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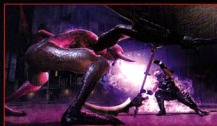
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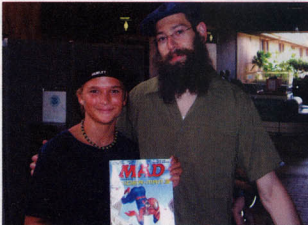
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MAD CELEBRITY SNAPS

I got this photo of Matisyahu, a great reggae/rap singer, at the airport. He was going home after a concert here in Kauai, Hawaii. It was hard getting his picture, so if you give me something, can it be something good?

Kevin Killermann, Kalaheo, HI



Mr. Killermannjaro — For sending us this Celebrity Snap, we're sending you a one-year subscription to MAD! Sorry it's not something good! —Ed.

MAKE A DUMB WISH FOUNDATION™

A couple of weeks ago, I was reading MAD #487 while eating a Snickers Bar. "Rejected Catchphrases from Rambo" made me laugh so hard that a piece of peanut came out my nose. My wish for the MAKE A DUMB WISH FOUNDATION™ is that on the front of MAD there be a warning that says: "Eating a Snickers Bar while reading magazine could cause chunks of peanut to shoot through your nose" or at least publish my letter so others won't have to feel my pain.

Craig Kleinpeter, Baton Rouge, LA

Craig's List — That's nuts...literally! Next time, you should eat spaghetti while you're reading MAD — that way when it comes out of your nose you can just suck it right back into your mouth in one continuous loop! If you decide not to heed our advice, then you should re-read the article while eating some jelly, so you can at least achieve the full PB&J effect! —Ed.

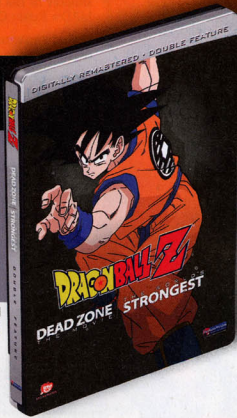


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On January 13, 2007 at the Ocean County Library in Toms River, New Jersey, MAD Senior Editor Jonathan Bresman gave a multimedia show about his book *MAD About Star Wars*. Jonathan told behind-the-scenes tales about the long-standing relationship between MAD and director George Lucas and regaled the audience with the now legendary confrontation between MAD publisher William M. Gaines and Lucasfilm's legal team. Various Stormtroopers, Imperial Officers, and one menacing Dark Lord of the Sith joined the party, courtesy of the 501st Legion's Northeast Remnant and Garrison Carida. Everyone had a good time, thanks largely to the efforts of the Ocean County Library's Program Coordinator Scott Rodas, Scott's son, Matt, and library PR guy Chris Barnes.



JONATHAN BEING
STRANGLED BY DARTH VADER



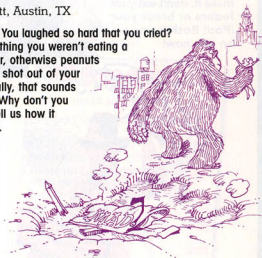
(L to R) STORMTROOPERS, SCOTT, MATT, DARTH,
JONATHAN AND CHRIS IN A LOVELY PHOTO OP!

CORN ON THE SOB

I am a 13-year-old boy in Texas. I am in the 7th grade and I love MAD Magazine. My mom and step-dad got me into it. I love reading all the quotes about the U.S. Government and other things going on in the world. I was just reading the newest issue, the "monkey" issue. I was laughing so hard, I started crying. I really liked "How to Draw A Monkey." The line "...then put a teardrop under the left eye for number of monkeys killed in prison" made me laugh the most. I shared an order form with my 48-year-old stepfather. My mom loves how we tell her the stories. I like MAD because it is weird, which is also weird because I am a Boy Scout. Also this letter will help me get a merit badge. (Weird, but cool!)

Victor Gratt, Austin, TX

Slick Vic — You laughed so hard that you cried? It's a good thing you weren't eating a Snickers bar, otherwise peanuts might have shot out of your eyes. Actually, that sounds awesome! Why don't you try it and tell us how it goes! —Ed.



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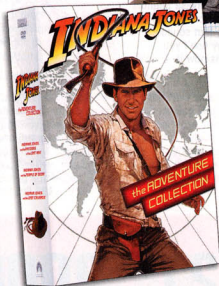
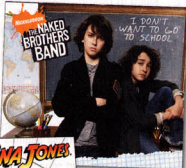
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LET ME TAKE YOU TO MONKEY TOWN

I cannot imagine what possessed you guys to pass off an entire issue of MAD as "written and drawn by monkeys," but whoever idea this was, I'm sorry to say it wasn't the least bit funny. The lengths you all had to go to try and milk monkey-related gag lines out of every panel in the magazine, were all too painfully apparent, even to the point of using the same "jokes" over and over again. OK, monkeys love to fling poo, we get it, move on. I have a friend who's a big fan of *Monkey and I* didn't even bother showing him your supposed satire because it's more chimp humor than actually poking fun at the foibles of the character. Christ, you can come up with a snarky reply to my letter, and even make it look as if the reply was written by a monkey, but the bottom line is still the same — in all my 40 or 50 years of reading MAD, this is the first issue I can recall that was totally without a shred of humor from cover to fold-in.

Steve Haller, Oak Park, MI

Hallerback Boy — We're so sorry you didn't enjoy the Monkey Issue. There's nothing we value more than the opinions of long-time readers. So we stayed up all night and came up with an exciting idea that we think you'll really get behind. Look for an upcoming special issue of MAD written and drawn entirely by cranky, whiny, boring old men! (Snarky enough?) Thanks for writing! —Ed.

CASE CLOTHES

Recently, on a trip, my friend Callie wanted to drive through a wild animal park, and I said I would agree only if she bought me a monkey t-shirt. However, when we finished the tour, we found that the gift shop was closed. Callie just gave me the April 2008 issue of MAD Magazine and tried to convince me that it was better than a monkey t-shirt. Please tell Callie that a MAD Magazine, even if entirely written by monkeys, is no substitute for a monkey t-shirt! I can't wear a magazine, can I? I'm sure you'll back me up.

Jeanette Handing, Jacksonville, IL

Handling With Care — Why on earth would we — a magazine — say that a t-shirt was better than a magazine? Magazines are way better than t-shirts! Don't believe us? Here's why:

- 1) Magazines don't shrink in the wash.
- 2) Magazine colors don't fade.
- 3) T-shirts don't come with little cards that allow you to order a subscription for more t-shirts.

On the other hand, no one would ever pay to see a "Wet Magazine" contest! So, maybe you have a point and you did get shafted after all! —Ed.



ALL HANDS ON DESK

For a long time, I took my copy of MAD each month to work so I could read it instead of doing my job. Not too long ago, it began to disappear from my desk whenever I'd step out. I had suspicions of who might be the culprit and one day, I finally caught him red-handed. He was very embarrassed and swore that he would never take my MAD Magazine again and he explained that he only did it because he was too cheap to buy his own copy. Unfortunately, he has been true to his word. Each subsequent issue of MAD has been undisturbed and I've since been stuck with this idiotic magazine.

Tony Comunale, Astoria, NY

Bad to the Tone — We know how you feel, we're stuck with you as an idiotic reader! —Ed.

THE ED.'S NIFTY FIFTY™

Sweet Kajagoo! It's time for another version of the MAD 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, shutterbug! Send in your non-returnable photographs via snail mail or to our e-mail address (letters@madmagazine.com — put "Nifty Fifty" in the subject line). If we print it you will receive a three-year MAD subscription and a special gift! Easy as pie! Remember we also want Celebrity Snaps of people NOT on this list. So get out there and stalk some celebrities!

