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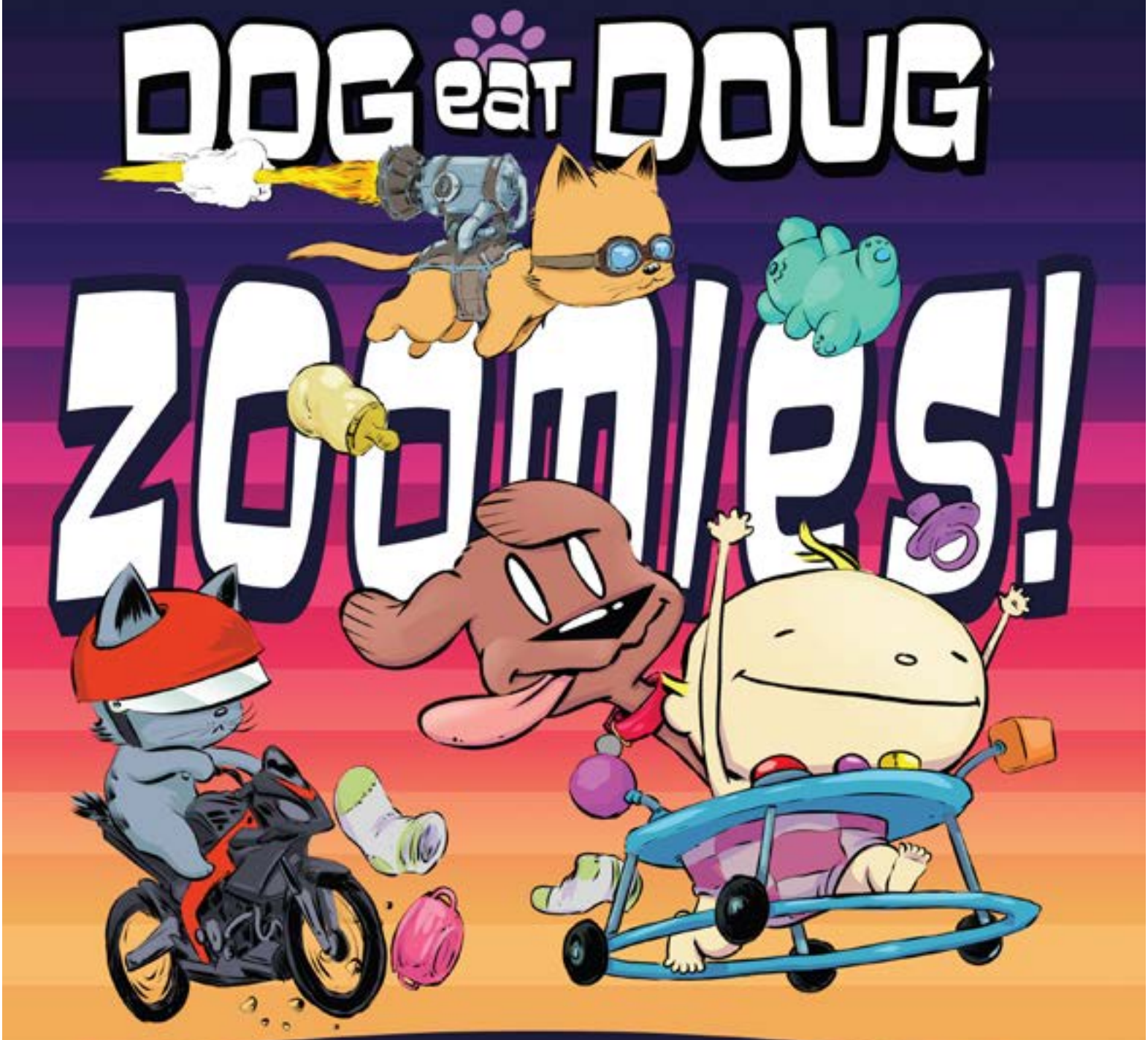

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AAA-ROOOOOO!
I'M A WOLF SPIDER. GET IT? WOLF SPIDER! GET IT?
TOUGH ROOM TONIGHT, MAN. GOOD LUCK.
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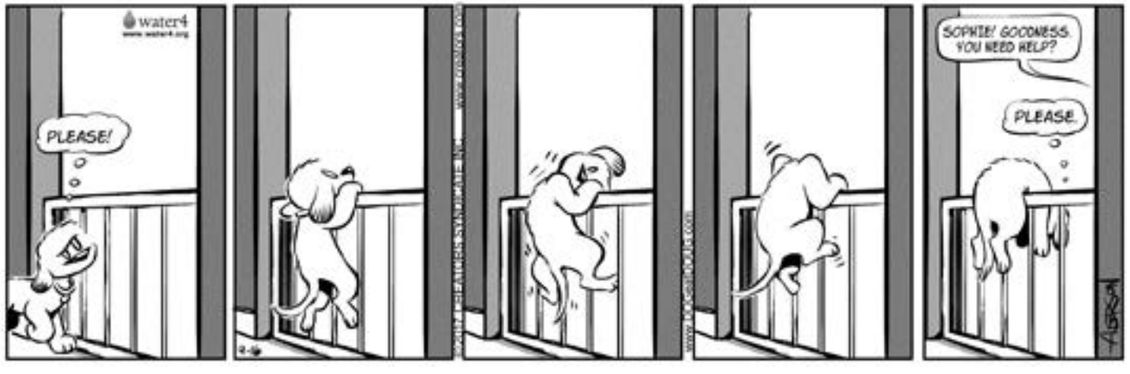
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PLEASE!
SOPHIE! GOODNESS. YOU NEED HELP?
PLEASE.

SOPHIE! FOR GOODNESS SAKES, YOU'LL GET YOUR TREAT, JUST GIVE ME A MINUTE!
WHAT ELSE COULD SHE POSSIBLY HAVE TO DO?
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BAK!
THIS IS NOT YOUR BLANKET. IT IS MY COWL!
W-W-W-WA-
FINE! IT'S YOUR BLANKET.
I BET DAD'S NEW BOXERS WOULD MAKE A GOOD COWL.
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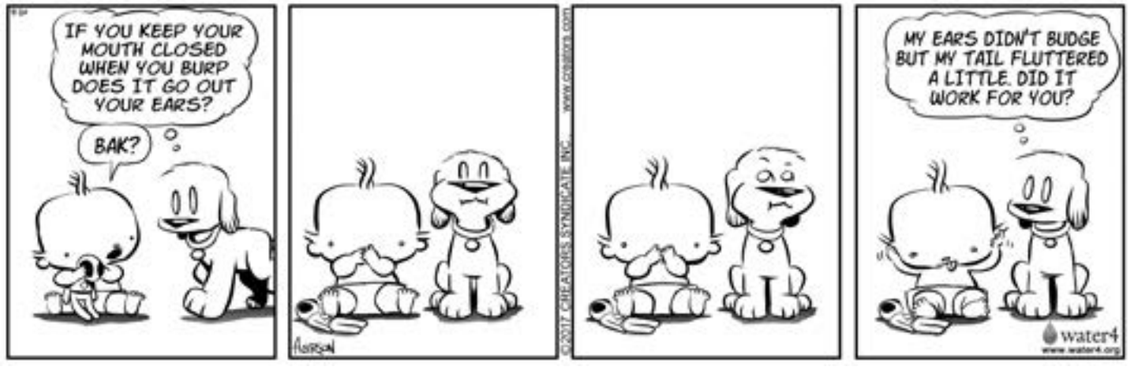
IF YOU KEEP YOUR MOUTH CLOSED WHEN YOU BURP DOES IT GO OUT YOUR EARS?
BAK?
MY EARS DIDN'T BUDGE BUT MY TAIL FLUTTERED A LITTLE. DID IT WORK FOR YOU?
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SHLURP! SHLURP! SHLURP! SHLURP!
SOPHIE, NO! THOSE DISHES ARE CLEAN!
EW! THAT EXPLAINS THE LACK OF SEASONING.
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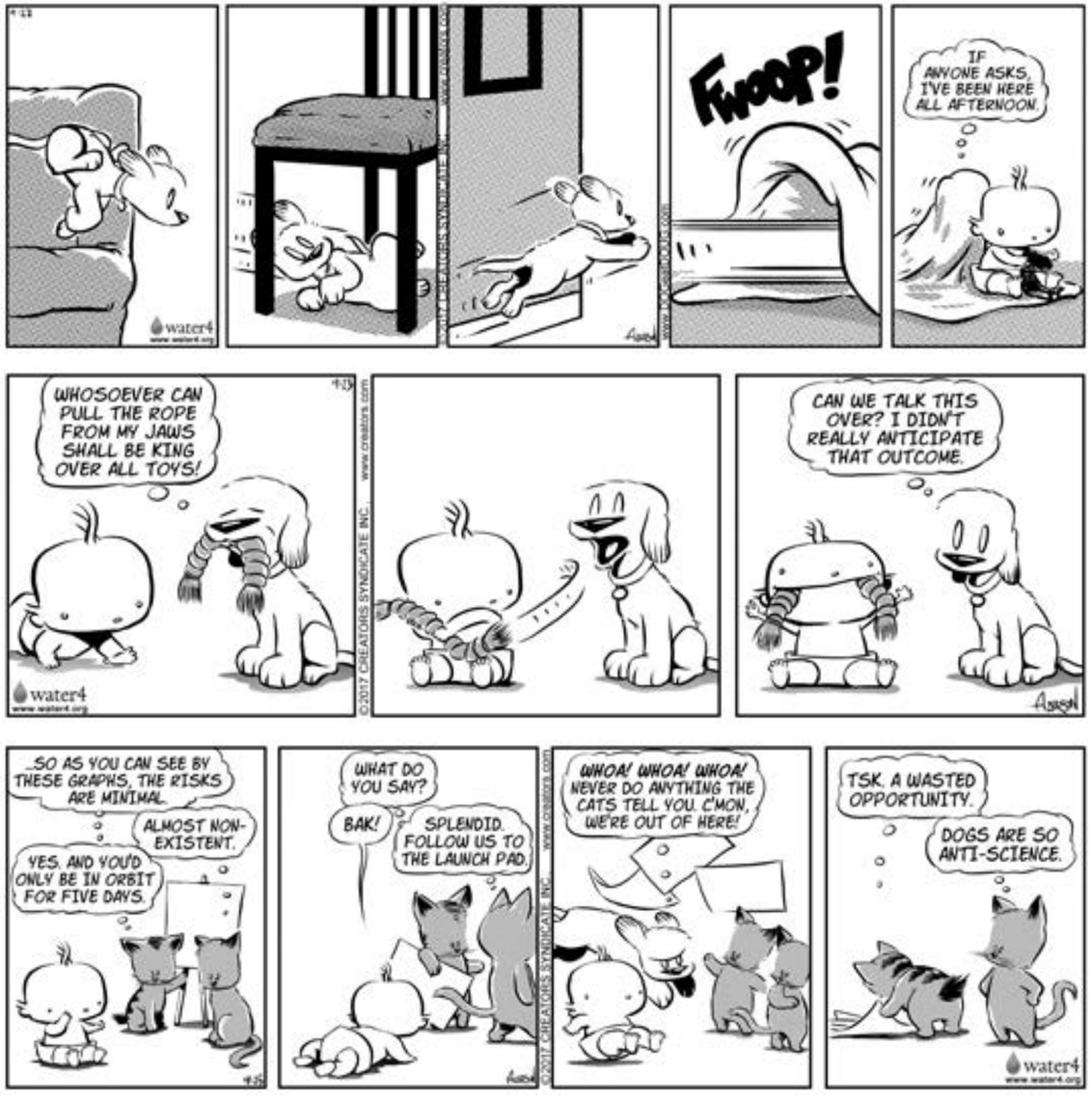
FWOOP!
IF ANYONE ASKS, I'VE BEEN HERE ALL AFTERNOON.
WHOSOEVER CAN PULL THE ROPE FROM MY JAWS SHALL BE KING OVER ALL TOYS!
CAN WE TALK THIS OVER? I DIDN'T REALLY ANTICIPATE THAT OUTCOME.
...SO AS YOU CAN SEE BY THESE GRAPHS, THE RISKS ARE MINIMAL.
ALMOST NON-EXISTENT.
YES. AND YOU'D ONLY BE IN ORBIT FOR FIVE DAYS.
WHAT DO YOU SAY?
BAK!
SPLENDID. FOLLOW US TO THE LAUNCH PAD.
WHOA! WHOA! WHOA! NEVER DO ANYTHING THE CATS TELL YOU. C'MON, WE'RE OUT OF HERE!
TSK. A WASTED OPPORTUNITY.
DOGS ARE SO ANTI-SCIENCE.
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SNIFF!
SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF!
SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF!
SNIIIIIF!
IT'S ALWAYS TROUBLE WHEN MY NOSE WAKES UP BEFORE I DO.
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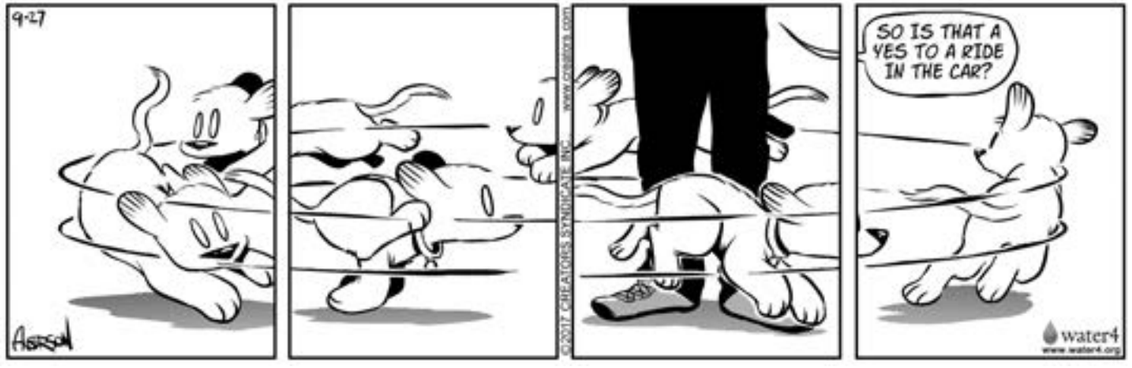
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SO IS THAT A YES TO A RIDE IN THE CAR?
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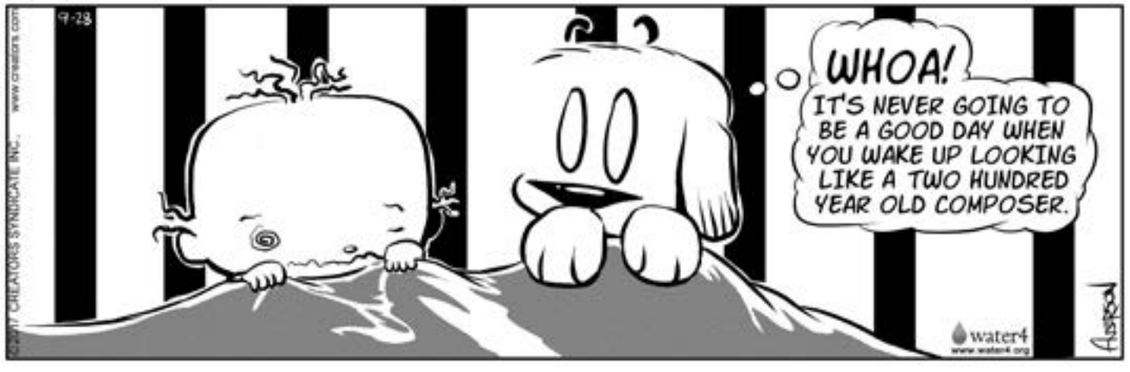
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WHOA!
IT'S NEVER GOING TO BE A GOOD DAY WHEN YOU WAKE UP LOOKING LIKE A TWO HUNDRED YEAR OLD COMPOSER.
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THAT'S RIGHT, RABBIT, I SEE YOU. AND THANKS TO MY WOLF GENETICS, YOU HAVE NO IDEA OF THE NIGHTMARE CLOSING IN.
9-29
HEY, SOPH! WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED STALKING THE GARDEN ORNAMENTS, COME ON IN FOR LUNCH!
I THOUGHT A RABBIT IN OVERALLS HOLDING A PARASOL WAS A BIT SUSPICIOUS.
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BAK!
WHAT?!!
NO! I DON'T WANT TO SEE A TRICK.
BAP!
THAT'S NOT A TRICK. SERIOUSLY, IF I FIND OUT WHO GOT YOU A MAGIC KI-
BAP!
RIGHT. SHOW'S OVER.
BAK!
YOU DID NOT MAKE ME DISAPPEAR!!!

GRUMPF! RRRRR!
GRUNT! GRUNT! RAAARF!
SOPHIE, MY GOODNESS! DO YOU HAVE TO DO THAT IN THE OFFICE?
FINE! I'LL GO USE YOUR PILLOW INSTEAD.
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10-5
OUCH! BRAIN FREEZE, HUH? HERE...
CHOMF!
THAT SHOULD CLEAR IT UP.
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WHICH TOY DO I WANT?
I COULD DE-FUZZ THE TENNIS BALL. OR I COULD SHRED THE SQUEAKY DUCK.
OR I COULD... UGH! I CAN'T DECIDE!
I'LL JUST BARK UNTIL MOM COMES OVER AND PICKS ONE FOR ME.
BWORF! BWORF! BWORF!
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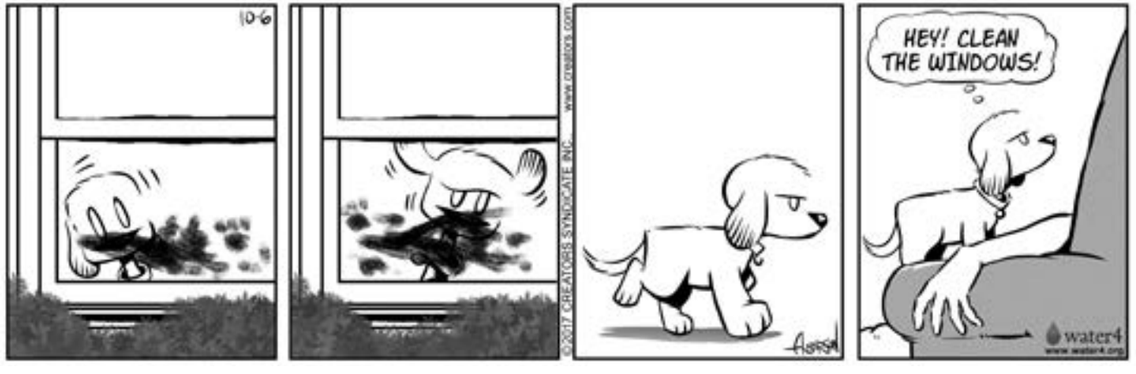
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HEY! CLEAN THE WINDOWS!
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10-7
BAK!
THANKS. YOU HAVE A REAL FUTURE AS A DUST BUNNY TRACKER.
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OKAY, SOPH, I HID YOUR BALL.
GO FIND IT!
WELL THAT'S TAKING HER LONGER THAN NORMAL.
IS YOUR NOSE NOT WORKING TODAY, SOPHIE?
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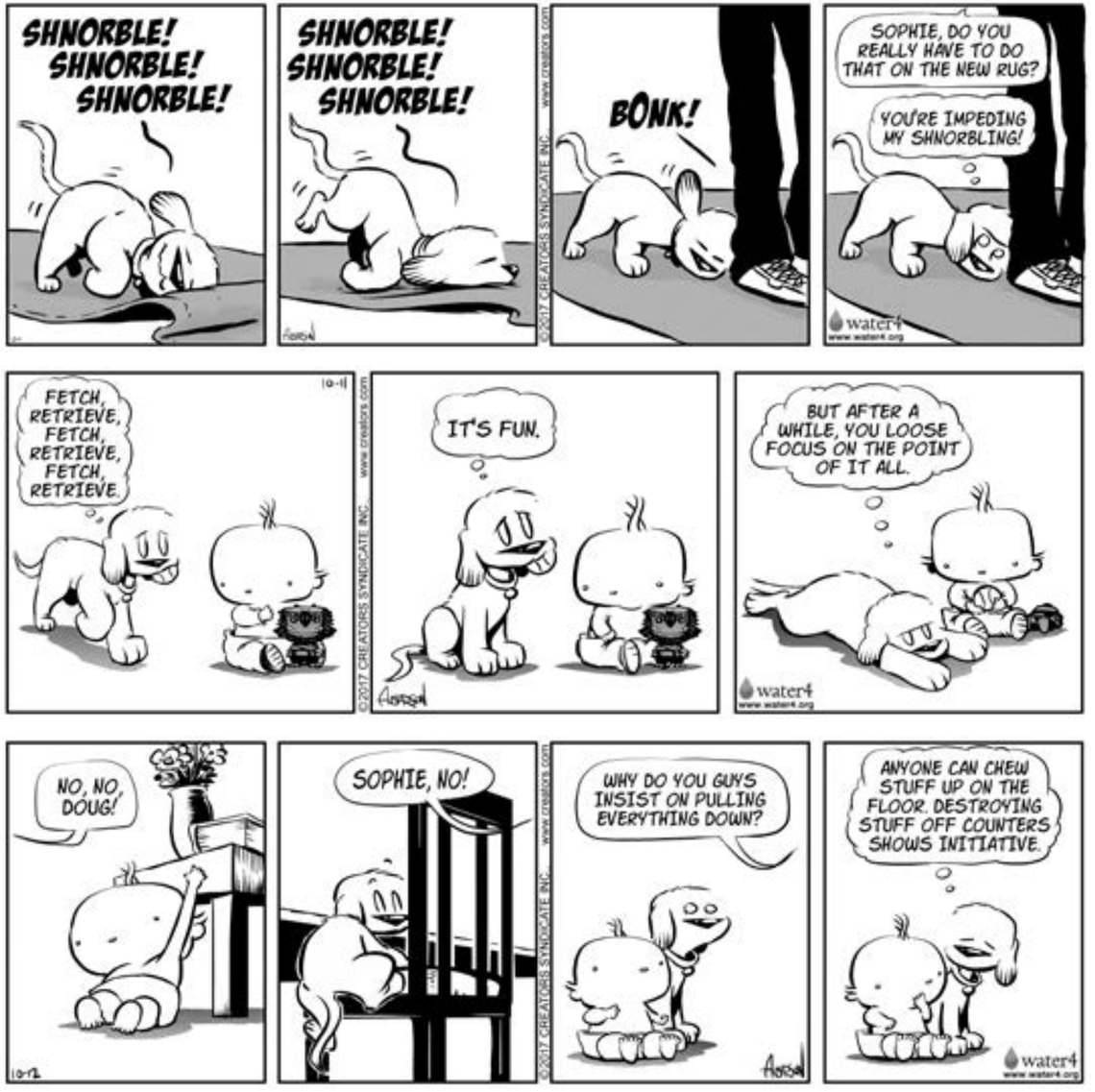
SHNORBLE! SHNORBLE! SHNORBLE!
SHNORBLE! SHNORBLE! SHNORBLE!
BONK!
SOPHIE, DO YOU REALLY HAVE TO DO THAT ON THE NEW RUG?
YOU'RE IMPEDING MY SHNORBLING!
FETCH, RETRIEVE, FETCH, RETRIEVE, FETCH, RETRIEVE.
IT'S FUN.
BUT AFTER A WHILE, YOU LOOSE FOCUS ON THE POINT OF IT ALL.
NO, NO, DOUG!
SOPHIE, NO!
WHY DO YOU GUYS INSIST ON PULLING EVERYTHING DOWN?
ANYONE CAN CHEW STUFF UP ON THE FLOOR. DESTROYING STUFF OFF COUNTERS SHOWS INITIATIVE.
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WHOA!
HEY! STOP! QUIT CRAWLING TOWARDS ME!
YARF!
FRANKLIN! GET INSIDE THIS INSTANT. WHAT HAVE I TOLD YOU ABOUT CHASING DOGS?!!
AW, MOM.
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WELL WHICH IS IT?!! DO YOU WANT ME TO BE CUTE OR OBEDIENT
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ROORF! ROORF! ROORF! ROORF!
SOPHIE, GET OFF OF THERE!
ROORF! ROORF! ROORF! ROORF! ROORF!
ALL THE WAY OFF!
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NOW HOW THE HECK AM I SUPPOSED TO BARK AT EVERYTHING?
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10-15
YOU KNOW WHAT I DO WHEN I'M OUTSIDE AND SCARED OF THE DARK?
BAK?
I LAUGH AT IT!
YA! IT WORKS.
HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!
SEE! I'M NOT SCARED. C'MON, YOU TRY IT.
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BAK! BAK! BAK! BAK! BAK!
NOT SCARED ANYMORE, ARE YOU?
HA!HA!HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!
THE SECOND THING I DO IS YELP UNTIL DAD COMES AND GETS ME.
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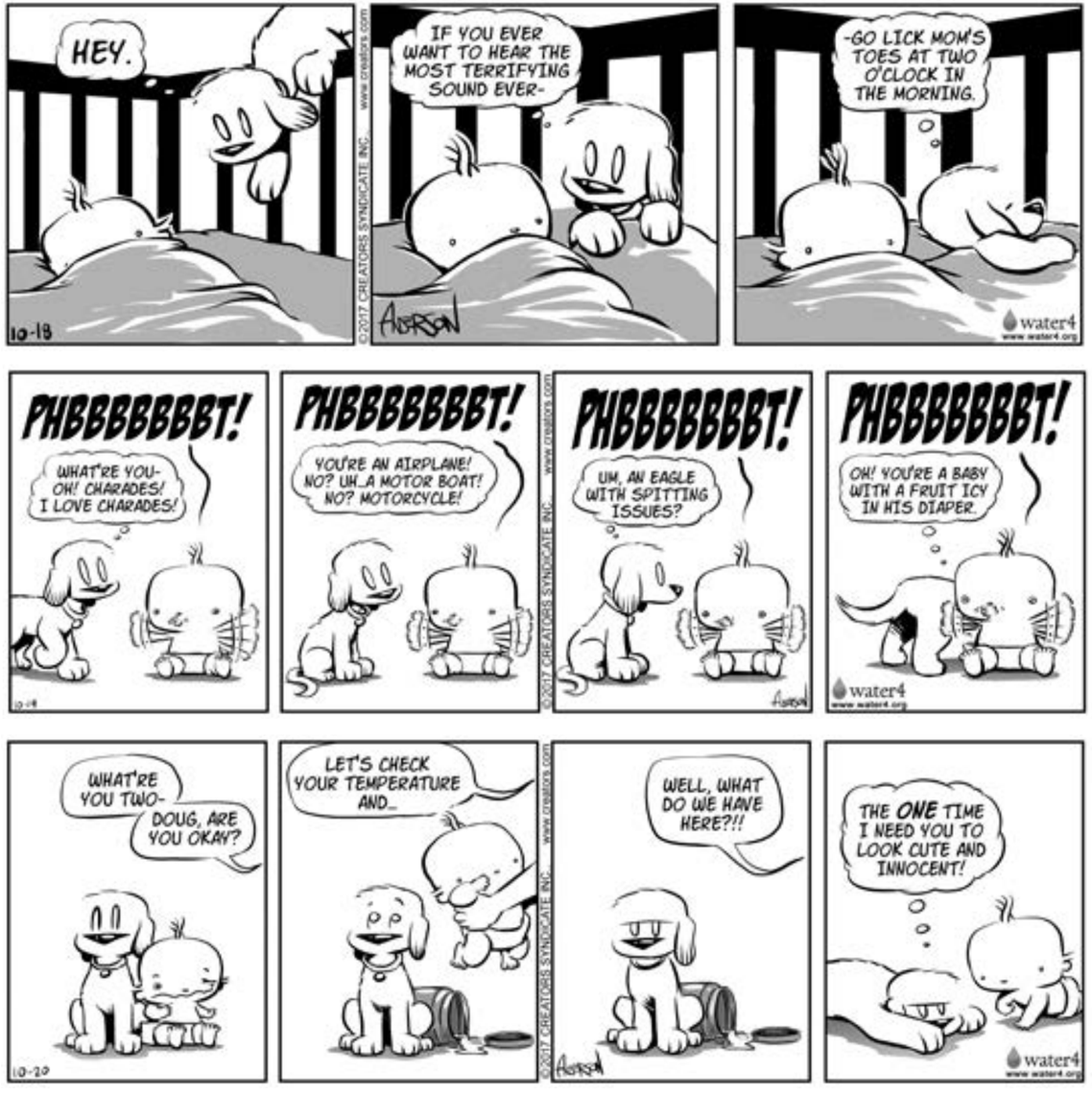
HEY.
IF YOU EVER WANT TO HEAR THE MOST TERRIFYING SOUND EVER-
-GO LICK MOM'S TOES AT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.
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PHBBBBBBBT!
WHAT'RE YOU- OH! CHARADES! I LOVE CHARADES!
PHBBBBBBBT!
YOU'RE AN AIRPLANE! NO? UH..A MOTOR BOAT! NO? MOTORCYCLE!
PHBBBBBBBT!
UM, AN EAGLE WITH SPITTING ISSUES?
PHBBBBBBBT!
OH! YOU'RE A BABY WITH A FRUIT ICY IN HIS DIAPER.
WHAT'RE YOU TWO-
DOUG, ARE YOU OKAY?
LET'S CHECK YOUR TEMPERATURE AND_
WELL, WHAT DO WE HAVE HERE?!!
THE ONE TIME I NEED YOU TO LOOK CUTE AND INNOCENT!
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THAT'S IT! KEEP GOING!
PUSH!
LOOK AT YOU GO!
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THIS IS THE FASTEST YOU'VE EVER GONE!
BRAKES!
IF THE GATE WASN'T UP, YOU FOR SURE WOULD'VE CLEARED ALL THE STAIRS.

