

# BRIDGE JOKES

## Week 1: The Wealthy Texan

There was an extremely wealthy Texan who owned a huge ranch with a large pool in the back. In the pool he kept a man-eating shark. Every year towards the end of his annual party he would gather everyone around the pool and make the same bet. If anyone can swim across this pool, I will give you your choice of 3 things: 1. 10 million dollars 2. Half my estate 3. My daughter's hand in marriage. As soon as he finished, he heard a splash. A man started tearing across the pool. The shark sees him and begins pursuit. But the guys swims like mad. The shark is gaining on him. But the guy is swimming for his life. And just as the shark is about to get him, the man jumps out of the pool and the shark hits the wall. The Texan couldn't believe it and said, "This is amazing, well do you want the 10 million?" "No" the man replied. "Do you want half my estate?" "No" the man replied. "Ah, you must want my daughter's hand in marriage?" But still the man replied no. The Texan asked, "Then what is it that you want?" The man replied, "I want the name of the guy that pushed me in!"

## Week 2: Bridge to Hawaii

A man was walking along a California beach and stumbled across an old lamp. He picked it up and rubbed it and out popped a genie. The genie said "OK, OK. You released me from the lamp, blah blah blah. This is the fourth time this month and I'm getting a little sick of these wishes so you can forget about three. You only get one wish!" The man sat and thought about it for a while and said, "I've always wanted to go to Hawaii but I'm scared to fly and I get very seasick. Could you build me a bridge to Hawaii, so I can drive over there to visit?" The genie laughed and said, "That's impossible. Think of the logistics of that! How would the supports ever reach the bottom of the Pacific? Think of how much concrete... how much steel!! No! Think of another wish." The man said OK and tried to think of a really good wish. Finally, he said, "I've been married and divorced four times. My wives always said that I don't understand them and that I'm insensitive. So, I wish that I could understand women, ... know how they think...what they feel inside...and what they mean when they say something...and what I should say when they are silent. The genie thought for a moment, and said, "Do you want that bridge with two lanes or four?"

## Week 3: Giving A Push

A man and his wife were awakened at 3:00 am by a loud pounding on the door. The man gets up and goes to the door where a stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push. "Not a chance," says the husband, "it is 3:00 in the morning!" He slams the door and returns to bed." Who was that?" asked his wife." Just some guy asking for a push," he answers. Did you help him?" she asks. "No, I did not, it's 3am in the morning and it's pouring rain out there!" "Well, you have a short memory," says his wife. "Can't you remember about three months ago when we broke down, and those two guys helped us? I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself!" The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain. He calls out into the dark, "Hello, are you still there?" "Yes," the man says. "Do you still need a push?" calls out the husband. "Yes, please!" comes the reply from the dark. "Where are you?" asks the husband. The man replied, "I'm over here on the swing".

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After getting all of Pope's luggage loaded into the limo, the driver notices the Pope is still standing on the curb 'Excuse me, Your Holiness,' says the driver, 'Would you please take your seat so we can leave?' 'Well, to tell you the truth,' says the Pope, 'they never let me drive at the Vatican, and I'd really like to drive today.' 'I'm sorry, Your Holiness, but I cannot let you do that. I'd lose my job! 'Who's going to tell?' says the Pope with a smile. Reluctantly, the driver gets in the back as the Pope climbs in behind the wheel. The driver quickly regrets his decision when, after exiting the airport, the Pontiff floors it, accelerating the limo to 100 mph. 'Please slow down, Your Holiness!' pleads the worried driver, but the Pope keeps the pedal to the metal until they hear sirens. The Pope pulls over and rolls down the window as the cop approaches, but the cop takes one look at him, goes back to his car, and gets on the radio. 'I need to talk to the Chief,' he says to the dispatcher. The Chief gets on the radio and the cop tells him that he's stopped a limo going 100 mph. 'So bust him,' says the Chief. 'I don't think we want to do that, he's really important,' said the cop. The Chief exclaimed, 'All the more reason!' 'No, He is really important'. The Chief then asked, 'Who is it, the mayor? The cop says more important. 'Is it the governor?' More important. 'Is it the President?' More important. Well who could be more important than the president? The cop says, 'I think it's Jesus!' The Chief is even more puzzled and asks, 'What makes you think it's Jesus?' The cop says, 'It must be Jesus because he has the Pope as His chauffeur!'

## Week 5: The Bible Speaking Parrot

There were three sons who left home, went out on their own and prospered. They discussed the gifts they were able to give their elderly mother. The first said: "I built a big house for our mother." The second said: "I sent her a Mercedes with a driver." The third said: "You remember how our mother enjoys reading the Bible. Now she can't see very well. So, I sent her a remarkable parrot that recites the entire Bible. It took the elders in the church 12 years to teach him. Mama just has to name the chapter and verse and the parrot recites it." Soon thereafter, their mother sent out her letters of thanks. "Milton," she said, "the house you built is so huge. I only live in one room, but I have to clean the whole house." "Gerald," she said, "I am too old to travel. I stay most of the time at home so I rarely use the Mercedes. And that drive is so rude!" "But Donald," she said, "you know what your mother loves, that little chicken you sent was delicious!"

