY! BUT FIRST PROMISE TO FORGIVE THEM.

I PROMISE TO FORGIVE THEM.

THE KING CALLED THE TREASURER AND ORDERED HIM TO GIVE TENALI A 1000 GOLD COINS... BUT SIMULTANEOUSLY HE SAID...!



CUT 20 GOLD COINS FROM THIS... WHICH I'VE PAID TO HIS FAMILY, DURING THE PAST TWO MONTHS.

I'M STILL NOT AT LOSS.

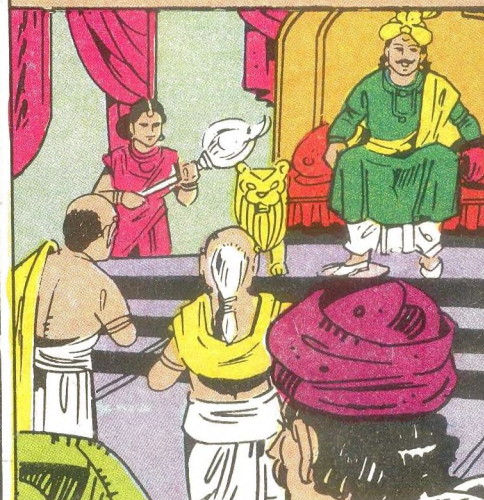
WHAT DO YOU ORDER ME, YOUR MAJESTY?

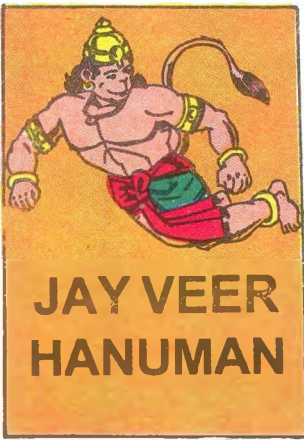
COME TO THE COURT REGULARLY FROM TOMORROW AND NEVER DO SUCH A THING AGAIN... MY HEART STILL SHRINKS FROM THE THOUGHT OF BRAHMAHATYA!



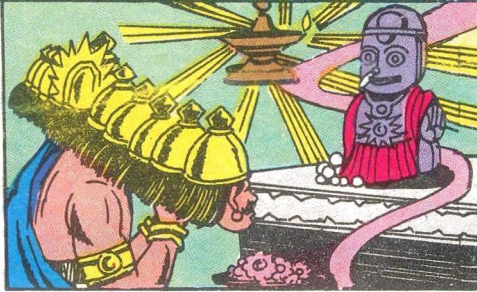
I'LL NEVER REPEAT IT SIR, I HOLD MY EARS.

ALL COURTIERS PRESENT IN THE COURT, LAUGH WITH KING KRISHNADEV RAI.

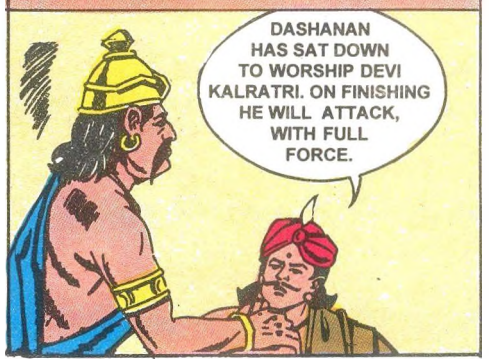




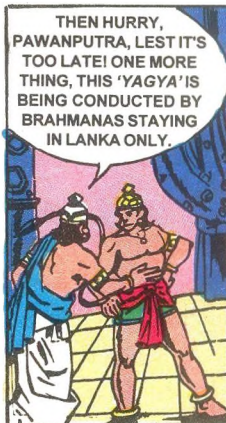
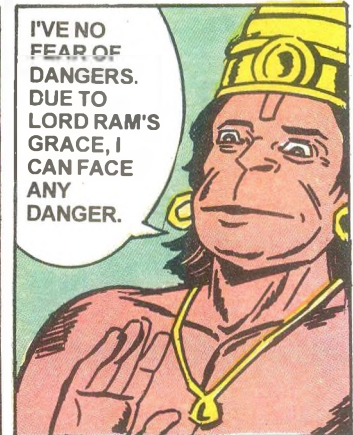
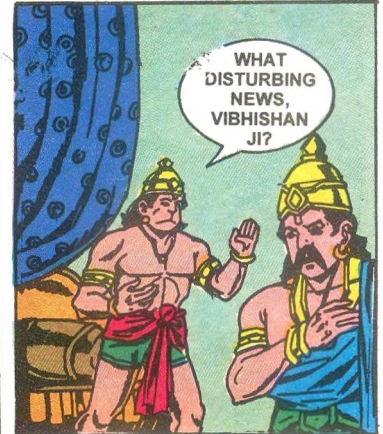
AFTER THE DEATHS OF SON MEGHNATH, BROTHER KUMBHKARAN AND AHIRAVAN, RAVANA'S WILLPOWER BREAKS DOWN, BUT HE WAS STILL ADAMANT AND WASN'T READY TO COMPROMISE WITH RAM IN ANY WAY. SO HE DECIDED TO GO TO FIGHT, HIMSELF. BUT BEFORE THAT, HE STARTED PREPARATIONS FOR WORSHIPPING KALRATRI AND PLEASING HER.

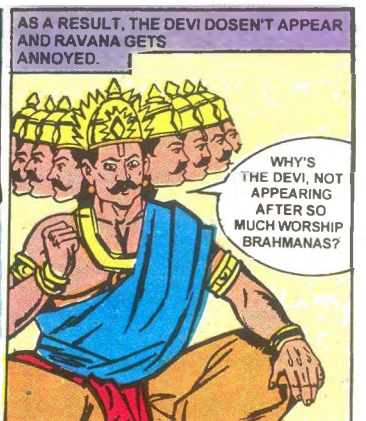
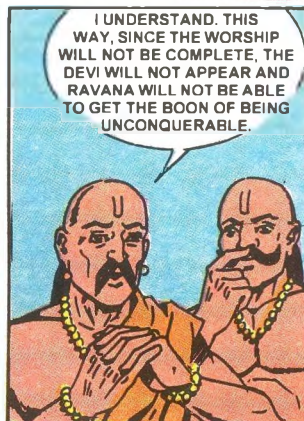
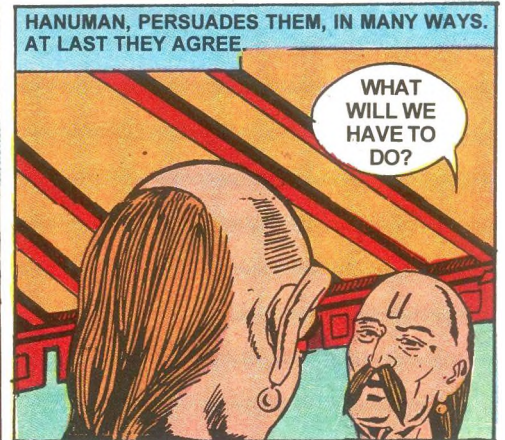
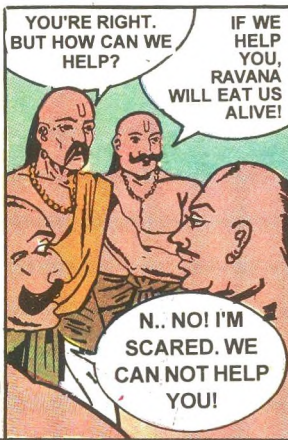
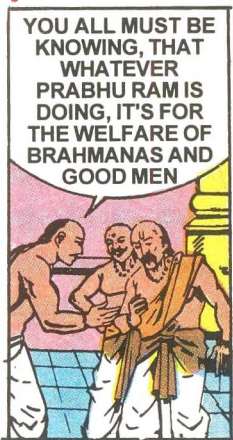
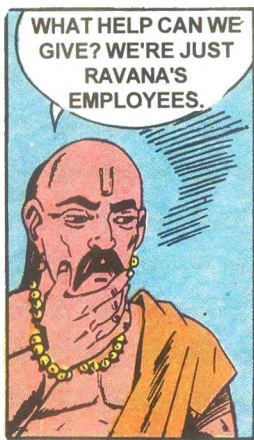
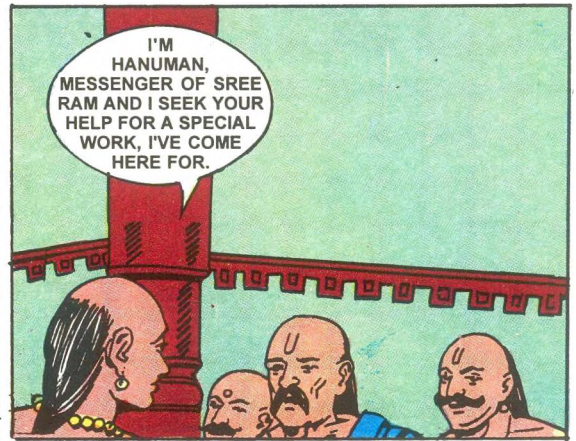
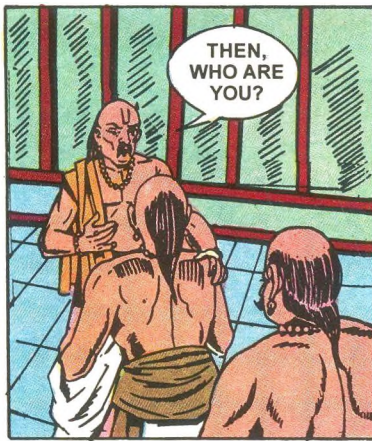
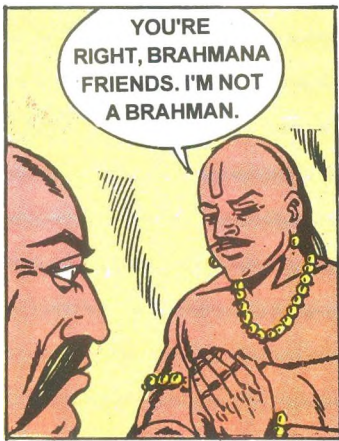
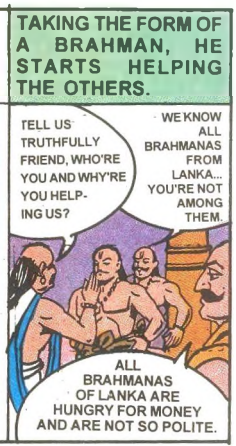
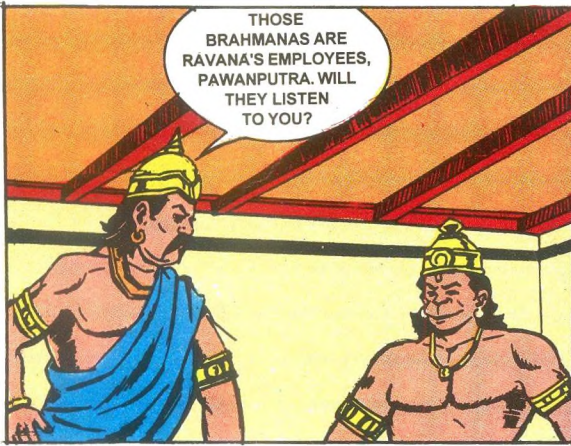


