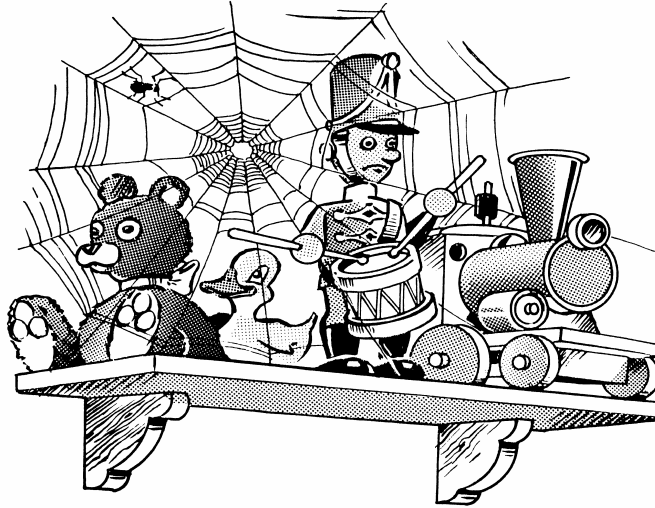


DOLDRUMS

(DOHL drums) *n.*

a period or condition of depression or inactivity; a part of the ocean near the equator abounding in calms and squalls

Link: **DOLL DRUMS**



*“All covered with dust, the **DOLL DRUMS** were in the **DOLDRUMS**.”*

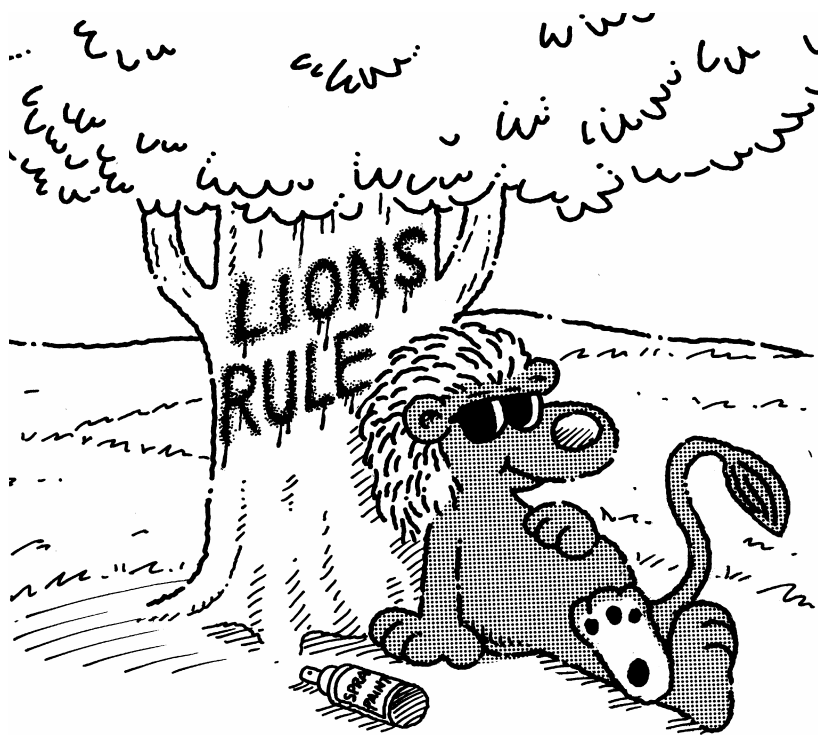
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- ❑ Ever since Jackie’s dog died, he hasn’t touched his toys and he mopes around day after day in the **DOLDRUMS**.
 - ❑ Ever since the company sales have been in the **DOLDRUMS** the boss has had to layoff three salesmen.
 - ❑ For thirteen days we were becalmed in the Horse Latitudes near the equator, our ship drifting in the **DOLDRUMS** without the faintest breeze to fill the sails of our vessel.
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DOMAIN

