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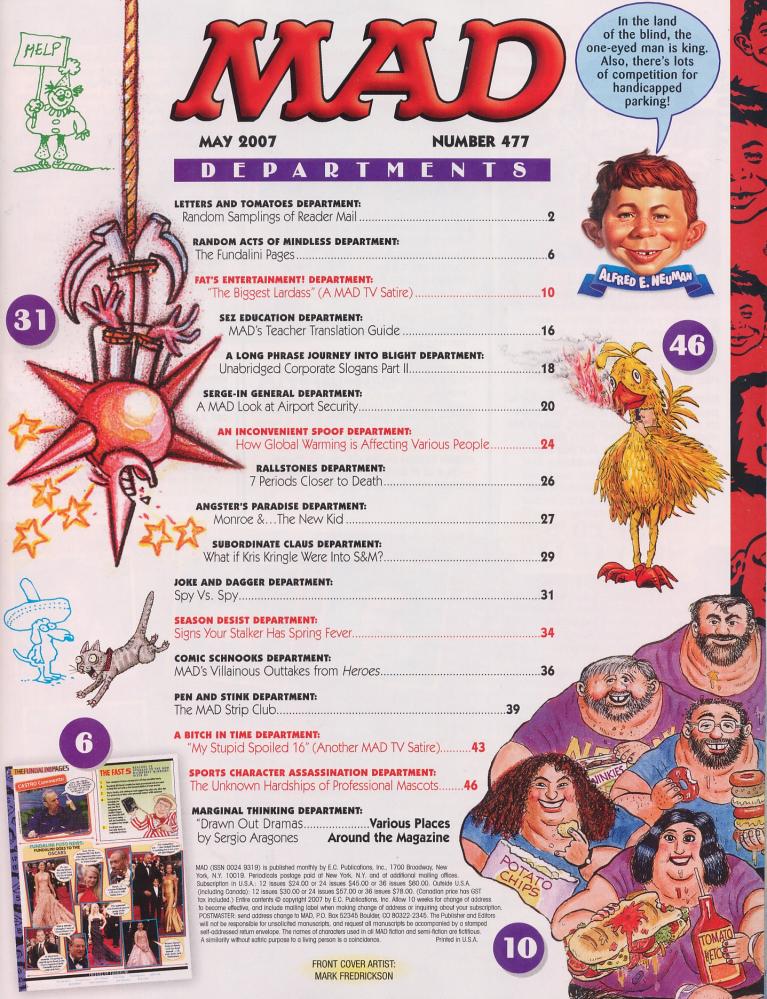
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SHOW AND SMELL

I love your magazine. I love it so much I did an informative speech in my public speaking class about it. I talked about your history and your articles. I even made a poster! But the thing is I got a "B" on it. Do you think my teacher is prejudiced against a MAD fan?

Matt Burket, Xenia, OH

Mattman - No, we don't think your teacher is prejudiced against MAD readers. She's probably just prejudiced against boring, useless and idiotic presentations! Don't worry about it, we're sure you'll do better next year when you're repeating the grade! -Ed.

who keep complaining about getting the subscription slips inside your magazine despite having subscriptions. So for all of you, here's a laundry list of things you can do with them:

- Erotic Origami (avoid paper cuts)
- Hand it out like flyers to the people passing by
- •Carpet for you bladder-weak dog
- •Construct the first paper skyscraper
- •Subscribe to MAD again for some

Adrian Ofman, Philadelphia, PA

Yo Adrian — That list also applies to thinas readers can do to this very page that your missive appears on. We will say this, though - it's a lot of fun to say "paper skyscraper" over and over! Thanks for writing! -Ed.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORY

I am a freshman in high school and I love your magazine. I have noticed a few letters about how MAD got people in trouble at school, so I thought maybe if I told you about how MAD actually helped me in school, then you would print my letter. Anyway, one night I was reading MAD #474, which I had just gotten in the mail, when I came across the word "impugn." I was quick to recognize that this was one of my vocabulary words in my honors English class (yes, I am an honors student and I read MAD) and remembered that I had vocabulary homework to do. If it had not been for MAD I surely would have forgotten my homework and gotten a disappointing zero. So, although I do not recall what the word impugn actually means, I thank you, MAD magazine, for reminding me to do my homework.

Jared Naimark, Phoenix, AZ

Naimark My Words - What a weird coincidence! We were reading your letter when we suddenly remembered

that we had an issue to put out! If it hadn't

been for your letter, we surely would have forgotten our publishing schedule and been out of a job! -Ed.

THE ED.'S

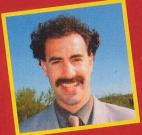
Oooo Grandpappy! It's time for another edition of the Nifty Fifty™ — the gold standard for MAD's Celebrity Snaps! Below is a list of the celebrities we most want to see gracing the Letters Page holding a copy of MAD. Here's what you do! Send in the photographs (sorry pictures can't be returned) via snail mail or to our e-mail address (letters@madmagazine.com — put Nifty Fifty in subject line) and if we print it, you will receive a three-year MAD subscription. Remember, we also want Celebrity Snaps of people not appearing on this list. So get out there and start hassling stars!

