

Dear friends,

These long, long weeks of quarantine and economic shutdown have made for a trying time for us all. Nevertheless, we can be grateful that the virus effects, though deadly serious, have not been anything close to the cataclysmic results first proclaimed by the so-called experts who were all over the media. And finally now we are beginning to see America start opening for business once again. That's great news and so we are hopeful that we will soon be allowed to resume our "When Swing Was King" shows for you.

Of course, even amid these challenging weeks (which have also included, for both Claire and me, some health issues), we have kept up our longstanding practice of adding items to our Thanksgiving Jar. That's right – a Thanksgiving Jar. Here's how it works.



On the window shelf in our living room we keep a large glass jar into which we drop notes throughout our week. On these very brief notes are such blessings from God as answers to specific prayers, encouragements, deliverances, special moments of beauty and adventure. You get the idea.

And whenever the jar is full, we empty it into a big sack and repeat the process. And then, with the beginning of each new year, we each take a few of those notes every night, read through them one at a time, and thank God again for each of those blessings. And, as you might guess, they stimulate conversation over our memories and spark new prayers on related subjects.

The Thanksgiving Jar has proved to be a nifty way to sharpen our sense of thanksgiving, to reduce complacency and complaining, and to deepen our appreciation of the constancy of constant God's mercies to us. And those are things that are always in season.

Love to all and we are certainly looking forward to seeing you soon. Meanwhile, we hope you find this latest packet of activities (the 11th in the series) interesting and fun.

Denny & Claire Hartford

Multiple Choice Questions

1) In what song do you hear this line, "There'll be love and laughter and peace ever after, tomorrow just you wait and see."

- A) "Sentimental Journey"
- B) "Going My Way"
- C) "White Cliffs of Dover"
- D) "Long Ago and Far Away"

2) Mt. Vernon was the home of what famous American hero?

- A) George Washington
- B) Thomas Jefferson
- C) Davy Crockett
- D) Ulysses S. Grant

3) Both Debbie Reynolds and Elizabeth Taylor were once married to...

- A) Richard Todd
- B) Eddie Fisher
- C) Tommy Dorsey
- D) Richard Burton

4) Among the running gags of the Jack Benny radio show was a feud with what other radio comedian?

- A) Edgar Bergen
- B) Bob Hope
- C) Red Skelton
- D) Fred Allen

5) The traditional way ending of a meal at a Chinese-American restaurant is:

- A) Apricot donuts
- B) A fortune cookie
- C) Spring rolls
- D) A cup of espresso coffee

6) "When I go to sleep, I never count sheep. I count all the charms about..."

- A) Honey Bun
- B) My little Bo Peep
- C) Linda
- D) Harriet

7) In the film *Meet Me in St. Louis*, which of these vocalists sang not only the title song but also "The Trolley Song" and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"?

- A) Jo Stafford
- B) Judy Garland
- C) Rosemary Clooney
- D) Lena Horne

8) The Brandeis stores of Omaha, Nebraska started in the year...

- A) 1881
- B) 1924
- C) 1940
- D) 1953

9) "O Tannenbaum" is a seasonal German song that sings about a:

- A) Snowman
- B) Holly wreath
- C) Sleigh ride
- D) Christmas tree

10) This TV detective was known for the line, "Just the facts, Ma'am."

- A) Jim Rockford
- B) Sam Spade
- C) Joe Friday
- D) Johnny Dollar

11) Which U.S. President led a charge up San Juan Hill in the Spanish-American War?

- A) Teddy Roosevelt
- B) Howard Taft
- C) Ulysses S. Grant
- D) Andrew Jackson

12) In the Andrews Sisters' hit song, what kind of tree was off limits to sit under "with anyone else but me?"

- A) Banana
- B) Maple
- C) Christmas
- D) Apple

13) In what state would you find the cities Maryville, Kirksville, Columbia, and Chillicothe?

- A) New Jersey
- B) Colorado
- C) Missouri
- D) Arkansas

14) What was the infamous price paid to Judas for betraying Jesus?

- A) 40 gold coins
- B) 30 pieces of silver
- C) 2,000 Roman denarii
- D) A free passage to Spain

15) Fill in this blank in the song lyric: "When the _____ falls over sleepy garden walls, and the stars begin to flicker in the sky."

- A) deep purple
- B) autumn rain
- C) star dust
- D) old familiar song

16) This Chinese detective, created by Earl Derr Biggers, starred in many popular movies in the 1930s and 1940s:

- A) Fu Manchu
- B) Charlie Chan
- C) Mr. Moto
- D) James Lee Wong

17) What big band orchestra had an awful lot of hits using each of their two male vocalists -- Ray Eberle and "Tex" Beneke?

- A) Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra
- B) Casa Loma Orchestra
- C) Glenn Miller Orchestra
- D) Guy Lombardo Orchestra

18) The "beer that made Milwaukee famous" was...

- A) Schlitz
- B) Hamm's
- C) Coors
- D) Pabst Blue Ribbon

19) Which of these actors was **NOT** known for making monster movies in the 1930s and 1940s?