(doe MAYN) *n.*

a territory over which one rules,
has influence or powers

Link: **PLAIN**



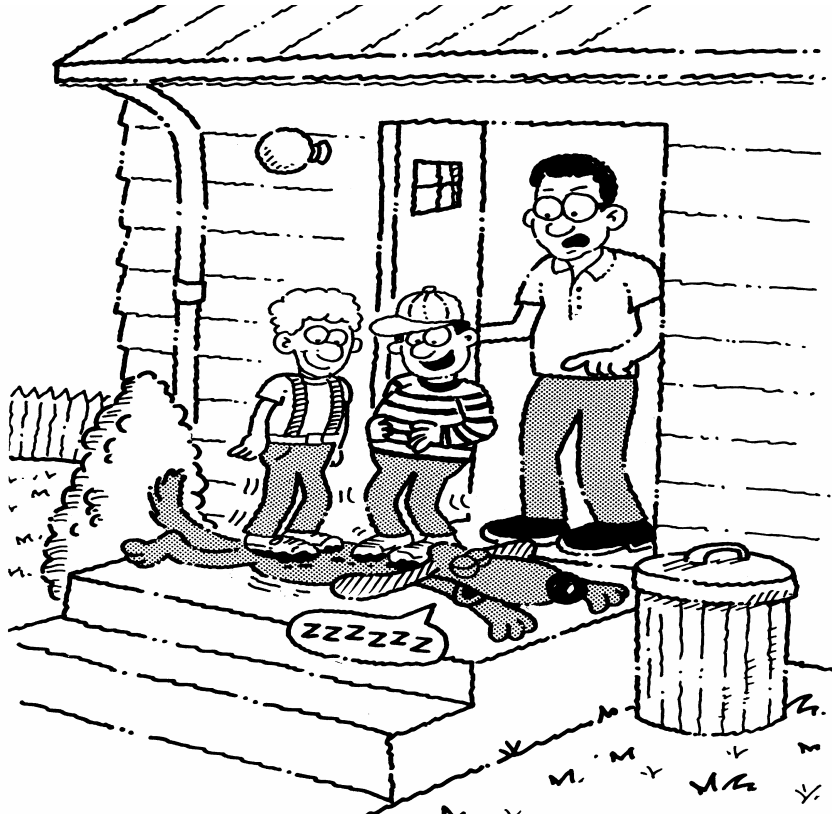
*"Lions have **DOMAIN**
over the **PLAINS** of Africa."*

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- ❑ When Minnesota Fats entered a pool hall, all the other players respectfully stopped their own games to watch him, for they knew this was his **DOMAIN**.
 - ❑ The **DOMAIN** of the native Florida panther is in the Everglades and South Central Florida.
 - ❑ The courtroom is the **DOMAIN** of attorneys and judges.
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DORMANT

(DOR munt) *adj.*
asleep or inactive

Link: **DOOR MAT**



*"Boys! Boys! Fido may be **DORMANT**,
but he is not a **DOOR MAT**."*

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- ❑ Bears hibernate in caves and remain **DORMANT** throughout the winter.
 - ❑ Jim's talent for playing the French horn had been **DORMANT** for so long he lost his ability to play.
 - ❑ The rain fell steadily over the **DORMANT** village as nightfall approached.
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DRACONIAN

(drah KOH nee un) *adj.*
hard, severe, cruel

Link: **DRACULA**



*"Count **DRACULA** often behaved
in a **DRACONIAN** manner."*

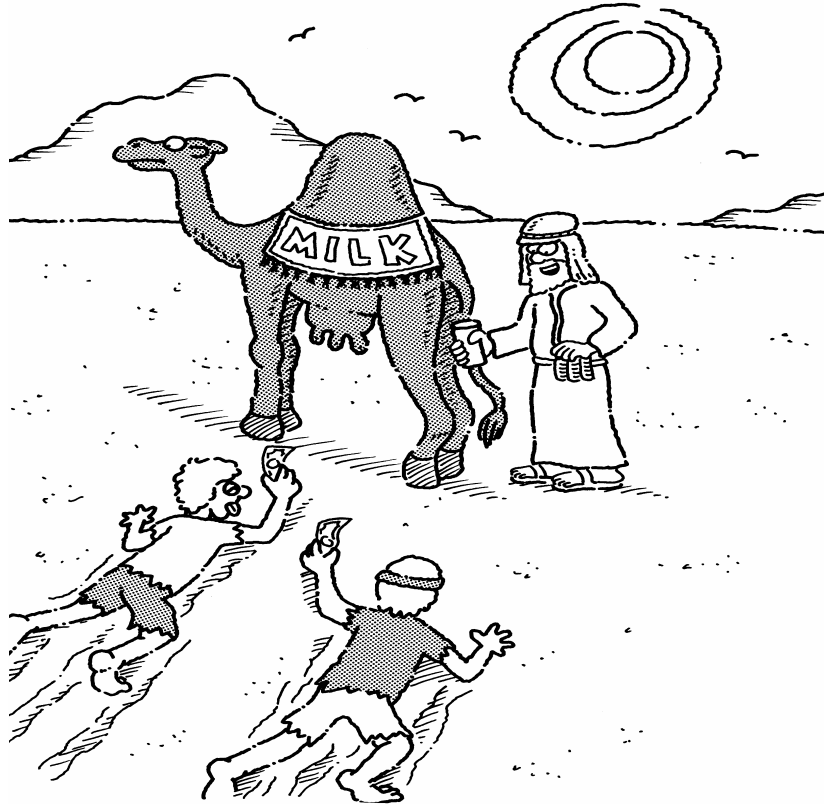
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- ❑ Our **DRACONIAN** professor always gives us at least three hours of homework a night and term papers to write over every holiday.
 - ❑ Judge McNamara handed down a **DRACONIAN** sentence to the defendant: sixty days for littering.
 - ❑ The word **DRACONIAN** did not originate with the fictional character, Count Dracula, but with an ancient Greek official named Draco who created a harsh code of laws.