BUDDY, YOU DON'T NEED A BIB-
-YOU NEED ONE OF THOSE HANNIBAL LECTER MASKS.
HONEY!
I'M JUST KIDDING.
BUT AT THE VERY LEAST WE SHOULD CONSIDER FEEDING HIM CLOSER TO THE HOSE.
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DAD SAID WE NEVER THINK THINGS THROUGH.
BAK!
YA, WHO'S GOT TIME FOR THAT?
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HEY! MOM SAID TO STAY OFF THE COUNTERS!
THAT'S LOVELY.
YES, MOVE ALONG. AREN'T THERE SOME TENNIS BALLS IN THE GARAGE THAT NEED CHEWING?
GOOD THING MOM'S GOT ME.
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DON'T MIND ME. I'M JUST GOING TO HANG HERE UNTIL DAD LOSES A FEW SHADES OF RED.
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SO, YA, MOM TOOK DOUG TO THE STORE AND THE CATS, WHO KNOWS WHERE THEY ARE, AND ME, WELL...
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...OBVIOUSLY THE POWER TO ARTICULATE ANYTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE.
WHAT I'M GETTING AT IS THAT IF ONE OF THOSE MEATBALLS HAPPENED TO FALL ON THE FLOOR, NO ONE'S EVER GOING TO KNOW.
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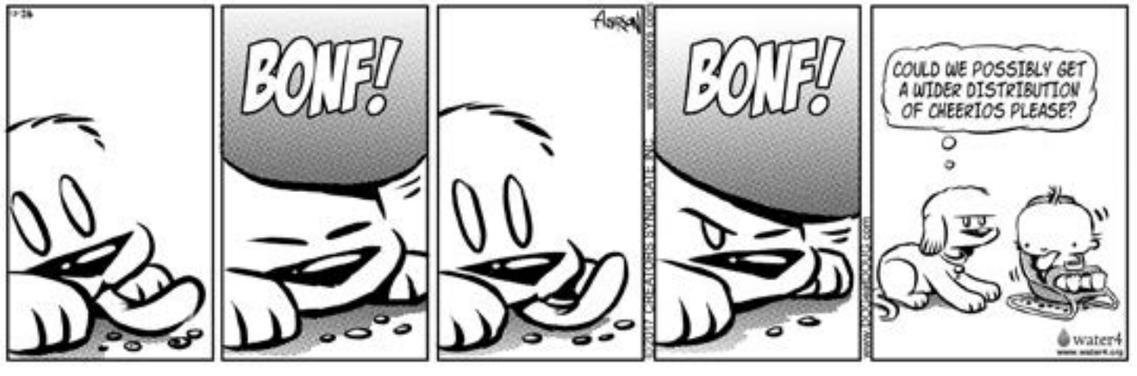
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BONF!
BONF!
COULD WE POSSIBLY GET A WIDER DISTRIBUTION OF CHEERIOS PLEASE?
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WOW! YOU GUYS WENT ALL OUT FOR HALLOWEEN THIS YEAR.
WHAT IS "HALLOWEEN"?
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THE COSTUME'S FABULOUS, BUT WHERE'S YOUR TREAT BAG?
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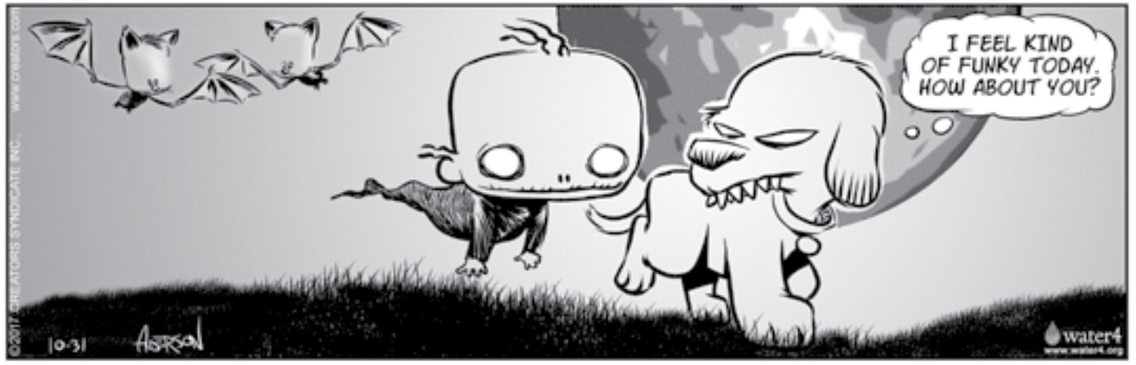
I FEEL KIND OF FUNKY TODAY. HOW ABOUT YOU?
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LOOK, SOPH! OUR NEW FOSTER IS HERE!
WOW! I LOVE THIS PLACE!
DO YOU LIKE TO FETCH? I LOVE FETCH. WHERE ARE YOUR TOYS?
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OOOOOOH! WHAT'S THAT?
YOUR COMPETITION FOR MOST ANNOYING CREATURE ON EARTH.
AWESOME! I LOVE CONTESTS!
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11-2
OKAY, LET'S GO OVER SOME GROUND RULES.
THAT'S MY BOWL. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES DO YOU GO NEAR IT.
AND THAT'S MY BED. STAY OFF. GOT IT?
NOW OVER HERE IS-
SOPHIE, LOOK!
I'M A MUSHROOM.
NOT THE WORD I WOULD USE.
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I FEEL LIKE I GOT OFF TO A HARSH START WITH THE NEW FOSTER DOG.
TIME TO MAKE IT UP TO HIM.
HEY, GUNNAR, YOU WANT TO PLAY WITH MY FAVORITE ROPE TOY?
THANKS. MAYBE LATER. THE CATS WANT ME TO PLAY SOMETHING CALLED "TESLA TAG".
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SO WHAT KIND OF FAMILY WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO?
ONE WITH KIDS? OR ANOTHER DOG? WHAT IF THEY HAVE CATS OR KIDS?
I'D LIKE THE "ANY" KIND.
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THEY FEED ME THE SAME STUFF DAY AFTER DAY.
AND YET, I GET EXCITED EVERY TIME.
I DON'T KNOW IF I SHOULD BE MAD AT THEM OR DISAPPOINTED IN MYSELF.
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IF MOM AND DAD HAD ANY IDEA WHAT I WAS GOING TO GET INTO TODAY, THEY'D BE SHOCKED.
THEN AGAIN...
...IF I HAD ANY IDEA WHAT I WAS GOING TO GET INTO, I PROBABLY WOULDN'T GET INTO SO MUCH TROUBLE.
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THERE ARE ONLY A FEW TRUTHS IN LIFE YOU NEED TO KNOW.
FIRST OFF, ALWAYS BARK AT THE MAIL LADY. YOU CAN'T TRUST ANYONE THAT KEEPS BRINGING STUFF DAY AFTER DAY.
SECOND, NO MATTER WHAT ANYONE TELLS YOU, ALWAYS SPIT OUT THE LETTUCE.
AND LASTLY, ALWAYS SNIFF SOMEONE'S REAR BEFORE SAYING HI. YOU CAN NEVER BE TOO CAUTIOUS.
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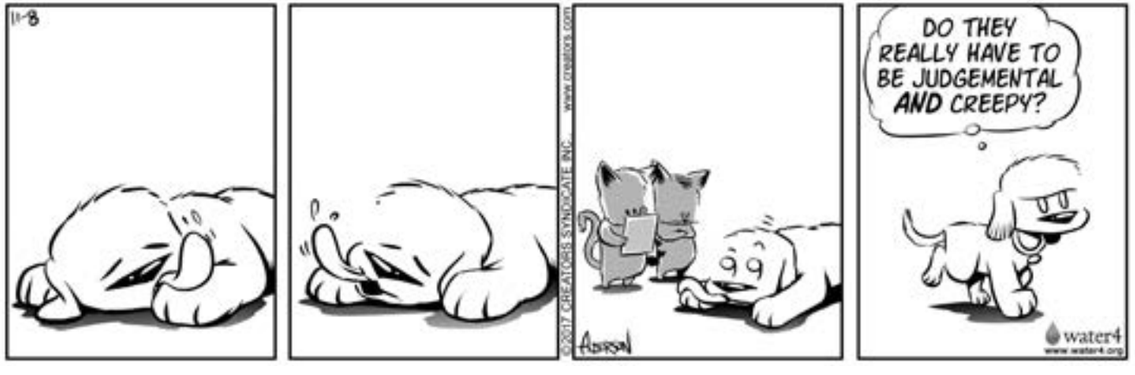
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DO THEY REALLY HAVE TO BE JUDGEMENTAL AND CREEPY?
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LOOK WHAT YOU DID! SEE, THAT'S PROOF POSITIVE THAT THERE'S A DOUBLE STANDARD!
CAN YOU IMAGINE THE TROUBLE I'D BE IN IF I HAD DONE THAT?!! BUT, NOOOO. YOU DO IT AND NOTHING! I SUPPOSE YOU COULD JUST-
SNIFF. SNIFF.
OH. IT'S ONLY PUDDING. NEVERMIND.
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WELL THERE'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CATS AND DOGS.
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DOGS WANT A FULL BASKET AND CATS WANT AN EMPTY BASKET.
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NOTHING BEATS A BASKET OF WARM LAUNDRY.
IT DOESN'T LAST LONG, SO YOU HAVE TO GET IN IT RIGHT AWAY. KIND OF LIKE A DOUGHNUT.
OOOOO! WAIT! HAVING A DOUGHNUT WHILE IN A BASKET OF WARM LAUNDRY WOULD BE EVEN BETTER.
HOLD MY SOCK. I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.
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WHAT ARE YOU SO HAPPY ABOUT?
CUT IT OUT!
RIGHT! THAT DOES IT!
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KRACH!
ALWAYS BE GRATEFUL YOU DON'T HAVE A TAIL.
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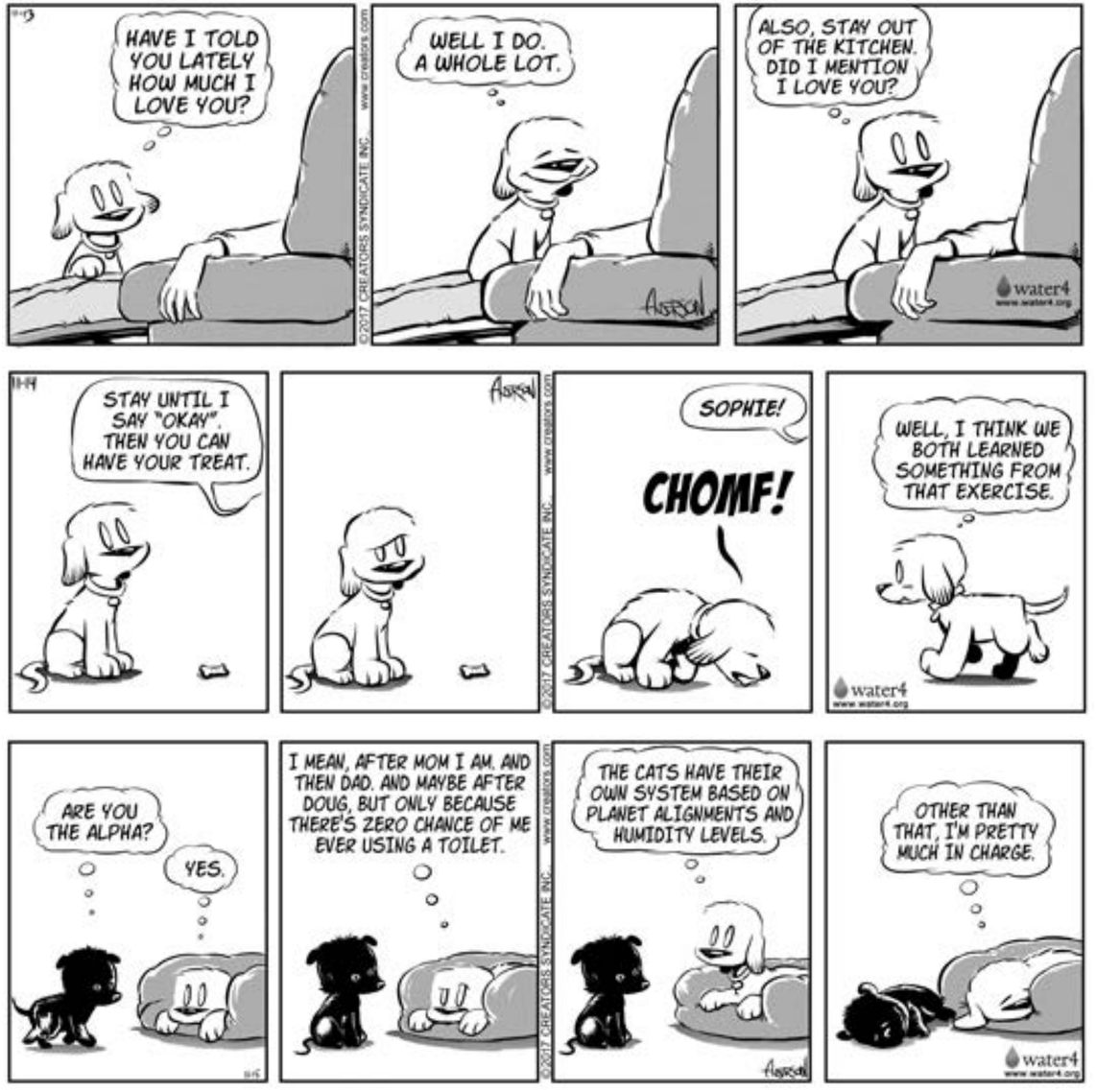
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HAVE I TOLD YOU LATELY HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU?
WELL I DO. A WHOLE LOT.
ALSO, STAY OUT OF THE KITCHEN. DID I MENTION I LOVE YOU?
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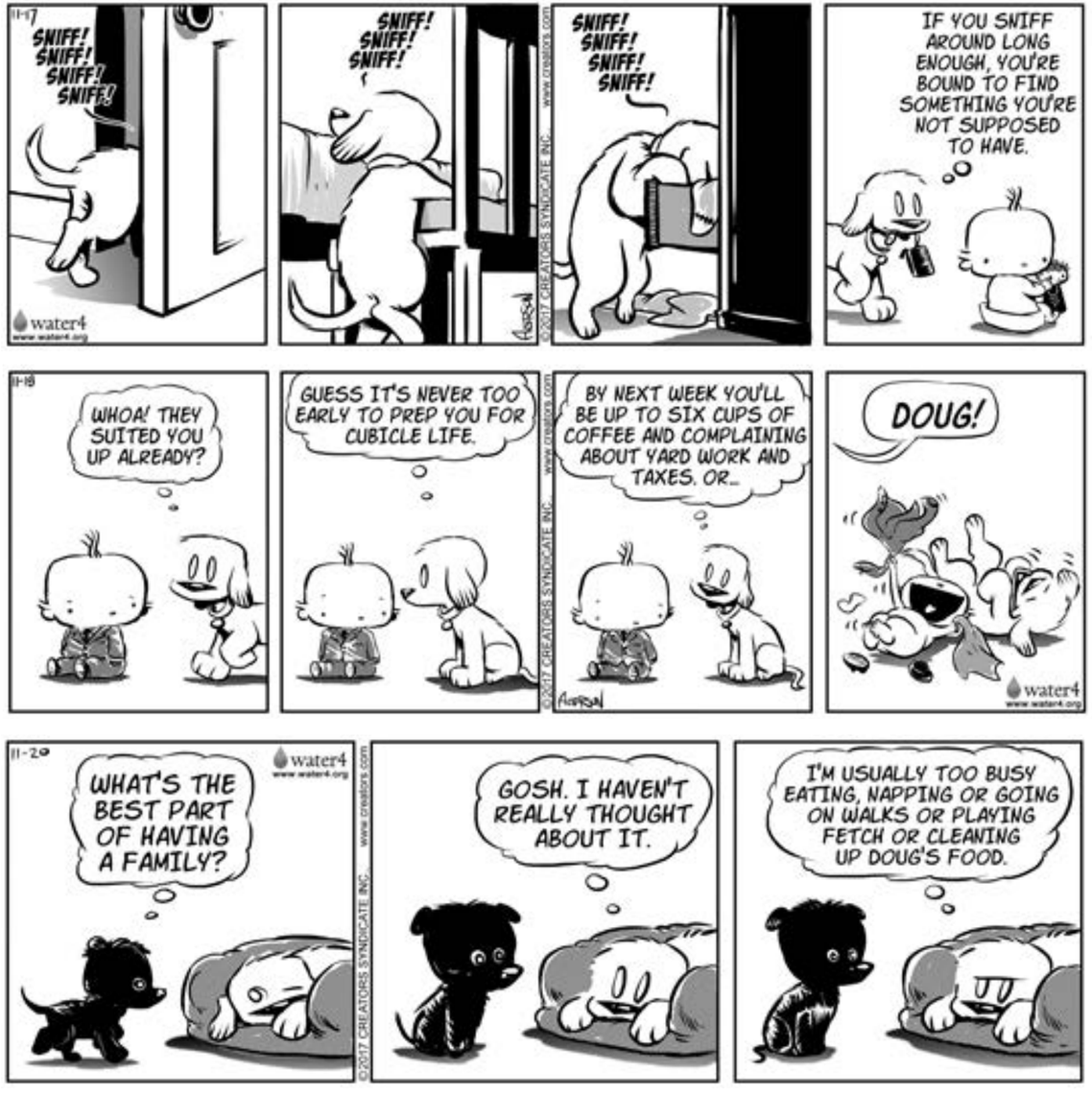
STAY UNTIL I SAY "OKAY". THEN YOU CAN HAVE YOUR TREAT.
SOPHIE!
CHOMP!
WELL, I THINK WE BOTH LEARNED SOMETHING FROM THAT EXERCISE.
ARE YOU THE ALPHA?
YES.
I MEAN, AFTER MOM I AM. AND THEN DAD. AND MAYBE AFTER DOUG, BUT ONLY BECAUSE THERE'S ZERO CHANCE OF ME EVER USING A TOILET.
THE CATS HAVE THEIR OWN SYSTEM BASED ON PLANET ALIGNMENTS AND HUMIDITY LEVELS.
OTHER THAN THAT, I'M PRETTY MUCH IN CHARGE.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SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF!
SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF!
SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF! SNIFF!
IF YOU SNIFF AROUND LONG ENOUGH, YOU'RE BOUND TO FIND SOMETHING YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE.
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WHOA! THEY SUITED YOU UP ALREADY?
GUESS IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO PREP YOU FOR CUBICLE LIFE.
BY NEXT WEEK YOU'LL BE UP TO SIX CUPS OF COFFEE AND COMPLAINING ABOUT YARD WORK AND TAXES. OR...
DOUG!
11-20
WHAT'S THE BEST PART OF HAVING A FAMILY?
GOSH. I HAVEN'T REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT IT.
I'M USUALLY TOO BUSY EATING, NAPPING OR GOING ON WALKS OR PLAYING FETCH OR CLEANING UP DOUG'S FOOD.
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CLANK!
KA-THUD!
STEPHEN AMELL MAKES IT LOOK A LOT EASIER ON TV.
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RIGHT, LET'S PACK THE BABY BAG.
WAAAAAAAA!
DOUG, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
LOOK IT'S ALL GOOD STUFF. SEE? NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.
WELL EXCUUUUSE ME. I JUST ASSUMED YOU PUT THE BABY IN THE BABY BAG.
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WHOA, I DON'T THINK I'VE BEEN TO THIS PART OF THE DOG PARK BEFORE.
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OH! HELLO.
YO LUNCHBOX, HURRY IT UP.
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AND I DON'T THINK I'M EVER GOING BACK.
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I PREFER THE GIFTS UNDER THE THANKSGIVING TABLE TO THE ONES UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE.
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HI, CHEWY.
PRRRRRRR!
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WHAT IS IT, SWEETIE? YOU WANT OUT?
RWOR!
NO?
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I KNOW! YOU WANT SOME TREATS.
HOW DID IT GO? DID YOU GET THE BERYLLIUM?
DON'T ASK. HERE. HAVE SOME KIBBLES.
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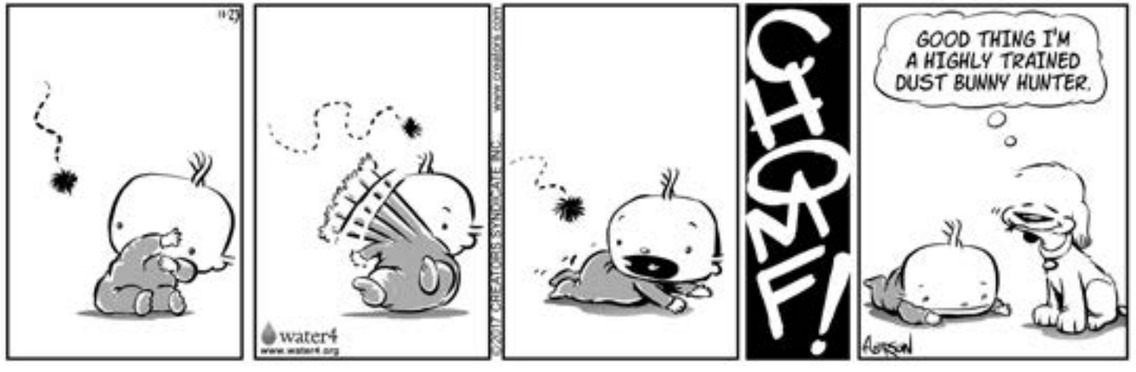
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CHOMP!
GOOD THING I'M A HIGHLY TRAINED DUST BUNNY HUNTER.
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CAN'T YOU GO DO SOMETHING ELSE? GO DO SOME BABY THINGS.
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BAK!
ANDERSON
OH. I WAS NOT AWARE "ANNOYING QUADRUPED CO-HABITANTS" WAS OFFICIALLY A BABY THING.
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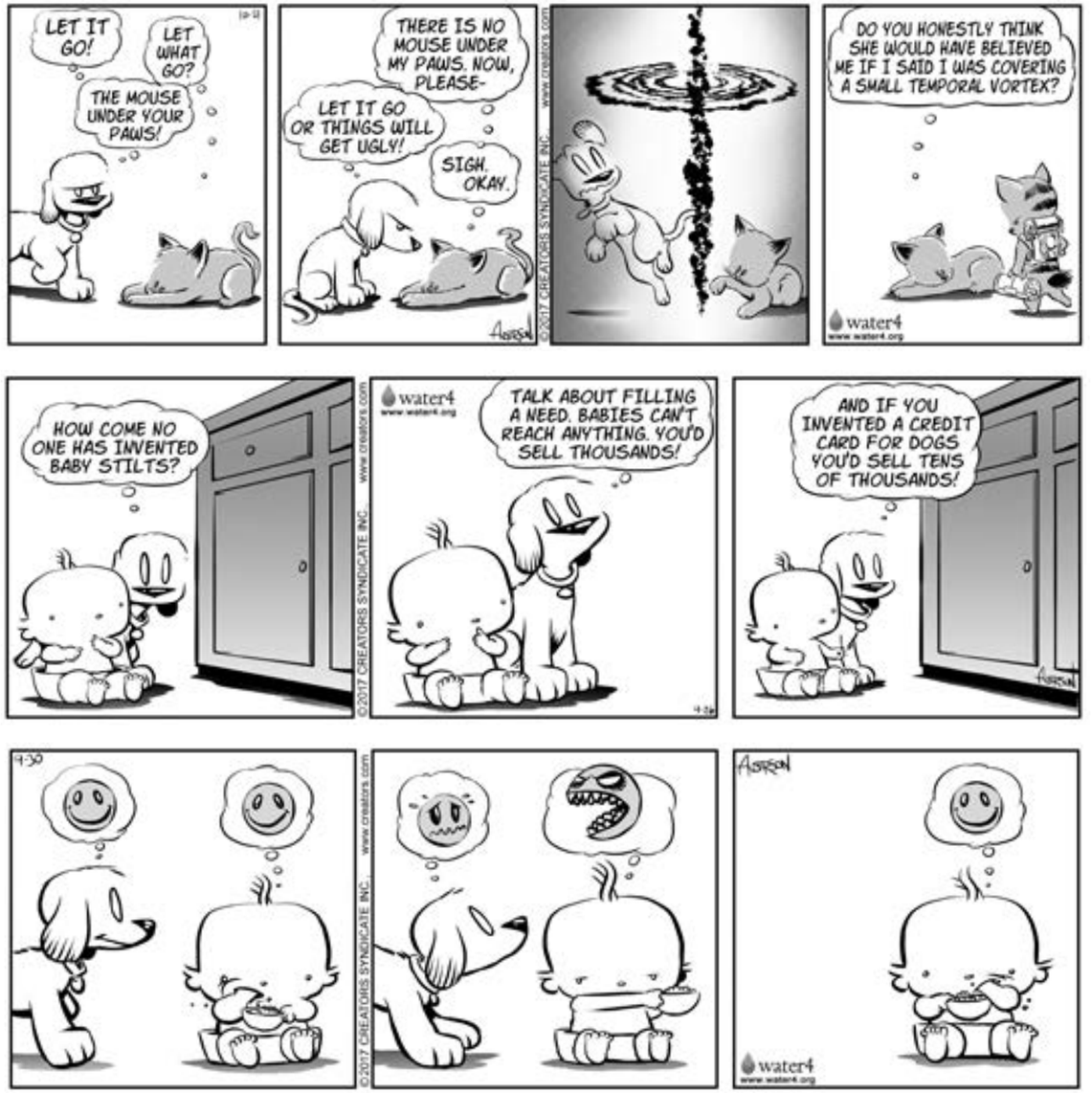

