

Dear friends,



In this latest edition of our “Anti-Boredom” Packets, we feature a few inspiring “rules for life” from one of the heroes of my youth, one of the most inspiring of all the cinema cowboys – Hopalong Cassidy! I think you’ll enjoy reading Hoppy’s guidelines (you’ll find them on page 7) and you may even find them profound. One thing you will certainly notice is how different is the advice Hoppy shares from that which is picked up by kids nowadays from the entertainment stars of modern TV, music, film, and sports.

No, “once upon a time” in our nation, the bigger-than-life heroes like Hopalong Cassidy, Roy Rogers, the Lone Ranger and Tonto or TV shows like “Leave It To Beaver,” “Father Knows Best,”

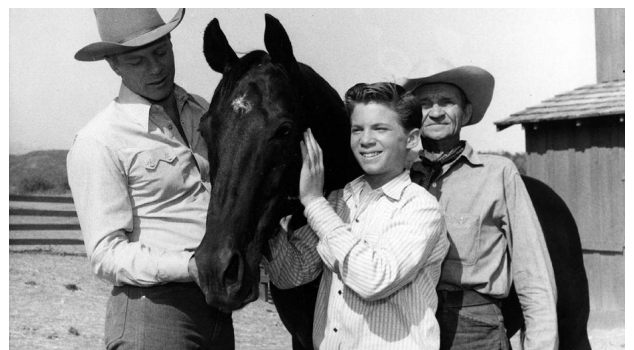
“Fury,” and “Ozzie & Harriet” sought to present the same values to children that their parents were trying to instill. In those days, entertainment media (much of it, anyhow) were on the parents’ side. They were working alongside them in steering kids towards morality, responsibility, fair play and respect for others, compassion, patriotism, reverence, gratitude, and so on.



But today, parents find that what they are trying to teach their children is mocked and contradicted by the movies and television, by the magazines and video games, by the music and internet sites. No doubt about it – teaching the next generation and inspiring them to aim for the stars will take our best efforts and our most fervent prayers.

And
maybe

talking to your grandkids and great-grandkids about Hopalong Cassidy and his guidelines can be a part of that effort. Until next week...



Multiple Choice Questions

1) Finish the title of this Ray Charles hit song from 1961: "Hit the Road...

- A) Wally
- B) Jack
- C) Mister
- D) Old Boots

2) Which of these actresses did **NOT** portray Queen Cleopatra in a Hollywood film?

- A) Vivien Leigh
- B) Claudette Colbert
- C) Elizabeth Taylor
- D) Barbara Stanwyck

3) "Don't sit under the apple tree with anyone else but me" until when?

- A) "Till I come marchin' home"
- B) "Until the moon shines high above"
- C) "When the lights go on again all over the world"
- D) "Till the morning lilies bloom"

4) True or False -- Wrapping tin foil on your old TV "rabbit ears" antenna improved its efficiency. _____



5) In September of 1974, this fellow tried to jump Idaho's Snake River Canyon in a steam-powered rocket. He is...

- A) Wahoo McDaniels
- B) Harry Houdini
- C) Evel Knievel
- D) Bud Ekin

6) "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." This is from what part of the U.S. Constitution?

- A) The 1st Amendment
- B) The 2nd Amendment
- C) The 7th Amendment
- D) The 19th Amendment

7) This lady was known as "The Voice of the Big Bands" having had terrific success singing with Harry James, Benny Goodman, and Artie Shaw.

- A) Doris Day
- B) Julie London
- C) Helen Forrest
- D) Dinah Shore

8) True or False -- Sonny & Cher had a string of 9 Number 1 hits in the mid-1960s. _____

9) It took 17 losses before his first win in 1935. He then went on to become one of the most famous (and beloved) racehorses of all time.

- A) Seabiscuit
- B) Man o' War
- C) Seattle Slew
- D) Secretariat

10) Finish the title of this famous Alexander Dumas adventure novel, *The Count of...*

- A) *Amontillado*
- B) *Treasure Island*
- C) *Capistrano*
- D) *Monte Cristo*

11) In the very 1940 film *Abe Lincoln in Illinois*, who played Lincoln?

