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## Wisdom For The Week :

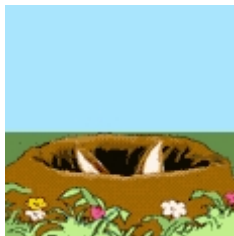
If you believe in "TRUTH" then surely you must believe in "ALL TRUTH" no matter where it is found. If you are a Christian and you read something in the Koran "THAT IS TRUE" how could you say that you do not believe it just because it is in the Koran. It is either true or it is not true. And if it is true then surely you would believe it. In some instances to say someone is "narrow minded" is a negative comment about them. But to me the true definition of being "narrow minded" is when a person refuses to believe something based on where it came from more than the actual content. Of course the issue here is knowing when something is "TRUE" and that of course is a subject of another whole different discursion.

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(Contributed by Karen Teuscher.... Thanks Karen)

THE RABBIT



A man is driving along a highway

and sees a rabbit jump out
across the middle of the road.
He swerves to avoid hitting it,
but unfortunately the rabbit jumps right in front of the car.

The driver, a sensitive man as well as an animal lover,
pulls over and gets out to see
what has become of the rabbit.

Much to his dismay,
the rabbit is dead.

The driver feels so awful
that he begins to cry. Someone
driving down the highway
sees the man crying on the
side of the road
and pulls over.

The person steps out of the car
and asks the man what's wrong.

"I feel terrible,"
he explains,
"I accidentally hit this rabbit
and killed it."

The person says,
"Don't worry," then runs to the car
and pulls out a spray can.

The person then walks over to the limp, dead rabbit,
bends down, and sprays the contents onto the rabbit.

The rabbit jumps up,
waves its paw at the two of them
and hops off down the road.

Ten feet away the rabbit stops,
turns around and waves again,
he hops down the road another 10 feet,
turns and waves, hops another ten feet,
turns and waves,
and repeats this again and again and again,
until he hops out of sight.

The man is astonished.

He runs over to the person and demands,
"What is in that can?
What did you spray on that rabbit?"

The person turns the can around
so that the man can read the label.

It says...

(Are you ready for this?)



(Are you sure?)

(This is bad!)

(You know you could just click off
and not read the punch line....)

(You can still delete it)

(You know you're go'nna be sorry)

(Last chance)

(OK, here it is)

It says,

"Hair Spray -
Restores life to dead hair,
adds permanent wave."

Consumer Tips

This week on MSNBC nightly news they had a feature on how identity thieves are not stealing car VIN numbers and then using it to sell a stolen car. What they do is steal a car, then find a similar make and model car and read the VIN number off it. You can see it through the windshield on the drivers side of all cars. They then remake the documents for the car forging your VIN number on the fake title of the stolen car. Then sell it out of state. Only 9 states check VIN number of cars from other states (and of course they know which 9 states they are). Then when you try to sell your car you can't because there are now two and one is stolen. Or if that other stolen car that was sold to an unsuspecting person is in an accident of course your name comes up as the owner with theirs as a stolen car and you are the one in trouble. It is just like identity theft. You are innocent but you still have to PROVE you are not guilty and that takes a lot of time and sometimes a lawyer and lots of money. They suggested you put a little piece of Duct tape over the VIN number. That is not illegal and if the police or anyone legally needs to see your VIN number for your car they WITH YOUR PERMISSION can just remove the tape while inside the car and then read the number. You can see the MSNBC report if you go to their web page <http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/8160315/>

Here is a consumer tip from John Bernhard that goes right along with that MSNBC news cast. (Thanks John)

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Checked this out on Urban Legends they say True.....  
John.....

Subject: Vin #'s and car thieves

It seems that car thieves have found yet another way to steal your car or truck without any effort at all. The car thieves peer through the windshield of your car or truck, write down the VIN # from the label on the dash, go to the local car dealership and request a duplicate key based on the VIN #. I didn't believe this e-mail, so I called a friend at Chrysler Dodge and pretended I had lost my keys. They told me to just bring in the VIN #, and they would cut me one on the spot, and I could order the keyless device if I wanted.

The Car Dealer's Parts Department will make a duplicate key from the VIN #, and collect payment from the thief who will return to your car. He doesn't have to break in, do any damage to the vehicle, or draw attention to himself. All he has to do is walk up to your car, insert the key and off he goes to a local Chop Shop with your vehicle.

You don't believe it? It IS that easy. To avoid this from happening to you, simply put some tape (electrical tape, duct tape or medical tape) across the VIN Metal Label located on the dash board. By law, you cannot remove the VIN, but you can cover it so it can't be viewed through the windshield by a car thief.

I slipped a 3 x 5 card over the VIN # .



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