

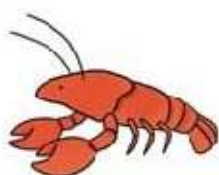
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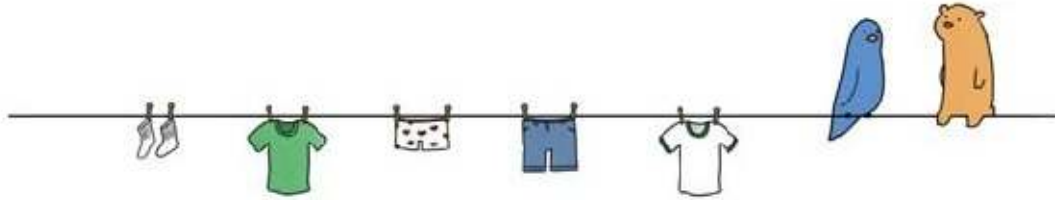
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for my friends  
(and your friends, too)



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# Intr duction

When I was 23 I moved to Los Angeles and slept on my friend Andrea's futon for about three months. We both grew up in northern California, but she had moved to L.A. a couple of years prior. When I called and told her I had accepted a job on The Simpsons, and that I started in a couple of days but had no money saved and no place to live, she said without hesitation, "Great! Come stay with me! You can sleep on my futon." So that's exactly what I did. While this was a very exciting time for me, it was a lonely one too. I left some of my best friends behind when I moved, friends I worried I would lose touch with. I started my new job and listened as my coworkers talked in the hallway and made lunch plans. I missed my group of friends in northern California, I missed my family, and I was terrified to start my new life in L.A.. But at the end of the day, I had Andrea to keep me company and her futon to sleep on, so I knew everything would be okay. Ten years later, I am still in L.A., Andrea has moved to New York, I see my northern California friends every summer, I have an amazing group of friends here in Los Angeles, and a futon of my very own in case any of them ever needs a place to sleep.

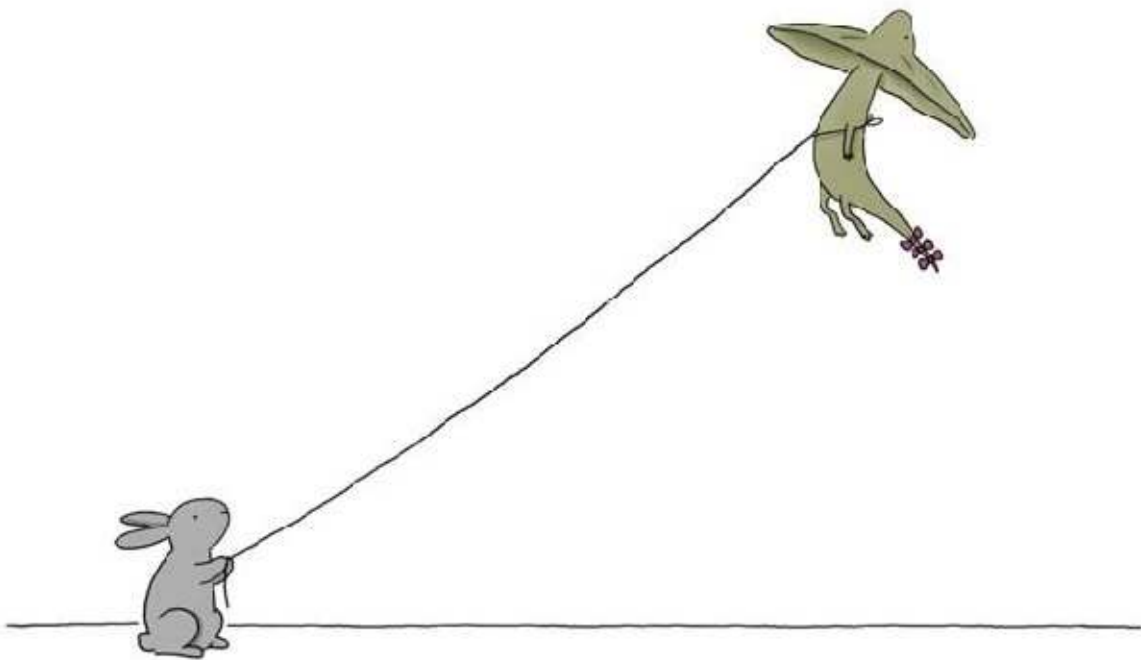
I love my friends, and I started drawing these comics as a way to make them laugh. After wasting so much time worrying if my drawings were any good, I realized I actually don't care as long as they make my friends happy, because that's exactly how my friends make me feel