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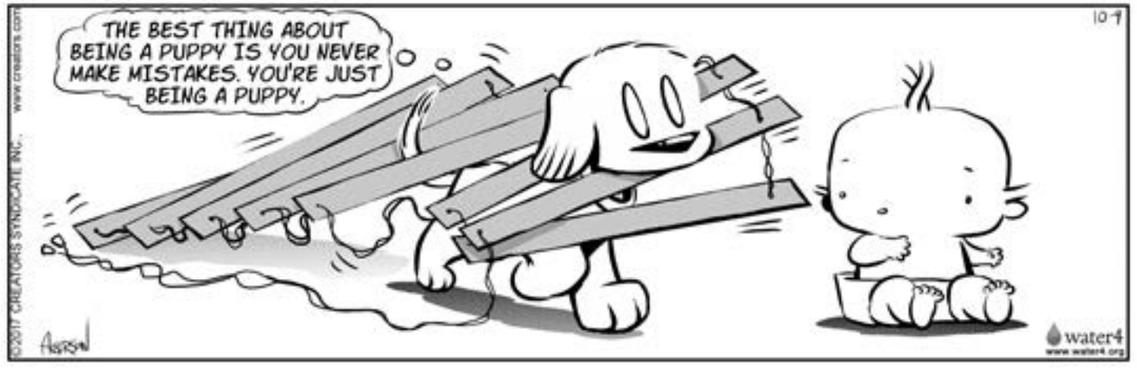
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THE BEST THING ABOUT BEING A PUPPY IS YOU NEVER MAKE MISTAKES. YOU'RE JUST BEING A PUPPY.
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10-17
HEY!
WHEN DID YOU START EATING WITH YOUR MOUTH CLOSED?!!
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GARF!
AAARMF!
NOTHING?
BAK!
PHEW! SO IT WAS ONLY A DREAM THAT I ATE DAD'S RECLINER.
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EXCUSE ME. THAT'S MY BED!
WELL, THAT'S TRUE. I DO USE YOUR BED A LOT. AND I GUESS IT WOULD BE OKAY TO SHARE MINE. YOU MAKE A GOOD-
BAK!
HEY! STOP USING BABY MIND TRICKS ON ME AND GET OUT OF MY BED!
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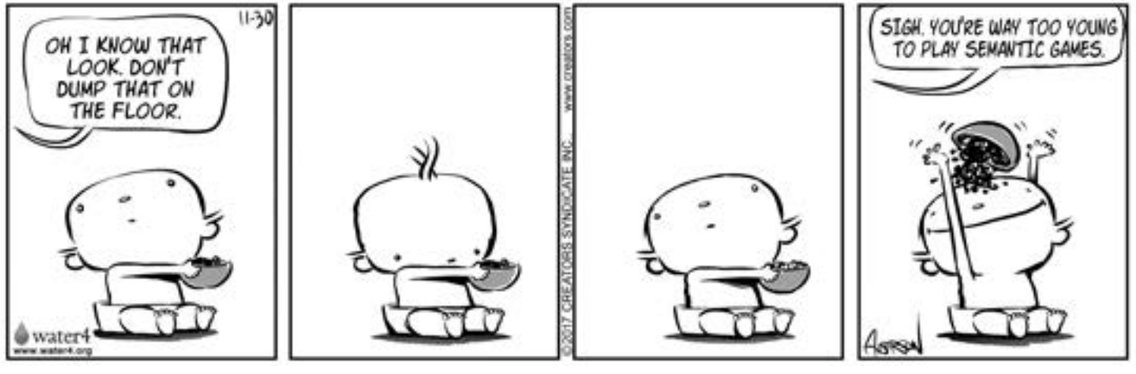
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OH I KNOW THAT LOOK. DON'T DUMP THAT ON THE FLOOR.
SIGH. YOU'RE WAY TOO YOUNG TO PLAY SEMANTIC GAMES.
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IN THE DEAD OF WINTER...
...THERE IS NO MERCY IN THE RANKS OF THE FOOD CHAIN.
TODAY, THE ALPHA WILL NOT STARVE.
12-1
OH! THERE'S MY SOCK. THANKS, SOPHIE.
THE LONE ALPHA CONTEMPLATES A LONG AND HARROWING WINTER.
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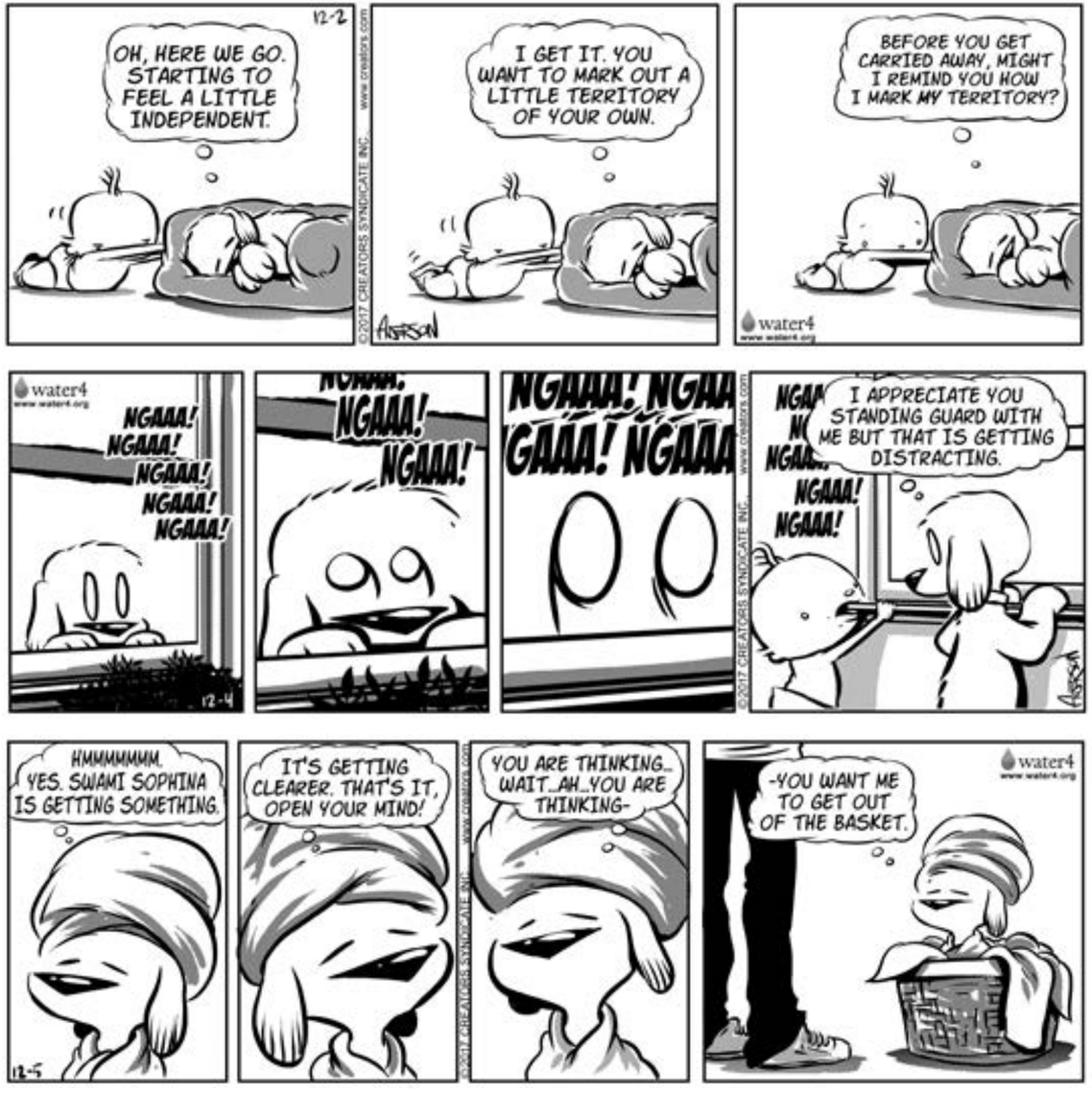
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OH, HERE WE GO. STARTING TO FEEL A LITTLE INDEPENDENT.
I GET IT. YOU WANT TO MARK OUT A LITTLE TERRITORY OF YOUR OWN.
BEFORE YOU GET CARRIED AWAY, MIGHT I REMIND YOU HOW I MARK MY TERRITORY?
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NGAAA!
12-4
I APPRECIATE YOU STANDING GUARD WITH ME BUT THAT IS GETTING DISTRACTING.
HMMMMMM. YES. SWAMI SOPHINA IS GETTING SOMETHING.
IT'S GETTING CLEARER. THAT'S IT, OPEN YOUR MIND!
YOU ARE THINKING... WAIT...AH...YOU ARE THINKING-
-YOU WANT ME TO GET OUT OF THE BASKET.
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12-3
DINK! DINK! DINK! DINK! DINK! DINK!
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SWIPE!
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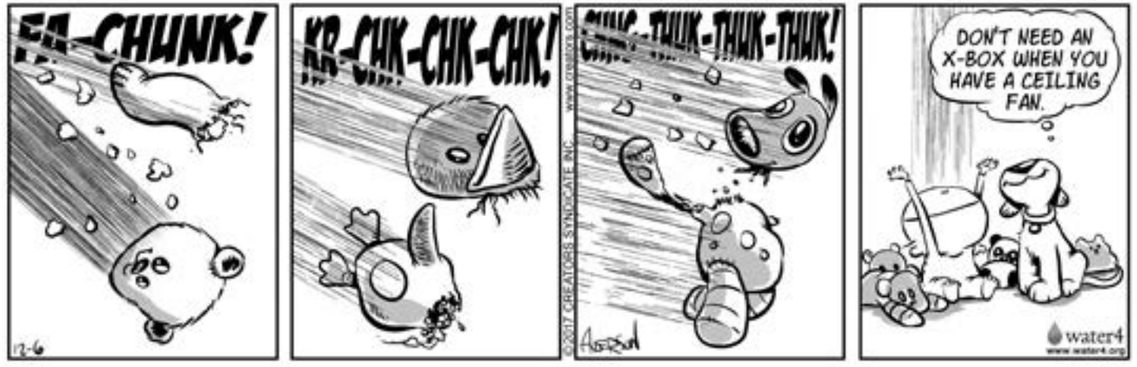
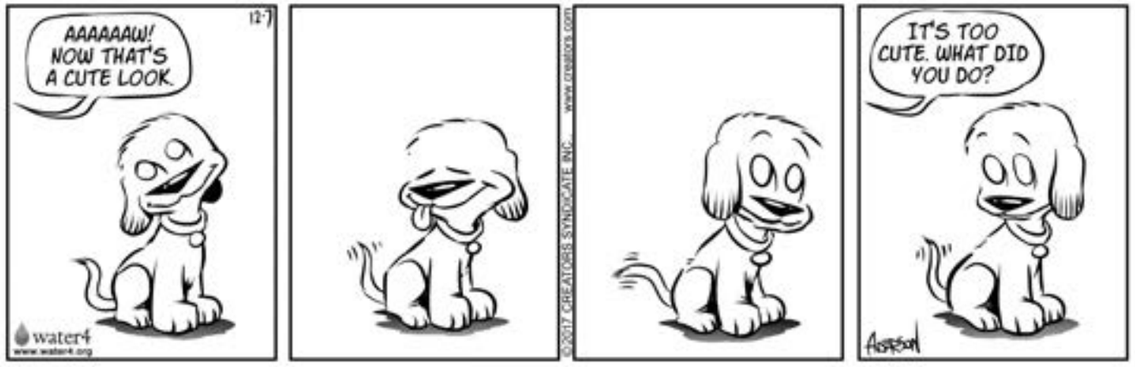
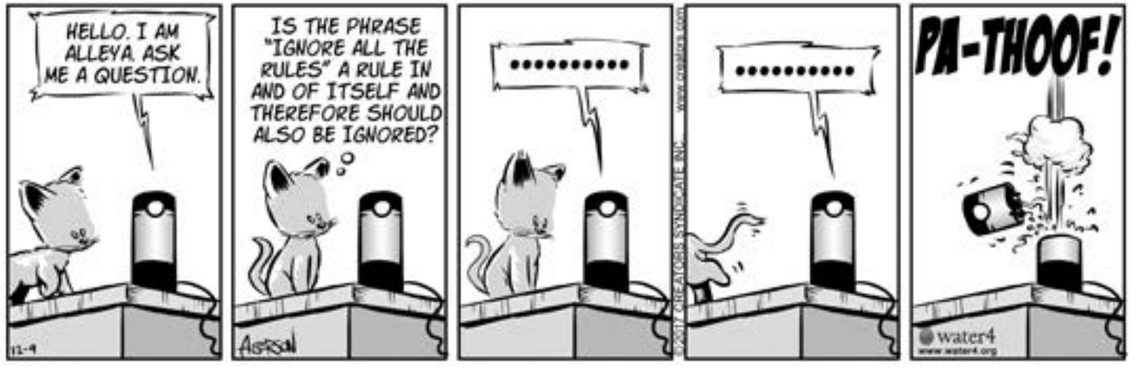
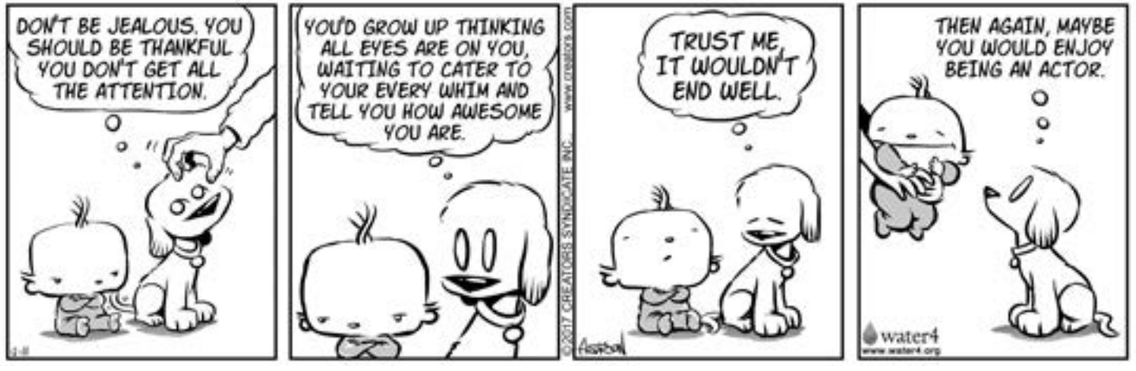
TAKE IT. THE THRILL OF THE CHASE IS GONE.









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YAWN!
CATS MIGHT ACTUALLY BE MORE TERRIFYING WHEN THEY'RE UNCONCIOUS.
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YOU DO REALIZE THE REST OF THE COUCH IS COMPLETELY FREE.
YES.
12-14
WOULDN'T YOU LOVE TO HAVE YOUR VERY OWN SPOT ON THE COUCH?
NAH. I'M GOOD.
AFTER MY NAP, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LONG DISCUSSION ABOUT SUBTEXT.
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12-15
HEY, DOUG. QUICK QUESTION.
IF YOU WERE A PEPPERONI STICK, WHERE WOULD YOU HIDE?
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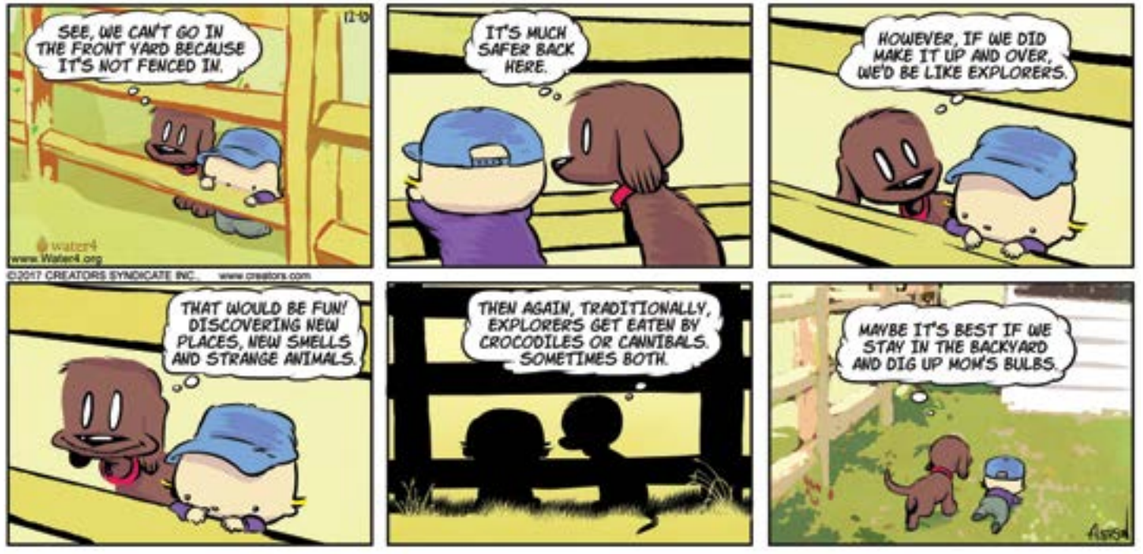
SEE, WE CAN'T GO IN THE FRONT YARD BECAUSE IT'S NOT FENCED IN.
12-16
IT'S MUCH SAFER BACK HERE.
HOWEVER, IF WE DID MAKE IT UP AND OVER, WE'D BE LIKE EXPLORERS.
THAT WOULD BE FUN! DISCOVERING NEW PLACES, NEW SMELLS AND STRANGE ANIMALS.
THEN AGAIN, TRADITIONALLY, EXPLORERS GET EATEN BY CROCODILES OR CANNIBALS. SOMETIMES BOTH.
MAYBE IT'S BEST IF WE STAY IN THE BACKYARD AND DIG UP MOM'S BULBS.
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12-16
READY FOR YOUR NAP?
TELL YOU WHAT, IF YOU CAN WHIP ME UP A CAPPUCCINO, YOU CAN SKIP NAP TIME.
TRUST ME. THAT'S A DEBATE I WOULD LOVE TO LOSE.
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SOPHIE, ARE YOU GOING TO SLEEP ALL DAY?
NOT IF YOU KEEP ASKING ME THAT EVERY TWENTY MINUTES.
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UH-UNH, DOUG!
DON'T WORRY, SOMEDAY YOU'LL BE BIG ENOUGH TO REACH EVERYTHING.
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RAARF! RAARF! RAARF!
RAARF! RAARF! RAARF!
SOPHIE, BARKING AT THE BALL ISN'T GOING TO GET IT OUT.
SEEMS TO WORK FOR ME.
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THESE BOOKS WITH CUTE DRAGONS MAKE ME SICK.
SERIOUSLY, THEY SHOULD ALL BE ONE PAGE LONG: "THE DRAGON TORCHED THE TOWN AND FEASTED ON FRIED PEASANTS. THE END".
THE AUTHOR IS GOING TO HAVE QUITE THE LAWSUIT WHEN KIDS RUN AROUND THINKING THEY CAN PET DRAGONS WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE.
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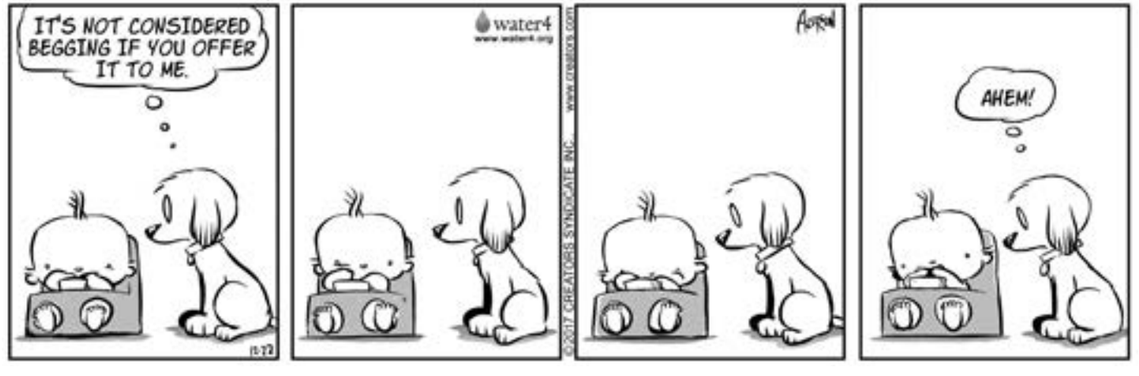
IT'S NOT CONSIDERED BEGGING IF YOU OFFER IT TO ME.
AHEM!
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12-17
WHAT DO YOU SEE?
BAK!
A GREAT DARKNESS?!!
BAK!
AND IT'S DEVOURING EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH?
WHAT DO WE DO? DO WE RUN? SHOULD WE TELL MOM?!! SHOULD WE-
-TRY USING THE BINOCULARS WITH OUR EYES OPEN?
BAK.
MY PLEASURE, NOSTRADAMUS.
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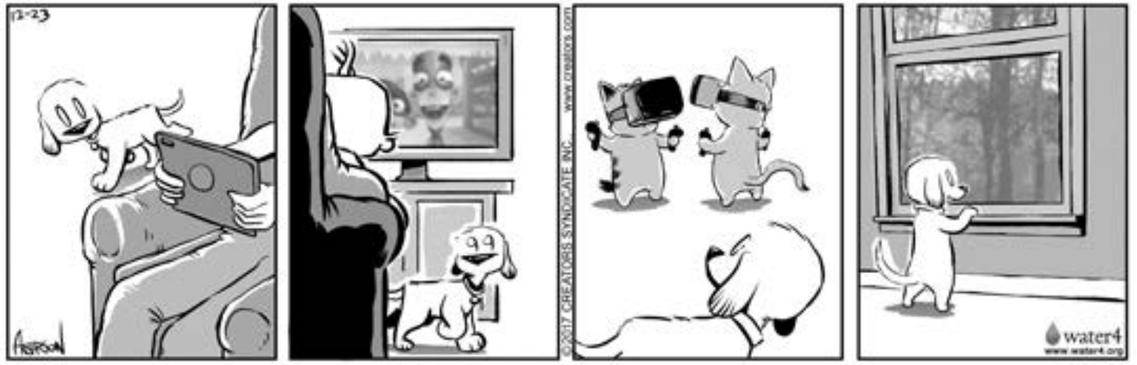
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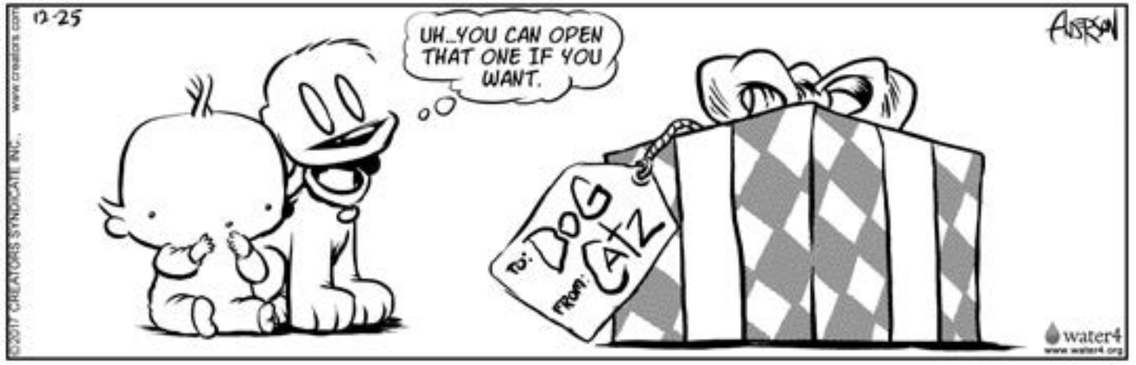
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UH...YOU CAN OPEN THAT ONE IF YOU WANT.
TO: DOG
FROM: CATZ
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A SHARP WINTER BREEZE REFRESHES YOUR SOUL.
BRRR! THAT SHOULD BE GOOD FOR NOW.
LET'S GET YOU INSIDE SO YOU CAN COOL DOWN.
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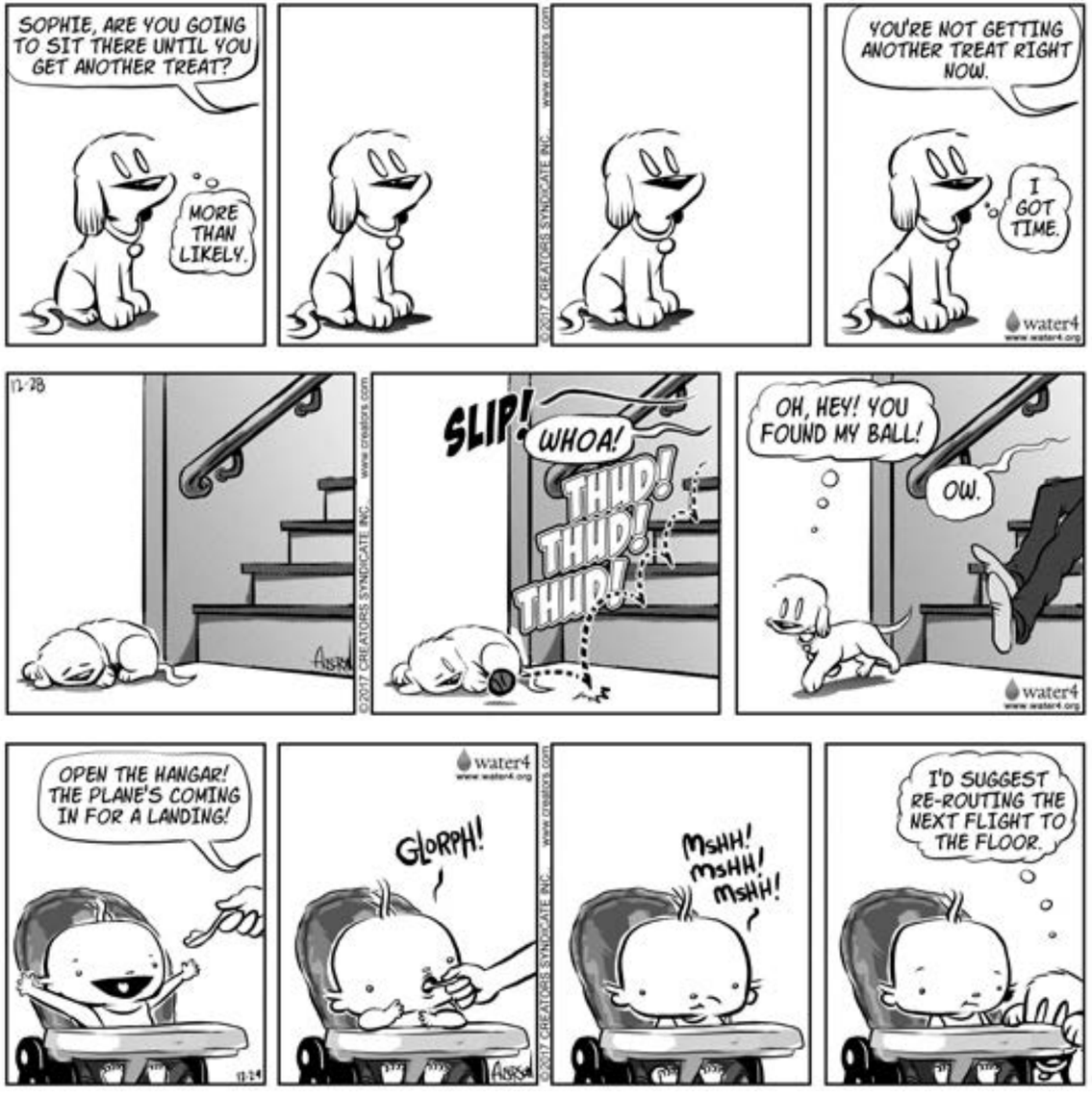
SOPHIE, ARE YOU GOING TO SIT THERE UNTIL YOU GET ANOTHER TREAT?
MORE THAN LIKELY.
YOU'RE NOT GETTING ANOTHER TREAT RIGHT NOW.
I GOT TIME.
12-28
SLIP!
WHOA!
THUD! THUD! THUD!
OH, HEY! YOU FOUND MY BALL!
OW.
OPEN THE HANGAR! THE PLANE'S COMING IN FOR A LANDING!
GLORPH!
MSHH! MSHH! MSHH!
I'D SUGGEST RE-ROUTING THE NEXT FLIGHT TO THE FLOOR.
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LOOK. I'VE GOT A JOB TO DO AND YOU'VE GOT YOUR JOB TO DO.
SO JUST LEAVE THE COOKIES OR IT'S GOING TO GET REAL LOUD, REAL FAST.
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READY?
SOOOOOOO BIG!
NOT YET. READY?
SOOOOOOO BIG!
HEY, LITTLE PRO TIP FOR YOU: DON'T DO ANY STUPID TRICKS UNLESS TREATS ARE INVOLVED.
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SOPHIE, DON'T YOU DARE STEAL THAT SOCK.
THESE WILL HAVE TO DO. SHE'S ON TO US.
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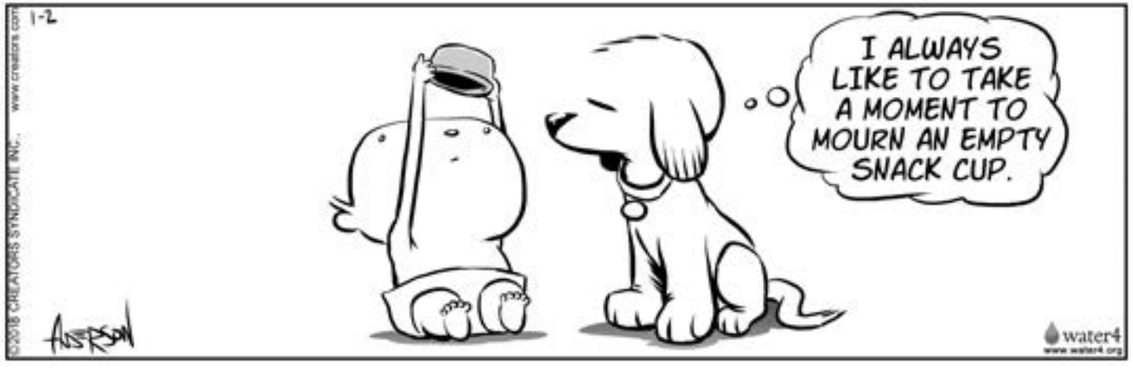
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I ALWAYS LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO MOURN AN EMPTY SNACK CUP.
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SOMEDAYS YOU WANT TO CHARGE OUTSIDE AND GRAB DESTINY BY THE SCRUFF!
TO RELEASE A ROAR SO LOUD THAT NOTHING WOULD DARE STEP INTO YOUR PATH TO GLORY!
JUST TO BE CLEAR, TODAY IS NOT THAT DAY.
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BAK!
SORRY, BUD. NOT GETTING THOSE. TOO JUNKY.
BAK!
NO, DOUG. YOU HAVE TO LEARN NOT TO LIKE STUFF JUST BECAUSE IT HAS A CARTOON CHARACTER ON IT.
HE SAID WHAT?!!
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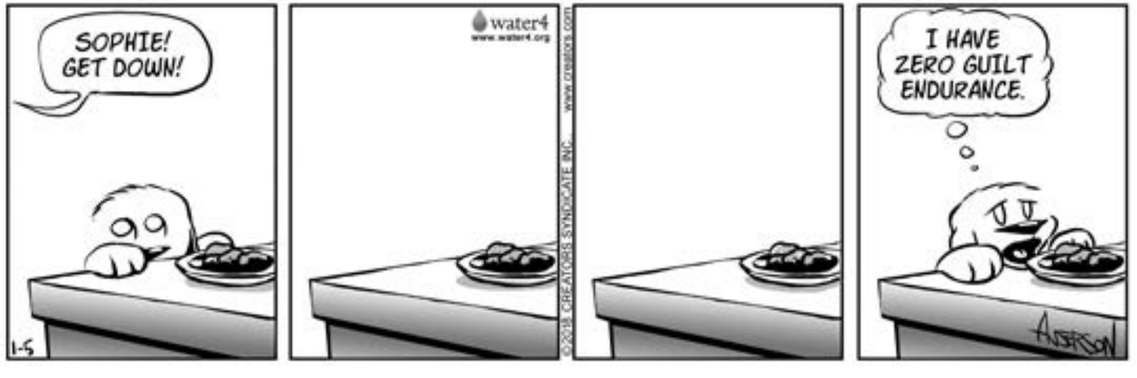
SOPHIE! GET DOWN!
I HAVE ZERO GUILT ENDURANCE.
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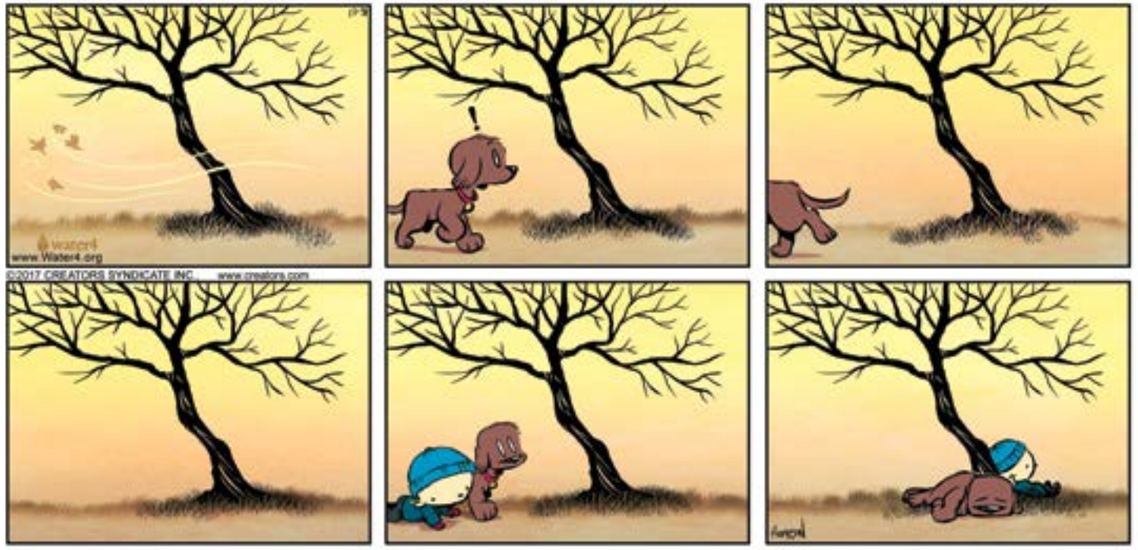
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SHMOOMF!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN WE'RE OUT OF BABY MACE?
I HAD TO EMPTY THE LAST BOTTLE YESTERDAY. HE GOT EXTRA HUGGY.
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BAK!
OH, I WASN'T THINKING ABOUT ANYTHING.
I JUST FELL ASLEEP STARING AT THE DOUGHNUTS ON THE COUNTER.
SOPHIE! WHERE ARE YOU GOING WITH MY DISH TOWEL?
OH. AH. WELL. UM. HMMM.
IF I GET IT RIGHT, DO I GET TO KEEP IT?