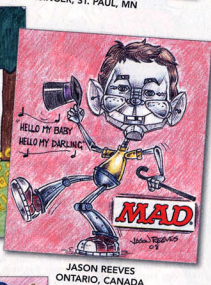
- Screen Juno Ellen Page
- Real-Life Juno Jamie Lynn Spears
- The Office's stud John Krasinski
- Good Lookin' Loser Danica Patrick
- Elliot "I ♥ Hookers" Spitzer
- Limping Looney Heather Mills McCartney
- Knocked Up Director Judd Apatow
- Lanky Man-Child Michael Cera
- Portly Man-Child Jonah Hill
- Afro'd Funnyman Seth Rogen
- Creepy Smiley Milly Cyrus
- Madea-Mastermind Tyler Perry
- Steve "Injury-Prone Baller" Nash
- Super-Tan Strongman Hulk Hogan
- American Idol "Winner" Jordin Sparks
- Proactive-lovin' Pianist Alicia Keys
- Douchy Duo Heidi Montag & Spencer Pratt
- Shia "I Make Spellcheck Explode" LaBeouf
- Kate "Hey, Nice Ribz" Bosworth
- Tom "18 and 1/2" Brady
- Infomercial Idiot Billy Mays
- Pint-Sized Ponderer Timbaland
- Voice of SpongeBob Tom Kenny
- Komedic Kiwis Flight of the Conchords guys
- Harrison "I'm Too Old For This Crap" Ford

- Culinary Curser Gordon Ramsay
- Maroon 5 Man-Whore Adam Levine
- Self-Proclaimed Genius Kanye West
- Super Crazy Real World C.T.
- 30 Rock-star Tracy Morgan
- Steve "Mac Daddy" Jobs
- Pixar Brainiac Brad Bird
- Pop Screacher Mariah Carey
- John McCain Challenger Ron Paul
- Kathie Lee "My Career Won't Die" Gifford
- Mike "Evolution Shmevolution" Huckabee
- Unwashed Washed-Up Singer Bret Michaels
- The Secret Scam Artist Rhonda Byrne
- Christian "The Caped Crusader" Bale
- Oscar Winner Philip Seymour Hoffman
- Megatron's Mega-Hottie Megan Fox
- Aging Rocker Jon Bon Jovi
- Roider Roger Clemens
- Kal "Kumar" Penn
- Reality Rascals Rob & Big
- Sin City Scribe Frank Miller
- Model/Skeletoer Janice Dickinson
- Brooding Baddie Daniel Day-Lewis
- Saturday Night Live Vixen Amy Poehler
- Left-wing Loudmouth Keith Olbermann



THE BIG ROBOT

A couple of issues ago, we asked readers to submit more versions of a dancing Alfred robot. The results were nothing short of staggering. We wish we had more room to print them all! Thanks to everyone that sent in their drawings!



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LINE CUTS FROM THE CANDIDATES' CONVENTION SPEECHES

Obama '08

I'm going to behead the next infidel who implies that I'm a Muslim.

To steal yet another line from Deval Patrick...

I have defied the odds. Hell, even I had \$100 on Hillary in Vegas.

To quote my pastor Jeremiah Wright, "God damn America!"

We must unite as a people, regardless of race, especially those hot black/Latino/Asian combo chicks you always see in pornos.

Unlike past years, everyone's vote will count! ...Well, not if you're from Michigan or Florida, but almost everyone's vote will count!

I can promise you right now that my presidency will usher in a golden era for stand-up comics.

In what other nation besides Britain, Germany, Pakistan, Canada, Chile, Liberia, Nicaragua, and several others could a woman rise to such a level?

If I may take one final cheap shot at Senator Obama...

It is with great reluctance and spite that I must thank my husband.

My friends... well, that's just a figure of speech, since I don't really like any of you at all...

Why should I care what the difference between Sunnis and Shiites is? You think they care about the differences between Lutherans and Methodists?

Let my story be a lesson to all Americans: always be willing to reverse your deeply-held beliefs in order to get a better job.

And to think, some stupid sons of bitches said I didn't have the temperament to be President.

This campaign has been the second-most torturous phase of my life.

RANDY'S DANDY DOON TIME

Say, Lou, ya don't suppose when da boss said to take care of his dog he meant, like, feed him an walk him an stuff, do ya?

TEEN CAR LAWS THAT SHOULD BE ENACTED

Any just-accepted senior who gloatingly slaps a college decal on his back windshield may, by law, have said windshield eggged back to the mid-Cretaceous.

Any driver who doesn't sufficiently slow down for riders to ogle roving girl packs must turn around and creep by correctly.

It is unlawful for a driver to pick up his buddies for a trip to the mall — and then run 16 unannounced "errands" for his mom.

Before trying to get a girl in the backseat, the driver must make some attempt to clear it of crumpled cans, moldy socks and year-old Taco Bell scraps.

Any car-lending parent who institutes more rules than the federal tax code must suck it up and buy their kid a car of his own.

THE SWIFT 6 INNOVATIVE WAYS MAD MAGAZINE IS GOING "GREEN"

- 1 All MAD artwork on the walls has been replaced with photos of icebergs so the air conditioning can be turned off.
- 2 To cut down on waste paper, employees must now use their hands as cups at the water cooler. (Cupping hands at the coffee machine is optional.)
- 3 Only one issue of MAD will be printed per state. Readers will be given a list of subscribers and asked to read the issue and "pass it on".
- 4 Toilets are flushed just once, at the end of the day. (If you visit MAD, the earlier you get here, the better.)
- 5 Wasteful Post-It Notes have been replaced with scraps of old paper and spit.
- 6 Staff has been instructed to type very lightly so as not to bring their computer out of its energy-saving "sleep mode".

FAST FOOD MOTTO OR JENNA JAMESON MOVIE TITLE?

1. "Dinner Party"
2. "Home of the Whopper"
3. "I'm Into Shrimpin'"
4. "Think Outside the Bun"
5. "Lip Service"
6. "Where's the Beef?"
7. "Party Mouth"
8. "Finger Lickin' Good"
9. "Swallopaloosa"
10. "What You Crave"

ANSWER: The even-numbered ones are fast food slogans — although we can't guarantee that the odd-numbered ones aren't movie titles.

WARTIME BIRDS CLOSELY RELATED TO THE CHICKENHAWK

THE CHICKENHAWK
"We have to be in Iraq; and by 'we' I mean you."

THE MOCKINGBIRD
"Who cares about your son's amputated legs? We support the troops in when he signed up."

THE CROW
"The surge is working. We are making progress in Iraq."

THE PARROT
"God bless America, we support the troops! God bless America, we support the troops!"

THE DODO
"Iran has weapons of mass destruction and is a threat to American interests."

THE OSTRICH
"We must sacrifice some of our civil liberties for the sake of security."

DIET TIPS FROM FAT STEVE

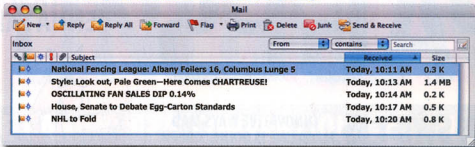
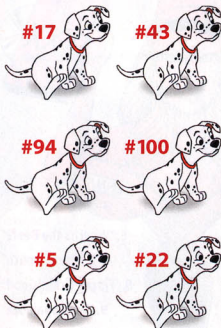
- When you buy a dozen donuts, tell yourself, "I'm only going to eat 11 today, and leave one for tomorrow." Over the course of a decade, this will save you thousands of calories.
- Grocery shopping on an empty stomach causes you to buy more food at the market. To avoid this, have a huge, fat-filled meal before you shop.
- Lovemaking is an excellent way to tone muscles and burn calories. We recommend 4-6 hours of sex per day. We can't tell an obese, unattractive person like you how to find a mate, however. This isn't tips on dating.

SOLUTION TO LAST MONTH'S "MINI-MYSTERY"

The murderer had eluded authorities by stuffing himself into a valise, leaving one arm free with which to carry himself down the stairs and directly out of the hotel lobby.

NEXT MONTH:
"A Footprint in the Bean Dip!"

MOST DESPISED DISNEY DALMATIANS



SPORTS INJURIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD



AUGUSTINO AMBROSIO
Opus Dei University point guard pulled a quad muscle while flogging himself for his many horrible sins, is on 7-day disabled list.

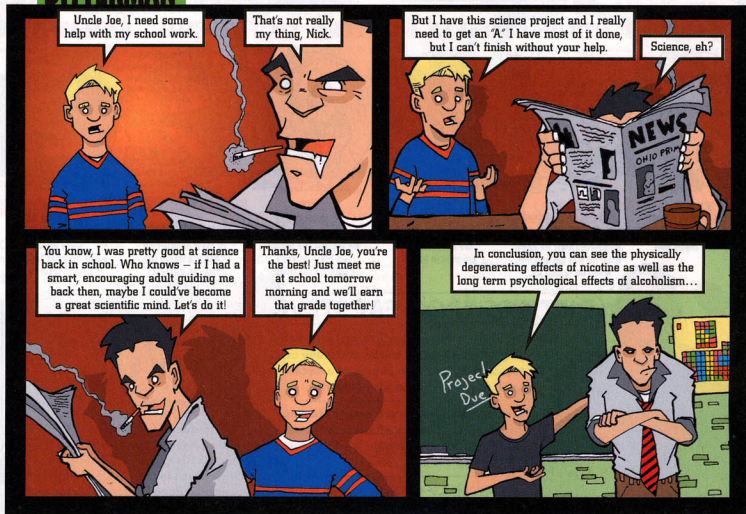


RAGHIB AL-RAMADI
Saudi volleyball coach had his tongue cut out as punishment for quipping that "Even Allah Himself cannot save this team's season." (Out Indefinitely)



CODY IKAZAWA
The shortstop of the expansion Japanese League team 'Sanrio Kitties' attempted suicide after his error cost his team a game. Out 6-8 weeks with a strained oblique.