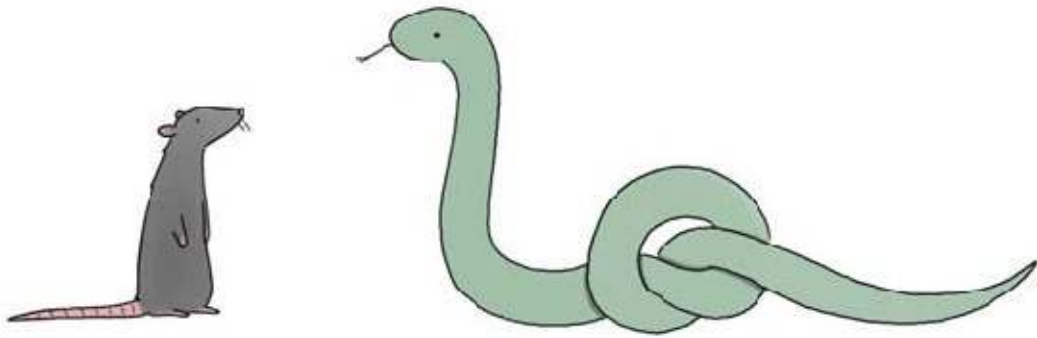
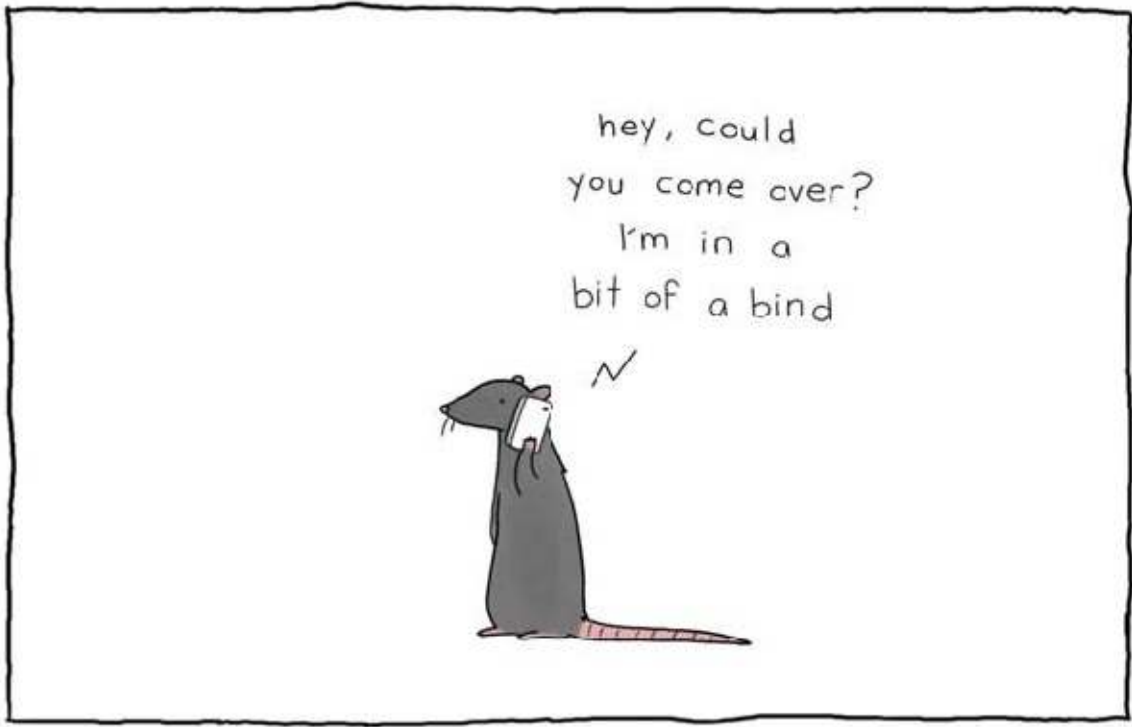
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every day. And now, hopefully, they'll make your friends happy too! So if you've picked up this book and haven't put it down yet (thanks, by the way!) consider giving it to an old friend, or a new friend, or just keep it for yourself. And if you're in a new place, starting a new journey, or even feeling a bit lonely, hopefully these comics will keep you company for a bit and make you smile.