DOUG, DO YOU PLAN ON GETTING ANY IN YOUR MOUTH?
YOU JUST KEEP ON KEEPIN' ON. DON'T LET THEM CRUSH YOUR STYLE.
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WHAT THE?!!
GOT YOU A HARNESS.
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IT'LL KEEP YOU FROM PULLING. C'MON, LET'S GO FOR A WALK.
I MUST SAY, IT'S QUITE COMFY!
SOPHIE!

I KINDA MISS THE OLD WAY OF THROWING ACORNS AT THE DOG.
QUIET! I'M ADJUSTING THE LASER TARGETING SYSTEM.
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EVERY CAR SOUNDS THE SAME THESE DAYS.

I'VE ALREADY GOTTEN IN TROUBLE FOR CHEWING UP A DISH TOWEL...
...AND SHREDDING ONE OF DAD'S SANDMAN COMICS.
SO I'M GIVING MOM AND DAD THE SILENT TREATMENT TODAY.
THAT'LL SHOW THEM.
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BAK! ROORF!
BAK! ROORF!
BAK! ROORF!
GUYS! GUYS! WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU TWO FIGHTING ABOUT?
OH. I DON'T KNOW. WE COULDN'T KEEP TRACK BECAUSE OF THE NOISE.
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1-17
GOTTA TELL YA, YOU'RE NOT MISSING OUT ON THE WHOLE WALKING THING.
MAKES MY PAWS TINGLE.
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BAK!
ROORF!
BAK!
ROORF!
SOMETIMES I WISH THEY COULD TEXT.
1-18
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1-19
HEY! WHAT'RE YOU DOING WITH MY BOWL?!!
BAK!
OH. THAT'S TRUE. YOU CAN'T SEE SO I GUESS YOU DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS THERE.
SORRY.
NOW HANG ON A MINUTE!
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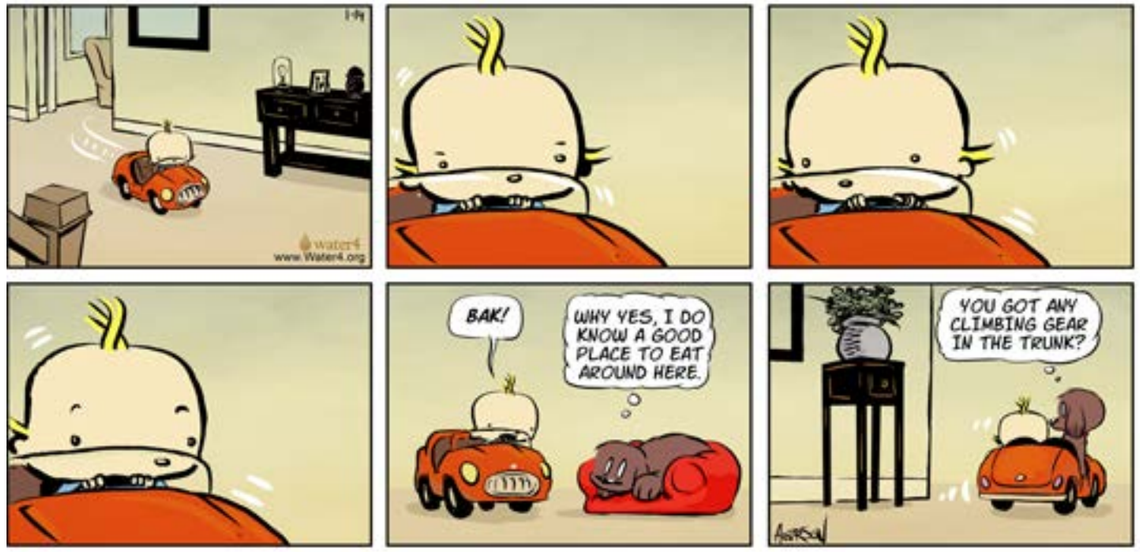
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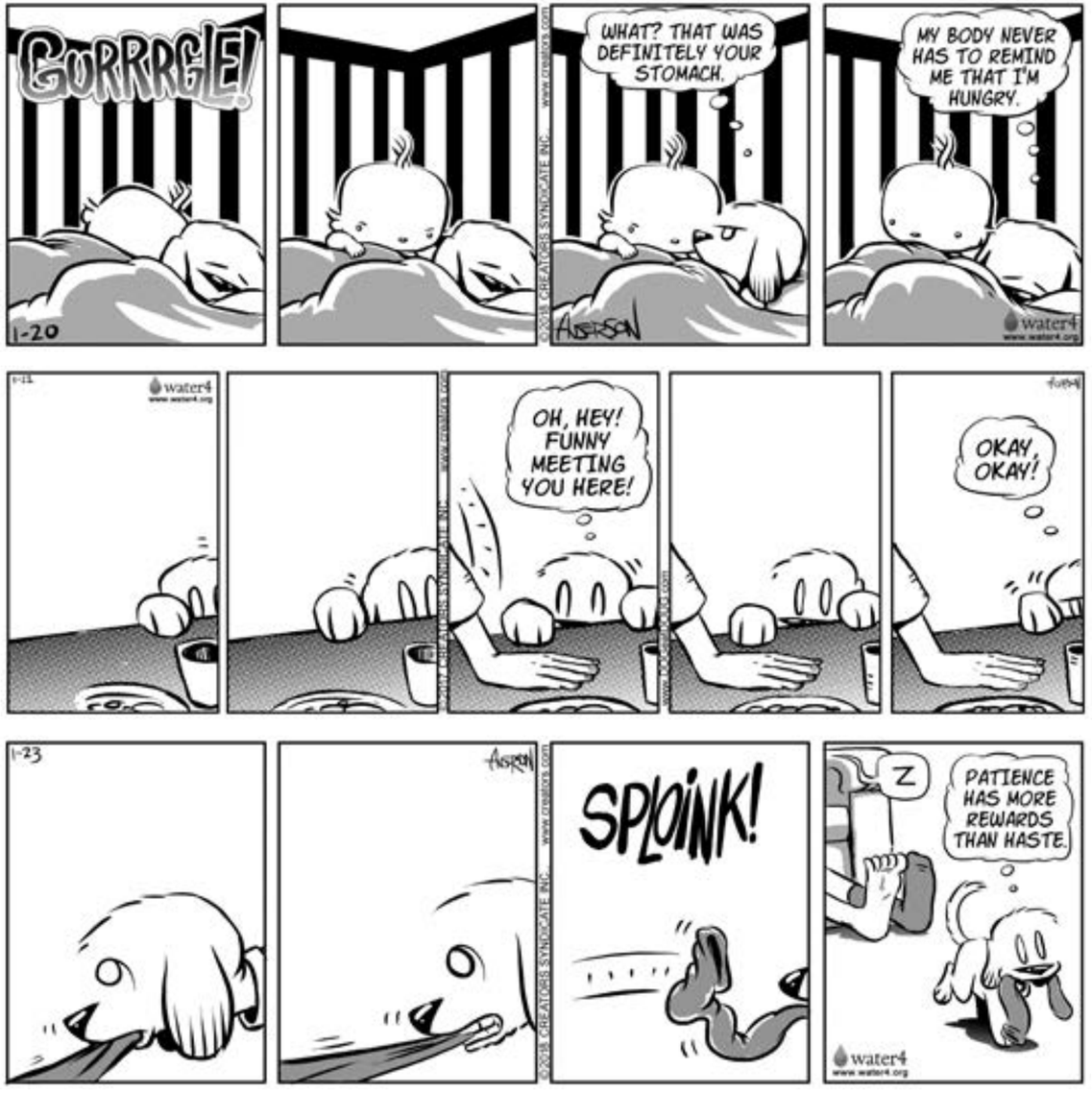
BAK!
WHY YES, I DO KNOW A GOOD PLACE TO EAT AROUND HERE.
YOU GOT ANY CLIMBING GEAR IN THE TRUNK?


GORRRGLE!
1-20
WHAT? THAT WAS DEFINITELY YOUR STOMACH.
MY BODY NEVER HAS TO REMIND ME THAT I'M HUNGRY.
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1-22
OH, HEY! FUNNY MEETING YOU HERE!
OKAY, OKAY!
1-23
SPLOINK!
Z
PATIENCE HAS MORE REWARDS THAN HASTE.

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1-24
AREN'T YOU EVEN GOING TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FACT THAT I'M IGNORING YOU?

IF YOU LOOK EXTRA CUTE AT THE DRIVE-THROUGH, THEY GIVE YOU FREE STUFF!
1-25
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HEY, WHERE'S MY FREE BURGER?
SOPHIE! STAY IN THE BACK, PLEASE.
TINTED WINDOWS ARE STUPID.
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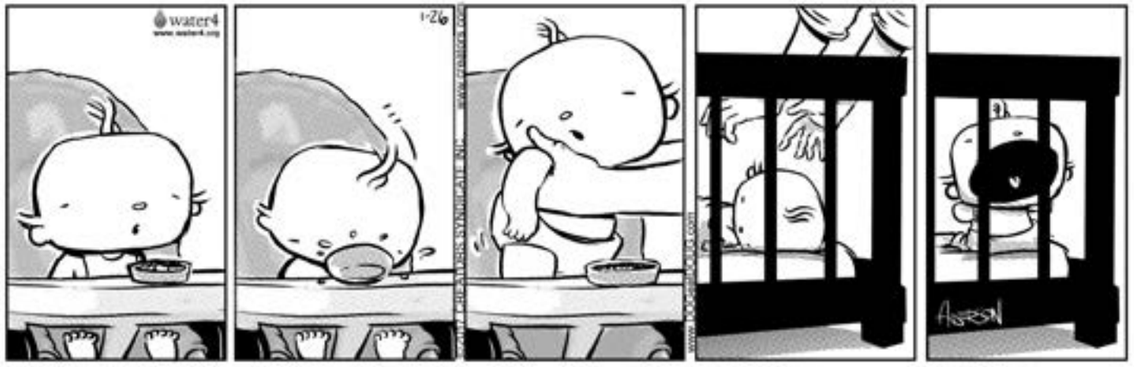
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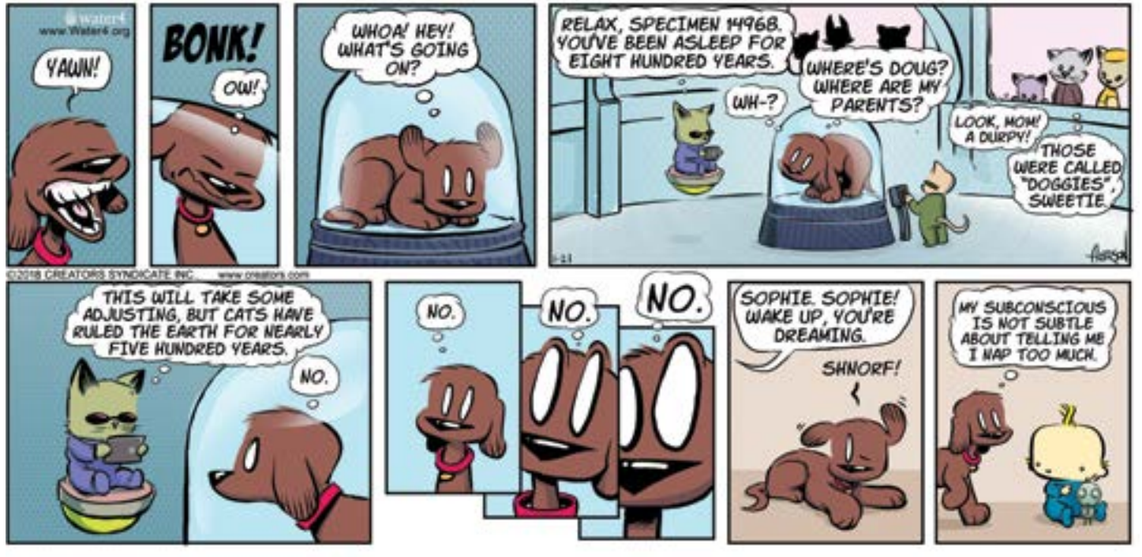
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YAWN!
BONK!
OW!
WHOA! HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON?
RELAX, SPECIMEN 14968. YOU'VE BEEN ASLEEP FOR EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS.
WH-?
WHERE'S DOUG? WHERE ARE MY PARENTS?
LOOK, MOM! A DURPY!
THOSE WERE CALLED "DOGGIES", SWEETIE.
1-23
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THIS WILL TAKE SOME ADJUSTING, BUT CATS HAVE RULED THE EARTH FOR NEARLY FIVE HUNDRED YEARS.
NO.
NO.
NO.
NO.
SOPHIE. SOPHIE! WAKE UP, YOU'RE DREAMING.
SHNORF!
MY SUBCONSCIOUS IS NOT SUBTLE ABOUT TELLING ME I NAP TOO MUCH.

MAYBE DAD'S RIGHT. I SHOULDN'T BARK AT THE MAIL LADY.
1-27
SHE'S JUST DOING HER JOB.
AND SHE PROVIDES A VALUABLE SERVICE.
TO BE FAIR THOUGH, DAD COMPLAINS A LOT ABOUT ALL THE JUNK MAIL SHE DELIVERS.
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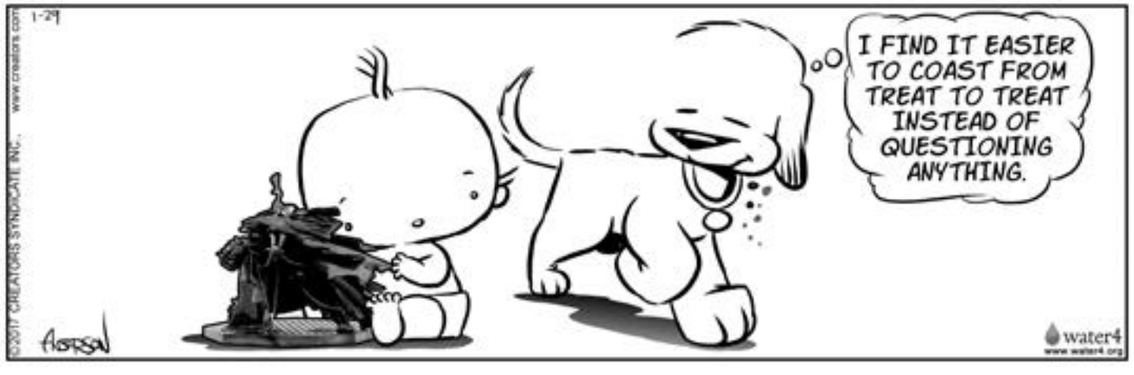
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I FIND IT EASIER TO COAST FROM TREAT TO TREAT INSTEAD OF QUESTIONING ANYTHING.
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1-30
HEY! DID YOU HEAR THAT?
SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE OPENING A CAN OF TUNA!
NO. IT MIGHT BE DAD TRYING TO RIP OPEN A CASE OF HOT DOGS.
WAIT.
NOPE. JUST SOMETHING TRYING TO SCRATCH ITS WAY THROUGH THE DOOR.
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1-31
DUDE, I'M WORKING HERE!
I'M NEVER GOING TO GET ANYTHING WITH YOU SITTING THERE.
YOU DON'T SEE ME SLIDING INTO YOUR HIGH-CHAIR WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO GET SOME PUDDING.
OKAY, BAD EXAMPLE. BUT THAT DOESN'T INVALIDATE MY INITIAL POINT.
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CHOMP!
YOW!
YOU CAN'T BITE THE HAND THAT FEEDS YOU BUT YOU CAN NIP AT THE ONE THAT ANNOYS YOU.

2-2
SEE THAT RIGHT THERE? MOM DIDN'T PUSH THE DOUGHNUT BOX BACK.
THAT'S HER SECRET CODE TELLING ME I CAN SNATCH ONE WHEN DAD ISN'T WATCHING.
MIND YOU, I DON'T NEED TO MAKE THIS STUFF UP TO JUSTIFY TAKING ONE.
BUT A LITTLE INTRIGUE MAKES FRENCH CRULLERS TASTE THAT MUCH BETTER.
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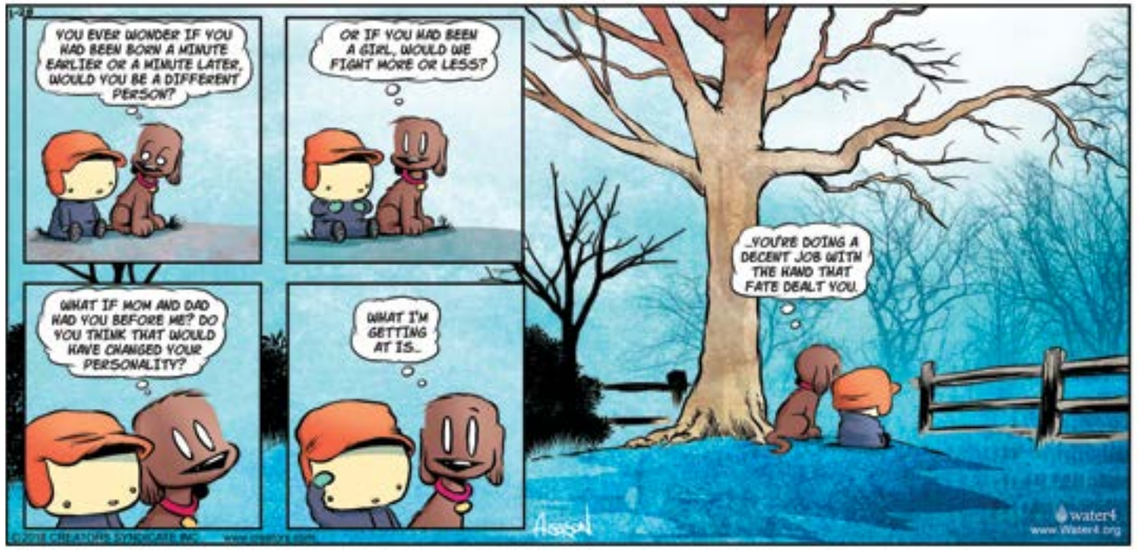
YOU EVER WONDER IF YOU HAD BEEN BORN A MINUTE EARLIER OR A MINUTE LATER, WOULD YOU BE A DIFFERENT PERSON?
OR IF YOU HAD BEEN A GIRL, WOULD WE FIGHT MORE OR LESS?
WHAT IF MOM AND DAD HAD YOU BEFORE ME? DO YOU THINK THAT WOULD HAVE CHANGED YOUR PERSONALITY?
WHAT I'M GETTING AT IS..
..YOU'RE DOING A DECENT JOB WITH THE HAND THAT FATE DEALT YOU.
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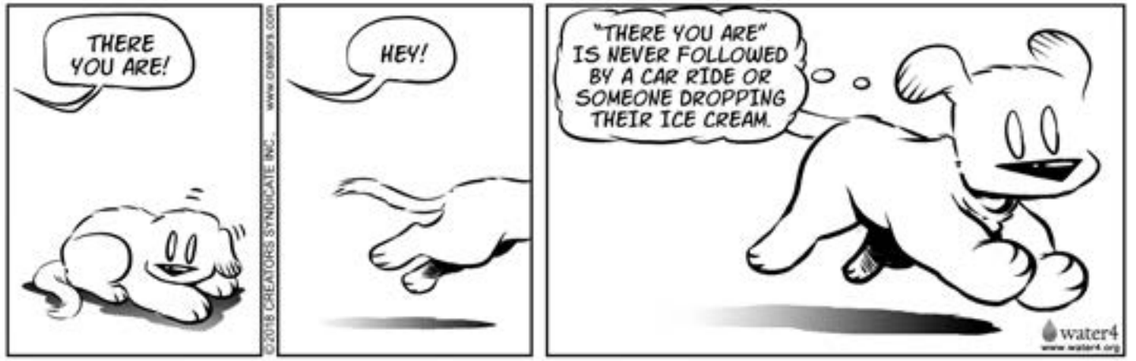
THERE YOU ARE!
HEY!
"THERE YOU ARE" IS NEVER FOLLOWED BY A CAR RIDE OR SOMEONE DROPPING THEIR ICE CREAM.
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ALMOST HAD A LIFE CHANGING MOMENT THIS MORNING.
I THOUGHT I WAS CONTEMPLATING THE MEANING OF IT ALL. THE FETCHING, THE TREATS, THE WALKS THE CAR RIDES. AND THEN, RIGHT WHEN I THOUGH I HAD THE ANSWER-
-IT WAS NAP TIME.
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BAK!
YOU WANT TO TRADE?
I DON'T KNOW. WHAT DOES IT DO?
BAK!
REALLY? RUNS SUPER FAST AND PROTECTS CENTRAL CITY FROM META-HUMANS?
DEAL!
MINE JUST SQUEAKS.
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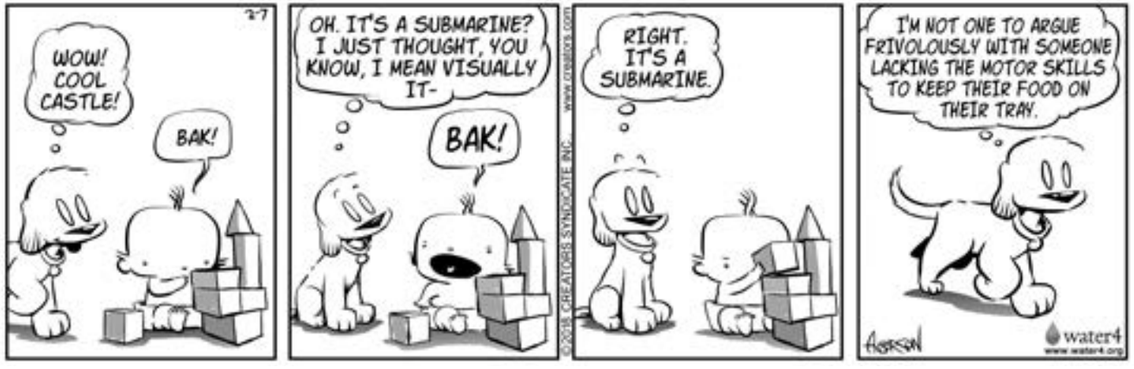
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WOW! COOL CASTLE!
BAK!
OH. IT'S A SUBMARINE? I JUST THOUGHT, YOU KNOW, I MEAN VISUALLY IT-
BAK!
RIGHT. IT'S A SUBMARINE.
I'M NOT ONE TO ARGUE FRIVOLOUSLY WITH SOMEONE LACKING THE MOTOR SKILLS TO KEEP THEIR FOOD ON THEIR TRAY.
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HEAR THAT? THAT CREAK IS DAD'S CHAIR WHEN HE GETS UP TO GRAB THE REMOTE.
AND THAT CREAK IS DAD LEANING OVER TO GRAB HIS GLASSES OFF THE SIDE TABLE.
AND THAT CREAK IS MY CUE! THAT'S DAD GOING TO GET A SNACK DURING THE COMMERCIAL.
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YOU HAVE TO STICK BY YOUR FRIENDS WHETHER THEY HAVE SHADE OR NOT.
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SOPHIE!
LITTLE MISS, YOU HAVE TO STAY OFF THE COUNTERS, GOT IT?
SURE.
I DON'T THINK YOU GET IT.
PROBABLY NOT.
OKAY, I'M LEAVING THE KITCHEN. YOU STAY OFF THE COUNTERS.
RIGHT. GET ON THE COUNTER UNTIL YOU COME BACK.
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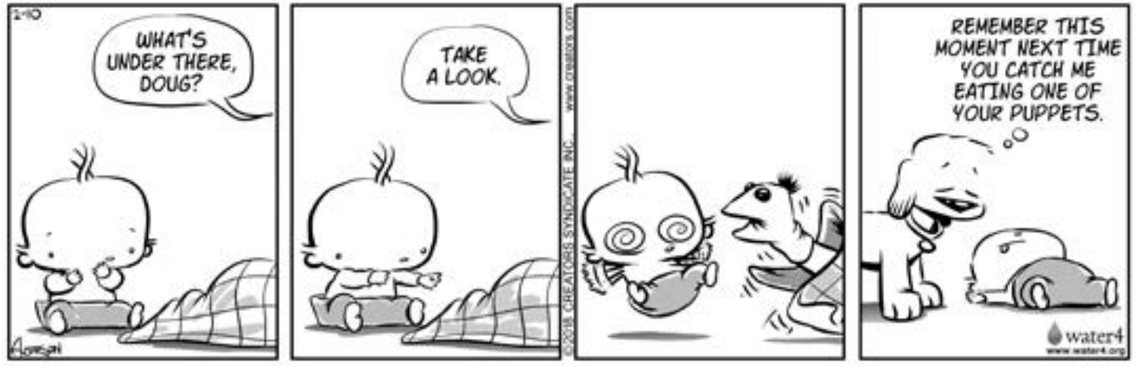
SOPHIE!!!
WHAT DID I JUST TELL YOU?!!
I'M GOING TO BE PERFECTLY HONEST. I HEARD "COUNTER" AND "YOU'RE LEAVING".
I WAS DISTRACTED BY THE DOUGHNUTS.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WHAT'S UNDER THERE, DOUG?
TAKE A LOOK.
REMEMBER THIS MOMENT NEXT TIME YOU CATCH ME EATING ONE OF YOUR PUPPETS.
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EVER STARE AT YOUR PAW SO LONG YOU THINK IT'S NOT YOURS?
AND AT ANY MOMENT IT'S GOING TO GRAB YOUR FACE AND DRAG YOU DOWN THE STAIRS, THEN-
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WHAT? I DON'T DO IT. I'M JUST ASKING.
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SOPHIE, ARE YOU HANGING OUT WITH ME BECAUSE YOU LOVE ME OR BECAUSE YOU WANT MY B.L.T.?
DAD GOT ALL PHILOSOPHICAL AND RUINED BACON.
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SCRITCH! SCRITCH! SCRITCH!
YOU DISGUST ME.
SCRITCH! SCRITCH! SCRITCH!
I CAN LIVE WITH DISGUST. I CANNOT LIVE WITHOUT A GOOD SCRITCHING.
SCRITCH! SCRITCH! SCRITCH!
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MORNIN'!
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GOOD HEAVENS, BROTHER! I SHALL FETCH THE DECONTAMINATION KIT!
WAIT. I RATHER ENJOYED THAT.
RIGHT. I'LL GRAB THE LOBOTOMY KIT TOO.
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CREEEK!
WAIT! YOU FORGOT YOUR TURKISH DELIGHTS!
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GUYS!
THAT'S ENOUGH HORSE PLAY!
I'M A DRAGON. YOU?
BAK!
KING KONG? COOL WE'RE GOOD.
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BAK!
THEY'RE NOT GOING TO OFFER YOU GRATED CHEESE. NOW ARE YOU GOING TO EAT THAT OR NOT?
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FIRST WE PUT IN SOME FROZEN BANANAS
RIGHT.
NEXT, SOME KALE
IF YOU SAY SO.
I DON'T THINK THAT'S A REAL WORD.
THEN AN AVOCADO.
AND SOME PEANUT BUTTER.
OOOOO!
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NOW SOME COCONUT MILK.
WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT?
JUST NEED TO BLEND IT UP AND I HAVE MY SMOOTHIE.
KIND OF SHOCKING THAT HE GETS GROSSED OUT BY THE STUFF I EAT.

