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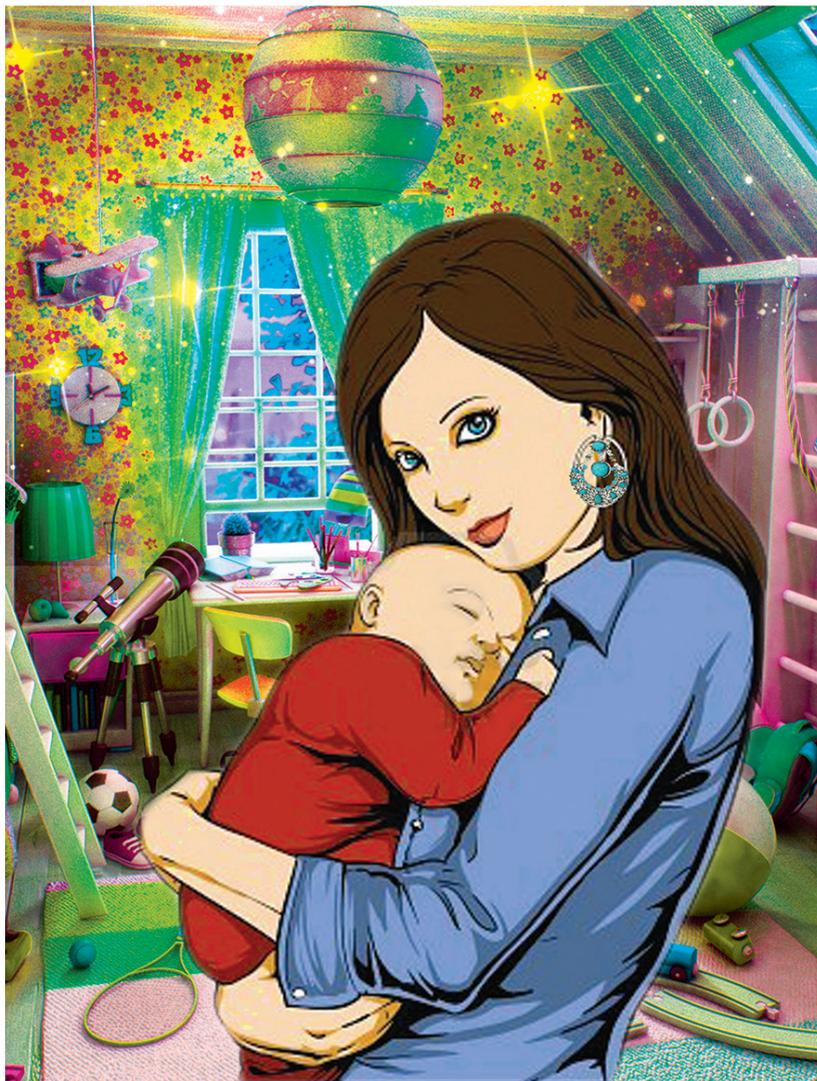


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- Have Great Fun With Riddles
- Riddle My Riddles

Rita, do you know why a mother has to carry her baby always?



Shantha, it is simply because the baby cannot carry her/his mother.

Jaswan Singh, what do you call a calf who is six months old?



That is easy, Pritam Singh, it would obviously be called a six months old calf.

Tell me what animal grows the fastest, Roney.



Gary, without a doubt, it's a kangaroo because it grows by leaps and bounds!

Mario, how do fishing boats show their affection?



It's by hugging the shore of course, Romy.

What goes up and down all the time, but does not move at all, Ruwan.



Well, Rupa, it's a staircase of course.

Billy, how did the man feel when he received a hefty electricity bill for the month?



Apparently, he was terribly shocked as if he was electrocuted.

Jivan, can you tell what is the best day to go to the beach for a party?



Jagath, surely it is on a Sun-day to do so.

Nancy dear, how can you recognise a chicken soup can from a tomato soup can?



Kate, that's so easy. All you have to do is to read the label on each can.

Do you know why the reporter shined a torch-light into the man's mouth, Ramu?



Nathan, it is simply because he wanted to get the inside of the story for him to report.

Neesa, which is the correct way of saying, “Nine and Five is thirteen, or Nine and five are thirteen,” ?



Neither teacher, because nine and five makes fourteen and not thirteen.

Bosco, what does Brazil produce that no other country does?



Armos, the answer surely is Brazilians as no other country can do this.