BITTERMAN



MILLIONS OF TREES GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR THESE BOOKS. DON'T LET THEIR DEATHS BE IN VAIN!

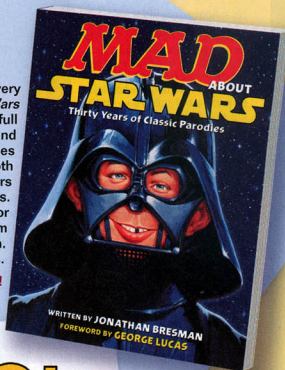


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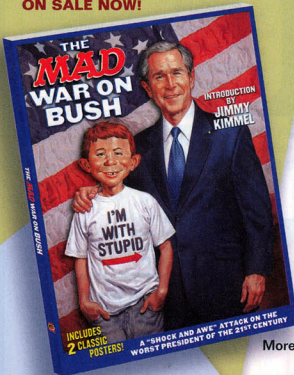
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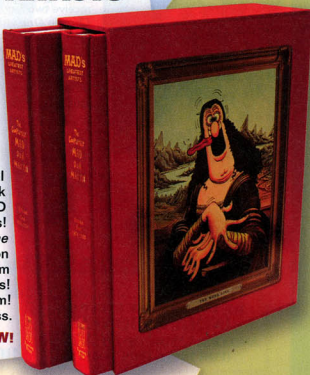
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30CROCK

WRITER: ARNIE ROSEN
ARTIST: TOM RICHMOND

I'm Craze Jumps! I'm the unpredictable star of this SNL-type show! Actually, there are two Craze Jumps — there's an Insane Craze, but there's also a mellow Craze! Check out the YouTube video of me running naked through a field during an electrical storm swinging a metal pipe and singing "This Sh*t Is Bananas"! I feel that clip really shows off my mellow side!

I'm Lizz LemonPledge! I'm head writer of this late night sketch show! I have a nut job and I deal with nut jobs! I'm the only sane person on the staff. My life is pathetic! I'm smart, nerdy, neurotic! That's okay for a TV writer, but for dating it ranks right below genital herpes and morbid obesity! I'm a mess! Now, if you'll excuse me, I have to cringe my face in that cute little way I have!

I'm Jock Dungaheap, East Coast Network Vice President in charge of Programming! Translation: I'm good looking and look great in a tux! I know absolutely nothing about network programming! You've seen TV — does it really matter? I'm arrogant, I'm Republican, I'm bigoted, I'm outspoken and I toss out one liners like Rickles on speed! Now, if you'll excuse me — I'm going to beat up a folk singer and taunt a hurricane victim!

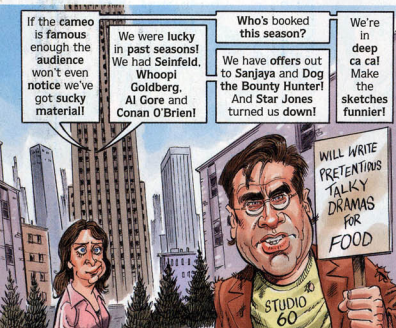
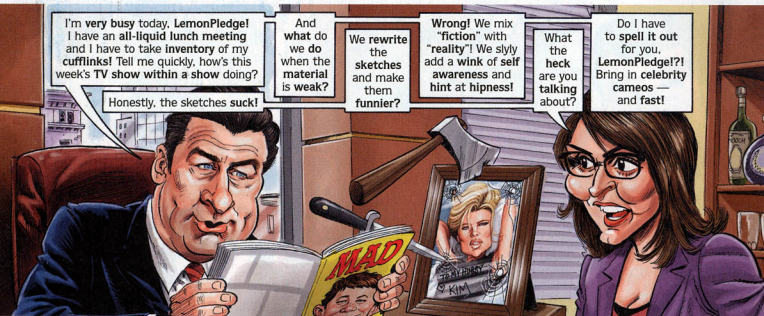
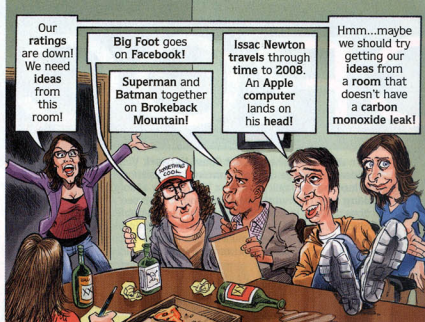
I'm Henna Baloney! I act a little, I sing a little, I dance a little! Some people say I've used my body to get where I am today in this industry! They say I slept my way to the middle!



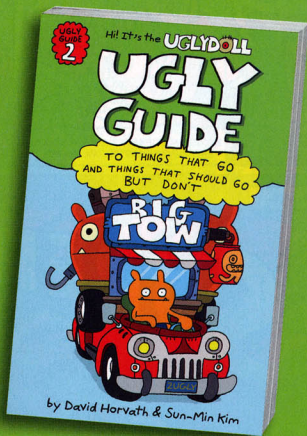
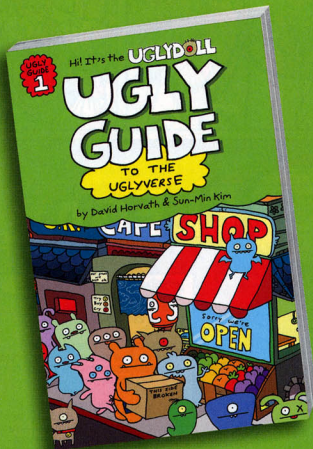
Tina Feh, the writer, is doing a brilliant job!

It's a shame she's hampered by a female performer who's not doing her lines justice! You mean Jane Krackheadski?

I mean Tina Feh the writer is being dragged down by Tina Feh the actress!



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GOD HELP ME, I'M DOOMED!

NOT IF I CAN HELP IT!

EXCUSE ME DEAR, ER, I HAVE SOME, ER, IMPORTANT WORK TO DO!

GOING TO McDONALD'S FOR A JUMBO BAG OF BIG MACS IS NOT "IMPORTANT WORK"!

WHAT A BITCH! AND YET, I MUST HELP HER!

AND SO, IN THE SOLITUDE OF HIS PRIVATE STUDY...

THAT FIEND OBAMA MUST BE STOPPED! THIS IS A JOB FOR... SUPERDELEGATE!

YES, IT'S...

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SUPERDELEGATE! WHO CAN CHANGE THE COURSE OF FAIRLY-DECIDED ELECTIONS; BEND RULES AT HIS OWN WHIM!

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IN OUR NATION'S CAPITAL AN OBAMA CAMPAIGN RALLY IS JUST GETTING STARTED...

THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN! WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION!





The Top-Secret "Indiana Jones Memo" from George Lucas to Steven Spielberg



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From: George Lucas

To: Steven Spielberg

Re: Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

Steve-o:

Let me begin by saying how **THRILLED** I am to begin working on our fourth installment of the *Indiana Jones* trilogy. I don't care what the critics say, if there's one thing that *The Phantom Menace* proved, it's that I know how to take beloved characters, put them in fresh situations and surround them with new, interesting characters — all without tarnishing the legacy of the original and disappointing fans who've waited a quarter of a century for a new adventure. Screw the critics! And screw the bloggers, too!

I'll start with the elephant in the room — Harrison Ford's age. On the screen we can fudge a 66-year-old geezer playing an action hero, but we can't do it in real life. An actor of his age has "special needs." Specifically, we're replacing the traditional Craft Services Table to feed the cast and crew with an Early Bird Special. Keep it under your hat, but Harrison's people are insisting on soft foods only.

In this movie, Indy is mostly battling Russians, but the final shooting script may include some Nazi references. I know you've depicted Nazis in other projects you've worked on subsequent to the original *Indy* trilogy, so to be on the safe side I offer this quick reminder:

- Benign, vaguely-threatening *Raiders/Last Crusade* Nazis = Good
- Sadistic, Holocaust-causing *Schindler's List* Nazis = Bad

Bad news: Sean Connery turned down a chance to reprise his role as Indiana Jones' father. He said that if America wants to see a past-their-prime senior desperately trying to cling to their youth this summer, they'll just go see Kim Cattrall in *the Sex and the City* movie.

Good news: Karen Allen said she's got room in her busy schedule to reprise the role of Marion Ravenwood from *Raiders*... assuming she can get another waitress to cover her shifts at Ruby Tuesday.