Liz Climo

a friend  
in need







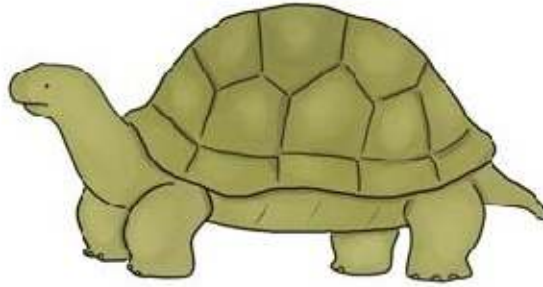
I'm gonna  
run to the  
store

!



would you  
pick up some  
candles for  
my mom's  
birthday cake?

!



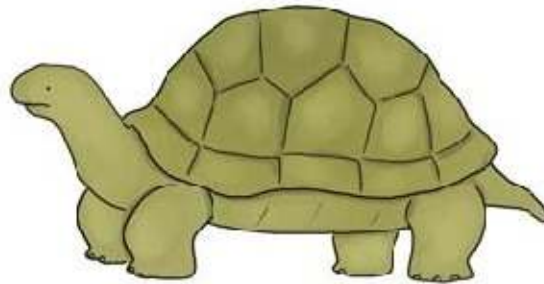
sure, how  
many do you  
need

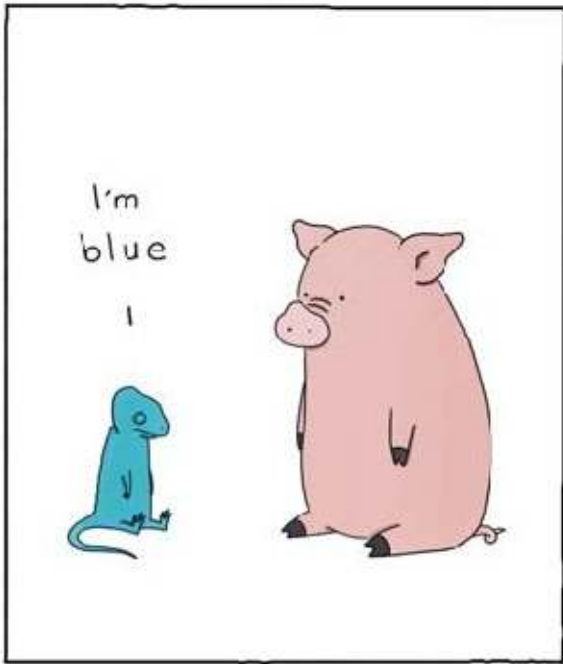
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one hundred  
and twenty  
four

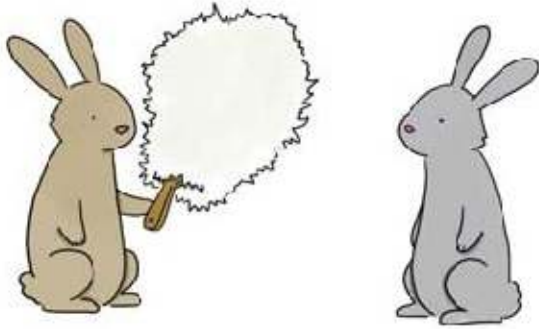
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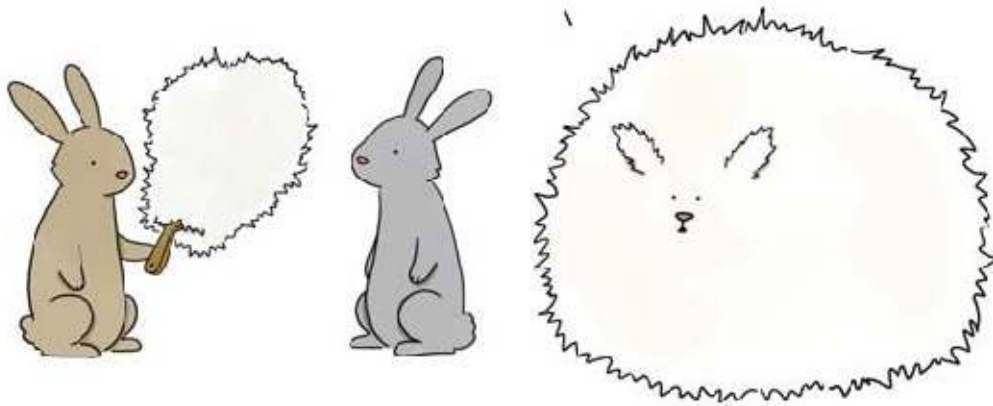


hey what  
happened to  
my brush

I think  
marcy  
borrowed it



oh yeah  
sorry about  
that



I just met  
a girl I really  
like. how long  
should I wait  
before I  
call her?



