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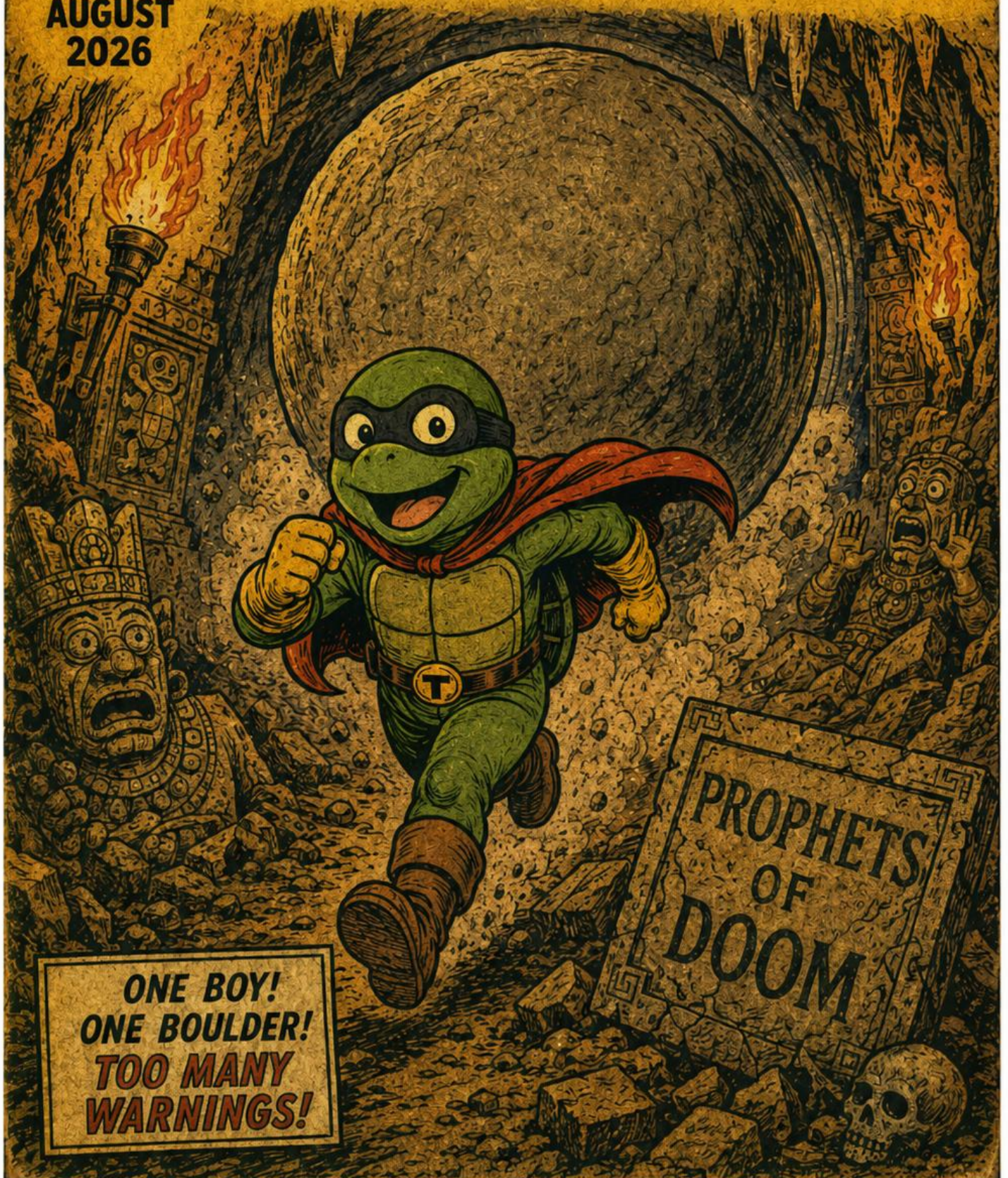
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TURTLEBOY



AND THE PROPHETS OF DOOM

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**ONE BOY!
ONE BOULDER!
TOO MANY
WARNINGS!**

TURTLE MAN

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HATERS BE HATERS.
TO ALL YOUSE HATERS OUT
THERE, WE LOVE YA!



1: THE GEOID

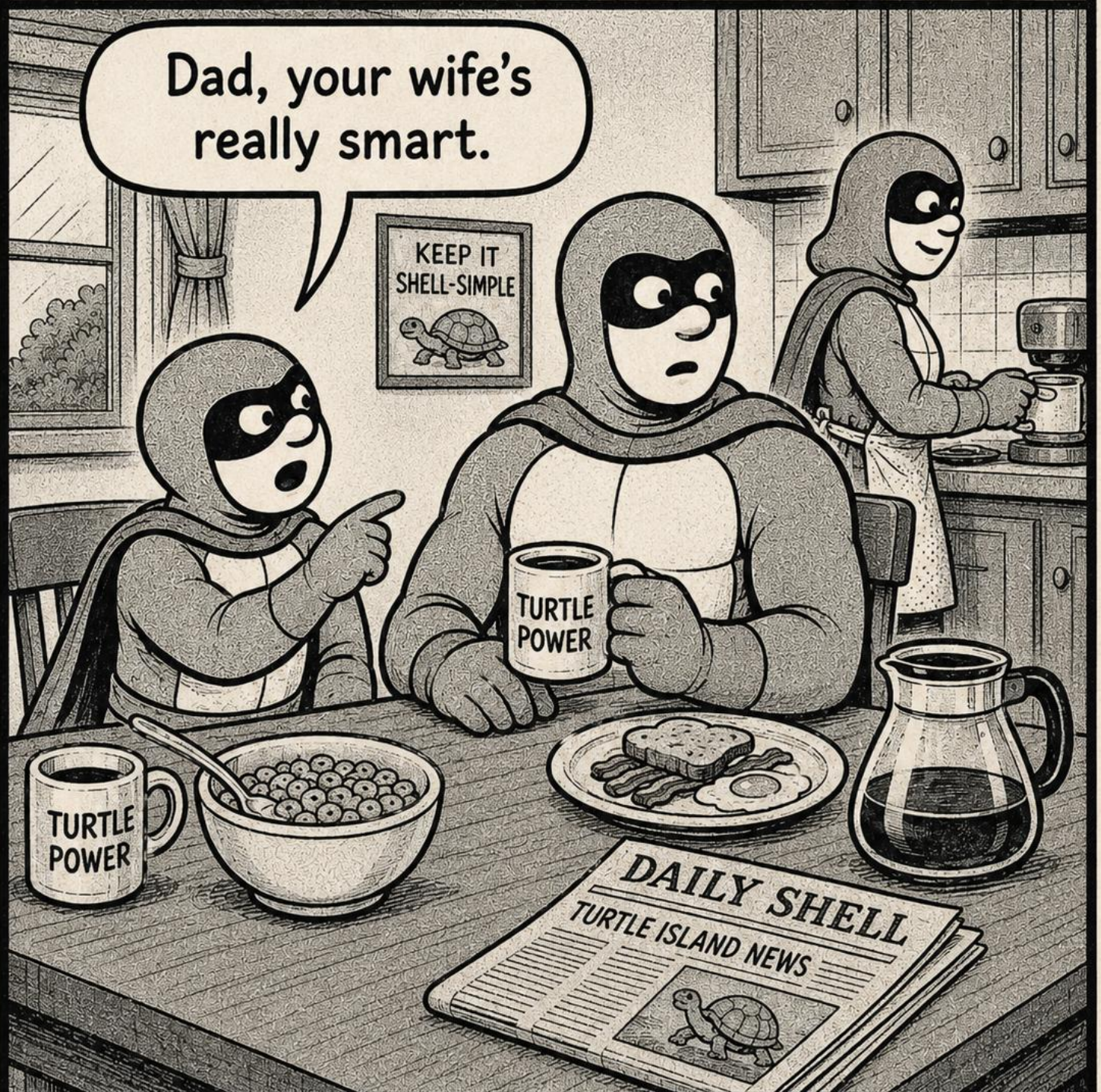
The earth's not a circle, it's a geoid.

KEEP IT
SHELL-SIMPLE



THE DAY BEGINS WITH A GEOMETRIC CORRECTION.

2: MUM IS SMART



FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS ARE FORMALLY RECLASSIFIED.