Derrick, pray tell, who never gets his hair wet when having a bath under a shower?



It must be a ball headed man bathing under the shower, Harry.

Balbir Singh, do you know what bird is able to live the longest?



Well, Harbans Singh, it must most definitely be a crane.

Inder, what is the first thing that a person does in the morning?



The first thing that one does in the morning is to just wake up.

What has two hands but no arms, Kim Bee ?



It is a clock of course, Rani.

What has plenty of teeth but has no mouth to eat at all, Param?



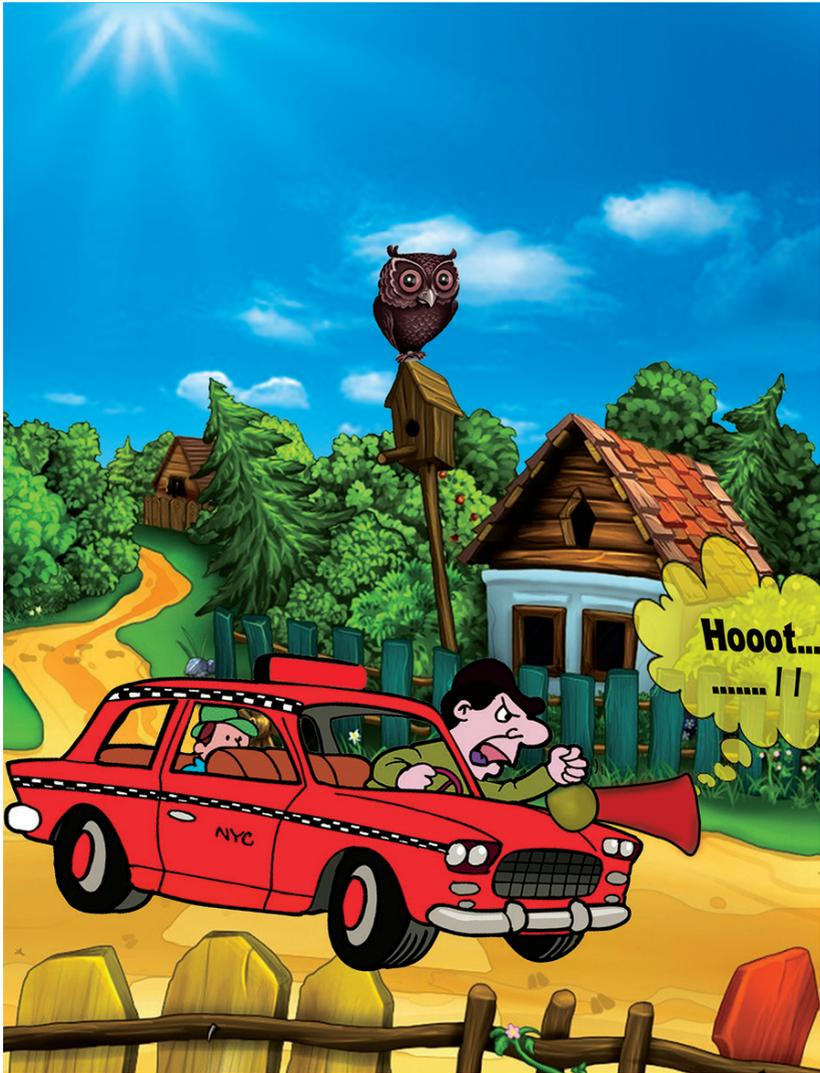
Niki, they are combs of course.

Hamamoto San, if all the cows in a herd were to talk at once, what would it sound ?



Dear Modi, there would be no sound at all because cows can't talk. They can only moo.

Roger, why did the driver have to fix the horn of the car?