- A) Raymond Massey
- B) Lon Chaney Jr.
- C) Richard Widmark
- D) Clark Gable

12) The popular singer and actress Alice Faye was also known by her long, happy marriage to...

- A) Guy Lombardo
- B) Ray Anthony
- C) Jimmy Dorsey
- D) Phil Harris

13) The actress who starred in *Anna Christie*, *Grand Hotel*, *Anna Karenina*, and *Ninotchka* was...

- A) Theda Bara
- B) Greta Garbo
- C) Ingrid Bergman
- D) Claudette Colbert

14) What animal is the official state animal for at least 8 states, including Nebraska?

- A) American bison
- B) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep
- C) White-tailed deer
- D) Black Angus cow

15) Which of these vocalists did **NOT** sing with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra?

- A) Connie Haines
- B) Frank Sinatra
- C) Jo Stafford
- D) Mel Tormé

16) According to Roger Miller's hit song, "The King of the Road," what does he buy for "two hours of pushin' broom?"

- A) An 8 by 12 four-bit room
- B) A bottle & a pack of Luckies
- C) A bus ticket home
- D) A seat at an all-night movie

17) True or False -- Because of copper in the green paint applied to Margaret Hamilton, when she played the Wicked Witch in the Wizard of Oz, her skin was stained green for weeks afterward. _____

18) Which of these famous "Old West" towns is **NOT** located in the same state as the others?

- A) Wichita
- B) Abilene
- C) Tombstone
- D) Dodge City

19) In which decade did Wonder Bread, Baby Ruth Candy Bars, Kool-Aid, Welch's Grape Jelly, and 7-UP appear?

- A) 1890s
- B) 1920s
- C) 1940s
- D) 1960s

20) True or False -- Valerie Harper (from the *Mary Tyler Moore Show* & *Rhoda*) earned her Screen Actors Guild card as an uncredited dancer in the 1959 Elvis Presley musical, *Jailhouse Rock*. _____

21) What comic strip character is famous for building tall, multilayered sandwiches topped with an olive on a toothpick?

- A) Hagar the Horrible
- B) Pogo Possum
- C) Dagwood Bumstead
- D) Pappy Yoakum

22) True or False – In 1963 the U.S. Postal Service added zip codes as a part of every U.S. address. _____

23) What do you get when you mix a “couple of jiggers of moonlight and add a star, pour in the blue of a June night and one guitar. Mix in a couple of dreamers, and there you are?”

- A) Moonlight Cocktail
- B) Javiro Spin
- C) Grand Marnier Mixer
- D) Cool Caribbean Concoction

24) It was 1951 and #24 of the New York Giants gets his 1st major league hit, a home run. By the time his career was over, he had hit 660 home runs. He is:

- A) Mickey Mantle
- B) Willie Mays
- C) Stan Musial
- D) Henry Aaron

25) Who is credited with creating the idea of the Ford Mustang?

- A) Henry Ford II
- B) Mario Andretti
- C) A.J. Foyt
- D) Lee Iacocca

26) Who was the first Husker quarterback to rush for over 1,000 yards and also pass for over 1,000 yards in a single season?

- A) Tommy Frazier
- B) Scott Frost
- C) Vince Ferragamo
- D) Eric Crouch

27) Which of the following were **NOT** one of the three ships which Christopher Columbus used to discover the Americas?

- A) Nina
- B) Santa Maria
- C) San Salvadora
- D) Pinta

28) In the “cowboy culture,” what are “mule ears?”

- A) A cowboy hat with flaps that cover your ears
- B) Double holsters for pistols
- C) Cowboys riding as guards and watchmen
- D) The straps attached to your boots to help pull them on

29) True or False -- The very first “Peanuts” comic strip was published in October of 1964. _____

30) “Jubilation T. Cornpone,” “Namely You,” “What’s Good for General Bullmoose,” “I’m Past My Prime,” and “Put ‘Em Back” are all songs from what 1959 musical?

- A) *Li'l Abner*
- B) *Guys and Dolls*
- C) *The King and I*
- D) *Oklahoma*

More early TV shows. Can you name them? (Part 1)



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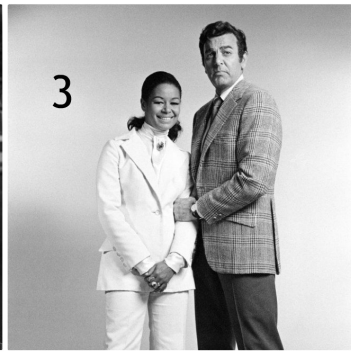
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10) Which of these was aired on public broadcasting stations?

