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## Wisdom For The Week :

"To avoid criticism, do nothing, say nothing, be nothing."

Elbert Hubbard

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(Contributed by Wendy Butzberger Thanks Wendy)

THIS IS PRETTY TOUGH!!

Here is a brain teaser for you to enjoy.

Exercise of the brain is as important as exercise of the muscles. And as we grow older, it's important that we keep mentally alert. The saying "If you don't use it, you will lose it" also applies to the brain, so..... Below is a very private way to gauge your loss or non-loss of intelligence.

So take the following test presented here and determine if you are losing it or are still "with it."

The spaces below are so you don't see the answers until you have made your own.....

OK, relax, clear your mind, and..... begin.

1. What do you put in a toaster?

The answer is "bread." If you said "toast," then give up now and go do something else. Try not to hurt yourself. If you said, "bread," go to Question 2.

2. Say "silk" five times. Now spell "silk." What do cows drink?

Answer: Cows drink water. If you said "milk," please do not attempt the next question. Your brain is obviously over stressed and may even overheat. It may be that you need to content yourself with reading something more appropriate such as "Children's World." If you said, "water" proceed to Question 3.

3. If a red house is made from red bricks and a blue house is made from blue bricks and a pink house is made from pink bricks and a black house is made from black bricks, what is a greenhouse made from?

Answer: Greenhouses are made from glass. If you said "green bricks," what the devil are you still doing here reading these questions????? If you said "glass," then go on to Question 4.

4. Twenty years ago, a plane is flying at 20,000 feet over Germany. If you will recall, Germany at the time was politically divided into West Germany and East Germany. Anyway, during the flight, TWO of the engines fail. The pilot, realizing that the last remaining engine is also failing, decides on a crash landing procedure. Unfortunately, the engine fails before he has time, and the plane crashes smack in the middle of "no man's land" between East Germany and West Germany. Where would you bury the survivors? East Germany or West Germany or in "no man's land?"

Answer: You don't, of course, bury survivors. If you said ANYTHING else, you are a real dunce and you must NEVER try to rescue anyone from a plane crash. Your efforts would not be appreciated. If you said, "Don't bury the survivors," then proceed to the next question.

5. If the hour hand on a clock moves $\frac{1}{60}$ of a degree every minute then how many degrees will the hour hand move in one hour?

Answer: One degree. If you said "360 degrees" or anything other than "one degree," you are to be congratulated on getting this far, but you are obviously out of your league. Turn your pencil in and exit the room. Everyone else proceed to the final question.

6. Without using a calculator -- You are driving a bus from London to Milford Haven in Wales. In London, 17 people get on the bus. In Reading, six people get off the bus and nine people get on. In Swindon, two people get off and four get on. In Cardiff, 11 people get off and 16 people get in. In Swansea, three people get off and five people get on. In Carmathen, six people get off and three get on. You then arrive at Milford Haven. What was the name of the bus driver?

Answer: Oh, for crying out loud! Don't you remember? It was YOU.

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# Consumer Tips

Have you ever tried Russian Tea for Christmas. It is such a wonderful drink.

## **INGREDIENTS:**

**2 cups orange-flavored Tang drink mix**

**3 ounces lemonade-flavored drink powder**

**$\frac{3}{4}$  cup white sugar**

**$\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon ground cinnamon**

**$\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon ground allspice**

**$\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon ground cloves**

## **DIRECTIONS:**

**Mix the ingredients together (it will always look like some of the spices are separated out)**

**Place 2 or 3 teaspoons (according to your taste) of Russian Tea mix in a cup**

**Add boiling water and serve**

In the past we have made up a big can of it and then scooped it into little  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint canning jars that have that fancy glass fruit on the front, attach a big ribbon and this recipe and give as a gift to family and friends. Almost everyone loves it. Makes a wonderful party gift.

Also here is a web page where you can get the recipe for lots of other wonderful holiday drinks.

[http://directory.google.com/Top/Home/Cooking/Beverages/Dry\\_Mixes/?tc=1](http://directory.google.com/Top/Home/Cooking/Beverages/Dry_Mixes/?tc=1)

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FROM LAST WEEK: Wow thanks everyone. Guess there are several places you can look to see if things are a HOAX. I was embarrassed to find several things I have been using in my talks that I found on these HOAX web pages that are actually not proven to be true (like the story of Alexander Fleming saving Winston Churchill's life twice story... YIKES). Here are the ones everyone sent in to share with us:

<http://www.symantec.com/avcenter/hoax.html>

<http://hoaxbusters.ciac.org/>

<http://urbanlegends.about.com/cs/nethoaxes/ht/emailhoax.htm>

http://www.all-internet-security.com/email_hoax_virus.html

<http://www.trendmicro.com/vinfo/hoaxes/hoax.asp>

<http://www.itd.umich.edu/virusbusters/>

<http://www.plantops.umich.edu/support/information/alerts.html>

<http://www.millersmiles.co.uk/index.htm>

With that list you should never be fooled by a HOAX email again (unless you just don't go look to see if it is legitimate)

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**Make it a wonderful and happy week!!!!**  
**The happy friends in your life,**  
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