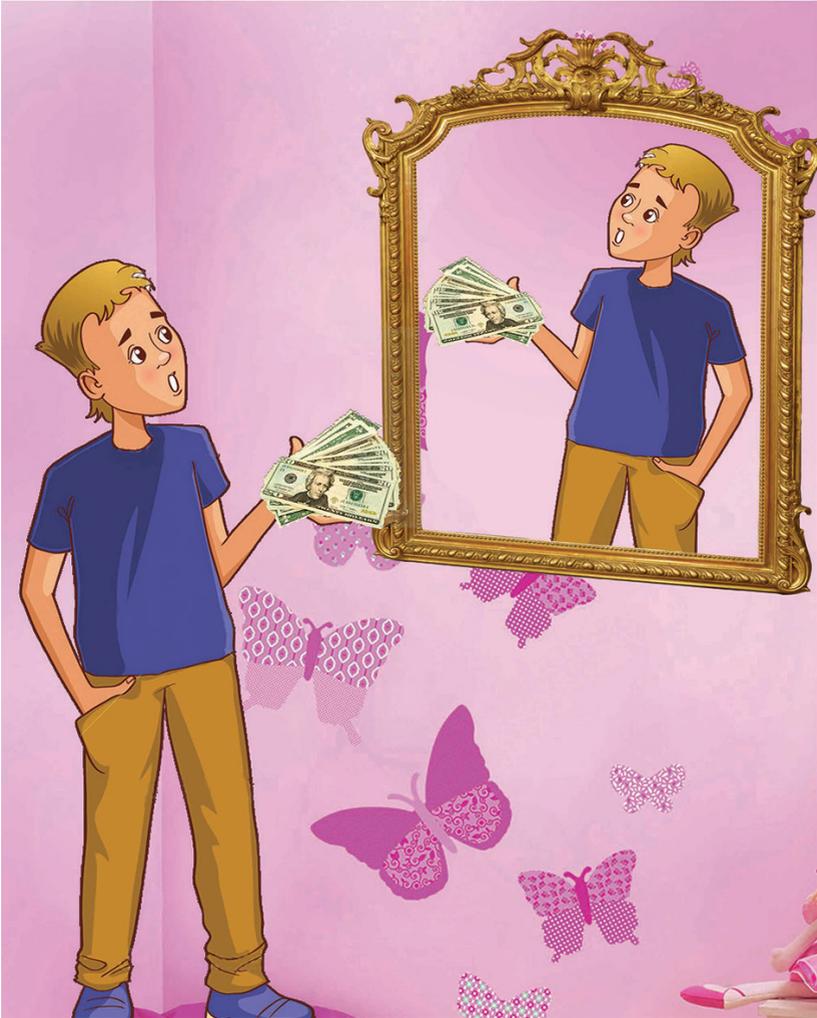
Its was because the car did not give a hoot to anyone at all, Bunty.

Peng Soon, why did the clerk put a clock under his desk while he worked?



Ragu, he did so because he wanted to work overtime and earn extra money!

Gurubachan Singh, do you know how you can easily double your money?



Yes of course Deepak Singh. All you have to do is stand in front of a mirror and see your money double.

Basu, why did the nutty kid throw a cake of butter out of the window?



Raju, it was because he wanted to see a butterfly.

Ginger, why should you never believe a person who is in bed?



Ricky, it is simply because he is surely lying then.

Russel, do you know what you can hold without even touching it?



It is a conversation of course, Janet.

Neera, tell me dear what pet is always lying on the floor ?



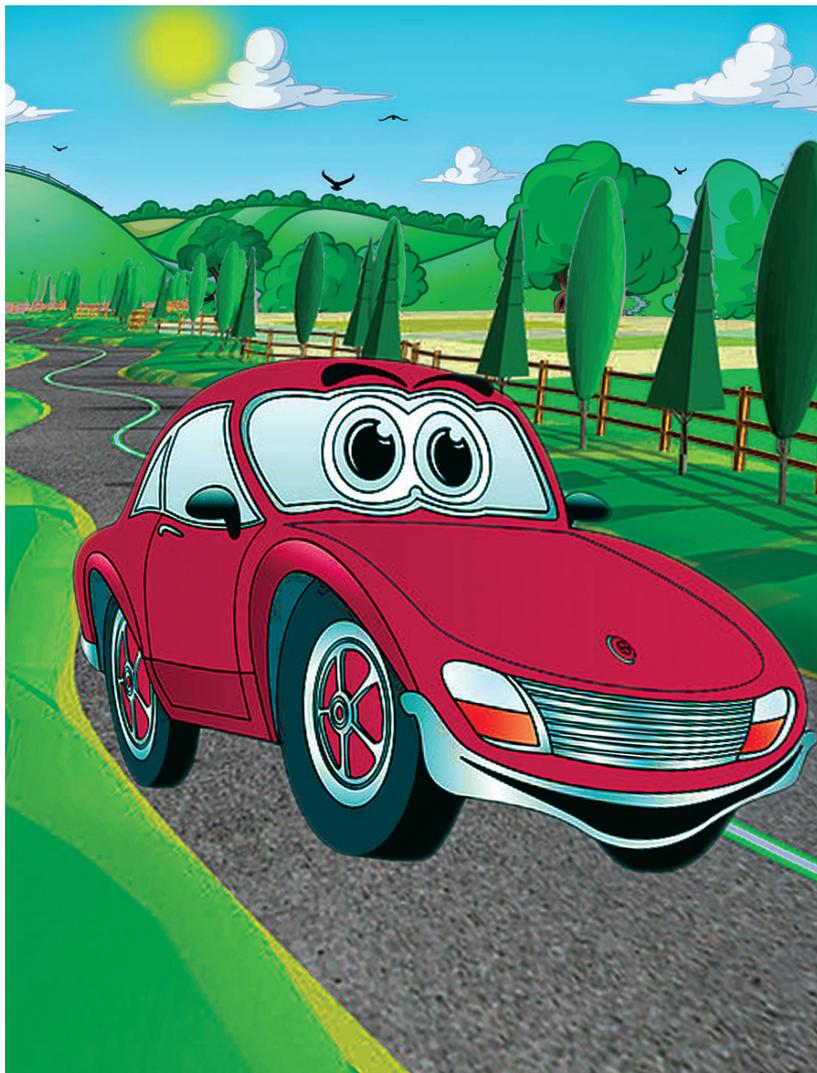
Jimmy, it must be a carpet!