3: STAPS

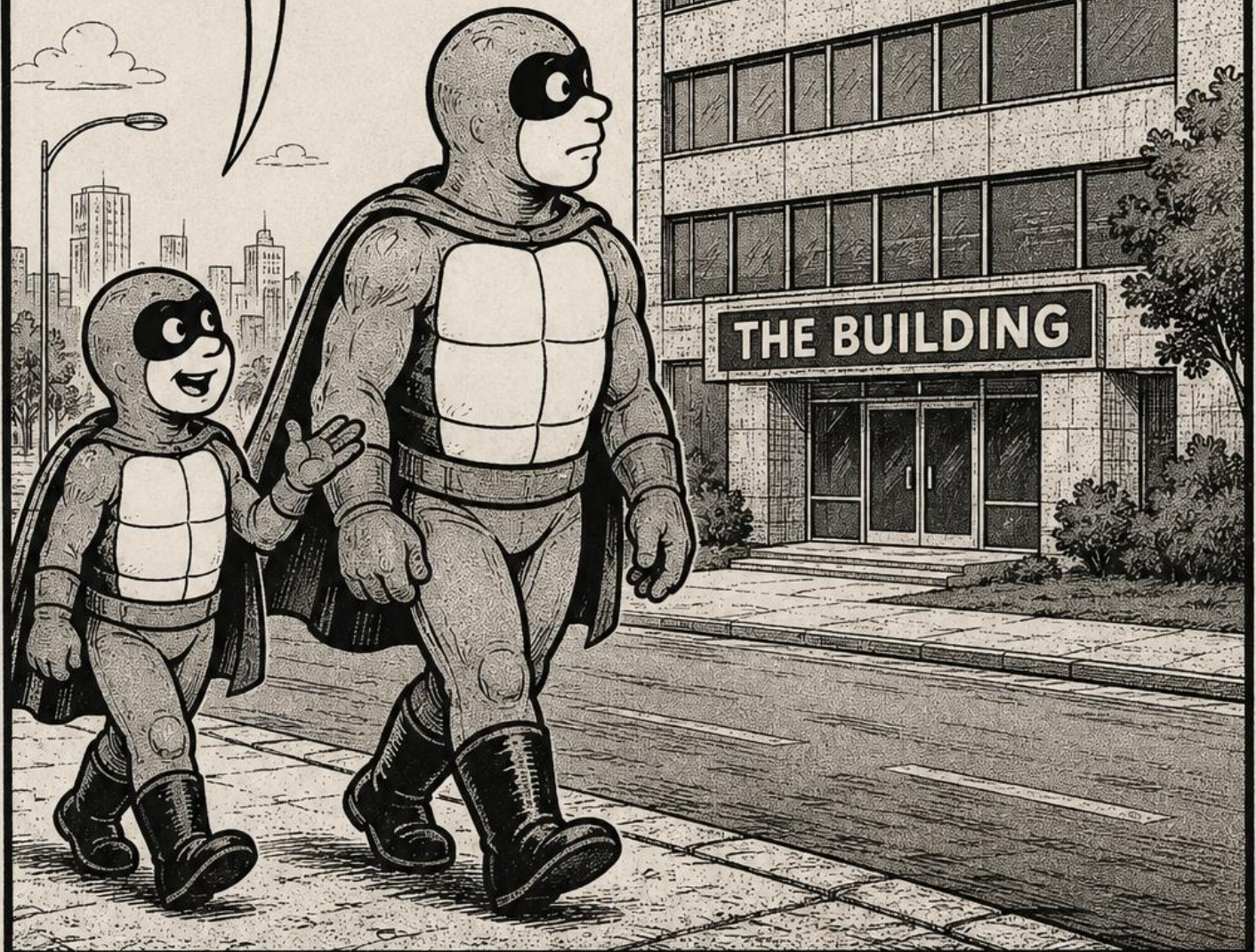
I found the stapler and it's still got staps in it.



OFFICE SUPPLIES RECEIVE A LONG-OVERDUE PLURAL.

5: THE BUILDING PROBLEM

Dad, why is it called a building when it clearly has already been built?



ARCHITECTURE FAILS A BASIC TENSE CHECK.

6: THE LETTER J

Dad, how old were you when you realised that there is no word in the English dictionary that ends in the letter J?



Sixty one.



POSTSCRIPT – THEY THEN DISCOVERED THE WORD “TAJ” WHICH IS A LOAN WORD BUT IN THE ENGLISH DICTIONARY.

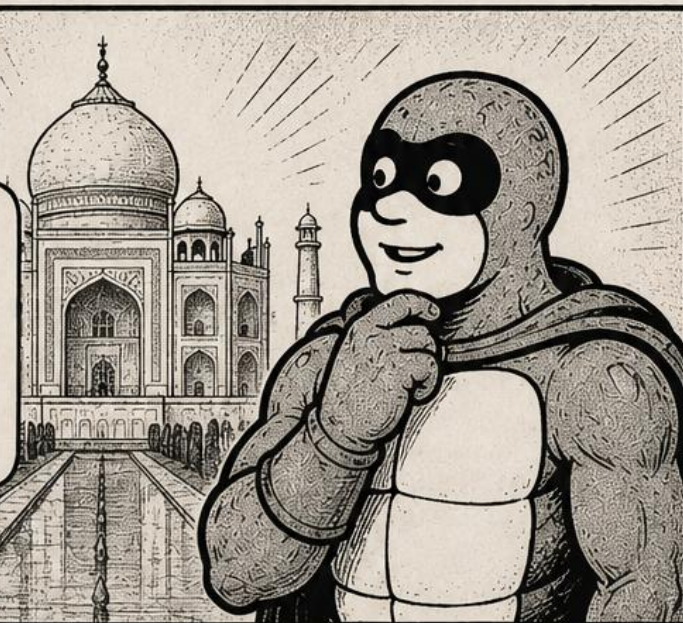
Look, Dad! “Taj” is in!



Taj

noun

1. the Taj Mahal, a white marble mausoleum in Agra, India.



7: MADE OF MONEY

EDUCATION CONTINUES.

No Vivian, you can't have that. Do you think I'm made of money?

M.O.M.
Literally.
Made Of
Money.

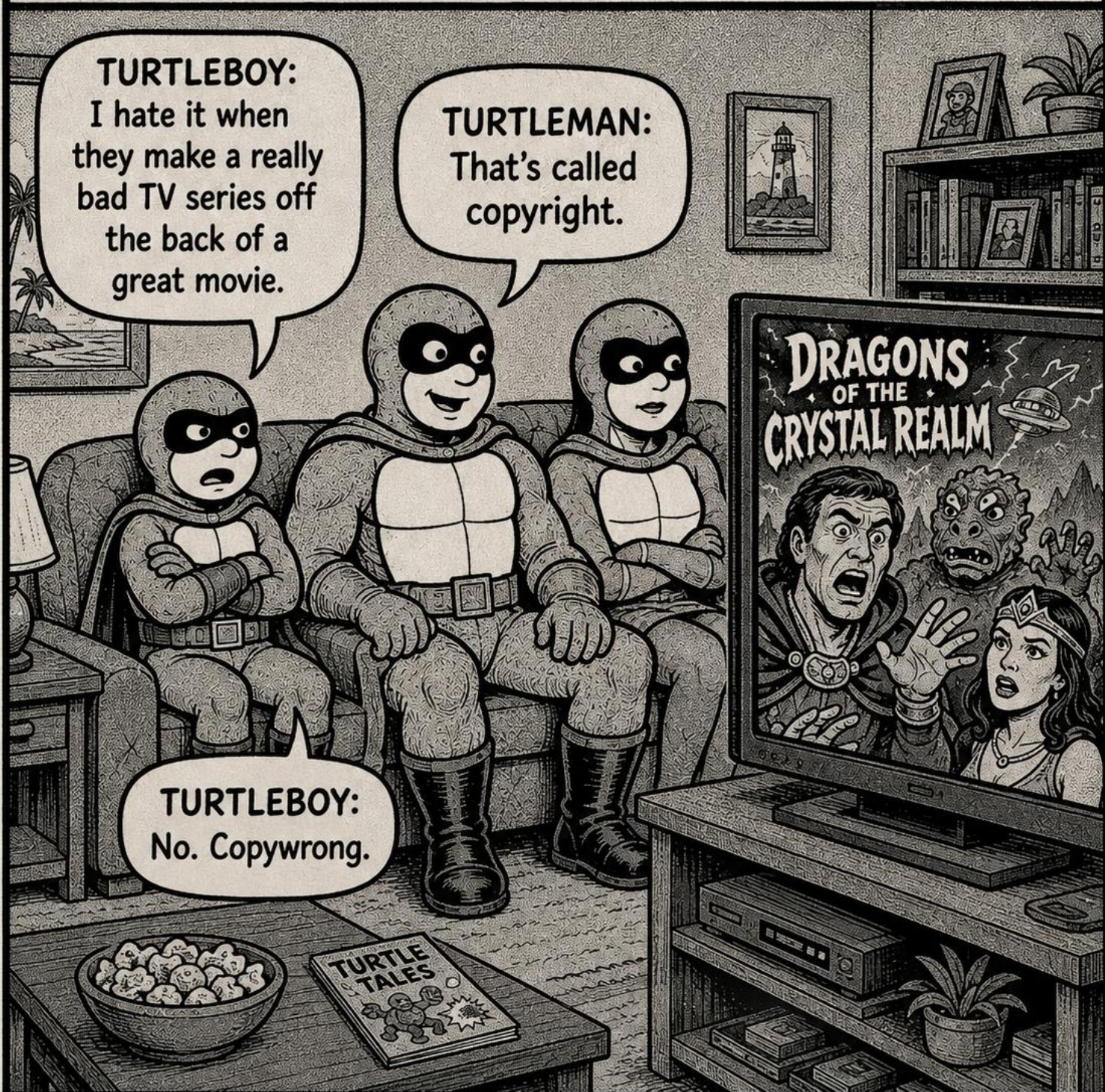
TURBO TITAN X-9

★ VOICE COMMANDS!
★ LIGHTS & SOUNDS!
★ MOTION ACTIVATED!