WHAT'S ON THE MENU TODAY?
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BAK!
SAUSAGE SASHIMI?
WOW! YOU ARE GOING TO REVOLUTIONIZE THE CULINARY ARTS WHEN YOU GROW UP.
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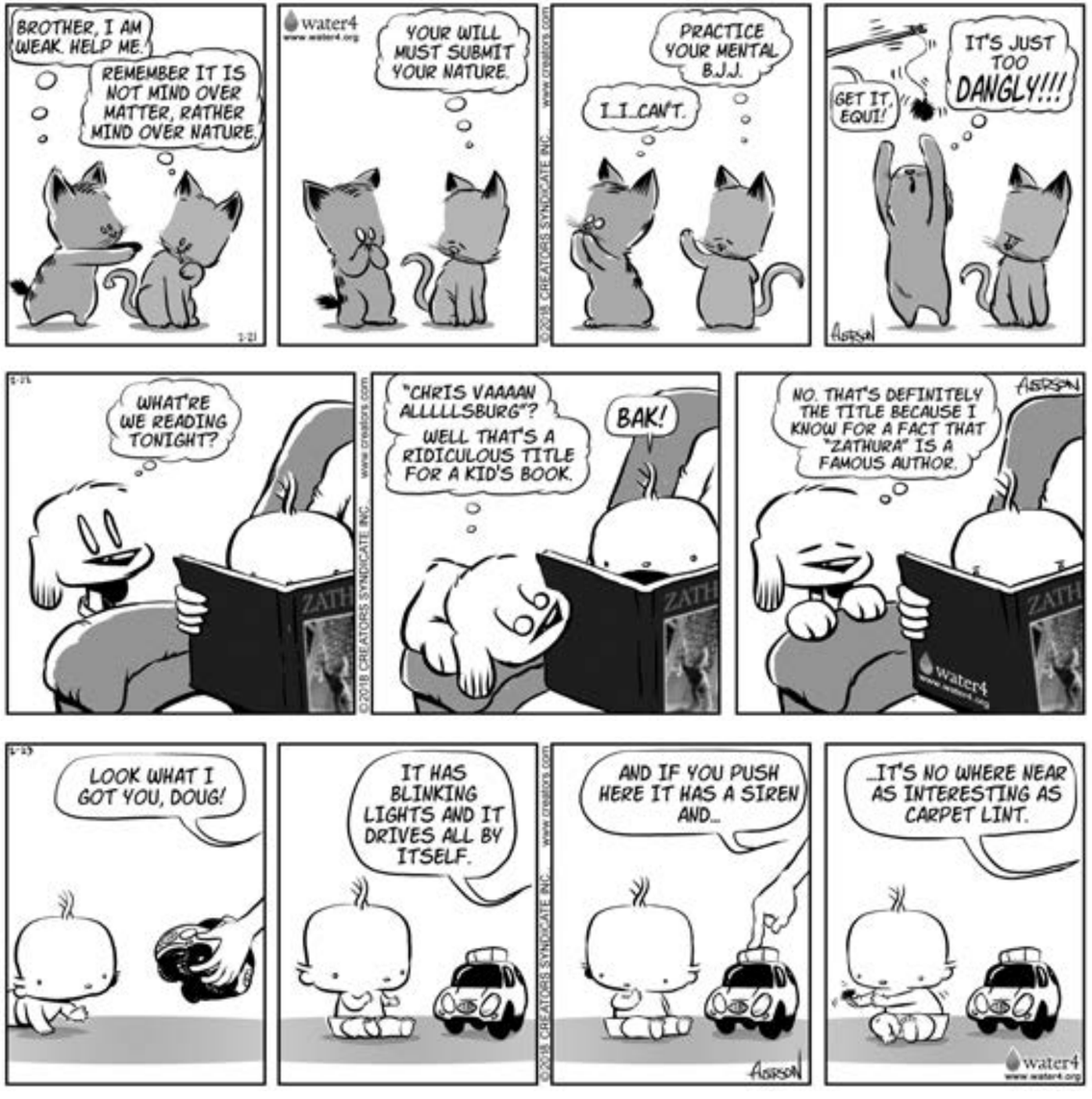
BROTHER, I AM WEAK. HELP ME.
REMEMBER IT IS NOT MIND OVER MATTER, RATHER MIND OVER NATURE.
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YOUR WILL MUST SUBMIT YOUR NATURE.
PRACTICE YOUR MENTAL B.J.J.
I...I...CAN'T.
GET IT, EQUI!
IT'S JUST TOO DANGLY!!!
WHAT'RE WE READING TONIGHT?
"CHRIS VAAAAN ALLLLLSBURG"?
WELL THAT'S A RIDICULOUS TITLE FOR A KID'S BOOK.
BAK!
NO. THAT'S DEFINITELY THE TITLE BECAUSE I KNOW FOR A FACT THAT "ZATHURA" IS A FAMOUS AUTHOR.
LOOK WHAT I GOT YOU, DOUG!
IT HAS BLINKING LIGHTS AND IT DRIVES ALL BY ITSELF.
AND IF YOU PUSH HERE IT HAS A SIREN AND...
...IT'S NO WHERE NEAR AS INTERESTING AS CARPET LINT.
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WHAT'RE YOU GUYS DOING?
WE'RE HAVING A "NORMAL DAY".
WHAT'S THAT?
ONCE A MONTH WE TAKE A DAY OFF FROM BEING COMPLETELY CRAZY.
YES. NO JITTERING ABOUT, SWITCHING DIRECTIONS EVERY THREE SECONDS.
AND NO PLAYING CHICKEN WITH CARS OR KNITTING LEG WARMERS FOR PENGUINS.
WHY DON'T YOU JOIN US FOR A SHENANIGANS FREE CUP OF TEA!
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REALLY?
ABSOLUTELY!
THAT'S WHAT THIS DAY IS ALL ABOUT. HAVING REASONABLE CONVERSATION WITH FRIENDS.
WELL, OKAY.
AAAAAH! NOT THERE!
YOU ALMOST CRUSHED LANCELOT, OUR INVISIBLE, MINIATURE YETI
GREAT! YOU SCARED HIM INTO THE FLOATING BUTTER MUFFIN. IT'LL TAKE US ALL AFTERNOON TO TALK HIM DOWN.
SHOULD'VE SEEN THIS COMING.
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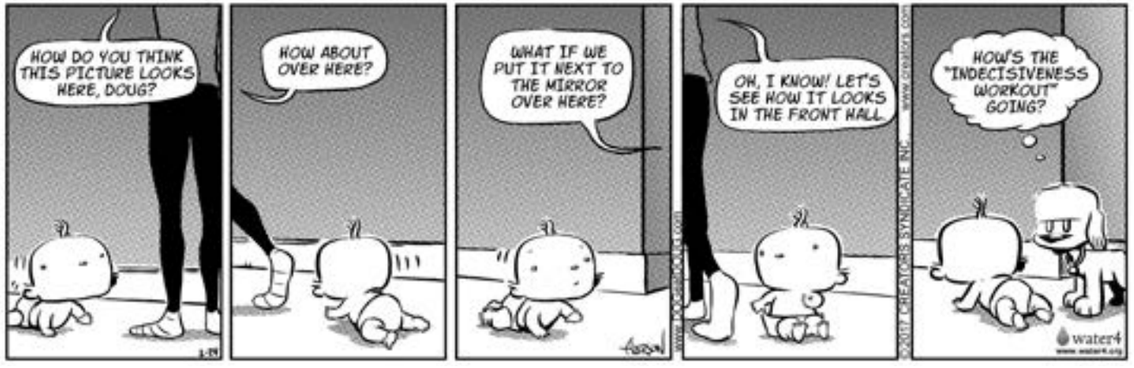
HOW DO YOU THINK THIS PICTURE LOOKS HERE, DOUG?
HOW ABOUT OVER HERE?
WHAT IF WE PUT IT NEXT TO THE MIRROR OVER HERE?
OH, I KNOW! LET'S SEE HOW IT LOOKS IN THE FRONT HALL.
HOW'S THE "INDECISIVENESS WORKOUT" GOING?
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OH, HI!
COULD WE GO OVER THAT THING YOU SAID, LIKE THIS MORNING, YOU KNOW, ABOUT ME BEING SO RIDICULOUSLY CUTE?
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DID YOU HAVE WILDFLOWERS FOR BREAKFAST OR DID MOM GET A NEW FABRIC SOFTENER?
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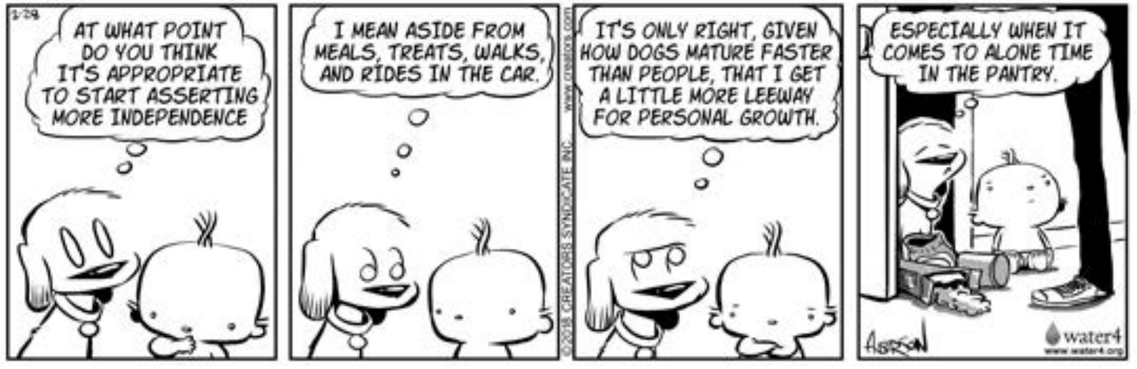
AT WHAT POINT DO YOU THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO START ASSERTING MORE INDEPENDENCE
I MEAN ASIDE FROM MEALS, TREATS, WALKS, AND RIDES IN THE CAR.
IT'S ONLY RIGHT, GIVEN HOW DOGS MATURE FASTER THAN PEOPLE, THAT I GET A LITTLE MORE LEEWAY FOR PERSONAL GROWTH.
ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO ALONE TIME IN THE PANTRY.
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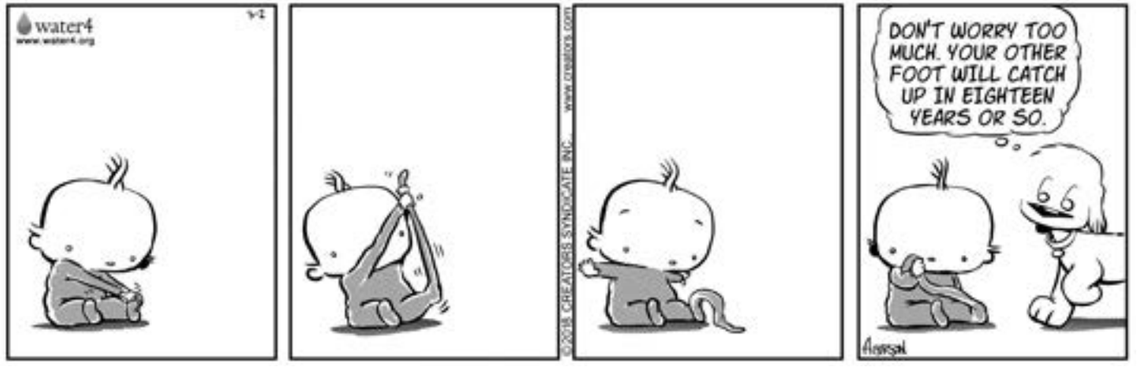
RAR.
AAAAAH!
REALLY, THAT'S IT? LOOK, IF I'M GOING TO GET ANY GLORY OUT OF SLAYING YOU, YOU HAVE TO BRING YOUR "A" GAME.
I MEAN, YOU'RE WEARING A DIAPER AND THERE'S DRIED YOUGURT ON YOUR ARM. STEP IT UP.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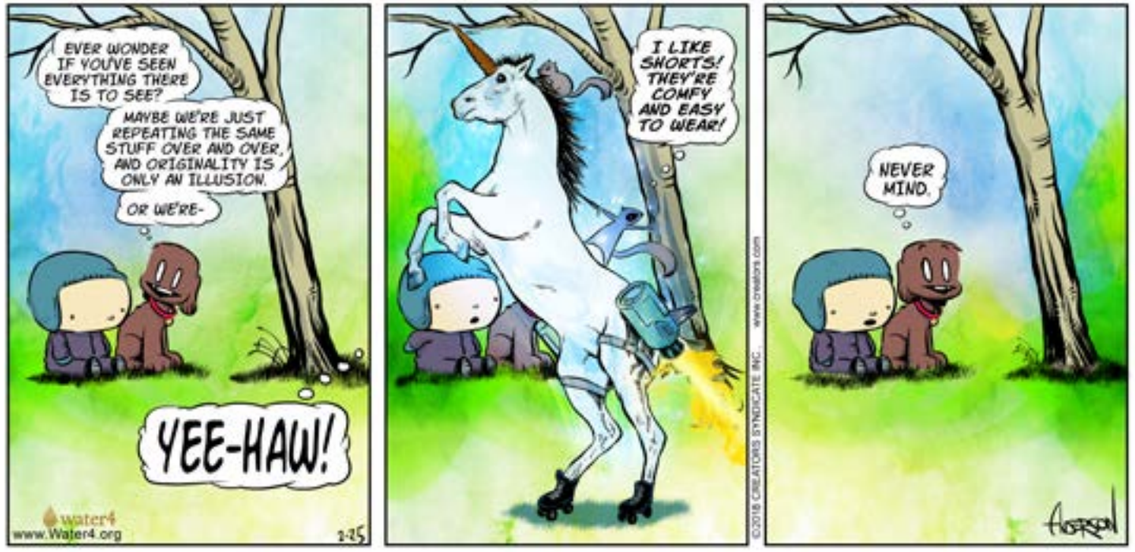
DON'T WORRY TOO MUCH. YOUR OTHER FOOT WILL CATCH UP IN EIGHTEEN YEARS OR SO.


EVER WONDER IF YOU'VE SEEN EVERYTHING THERE IS TO SEE?
MAYBE WE'RE JUST REPEATING THE SAME STUFF OVER AND OVER, AND ORIGINALITY IS ONLY AN ILLUSION.
OR WE'RE-
YEE-HAW!
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I LIKE SHORTS! THEY'RE COMFY AND EASY TO WEAR!
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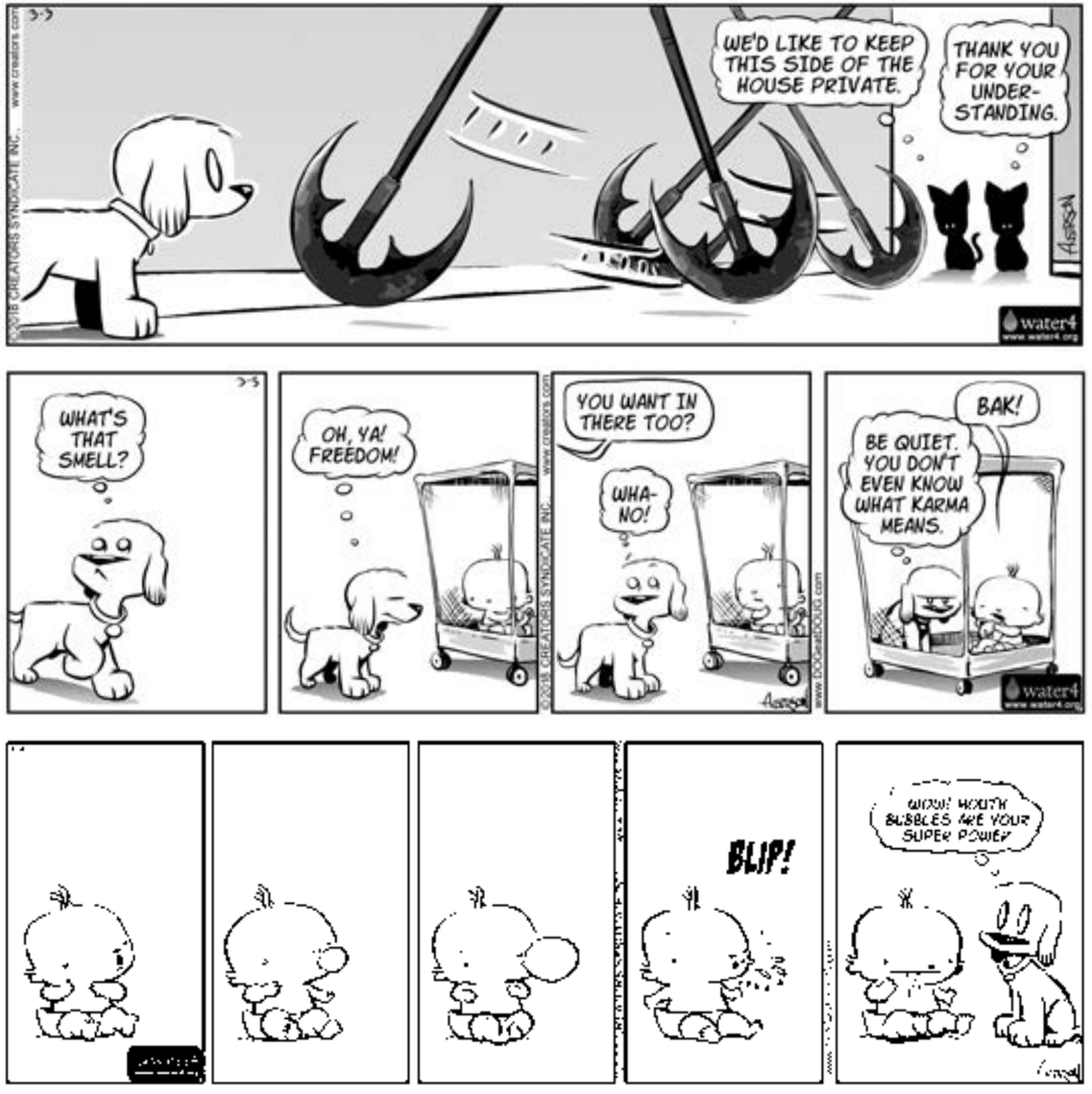
NEVER MIND.


WE'D LIKE TO KEEP THIS SIDE OF THE HOUSE PRIVATE.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDER-STANDING.
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WHAT'S THAT SMELL?
OH, YA! FREEDOM!
YOU WANT IN THERE TOO?
WHA- NO!
BAK!
BE QUIET. YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT KARMA MEANS.
BLIP!
WOW! MOUTH BUBBLES ARE YOUR SUPER POWER

GOOD MORNING!
GET READY TO BE SUPER PROUD OF ME!
I HAD TO GO POTTY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT AND I DIDN'T WAKE YOU UP!
PRETTY IMPRESSIVE, HUH?
AAAAAHG!
WHAT IS IN MY SLIPPERS?!!
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SOPHIE, HAVE YOU SEEN MY DOUGHNUT?
YES.
RIGHT BEFORE I ATE IT.
GETTING IN TROUBLE IN NO WAY DIMINISHES THE ECSTASY OF CENTER-LESS FRIED DOUGH.
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LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE WANTS A TREAT.
YES, PLEASE!
WOULD YOU LIKE AN ICE CUBE OR A CARROT?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE TO GET NEW CARPETING OR SLIPPERS?
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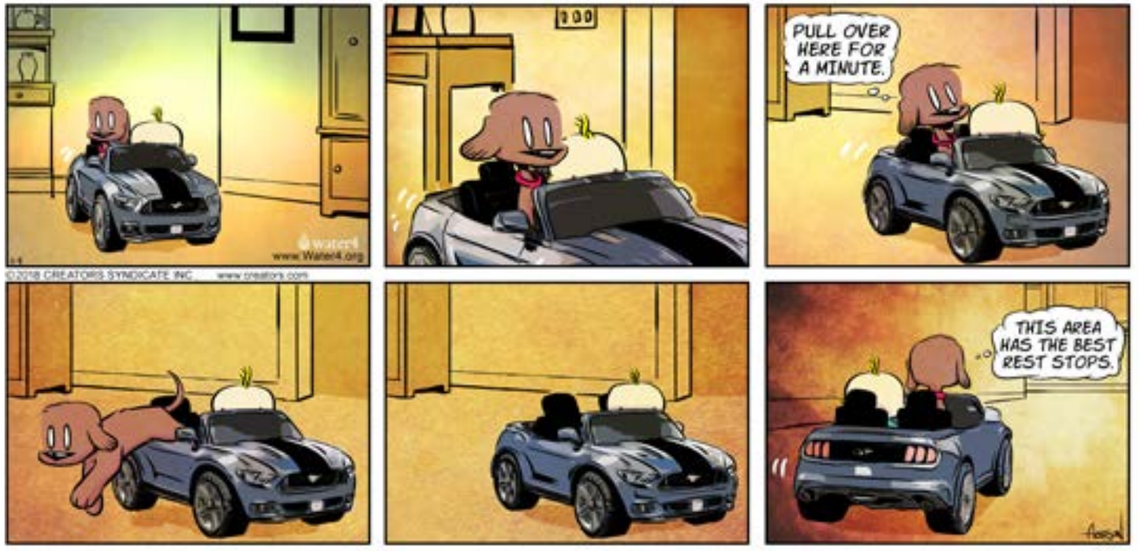
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PULL OVER HERE FOR A MINUTE.
THIS AREA HAS THE BEST REST STOPS.
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SO, DOUGIE, WHAT DID YOU THINK OF DAD'S-
SPLAP!
-ALMOND FLOUR PANCAKES?
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BAK!
YA, CLEANING UP IS HARD. MY TOYS DON'T LISTEN TO ME EITHER.
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BWORF!
WOW! DID YOU HEAR THAT ONE? THAT WAS A BIG DOG BARK!
BAK!
YOU'RE RIGHT. BETTER LEARN HOW TO USE IT RESPONSIBLY.
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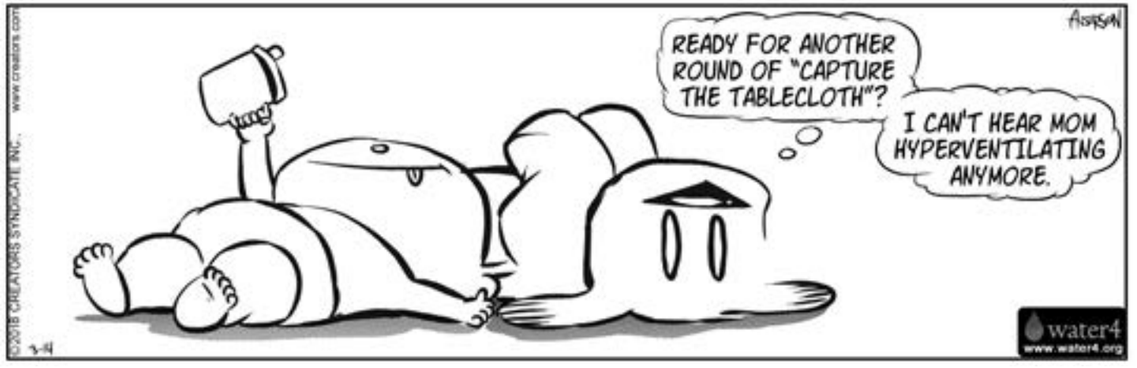
READY FOR ANOTHER ROUND OF "CAPTURE THE TABLECLOTH"?
I CAN'T HEAR MOM HYPERVENTILATING ANYMORE.
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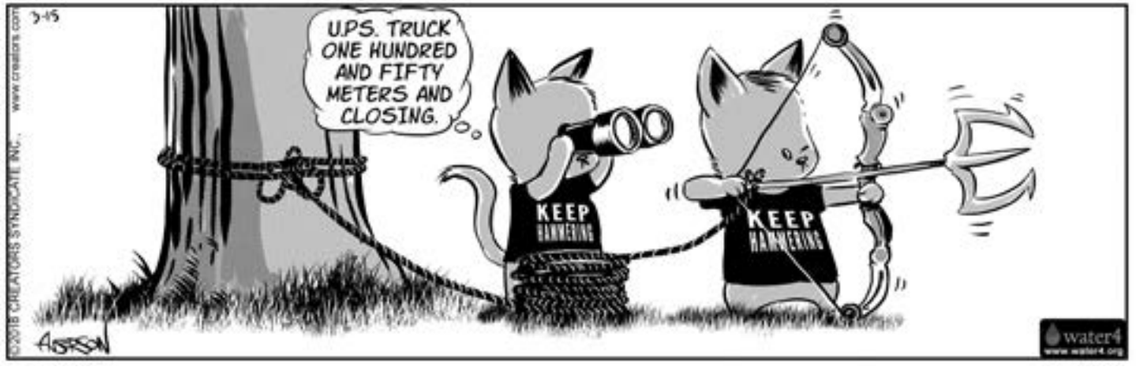
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U.P.S. TRUCK ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY METERS AND CLOSING.
KEEP HAMMERING
KEEP HAMMERING
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WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
I AM RETRIEVING THE MAMMOTH D.N.A. FROM THE FREEZER.
WAIT-WHAT?!! YOU GUYS ARE CLONING WOOLLY MAMMOTHS? WHY?!
WI-FI'S DOWN.
WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO DO?
WELL, I GUESS?
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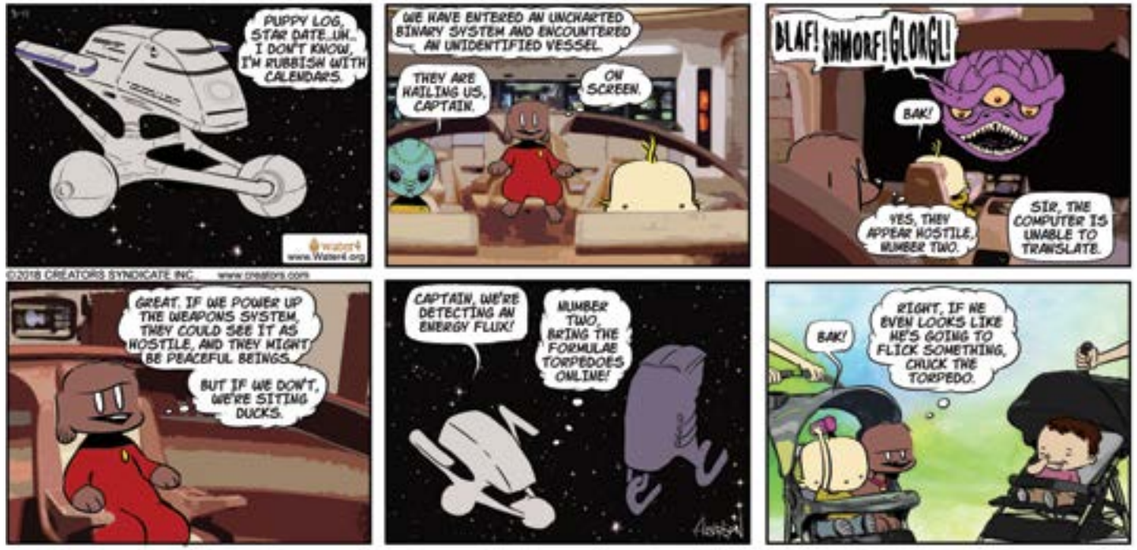
PUPPY LOG, STAR DATE..UH.. I DON'T KNOW, I'M RUBBISH WITH CALENDARS.
WE HAVE ENTERED AN UNCHARTED BINARY SYSTEM AND ENCOUNTERED AN UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL.
THEY ARE HAILING US, CAPTAIN.
ON SCREEN.
BLAF! BARWORF! GLORGL!
BAK!
YES, THEY APPEAR HOSTILE, NUMBER TWO.
SIR, THE COMPUTER IS UNABLE TO TRANSLATE.
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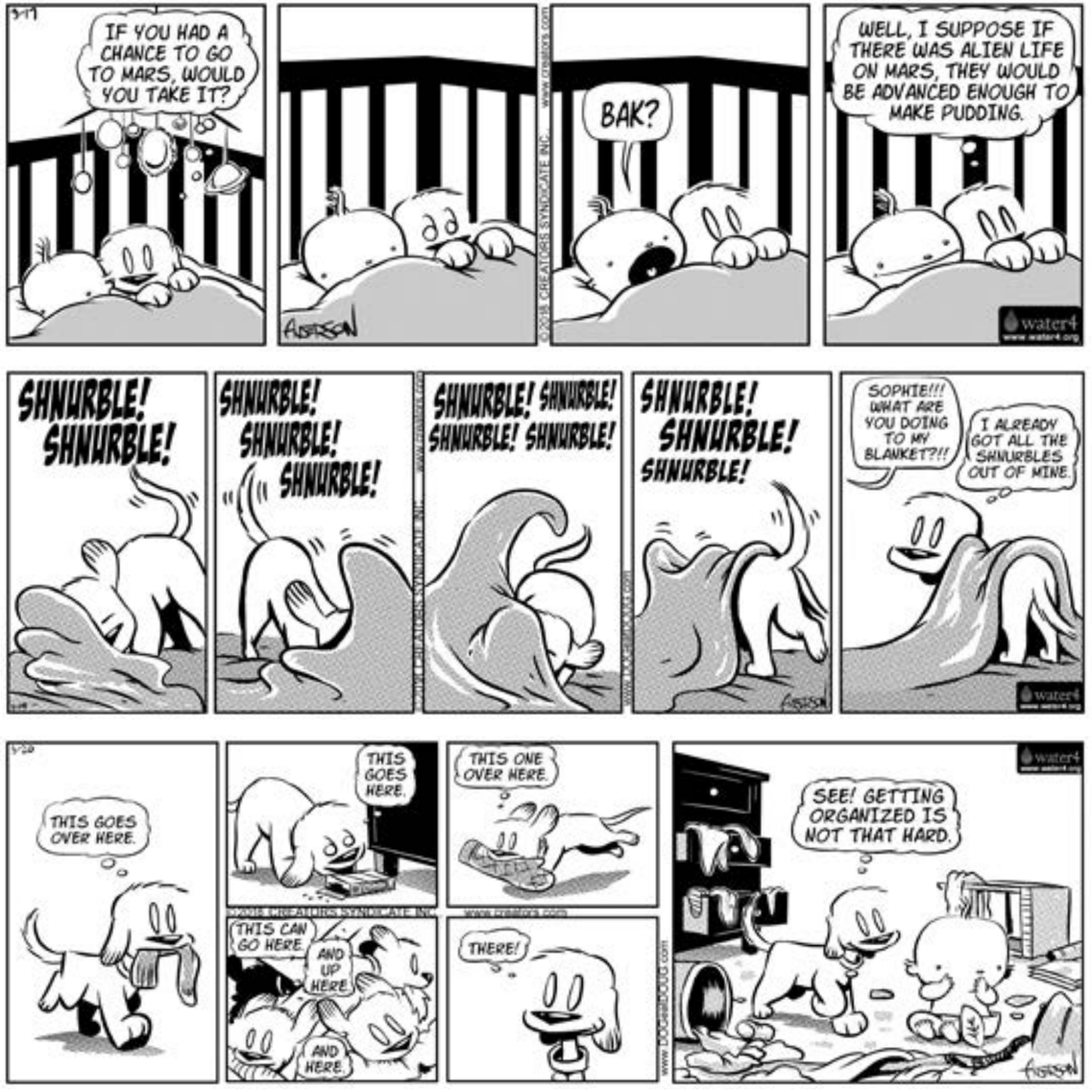
GREAT. IF WE POWER UP THE WEAPONS SYSTEM, THEY COULD SEE IT AS HOSTILE, AND THEY MIGHT BE PEACEFUL BEINGS.
BUT IF WE DON'T, WE'RE SITTING DUCKS.
CAPTAIN, WE'RE DETECTING AN ENERGY FLUX!
NUMBER TWO, BRING THE FORMULAE TORPEDOES ONLINE!
BAK!
RIGHT, IF HE EVEN LOOKS LIKE HE'S GOING TO FLICK SOMETHING, CHUCK THE TORPEDO.