- •30-Minute Moron Rachael Ray
- •Britney "Baldy" Spears
- America's Housekeeper Nancy Pelosi
- •Barack "Don't Call Me Osama" Obama
- •Sharp-Tongued Hottie Sarah Silverman
- Reformed Homosexual Ted Haggert •The Only Working Baldwin Brother Alec
- Office weirdo Rainn Wilson
- •Lying Homophobe Isaiah Washington
- Honest Homophobe Tim Hardaway
 Legendary NBA Ball Handler, John Amaechi
- British Bossman Ricky Gervais
- •Golden Girl Kim Kardashian
- •Anyone from the cast of Heroes
- •D*ck In a Box Andy Samberg •Pedophile Stalker Chris Hansen
- Gossip Monger Perez Hilton

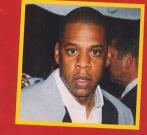
- Musician/Nudist Pete Wentz Dwyane "That's Not A Typo" Wade

Oscar Loser Abigail Breslin

- •Swinging Superhero Tobey Maguire
- Oscar Sore Loser Eddie Murphy
- •Phil "Man Boobs" Mickelson
- The Hills Ingénue Lauren Conrad
- Eroding Stone Mick Jagger
- •Anyone from the cast of The Knights of Prosperity
- American Idol Hottie Katharine McPhee
- •Queen-In-Training Kate Middleton
- •Improv Imbecile Michael Richards
- Anyone from the Astronaut Love Triangle
- •Sasha Baron Cohen as Borat
- •Boy Band Refugee Justin Timberlake •Irish Meddler Bono
- Crazy Catwalker Tyra Banks





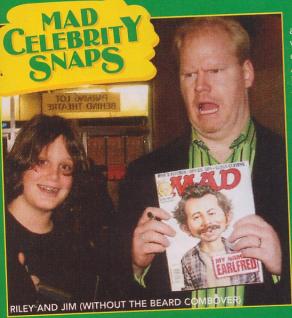








- •Botoxed Has-Been Axl Rose David "The Hoff" Hasselhoff
- AARP Sexpot Angela Lansbury • 24 Badass Kiefer Sutherland
- •The Mac and PC guys
- •Katie Couric's Seat Filler Meredith Vieira
- •Brat Packer Molly Ringwald
- Maxim Godsend Jessica Alba
- •Mr. Beyonce Jay-Z •Anna Nicole Smith Trifecta Howard K. Stern,
- Judge Larry Seidlin or Larry Birkhead
- •DC Comics VP Pinup Bob Wayne
- •Chelsea "Thank God I Don't Have My Mother's Cankles" Clinton
- •Lefty Loose Cannon Maureen Dowd •Pie-Faced Pundit Chris Matthews
- Choking Victim Alex Rodriguez



I'm a long-time reader and a first time letter writer. Two weeks ago I went to see comedian Jim Gaffigan in concert. After the show I was leaving and I saw him sitting in the lobby of the theatre. And then I thought to myself, "what a good opportunity this is for a free subscription." Luckily, I always keep a trusty issue of MAD with me and when I asked him if I could have a picture taken with him holding up the issue, he said "yes."

Riley Moore, Madison, WI

Moore, Moore, Moore — Jim was just sitting in the lobby? What, was he waiting for his ride? Anyway, enjoy your three-year subscription for your snap of the funny man, Sierra Mist pitchman and My Boys co-star! —Ed.

THE BIG CURSE

I am responding to your question "Could there be a curse of MAD?" I would like to state for the record that there most definitely IS a curse of MAD. I have been reading MAD since it was a lowly EC comic book and I was a bright but naïve youngster. The curse of MAD followed me throughout my teen and college years and on into adulthood as a professional journalist. It seemed I could not escape its thrall. It was always there, lurking in the background, through the turbulence of the 1960s, the crisis of Watergate, the agony of Vietnam, the insipid Reagan years, the deceit of two Bushes, continuing conflicts in the Middle East, scandals and outrages, wars and rumors of wars and general malfeasance in the corporate world and even sports. It was the curse of MAD that taught me to look behind the headlines and the corporate and political spin and crapola. It forced me to think for myself and to look for the irony and truth in life. The curse of MAD taught me to always question authority and never take life too seriously. Yes, the curse of MAD does indeed exist and I have been blessed with it all my life.

Jim Marrs, Springtown, TX

30 Seconds to Marrs — Please, there's no need to thank us...largely because it sounds like we've made you into a thoroughly miserable human being — sorry to ruin your life! Thanks for writing! —Ed.

P.S. If you have a story about how MAD has cursed your life, e-mail it to letters@madmagazine.com (put in "The Big Curse" in the subject line) or mail it to: Amy "The Big Curse" Vozeolas, c/o MAD Magazine, 1700 Broadway, NY, NY 10019.

ANTIQUES FREAKSHOW WITH HANS BRICKFACE

A few days ago, I was at a rummage sale and spotted this relic that was

obviously from the Gilligan Dynasty. I was barely able to conceal my excitement as I paid my dollar to the fools who knew not



what treasure was slipping between their fingers. Somehow the Smithsonian got wind of it and has been bugging me, but I say, do you want to call Sotheby's or should I?

Corey Case, Clinton, IL

Cold Case — Thank you for sending in your "antique" to be evaluated by our own King of Collectibles, Hans Brickface. We tracked him down at the Staten Island Hotel (ironically located in Darien, CT) where he was attending a national symposium on tchotchkes, knickknacks and trinkets. Here is his assessment:

Well frost my strudel! Although this is a recently created collectible, and not an antique, it is highly sought after and extremely valuable just the same. Look at the crude, child-like craftsmanship! Observe the figure's round head, blank expression and stringy wig-like hair! Clearly, this is a coconut depiction of Britney Spears! But here is where it gets exciting! It's actually a self-portrait carved by Britney herself in arts and crafts class during one of her many stints in rehab! Although it's nothing special, it shows more creativity than any of her albums! Enjoy it while you can, because apparently Kevin Federline is looking to take custody of it!

MAD BLURBS

On his website danecook.com, the comedian reacted to his appearance on the cover of MAD #475:



I am featured on the cover of MAD magazine this month. It is quite an incredible accomplishment. This is a magazine that I collected as a boy and now Alfred E. Neuman is doing my SU-FI on the cover. 1952 is when this magazine first hit newsstands. I'm just blown away looking at this picture. Haaaaa.