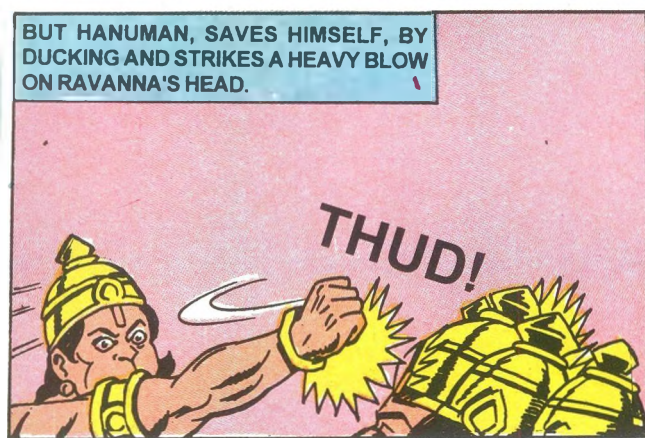
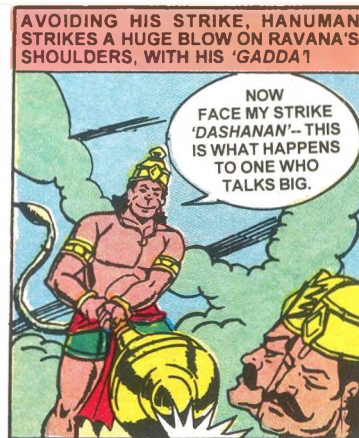
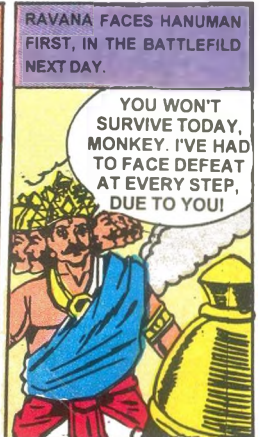
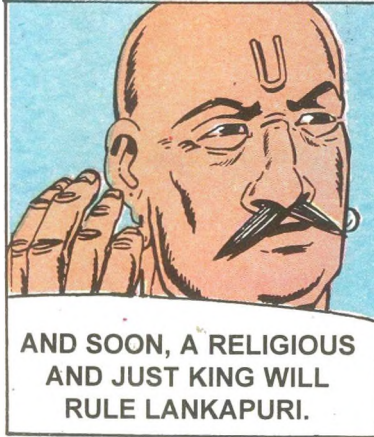
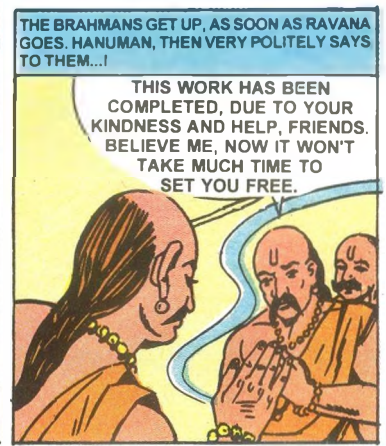
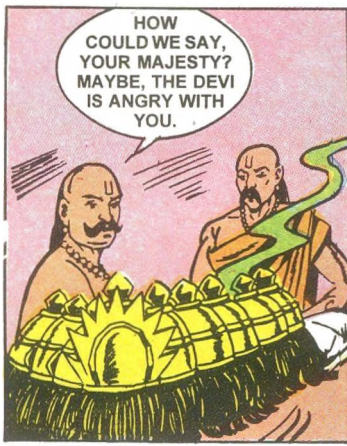
VIBHISHAN HAD SPREAD HIS SPIES TO GATHER INFORMATION.



VIBHISHAN GOES IMMEDIATELY TO HANUMAN'S CAMP, AS SOON AS THE MESSENGER LEAVES AND SAYS...

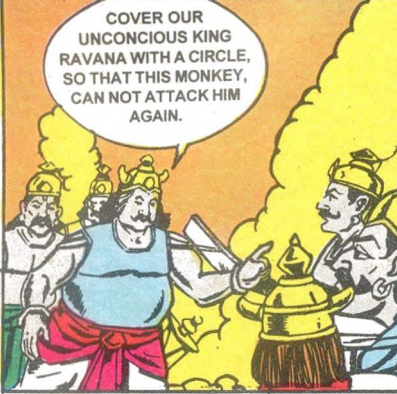






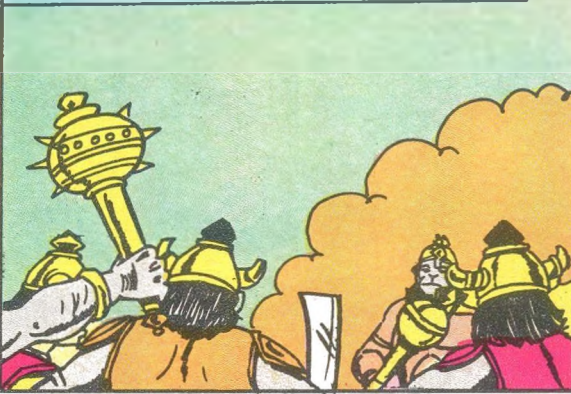


THE RAKSHASA COMMANDERS, SURROUND HIM IMMEDIATELY.



COVER OUR UNCONCIOUS KING RAVANA WITH A CIRCLE, SO THAT THIS MONKEY, CAN NOT ATTACK HIM AGAIN.

THEN A HUGE GROUP OF RAKSHASAS, FIGHTS AGAINST HANUMAN.



SEEING HANUMAN, FIGHTING ALONE, SUGREEV AND OTHER MONKEYS, COME TO HIS HELP.



WE TOO, HAVE COME, PAWANSOOT. DON'T LOSE COURAGE!

HANUMAN FIGHTS WITH DOUBLE SPIRITS, ON GETTING HELP.



MEANWHILE, RAVANA HAD REGAINED CONCIUSNESS. HE ATTACKED THE MONKEY ARMY, WITH A SHOWER OF ARROWS.



HELP! HELP US LORD RAM! RAVANA IS SHOWERING ARROWS ON US.

IMMEDIATELY, SREE RAM, CONFRONTS RAVANA. AGNI ARROWS, FLY FROM BOTH SIDES.



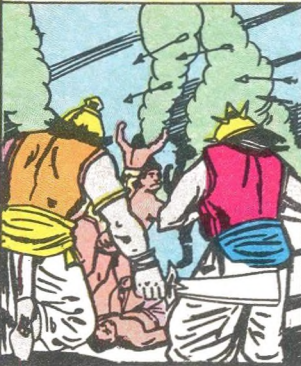
THE SKY IS FILLED WITH ARROWS. IT SEEMS NIGHT, INSTEAD OF DAY.



RAVANA USED TO CUT ALL ARROWS, THAT SREE RAM HIT. WHEN HIS HEAD USED TO BE CUT, WITH ONE OF SREE RAM'S ARROW, ANOTHER ONE GREW IN IT'S PLACE.



THE MONKEY ARMY WAS FALLING DOWN, LIKE CUT VEGETABLES. SEEING THIS, THE WILLPOWER OF THE RAKSHSHAS STRENGTHENED. THE MONEKY ARMY, STARTED BACKING UP.



JUST THEN VIBHISHAN REACHED SREE RAM AND WHISPERED SOMETHING IN HIS EARS.



RAVANA WILL NOT DIE THIS WAY, LORD!

THEN HOW WILL HE DIE, VIBHISHAN? I'M UNABLE TO CUT HIS HEAD, EVEN AFTER SO MANY EFFORTS?



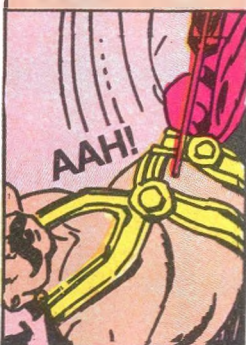
THERE'S 'AMRIT', HIDDEN IN RAVANA'S NAVEL, O' LORD! HIT AN ARROW THERE AND DRY UP HIS AMRIT. THEN IT WON'T TAKE HIM LONG TO DIE.



KNOWING THIS MYSTERY, FROM VIBHISHAN, RAM AIMED A AGNI ARROW AND HIT RAVANA, ON HIS NAVEL.



RAVANA IMMEDIATELY SCREAMED AND FELL TO THE GROUND. THE AGNI ARROW, DRIED UP ALL THE 'AMRIT', PRESENT IN HIS NAVEL.



ALL RAVANA'S POWERS ENDS, AS THE AMRIT DRIES UP. RAM THEN STRIKES AN ARROW, WHICH CUTS RAVANA'S HEAD AND TAKES IT FLYING.