## Week 6: Seeing Eye Chihuahua

There's a guy with a Doberman Pincer and a guy with a Chihuahua. The guy with the Doberman Pincer says to the guy with a Chihuahua, "Let's go over to that restaurant and get something to eat." The guy with the Chihuahua says, "We can't go in there. We've got dogs with us." The guy with the Doberman Pincer says, "Just follow my lead." They walk over to the restaurant, the guy with the Doberman Pincer puts on a pair of dark glasses, and he starts to walk in. A guy at the door says, "Sorry, mac, no pets allowed." The guy with the Doberman Pincer says, "You don't understand. This is my seeing-eye dog." The guy at the door says, "A Doberman Pincer?" He says, "Yes, they're using them now, they're very good." The guy at the door says, "Come on in." The guy with the Chihuahua figures, "hey why not?," so he puts on a pair of dark glasses and starts to walk in. The guy at the door says, "Sorry, pal, no pets allowed." The guy with the Chihuahua says, "You don't understand. This is my seeing-eye dog." The guy at the door says, "They gave you a Chihuahua as a seeing eye dog?" And he says, "What, you mean they gave me a Chihuahua!?"

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## Week 7: The Italian Tomato Garden

An old Italian man lived alone in the country. One spring, he wanted to dig his tomato garden but it was difficult work as the ground was very hard. His only son, Vincent, who used to help him, was in prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and described his predicament.

*Dear Vincent,*

*I am feeling pretty badly because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. I know if you were here, my troubles would be over. I know you would be happy to dig the plot for me. Love, Dad*

A few days later, the father received a letter from his son:

*Dear Dad, Don't dig up that garden. That's where I buried the bodies. Love, Vinnie*

At 4 a.m. the next morning, FBI agents and the local police arrive and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left. That same day, the old man received another letter from his son.

*Dear Dad, Go ahead and plant the tomatoes now. That's the best I could do under the circumstances. Your loving son, Vinnie*

## Week 8: The Little Boy and the Parachute

A politician, a professional basketball player, a priest, and a young schoolboy were flying in a plane but the plane encountered difficulties and was about to crash. The pilot said that he did everything he could, took a parachute and jumped out of the plane. But the problem is that they only had 3 parachutes left. The basketball player said that he was too important and famous to die, took a parachute and jumped. The politician said that he was too important and that he was the smartest politician in the world and that society needed him so he took a parachute and jumped out of the plane. The priest looked at the young boy, told him that he lived a full life, and told the boy he wanted him to take the last parachute. But the boy calmly replied, "Don't worry father, there's enough for both of us. The world's smartest politician just jumped with my back pack!"

## Week 9: Driving the Penguins in the Car

A man was driving down the road with twenty penguins in the back seat. A police officer saw this, pulled him over and told him that he can't drive around with the penguins in the car. So the man said what do you think I should do with them? And the officer said, "Why don't you take them to the zoo?" The man thought that was a good idea and agrees and drives off. The next day the same man is driving down the road with twenty penguins in the back and again. The police officer sees this and pulls him over again. Not only does he see the 20 penguins in the back seat, he notices that they are all wearing sun glasses. So the police officer says, "Hey! I thought I told you to take those to the zoo." The man says "I did. Today I'm taking them to the beach."

## Week 10: Atheist and the Bear

An atheist was walking through the woods one day when he happened upon a grizzly bear. He took off but the bear chased after him. The man was running as fast as he could but the bear was gaining on him. But then, the man tripped on a log and fell. And now the bear was almost on him. In desperation the atheist said, "God if you're real, please make this bear into a Christian!" No sooner had he said this then bear came sliding to a halt right in front of him. God down on his knees, folded his paws and began to pray. The atheist couldn't believe it. But he couldn't hear what the bear was praying. So he leaned in a little closer and heard the bear pray, "Dear Lord, thank you for this food which I am about to receive."

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## Retreat 1: **Septic Tank Joke**

As a bagpipe player, I play many gigs. Recently I was asked by a funeral director to play at a graveside service for a homeless man. He had no family or friends, so the service was to be at a pauper's cemetery in the back country. As I was not familiar with the backwoods, I got lost. I finally arrived an hour late and saw the funeral guy had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere in sight. There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. I felt badly and apologized to the men for being late. I went to the side of the grave and looked down and the vault lid was already in place. I didn't know what else to do, so I started to play. The workers put down their lunches and began to gather around. I played out my heart and soul for this man with no family and friends. I played like I've never played before for this homeless man. And as I played 'Amazing Grace,' the workers began to weep. They wept, I wept, we all wept together. When I finished I packed up my bagpipe and started for my car. Though my head hung low, my heart was full. As I opened the door to my car, I heard one of the workers say, "I never seen nothin' like that before and I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty-years."