Veera, can you guess which musical instrument doesn't tell the truth at all?



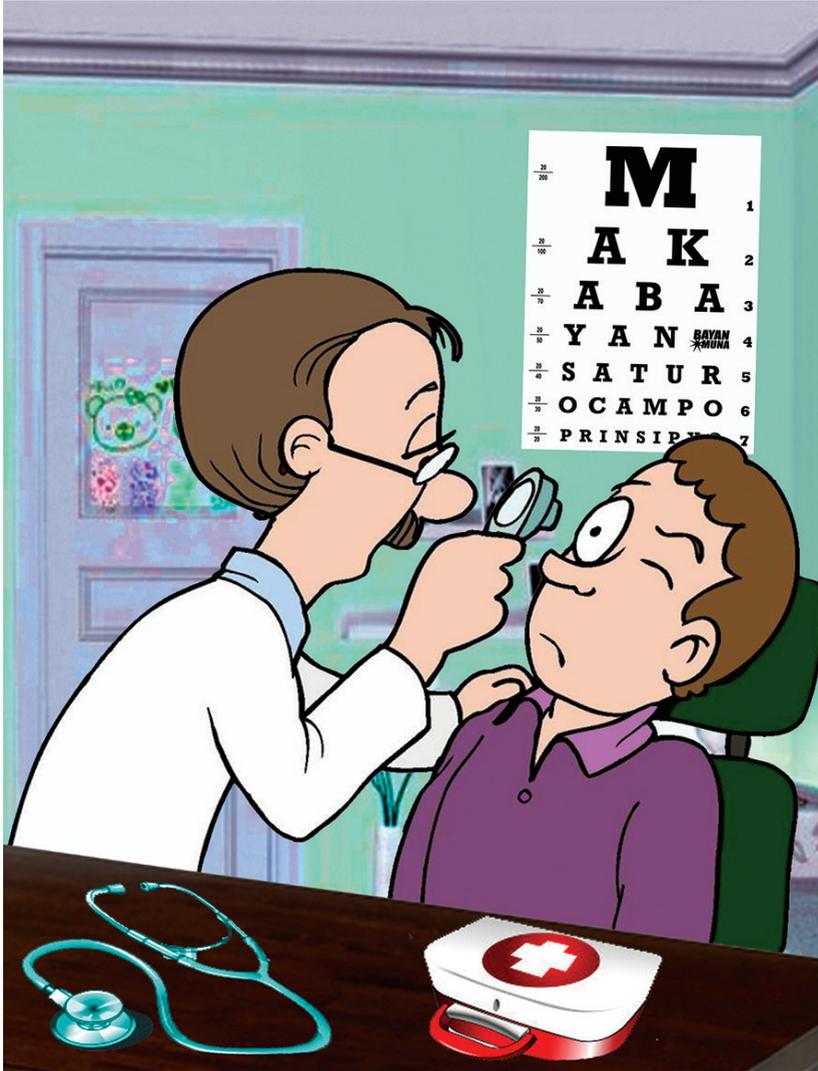
It must be the lyre, Surin.