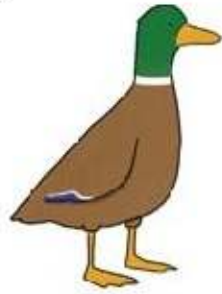
hmm.  
I'd wait  
two days



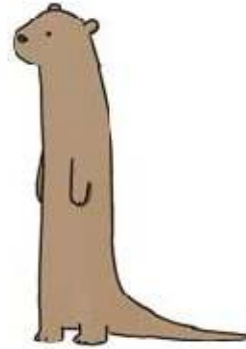
so like  
seven minutes  
in dog  
years



I'm worried  
I'm losing my feathers.  
I woke up and there were  
feathers all over  
the pillow

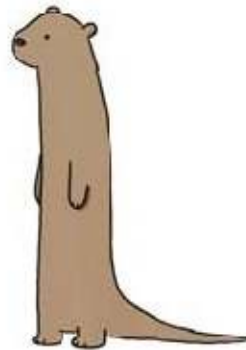
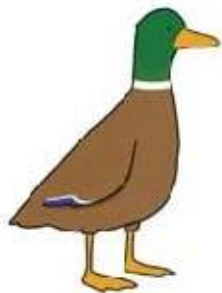


what's your  
pillow stuffed  
with



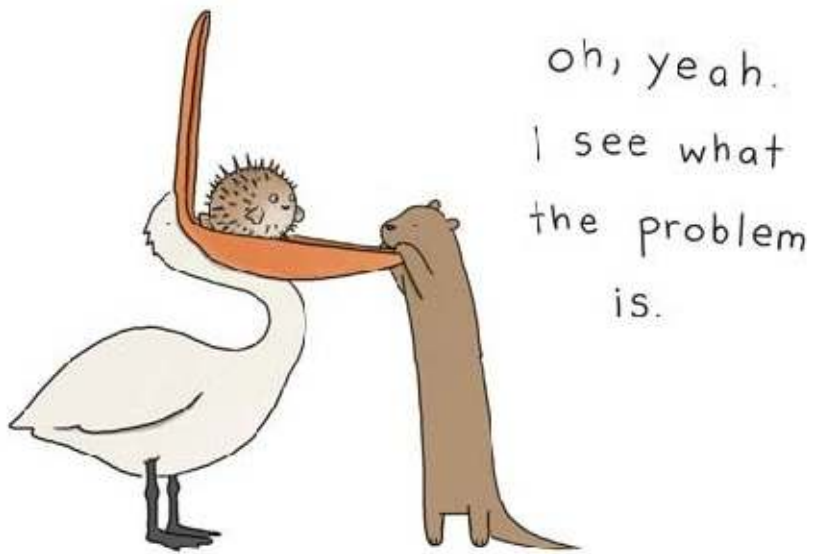
what does that  
have to do with...

ohhhh.