You know, when I direct, I always like to cast at least one truly mediocre actor like Mark Hamill, Jake Lloyd or Hayden Christensen. That way I can be sure his performance doesn't distract the audience from all the cool special effects. You should try to use the same method when you direct this film. Which reminds me, did we get Shia LaBeouf?

I got your note about making sure this movie is historically accurate, and I agree. Since *Crystal Skull* takes place in 1937, we should depict important events of the year — like the racist governor of Arkansas keeping blacks out of Central High School, the bloody Cuban Revolution and American schoolchildren practicing "duck and cover" in case of a Soviet nuclear attack. But, you know, in that fun, lighthearted *Indiana Jones* way.

As you know, the script hints that the *Crystal Skull* is from outer space, and I want to make sure we have a really scary, ghoulish-looking alien — long neck, leathery face, bulging eyes, etc. I had the boys at ILM work something up (see attached sketch)...

For whatever reason, when I showed it to Harrison, he totally freaked out on me!

I'm still working on the obligatory "Indy Gets Jammed Into An Uncomfortably Tight Space Filled With Icky, Creepy Things" scene. But we already did snakes, spiders, insects and rats in the earlier flicks, and I'm running out of ideas. Hey, here's a thought: what if we had him sit next to then-Vice President Richard Nixon in a men's sauna?

Well, I guess that's about it. Needless to say, I'm really excited. I know the budget on this baby is high, but don't worry. I'm using the *Star Wars* business model: in 15 years I can needlessly update the film with 20 seconds worth of new, cheesy computer effects and charge all those nostalgic suckers another 12 bucks to see the "Special Edition." Ka-ching! Ka-ching! Ka-ching!

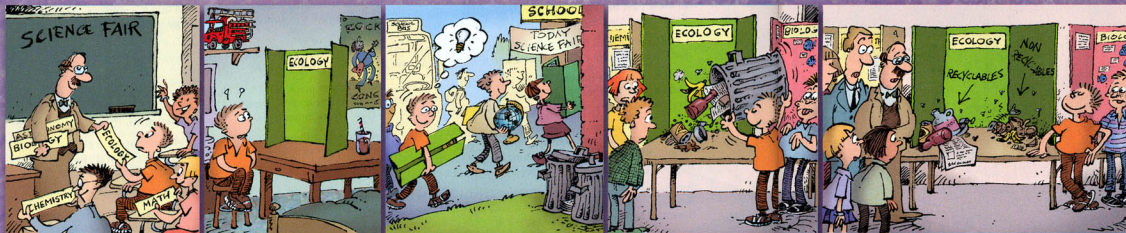
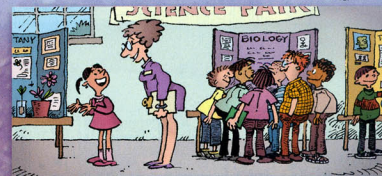
Yours,

George

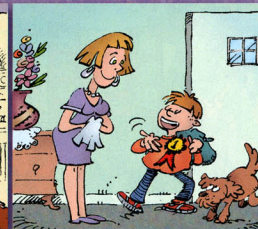
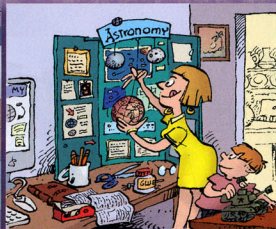
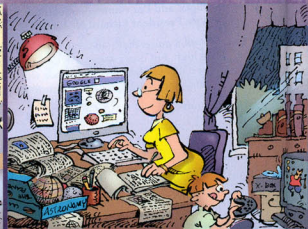
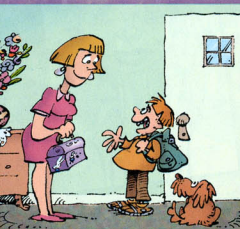


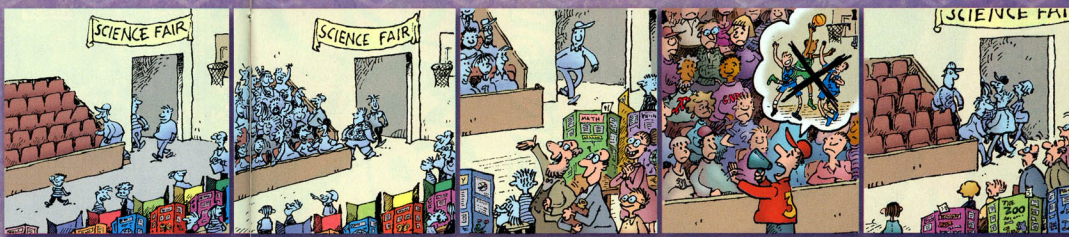
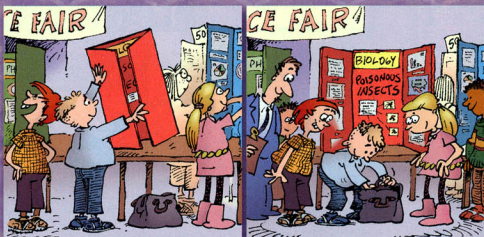
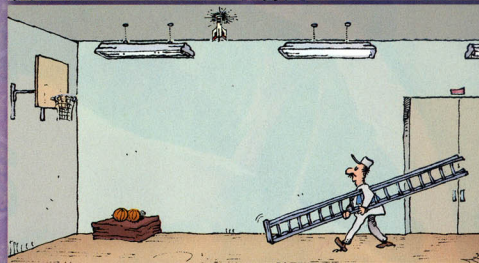
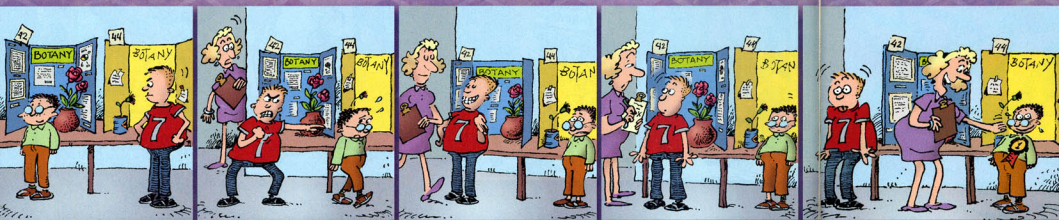
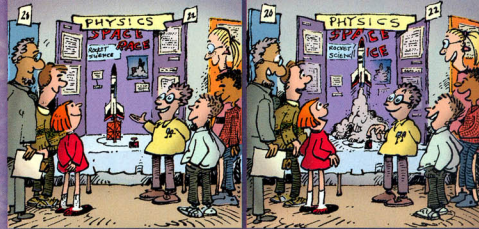
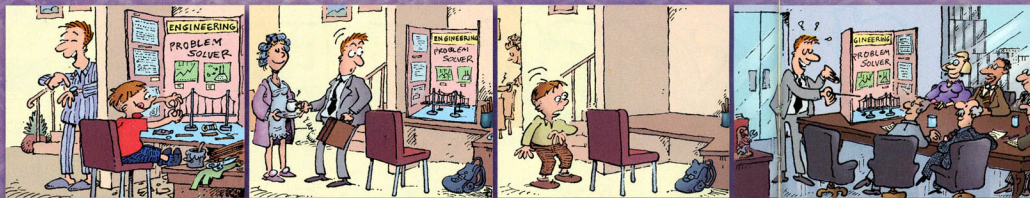
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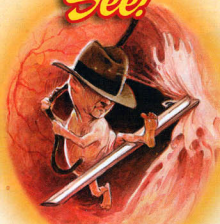
He's in action. He's in danger. He's in utero.



EMBRYONIC JONES

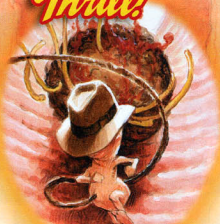
and the
TEMPLE OF WOMB

See!



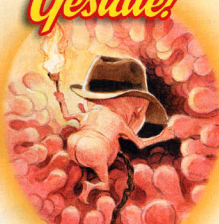
...Embryonic Jones as he dodges
an amniocentesis needle!

Thrill!



...to Mrs. Jones' unstoppable
midnight craving for a meatball sub!

Gestate!



...as Embryonic Jones explores
his mom's secret chamber!