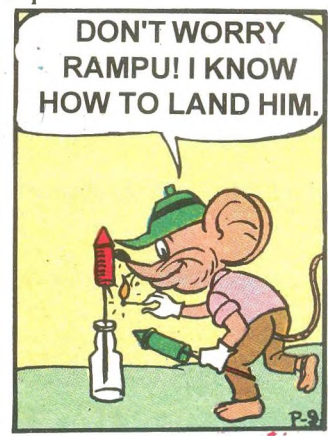
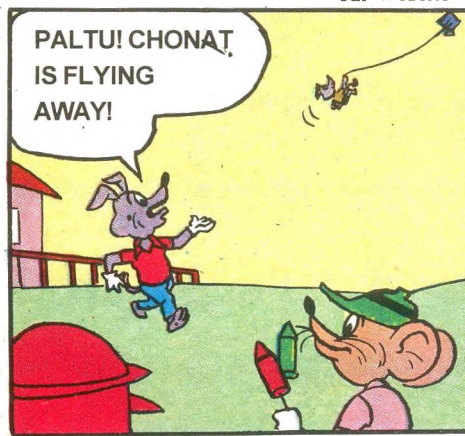
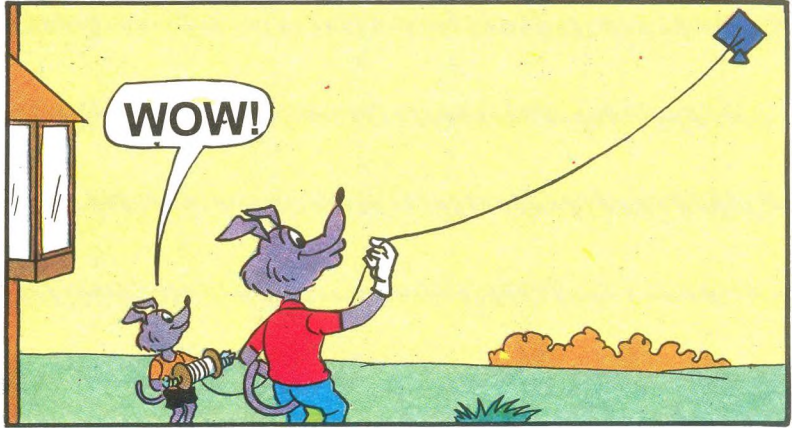


ANOTHER HEAD, COULD NOT GROW ON RAVANA, AS THE AMRIT HAD DRIED UP. IT BROUGHT THE END OF A TYRANT ON EARTH. THE DEVTAAS SHOWERED FLOWERS FROM THE SKY. IT WAS A VICTORY OF MORAL OVER IMMORAL. AND PARHAPUTRA HANUMAN HAD A HUGE CONTRIBUTION IN ALL THIS

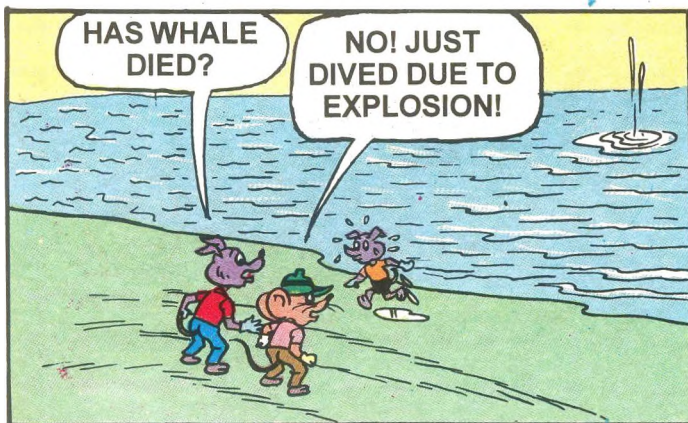
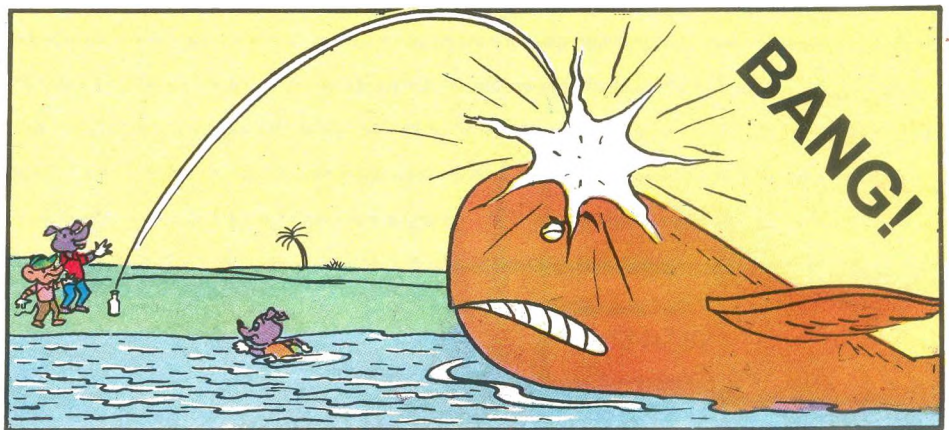
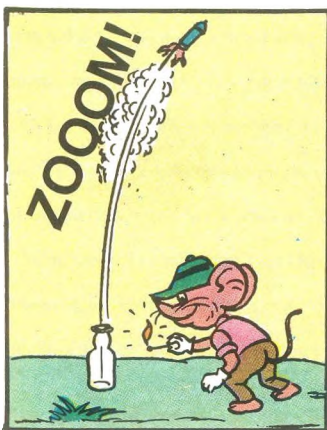
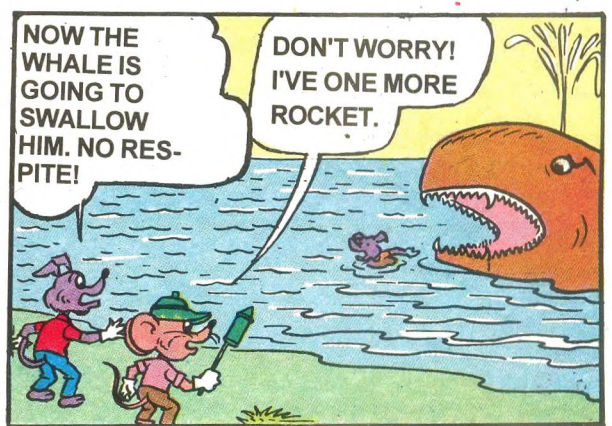
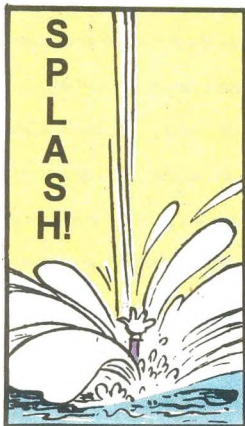
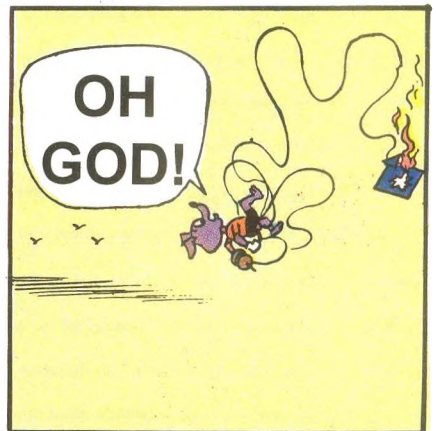
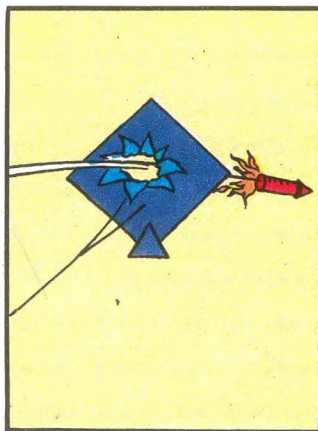


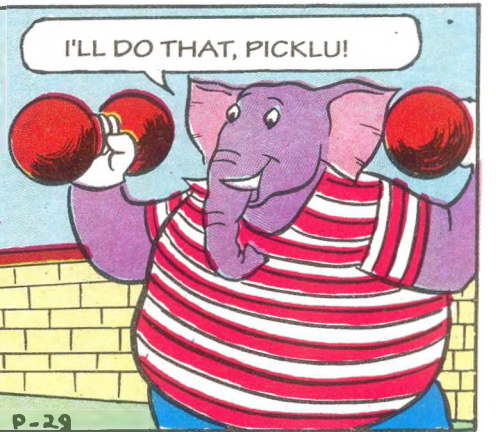
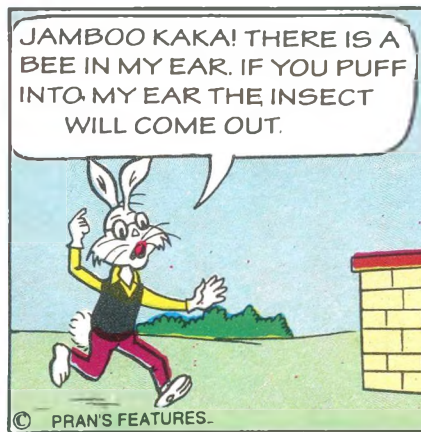
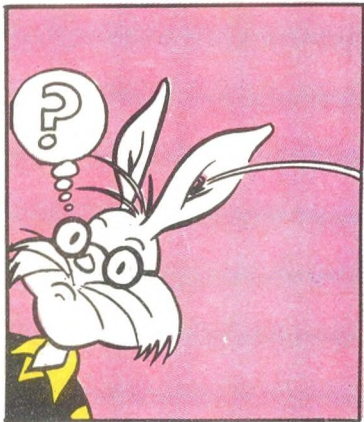
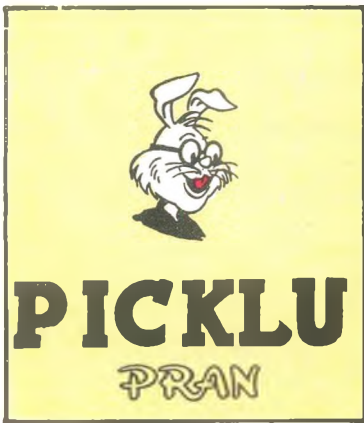
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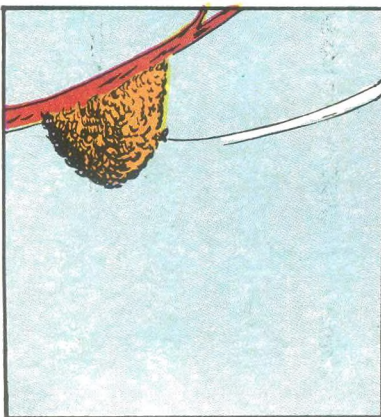
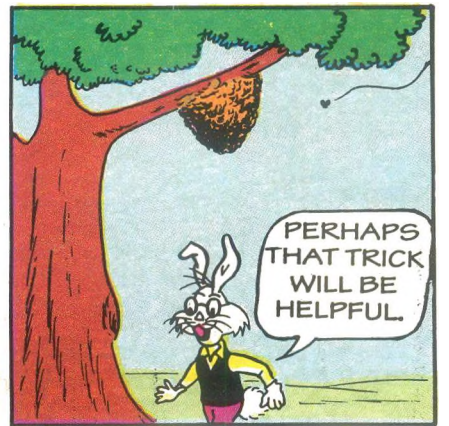
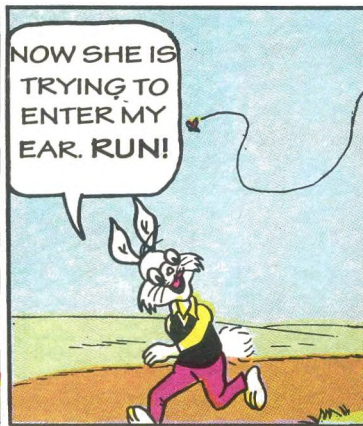
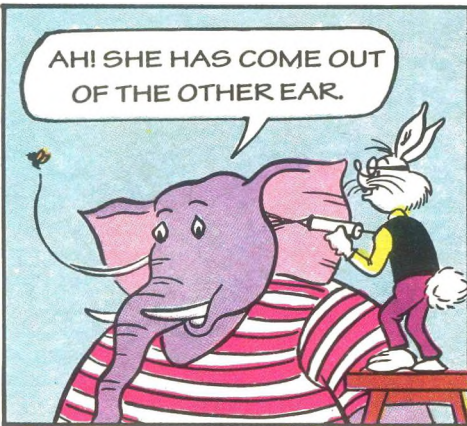
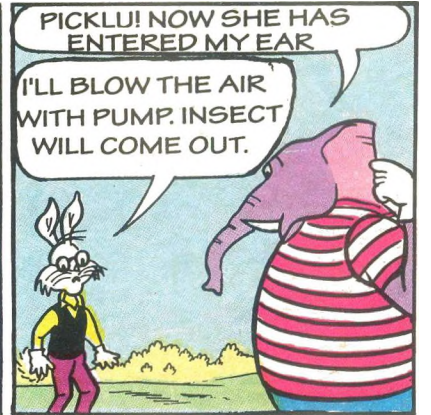
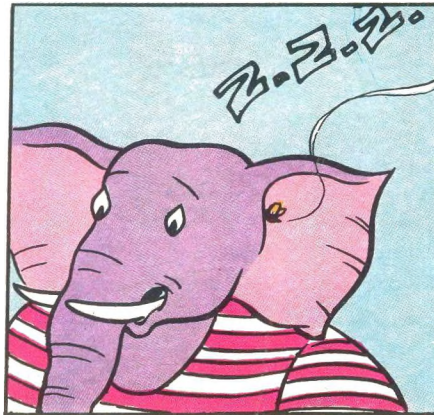
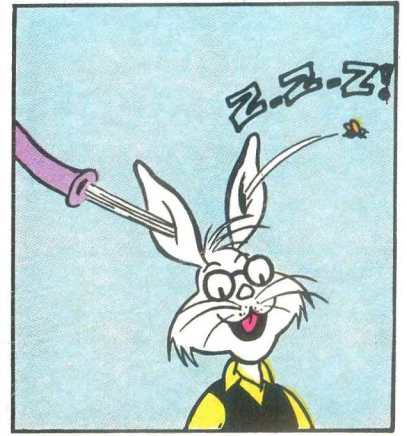
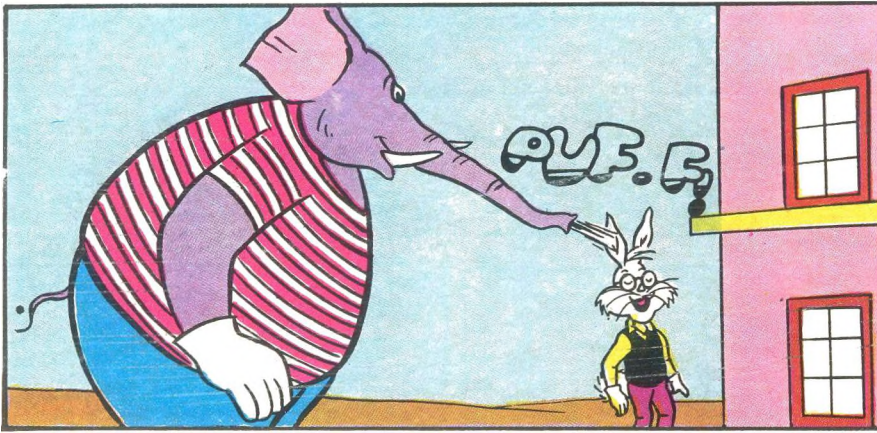