IF YOU HAD A CHANCE TO GO TO MARS, WOULD YOU TAKE IT?
BAK?
WELL, I SUPPOSE IF THERE WAS ALIEN LIFE ON MARS, THEY WOULD BE ADVANCED ENOUGH TO MAKE PUDDING.
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SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE!
SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE!
SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE!
SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE! SHNURBLE!
SOPHIE!!! WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO MY BLANKET?!!
I ALREADY GOT ALL THE SHNURBLES OUT OF MINE.
THIS GOES OVER HERE.
THIS GOES HERE.
THIS ONE OVER HERE.
THIS CAN GO HERE.
AND UP HERE.
AND HERE.
THERE!
SEE! GETTING ORGANIZED IS NOT THAT HARD.

THUMP!
I'M A SPECIALIST. I BARK AT EVERYTHING OUTSIDE.
AND THAT MEANS INSIDE NOISES ARE NOT MY SPECIALTY.
3-21
THE MALE HUMAN FANCIES HIMSELF A WRITER.
OH. IS HE IN ANY WAY PROFICIENT?
3-22
THE BEGINNING LACKS ANY EMOTIONAL HOOK. THE MIDDLE IS HARDER TO GET THROUGH THAN A RAINFOREST AND THE END IS HORRIBLY UNSATISFYING.
WE SHOULD HELP HIM WITH A QUICK EDIT.
SHRIIIIP! SHRIIIIP! SHRIIIIP!
?!!!
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YAWN!
YAWN!
YAWN!
YAWN!
OH, CUT IT OUT! YOU WEREN'T EVEN NAPPING!
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WHAT? NO. IT'S JUST US.
WE'RE OIL PAINTING. COME ON DOWN. WE'LL SET UP AN EASEL FOR YOU.
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SOPHIE, OFF DADDY'S CHAIR.
WHY? YOU'RE CONSTANTLY TELLING ME TO SIT AND NOW I'M SITTING AND YOU WANT ME TO GET UP?
SOPHIE, WHY DO YOU HAVE TO MAKE THIS SO HARD?
ME?!! I'M NOT THE ONE WALKING AROUND WITH ANNOYINGLY VAGUE LEADERSHIP SKILLS.
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WE'LL PUT SOME TAPE ON THE EDGE OF THE COUNTERS.
SO WHEN MISS SOPHIE TRIES TO SNATCH SOMETHING, SHE'LL GET A STICKY SURPRISE AND WON'T LIKE IT.
UNLESS MISS SOPHIE KNOWS YOU PUT TAPE ON THE COUNTER.
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CAN YOU BELIEVE IT? THEY PUT TAPE ON THE COUNTER!!!
THEY THINK A BIT OF STICKY PLASTIC WILL DETER ME.
OBVIOUSLY, NEITHER MOM NOR DAD HAVE EVER TASTED A BOSTON CREME DOUGHNUT.
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SKRINKLE! SKRINKLE! SKRINKLE!
WELL, YOUR TAPE IDEA DIDN'T WORK.
SKRINKLE! SKRINKLE! SKRINKLE!
SKRINKLE! SKRINKLE!
ALSO, YOU'RE OUT OF DOUGHNUTS.
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SOPHIE, THIS IS KING DOUGIE THE FIRST.
YOU MUST BOW BEFORE THE KING.
I'M NOT-
BIF!
OW!
YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A REALLY SHORT REIGN.
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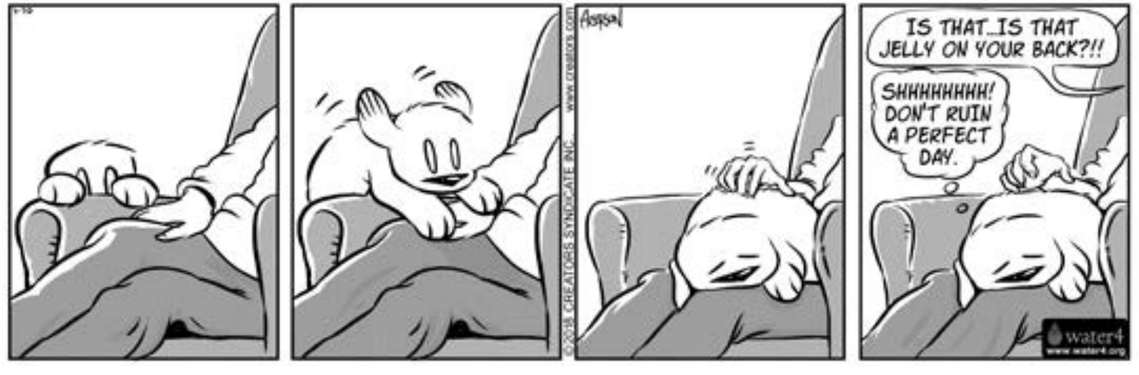
IS THAT..IS THAT JELLY ON YOUR BACK?!!
SHHHHHHHH! DON'T RUIN A PERFECT DAY.
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YOU MUST DISTRACT THE BEAST WHILST I DIVE BELOW. IF I CAN LOOSE THE POWER CRYSTAL AT THE BOTTOM, THE MONSTER SHALL FALL.
WOW, DOUG! RELEASE YOUR INNER BERSERKER!
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THWUD!
SMASH!
SPLOOSH!
VICTORY IS OURS!
WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING?!!
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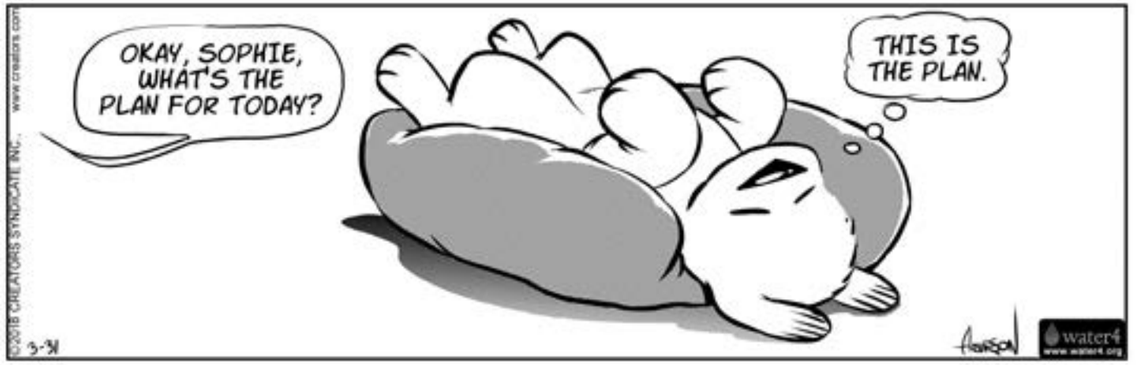
OKAY, SOPHIE, WHAT'S THE PLAN FOR TODAY?
THIS IS THE PLAN.
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IT'S RATHER SAD HOW SHE PINES AT THE WINDOW EVERY TIME THE HUMANS LEAVE.
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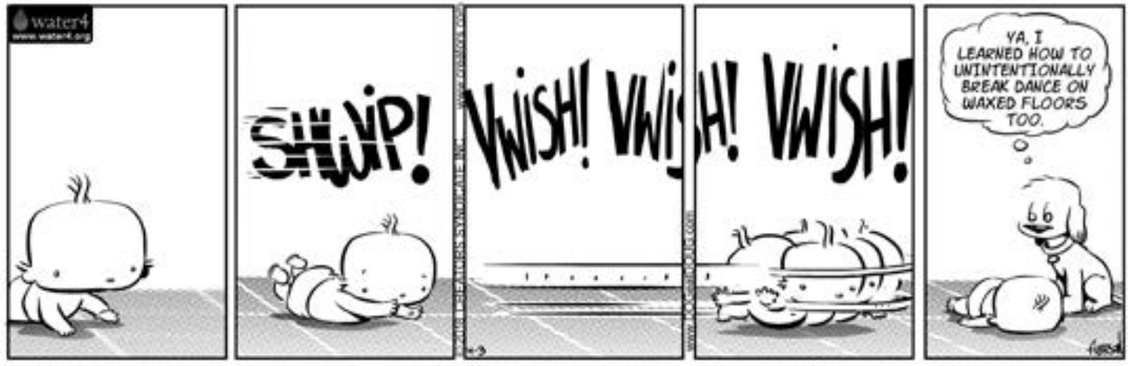
YES, WELL, SOME ARE MORE DISPOSED TO WASTING OPPORTUNITIES THAN OTHERS.
BROTHER, STIR THE HOLLANDAISE SAUCE FOR ME, WOULD YOU?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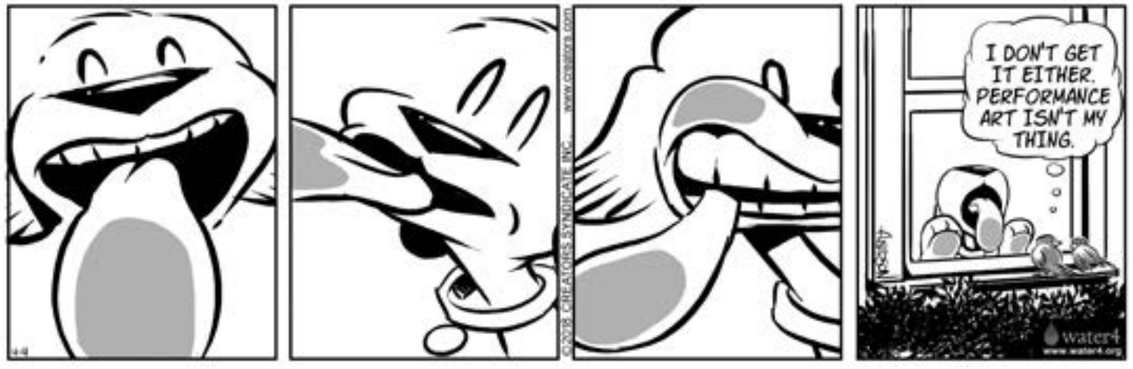
SWIP!
VWISH! VWISH! VWISH!
YA, I LEARNED HOW TO UNINTENTIONALLY BREAK DANCE ON WAXED FLOORS TOO.


I DON'T GET IT EITHER. PERFORMANCE ART ISN'T MY THING.
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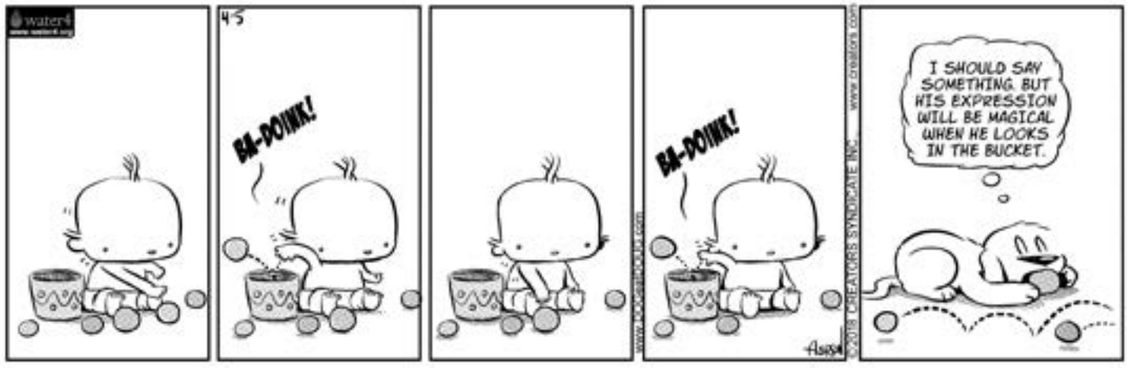
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BA-DOINK!
BA-DOINK!
I SHOULD SAY SOMETHING BUT HIS EXPRESSION WILL BE MAGICAL WHEN HE LOOKS IN THE BUCKET.

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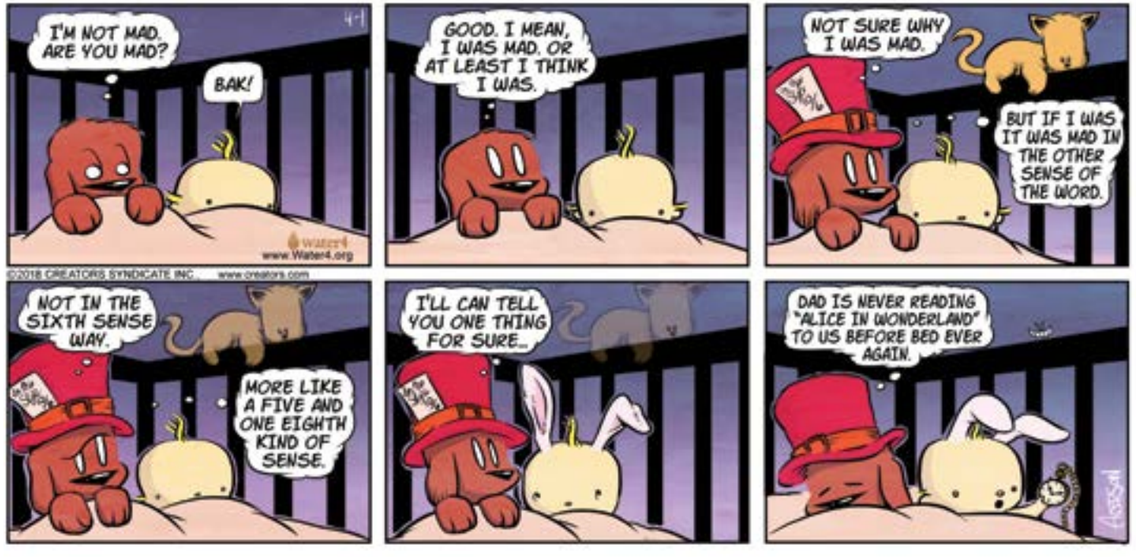
Poink!
CRSH!
NAMASTE.


I'M NOT MAD. ARE YOU MAD?
BAK!
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GOOD. I MEAN, I WAS MAD. OR AT LEAST I THINK I WAS.
NOT SURE WHY I WAS MAD.
BUT IF I WAS IT WAS MAD IN THE OTHER SENSE OF THE WORD.
NOT IN THE SIXTH SENSE WAY.
MORE LIKE A FIVE AND ONE EIGHTH KIND OF SENSE.
I'LL CAN TELL YOU ONE THING FOR SURE...
DAD IS NEVER READING "ALICE IN WONDERLAND" TO US BEFORE BED EVER AGAIN.

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WHY AM I IN A RUSH? I CAN MAKE PLENTY MORE TROUBLE WHEN I GET THERE.
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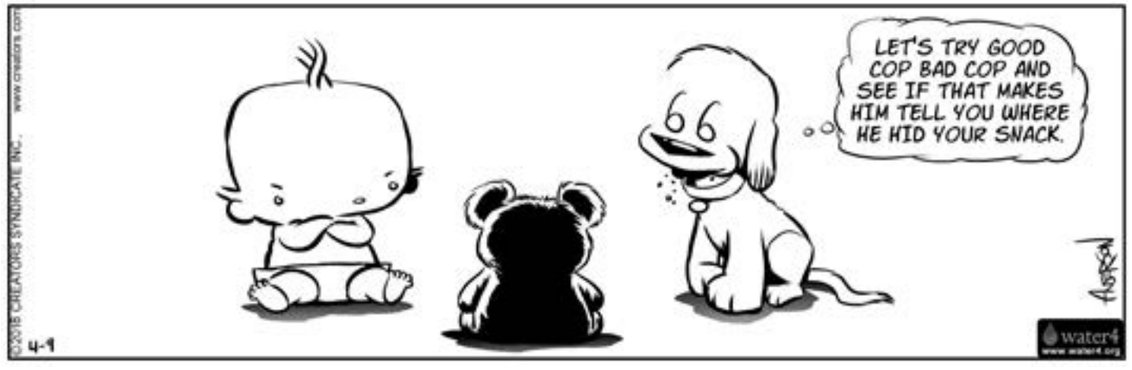
LET'S TRY GOOD COP BAD COP AND SEE IF THAT MAKES HIM TELL YOU WHERE HE HID YOUR SNACK.
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YOU DON'T ALWAYS GET TO PICK THE SPOT WHERE YOU "CALL IT A DAY".
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A-HEM!
I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT THE DOUGHNUTS ARE SECURE.
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PFFFFBT!
BAK!
BAK!
WHAM!
WHAM!
WHAM!
WHAM!
WHAM!
SWOOOSH!
KR-SMASH!
HEY!
COULD YOU NOT ACT YOUR AGE FOR THE NEXT TWENTY MINUTES OR SO?
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LET ME KNOW WHEN "DOCTOR WHO" IS ON THE SCREEN.

OOOO! A RABBIT HOLE!
SNIFF! SNIFF!
NO ONE'S HOME.
I SHOULD GO DOWN THERE.
I BET RABBITS HOARD TONS OF FOOD.
BAK!
YOU'RE RIGHT. DAD GOES DOWN RABBIT HOLES ONLINE ALL THE TIME.
THAT NEVER ENDS WELL.
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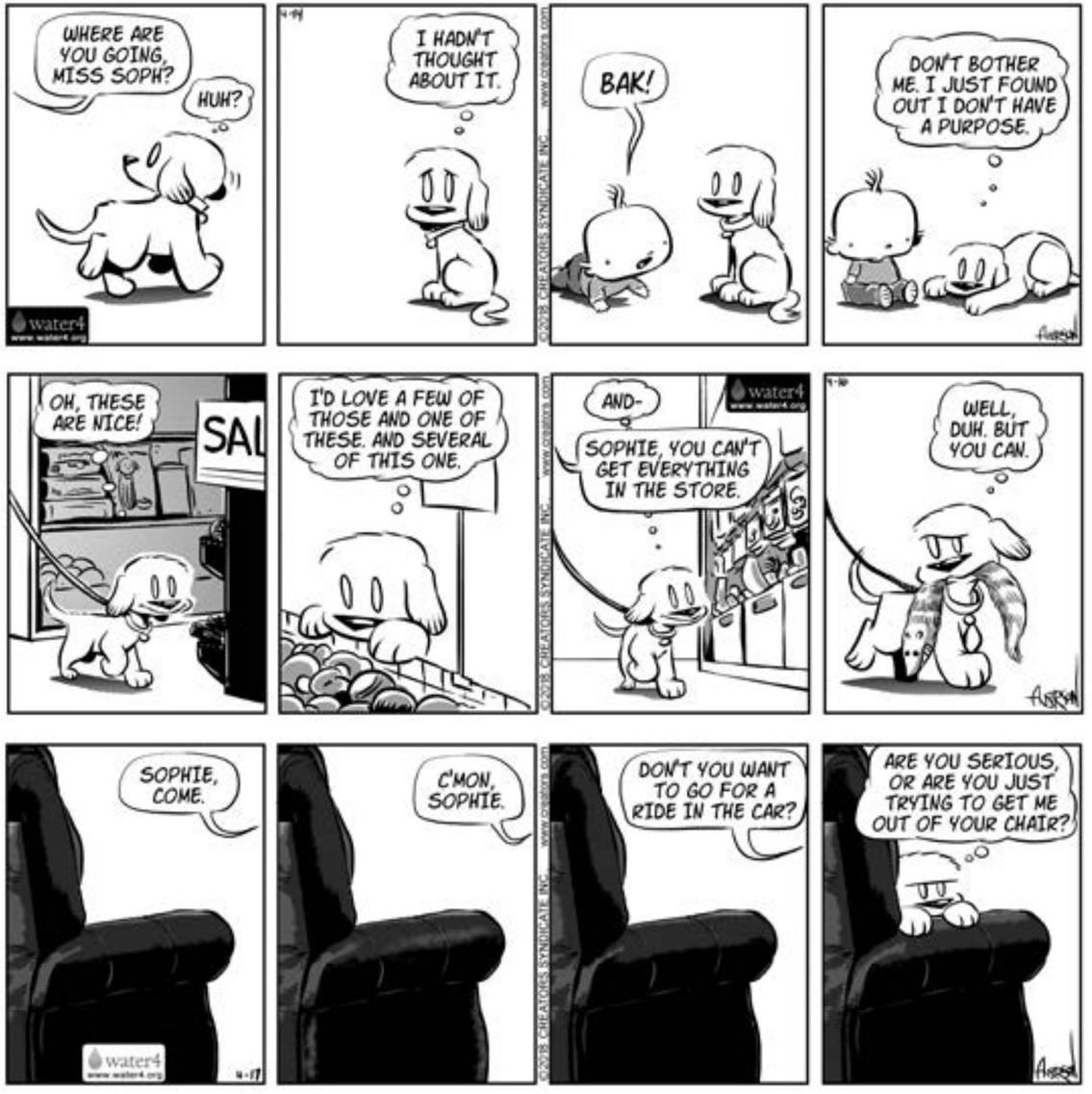
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, MISS SOPH?
HUH?
I HADN'T THOUGHT ABOUT IT.
BAK!
DON'T BOTHER ME. I JUST FOUND OUT I DON'T HAVE A PURPOSE.
OH, THESE ARE NICE!
I'D LOVE A FEW OF THOSE AND ONE OF THESE. AND SEVERAL OF THIS ONE.
AND-
SOPHIE, YOU CAN'T GET EVERYTHING IN THE STORE.
WELL, DUH. BUT YOU CAN.
SOPHIE, COME.
C'MON, SOPHIE.
DON'T YOU WANT TO GO FOR A RIDE IN THE CAR?
ARE YOU SERIOUS, OR ARE YOU JUST TRYING TO GET ME OUT OF YOUR CHAIR?
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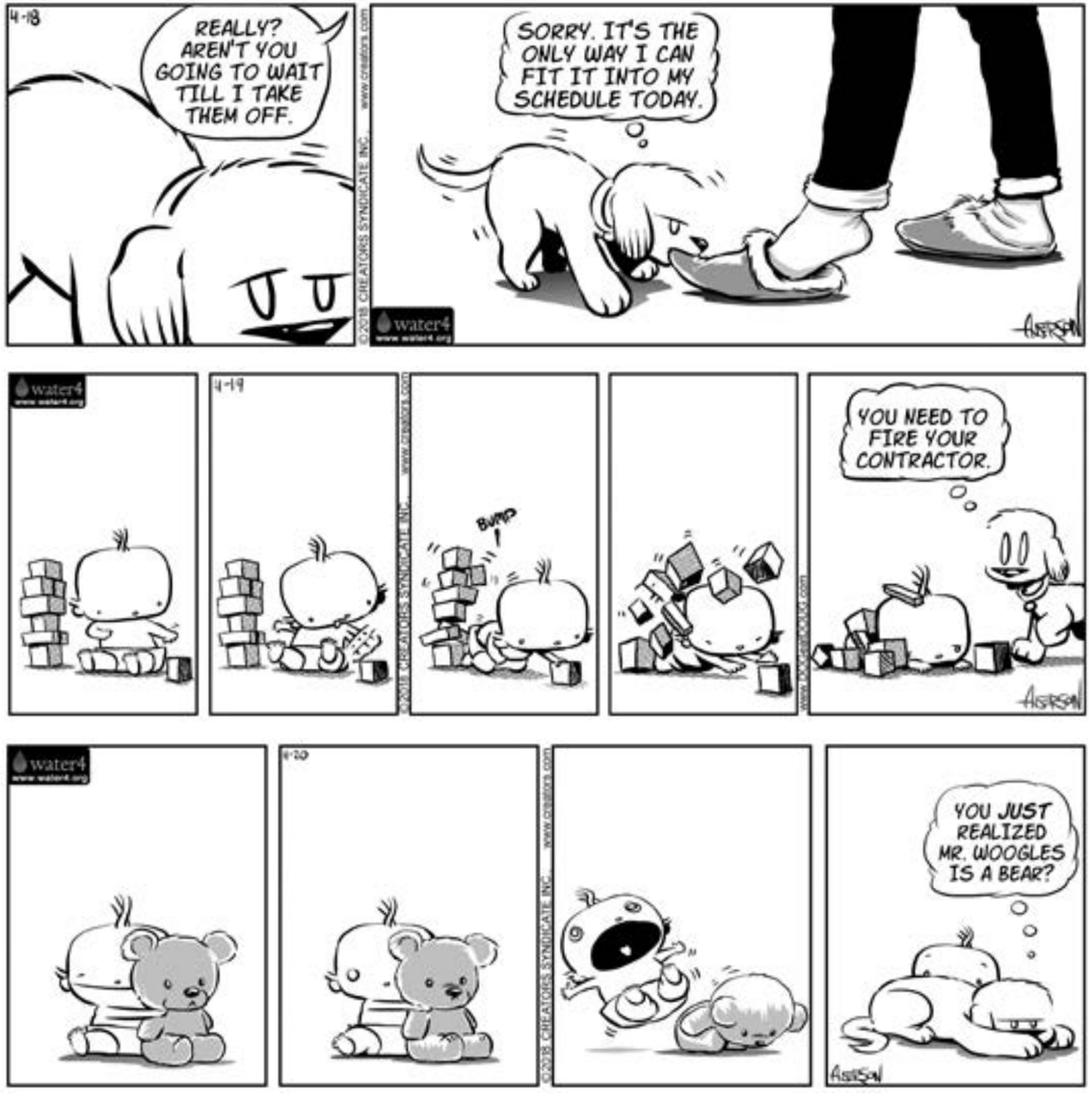
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REALLY? AREN'T YOU GOING TO WAIT TILL I TAKE THEM OFF.
SORRY. IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN FIT IT INTO MY SCHEDULE TODAY.
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BUMP!
YOU NEED TO FIRE YOUR CONTRACTOR.
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YOU JUST REALIZED MR. WOOGLES IS A BEAR?
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ROWF! YIP! YIP! SNUUUF!
RAAAR!
GRAAAAAAWRL!
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AROOOOOOO!
OOOOOOOOO-
HEY! YOU'RE WRECKING MY MOMENT!
AAAA!