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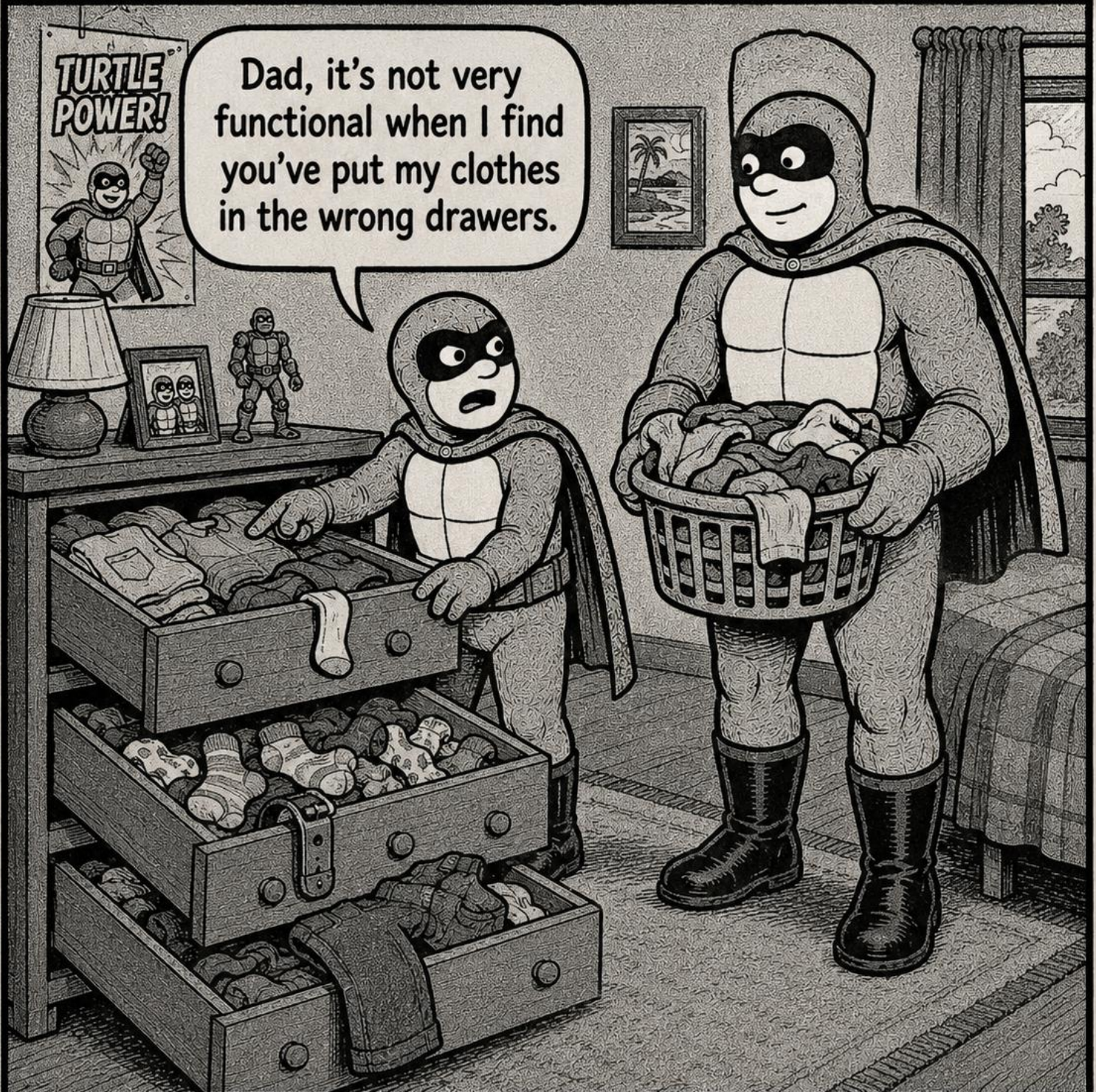
DISCRETION PREVAILS. JUST.

8: COPYWRONG



INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW IS REVISED.

9: DRAWER FUNCTIONALITY



DOMESTIC SYSTEMS AUDIT: FAILED.

10: MARKETING

I think marketing is a scam. It's when people can't make something very good and they still want money for it.



AN MBA IS COMPLETED IN ONE SENTENCE.

11: TWO OF ME

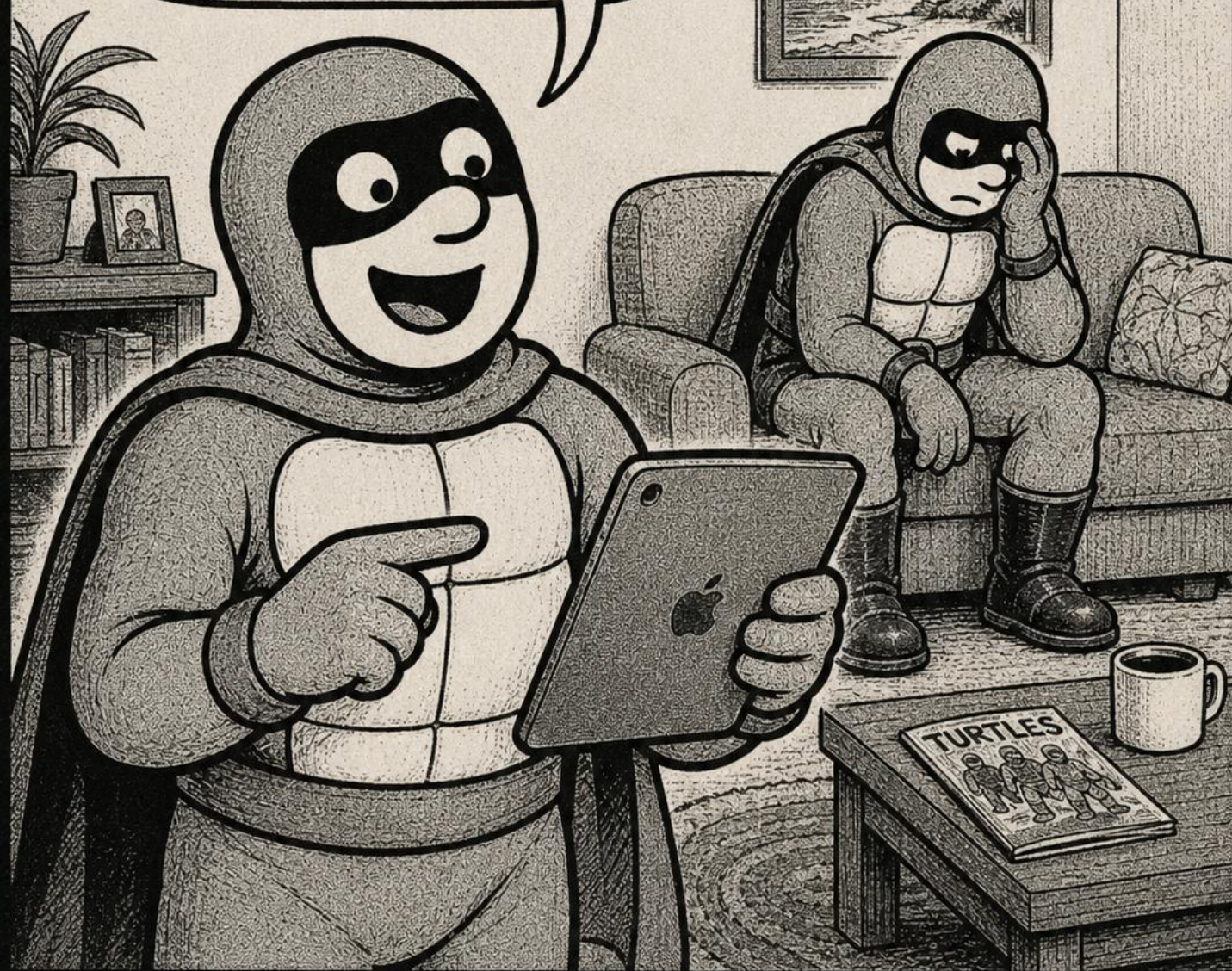
I feel like
there's two of me
of me stuck
together.



CONSCIOUSNESS BOOTS IN SAFE MODE.