Maniam, do you know what part of the car is the laziest?



Of course Navin It's the wheels as they are all tired.

William, why are your eyes crossed after seeing an eye doctor?



This is because your eyes have been checked by the doctor .

How do you know that carrots are good for your eyes, Vikram Singh?



Well, we all know that rabbits eat a lot of carrots, Laxman. Have you ever seen rabbits wearing glasses?

Why are doctors known to be stingy, Vincent?



Sheron, as you very well know, they first say they will treat you. But instead, they make you pay a hefty bill for your visit!

Nathan, what do you get if you crossed a bug with a rabbit ?



Ashok, you will surly end up with a Bugs Bunny!

Sau Kwan, what did the mother worm tell to the little baby worm who was late for dinner?



I know Pek Har exactly what she said. She exclaimed, “Where on earth have you been!”

What is as large as an elephant and yet does not weigh anything at all, Terrance?



Victor, it must be the elephant's shadow of course.

Susie, do you know what the tree said to the woodpecker?



Of course, Percy. It remarked, “You really bore me buddy.”

Kim Young, they say that an elephant never forgets. Do you know what animal who always forgets?



Harry, it is an owl of course because it keeps saying who, who, who all the time.

Lisa pray tell what kind of tables people like to eat always.



Grace, it is none other than vegetables that people love to eat.

Do you know why lions eat raw meat, Kenny?



Bob, its simply because they don't have a clue about cooking.

Rahul, why do storks stand on one leg?



Well William, if they lifted both legs they will surely fall flat on the ground!

Seng Ang , tell me what bow cannot be tied?



The answer is definitely a rainbow, Palitha.

How many feet are there in a yard, Sandeep Singh?



Vinodh, it all depends on how many people are standing on the yard.

Cherry, if two men can dig a hole in five days. How many days would it take them to dig half a hole?



None at all Perth, for you can not dig half a hole.

Tomoko, why can't an elephant ride a bicycle?



It is because elephants do not have a thumb to ring the bell, Riko.

What runs round a house and yet does not move at all, Andrew?



Sunny, it's the fence that runs round a house.

Saito San, why do people work as bakers?



It is because they knead the dough to pay for their living, Abe San.

Why do people dislike going to the dentist, Nippun?



Mano, its because the dentist is boring all the time.

To whome do all men take off their hats, Ashok?



That's an interesting one Nath. Well, the barber is the one who has this honour.

Niti, which will burn longer: the candles on the birthday cake of a boy, or the candles on the birthday cake of a girl?



Neither Chaminda, no candles burn longer. They all burn shorter.

Ranmal, what 8-letter word has one letter in it?



I am sure that it is an envelope, Ruwan.

Why did the man keep a ruler on his newspaper, Oscar?



Nettar, it is because he wanted to get the story straight.

Varma, can you name a dish that is out of this world?



That is simple Ashok. It is of course a flying saucer.

Betty, what goes up and never comes down at all?