## Retreat 2: **Getting into Heaven**

Three men were standing in line to get into heaven one day. Apparently, it had been a pretty busy day, though, so Peter had to tell the first one, "Heaven's getting pretty close to full today, and I've been asked to admit only people who have had particularly horrible deaths. So, what's your story?"

So, the first man replies: "Well, for a while I've suspected my wife has been cheating on me, so today I came home early to try to catch her red-handed. As I came into my 25th floor apartment, I could tell something was wrong, but all my searching around didn't reveal where this other guy could have been hiding. Finally, I went out to the balcony, and sure enough, there was this man hanging off the railing, 25 floors above ground! By now I was really mad, so I started beating on him and kicking him, but wouldn't you know it, he wouldn't fall off. So finally, I went back into my apartment and got a hammer and started hammering on his fingers. Of course, he couldn't stand that for long, so he let go and fell-but even after 25 stories, he fell into the bushes, stunned but okay. I couldn't stand it anymore, so I ran into the kitchen, grabbed the fridge and threw it over the edge where it landed on him, killing him instantly. But all the stress and anger got to me, and I had a heart attack and died there on the balcony."

"That sounds like a pretty bad day to me," said Peter, and let the man in. The second man comes up and Peter explains to him about heaven being full, and again asks for his story. "It's been a very strange day. You see, I live on the 26th floor of my apartment building, and every morning I do my exercises out on my balcony. Well, this morning I must have slipped or something, because I fell over the edge. But I got lucky, and caught the railing of the balcony on the floor below me. I knew I couldn't hang on for very long, when suddenly this man burst out onto the balcony. I thought for sure I was saved, when he started beating on me and kicking me. I held on the best I could until he ran into the apartment and grabbed a hammer and started pounding on my hands. Finally, I just let go, but again I got lucky and fell into the bushes below, stunned but all right. Just when I was thinking I was going to be okay, this refrigerator comes falling out of the sky and crushes me instantly, and now I'm here."

Once again, Peter had to concede that that sounded like a pretty horrible death. The third man came to the front of the line, and again the whole process was repeated. Peter explained that heaven was full and asked for his story.

"Picture this," says the third man, "I'm hiding inside a refrigerator..."

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## Retreat 3: **Women are Smarter than Men**

3 women and 3 men are traveling by train to the Super Bowl. At the station, the 3 men each buy a ticket and watch as the 3 women buy just one ticket. "How are the three of you going to travel on only one ticket?" Asks one of the men "Watch and learn" answers one of the women. They all board the train. The 3 men take their respective seats but all 3 women cram into a toilet together and close the door. Shortly after the train has departed, the conductor comes around collecting tickets. He knocks on the toilet door and says, "ticket, please." The door opens just a crack, and a single arm emerges with the ticket in hand. The conductor takes it and moves on. The men see this happen and agree it was quite a clever idea; so, after the game, they decide to do the same thing on the return trip and save money. When they get to the station, they buy a single ticket for the return trip but see to their astonishment, that the 3 women don't buy a ticket at all. "How are you going to travel without a ticket?" says one perplexed man "Watch and learn," answers the women. When they board the train, the 3 men cram themselves into a toilet, and the 3 women cram into another toilet just down the way. Shortly after the train is on its way, one of the women leaves her toilet and walks over to the toilet in which the men are hiding. The woman knocks on their door and says, "Ticket, please." I'm still trying to figure out why men ever think they are smarter than women.

## Retreat 4: **Blonde Guy Joke**

An Irishman, a Mexican and a blonde guy were doing construction work on scaffolding on the 20th floor of a building. They were eating lunch and the Irishman said, "Corned beef and cabbage! If I get corned beef and cabbage one more time for lunch I'm going to jump off this building." The Mexican opened his lunch box and exclaimed, "Burritos again! If I get burritos one more time I'm going to jump off too!" The blonde opened his lunch and said, "Bologna again. If I get a bologna sandwich one more time I'm jumping too." The next day the Irishman opened his lunch box, saw corned beef and cabbage and jumped to his death. The Mexican opened his lunch, saw a burrito and jumped too. The blonde opened his lunch, saw the bologna and jumped to his death as well. At the funeral the Irishman's wife was weeping. She said, "If I'd known how really tired he was of corned beef and cabbage, I never would have given it to him again." The Mexican's wife also wept and said, "I could have given him tacos or enchiladas. I didn't realize he hated burritos so much." Everyone turned and stared at the blonde's wife. "Hey, don't look at me," she said, "he makes his own lunch."