- A) Lon Chaney, Jr.
- B) Boris Karloff
- C) Bela Lugosi
- D) Lash LaRue

20) Who was the Republican who ran against John Kennedy in 1960?

- A) Richard Nixon
- B) Barry Goldwater
- C) Everett Dirksen
- D) William F. Buckley

21) In years gone by, which of the following was **NOT** a popular nickname for coffee?

- A) Joe
- B) Mud
- C) Red eye
- D) Java

22) Finish the title of this popular song from World War I, "It's A Long Way To _____"

- A) Clarksville
- B) Tipperary
- C) My Gal Sal
- D) Your Heart's Desire

23) From what 1949 song do these lines come: "The snow is snowing and the wind is blowing. But I can weather the storm. What do I care how much it may storm?"

- A) "I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm"
- B) "Winter Wonderland"
- C) "Baby, It's Cold Outside"
- D) "Silver Bells"

24) Rocky Mountain National Park is located in what state?

- A) Wyoming
- B) California
- C) Montana
- D) Colorado

25) Which NFL team boasts of George Halas, Dick Butkis, Mike Ditka, Gale Sayers, and Mike Singletary?

- A) Chicago Bears
- B) New York Giants
- C) Dallas Cowboys
- D) Pittsburgh Steelers

26) The song "Rum and Coca-Cola" was written by comedian Morey Amsterdam and it became a huge hit in 1945 when recorded by...

- A) Louis Prima
- B) The Andrews Sisters
- C) Spike Jones
- D) Johnny Mercer & the Pied Pipers

27) Who portrayed Davy Crockett in the movie *The Alamo*?

- A) Charles Bronson
- B) Charlton Heston
- C) John Wayne
- D) Gary Cooper

28) The actor from the TV show *Gunslinger* who earlier in his career was a vocalist with Tommy Dorsey, Shep Fields, and then the Sons of the Pioneers was:

- A) Ken Curtis (*Festus*)
- B) James Arness (*Matt Dillon*)
- C) Milburn Stone (*Doc Adams*)
- D) Dennis Weaver (*Chester Goode*)

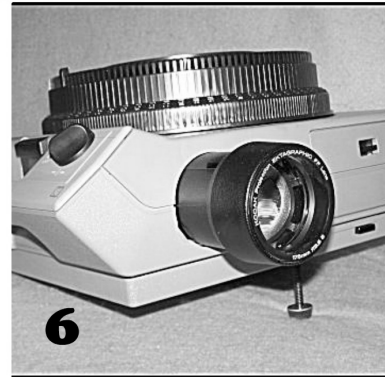
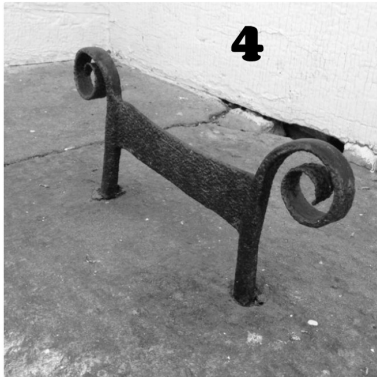
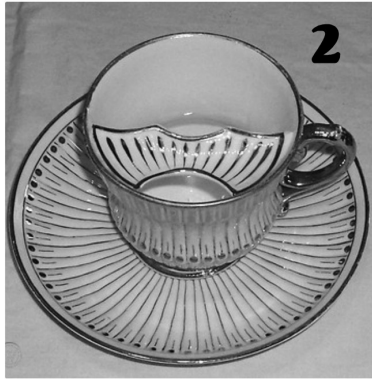
29) The popular "scat singer" whose biggest hit record was "Minnie the Moocher" was:

- A) Billy Eckstine
- B) Louis Prima
- C) Cab Calloway
- D) Spike Jones

30) December 7th, 1941 was a date that President Roosevelt said would "live in infamy." Why? What happened?

- A) The sinking of the Maine
- B) Nazi Germany invaded Poland
- C) The Lindbergh baby kidnapping
- D) The attack on Pearl Harbor

Do You Remember These Items? (Set 1)



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2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

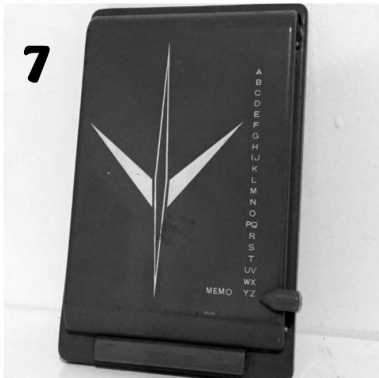
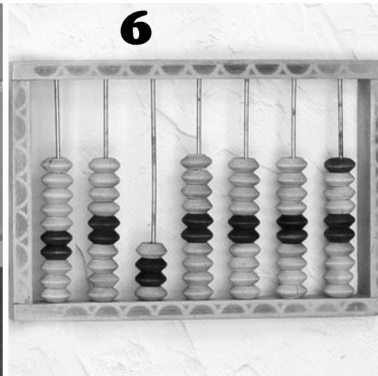
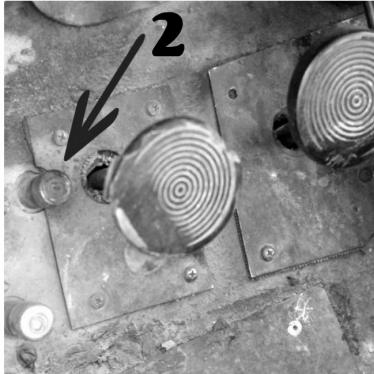
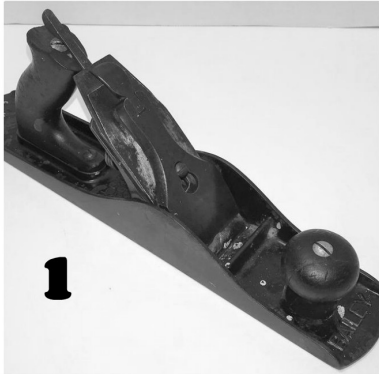
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9) _____