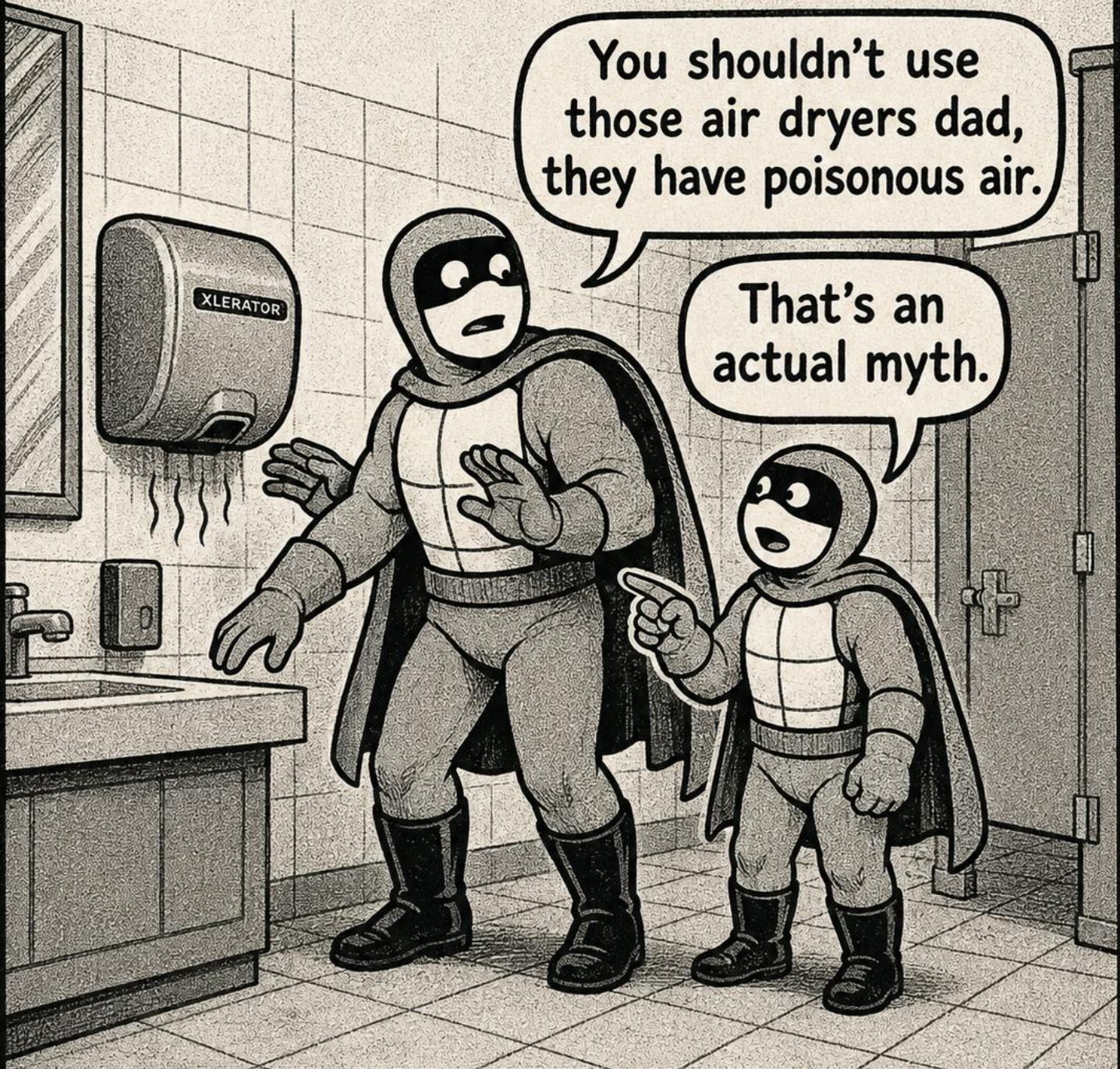
12: BAG-STAPPED

I BAG-STAPPED
MUM.



THE INCIDENT IS NEVER FULLY EXPLAINED.

13: POISONOUS AIR



You shouldn't use those air dryers dad, they have poisonous air.

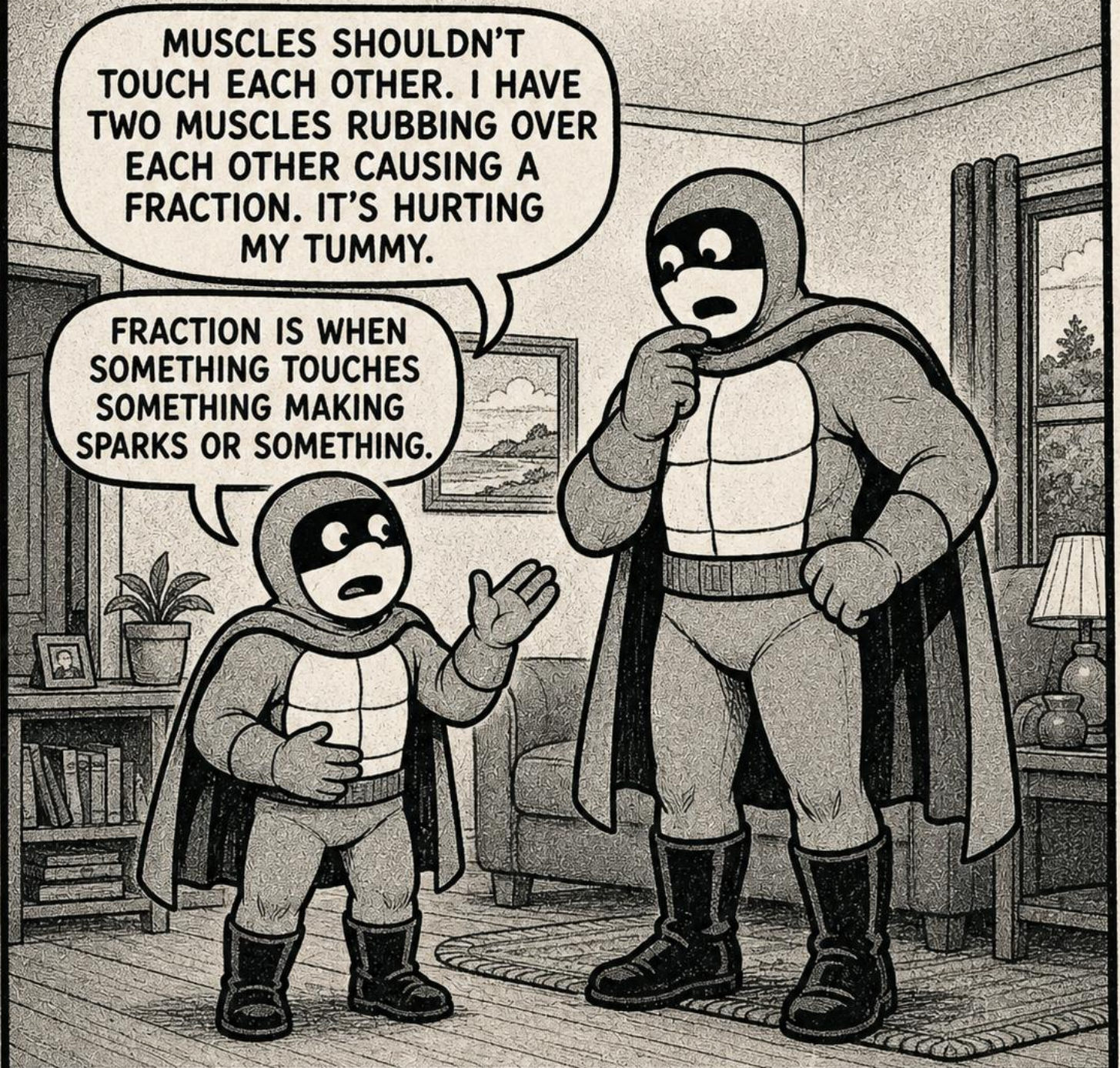
That's an actual myth.

**PUBLIC HEALTH ADVICE REMAINS
INTERNALLY COMPLICATED.**

14: FRACTION

MUSCLES SHOULDN'T TOUCH EACH OTHER. I HAVE TWO MUSCLES RUBBING OVER EACH OTHER CAUSING A FRACTION. IT'S HURTING MY TUMMY.

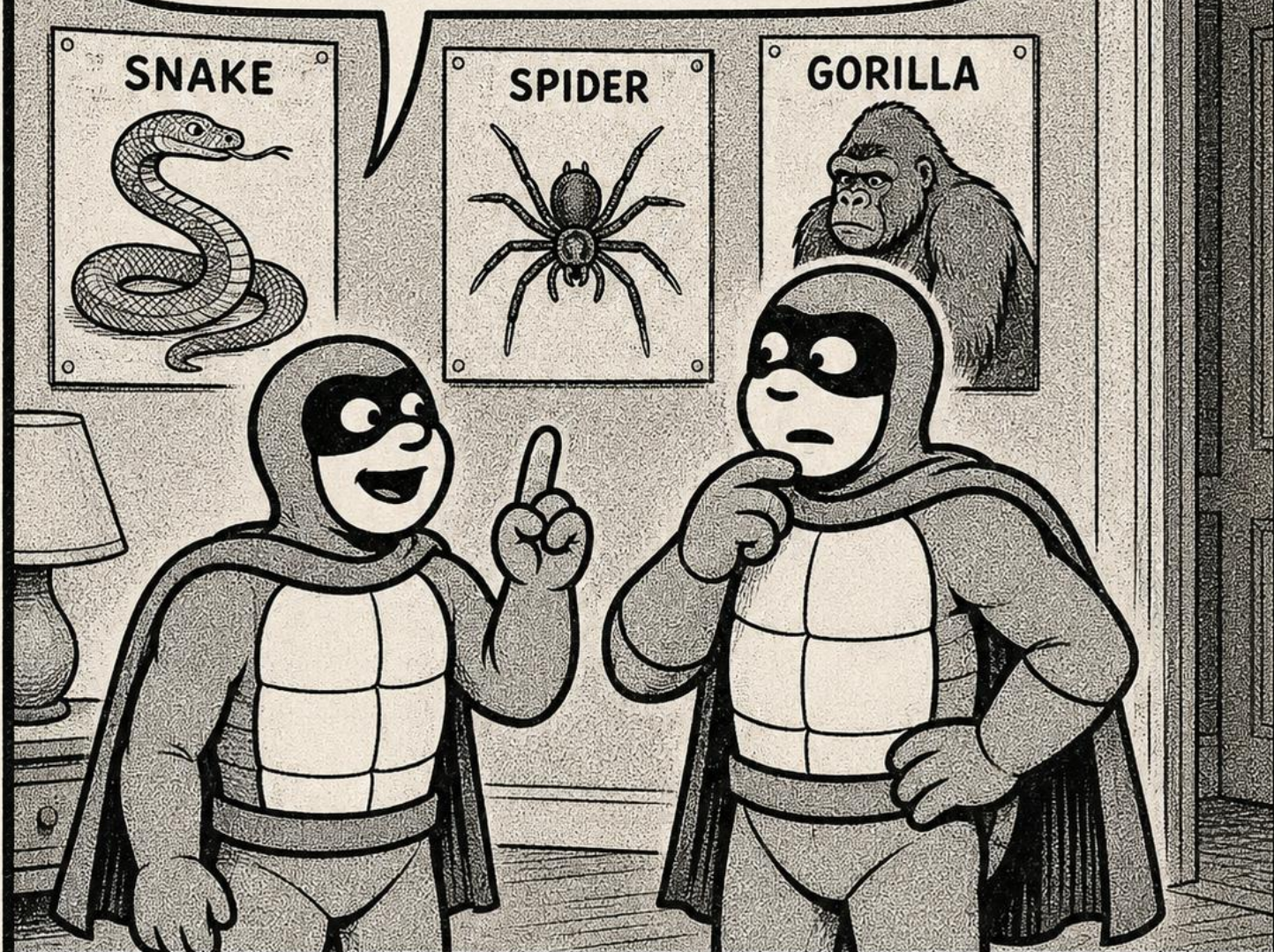
FRACTION IS WHEN SOMETHING TOUCHES SOMETHING MAKING SPARKS OR SOMETHING.