MAD is knows for their brutal roast like agenda and I love that about them. It's not the real deal facts with sources and substance. Noooooo. This rag runs with the nasty rumor mill media created character pov. It's an honor to be chopped up and spit out in here. Second to being mocked and impersonated on *SNL* I feel. They could call me a baby seal rapist with a stutter and I would curtsey with glee.

From the caricature on the cover to the rapidly drawn comic strips inside its all validation. I am now a part of pop lexicon and I don't mind saying this. IT FEELS F&^*^%\$ RITECHOUS. I'm hangin' with SPY vs. SPY my all time favorite.

Honored to join the likes of Tom Cruise, Superman, John F. Kennedy, Star Wars, Jaws, The Godfather, King Kong, David Letterman, Madonna, The Incredibles, Chris Rock, Shrek, Eminem, Adam Sandler, Seinfeld, Will Smith, iPod and The Terminator as we get our asses handed to us!!!!!!!!

"What, me worry?"

Don't feel bad if you couldn't get through all of Dane's drivel, we couldn't either! Dane, thanks for the kind words! —Ed.







BORED GAMES

My younger brother, Jeff and I knew that our mom, separated and underemployed, would not be able to find, nor afford to buy the Wii or PlayStation 3 that we wanted for Christmas. We thought this would be a bleak holiday, with not much to entertain us over the winter break. I would be able to deal with the disappointment, knowing that when I returned to school at the University of Georgia, my roommate would have the coveted Wii to entertain and amuse us. But my younger brother, a middle school student living at home with our mom, would not be so lucky. However, thanks to your fine magazine, our Christmas was filled with the joy and laughter possible only through superior gaming. Imagine our surprise when we opened our gift boxes to find a game rarer and more fun than Wii and PlayStation 3 combined: Iraqi Quagmire Chess sets!

Steven Griffin, Roswell, GA

Griffindor — Christmas couldn't have been so bad if Donald Trump himself stopped by to open gifts under the tree with you! Oh sorry, it's just come to our attention that that is not The Donald, but it's just your younger brother! Our bad! We guess Christmas really *did* suck for you this year! —Ed.

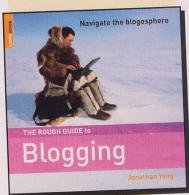




"THE JEFFREY" AND STEVEN CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

READER ALERT!

If you were lucky enough to have your missive printed on this month's letters page then you will receive a copy of *The Rough Guide to Blogging*, courtesy of our friends at Rough Guides. If your letter didn't make it in, don't throw your computers out the window — it's on sale now!



NEXT MONTH IN MAD CLASSICS #15 ON SALE MAY 15!

SHREK! JOHNNY DEPP AND PIRATES! AND OUR PARODY OF OCEAN'S II

THE BIG QUESTION

This month we ask: What celebrity would you most like to see gunned down by paintballers?

- "N-word" spewing comic Michael "Kramer" Richards
- Drunk driving skeleton Nicole Richie
- Morning talk show loudmouth Rosie O'Donnell
- American Idol mophead Taylor Hicks

Send your votes by e-mail (letters@madmagazine.com) and make sure you put "The Big Question" in the subject line, or via snail mail to Amy "The Big Question" Vozeolas, MAD Magazine, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019.

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> Know what? My face looks the same right side up or upside-down!

We've had a lot of fights over whether we'd raise our children "weird"!



Thanks for the compliment, but don't have a nose ring oh, someone get me

Hurry up and take the picture there's a flask of rubbing alcohol waiting for me backstage!





Get arrested for stalking the girlfriend of an astronaut she has a crush on

Enter the Nathan's hot dog eating contest and defeat that Japanese guy who wins every year

Convert to an obscure religious cult where women are not allowed to sing or be seen in public



Have her tonsils removed, even though they're perfectly fine

Try to start an affair With gay ex-NBAer John Amaechi

Provide DNA proof that she's the mother of Anna Nicole Smith's baby

> Go an entire week without humiliating herself



• Won top billing on McCain-Feingold Bill in a bloody steel cage match

• Right now, the flag pin on his lapel is piercing through two layers of epidermis. But he'll never give you the satisfaction of knowing that it hurts like a bastard

 During the upcoming debates, he plans to bring up the fact that, unlike Rudy Giuliani, he once hosted an entire Saturday Night Live WITHOUT wearing women's clothing

• He still dictates letters to his secretary the old-fashioned way, by tapping out morse code through his office wall with a spoon

• Is currently the only sitting Senator who knows 47 ways to kill a guy with his cufflinks



THIS MONTH:

SPOILED BRATTOI

HA! I JUST PUT WHIPPED CREAM ALL OVER MY MOUTH AND STARTED GROWLING AT THE KIDS--YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE LOOK ON THEIR FACES!!

> Old Yeller's practical joke backfires.



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- It will put you one step closer to switching to Linux



FUNDALINI FOTO NEWS: FUNDALINI GOES TO THE

OSCARS

Do you like my dress?

It's made from the fur of dead Muppets!

Sure, it's an awkward fit, but that's what happens when you order the red AIDS ribbon in Extra Large!



wonder if RuPaul will need a ride home later...

The material? One hundred percent grape Fruit Roll-Ups!





In about two seconds, I'm going to march up to Road to the Oscars reporter Chris Connelly and just cold-cock him!





Britney Spears looks so funny with her head shaved — oh, wait, that's Jack Nicholson!

FRIENDS OF FUNDALIN

Paul Coker

Dick DeBartolo

Jeff Kruse

Wait a minute, I thought I won an

so hungry!

It Takes Brains to Control the Windless

Chaos Drive — At the beginning of your spawn phase, roll an initiative die. Move this creature one cell forward (on a 1–2), right (3–4), or left (5–6).