DROMEDARY

(DROM ih der ee) *n.*

a one-humped domesticated camel

Link: **ROAMING DAIRY**



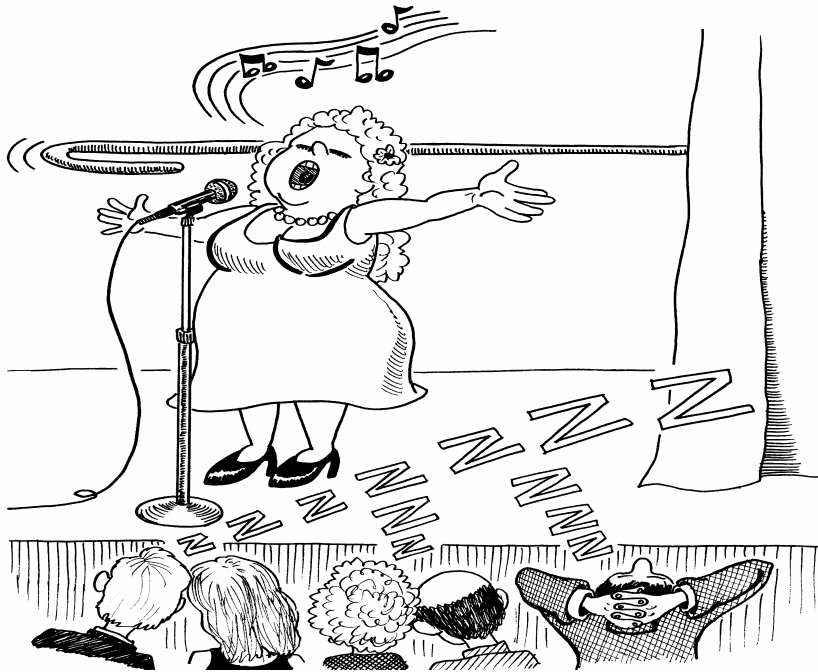
*"On the Arabian deserts,
a mother **DROMEDARY** is
a **ROAMING DAIRY**."*

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- ❑ The **DROMEDARY** is widely used as a beast of burden in Northern Africa and Western Asia.
 - ❑ A **DROMEDARY** is also known as an Arabian camel.
 - ❑ The highlight of our trip to Egypt was riding **DROMEDARIES** around the Great Pyramids of Giza.
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DULCET

(DULL set) *adj.*
melodious, soft, soothing;
pleasing to the ear

Link: **DULL SIT**



*“If you don’t like opera, even the most **DULCET** tones of the finest sopranos make for a **DULL SIT**.”*

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- ❑ Senator Kramer was a political campaigner who could hypnotize an audience with sweet words and **DULCET** tones.
 - ❑ Jeff’s parents declared there was nothing **DULCET** about the rock-and-roll music that shook the house from his room every morning as he dressed for school.
 - ❑ The **DULCET** music in the elevator made the ride to the fifty-fifth floor pleasurable.
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DURESS

(dyoo RES) *n.*

hardship, restraint, confinement

Link: **CONFESS**



*"During interrogation, the suspect was under **DURESS** to **CONFESS**."*

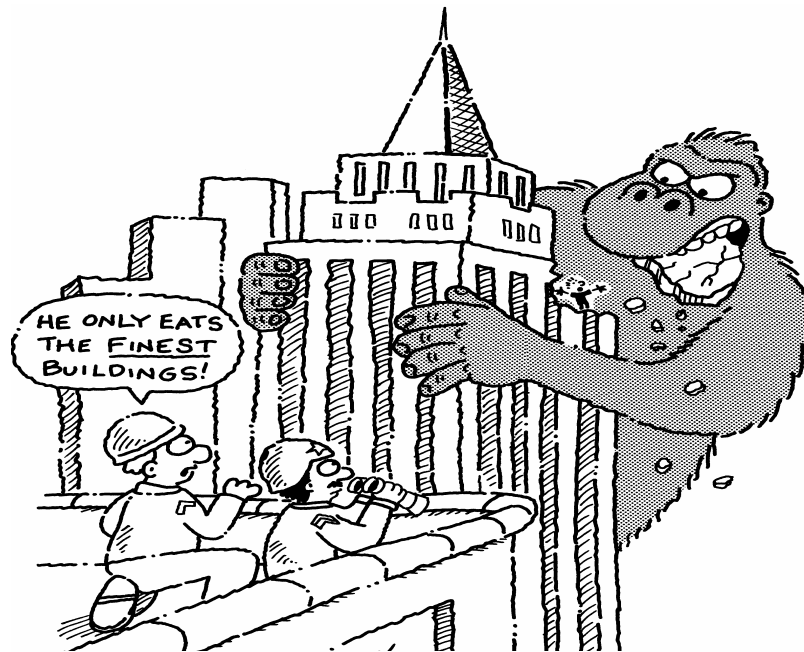
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- ❑ The judge ruled the defendant was under **DURESS** when the police got his confession, and therefore his confession could not be used as evidence.
 - ❑ It is only in recent years that social scientists have come to understand that many people laboring in competitive industries are under career **DURESS**.
 - ❑ The crew was under **DURESS** after drifting for three days in a rubber raft with no food or water.

