

# Lupton's Laugh & Learn Issue for October 20, 2008

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## Thought for Today

*"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can."*

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## The Learn

**Idiom: Raincheck:** An offer or deal that is declined right now but willing to accept later.

Example: "Thanks for the dinner invitation for Friday, but I already have plans for that night. May I have a **raincheck**?"

Example: "The store was out of the advertised sale item. They gave us a **raincheck** so we can purchase it at the sale price when they receive more of these."

Origin: When a baseball game is canceled due to rain, "**rainchecks**" are given for a future game.

**Confusing Words: Clothes / Cloths**

**Clothes:** something you wear - jeans, shirts, blouses, etc.

Example: *Just a moment, let me change my clothes.*

Example: *Tommy, put your clothes on!*

**Cloths:** pieces of material used for cleaning or sewing.

Example: *There are some cloths in the closet. Use those to clean the kitchen.*

Example: *Mom is saving these cloths to sew into a quilt. [A quilt is a blanket of bed covering]*

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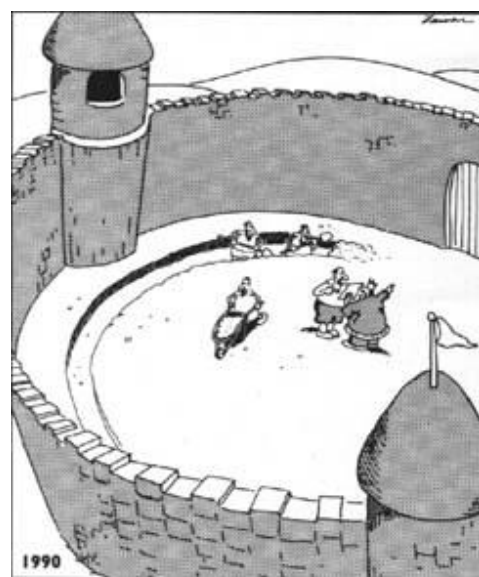
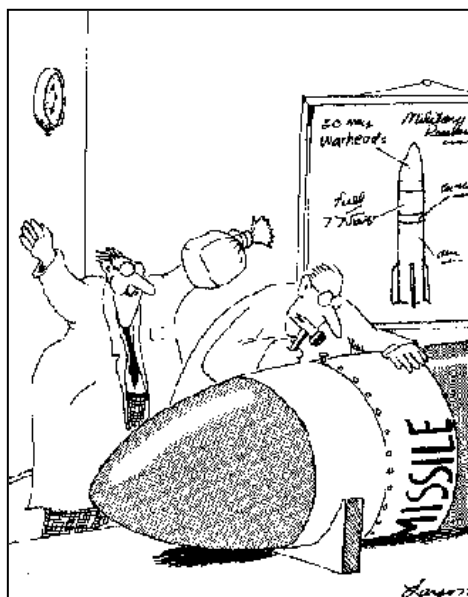
**The Link** [election humor] <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adc3MSS5Ydc>

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## The Laugh

Classic  
Far side  
Cartoons

By Gary  
Larson



Suddenly, a heated exchange took place between the king and the moat contractor.

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