Tactics 1 — Whenever a creature you control makes a non-deathblow special attack, roll one extra attack die. Locus Drive — At the beginning of your spawn phase, move this creature one cell closer to the center cell.

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Charge 5 — Whenever this creature enters an enemy-occupied cell, make a 5-power attack against target local enemy.

Pursuit Drive — At the beginning of your spawn phase, move this creature one cell closer to the enemy with the highest spawn cost.

①: Fluctuate — Roll an initiative die. If this cell is a scoring cell for a player, it's worth that many conquest points to that player instead this turn.



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I'm in!
I think this
could be
the first
step
towards
reclaiming
my dignity!



One of the golden balls gives you immunity!
And that's huge! Because if you can't get
voted out, then you don't have to leave! I
hope I find that ball! As opposed to someone else! It is strategically preferable for the
reason that I have previously enunciated!
Okay, I've given you the weekly "master of
the f'n obvious" interview, can I go now?

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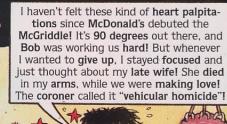




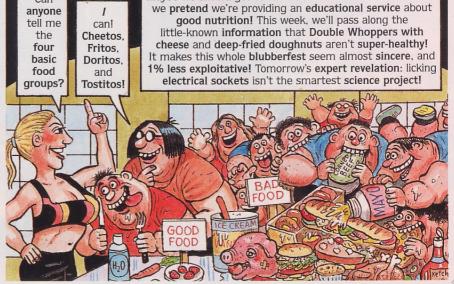
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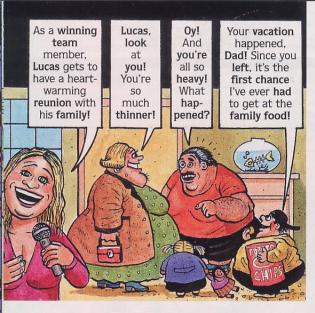










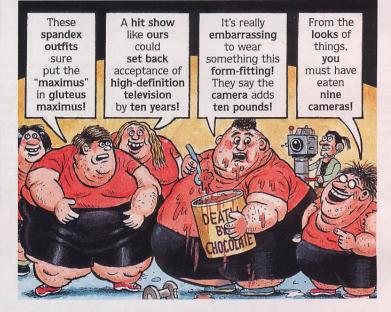


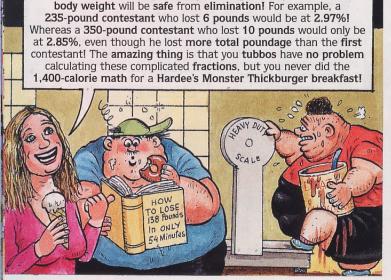


Boom! We're mixing up the teams! No, wait, it's men vs. women! Later, we'll bring back eliminated contestants from past episodes! Then, it's every contestant for themselves! Any twist to distract from the fact that there's absolutely nothing to this show except those five minutes we load you wide rides onto the cattle scale!

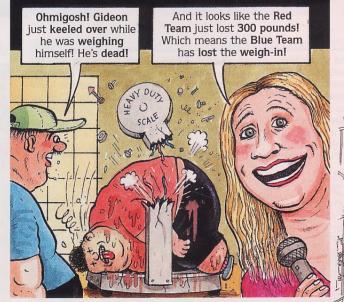
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The team that lost the greatest percentage of its previous week's





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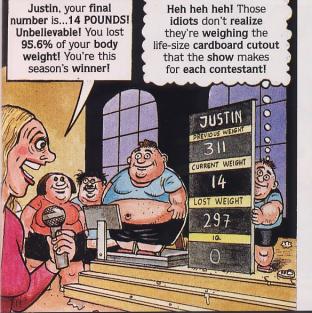
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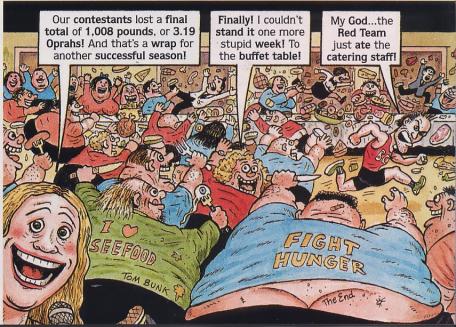
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Your teachers talk, talk, talk. All day long, they drone on about denominators and zygotes and hidden meanings in A Separate Peace. It's enough to make you feel good that you never listen to a word they say! But, in the unlikely event that you actually pay attention for a second or two, well, then you should be able to understand them! That's why you absolutely need...

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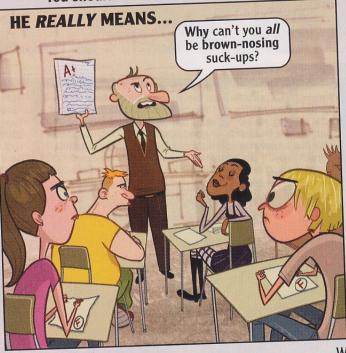
When a teacher says...

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西本語は日間は上

"You should all use her as an example."

"Students today just don't concentrate."

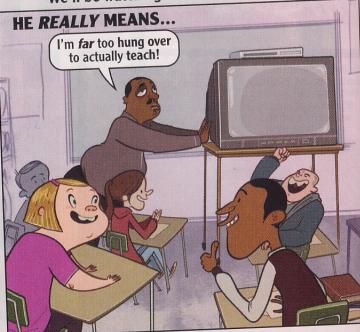


SHE REALLY MEANS... I need to blame my crushing dullness on something!

When a teacher says...

"Hmm... I disagree with you, but we don't really have the time to get into it."