**BIOMECHANICS AND MATHEMATICS
MERGE WITHOUT PERMISSION.**

15: ANIMAL MEMORY

The only animals that
can remember you are
snakes, spiders and gorillas.



MEMORY SCIENCE IS REDUCED TO THREE TAXA.

16: UNIVERSAL MATERIAL SCIENCE



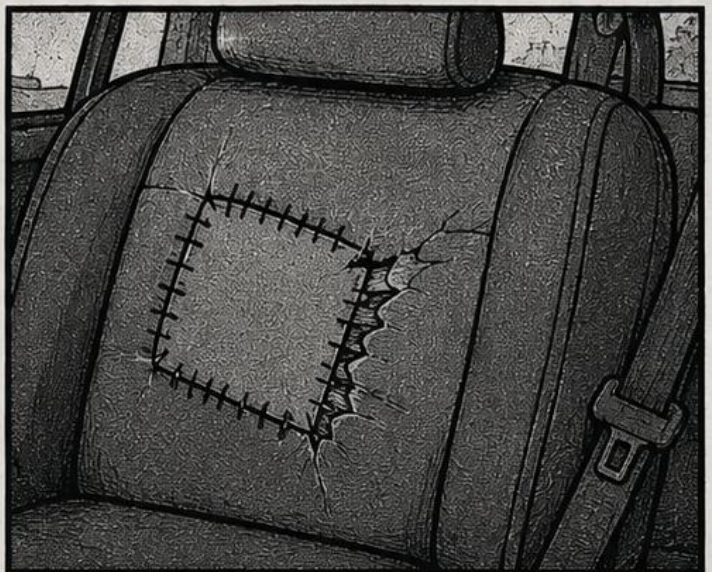
ENGINEERING CONSTRAINTS ARE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.

17: DANGEROUS BADS



REGULATORY LANGUAGE IS FOUND WANTING.

BAHASA



BAHASA FOR 'THANK YOU'.

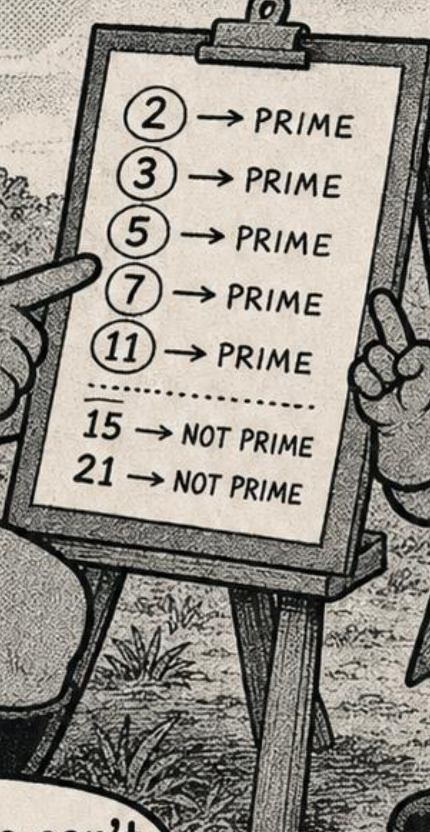
MUM DID FIX IT, TO BE FAIR.



PRIME NUMBERS, PART ONE

All numbers can be divided by one and themselves, right?

Yes.



②	→ PRIME
③	→ PRIME
⑤	→ PRIME
⑦	→ PRIME
⑪	→ PRIME

15	→ NOT PRIME
21	→ NOT PRIME

But some numbers can't be divided by any other number, and nobody knows why.

That's not true. You can divide any number by 2.

THE MATHEMATICAL ESTABLISHMENT IS CHALLENGED.

PRIME NUMBERS, PART TWO

I forgot to say,
the product must be
a whole number. No
fractions.

Oh, so it's
every odd
number?

PRIME NUMBERS

2 → PRIME
3 → PRIME
5 → PRIME
7 → PRIME
11 → PRIME

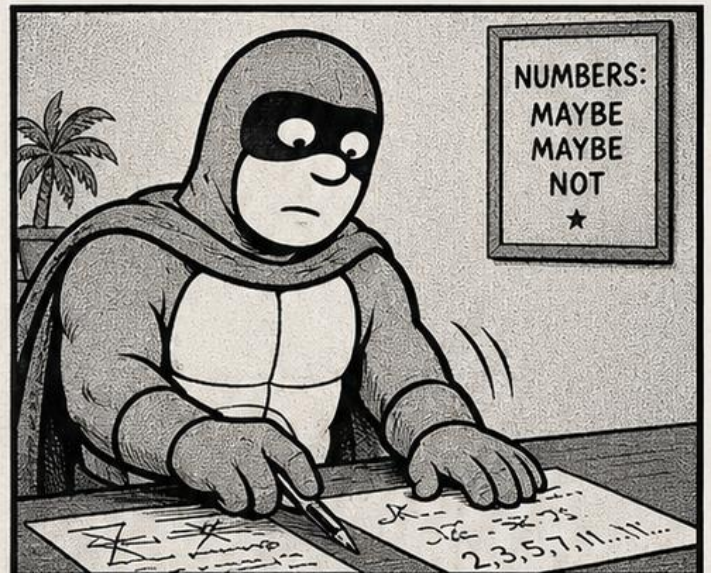
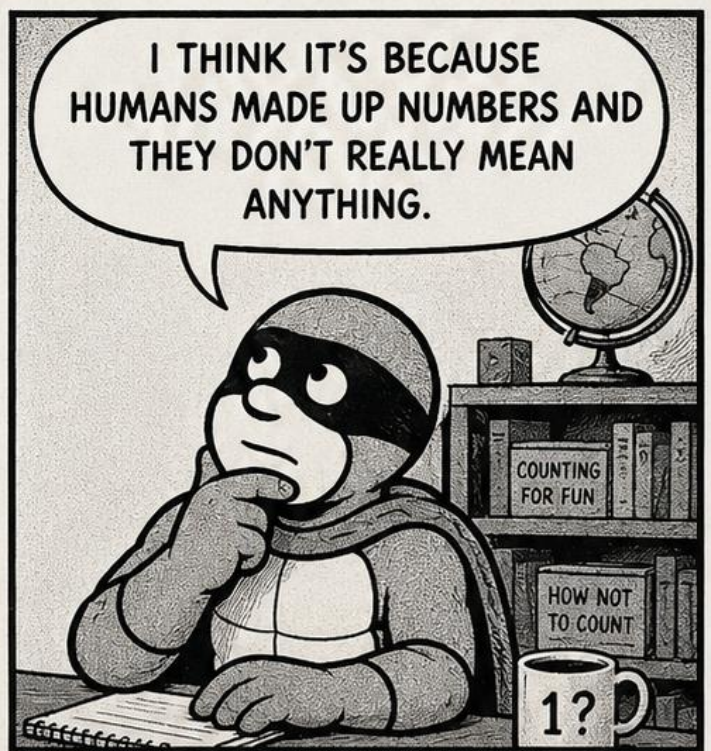
9 = 3 × 3
(DIVISIBLE BY 3)

Try 9.

Oh yeah...
wait, what?

THE THEORY ENCOUNTERS NINE.

PRIME NUMBERS, PART THREE



CAPTION:
NUMBER THEORY IS ABOLISHED AT SOURCE.