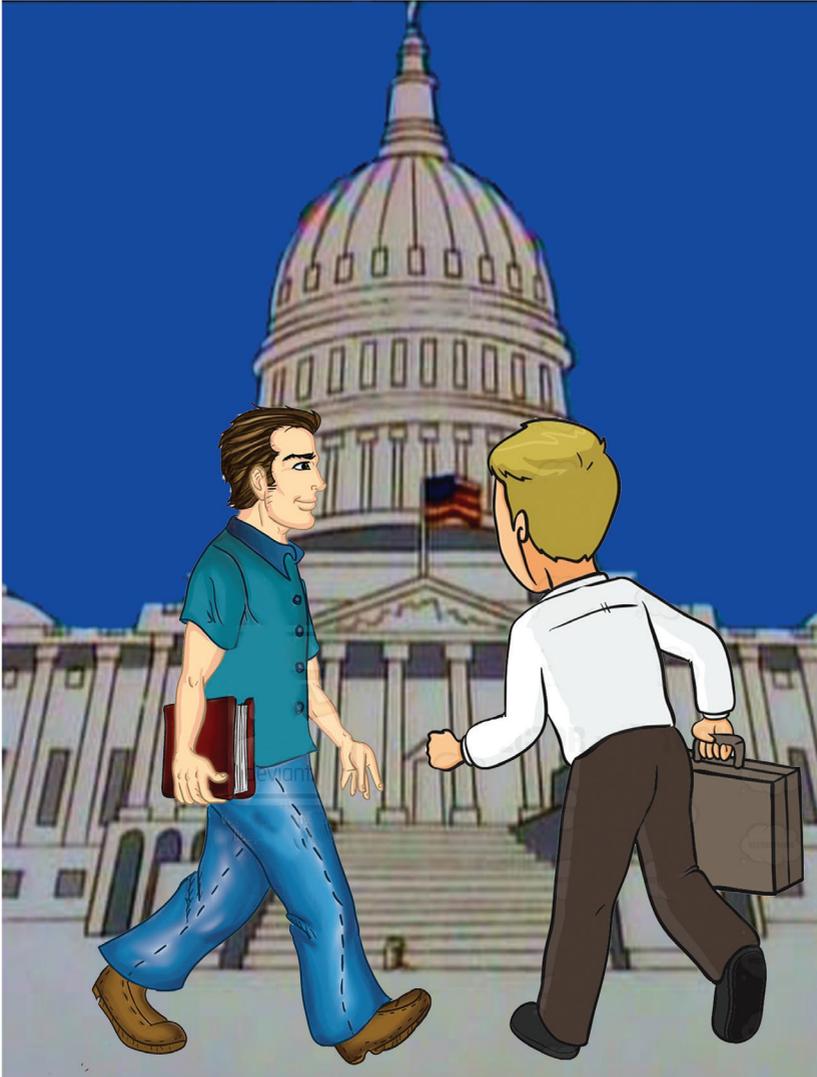
Anita, don't you know its our age of course.

Smith, what would you call the son of an Indian chief who is always getting into trouble?



Well, if you ask me , the best name for him would be Mischief, Scully.

Welsh, do you know where was the American Declaration of Independence signed?



Allen, surely it was signed at the bottom of the historic document.

Miki San, what part of a car causes the most accidents?



It is none other than the nut behind the wheel, Tanaka San.

Why do people feel stronger on Saturdays and Sundays Ralph?



It is because all the other days are week (weak) days jack.

Tuck Loon, how can you tell if a bucket is not well?



Well, Swee Chye its when it is just a little pail.

Blake, where do you find giant snails?



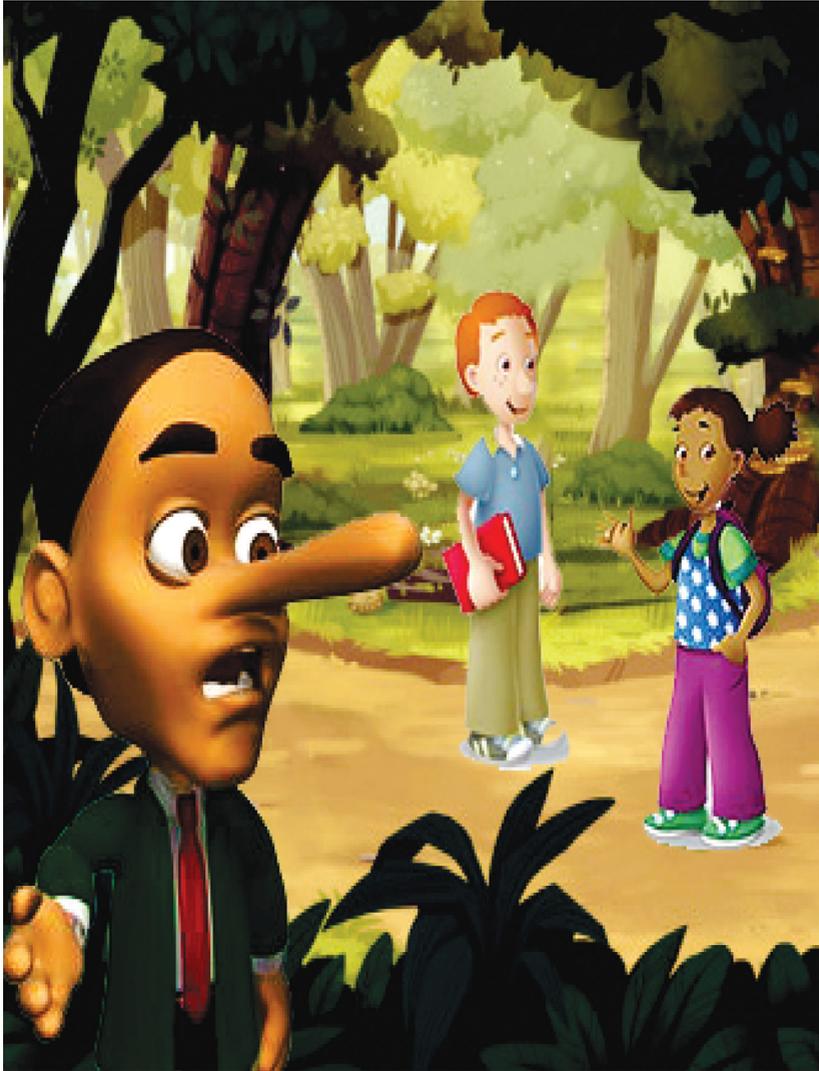
Tommy, you will find them on a giant's hand of course.