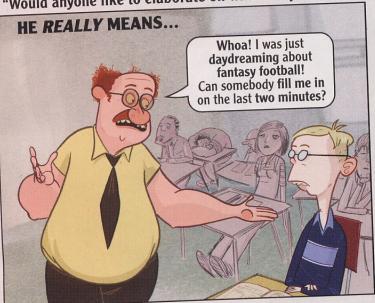
SHE REALLY MEANS CRAP! You're smarter than me! When a teacher says... "We'll be watching a movie in class today."



WRITER: JACOB LAMBERT

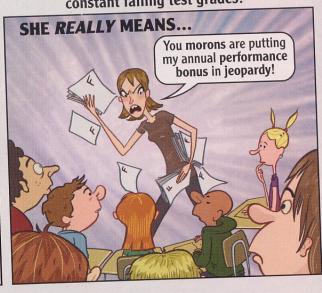
ARTIST: JOSE GARIBALDI

When a teacher says... "Would anyone like to elaborate on what she just said?"



When a teacher says...

"I'm getting sick and tired of these constant failing test grades!"



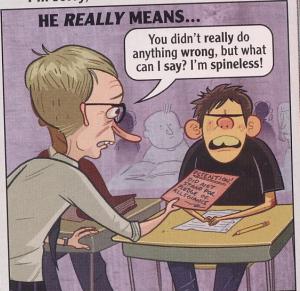
"I know I promised to return your tests today, but I've decided to give them back tomorrow."



When a teacher says... "I'm sorry, but the rules are the rules."

When a teacher says... "I don't usually do this, but I'm going to let you re-take the final."







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-then get rid of the same trash on ebay a month later!

I'm Lovin' it, except for

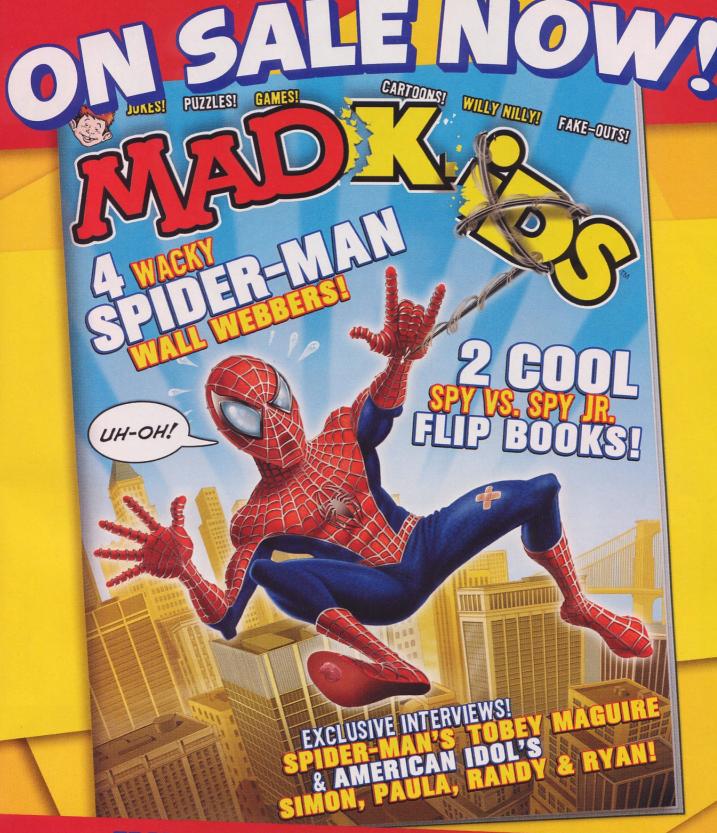
the violent acid reflux at 2 AM!



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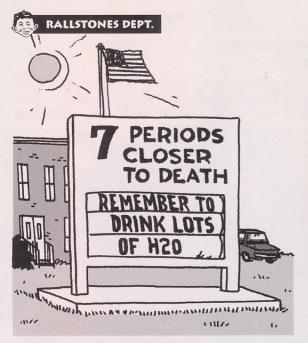










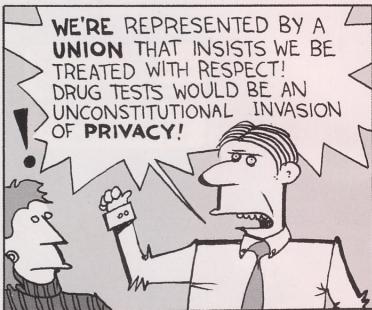


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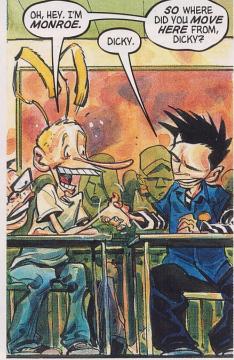








