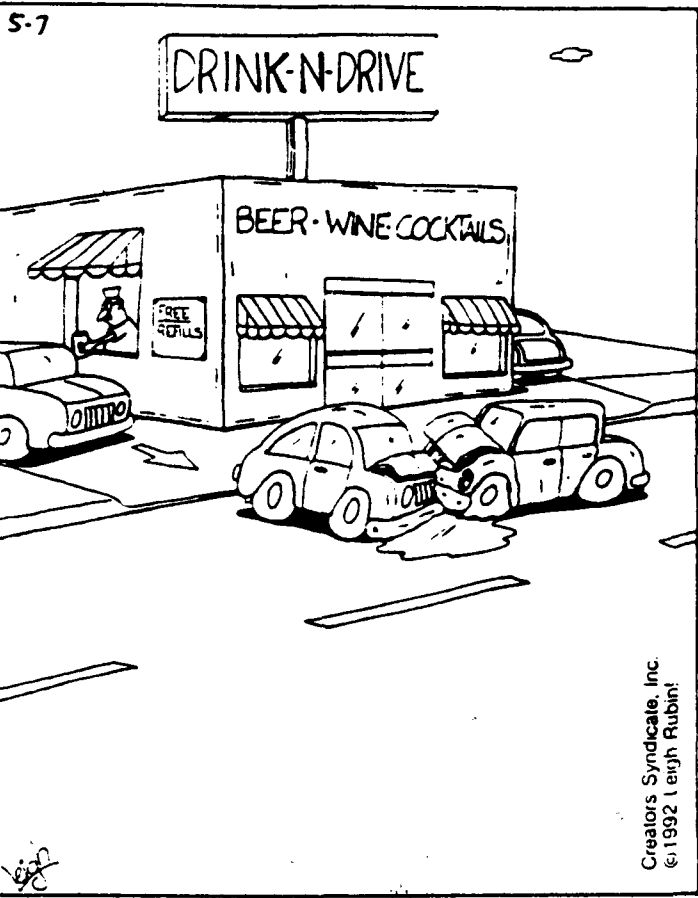


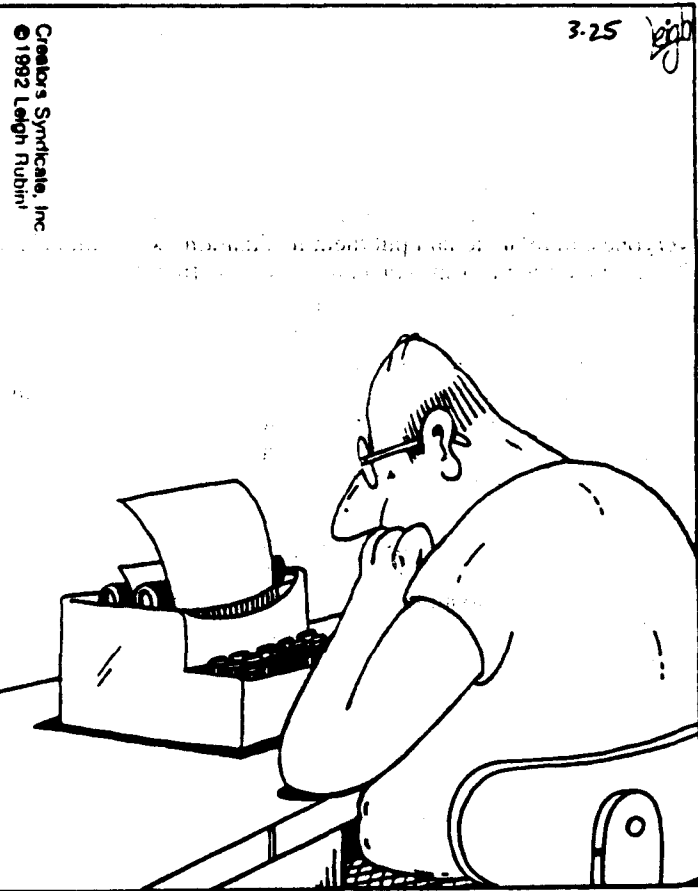
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Rubes®

By Leigh Rubin



Franchising at its worst.



Edgar knew his book, "How to Overcome Writer's Block," would be a best-seller ... if he could only get past the title.

LIFE IN HELL

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GROENING

BINKY'S GUIDE TO LOVE
WATCH FOR FALLING BOULDERs

CHAPTER XV: QUESTIONS FOR THE SINGLE MAN

LOVE SECRET #18 EVEN THE UNHEALTHIEST RELATIONSHIP CAN BE SALVAGED IF THE PARTNERS HAVE A STRONG, UNDENIABLE SEXUAL CHEMISTRY

I LOATHE YOU. I DESPISE YOU. I CAN'T STAND YOU.
KISS ME, YOU FOOL.
OKEY DOKEY

IF WE CAN'T BE FRIENDS CAN WE AT LEAST BE LOVERS?

