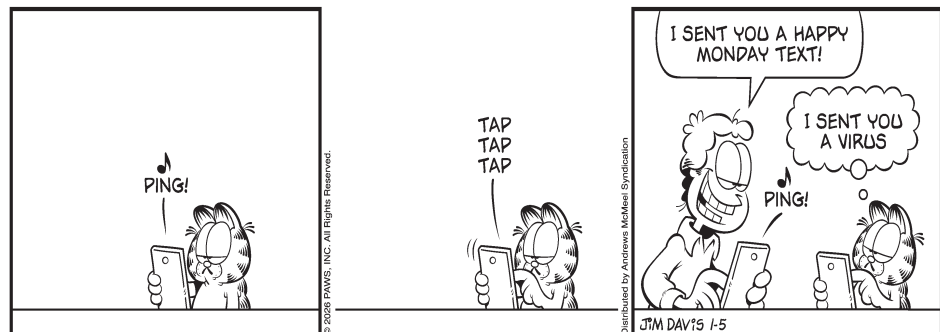
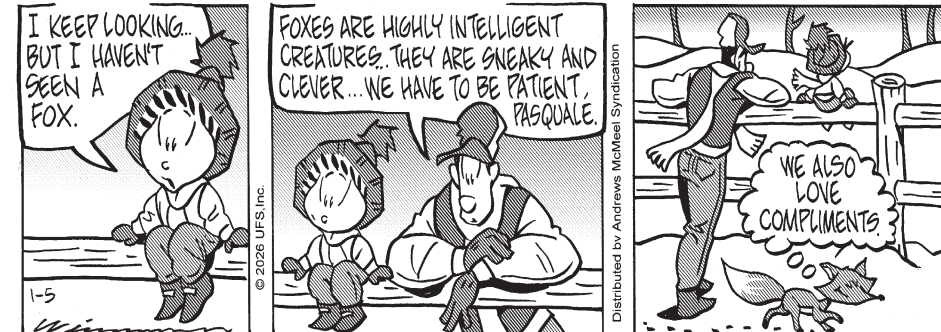


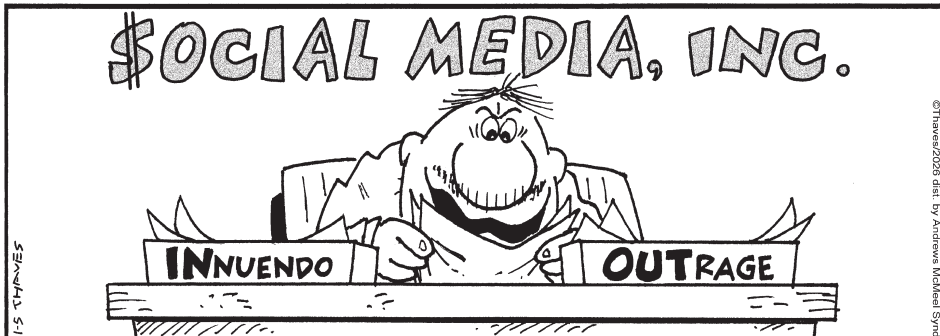
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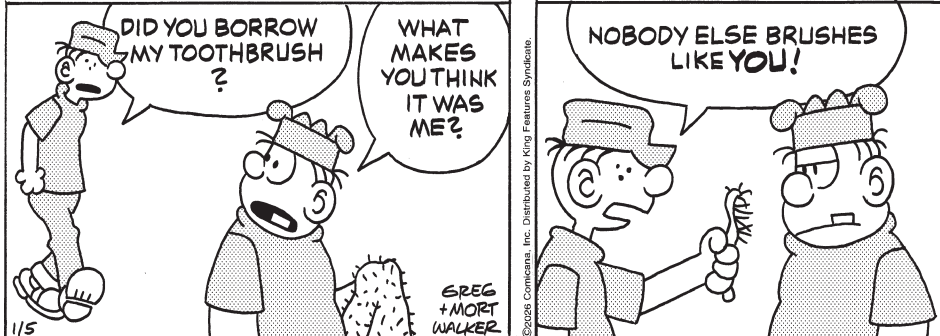
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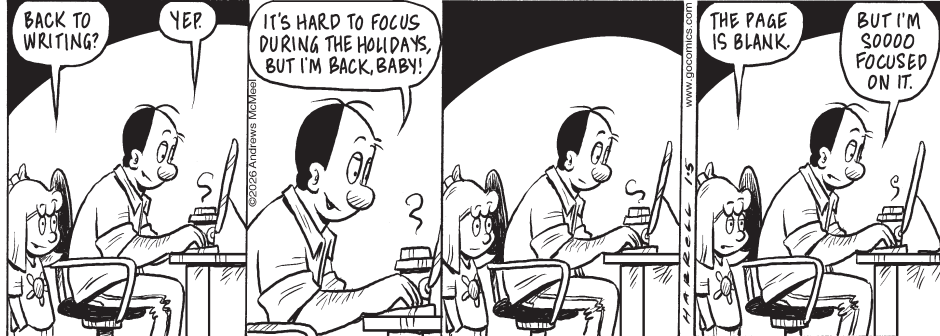
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MODERATELY CONFUSED