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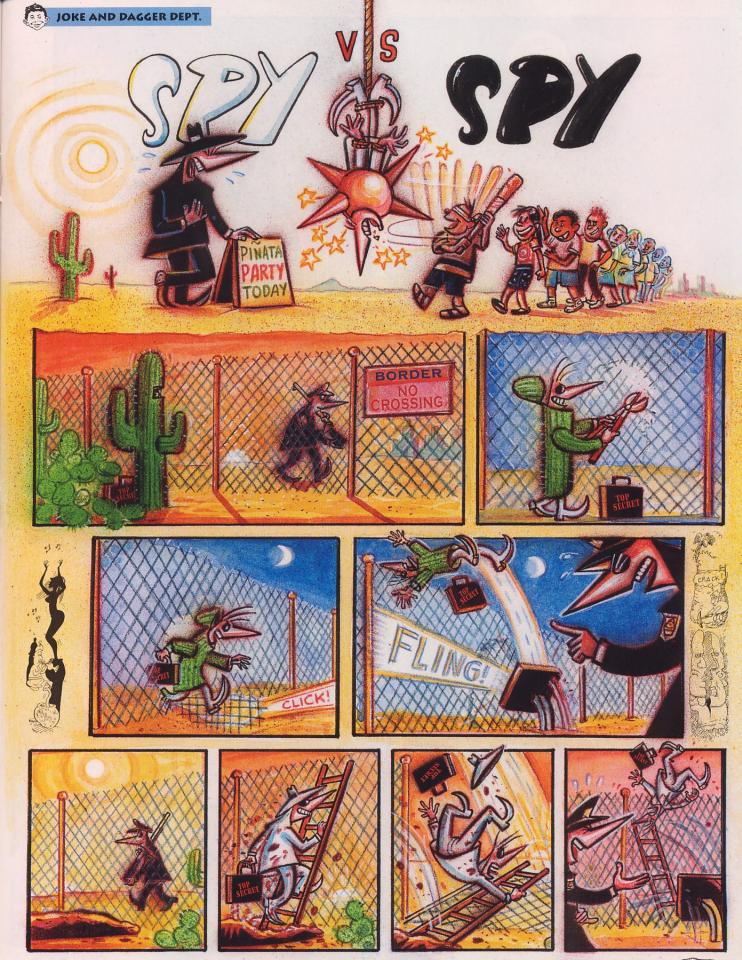










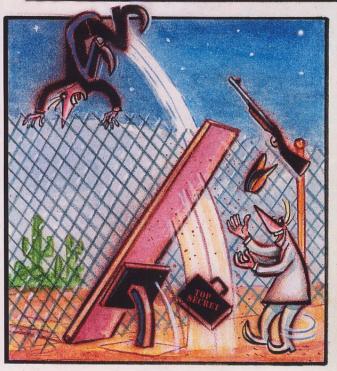


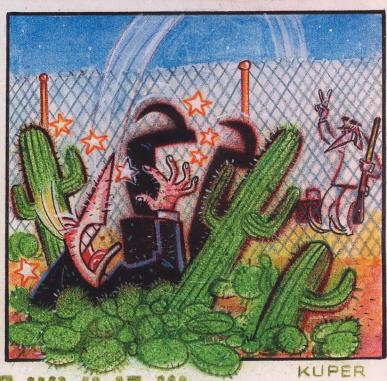




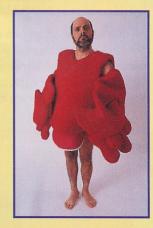








An important message from MAD's Director of Business & Development,



JEFFREY LOZENGE

Consider a lobster. Or a man in a lobster suit. Or a lobster in a man's suit (not shown). Either way,

it's obvious to even the most casual of lobster observers that lobsters don't give a damn. That's where I come in.

And that's where MAD comes in. Yes, MAD — the magazine whose time is and was and

continues to be — gives a damn about what you consider, whether you consider it or not. This includes not just crustaceans but other sea creatures (also not shown) and even creatures that aren't sea creatures. (Sorry, no room to show them, either.)

The important thing to remember is that it's important to remember important things, even things that don't seem important, like MAD, which is very important — at least when compared with a lobster. Except perhaps at a lobster dinner, which, like subscribing to MAD, is a good idea for you, but not a lobster.

That's why I don the lobster suit and risk the scalding hot kettle and the drawn butter sauce. Because I give a damn about what's important, even though lobsters don't.

Order the veal entrée.

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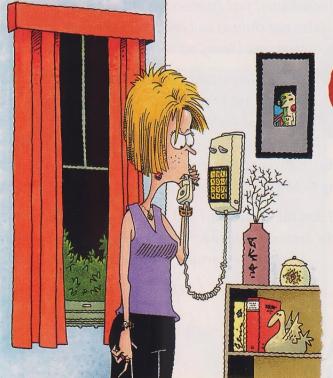
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Ah, Spring! The snow has melted, the birds are singing and the flowers are blooming! It's the time of year when a young man's fancy turns to romance! Even if that young man happens to be a deluded, obsessive, socially-stunted wackasaurus! Yes, the magic of Spring effects us all, as you'll see in...

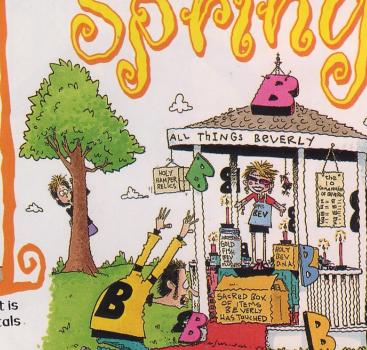


Every morning, the hallway outside your apartment is ankle deep with "Loves Me/Loves Me Not" daisy petals.



Nowadays, his "heavy breathing" calls are ridden with hay fever wheeze

JOHN CALDWELL 'S



You notice that he's moved his pathetic little shrine to you outdoors to his gazebo



He takes the time to stop and smell the roses blooming on the trellis outside your bedroom window

NS YOUR STALKER HAS

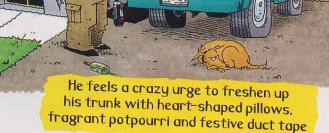


Those rambling 12-page death threats to you just seem to rhyme themselves



Those haunting apparitions of his long-decayed mother barking orders continue like clockwork. Only now she's wearing her bright yellow taffeta apron

WRITER AND ARTIST: JOHN CALDWELL

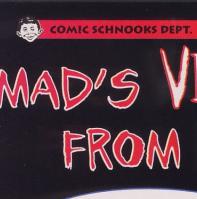




These days you notice a certain extra little bounce in his perp walk



You spend three hours at the police station before they finally determine that offering to "prune your clematis" is not a veiled threat



MAD'S VILLAINOUS OUTTAKES FROM H E R () E S

You really do need special powers to make sense of the directions MapQuest gives you!