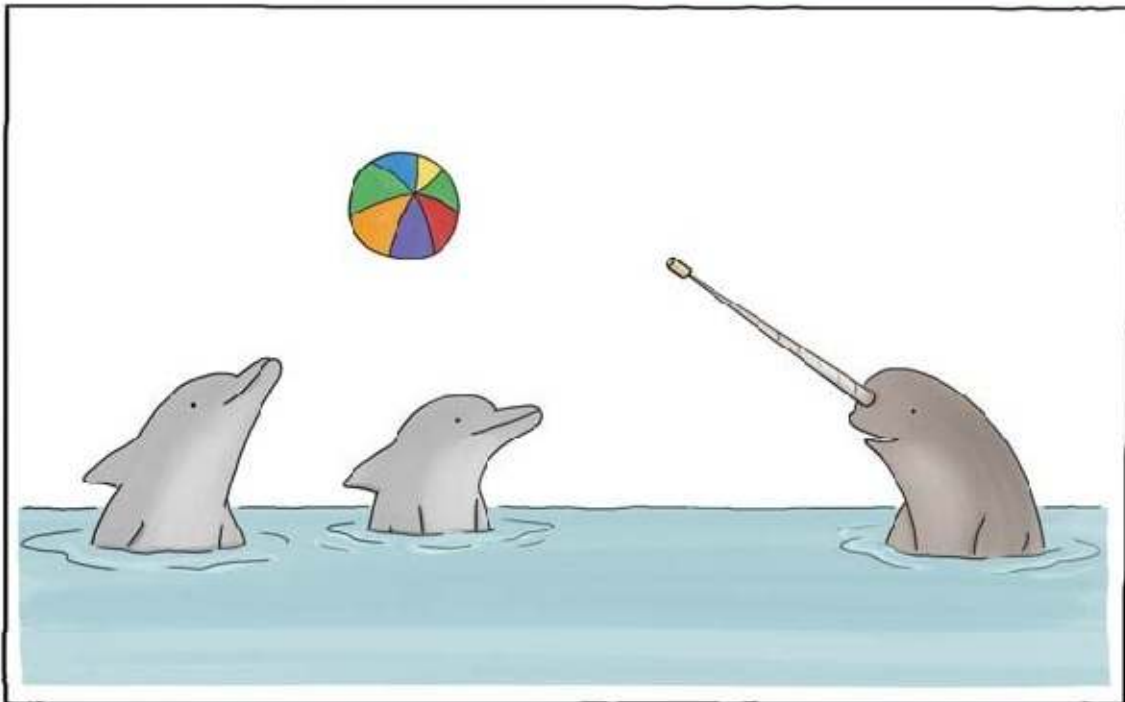
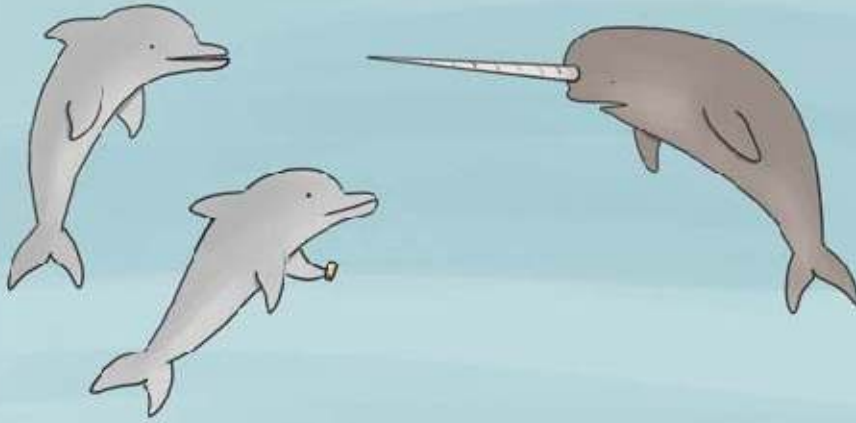