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# WHO'S INTELLIGENT - BIRBAL OR TANSEN?

ONE DAY AN ARGUMENT OCCURS BETWEEN BIRBAL AND TANSEN. EVEN THE COURTIER'S START TAKING SIDES.



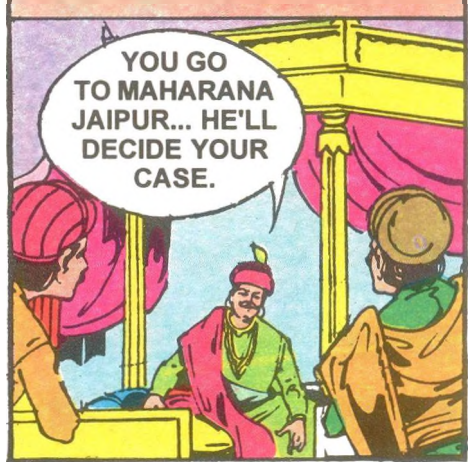
THE EMPEROR GETS TO KNOW OF THIS.



THE EMPEROR GOES DEEP IN THOUGHT.



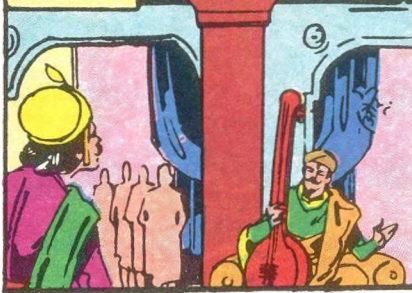
EMPEROR AKBAR THINKS OF A WAY. HE SAYS TO BIRBAL AND TANSEN.



HOW COULD THEY DISREGARD THEIR EMPEROR'S ORDERS. BOWING THEIR HEADS RESPECTFULLY, THEY SAY...!



TANSEN WAS THE FIRST TO REACH MAHARANA JAIPUR'S COURT. AFTER NARRATING EVERY WORD OF AKBAR, TANSEN STARTED SINGING. ALL THE COURTIER'S START ENJOYING AS THE SONG GOES ON.



TANSEN HAS FULL BELIEF THAT MAHARANA JAIPUR WOULD DEFINITELY GIVE DECISION IN HIS FAVOUR, ONCE HIS SONG IS OVER.



BIRBAL MEETS MAHARANA JAIPUR, ALONE AND SAYS RESPECTFULLY...!



BUT... THEN MAHARANA JAIPUR, ASKS BIRBAL, TOO



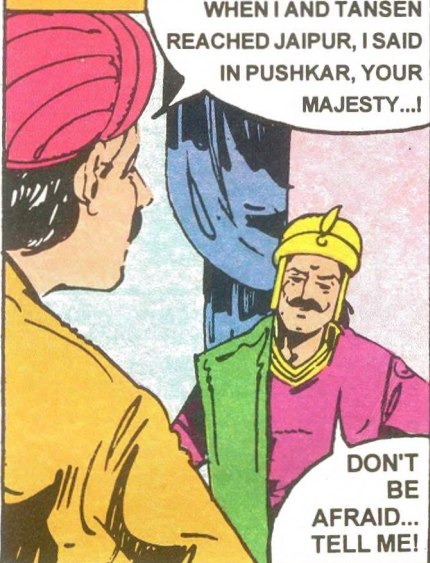
BIRBAL GETS ESTATIC.



HESITATINGLY, BIRBAL REPLIES...!



LIKE A GREAT ACTOR, BIRBAL THEN SAYS...!



WHEN I AND TANSEN REACHED JAIPUR, I SAID IN PUSHKAR, YOUR MAJESTY...!

DON'T BE AFRAID... TELL ME!

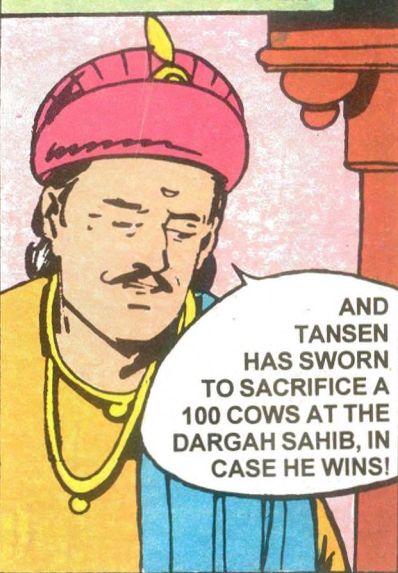
FURTHER ACTING, BIRBAL SAYS...!



I HAD SAID, THAT IF I WIN AT MAHARANA'S HOUSE, I'LL GIVE 100 COWS IN DONATION... AND...

WHAT ELSE?

BIRBAL SAYS FURTHER...!



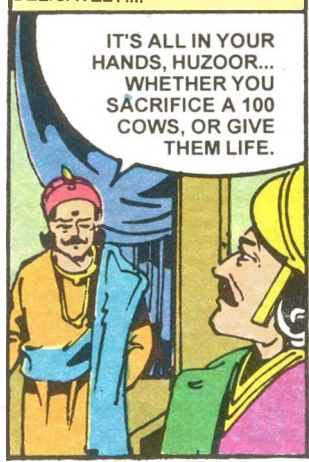
AND TANSEN HAS SWORN TO SACRIFICE A 100 COWS AT THE DARGAH SAHIB, IN CASE HE WINS!

MAHARANA JAIPUR IS STUNNED, HEARING BIRBAL.



WHAT...? TANSEN HAS SWORN SO?

BIRBAL STRIKES ONE MORE ARROW, AS HE SAYS VERY DELICATELY...!



IT'S ALL IN YOUR HANDS, HUZOOR... WHETHER YOU SACRIFICE A 100 COWS, OR GIVE THEM LIFE.

MAHARANA JAIPUR'S MIND TAKES A TURN. HE THINKS...!



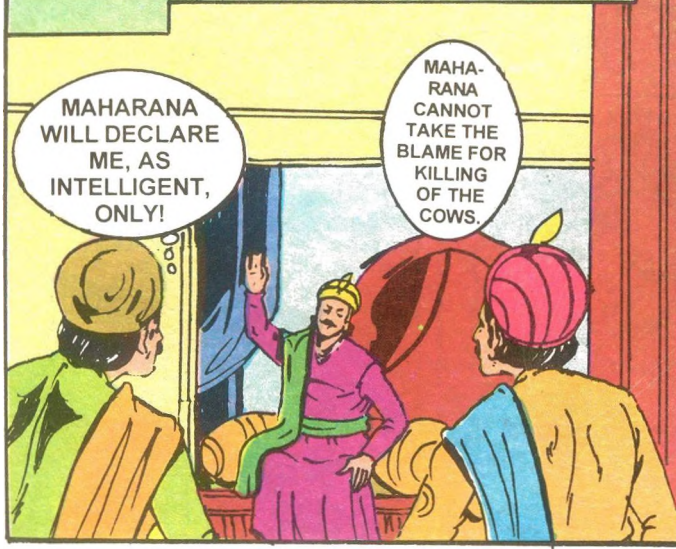
NO! NO! I CAN'T BECOME THE REASON FOR THE DEATH OF A 100 COWS.