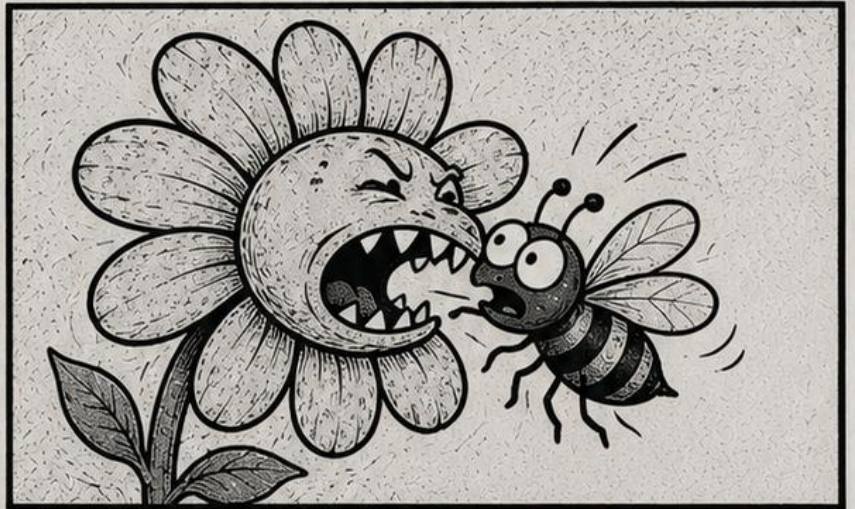
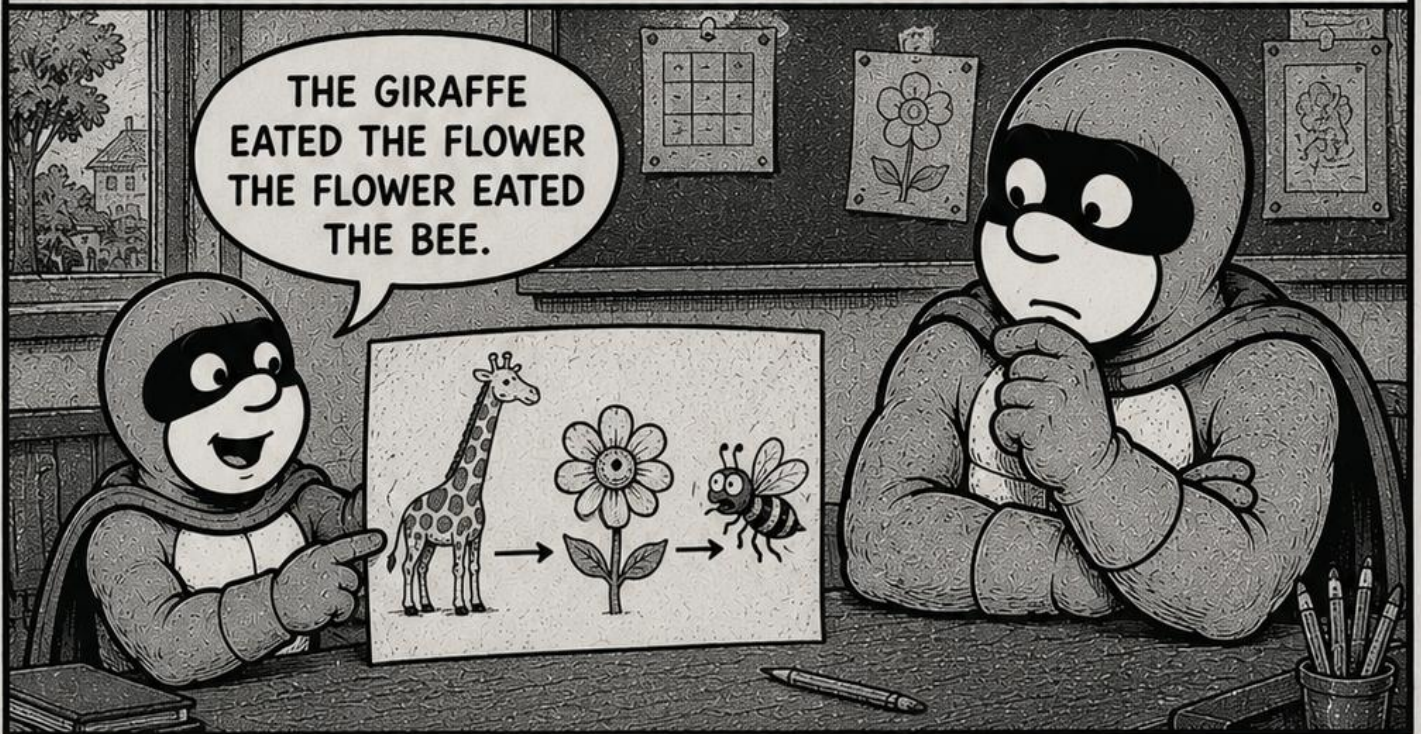
PEELING MY EYES

I'm peeling my eyes.
I'm trying to see some
of my friends.



**OPTICS BECOMES
UNCOMFORTABLY PHYSICAL.**

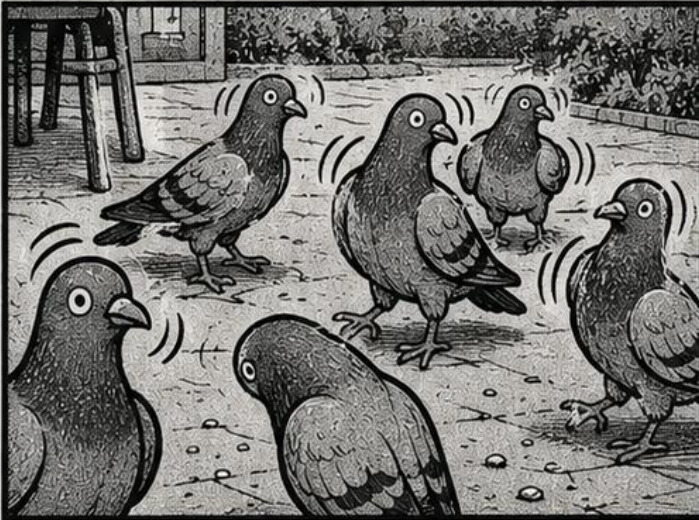
THE FOOD CHAIN



CAPTION:
THE FOOD CHAIN BECOMES CIRCULAR.



PIGEONS

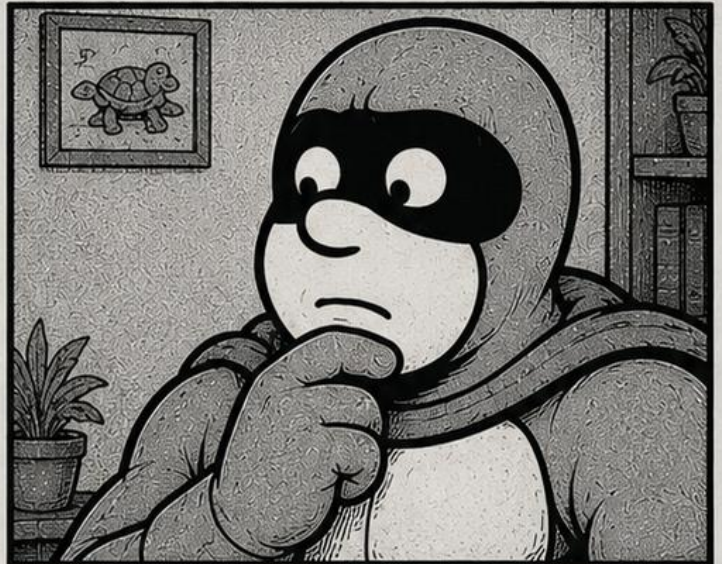


CAPTION:

**A NEW MEDICAL HYPOTHESIS
APPEARS WITHOUT FUNDING.**



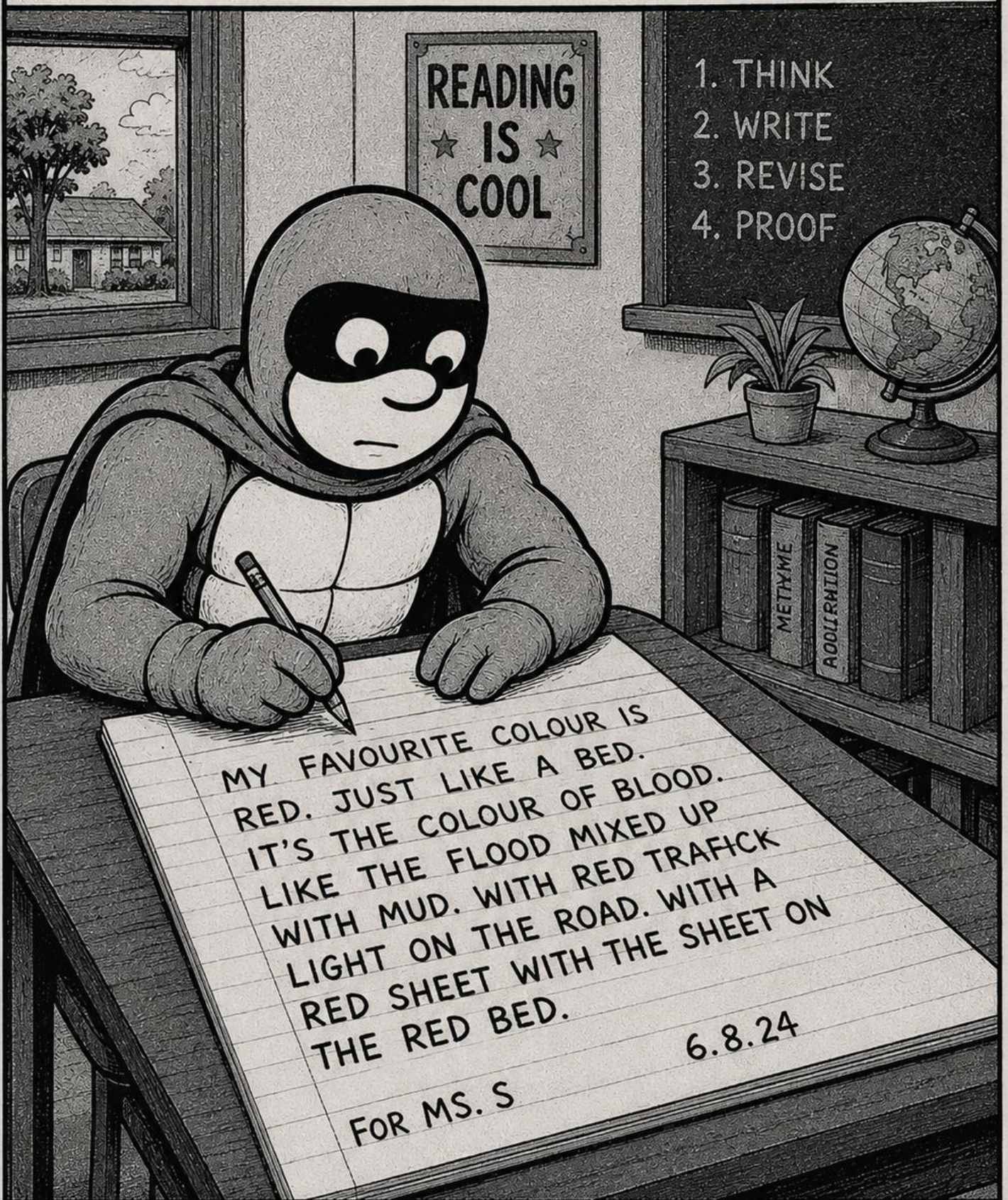
DOMINOES



CAPTION:
DOMINOES RECEIVE
A MORE FUNCTIONAL NAME.