WHACHA COOKIN'?
AAA-CHOOF!
OH, CHEESE OMELETTE.
DO GOOD GIRLS GET TREATS?
YES THEY DO!
WHO'S MOMMA'S GOOD GIRL?
I THINK MOM HAS ANOTHER DOG SHE'S NOT TELLING US ABOUT.
ROORF! ROORF!
ROORF?
BE HONEST. WOULD YOU BARK AT ME IF THIS FENCE WASN'T HERE?
AAAAH.. PROBABLY NOT.
WELL, THERE YOU GO. HAVE A GREAT DAY.
THAT WAS ONE ANNOYINGLY REASONABLE DOG.
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THIS MORNING MY BALL ROLLED UNDER THE T. V. CABINET.
DO YOU KNOW IT TOOK DAD ALMOST TEN MINUTES BEFORE HE CAME AND GOT IT OUT?
BAK!
THAT'S WHAT I SAID!
IF I HAD KNOWN, THERE ARE A DOZEN THINGS I COULD'VE DONE IN THOSE MINUTES TO INCREASE THE RESPONSE TIME.
WE'RE GOING TO TRY CLICKER TRAINING. EVERY TIME I SAY A COMMAND, I CLICK THIS AND YOU GET A TREAT.
SOPHIE, SIT!
CLICK!
GOOD GIRL!
IF HE DIDN'T NOTICE THE FLAW, FAR BE IT FROM ME TO POINT IT OUT.
CLICK! CLICK! CLICK! CLICK! CLICK! CLICK!
CLICK! CLICK! CLICK! CLICK! CRUNCH!
I GOT EVERY CLICK OUT AND NOT ONE TREAT.
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WHOA! NO! SOPHIE, DON'T GO THERE!
WHA-? I WASN'T-
HANG ON TILL I GET YOU OUTSIDE!
WAIT! NO! IT'S ICKY OUT AND I DON'T HAVE TO G-
C'MON, SOPH. I THOUGHT YOU HAD TO GO.
I DIDN'T.
BUT AS SOON AS WE GET INSIDE...
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BAK?
OH, NOTHING. I JUST CLEANED UP THE YARD FOR DAD. YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE NEW NUMBER ONE!
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I FOUND HEAVEN!
SOPHIE, GET OUT OF THE FIRE PIT!
FIRE PI-
YOU'RE GOING to BURN THEM?!!!
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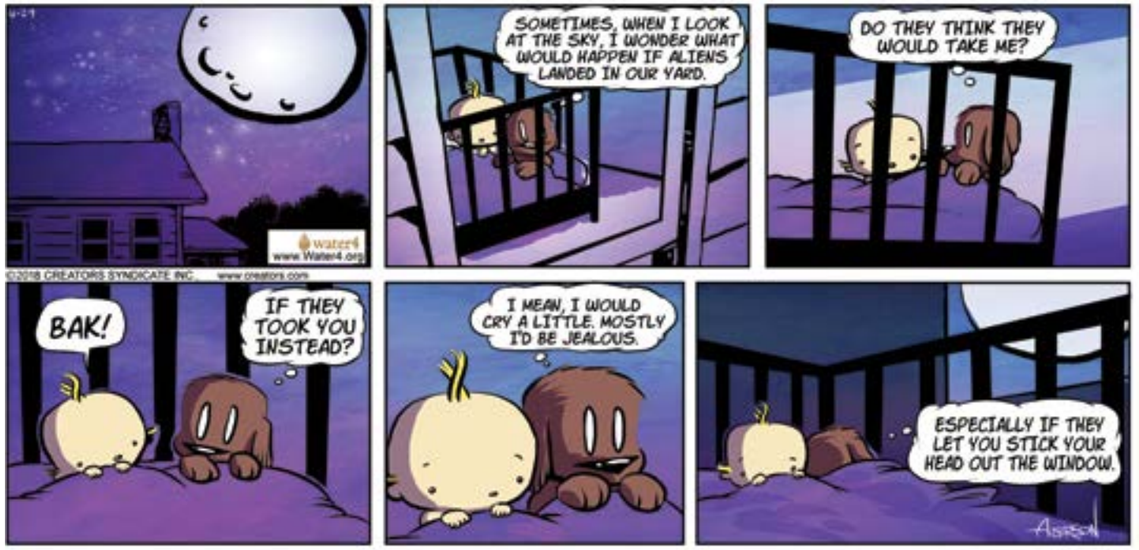
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SOMETIMES, WHEN I LOOK AT THE SKY, I WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF ALIENS LANDED IN OUR YARD.
DO THEY THINK THEY WOULD TAKE ME?
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BAK!
IF THEY TOOK YOU INSTEAD?
I MEAN, I WOULD CRY A LITTLE. MOSTLY I'D BE JEALOUS.
ESPECIALLY IF THEY LET YOU STICK YOUR HEAD OUT THE WINDOW.
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WHAT DO YOU WANT, SOPHIE?
YOU HAVE HAM. I WANT HAM. WHERE AM I LOSING YOU?
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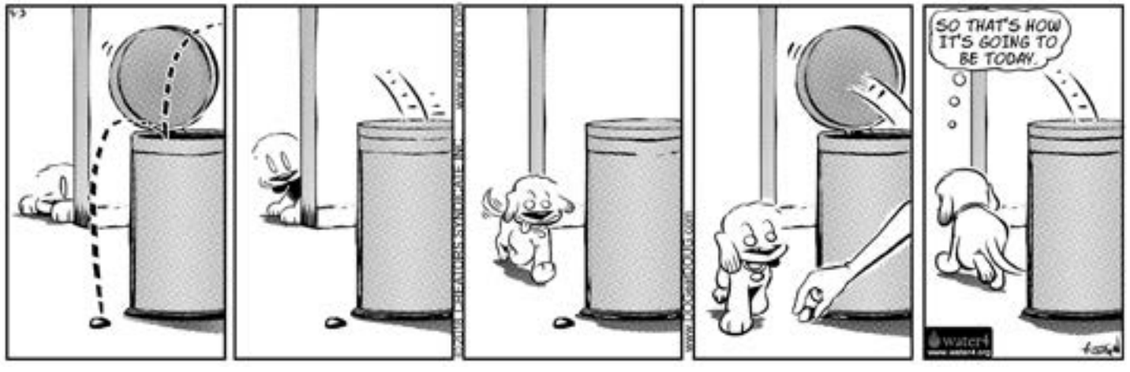
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SO THAT'S HOW IT'S GOING TO BE TODAY.
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MR. WIFFLES NEEDS A REFILL.
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5-5
A LITTLE HEADS UP.
I ATE A BUNCH OF STUFF IN THE YARD TODAY. NO IDEA WHAT ANY OF IT WAS.
THERE'S GOING TO BE A BUNCH OF INTERMISSIONS DURING TONIGHT'S STORY.
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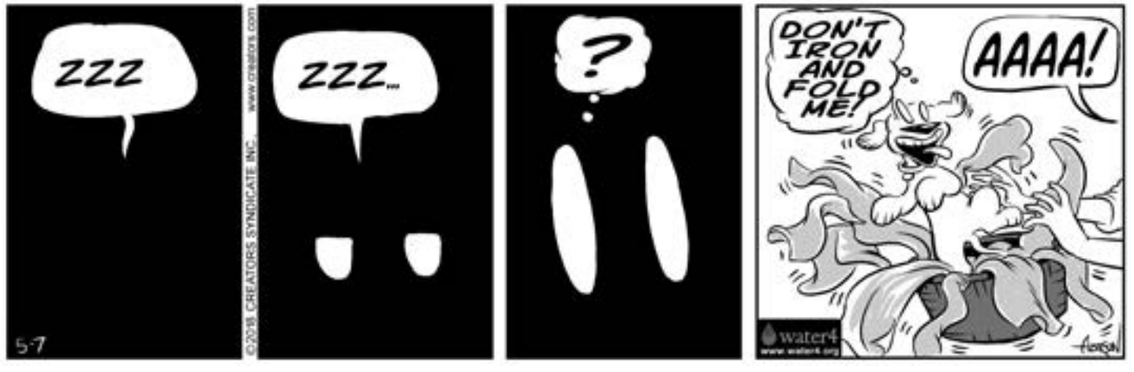
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ZZZ
ZZZ...
?
DON'T IRON AND FOLD ME!
AAAA!
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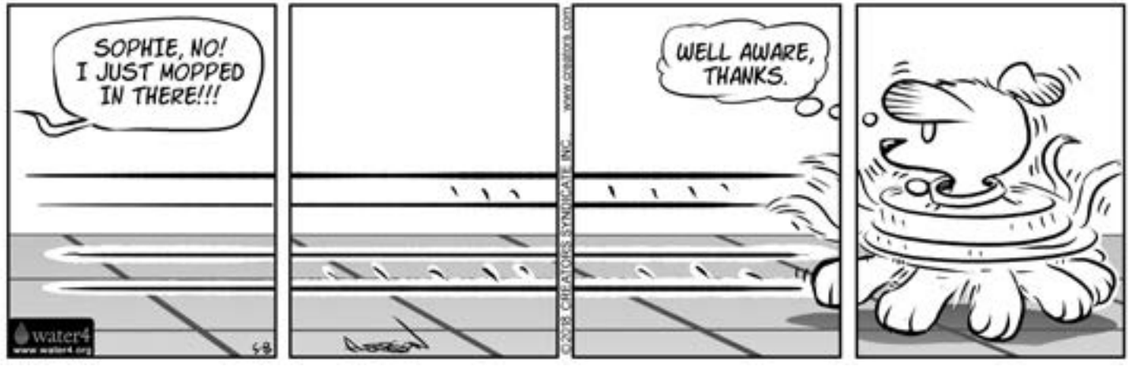
SOPHIE, NO! I JUST MOPPED IN THERE!!!
WELL AWARE, THANKS.
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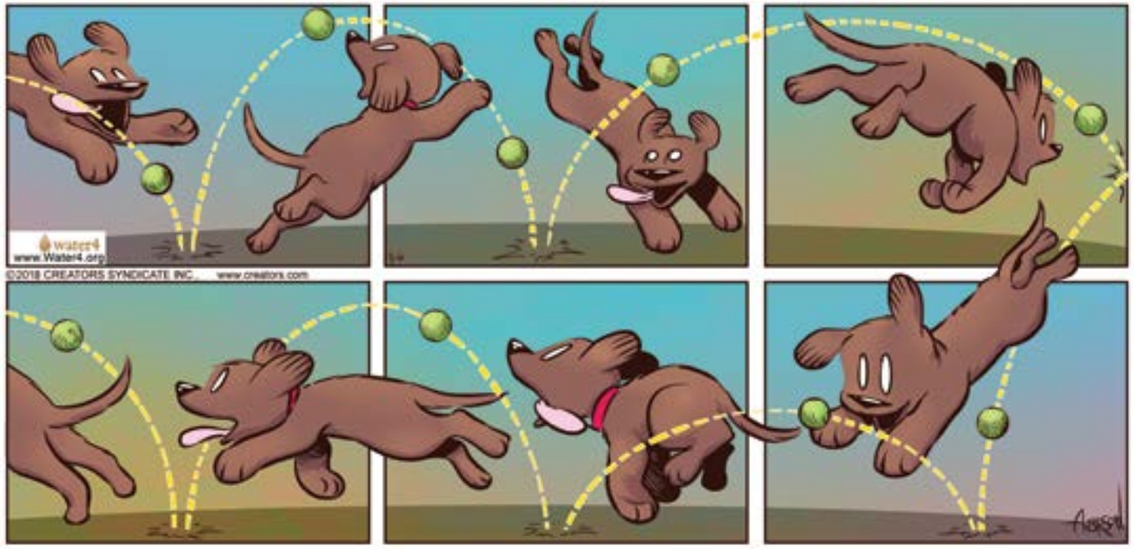
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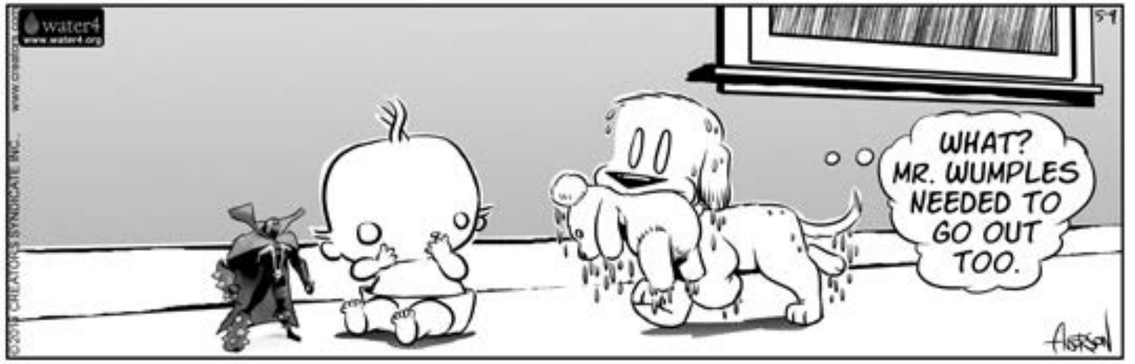
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WHAT? MR. WUMPLES NEEDED TO GO OUT TOO.
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SHOULD WE BE TAKING NOTES?
NEIL GAIMAN
INSTRUCTIONS
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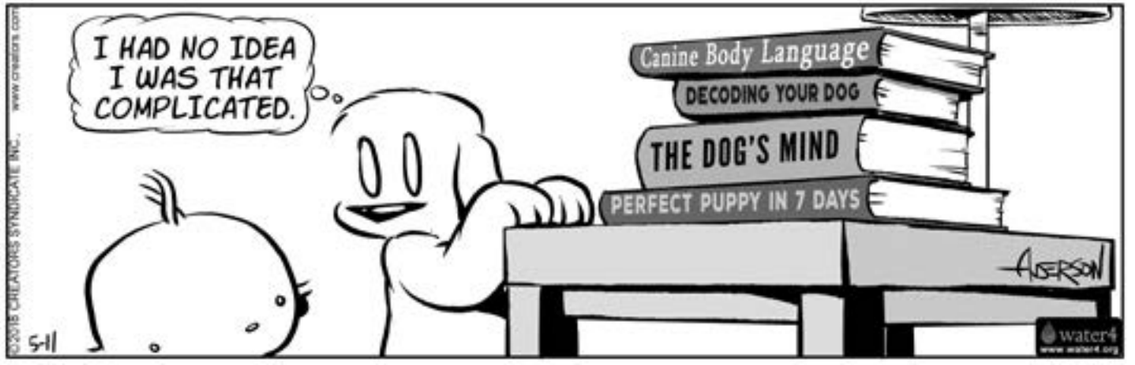
I HAD NO IDEA I WAS THAT COMPLICATED.
Canine Body Language
DECODING YOUR DOG
THE DOG'S MIND
PERFECT PUPPY IN 7 DAYS
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SOPHIE, YOU BETTER NOT BE SITTING ON DAD'S NEW CHAIR.
SOOOOOPHIEEEE.
TECHNICALLY I'M SITTING ON YOUR LAPTOP, WHICH HAPPENS TO BE ON YOUR NEW CHAIR.
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WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO EAT?
HOW ABOUT SOME PEAS AND CARROTS?
BAK!
OKAY. HOW ABOUT APPLE, STRAWBERRY AND BEETS?
BAK!
PEARS AND SPINACH?
BAK!
YOU'RE DOING GREAT. STAY STRONG AND HOLD OUT FOR HAM AND DOUGHNUTS.
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DINK!
DINK!
DINK!
DINK!
DINK!
DINK!
DINK!
IT'S A GOOD THING DOUGHNUTS DON'T HAVE EARS.