NEXT DAY, MAHARANA JAIPUR REACHES COURT.



I'LL PRONOUNCE BIRBAL TO BE MORE INTELLIGENT.

TANSEN AND BIRBAL BOTH THINK, IN COURT.



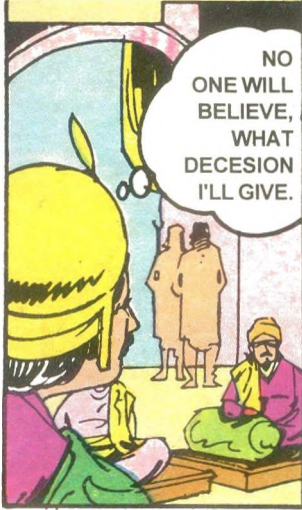
MAHARANA WILL DECLARE ME, AS INTELLIGENT, ONLY!

MAHARANA CANNOT TAKE THE BLAME FOR KILLING OF THE COWS.

ALL SIT AND WAIT FOR THE MAHARANA'S DECISION AS HE SITS DOWN.



MAHARANA JAIPUR LOOKS AT HIS COURTIER'S ONCE. HE THINKS ALSO...!



NO ONE WILL BELIEVE, WHAT DECISION I'LL GIVE.



MEANWHILE, TANSEN WAS CONSOLING HIMSELF.

THE MAHARANA WAS ENJOYING MY SONG YESTERDAY. HIS DECISION WILL BE IN MY FAVOUR.

BIRBAL, TOO HAD FAITH, THAT HE WOULD SUCCEED IN HIS MISSION.

WHATEVER IT IS, THE MAHARANA IS HINDU. HE WON'T BE ABLE TO BECOME THE REASON FOR THE DEATH OF 100 COWS.

SEEING THE RESTLESSNESS OF THE COURTIER, MAHARANA THINKS IT BETTER NOT TO DELAY.

IN MY UNDERSTANDING, BIRBAL IS MORE INTELLIGENT!

AT LAST, MAHARANA JAIPUR, GIVES HIS DECISION.

TANSEN IS VERY GOOD AT SINGING, BUT AS FAR AS INTELLIGENCE GOES, THERE IS NONE BETTER THAN BIRBAL! BIRBAL, IS MORE INTELLIGENT THAN TANSEN.

HEARING THIS TANSEN IS STUNNED.

HUM... WHAT'S THIS...? MAHARANA WAS ENJOYING MY SONG YESTERDAY... AND, TODAY HE'S CALLING ME STUPID...!

BIRBAL GETS HAPPY WITH THE MAHARANA'S DECISION.

WOW! MAHARANA'S DECISION IS PRAISE-WORTHY. HE PRAISED TANSEN TOO, AS WELL AS ANNOUNCED ME AS INTELLIGENT.

WHEN AKBAR HEARS OF THIS, HE PROUDLY SAYS LAUGHING...!

WOW... PRAISE BE TO MAHARANA JAIPUR...! HE HAS GIVEN SUCH A DECISION, WHICH NO ONE CAN REFUSE.

ON RETURN, BIRBAL IMMEDIATELY GOES TO EMPEROR AKBAR.

GLORY BE TO HIS MAJESTY!

BUT HOW DID ALL THIS HAPPEN, BIRBAL?

BIRBAL REPLIES INNOCENTLY...!

I JUST HAS TO SAY THIS TO MAHARANA JAIPUR, HUZ-OOR...!

AKBAR LAUGHS LOUDLY ON HEARING EVERYTHING.

HO... HO... HO...! HO...! HO...! HO... HO...!

CONTROLLING HIS LAUGHTER SOMEHOW, AKBAR SAYS...!

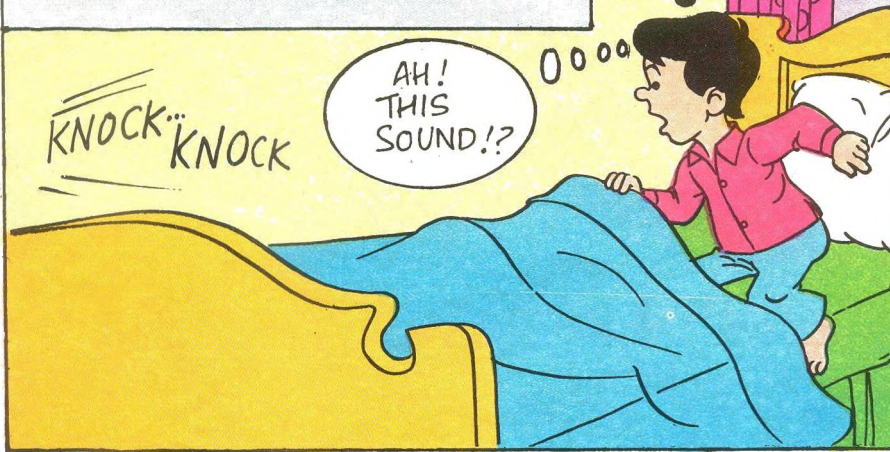
GOD, BIRBAL! IT WAS A QUESTION OF INTELLIGENCE. YOU'VE PROVED THAT!

THANKS, YOUR MAJESTY!



# NANHE MIYAN AND THIEF GHOST

NANHE MIYAN SUDDENLY AWOKE FROM HIS DEEP SLEEP. A PECULIAR SOUND WAS COMING FROM HIS PAPA'S ROOM.



NANHE MIYAN JUMPED FROM HIS BED —



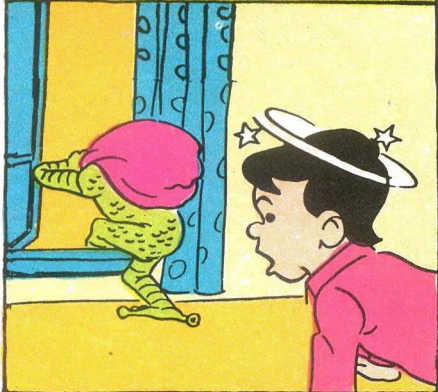
WHEN NANHE OPENED THE DOOR.



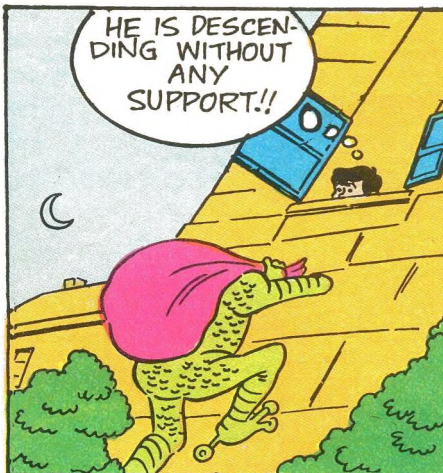
AND NEXT MOMENT—



THAT UGLY BEAST FILLED HIS BAG WITH OFFICIAL PAPERS AND WENT THROUGH WINDOW.



HE IS DESCENDING WITHOUT ANY SUPPORT!!



RUNNING AWAY ON FOOT! I CAN CATCH HIM!

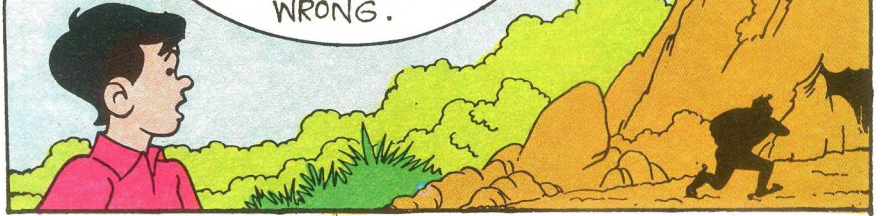


NANHE FOLLOWED HIM —

OH!  
NONE HEARD  
MY VOICE...  
PERHAPS  
SLEEPING!

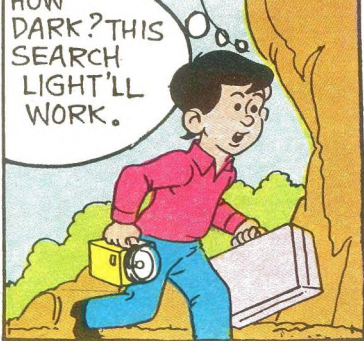


HE IS  
GOING INTO CAVE. IS  
HE REALLY A GHOST?  
BUT WHY'LL GHOST GO FOR  
THEFT AND PICK UP  
ONLY OFFICE-FILES? THERE  
IS SOMETHING  
WRONG.



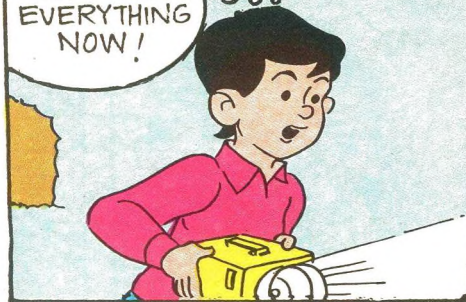
AFTER SOME TIME —

HOW  
DARK? THIS  
SEARCH  
LIGHT'LL  
WORK.



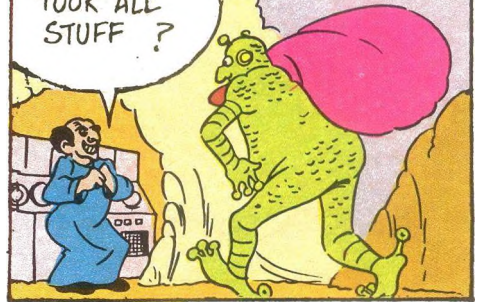
NANHE PUT ON THE LIGHT—

AHA...VISIBLE  
EVERYTHING  
NOW!



INSIDE CAVE —

O, MY LION!  
TOOK ALL  
STUFF?



HA-HA-HA! DIDN'T  
YOU LEAVE ANY  
PAPER THERE  
DID YOU?