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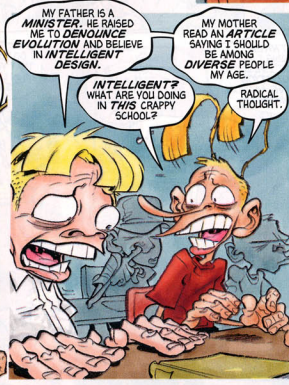
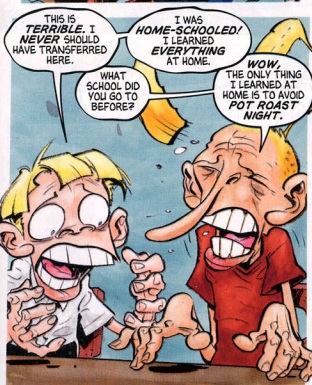
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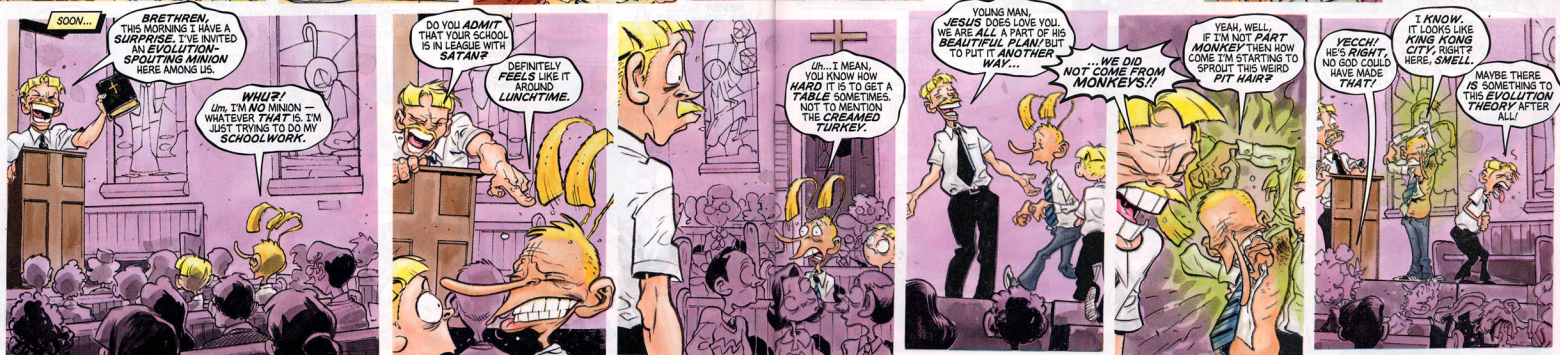
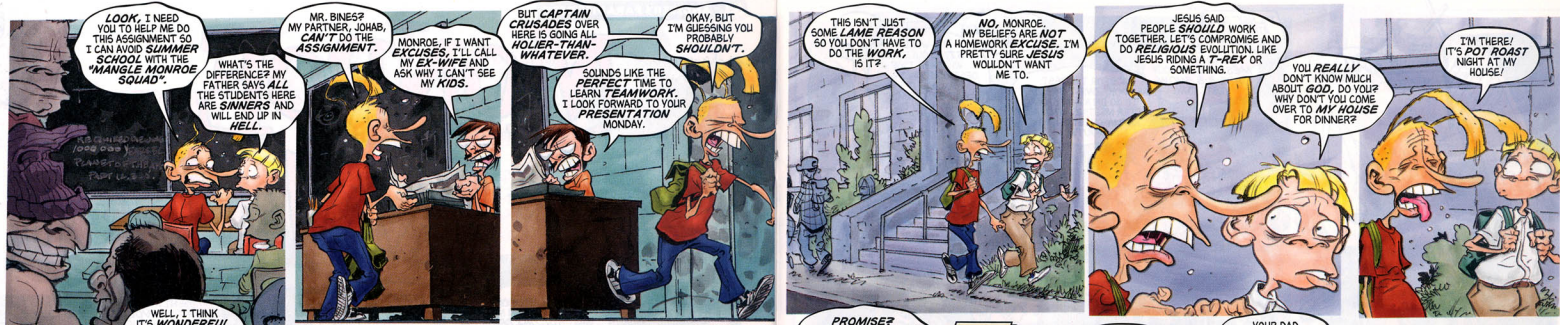


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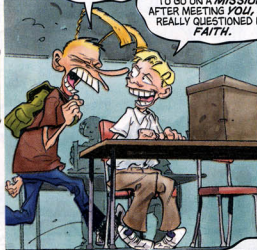
HEY, JOHAB.
SORRY ABOUT
MESSING UP YOUR
DAD'S BIG SHOW
YESTERDAY.

IT'S FOR THE BEST.
HE TOOK SOME TIME OFF
TO GO ON A MISSION.
AFTER MEETING YOU, HE'S
REALLY QUESTIONED HIS
FAITH.

WELL
THAT'S COOL,
I GUESS.

AND WHILE
I STILL QUESTION
WHETHER I'VE
DESCENDED FROM AN
ANIMAL, IT'S
PRETTY OBVIOUS
THAT YOU DID,
DEFINITELY.

OKAY
THEN.



BOYS,
DO YOU HAVE YOUR
ASSIGNMENT?

Er, well,
we sure do!
It's a diorama
of a caveman
discovering the
Bible.

AND WHAT
EXACTLY
DOES IT
MEAN?

IT MEANS THAT
IN ARGUMENTS
ABOUT EVOLUTION,
WE ALL NEED TO GIVE
A LITTLE.

EXACTLY
WHAT I WAS
GONNA
SAY.

SEE,
THERE ARE SOME
THINGS THAT SCIENCE
CAN'T EXPLAIN AND
OTHER THINGS THAT
GOD WANTS NO CREDIT
FOR. LIKE MONROE,
HERE.

COMPELLING
AND CONTROVERSIAL.
I LIKE IT. NICE WORK,
JOHAB! MONROE, I'LL
SEE YOU IN SUMMER
SCHOOL.

WHAT?!

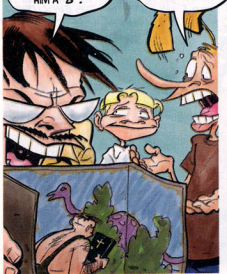


IT'S OBVIOUS
JOHAB DID ALL THE
WORK AND SINCE I'LL
PROBABLY GET
50 BUCKS FOR THIS ON
eBAY, I'M GIVING
HIM A "B".

BUT I SPENT
ALL WEEKEND
TRYING TO GET THIS
DONE. I EVEN WENT
TO CHURCH!

LOOK ON
THE BRIGHT SIDE.
AT LEAST YOU
LEARNED HOW TO
PRAY.

DUDE, I'VE
HAD THAT
ONE DOWN FOR
A LONG
TIME...



TWO MONTHS
LATER...

OH, GOD,
PLEASE DON'T LET
THEM KILL ME IN SUMMER
SCHOOL. WE'LL BE THERE
ANYONE THERE? LITTLE
HELP...PLEASE?



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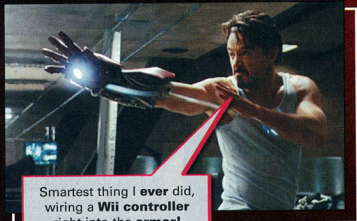
Damnit!
There's a
ding in my thigh
from where that
shopping cart
hit me!



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Smartest thing I ever did,
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My God!
I've stumbled into
Eliot Spitzer's
secret love dungeon!



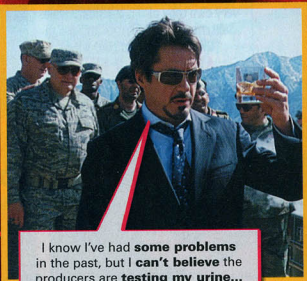
Help us, Iron Man!
You've gotta
save the city from
Pamela Anderson's
rogue breast implant!



As Iron Man,
priority **number one**
is enforcing alternate
side of the street
parking laws!



I know I've had **some problems**
in the past, but I **can't believe** the
producers are **testing my urine...**



Sure, it's a
super-sweet
costume – but
I'm going broke on
fs*&in' Turtlewax!



Thank you
for attending
the first ever
Bald Man
Summit...