I haven't Figured out how we can profit from your ability to heal yourself, so I say we stick to the original plan - competitive eating!

Okay, girls - clearly we need to practice the human pyramid a bit more...

Well, the REAL hero here is the Schick Quattro razor! Now that's a close shave!

> Look, just upgrade my room and I promise I'll never use priceline.com again!

Order the ham - it suits your performance!

If you're

looking for a threesome,

For an extra twenty

I'll summon my alter ego!

This painting isn't actually based on a vision of the future -I just saw Speed

last night!

What the hey?

I could've sworn there was a

Twister board under us a

second ago!

We all have different special powers acting just happens to not be one of them!

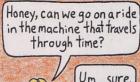




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JOHN KOVALESK





SOUNDS QUIET OUT THERE.



NO. SORRY. THIS LAST BATTLE WHICH LEFT US STRANDED HERE HAS MADE ME REALIZE HOW MUCH I LOVE MY GIRLFRIEND.

GIRLFRIEND?! YOU NEVER MENTIONED A GIRLFRIEND! LEMME SEE A PHOTO!!





THAT'S
NOT WHAT
SHE WRITES
IN HER
LETTERS!

NO KIDDING!
I WRITE ALL MY
GIRLFRIENDS THAT I
LOVE THEM AND AM
BEING FAITHFUL.





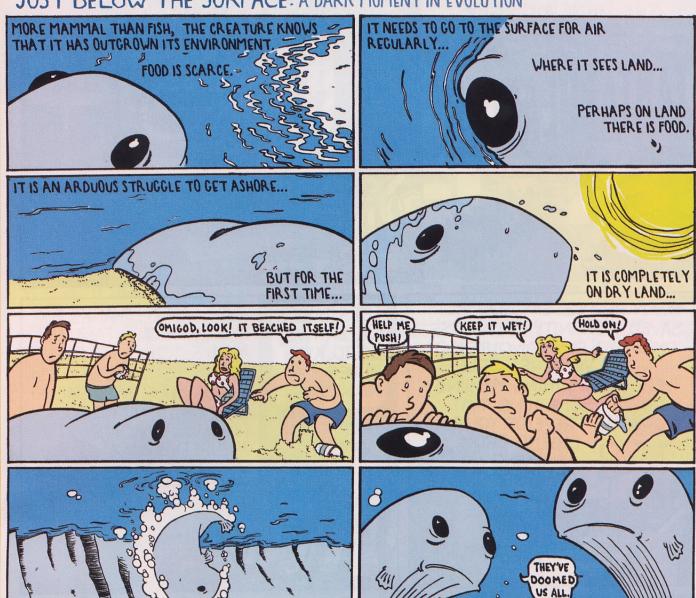
WELL... I GUESS I SHOULD GO OUT THEN. SINCE I HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE ... NOTHING TO LIVE FOR ...







JUST BELOW THE SURFACE: A DARK MOMENT IN EVOLUTION













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MANY PEOPLE SAY YOU'VE SAVED HUMANITY COUNTLESS TIMES. YOU'VE VANQUISHED HEINOUS VILLAINS. STILL, THERE'S SOMETHING MISSING.

SOMETHING THAT
PREVENTS YOUR
LEGEND FROM
ACHIEVING
GREATNESS...

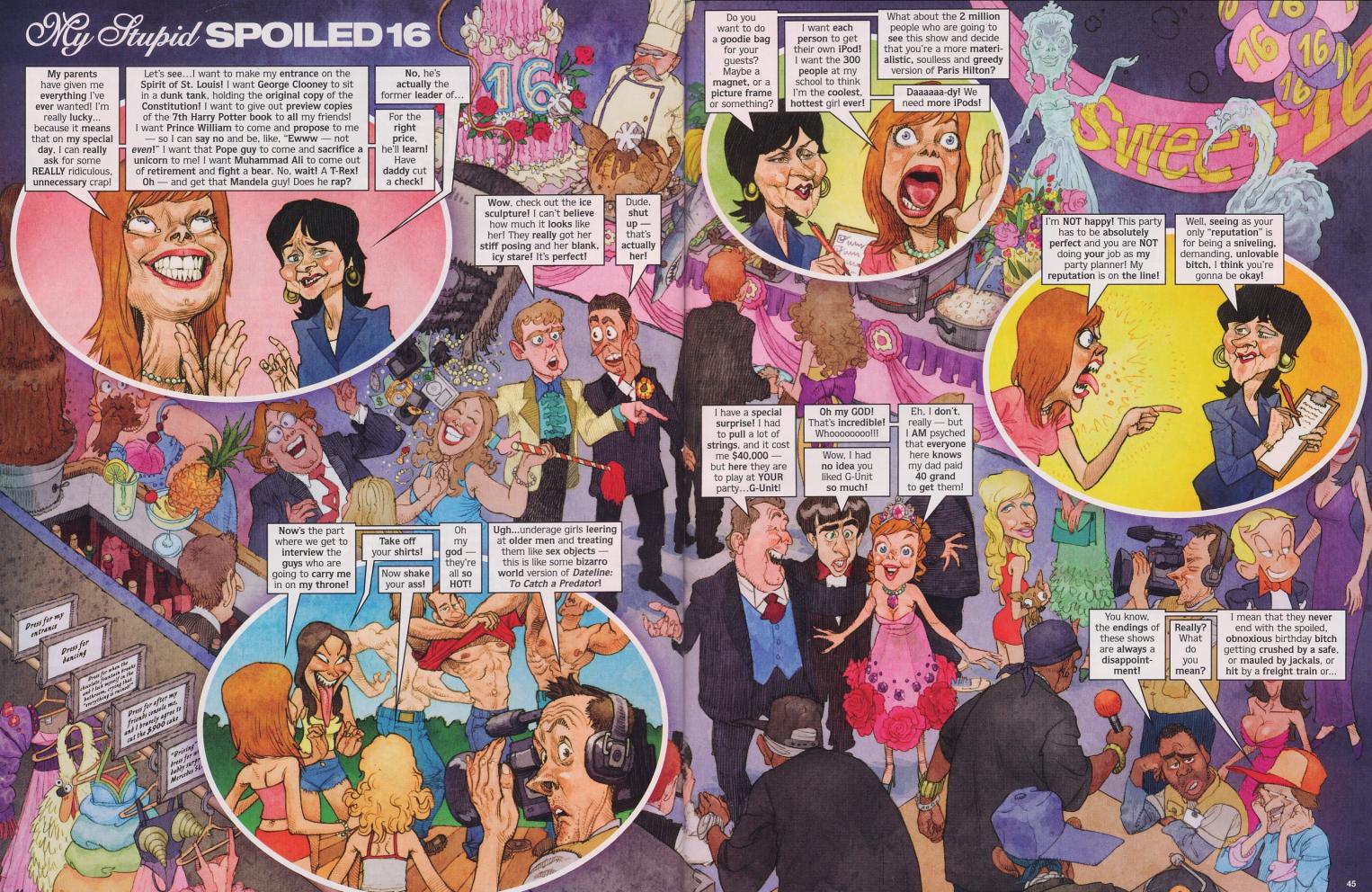
EXCUSE ME?