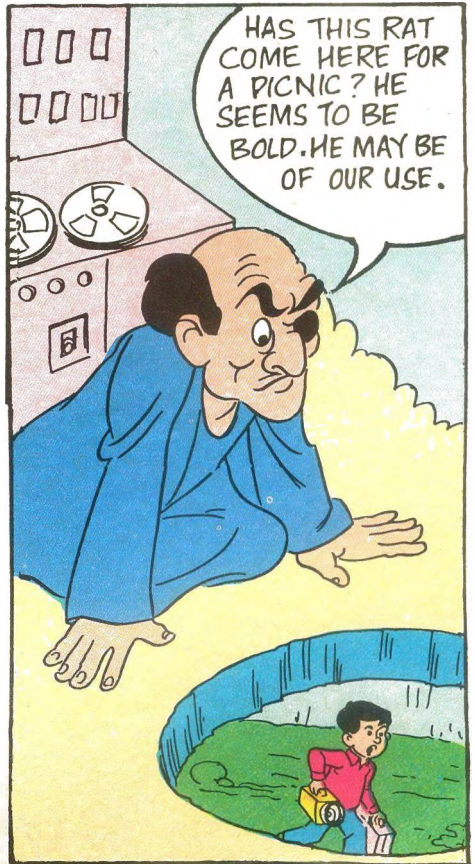


HAVE YOUR REWARD!  
DRINK FOR YOU! I'M  
INVESTIGATING THE  
FILE OF THIS HONEST  
OFFICER!

HEE...  
HEE...HEE!



HAS THIS RAT  
COME HERE FOR  
A PICNIC? HE  
SEEMS TO BE  
BOLD. HE MAY BE  
OF OUR USE.

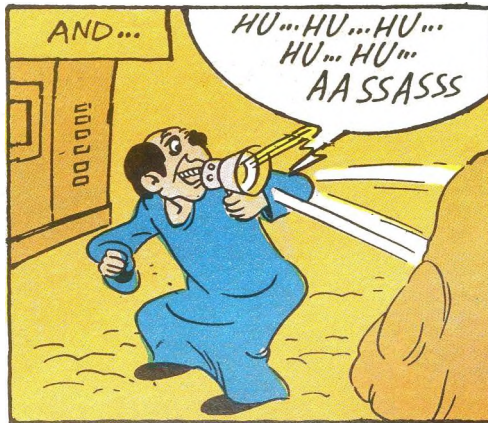


I CAN EARN  
A LOT IF I  
GET ANY  
SECRET!  
HA! HA! HA!

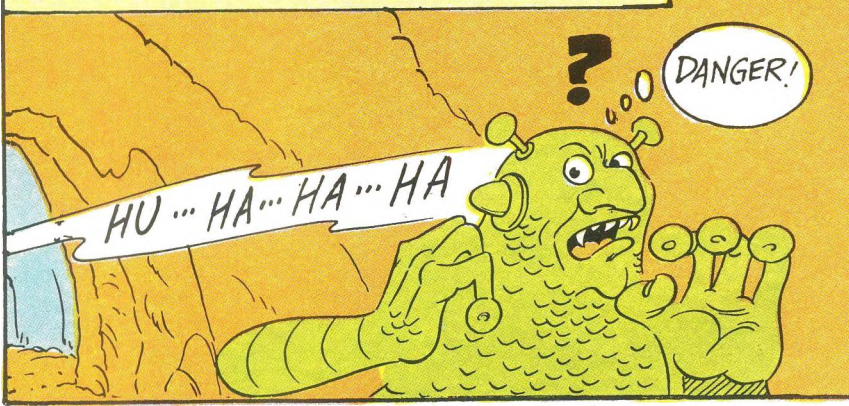


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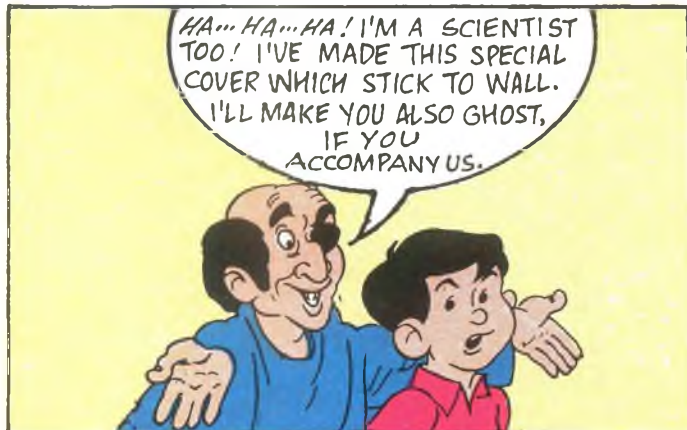
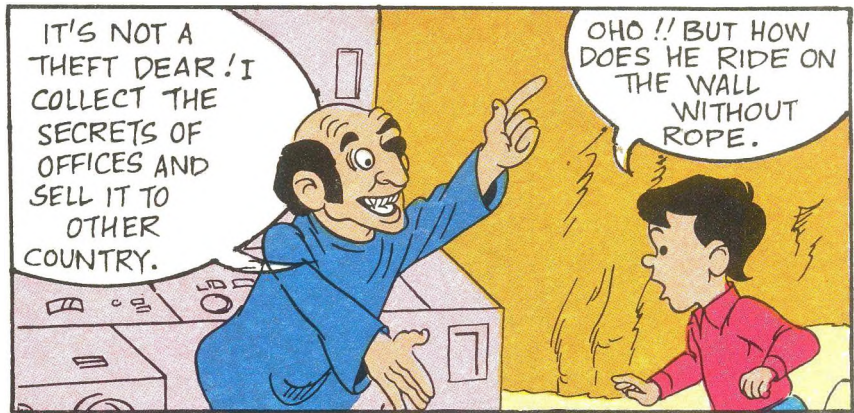
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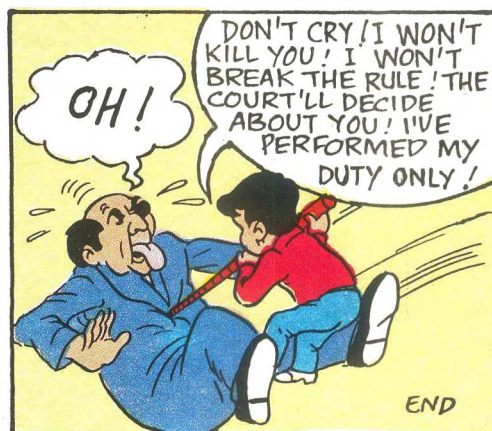
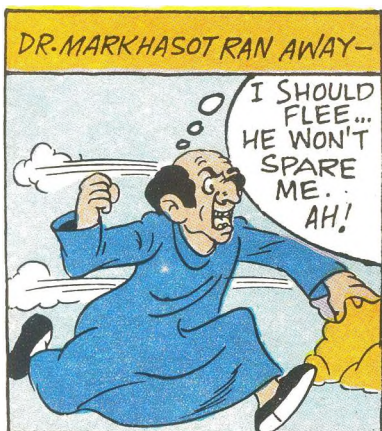
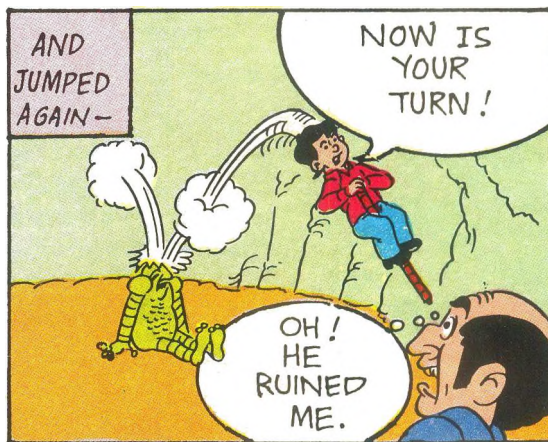
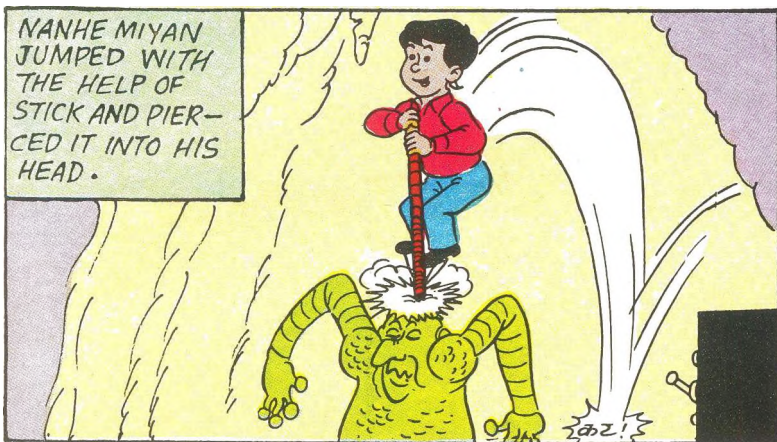
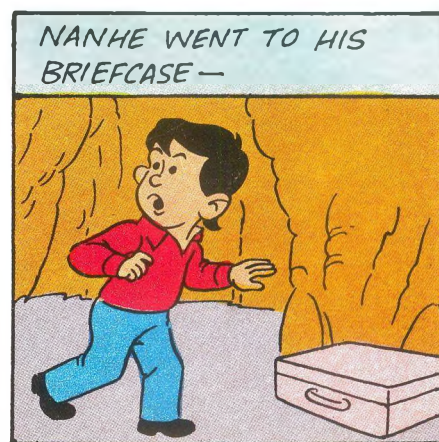
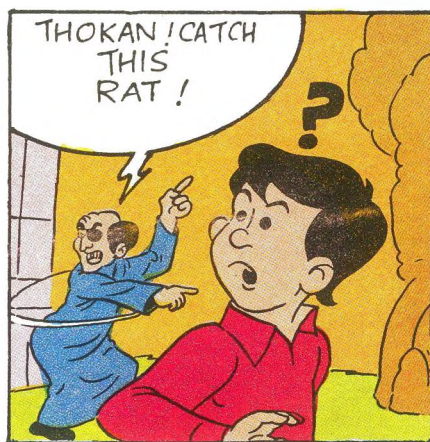
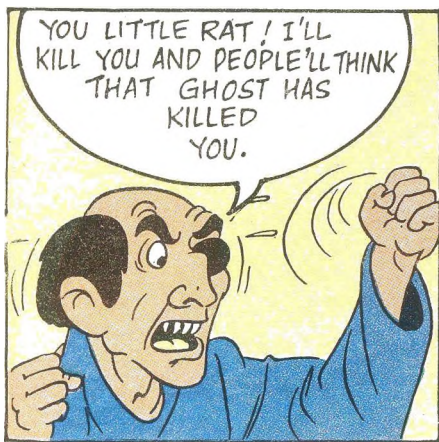


THE HORRIBLE BUT CREATED VOICE ECHOED

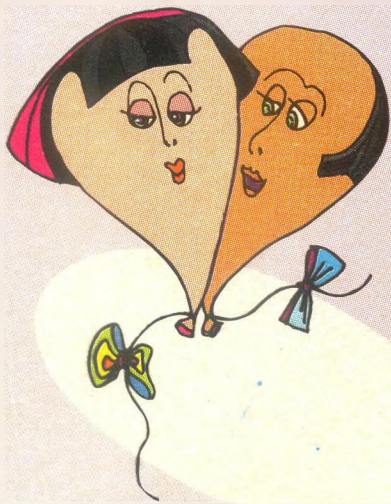


NANHE WAS MOVING AHEAD IN THE CAVE! SUDDENLY...