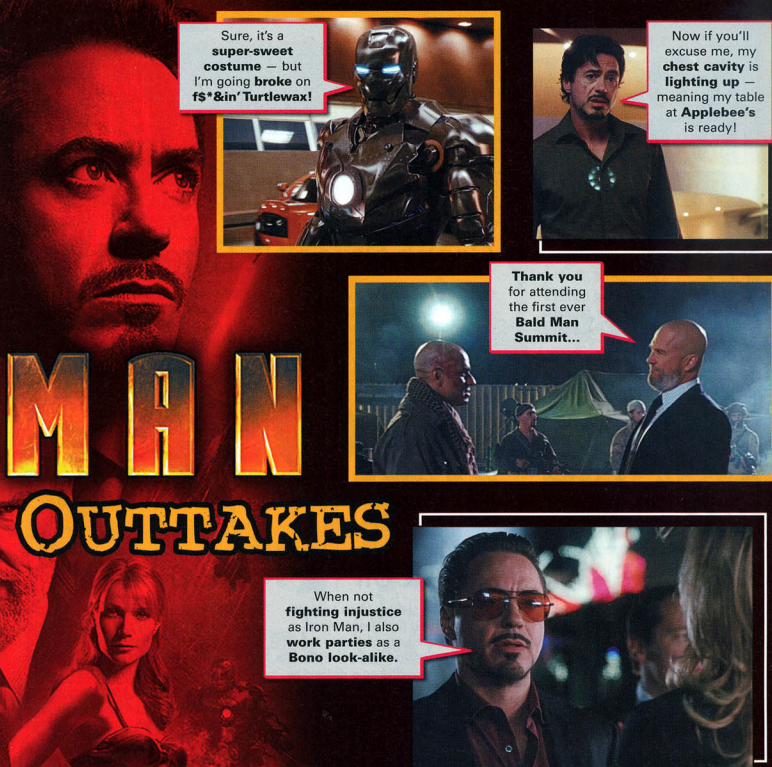
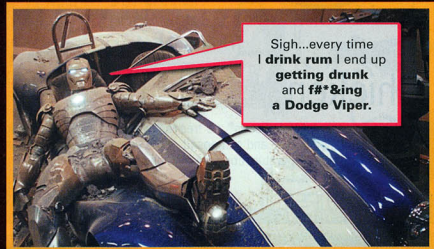
When not
fighting injustice
as Iron Man, I also
work parties as a
Bono look-alike.



I am **Iron Man** –
the world's
most powerful,
beloved **metallic**
hero! Well...next
to **Wall • E.**



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I **drink rum** I end up
getting drunk
and **fs*&ing**
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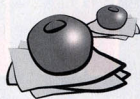


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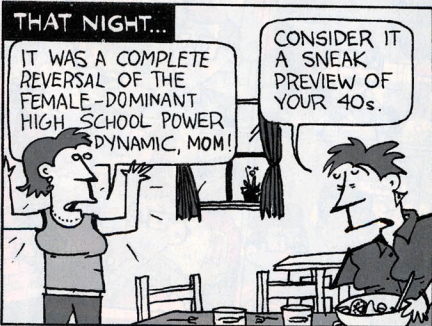
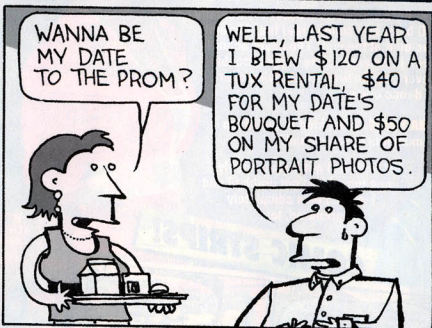
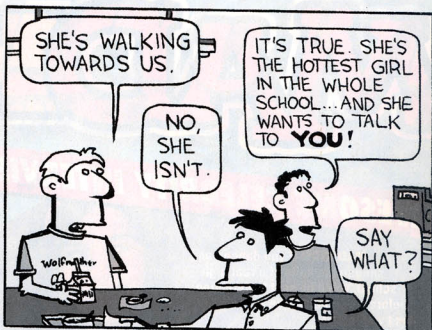
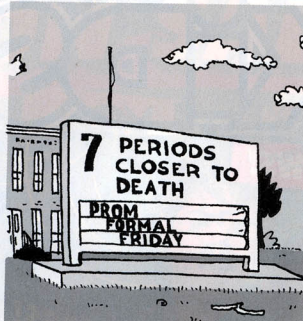


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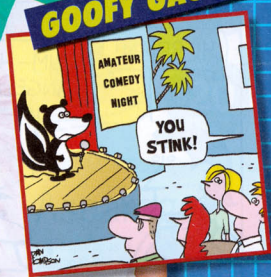
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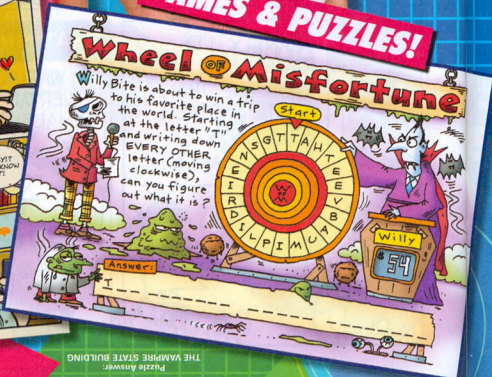
VANESSA ANNE HUDGENS: We actually DO burst into song in real life! Me and Zac do it at the mall. I've never actually been in detention. The biggest trouble I ever got into was for chewing gum in dance class.

ZAC EFRON: I got kissed openly one time. I just got grabbed and kissed. I was completely unprepared, too.

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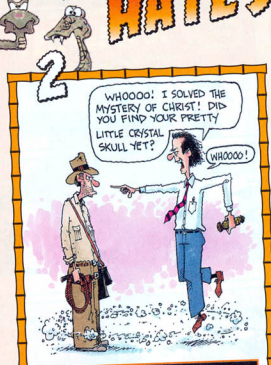
In the classic scene from the very first Indiana Jones movie, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, the daring archeologist exclaims, "Snakes! I hate snakes!" But that was many years ago, and since then the world has changed and our hero has faced many new adventures. We bet that today snakes wouldn't even make Indy's list of the 10 things he hates most. In fact, given that we have the following article written, drawn and ready to fly, we're sure of it! Here's...

10 THINGS INDIANA JONES HATES MORE THAN SNAKES

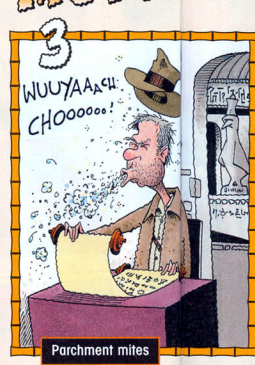
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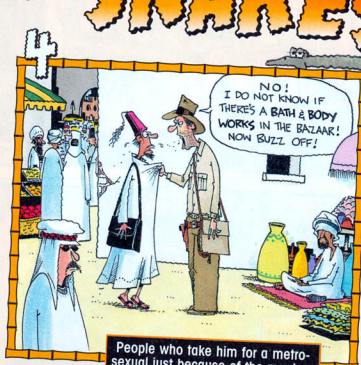
The time-consuming drudgery of bullwhip knots



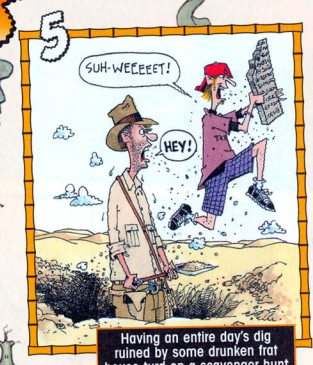
When that *DaVinci Code* a-hole Robert Langdon starts trash talking



Parchment miles



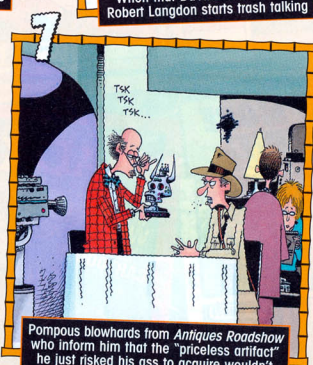
People who take him for a metrosexual just because of the manbag



Having an entire day's dig ruined by some drunken frat house turd on a scavenger hunt



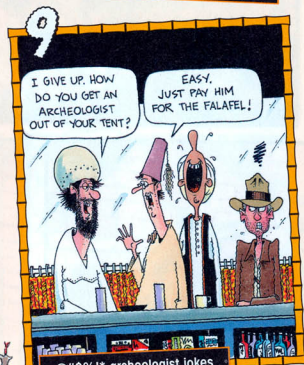
The sad fact that Fezbeze stopped working on the old chapeau about 15 years ago



Pompous blowhards from *Antiques Roadshow* who inform him that the "priceless artifact" he just risked his ass to acquire wouldn't net him ten bucks at a garage sale