hey larry,  
we got  
you a present

a cork?  
what's  
that for



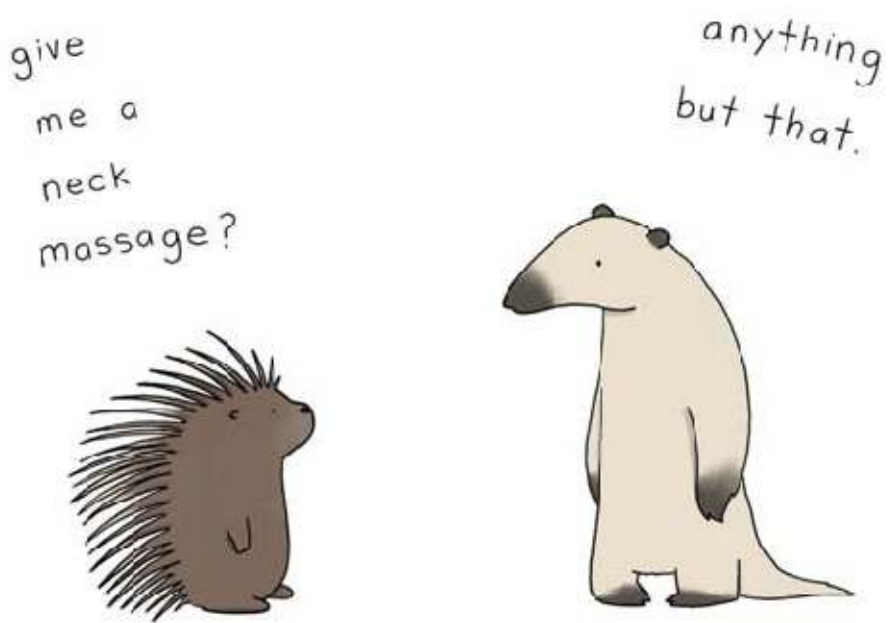
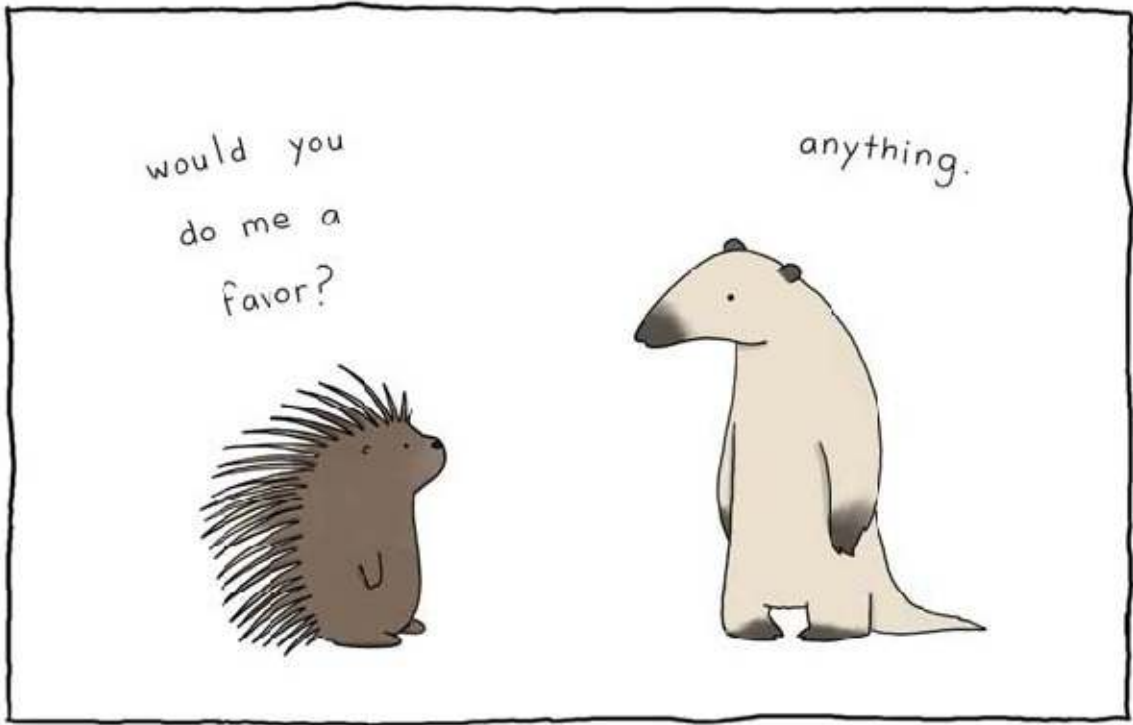


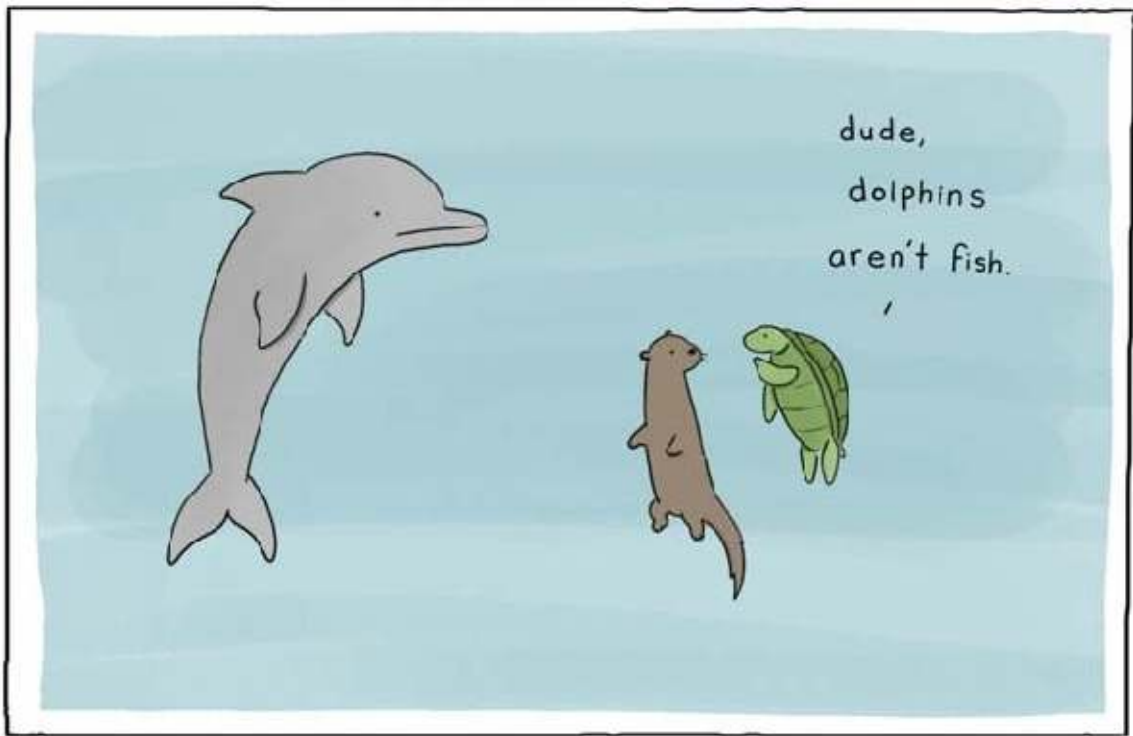
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just a drawing  
of my  
wallet