# FACE TO FACE



Dear Sir,  
I am a regular reader of Comic World. I find it very interesting to read since it covers various topics of different nature. I always insist that my parents and brothers should also read it. Comic World is really an ornament of the world of letters.

Anju Padival, Jabalpur



Dear Editor,  
Comic World is the best teenager magazine I've read. Congratulations and thanks for the "Millennium Issue". It is my humble suggestion that you invite the views of youngsters on the social evils like dowry and corruption. It will make Comic World a true forum for the teenagers.

Amit Choudhary, Kanpur.

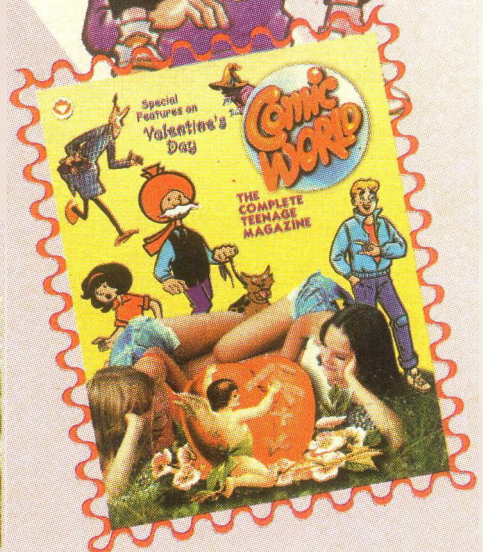
Dear Editor,  
I recently received Comic World's "Millennium Special." I can't describe in words how delighted I become to receive such a nice gift from you. All the information were unique and most interesting. I hope you will present us these special issues from time to time.

Sonam, Jammu

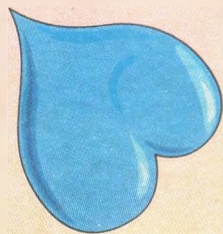


Dear Sir,  
I am a new reader of Comic World. I found the magazine very interesting and useful. All the comic characters like Herman, Batman, Chacha Choudhary, Billu, Pinki, Tenali Rama, Akbar, Birbal, etc. are superb. Please give an article on new inventions in every issue.

Gautam Dey, Howrah



# Heart to Heart



My Heart Nishita,  
When I think of you, only four words come to my mind. Your love, your style, your  
face and your smile.

-Amit, Jaipur

My Love Muskan,  
Bees want flowers, fish want water, but my heart wants only you.

- You know who, Kanpur

Dearest Aditya  
I wish your life be mathematics, your sorrows be subtracted, your happiness be  
added, grief be divided and joys be multiplied.

- Jyotika, Mumbai

My life Gauri,  
Down in the valley, carved on the rock, three little words - forget me not.

- Rintu, Delhi

Dear Sonam,  
You arrived in my life with a bang just few days ago. I like your husky voice and  
smile. If it is not too early, may I ask, will you be my .....?

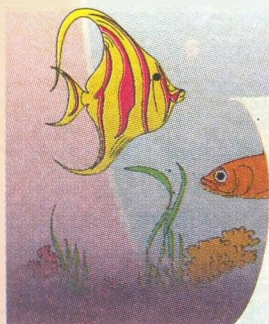
- Rohan, Calcutta

My Love Anjali,  
Sweet are your looks, dear is your name, in my heart you'll forever remain.

- Saurabh, Chennai

My first love Nisha,  
My love is just like a ring, there is no end. Please believe me, you are the only one  
whom I love, I expect your reply earliest.

- Anjur, Poona



# Pen

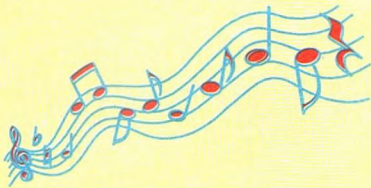
# Friend



**Pavan Kumar Gupta,**  
Age: 10. H: Penfriendship,  
reading comics. Add: P.K.  
Gupta, Near Chairman Hotel,  
Gola Gokhran Nath,  
District Lakhimpur Khiri,  
UP Pin 262802



**Sonam Yangchen,**  
Age: 15. H: Reading, writing,  
penfriendship only with girls.  
Add: 33-B, Behind Kharong Public  
School, District Mongar,  
Eastern Bhutan.



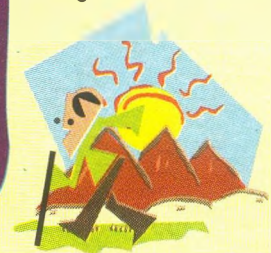
**Amit Jatly,**  
Age 19. H: Music,  
swimming, reading.  
Add: 339, Street No. 5,  
Shalimar Park Extension,  
Delhi-110032.



**Anshul Garg,**  
Age 17. H: Cricket, stamp  
collection, friendship.  
Add: 97, Madhuban  
Enclave, Krishna Nagar,  
Mathura-281006

**Miss Ramsha,**  
Age 12. H: Swimming,  
poetry, penfriendship. Add:  
D/o Umesh Kumar,  
4 R-Block, Rajaji Nagar,  
Bangalore-560010

**Smita D.K.,**  
Age 10. H: Bird watching,  
friendship. Add: D/o Divesh,  
F-114, 5th Block,  
Rajaji Nagar,  
Bangalore-560010



**H. Towliz,**  
Age 15. H: Trekking,  
football, and tennis.  
Add: C/o Daji, Telephone  
Exchange,  
Kohima, Nagaland-797001



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I want to make Pen Friends.

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photograph of myself and  
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# Career Line



**I am a non-matriculate. Could you please tell me if I can join the Indian Coast Guard?**

**Aneesh Tiwari, Imphal**

The Indian Coast Guard is an Armed Force of the Indian Union. It offers job opportunities for non-matriculate males as Naviks in the Domestic Branch. Eligibility is a pass in Class VIII with 55 per cent aggregate (45% for SC/ST). The age requirement is 17-22 years. The upper age limit is relaxable by five years for SC/ST candidates and three years for OBC. The candidates are required to meet certain physical standards. Selection is through a written test/interview. For further information, you may contact: Director (Training), Recruitment Cell, Coast Guard Headquarters, National Stadium Complex, New Delhi-110 001

**I am a mechanical engineer diploma holder. But, I am keenly interested in becoming a playback singer. Please guide me to achieve my ambition.**

**Shuchi Mahajan, Navi Mumbai**

I hope you managed to find break by now. If not take every opportunity to participate in competitions on TV etc., like Antakshari, Sa Re Ga Ma etc. Also contact sound recording studios in your vicinity if there are any. It would greatly help if you could record a small cassette with brief pieces to showcase your range and talent. After that, you can contact recording companies, music directors, to give you a try. In the meantime, do grab every opportunity to sing on stage and at public functions.

Wishing you the best!

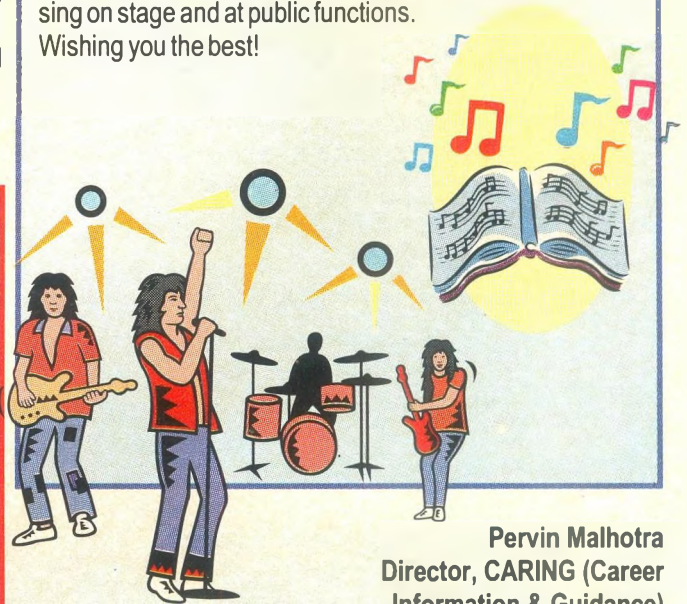
**I am an 18-year-old girl studying in Class XII. I want to be an IPS officer. What are the basic requirements and how should I proceed to take this exam?**

**Sushmita Choudhury, Calcutta**

Eligibility: Graduation. Age: 21-30 years as on August 1 of the year of taking the exam. Watch out for the advertisement in Employment News and leading national dailies in the month of December. The examination is held at various test centres (as decided by the Union Public Service Commission) across the country.

Regarding your preparation for the exam, you should be thorough in two subjects of your choice, preferably the subjects that you specialise in at your undergraduate or postgraduate level. Besides this, you need to be thorough in General Knowledge and current affairs as well, for you'll have a paper on General Studies, both in the preliminary and main exams.

For further details, you may contact: The Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, Dhoolpur House, New Delhi-110 011.

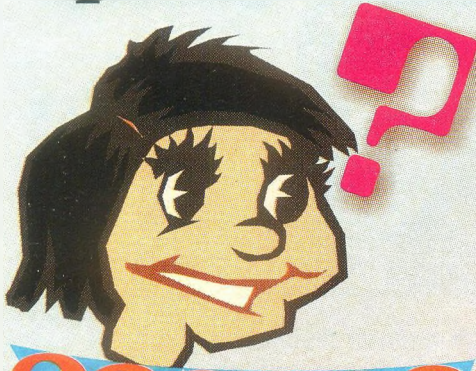


**Pervin Malhotra  
Director, CARING (Career  
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*Friends,  
This column is specially designed to help you in solving your problems about your career. Without any hesitation write to us about your problems. Please send a self addressed duly stamped envelope too.*

*-Editor*

# quick recap quiz-17



This Quick Recap Quiz-17 is based on Comic World's previous issues. Answer the following questions with the help of these issues. Write the answers in the vacant place given with each question. Write in a neat and clean handwriting. This is a golden chance to win

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**QUICK RECAP QUIZ-17**

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★ In which city Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium is located?