Bowling

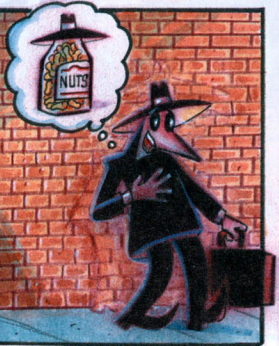
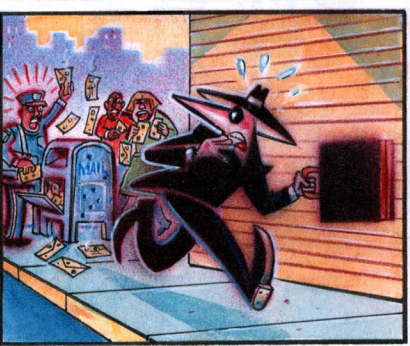
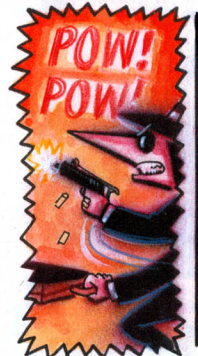
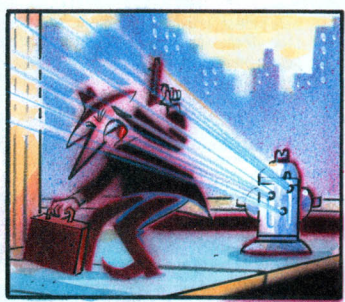
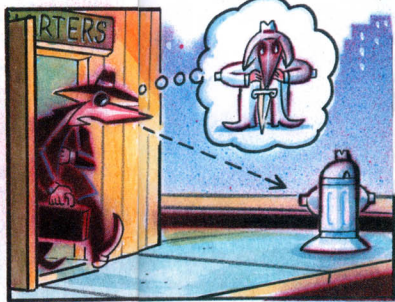
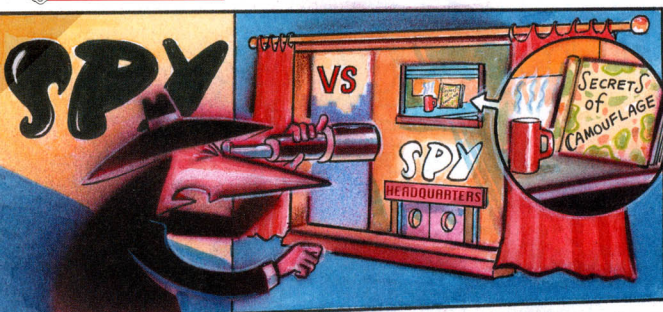


@\$%!* archeologist jokes

WRITER AND ARTIST:
JOHN CALDWELL



No matter how often he complains, he keeps getting Idaho Jones' phone bills



Here's the show that stars Michael C. Hall, the guy from *Six Feet Under*! On that show, he could talk with people who had just died. On this show, he speaks with people who are about to die! We guess that's a step up in some perverse way! On this series there's so much mutilation and gore, the producers thought of calling it *Dissects* and the City! Spoiler alert: maybe you've only seen the first season, but (and don't kill us now) we're taking on the first two seasons of...

DEATHSTER

WRITER: CHARLIE KADAU

ARTIST: HERMANN MEJIA

I'm Deathster Morgue!...I kill people...lots of people! Inside, I'm a raging storm of darkness... the gloomy fog of despair clouds my vision... a flood of moody melancholy rains upon me... with narration like that, you're probably wondering why I don't work at The Weather Channel! Killing is part of me! Sometimes I work fast but most times I'm slow and methodical — for instance, you see these donuts I always bring in for my co-workers? They're loaded with trans fat! Let me introduce the crew!

That's Detective Angel Badteaser! He's great, especially in cases involving Miami's large Cuban and Latino population! You know, I love the Spanish language, the words sound so romantic to me...muerte, machete, violencia!

When I work undercover, no one suspects I'm a cop — that's because of my tacky wardrobe! On my meager police salary, even the homeless have better clothes than me! Working murder investigations with Deathster is...how shall I put it delicately...frigid! weird! I once told him I read that the five stages of dealing with death are Denial, Anger, Bargaining, Depression and Acceptance. He told me his five stages of dealing with death are Anticipation, Happiness, Joy, Ecstasy and Orgasm!

Those two are Captain Tom Asstore and Lt. Maria Lagrabal! They've climbed up the law enforcement ladder by following a modern police procedure: getting their face on TV more often than the cops on *Law and Order*!

Catching Miami's latest serial killer is going to call for some good old-fashioned police work, so I'm issuing a press release!

I'm setting up a photo op with the Governor!

Too late! I'm sitting in for Elizabeth Hasselbeck!

I'm sitting in for Joy Behar on *The View*!

Damn, you're good!

I'm calling a press conference!

Here's my foster sister, Debrat, an up-and-coming detective! To say she has "guy problems" would be an understatement! Her last boyfriend almost broke her heart — and her lungs, spleen, head and neck!

When we were growing up, I didn't think there was anything unusual about Deathster! In fact, we used to play all the standard kids' games, like *Cowboys and Cattle Mutilators*, *Cops and Sociopathic Killers* and *Slice the Head Off the Donkey!*

That picture is my foster dad, Scary Morgue! He was a brilliant policeman and a kind, decent and loving father. When he realized I exhibited the tendencies of a serial killer, he did what any good cop would do: he taught me to blend in and hide my aberration so I could go on killing for decades! Thanks, Dad!

Here's Sgt. Croakes! He's the only member of the force creeped out by me! Can he sense the Dark Passenger within me? The curtain that hangs over my soul, with a matching valence of anguish and emptiness? Of course, a simpler explanation would be he just doesn't like white guys!

What Deathster doesn't know is I have some secrets of my own! I'm a former Special Ops officer and I've seen some pretty violent and disturbing events, like the first Gulf War, Haitian coups, and the worst of all, when Miami was flooded with Young Republicans during the 2000 Florida Presidential vote recount! THAT was ugly!

That's Vince Masukka — my fellow forensics expert, as well as a horny, foul-mouthed, gross, inappropriate-comment-making geek! Think of him as the Manga version of Beavis and Butt-head!

Contrary to what Deathster says, I'm very sensitive and treasure the affection of a woman! I like to caress the small of her back, playfully nibble her earlobe, hold her close and tell her she's safe in my arms — now if I could only convince a LIVING woman to let me do that!

Reepa's my girlfriend — she's damaged like me — an abusive ex-husband gave her an aversion to physical passion. Good thing for her — because for me, rough sex involves the use of a reciprocating saw!

Deathster is sweet! After my last relationship, I feel so pale and lifeless, but Deathster seems to LIKE that! When I'm asleep, he'll spend hours staring at my motionless body! He bought me some perfume he likes me to wear — it has a foreign name — Formaldehyde!

Don't forget me! I'm Liar. Deathster's sponsor in a substance abuse program! I'm sexy, artsy, and I have a British accent and long, jet-black hair. Add my drug addiction problem and general craziness, and you can see why I'm being sued for trademark infringement by Amy Winehouse!

The body has been completely drained of every drop of blood!

Drained of every drop? My God, the killer's a divorce lawyer!

No blood left? I say the killer's a Hollywood agent!

My guess is the killer's an IRS auditor!

Holy \$@%#! Where did you guys learn forensics — Comedy Central?



Wow... this wasn't the work of an amateur — whoever did this is a virtuoso, a van Gogh of vivisection, a Liberator of lacerations, a...oh, sorry, maybe some of you listening to this voiceover don't get that dated "Liberace" reference! He's a Biggie of butchery...better?

Reepa doesn't know my secret, so I can tell her anything and she thinks I'm being funny...

Dinner was great tonight, Reepal

Why do you have to leave so soon?

I have a body to dispose of!

Ha Ha! Oh Deathster, Your jokes kill me!

Yeah, I'm such a cut-up! I can really slay people!



I like her — she's dim!

In fact, I DID have a body to dispose of — a local store owner I determined was a merchant of death...

Edgar Gurby, you're responsible for the deaths of many people!

But I just run a super-market and pharmacy!

Right — and you sell Chinese-made goods covered with lead paint, prescription drugs that cause more harm than good, and too many carcinogen-containing products to mention!

Every store owner in Florida does that!

Oh, and if every store owner walked into a chainsaw, would you? Never mind, I'll help you!



Killing makes me feel whole — it's my playmates who go all to pieces! I've already killed 35 people — though I say I've only killed 28 — tax purposes!

Instead of disposing the corpses in random places, I dump all the bodies in the same spot! That's because I'm meticulous — rather than a random body turning up now and then, if this underwater graveyard is ever discovered, it'll draw LOTS of attention and I might even be caught! Yeah, I'm meticulous — I'm like Felix Unger in a production of *The Odd Couple* as directed by Wes Craven!



The serial killer has struck again!

Amazing! It's like the killer is speaking to me!



