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Laughing? Well, maybe not. Puns usually make people groan. They say that for a pun to be good,

Here are some puns. Use your knowledge of English, and your dictionary if necessary, to explain

Example: Why is an empty purse always the same? Because there is never any change in it. In th

1. Do you know why it's easy for a hunter to find a leopard? Because a leopard is always spot

"to spot", verb: to see, to identify. "spotted", adjective: with spots.

2. When gambling became legal in the city, everyone agreed that the city was now a better plac

What we hear could be either of two words that sound the same: "better", adjective, "an impro

3. The principal called the young cross-eyed teacher into his office. "I'm sorry to say, Ms. J

Of course, the word "pupil" could refer to a student or to the middle of the iris of the eye.

4. My friend Sam had decided his kitchen needed painting, and instead of hiring a professional

The pun is the word "coat" either another layer or paint or an article of clothing.

5. The previous pun about the extra "coat" reminds me of the dog that has a fur coat and pants

OK, the dog has a fur coat but it doesn't have fur trousers. In this case "pants" o the way d

Those were puns. Now for a few jokes.

Jokes

Three Police Jokes

First Joke:

A police officer stops a woman for speeding and asks her very nicely if he could see her licen

She replies in a huff, "I wish you guys would get your act together. Just yesterday you take a

Vocabulary and Expressions:

"in a huff": annoyed

"get your act together": get organized

Second Joke: While driving along the back roads of a small town, two truckers came to an overpass. They got out and measured their rig, which was 12'4".

"What do you think?" one asked the other.

The driver looked around carefully, then shifted into first. "Not a cop in sight. Let's take a

Vocabulary and Expressions:

"overpass": viaduct

"rig": here truck. Any specialized tool or mechanical arrangement.

"clearance": room to pass, or "clear". "Clearance" is the noun of the verb "to clear" which means

11' 3" is the abbreviation of 11 feet 3 inches;

12' 4" is the abbreviation of 12 feet 4 inches.

Third Joke:

Recently, a distraught wife went to the local police station, along with her next-door neighbor.

The wife said, "He is 35 years old, 6 foot 2, has dark eyes, dark wavy hair, an athletic build,

The next-door neighbor protested, "Your husband is 54 years old, 5 foot 6, chubby, weighs 275

The wife replied, "Yes, but who wants HIM back?"

Vocabulary and Expressions:

Hubby: popular form of "husband", spouse

distraught: stressed, very worried.

chubby: slightly fat

mean: In this context, strict, severe, even a little cruel

bald: no hair

next-door neighbor: the person who lives in the house to one side of yours

6 foot 4: six feet and 4 inches

How to keep on Learning by Laughing?

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