★ .....

★ Name the steepest street in the world?

★ .....

★ What is the name of Richi Rich's Robot maid?

★ .....

★ Name the film based on handicapped people's life?

★ .....

★ When was Steven Spielberg's film ET released?

★ .....

★ Which is the world's largest blossoming plant?

★ .....

★ Which was the longest film ever made?

★ .....

★ Jaspal Rana's name is associated with which game?

★ .....

★ Which fish can generate electricity?

★ .....

★ Which snake can spray venom?

★ .....

★ What is the name of Shilpa Dalmia's father?

★ .....

★ Who played the part of soldier in the film Antz?

★ .....

★ What is the 'Mary Poppins' effect?

★ .....

★ Whose nickname was 'Zokko'?

★ .....

★ What is a Joystick Joy?

★ .....

★ How many hearts are there in Sophia Park's body?

★ .....

★ Which album of Alisha was released in various languages?

★ .....

★ What was the name of Tarzan's eagle?

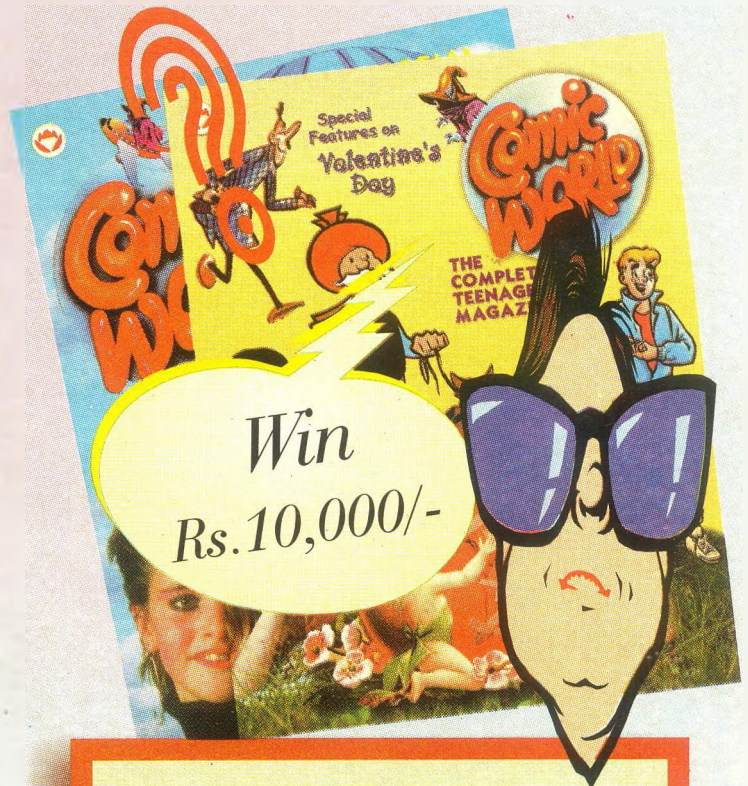
★ .....

★ Who was two-face?

★ .....

★ What is the name of Archie's girlfriend?

★ .....



Name : .....

Age: ..... Sex: .....

Address: .....

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**NEW  
IN THE  
MARKET**



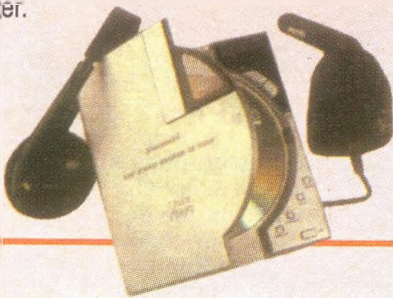
# Sony's Sports Walkman

It is a good buy and maybe even a long lasting one. Despite its bulky dimensions, it looks trendy. Sound quality is excellent with no complicated, super-sophisticated features. This piece may not score in the electronics, but it definitely does in its construction. Easy to maintain and repair. Available through the grey markets only.



## CD, Where Are We?

PRONOUNCED Technologies' AudioNav is the first truly portable, voice recognition-based navigation system. You tell it where you are and where you want to go, and it guides you with verbal directions. Slightly larger than a portable compact disc player, the CD-based AudioNav is a self-contained unit, with built-in voice recognition processing power. It runs on batteries plus power from your car's cigarette lighter.

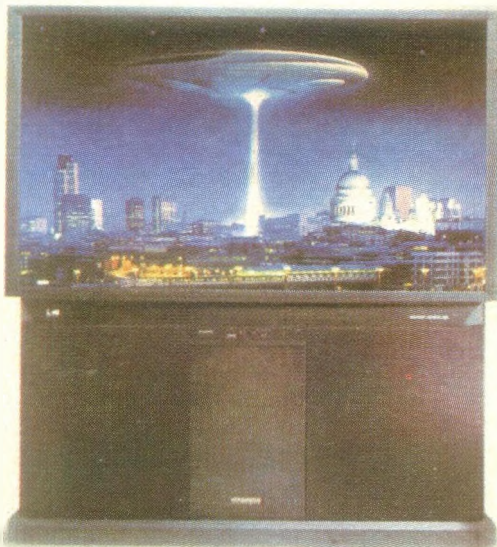


## One Touch Easy

THE one touch easy is a dual band hands-free speaker phone which helps you do two things at once - talk on the phone and drive, or just share the conversation with others. It weighs just 135 to 150 grams, depending on the type of battery. These handsets can also be equipped with a vibrator, which alerts you to an incoming call without disturbing a discussion.

# Hitachi's Digital Vision

Hitachi's new High Definition Digital TV is HDTV ready with no need for additional set top boxes. It has a DIRECTV system Receiver built-in, along with a Digital terrestrial Decoder that receives the current 18 high definition channels on air in the US. In tune with the times, Hitachi has taken the 16:9 widescreen route as most of the new DVDs are mastered in this format and hence will be HDTV broadcasts. The Hitachi also features advanced technologies such as Magic Focus, SuperBright Lens System and of course, Hitachi Ultravision's much acclaimed Optical Technology.



# FROM THE GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS

## LETTER WRITING

THE REV CANON BILL COOK AND HIS FIANCEE / WIFE HELEN OF DISS, NORFOLK EXCHANGED A RECORD 6,000 LOVE LETTERS DURING THEIR 4 1/2 YEAR WARTIME SEPARATION FROM MARCH 1942 TO MAY 1946.



THE LONGEST LETTER ADDRESSED TO AN EDITOR WAS ONE OF 25,513 WORDS FROM JOHN SULTZBAUGH OF LYKENS, PENNSYLVANIA, USA PUBLISHED OVER EIGHT ISSUES OF THE UPPER DAUPHIN SENTINEL, FROM AUGUST TO NOVEMBER 1979.

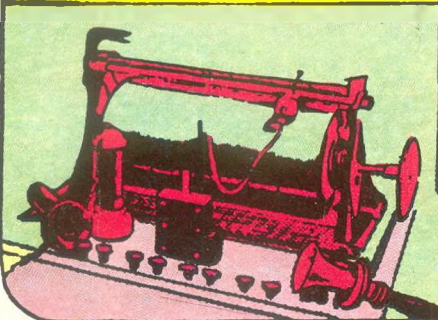


THE SHORTEST CORRESPONDENCE ON RECORD WAS BETWEEN VICTOR MARIE HUGO (1802-85) AND HIS PUBLISHER HURST AND BLACKETT IN 1862. ANXIOUS TO KNOW HOW HIS NEW NOVEL *LES MISÉRABLES* WAS SELLING, HE WROTE '?!'. THE REPLY WAS '!'.  
**BE BRIEF!**



## MUSICAL RECORD

MAGNETIC RECORDING WAS INVENTED BY VALDEMAR POUISON (1869-1942) OF DENMARK WITH HIS STEEL WIRE TELEPHONE IN 1898 (US PAT. NO. 661619).



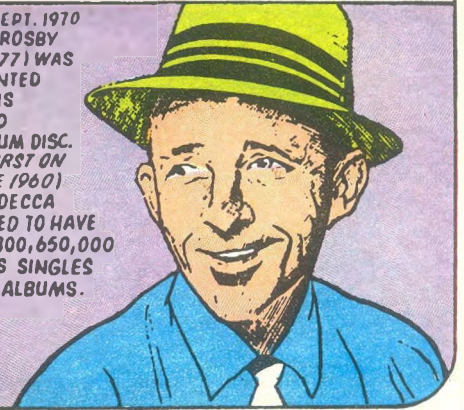
THE BBC RECORD LIBRARY CONTAINS OVER 1,000,000 RECORDS, THE OLDEST BEING WHITE WAX CYLINDERS DATING FROM 1888.

RADIO 2

It's Golden Oldie time, Folks!



ON 15 SEPT. 1970 BING CROSBY (1904-77) WAS PRESENTED WITH HIS SECOND PLATINUM DISC. (THE FIRST ON 9 JUNE 1960) WHEN DECCA CLAIMED TO HAVE SOLD 300,650,000 OF HIS SINGLES AND ALBUMS.

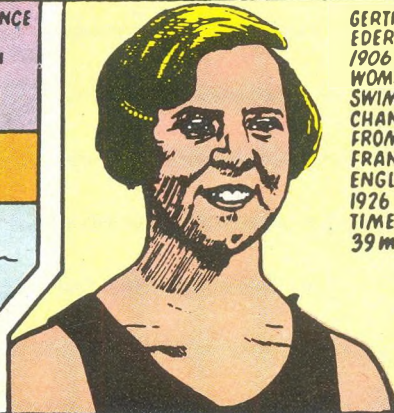


## ENGLISH CHANNEL RECORD

THE FIRST CHANNEL SWIM FROM FRANCE TO ENGLAND WAS MADE BY ENRICO TIRABOSCHI (ITALY), IN 16 hr 33 min ON 12 AUG 1923, TO WIN THE DAILY SKETCH PRIZE OF £1,000.



GERTRUDE CAROLINE EDERLE (USA) (b. 23 OCT 1906) WAS THE FIRST WOMAN TO SUCCESSFULLY SWIM THE ENGLISH CHANNEL. SHE SWAM FROM CAP GRIS-NEZ, FRANCE TO DEAL, ENGLAND ON 6 AUG 1926 IN THE OVERALL TIME OF 14 hr 39 min.



THE FIRST SWIMMER TO ACHIEVE A DOUBLE CROSSING OF THE CHANNEL WAS ANTONIO ABERTONDO (ARGENTINA) (b. 1919) IN 43 hr 10 min ON 20-22 SEPT 1961.