This copycat killer must know about me! I have to find out who this guy is! It's like he's saying to me "Let's play a game." If it was Monopoly, instead of a little scotty dog or a wheelbarrow for tokens, we'd be using aortic valves and corneas! Hey, give me a break! Not all these narrative voiceovers can be gems!



He took my story-book!

She spit in my juicebox!

But Deathster, I'm afraid of steely knives!

And slitting someone's abdomen and spilling their intestines on the floor is gross!



These kids today — what are you going to do with them?

To investigate the rash of murders and the bodies just discovered underwater, the FBI has assigned Special Agent Dank Lunky!

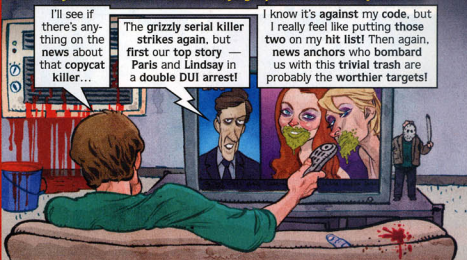
Lunky! He broke the Anthrax case, the Megadeth caper and the Insane Clown Posse crimes!

Those were all serial killer cases?

No, Illegal download cases! He was in the Music Piracy Squad!



Back home after disposing another person who deserved to die! After a kill, I bring a drop of my victim's blood home on a microscope slide and put it in a box I hide in my air conditioner! I'm not worried about being caught by the Miami P.D. — It's the Maytag repairman I'm deathly afraid of!



I'll see if there's anything on the news about that copycat killer...

The grizzly serial killer strikes again, but first our top story — Paris and Lindsay in a double DUI arrest!

I know it's against my code, but I really feel like putting those two on my hit list! Then again, news anchors who bombard us with this trivial trash are probably the worthier targets!

Uh-oh! They've called in someone from Washington, D.C.! I could be in trouble! Then again, considering how the feds handled Hurricane Katrina, I needn't worry! Still, I'd better stay alert and stick to my principles — yep, I feel it's time for a flashback scene with dear departed Scary, the man who adopted me!

Deathster, if you must kill, make sure it's someone deserving — someone sadistic, the personification of evil!

Like drug dealers or murderous pedophiles?

Yes, and that banker that talked me into an adjustable rate mortgage! The @#\$&!



We've profiled the killer and here's what we know: he has a knowledge of human anatomy and blood, just like Deathster! He has a boat, just like Deathster! He's neat and meticulous, just like Deathster! But the trail ends there...I'm baffled!



Hmmm...maybe Lunky's not as smart as everyone thinks...that FBI guy on The Sopranos was smarter, and he never caught Tony...boy, the Feds on cable aren't anywhere as good as the ones on the networks!

I'd better stop killing for a while — spend time with Reepa — not arouse any suspicions as to my true, violent nature...

Want to watch a DVD?

Okay! It's comedy night! Our choices are Saw III, The Silence of the Lambs or In Cold Blood — get ready to laugh!



I haven't felt comfortable with another man since my last boyfriend turned out to be the Ice Block Killer! But I feel secure in your wrinkled arms, looking into your old, cataract-filled eyes...

All right! I do have a question, Debrat: as a police officer, how did you not pick up on the Ice Block Killer's creepiness, macabre behavior, and gruesome manner?

I did notice — and it put him miles ahead of anyone I ever met on Craigslist!

I don't like you, Deathster! I'm sick of the sight of you! So I'm going to follow you everywhere and keep watching you, day and night!

You realize the contradiction in your statement?

It's no different than the President declaring "no child left behind" as he cuts funding for their education!

Good point, but you have an excuse — a metal plate in your head!



Deathster, I'm glad your relationship with Reepa has gone bad — I've wanted to get you in my bed since I met you! Now I'm going to kiss your cheek and run my hand through your hair!

Yeah, baby! And I'm going to hold your other hand and look deeply into your eyes!

Damn, these sex scenes are absolutely awful since they've been edited down to show on CBS!

Oddly, the bloody gore and violence has been left pretty much intact!



With the Feds on my tail and new bodies piling up, I needed a way to tie up all the loose ends, to make all the evidence disappear without suspicion...

Hey, everybody, I have something to show you in the forensics lab...

MORGUE



You've all been working so hard, that instead of just bringing in donuts, I've set up an all-you-can-eat buffet!

These finger sandwiches are delicious!

Try the liver pâté — it's to die for!

I've never tasted a tomato sauce so thick and rich!

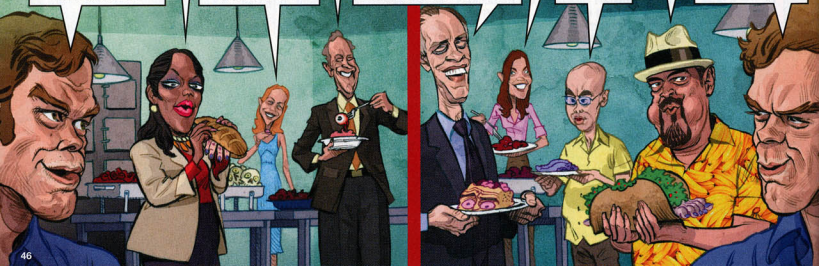
Do you know how long it's been since I had headcheese?

Are these pig's knuckles?

I thought it was tongue!

Thanks, Deathster! You know us hungry cops — there won't be a single leftover!

I'm counting on it!

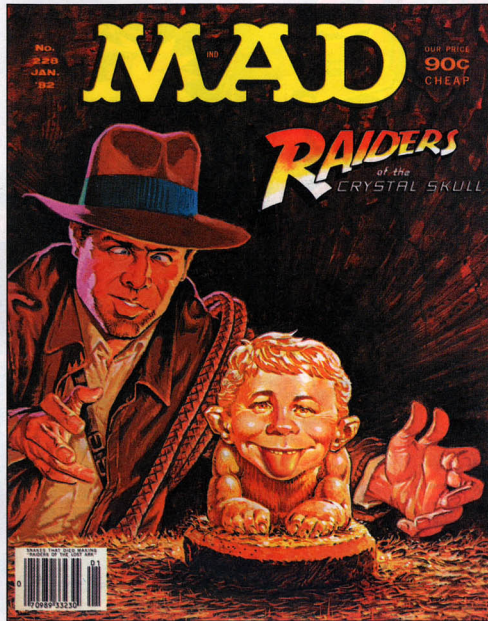
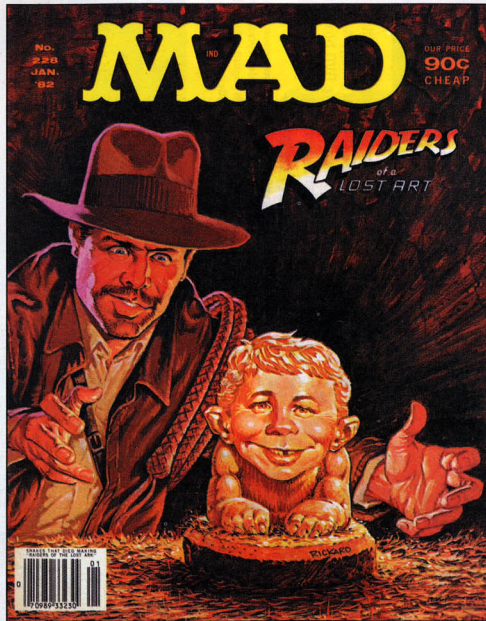




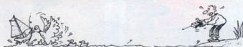
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Can you find the **9** idiotic changes we've made to this magazine cover?



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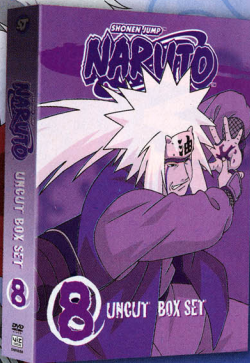


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HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS MAD FOLD-IN

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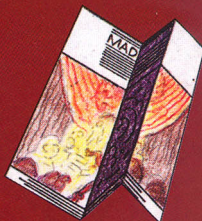
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WRITER AND ARTIST: AL JAFFEE



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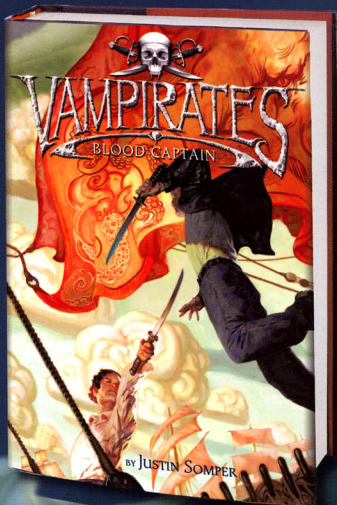
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