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PANT! PANT!
THAT...SHOULD... MAKE...CHASE... MORE...EVEN. READY?
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NO, NO, DOUGIE. FIVE SECOND RULE.
SHLURP!
THAT'S THE ONLY RULE I LIKE.
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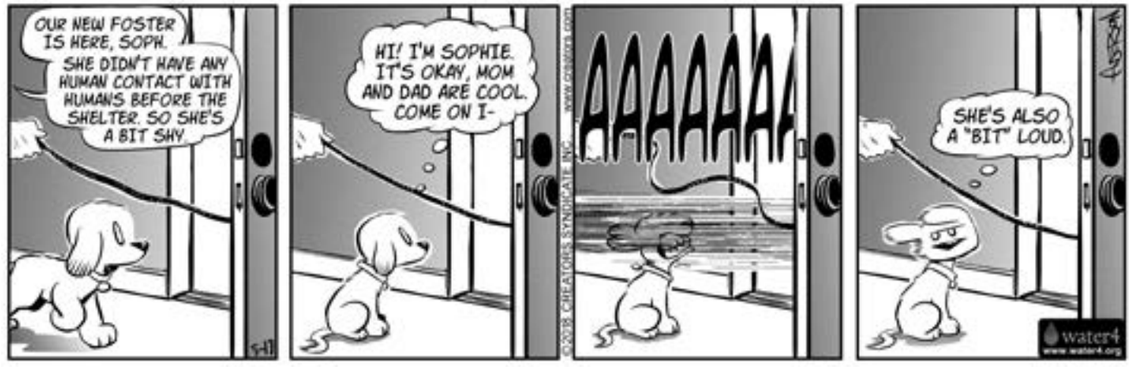
OUR NEW FOSTER IS HERE, SOPH.
SHE DIDN'T HAVE ANY HUMAN CONTACT WITH HUMANS BEFORE THE SHELTER. SO SHE'S A BIT SHY.
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HI! I'M SOPHIE. IT'S OKAY, MOM AND DAD ARE COOL. COME ON I-
AAAAAAA
SHE'S ALSO A "BIT" LOUD.
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WHY DON'T YOU COME INSIDE?
NO THANK YOU.
WHEN WILL YOU COME IN?
AFTER THOSE PEOPLE LEAVE.
WHA-? THAT'S JUST MOM AND DAD.
THEY'RE TERRIFYING.
A LITTLE. BUT AFTER THEY HAVE COFFEE, THEY'RE PRETTY COOL.
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THAT'S IT, STELLA! GOOD GIRL. YOU'RE ALMOST INSIDE.
ALMOST THERE. A LITTLE FURTH-
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HIDE! HIDE! HIDE! HIDE! HIDE!
FSHOOOM!
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I GUESS I KNOW WHAT GAME SHE AND I WILL BE PLAYING ALL THE TIME.
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I'M THANKFUL FOR ALL MY TOYS.
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BUT SOMETIMES I JUST WANT A NICE, SIMPLE DISH TOWEL.
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TO BARK OR NOT TO BARK.
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THAT IS THE QUESTION.
FORTUNATELY, I ALWAYS KNOW THE ANSWER.
BROORF! BROORF! BROORF! BROORF! BROORF! BROORF! BROORF!
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CHECK IT OUT, SOPHIE!
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WE GOT YOU A BIG GIRL BOWL SHELF. THIS SHOULD BE A LOT MORE COMFORTABLE WHEN YOU EAT.
YOU'RE RIGHT. THIS IS REALLY COMFORTABLE.
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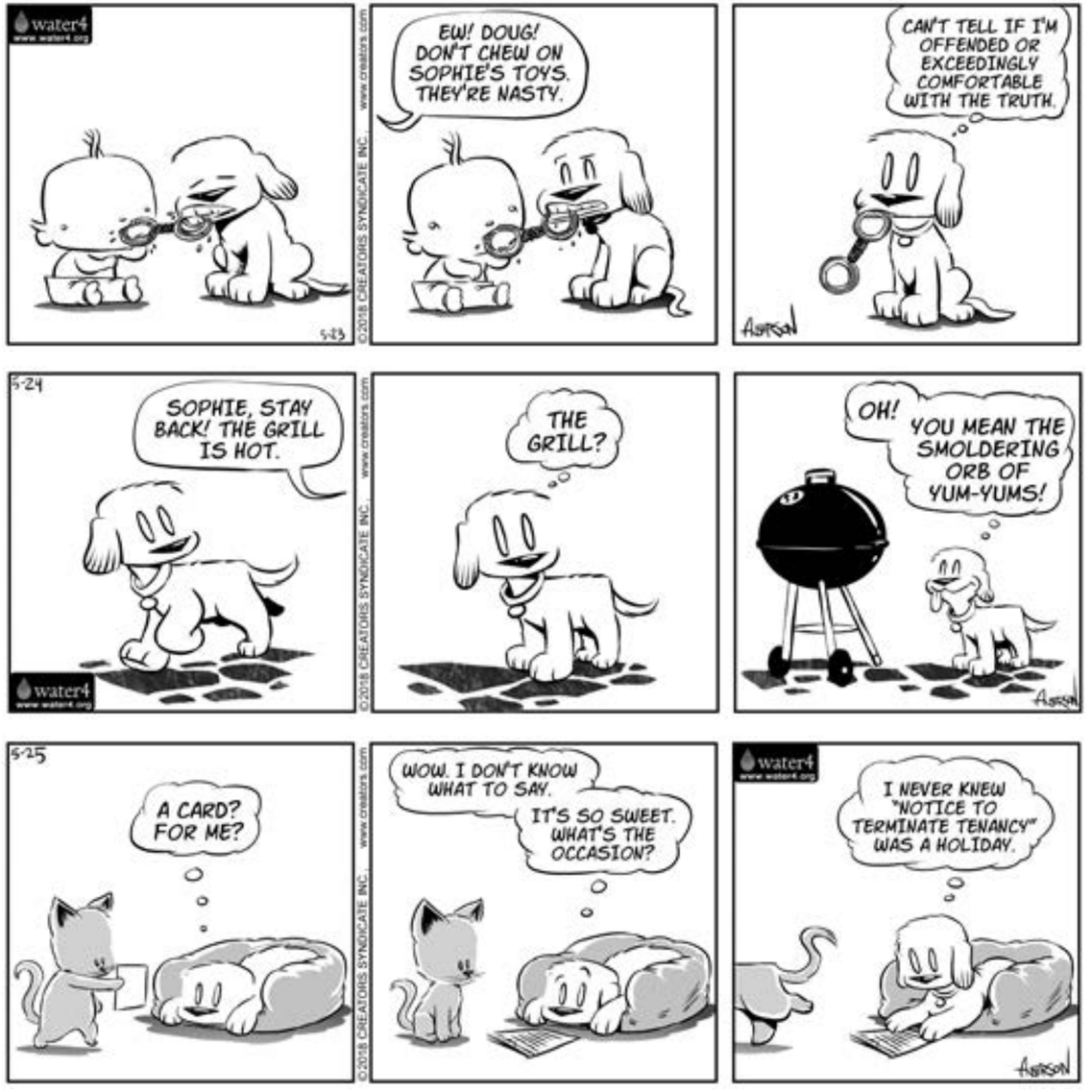
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EW! DOUG! DON'T CHEW ON SOPHIE'S TOYS. THEY'RE NASTY.
CAN'T TELL IF I'M OFFENDED OR EXCEEDINGLY COMFORTABLE WITH THE TRUTH.
5-24
SOPHIE, STAY BACK! THE GRILL IS HOT.
THE GRILL?
OH! YOU MEAN THE SMOLDERING ORB OF YUM-YUMS!
5-25
A CARD? FOR ME?
WOW. I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY.
IT'S SO SWEET. WHAT'S THE OCCASION?
I NEVER KNEW "NOTICE TO TERMINATE TENANCY" WAS A HOLIDAY.
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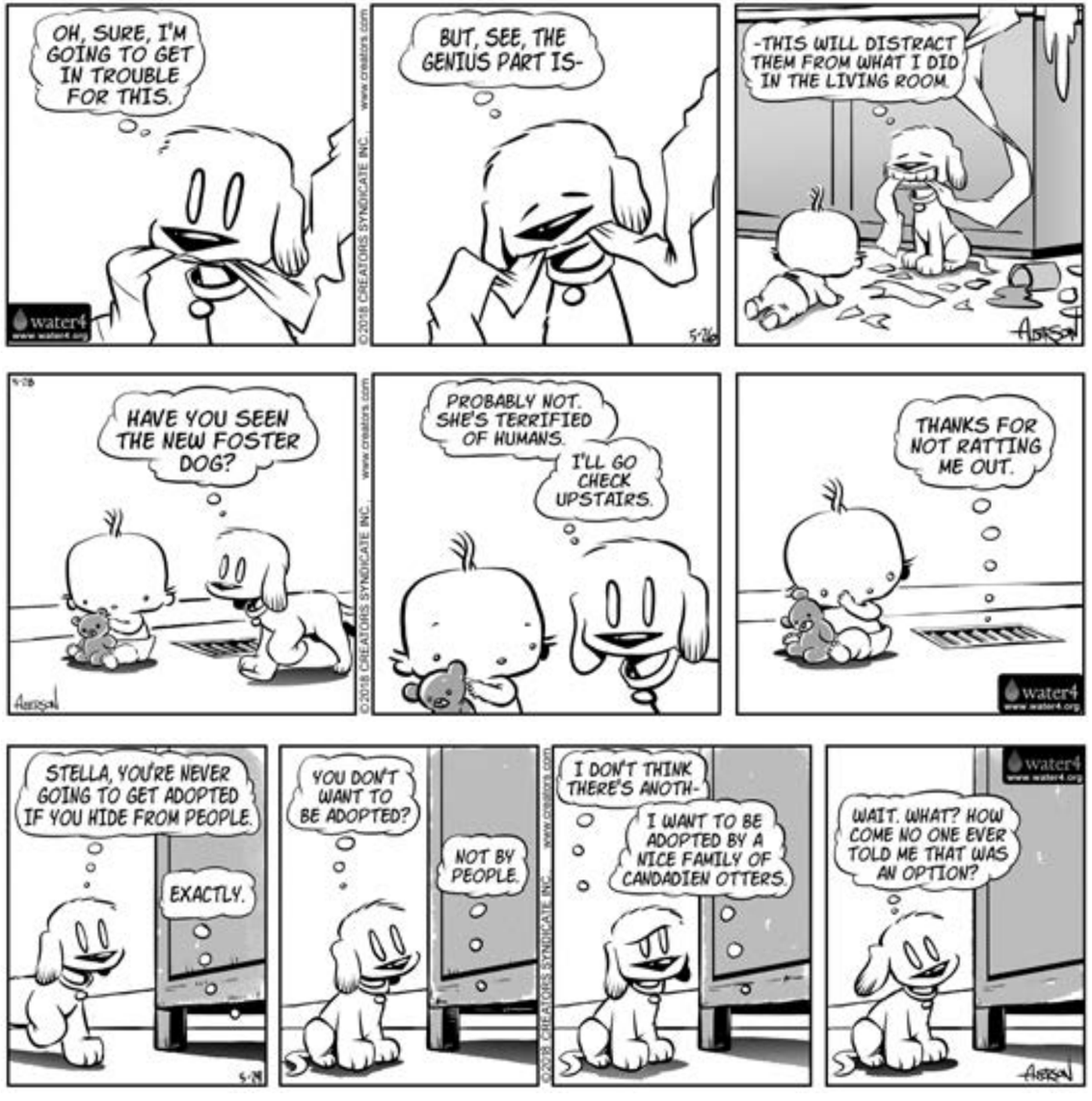
OH, SURE, I'M GOING TO GET IN TROUBLE FOR THIS.
BUT, SEE, THE GENIUS PART IS-
-THIS WILL DISTRACT THEM FROM WHAT I DID IN THE LIVING ROOM.
HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW FOSTER DOG?
PROBABLY NOT. SHE'S TERRIFIED OF HUMANS.
I'LL GO CHECK UPSTAIRS.
THANKS FOR NOT RATTING ME OUT.
STELLA, YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO GET ADOPTED IF YOU HIDE FROM PEOPLE.
EXACTLY.
YOU DON'T WANT TO BE ADOPTED?
NOT BY PEOPLE.
I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANOTH-
I WANT TO BE ADOPTED BY A NICE FAMILY OF CANDADIEN OTTERS.
WAIT. WHAT? HOW COME NO ONE EVER TOLD ME THAT WAS AN OPTION?
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STELLA, WILL YOU COME OUT IF I GIVE YOU A TREAT?
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LAST TIME I CAME OUT OF HIDING FOR A HUMAN, I ENDED UP IN A SHELTER.
STELLA, YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO A SHELTER AGAIN, BUT I'D STILL WAIT TILL THEY OFFER YOU A STEAK WITH A LIGHT GARLIC, BUTTER SAUCE.
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C'MON, STELLA!
WE HAVE A TREAT FOR YOU.
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THAT'S IT! YOU'RE DOING IT!
GOOD, GIRL!
NO! NO! NO! NO! NO! NO!
SORRY, IT'S NOT IN MY NATURE TO PASS UP FREE TREATS.
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SO, EVERY TIME YOU DO WHAT THEY SAY, YOU GET A TREAT?
PRETTY MUCH.
WOW. THAT'S A GREAT DEAL!
SURE IS!
OTHER THAN THE PART ABOUT DOING WHAT THEY SAY.
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YOU TRUST YOUR PARENTS? EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE HUMAN?
COMPLETELY.
YOU WOULD DO ANYTHING THEY TELL YOU TO DO?
WAIT, WHAT DO YOU THINK TRUST MEANS?
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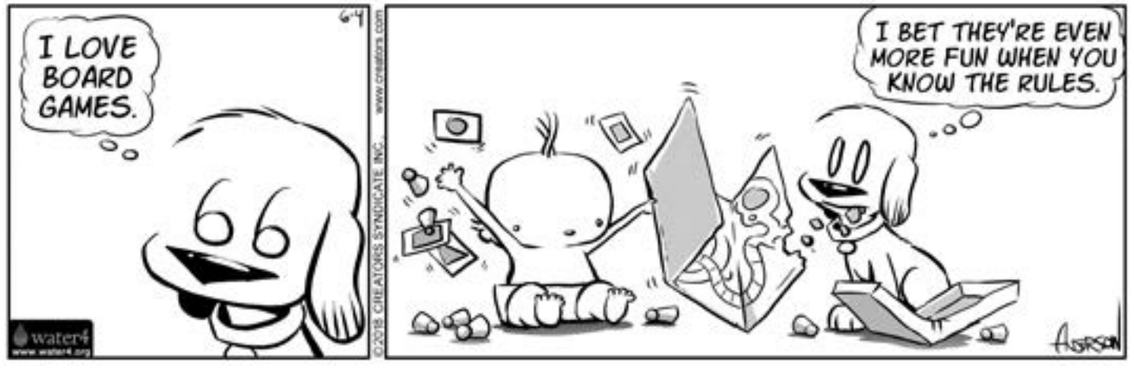
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I LOVE BOARD GAMES.
I BET THEY'RE EVEN MORE FUN WHEN YOU KNOW THE RULES.
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OKAY, BUDDY. NAP TIME.
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WHOOPS! ALMOST FORGOT MR. WUBBLES.
WE SHALL MEET AGAIN, MR. WUBBLES. OH, YES, WE SHALL.
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GOOD NEWS, MOM! THE GARDEN IS NOW SNAKE FREE!
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WHEW! I BETTER STOP.
DON'T WANT TO FILL UP TOO MUCH.
GOTTA SAVE ROOM FOR YOUR PUDDING LATER.
LET'S REVIEW. WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN A HUMAN APPROACHES YOU?
UUUUUH... WAG YOUR TAIL AND SMILE?
GOOD! WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN THEY SCRATCH YOUR EARS?
ENTER A CATATONIC STATE AND MAKE A PUDDLE?
I'M SERIOUSLY THINKING OF HAVING THE CATS HELP YOU.
I'M NO CEASER MILLAN, BUT FREEZING UP AND WETTING YOURSELF EVERY TIME A HUMAN GETS CLOSE IS NOT GOING TO GET YOU ADOPTED.
REALLY? YOU THINK THAT'S THE PROBLEM?
WELL, THAT AND YOU HAVE PRETTY FEROCIOUS EYE BOOGERS.
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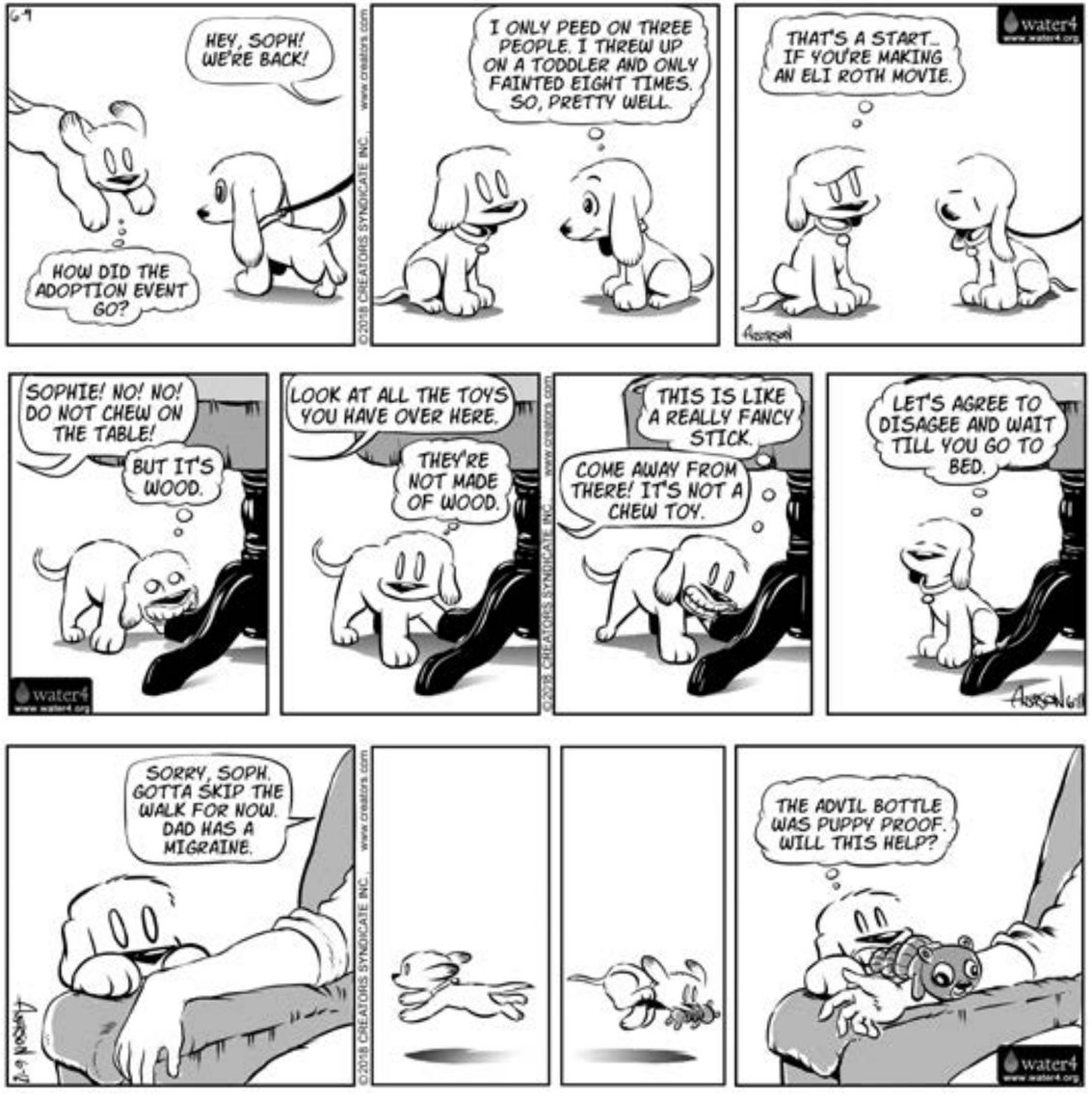
HEY, SOPH! WE'RE BACK!
HOW DID THE ADOPTION EVENT GO?
I ONLY PEED ON THREE PEOPLE. I THREW UP ON A TODDLER AND ONLY FAINTED EIGHT TIMES. SO, PRETTY WELL.
THAT'S A START... IF YOU'RE MAKING AN ELI ROTH MOVIE.
SOPHIE! NO! NO! DO NOT CHEW ON THE TABLE!
BUT IT'S WOOD.
LOOK AT ALL THE TOYS YOU HAVE OVER HERE.
THEY'RE NOT MADE OF WOOD.
THIS IS LIKE A REALLY FANCY STICK.
COME AWAY FROM THERE! IT'S NOT A CHEW TOY.
LET'S AGREE TO DISAGEE AND WAIT TILL YOU GO TO BED.
SORRY, SOPH. GOTTA SKIP THE WALK FOR NOW. DAD HAS A MIGRAINE.
THE ADVIL BOTTLE WAS PUPPY PROOF. WILL THIS HELP?
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SOPHIE! TIME TO COME IN!
COME ON, SOPHIE!
WHERE ARE YOU?
YOU BETTER NOT BE MESSING WITH MY GLADIOLUS AGAIN!
DID YOU CALL ME? WHY ARE YOU HIDING IN THE GARDEN?
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ARE YOU READY FOR THE ADOPTION EVENT TODAY?
I THINK SO.
GREAT! DO YOU REMEMBER EVERYTHING I TAUGHT YOU?
SURE.
AND I'LL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO GO OVER IT WHILE I'M HIDING FROM PEOPLE.
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SOON, ELON MUSK WIL INVENT ELECTRIC, AI. STROLLERS THAT YOU CAN CONTROL WITH YOUR MIND.
BAK?
RIGHT. WE WON'T NEED MOM OR DAD TO TAKE US OUT. MORE IMPORTANTLY-
-JUST BY IMAGINING A FRENCH CRUELLER, IT WILL TAKE YOU TO EVERY DOUGHNUT SHOP WITHIN FIFTY MILES.
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WAIT A MINUTE!
DAD'S NOT MAGIC! HE JUST HOLDS ONTO THE BALL AND PRETENDS TO THROW IT!
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CHOMF! CHOMF! CHOMF! CHOMF!
PFTHOOOO!
LETTUCE IS A SANDWICH'S NATURAL DEFENSE.
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TINK!
TINK! TINK! TINK! TINK!
ASK DAD.
MOM SAYS HE KNOWS HOW TO MAKE MONEY DISAPPEAR.
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I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE YOU GOT ADOPTED.
ME NEITHER.
I MEAN, YOU'RE GOING TO BE A LOT OF WORK. NOT TO MENTION THE FACT THAT YOU CAN'T EVEN BE IN THE SAME ROOM AS A PERSON.
WELL...
GOOD HEAVENS! WAIT UNTIL THEY TRY AND PUT A LEASH ON YOU.
I'LL GO CELEBRATE SOMEWHERE ELSE.
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OH, I KNOW! LET'S SEE WHO CAN MAKE THE MOST UNIQUE, ANNOYING SOUND IN THE NEXT FIVE MINUTES.
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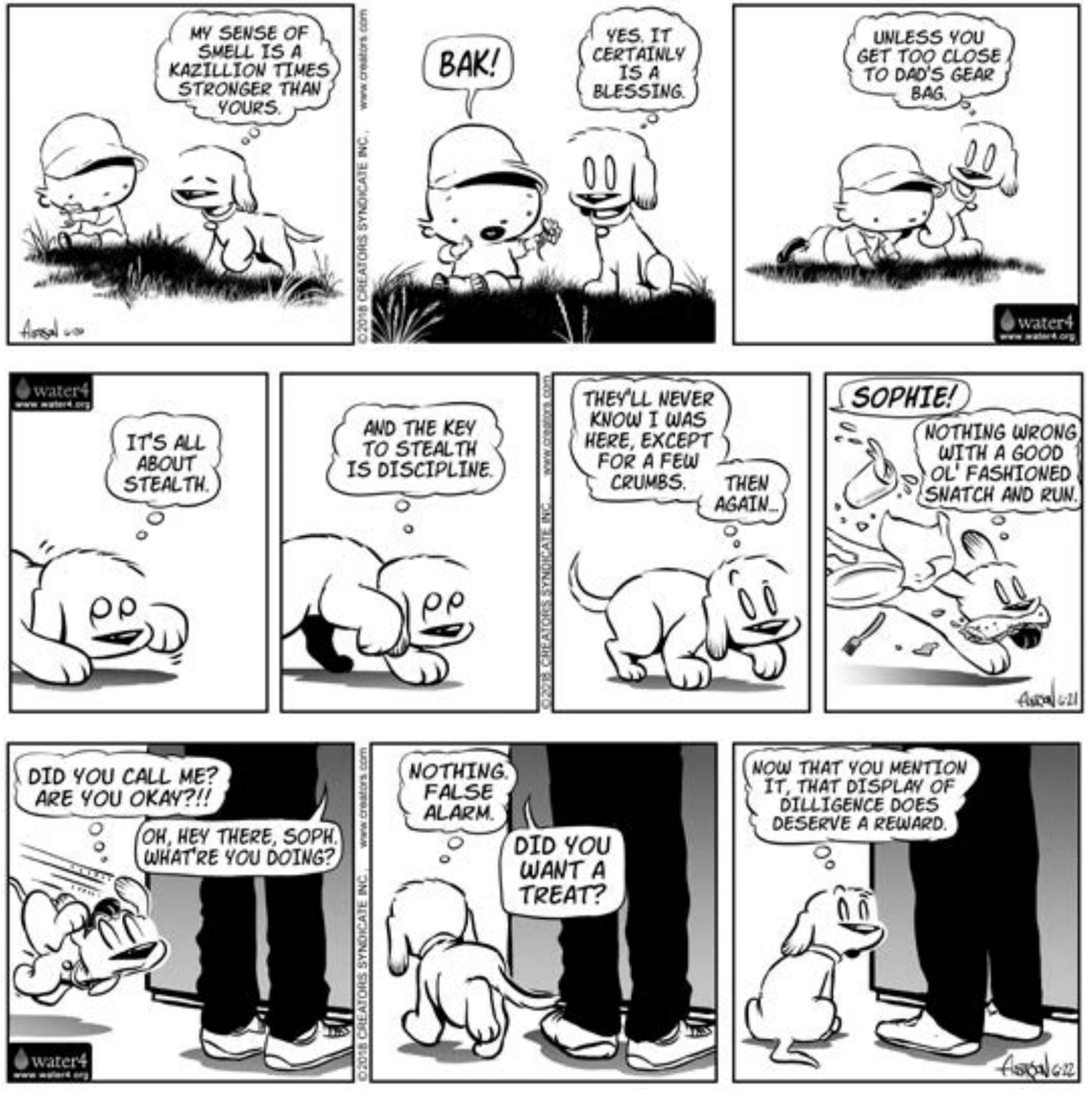
MY SENSE OF SMELL IS A KAZILLION TIMES STRONGER THAN YOURS.
BAK!
YES. IT CERTAINLY IS A BLESSING.
UNLESS YOU GET TOO CLOSE TO DAD'S GEAR BAG.
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IT'S ALL ABOUT STEALTH.
AND THE KEY TO STEALTH IS DISCIPLINE.
THEY'LL NEVER KNOW I WAS HERE, EXCEPT FOR A FEW CRUMBS.
THEN AGAIN...
SOPHIE!
NOTHING WRONG WITH A GOOD OL' FASHIONED SNATCH AND RUN.
DID YOU CALL ME? ARE YOU OKAY?!!
OH, HEY THERE, SOPH. WHAT'RE YOU DOING?
NOTHING. FALSE ALARM.
DID YOU WANT A TREAT?
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, THAT DISPLAY OF DILLIGENCE DOES DESERVE A REWARD.
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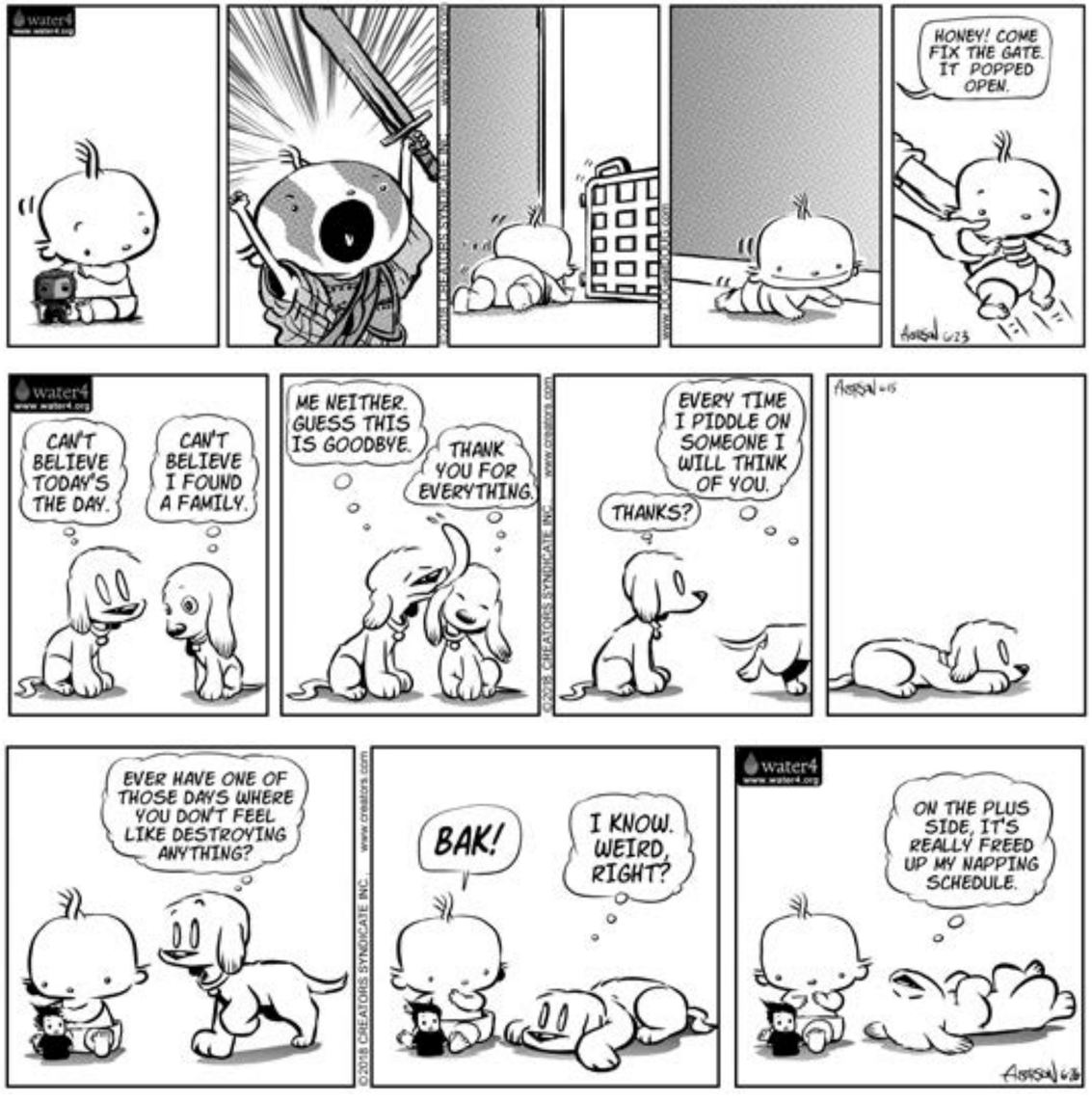
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HONEY! COME FIX THE GATE. IT POPPED OPEN.
CAN'T BELIEVE TODAY'S THE DAY.
CAN'T BELIEVE I FOUND A FAMILY.
ME NEITHER. GUESS THIS IS GOODBYE.
THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING.
EVERY TIME I PIDDLE ON SOMEONE I WILL THINK OF YOU.
THANKS?
EVER HAVE ONE OF THOSE DAYS WHERE YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE DESTROYING ANYTHING?
BAK!
I KNOW. WEIRD, RIGHT?
ON THE PLUS SIDE, IT'S REALLY FREED UP MY NAPPING SCHEDULE.
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WHAT IS IT THAT I "DO"?
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I MEAN BESIDES FETCH, WALKS, AND CHEWING SOCKS.
I'VE NEVER INVENTED ANYTHING. I CAN'T GROW MY OWN FOOD OR MAKE ART.
ALTHOUGH SOME WOULD CALL WHAT I DID TO DAD'S CLOSEST AS PERFORMANCE ART.
I DON'T DRILL WELLS IN THE CONGO OR-
FWOOOP!
WELL, THIS HAS TO COUNT FOR SOMETHING.

ARE YOU LOST?
NO. MY MOM HAS ME ON AN EXTENDABLE LEASH.
IT TAKES HER A BIT TO CATCH UP.
I USUALLY MAKE UP POEMS WHILE I WAIT. WANT TO HERE ONE?
NOT REAL-
GREAT. THIS ONE'S CALLED "TEETER TATER TOT".
TATER TOT, TATER TOT, PERCHED ON THE COUNTER.
TEETER TO AND TEETER FRO! TEETER THIS WAY AND TEETER THAT WAY. OH, TATER TOT, TATER TOT, TEETER...
HOW LONG IS THAT LEASH, EXACTLY?
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YOUR TREATS ALWAYS LOOK BETTER THAN MINE.
HOW HARD COULD IT BE TO BAKE SOME DOG TREATS INTO A CUPCAKE, FROST IT, MELT SOME CHEESE ON TOP AND TOSS ON A BURGER PATTY OR TWO?
BAK!
I DON'T KNOW HOW NO ONE'S THOUGHT OF THAT EITHER.
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AHEM!
DO YOU MIND? I WOULD LIKE SOME PRIVACY.
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IT'S NICE AND COOL INSIDE.
BUT LOOK AT ALL THAT LONG GRASS! AND THOSE STICKS!
IT'S ALSO REALLY HOT OUT THERE. AND WHEN I COME BACK IN I'LL GET BORED.
FORTUNATELY THERE'S ALWAYS SOMEONE TO OPEN THE DOOR.
AGAIN, SOPHIE?!! MAKE UP YOUR MIND!
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WATCH OUT! THAT'S A STINK BUG!
TOUCH IT AND YOU'LL NEVER GET THE SMELL OFF OF YOU.
ON SECOND THOUGHT, GO AHEAD, NO ONE WILL NOTICE.
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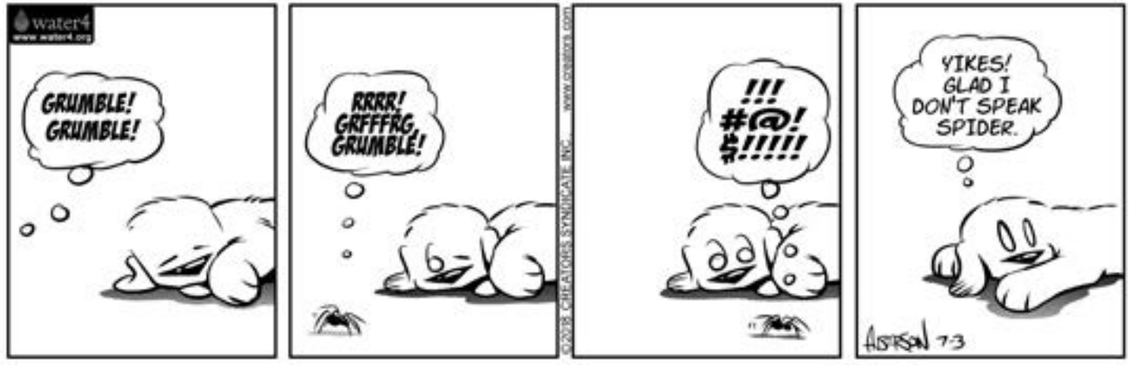
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GRUMBLE! GRUMBLE!
RRRR! GRFFFRG, GRUMBLE!
!!! #@! #!!!!!
YIKES! GLAD I DON'T SPEAK SPIDER.
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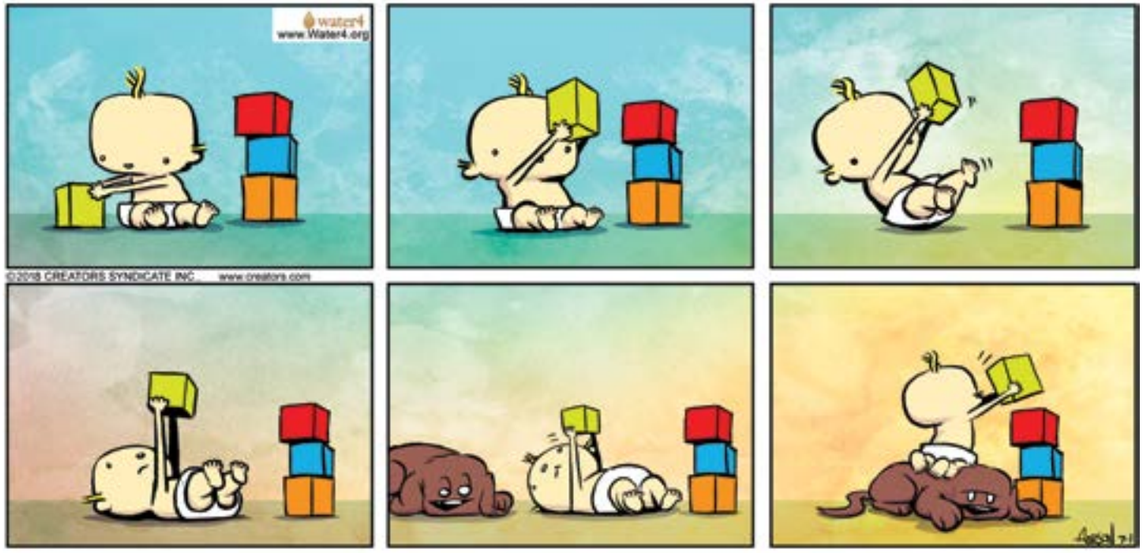

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