Do You Remember These Items? (Set 2)



1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

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7) _____

8) _____

9) _____

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) “You are my sunshine, my only sunshine...”
- 2) “Show me the way to go home; I’m tired and I wanna’ go to bed...”
- 3) “Shine on, shine on Harvest Moon up in the sky...”
- 4) “Oh, we ain’t got a barrel of money; maybe we’re ragged and funny...”
- 5) “A white sports coat and a pink carnation...”
- 6) “Catch a falling star and put it in your pocket...”
- 7) “Roll out the barrel, we’ll have a barrel of fun...”
- 8) “When I was just a little girl, I asked my mother what will I be?
Will I be pretty, will I be rich? Here’s what she said to me...”
- 9) “If you knew Susie, like I know Susie...”
- 10) “It won’t be a stylish marriage, I can’t afford a carriage...”



Fill in the Blank Questions

- 1) In what military engagement was General George Armstrong Custer killed?

- 2) In the Glenn Miller hit, “Chattanooga Choo Choo,” on what track does the train leave?

- 3) What gangster was shot and killed by G-men led by Marvin Purvis outside Chicago’s Biograph Movie Theater on July 22, 1934?

- 4) Back in the day, the popular name for a railroad sleeping car was based on the company that made them. That name was...

- 5) What famous fictional detective lived at 221-B Baker Street in London?

- 6) The former Cincinnati Reds baseball player (nicknamed “Charlie Hustle”) who had an incredible career but, because he was caught gambling on baseball games, will probably never be allowed into the Hall of Fame is...

- 7) The Peter Paul Candy Company (a division of Hershey’s Chocolate) once used a single slogan to advertise two of their candy bars. The slogan was, “Sometimes you feel like a nut. Sometimes you don’t.” What were those two candy bars?

- 8) The popular singer who started out as a barber (he had his own shop with 2 employees at age 14) was...

- 9) The young shepherd who defeated Goliath would grow up to become the warrior King David of Israel and the author of a great deal of what Old Testament book?

- 10) In the famous Vera Lynn song, what birds would one day be flying over the White Cliffs of Dover again?

The Answers!

Multiple Choice Questions

- 1) C
- 2) A
- 3) B
- 4) D
- 5) B

- 6) C
- 7) B
- 8) A
- 9) D
- 10) C

- 11) A
- 12) D
- 13) C
- 14) B
- 15) A

- 16) B
- 17) C
- 18) A
- 19) D
- 20) B

- 21) C
- 22) B
- 23) A
- 24) D
- 25) A

- 26) B
- 27) C
- 28) A
- 29) C
- 30) D

Do You Remember These Items? (Set 1)

- 1) In-car cigarette lighter
- 2) Mustache cup
- 3) Shaving brush
- 4) Mud scraper
- 5) Elastic hair curlers
- 6) Slide projector
- 7) Transistor radio
- 8) Oil cans and spouts
- 9) Clothes pins

Do You Remember These Items? (Set 2)

- 1) Wood plane
- 2) Engine start button
- 3) Milk bottles and carrying case
- 4) Penmanship guides (as used in a schoolroom)
- 5) A device using an eyebrow pencil to fake a hosiery seam on the backs of a gal's legs
- 6) Abacus
- 7) Pop-up address folder
- 8) Meat grinder
- 9) Tinker Toys

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) "You make me happy when skies are grey."

- 2) "I had a little drink about an hour ago and it's gone right to my head."

- 3) "I ain't had no lovin' since January, February, June, or July."

4) "But we'll travel along, singing a song, side by side."

5) "I'm all dressed up for the dance."

6) "Save it for a rainy day."

7) "Roll out the barrel, we've got the blues on the run."

8) "Que sera sera. Whatever will be, will be."

9) "Oh, oh, oh, what a girl!"

10) "But you'll look sweet upon the seat of a bicycle built for two."

Fill in the Blank Questions

- 1) The Battle of Little Big Horn
- 2) Track 29
- 3) John Dillinger
- 4) A Pullman car
- 5) Sherlock Holmes
- 6) Pete Rose
- 7) Mounds and Almond Joy
- 8) Perry Como
- 9) Psalms
- 10) Bluebirds