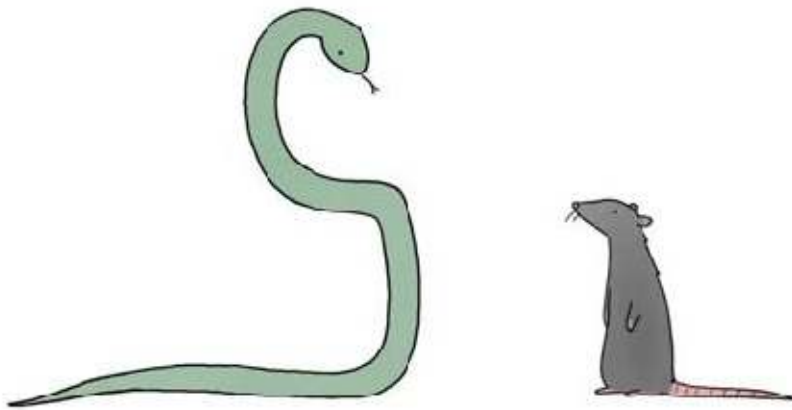
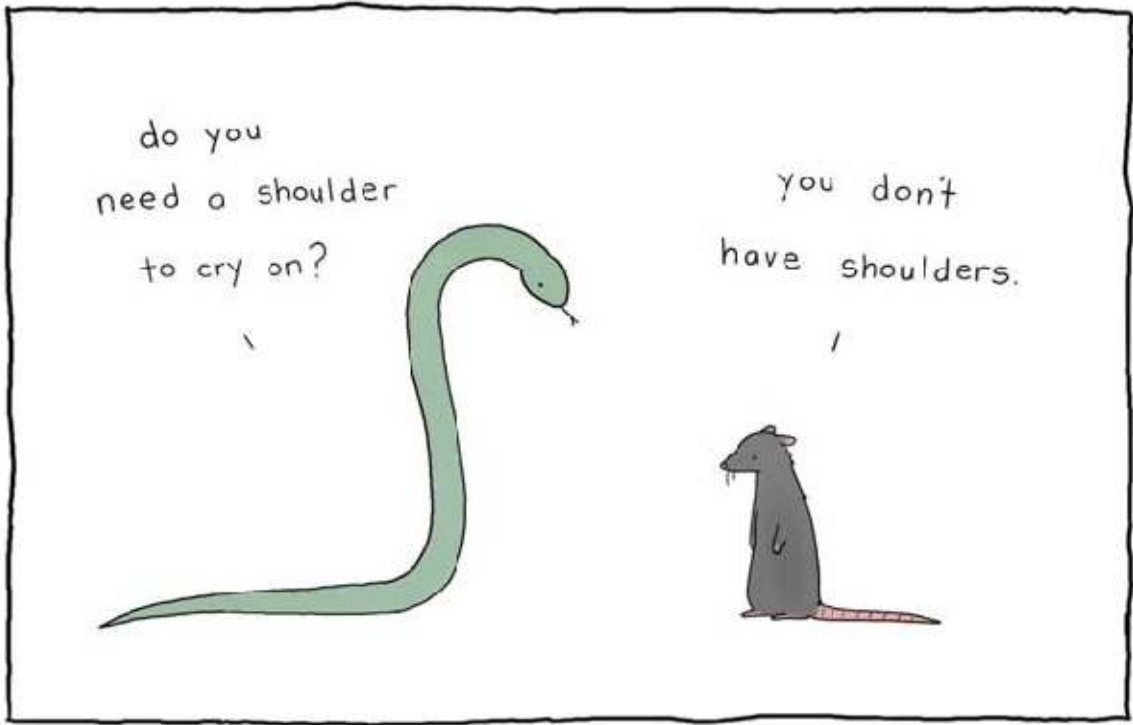


