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And the award goes to...

The Nobel Prizes are serious awards bestowed upon those who have contributed to science, medicine, literature, peace and economics.

The Ig Nobel Prizes, presented by the magazine Annals of Improbable Research, are nonserious prizes awarded to those whose research makes us scratch our heads.

Here are the latest recipients:

For Literature: The late Dr, William B. Bean (American), for recording and analyzing the rate of growth on one of his fingernails over a period of 35 years.

For Nutrition: Researchers from Nigeria, Italy and France, for studying the extent to which a rainbow lizard chooses to eat certain kinds of pizza.

For Peace: Researchers from the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and Germany, for showing that drinking alcohol sometimes improves a person's ability to speak in a foreign language.

For Engineering Design: Researchers from India, for analyzing how foul-smelling shoes affect the good experience of using a shoe rack.

Candise Lin, a Chinese language and cultural instructor, says that American names don't translate well in China.

See what our names mean when pronounced with Mandarin phonetics:

Robin: Running Naked.

Benson: God of Dumb

Nicolas: You Are So Stingy.

Isabella: The Doctor Got Arrested.

Martha: Fried Dough Twist.

And for my final act, “ said the Spanish magician, “I will make my lovely assistant disappear on the count of three. *Ino... dos...*”

And just like that, the assistant disappeared.

“Wow!” said an awed man in the audience.

“She disappeared without a trace.”

Q: How do snails fight?

A: They take off their shells and slug it out.

Laundry freaks me out.

I just realized, unless you do it naked, you are never totally done.

I suffer from agoraphobia and cabin fever.

I scream when I go outside... and when I go back in

I told my suitcases there won't be a vacation this year.

Now I have emotional baggage.



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A man went to a job interview last week.

The interviewer noted that the man had put on his résumé that he was quick at mental arithmetic.

“What’s 19 multiplied by 17?” the interviewer asked.

“Thirty-four,” the man replied.

“That’s wrong,” the interviewer said.

“But it was very quick,” the man replied.

After a man injured himself, his wife took him to the doctor’s office.

There, the nurse dressed his wound and gave him instructions on how to care for it.

She then reassured him by adding, “Now, if you do everything I’ve told you, you won’t be with us for long.”

On his way to a picnic, a man stopped at a fast food place to order a quart of potato salad.

“We don’t sell it by the quart,” the clerk snapped.

“OK, then give me two pints, please,” the man replied.

The man was proud to say that he held his tongue when the clerk asked, “Do you want it in one container?”

After a man’s speech at a tech conference on “Tips for Going Paperless,” He opened the floor to questions.

I have one,” said a man from the audience.

“Where are the handouts?”

A man’s niece was thrilled to hear that a new car wash was opening in her neighborhood.

“How convenient,” she said. “I can walk to it.”

Q: What do you call a hippie's wife?

A: Mississippi.

Q: What happened to the man who sued an airline for losing his luggage?

A: He lost his case!

The rotation of Earth really makes my day.

With the rise of interest in organic foods and “green” living has come a parallel rise in what critics call “greenwashing”—marketing schemes that try to make typical products look more earth-friendly than they actually are.

That's how we ended up with this slogan on the back of a Lay's potato chip bag: “Made with FARM-GROWN potatoes!”

We've made some remarkable advances in agriculture, but there's still no place to grow potatoes besides the dirt.

As one wag put it: “At least the potatoes come from a farm, even if the seeds come from a laboratory.”

After a tourist parked herself on a Washington Island, Wisconsin, trolley, she wanted to know if they had any beaches.

“Yes,” a man assured her. “Four of them.”

“Great!” she exclaimed. “Which one's closest to the water?”

Heading down the interstate, a man's car passed through a huge swarm of gnats so dense that their bodies made popping noises as they hit the windshield.

“I can't get over how loud they are,” the man's wife said.

“Well, we are hitting them at 65 miles per hour,” he pointed out.

Her reply left him speechless.

“I didn't know bugs could fly that fast.”

Lost in the desert for three days, a man suddenly hears “Mush!”
Looking up, he sees what he thinks is a mirage: a man on a sled, driving a team of huskies.

To his surprise, the sled came to a stop at his feet seconds later.
“I don’t know why you’re here, but thank goodness,” the man says.
“I’ve been lost for days.”

Panting, the musher replies, “You think *you’re* lost?”

Q: What do you call a shoe made from a banana?

A: A slipper.

Q: Why did the boy tiptoe past the medicine cabinet?

A: He didn’t want to wake up the sleeping pills!

Q: How many ears did Davy Crockett have?

A: His right ear, his left ear and his wild front-ear

Chances are if you’ve seen one shopping center, you’ve seen a mall



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