EDIFICE

(ED uh fis) *n.*

a building, especially one of imposing appearance or size

Link: **ATE A FACE**



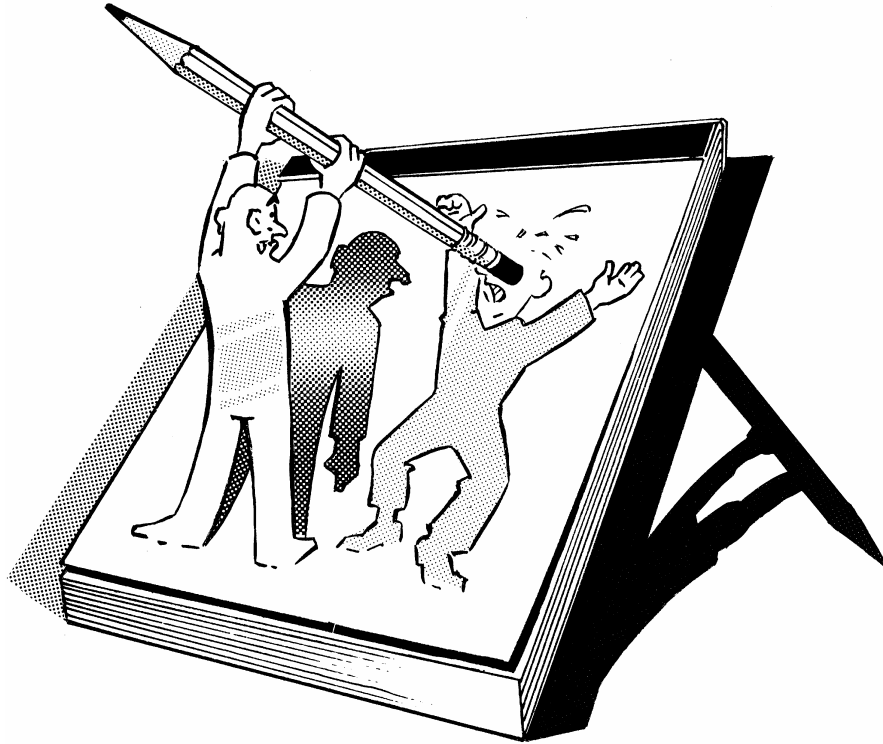
*"The Great Kong **ATE** the north **FACE** of the **EDIFICE**."*

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- ❑ The construction of one **EDIFICE** led to another, and New York City became a skyline of enormous skyscrapers.
 - ❑ The Taj Mahal may not be the largest **EDIFICE** ever constructed, but surely it is one of the most imposing in the world.
 - ❑ Spiderman easily scaled the **EDIFICE**.

EFFACE

(uh FACE) v.
to rub away

Link: **ERASE**



*“How to **EFFACE** a face by **ERASING** it”*

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- ❑ We came upon a cemetery by the sea. Many of the headstone inscriptions had been **EFFACED** by the ravages of time, but we could make out many that were well over two hundred years old.
 - ❑ To assure that he left no clues, the thief **EFFACED** his fingerprints from the stolen car.
 - ❑ It was hard to make out the old coin's date because it had been **EFFACED** over time.
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EGALITARIAN

(ih gal uh TARE ee un) *adj./n.*

advocating the doctrine of equal rights for all citizens; a person who adheres egalitarian beliefs

Link: **THE GAL I'M MARRYIN'**



***“THE GAL I’M MARRYIN’ is
an **EGALITARIAN.**”***

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- ❑ The Communists preached an **EGALITARIAN** philosophy, but in the end they were the same old fascists the world has known through the ages. (*adj.*)
 - ❑ Martin Luther King’s **EGALITARIAN** beliefs inspired many. (*adj.*)
 - ❑ Martin Luther King was a true **EGALITARIAN**, he preached for equal rights for all citizens. (*n.*)