YEAH, LARRY, THANKS FOR LET'S TAKE A TAKING MY CALL. FANTABUL-CALLER. WE AMAN'S TOTAL UNDEFEAT-GO TO KYLE IN DES ABILITY MEANS HE OFFERS MOINES. NO DRAMA. HE'S GOT NO KRYPTONITE, NO ACHILLES' HEEL. WHEN VICTORY IS ASSURED, EVEN A SUPERHERO IS BORING WOT?

FINE... IF IT'S DRAMA
THEY WANT, LARRY, IT'S
DRAMA THEY'LL HAVE.
WATCH THIS!







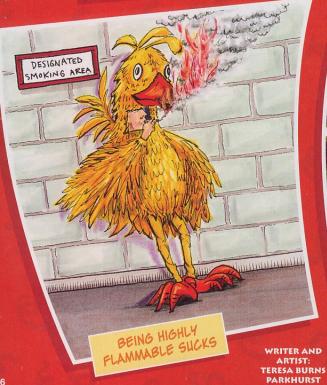


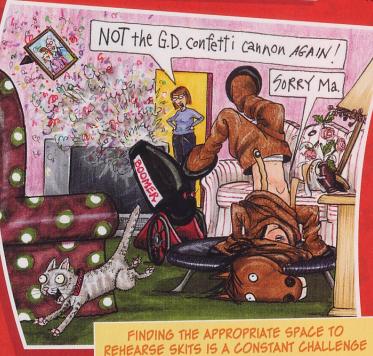
YOU SEE THEM CLOWNING, SCAMPERING AND CAVORTING AT ALL THE MAJOR SPORTING EVENTS - NO, NOT THE PEANUT VENDORS... ALTHOUGH THEY ARE CHURLISH IN THEIR OWN RIGHT! WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TEAM MASCOTS! BUT THEIR LIPE IS NOT JUST MINI-TRAMPOLINES AND T-SHIRT SLINGSHOTS (THOUGH THAT IS A LARGE PART OF IT) — THERE'S A LOT OF PAIN AND HURT AS WELL. FOR EVERY GIANT FUZZY HEAD, THERE'S A TEAR-STREAKED FACE UNDERNEATH, AS YOU'LL SEE FROM...

THE UNKNOWN HARDSHIPS OF PROFESSIONAL MASCOTS



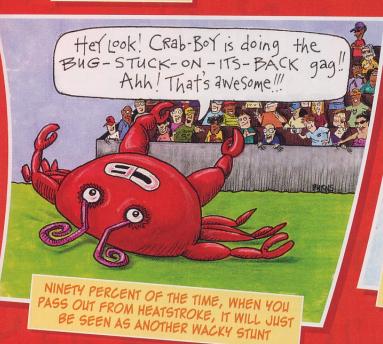










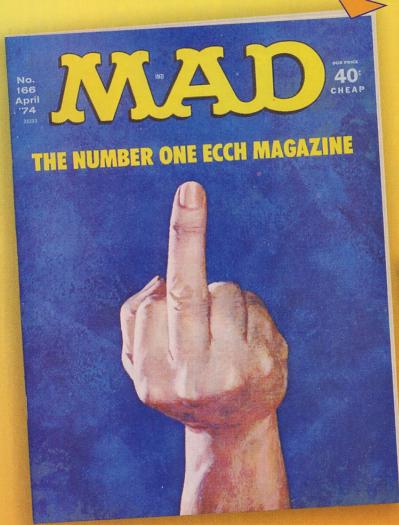




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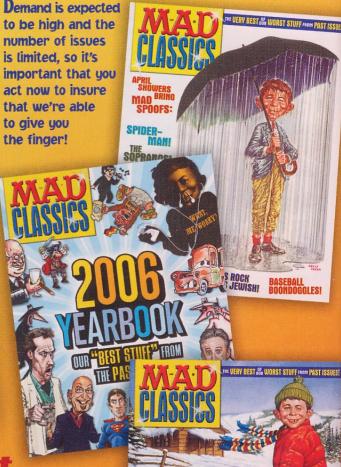
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ON WHAT PROGRAM CAN MANY OF AMERICA'S BIGGEST STARS BE SEEN?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS TO L D - I N

It seems like every celebrity is lining up to take part in a wildly popular program. Musicians, sports stars and actors are all vying for a spot. Most like it so much that they even make multiple appearances. To find out what all the stars are signing onto, fold page in as shown.





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