REALITY CHECK



Shortcuts

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CATCHING UP WITH THE EMU

Can you help this traveler catch her flight?

Wild emus live for about 10 years. Captive emus may live as long as 40 years.

Emus are omnivores that feed mainly on fruit, flowers, seeds, insects and small reptiles and mammals.

Emus are able to store large amounts of fat in their bodies. This allows them to survive for long periods without food.

What type of personality does an emu have? Grounded.

What do you call a large, flightless bird that specializes in vaccines? An emu-nologist.

Emus have two sets of eyelids. One for blinking, and a second set for protection against dust.

The feathers of most birds have tiny barbs that hold each feather together to form a smooth surface. Emu feathers appear more like fur because they do not have these barbs.

Where do emus shop for bargains online? T-emu.

An emu's wings are only about 20 cm (8 in.) in length.

An emu egg may be more than 13 cm (5 in.) in length.

Emu eggs are green.

Emus are the second-tallest birds on the planet, after ostriches. A large emu can measure nearly 2 m (6 ft.) in height.

Emus are able to quickly trot for many kilometers and can sprint at nearly 50 km/hr (30 mph) over short distances.

Emus are members of the ratite family of flightless, running birds, along with ostriches, cassowaries, kiwis and rheas. Native to Australia, emus are known for their large size, shaggy feathers and their amazing running speed. There is only one species of emu. There were three until the other two species were hunted into extinction by the mid-1800s.

This cartoon is a big mistake.

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Angry emojis ruffle my feathers.

FATHER FIGURE

The male emu builds the nest and incubates the eggs. The male will also protect and care for the chicks for as long as a year after they hatch.

A male emu will not eat or drink for nearly two months while incubating the eggs in its nest. He will not leave the nest, and may lose as much as a third of his body weight during this time.

WORD SEARCH

Can you find the hidden words? Search carefully because some words are backward or diagonal.

FEATHER	SPRINT	KIWI
OSTRICH	DRINK	BOB
SHAGGY	WING	EMU
RATITE	TALL	RUN
FLIGHT	DUST	EAT
EYELID	BIRD	FAT
SMOKES	SCREENS	STOSHAE
ARM	PUP	GHOST
HTY	OUR	AGFHT
TROB	BENDY	I
PIE	ARRIB	BLRN
ALEGT	AICOB	IGT
OFFGB	TACB	KND
STAY	AIDOH	KUB
BALL	TROW	WISH
CALLE	KDEW	ITH

Why was the exceptionally tall emu kicked out of his group? He was ostrich-sized.