WHERE DO I GO TO MEET SOMEONE?
DO I HAVE TO LEAVE MY APARTMENT?
WHAT IF I NEVER FIND THE RIGHT PERSON FOR ME?
WHAT IF THE RIGHT PERSON FOR ME TURNS OUT TO BE SOMEONE I DON'T WANT?
WOULD IT HELP IF I STUCK MY HEAD OUT MY APARTMENT WINDOW AND SCREAMED "I'M DESPERATE!"?

AM I STUDY ENOUGH?
COULD I DIE FROM SEXUAL FRUSTRATION?
WHAT IF MY FEELINGS GET HURT?
CAN WOMEN TELL I WANT TO SLEEP WITH THEM?
WHAT IF I GET TRAPPED IN A RELATIONSHIP?

WHAT IF I GET REJECTED AND I DIE FROM THE HUMILIATION?
WHAT IF I MEET A WOMAN WHO'S OBSESSED WITH HER CATS?
WHAT IF I GET INVOLVED AND IT GETS TOO SERIOUS?
WHAT IF SHE WANTS TO TALK ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP ALL THE TIME?
WHAT IF THINGS GET TOO INTIMATE?

WOULD THE WOMAN I GAVE MY MONEY TO AT THE VIDEO DATING SERVICE RE-CONSIDER GOING OUT WITH ME IF I ASKED HER AGAIN NICELY?
WHAT IF I MEET A WOMAN WHO DOESN'T UNDERSTAND MY DEEP NEED TO WATCH HOUR AFTER HOUR OF PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ON TV?
WHAT IF I GET INVOLVED AND THINGS START MOVING TOO FAST?
WHAT IF SHE EVER WANTS TO TALK ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP?
SHOULD I CLEAN UP THIS PLACE JUST IN CASE SOMEONE EVER VISITS?

WHY ARE WOMEN SO IMPRESSED WITH GUYS WHO ARE GAINFULLY EMPLOYED?
WHAT IF SHE'S NOT IMPRESSED THAT MY APARTMENT LOOKS LIKE A GROOVY COLLEGE DORM?
WHAT IF SHE HAS MORE MONEY THAN I DO BUT WON'T LEND ME ANY?
WHAT IF SHE EVER HAD TO MEET HER FRIENDS AND FAMILY?
HOW COME I CAN'T HAVE EXACTLY WHAT I WANT WITH NO OBLIGATIONS?

WHAT IF SHE WANTS TOO MUCH CUDDLING?
DO I WORRY TOO MUCH?
WHAT'S ON TV?

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

by Stan Lee

NEW YORK! AFTER SAVING THE WORLD, OUR HERO GETS HIS USUAL WELCOME...

WADDAYA MEAN "NO PHOTOS"? I DIDN'T SEND YOU TO LATVERIA FOR A VACATION!

EASE UP, JJ! THE POOR GUY WAS IMPRISONED BY DR. DOOM!

HE'S LUCKY TO HAVE RETURNED ALIVE!

AWRIGHT, AWRIGHT! IF HE REPAYS HIS AIR FARE, I'LL FORGET THE WHOLE THING!

LEVEL WITH ME, ROBBIE. IS OL' PRUNE-FACE FOR REAL?

'FRAID SO, SON.

HE MADE ME RISK MY LIFE IN LATVERIA WITHOUT A SALARY.

AND NOW HE WANTS ME TO PAY HIM BACK FOR THE AIR FARE!

'Y'KNOW WHY PEOPLE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ME, MISS BRANT?

I'M JUST AN OLD SOFTIE!

WOLFBANE

SO YOU WANT TO GAIN ADMISSION INTO OUR UNIVERSITY, MR. WOLFBANE?

UM... YES SIR...

HAVE YOU ATTENDED COLLEGE BEFORE, ALEX?

YES... IT WAS A WHILE AGO... I WAS ASKED... TO LEAVE...

ANY PARTICULAR REASON?

UM... WELL... THERE WAS THIS SALEM INCIDENT INVOLVING A GENETIC EXPERIMENT AND A STRAY CAN OF BEER...

REALLY...

YEAH, BUT C'MON... WHAT'S ONE GENETICALLY-ALTERED BEER HOP, MORE OR LESS?

YAA!

WELL... THERE GOES THE SCHOLARSHIP...

I CAN'T AFFORD A CD PLAYER...
...SO I TELL MY FRIENDS RECORDS ARE BETTER.
I CAN'T SPRING A CAR...
...SO I SAY I HATE TRAFFIC.

...SO I PROCLAIM THE FREEDOM OF RENTING.

I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO BUY A HOUSE...
...REVEL IN YOUR NEED.

IT'S THE NATURE THING 'B-D-O-
IF YOU CAN'T GET WHAT YOU WANT...

☆☆Quote of the week: "Even if chics did come with instructions, mine would be printed in Japanese!" - Anonymous ☆☆☆