More early TV shows. Can you name them? (Part 2)



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10) Which two of these shows were also giant hits on radio?

“Ten Guidelines for Life” from Hopalong Cassidy:



1) The highest badge of honor
a person can wear is honesty.
Be truthful at all times.

2) Your parents are the best friends
you have. Listen to them and
obey their instructions.

3) If you want to be respected,
you must respect others.
Show good manners in every way.

4) Only through hard work and study
can you succeed. Don't be lazy.

5) Your good deeds always come to light.
So don't boast or be a show-off.

6) If you waste time or money today,
you will regret it tomorrow.
Practice thrift in all ways.

7) Many animals are good and loyal
companions. Be friendly and kind to them.

8) A strong, healthy body is a precious gift.
Be neat and clean.

9) Our country's laws are made for your
protection. Observe them carefully.

10) Children in many foreign lands are less fortunate than you.
Be glad and proud you are an American.



What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) “It had to be you. It had to be you. I wandered around and finally found somebody who...
- 2) “I’m as restless as a willow in a windstorm. I’m as jumpy as a puppet on a string. I’d say that I had Spring Fever...
- 3) “So never leave me lonely. Tell me you love me only...
- 4) “I want some red roses for a blue lady. Mister Florist, take my order please. We had a silly quarrel the other day...
- 5) “Don’t throw bouquets at me. Don’t please my folks too much. Don’t laugh at my jokes too much...
- 6) “There will be peace in the valley for me some day. There will be peace in the valley for me, oh Lord, I pray...
- 7) “There’ll be parties for hosting, marshmallows for toasting and caroling out in the snow...
- 8) “Three coins in the fountain through the ripples how they shine. Just one wish will be granted, one heart will wear a valentine...
- 9) “Some enchanted evening, when you find your true love; when you hear her call you across a crowded room...
- 10) “Now my broken heart aches with every wave that breaks...

The Answers!

Multiple Choice

- 1) B
- 2) D
- 3) A
- 4) True
- 5) C
- 6) B
- 7) C
- 8) False – They only had one #1 in their career.
- 9) A
- 10) D
- 11) A
- 12) D
- 13) B
- 14) C
- 15) D
- 16) A
- 17) True
- 18) C
- 19) B
- 20) False – It was the musical *Li'l Abner*.
- 21) C
- 22) True
- 23) A
- 24) B
- 25) D
- 26) B
- 27) C
- 28) D
- 29) False: It was Oct. 1950.
- 30) A

Can you name these TV shows from 1965? (1)

- 1) *Car 54, Where Are You?*
- 2) *It Takes A Thief*
- 3) *The Fugitive*
- 4) *Hazel*
- 5) *Have Gun Will Travel*
- 6) *The Green Hornet*
- 7) *Gunsmoke*
- 8) *The Andy Griffith Show*
- 9) *Firing Line (with William F. Buckley)*
- 10) 9 -- *Firing Line*

Can you name these TV shows from 1965? (2)

- 1) *The Rebel*
- 2) *McHale's Navy*
- 3) *Mannix*
- 4) *Our Miss Brooks*
- 5) *Rawhide*
- 6) *The Jack Benny Show*
- 7) *Man with a Camera*
- 8) *The Jack LaLanne Show*
- 9) *Combat*
- 10) 4 & 6

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) "...Could make me be true; could make me be blue; and even be glad, just to be sad thinking of you."

2) "...But I know it isn't spring."

3) "...And that you'll always let it be me."

4) "...I hope these pretty flowers chase her blues away."

5) "...People will say we're in love."

6) "...There'll be no sadness, no sorrow, no troubles I'll see. There will be peace in the valley for me."

7) "...There'll be scary ghost stories and tales of the glories of Christmases long, long ago."

8) "...Make it mine, make it mine, make it mine!"

9) "...Then fly to her side and make her your own, or all through your life you may dream all alone."

10) "...Over love letters in the sand."