Can  
I borrow  
twenty  
bucks





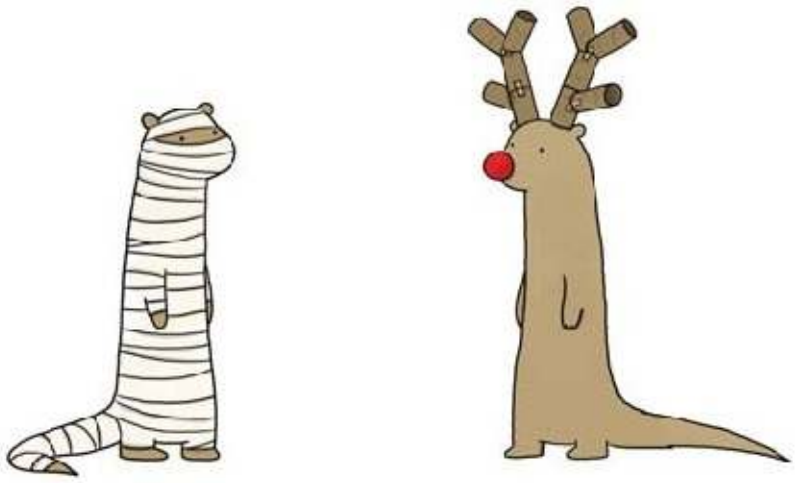


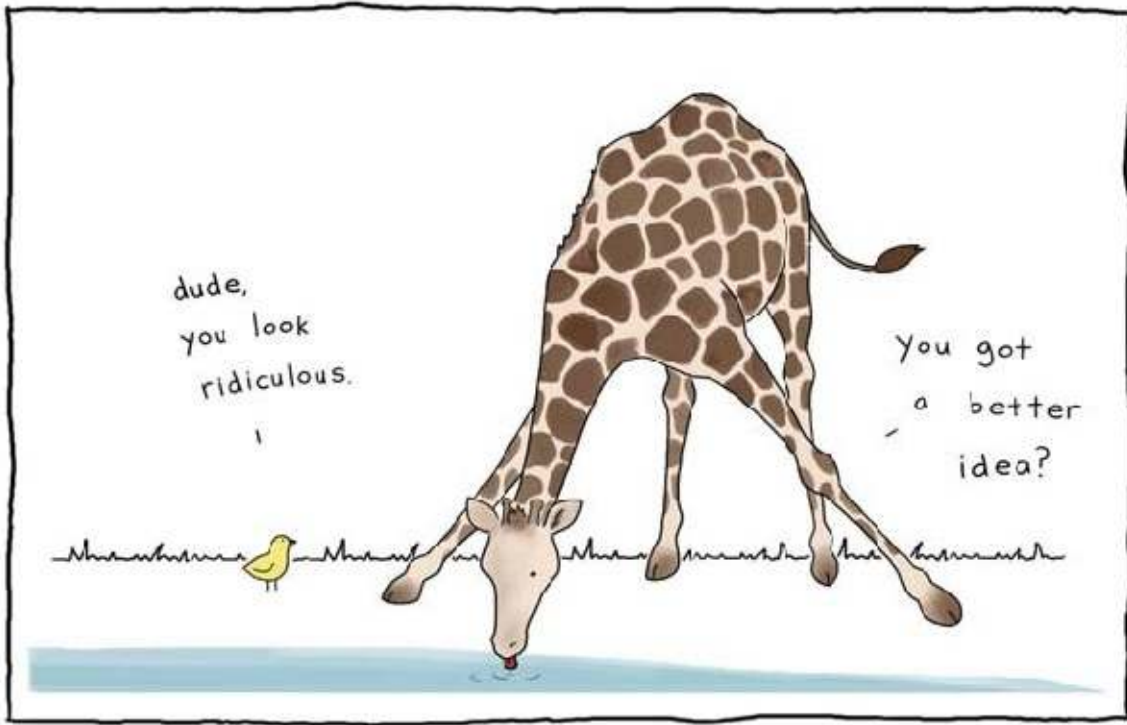




hey man,  
where do  
you want  
the webs









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