Ragu, do you know what was the highest mountain before Mt. Everest was discovered ?



Well as far as I can make it out, Shanta, it was still Mt. Everest.

Param, do you know why the longest human nose is only 11 inches long ?



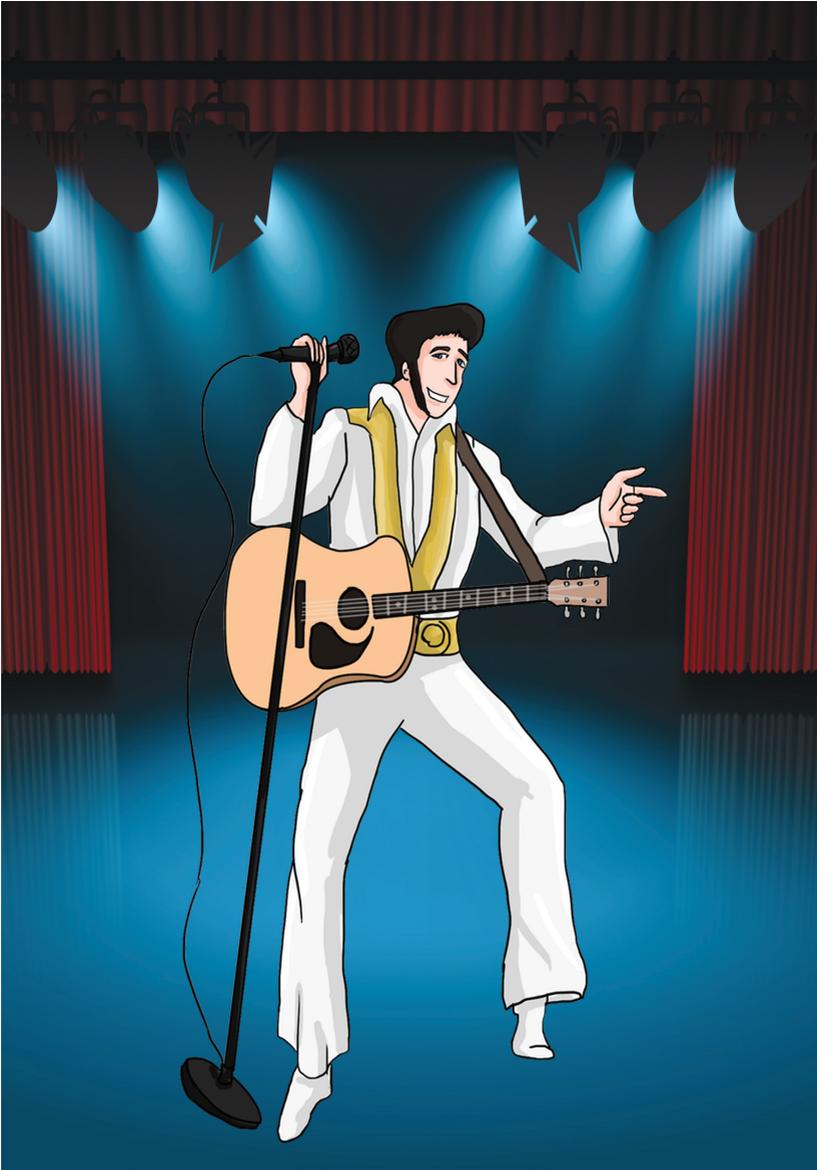
Well of course Zainal, if the nose was 12 inches long, it would then called a be a foot.

Jenny, pray tell what has a big mouth but doesn't say a word at all?



Khema, it's none other than the mouth of a river.

What is the hottest part of a man's face Sherly?



Brian, it is of course his sideburns.