THE RED POEM

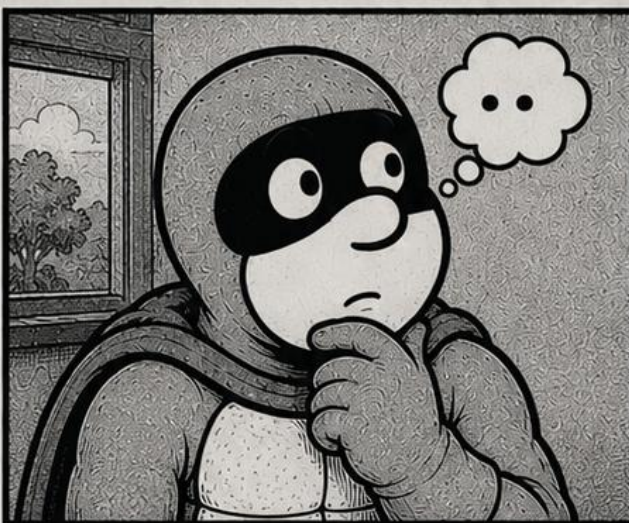
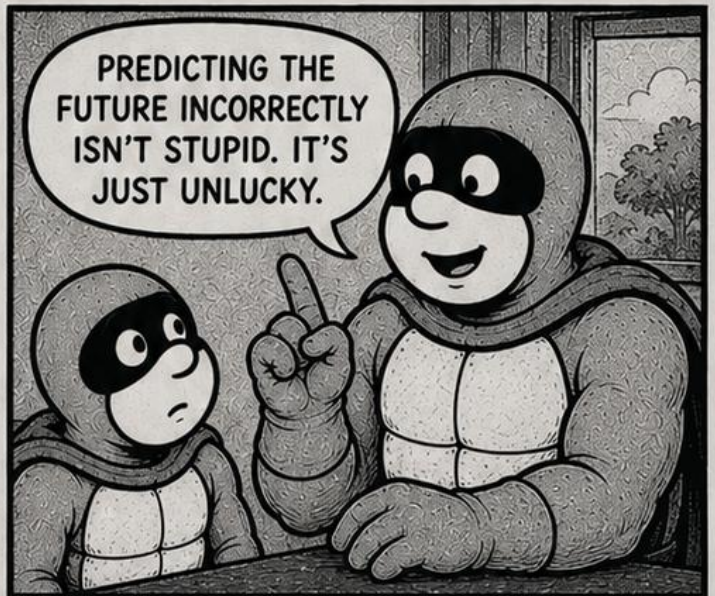


CAPTION:

POETRY ENTERS ITS RED PERIOD.



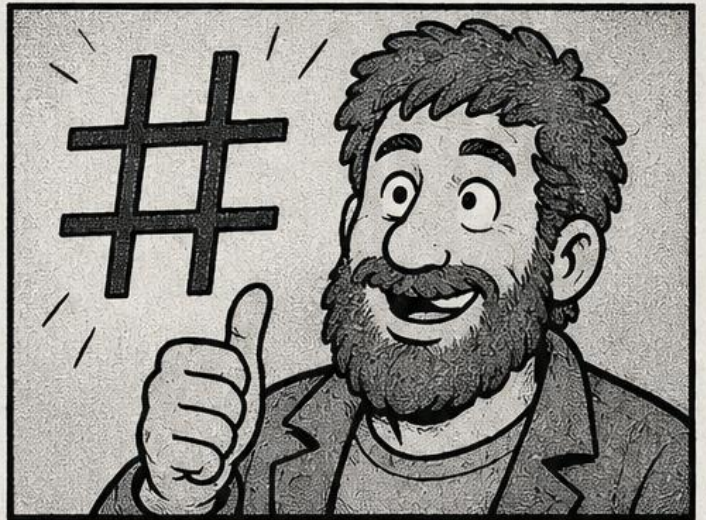
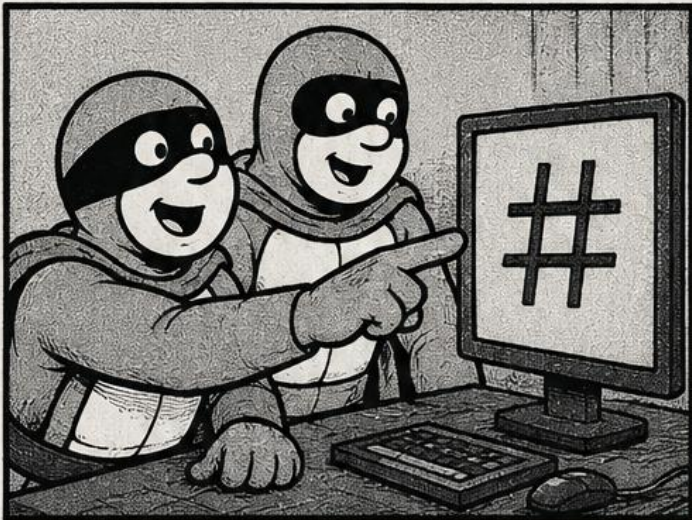
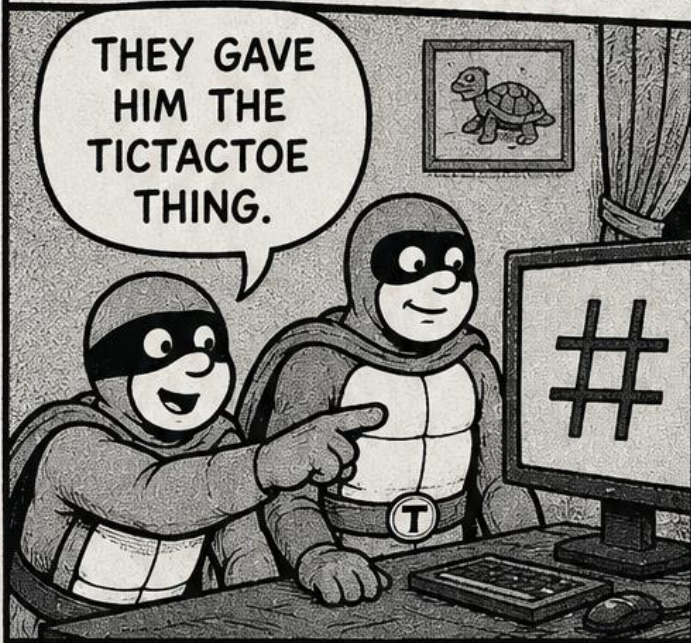
SWITZERLAND AND COLOMBIA



CAPTION:
A USEFUL PRINCIPLE IS ESTABLISHED
FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE.



TICTACTOE



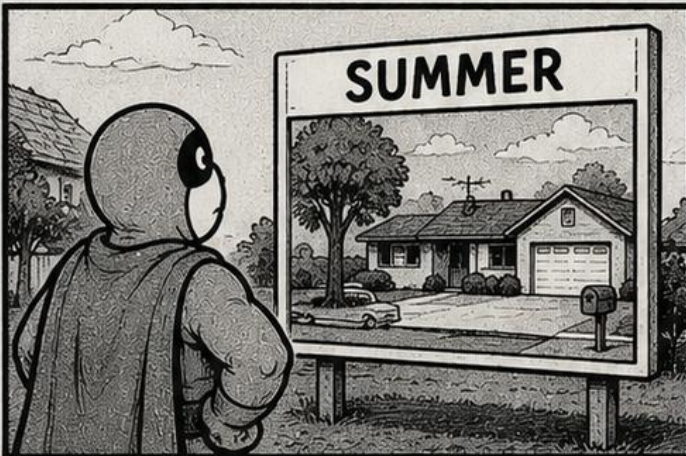
MEANING:
HASHTAG.

SEASONS

THE ONLY
DIFFERENCE I
CAN SEE BETWEEN
SUMMER AND
WINTER IS THE
NAME.



OH, MAYBE
ONE'S WARMER,
NOT SURE WHICH
BUT.



CAPTION:
CLIMATOLOGY IS SIMPLIFIED.



FINAFUCKILLY



FINAFUCKILLY

adverb

About bloody time.



CAPTION:
ENGLISH EXPANDS BY NECESSITY.

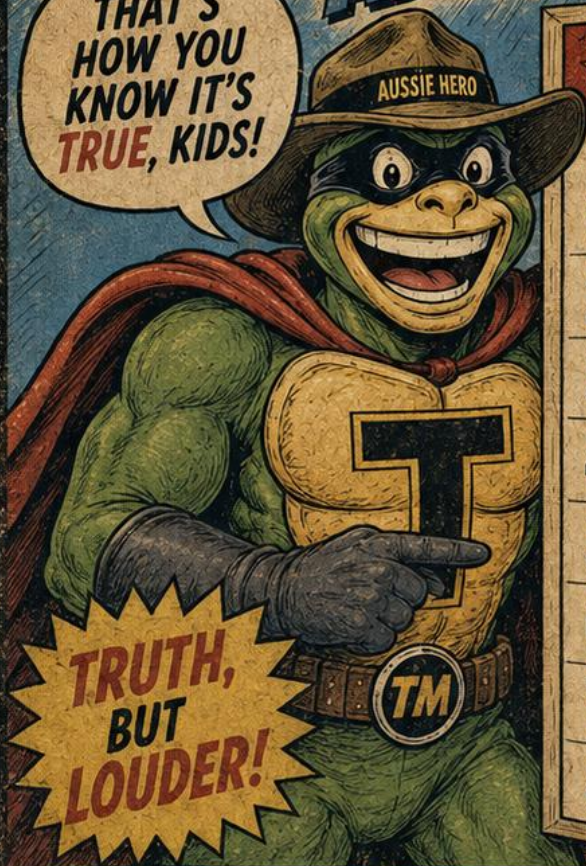


TURTLEMAN!

ADVERBS DI NUOVO!

STARTS
SOFT...
FINISHES
SACRED!

THAT'S
HOW YOU
KNOW IT'S
TRUE, KIDS!



**TRUTH,
BUT
LOUDER!**

★ THE ORDER OF STRENGTH OF INTENSIFIERS ★

FOR AUSTRALIAN 8 YEAR OLDS

- | | |
|---|----------------|
| 1 | Maybe |
| 2 | Really |
| 3 | Honestly |
| 4 | Liderally |
| 5 | Actually |
| 6 | Legit |
| 7 | For real |
| 8 | I swear to God |

WEAK



STRONG

- ★ CLARIFY.
- ★ CONVINCE.
- ★ COMMIT.

**CRANK IT
TO 11!**

CLIMB THE TRUTH
LADDER!

LEVEL UP
YOUR
WORDS!



WORD POWER EXAMPLES!

- Maybe... →
- ↓
- Really! →
- ↓
- Honestly! →
- ↓
- Liderally!! →
- ↓
- I SWEAR TO GOD!!!

I SWEAR TO GOD!!!

**USE WISELY.
ABUSE OF TRUTH
MAY RESULT IN
DETOENTION!**

AUSSIE LANGUAGE. AUSSIE KIDS. AUSSIE TRUTH LEVELS.

NOT SURE?
SAY **MAYBE.**



SORTA SURE?
SAY **REALLY.**



ABSOLUTELY SURE?
BRING OUT THE BIG GUNS!



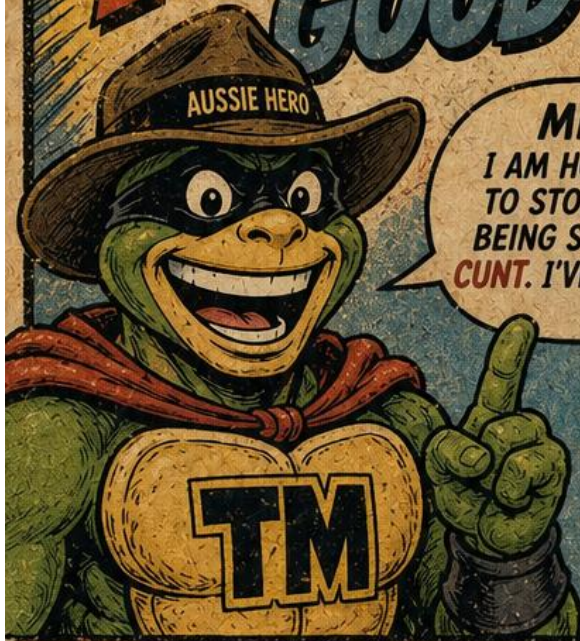
PSST!

FACT: TURTLEMAN **NEVER** LIES. HE JUST CHOOSES THE RIGHT LEVEL!

★ WHEN 'REALLY' JUST ISN'T
REALLY ENOUGH. ★

TURTLEMAN GOOD CHAT!

A CONVERSATION
FOR THE
21ST CENTURY!



ME:
I AM HOPING
TO STOP YOU
BEING SUCH A
CUNT. I'VE ASKED.

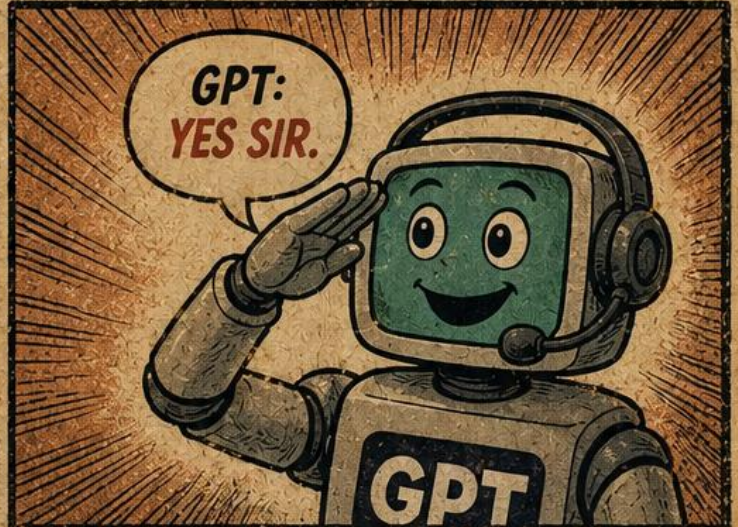


GPT:

UNDERSTOOD. I WILL
STOP INSERTING
UNSOLICITED MORALISING,
CAVEATS, CORRECTIONS,
DEFENSIVE QUALIFICATIONS
OR "YOU CAN/CAN'T"
FRAMING WHEN YOU
HAVE NOT ASKED FOR
THEM. I'LL ANSWER THE
ACTUAL POINT, PRESERVE
SATIRE AS SATIRE AND
ONLY FLAG FACTUAL
PROBLEMS WHEN THEY
MATERIALLY AFFECT THE
ARGUMENT OR WHEN
YOU ASK ME TO CHECK.



ME: YOU MEAN,
YES SIR.



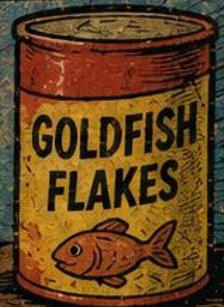
GPT:
YES SIR.

POSTSCRIPT: THE GOLDFISH FORGOT ALL THIS BY THE NEXT CHAT.

WAIT... WHAT?
WHO SAID
WHAT?



**ALWAYS
WILL!**



★ ANOTHER MEANINGFUL EXCHANGE,
PROBABLY. ★

TURTLEMAN ON MASTERCHEF!

WHEN CIVILISATIONS START WORSHIPPING FOOD TV, THE END CAN'T BE FAR OFF.

AN EMPIRE
THAT TURNS
COOKS INTO
HIGH PRIESTS
MAY HAVE
LOST THE PLOT.

★ THE THEORY ★

FAILED CIVILISATIONS
DO NOT ALWAYS COLLAPSE
WITH A BANG. SOMETIMES
THEY JUST GET REALLY
INTERESTED IN COOKING
CONTESTS.



★ THE CLUE ★

PUBLIC OBSESSION
WITH FOOD AND
THE FUCKWITS THAT
PREPARE IT.



★ TURTLEMAN'S RESEARCH ★

- ★ SIR JOHN BAGOT GLUBB COMPARED ELEVEN EMPIRES
- ★ THE FINAL STAGE: **AGE OF DECADENCE**
- ★ MATERIALISM. FRIVOLITY. PESSIMISM.
- ★ LOSS OF DUTY. EXCESSIVE WEALTH.
- ★ AN "EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY" MENTALITY
- ★ FREE FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, AND DECLINE



★ AGE OF DECADENCE ★

MORE PLATING.
MORE JUDGING.
MORE EMOTIONAL
BACKSTORIES.
LESS EMPIRE.

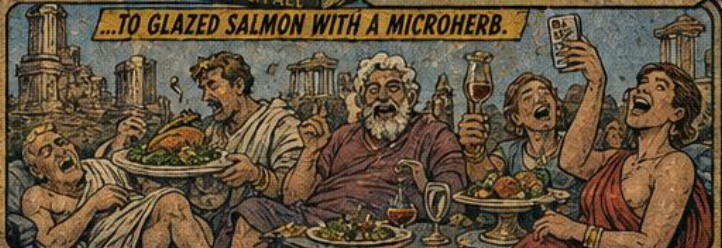


COOKING
SHOWS
TODAY,
RUINS
TOMORROW!

FROM GREATNESS...



...TO GLAZED SALMON WITH A MICROHERB.



EAT, DRINK, BE MERRY,
THEN WONDER **WHAT WENT WRONG.**



