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PROLOGUE

Paremiology is the collection and the study of proverbs. This literary discipline dates back to Aristotle (384–322 BC) during the classical period of ancient Greece. Proverbs had special place among ancient Sumerians as demonstrated by their cuneiform tablets. Both renaissance and modern scholars like Erasmus of Rotterdam and Archer Taylor have contributed to the scholarship of proverbs. Such scholarships focus on paremiography, the collection of proverbs, and paremiology, the study of proverbs. These two aspects of the scholarship of proverbs fit together like a hand and a glove; for example, paremiology includes the science of collecting and compiling proverbs for study purposes. Mieder defines a proverb as: "…a short, generally known sentence of the folk which contains wisdom, truth, morals, and traditional views in a metaphorical, fixed and memorizable form and which is handed down from generation to generation."[1] A proverb, from the Latin: *proverbium*, is a brief and memorable conventional saying. A proverb communicates a common-sense wisdom based on people's perception and experience. Many languages share proverbs that are similar. The first possibility is that such proverbs come into existence because one people group borrows from another. A second possibility is that similar proverbs can in fact, independently emerge from languages that are geographically far away from one another. The latter possibility is as plausible as the first one because people, regardless of their proximity to one another, often face similar challenges that can generate similar sayings, maxims and proverbs.

It is sometimes possible to establish the paternity of a proverb as James Pritchard exegetes one multilingual proverb that approximately says, "No flies enter a mouth that is shut." This proverb is found in Ethiopia, Somalia, France and Spain and many other countries. Despite this proverb's millennia journey and survival, its origin lies in an ancient Babylonian proverb.[2] Similarly, the proverb of one hand clapping is also found both in Asia and the Middle East.[3]

Lord John Russell (1792-1878) observed eloquently that a "proverb is the wit of one, and the wisdom of many."[4] Defining exactly what constitutes a proverb and what does not has perplexed many scholars. Archer Taylor (1890-1973), a paremiologist and one of the most notable authorities on American and European folklore, said "definition of a proverb is too difficult to repay the undertaking... An incommunicable quality tells us this sentence is proverbial and that one is not. Hence

[1] Wolfgang Mieder, *The wit of one, and the wisdom of many: General thoughts on the nature of the proverb. Proverbs are never out of season: Popular wisdom in the modern age.* (Oxford University Press 1993), 24

[2] James Pritchard, *The Ancient Near East*, vol. 2 (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1958), 146.

[3] Kamil V. Zvelebil, "The Sound of the One Hand." Journal of the American Oriental Society, Vol. 107, No. 1, 1987, 125-126.

[4] Wolfgang Mieder, *The wit of one, and the wisdom of many*, 25.

no definition will enable us to identify positively a sentence as proverbial."[5] While it is hard to define and describe the building blocks of a proverb, it is not hard to recognize one.

The definition of a proverb is liable to change given the fact that a proverb, like languages, is a living organism that grows, mutates, and dies. Proverbs come from various sources, including advertisements, movies, literature, plays, poetry, songs, stories, animal husbandry, and simple verbal communication deemed insightful.[6]

Proverbs are often ancient, but new ones are born in every language group. New proverbs are sometimes easy to identify because people remember exactly when it was coined like the American proverb, where is the beef? Other proverbs can be identified as new based on their point of reference like the Haitian proverb, "The fish that is being microwaved doesn't fear the lightning."[7] Another relatively new and rhymed Maltese proverb says, *wil-muturi, ferh u duluri* " Women and motorcycles are joys and griefs."[8]

It is estimated that more than 1,400 new English proverbs have been minted and became part of the popular culture in the 20th century alone.[9] While a proverb can be coined easily, only those who receive currency become eternal maxims that become an integral part of the language.[10] Many of the proverbs in this book were translated from various languages from all over the world. You will notice African, Middle Eastern, Asian, and Eastern European proverbs, among others, represented in this collection. This book contains 21,576 proverbs, a substantial collection, indeed.

Proverbs are rarely planned; their birth is often accidental. Human ears are fine-tuned to pick up profound expressions that could become sayings. Many proverbs, sayings, and expressions earned an unplanned currency and joined the ever-growing dictionary of wise sayings; the American English expression, "where is the beef?", is an excellent example in this regard.
This catchphrase is widely used today, primarily in the US and Canada as a saying. "Where is the beef?" was minted in 1984 in an advertisement by an American fast-food chain.

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[5] Archer Taylor, *The Proverb*. (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1931), 3.

[6] Charles Clay Doyle, Wolfgang Mieder, Fred R. Shapiro, *The Dictionary of Modern Proverbs* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2012).

[7] Linda Tavernier-Almada, Prejudice, Power, and Poverty in Haiti: A study of a Nation's Culture as Seen Through its Proverbs (*Proverbium* 16:325-350, 1999), 325.

[8] Joseph Aquilina, *A Comparative Dictionary of Maltese Proverbs* (Malta: Royal University of Malta, 1972), 125.

[9] Charles Clay Doyle, Wolfgang Mieder, Fred R. Shapiro, *The Dictionary of Modern Proverbs* (Yale University Press, 2012)

[10] Wolfgang Mieder, Futuristic Paremiography, and Paremiology: A Plea for the Collection and Study of Modern Proverbs. Poslovitsy V Frazeologicheskom Pole: Kognitivnyi, Diskursivnyi, Spoostavitel'nyi Aspekty. Ed. T.N. Fedulenkova (Vladimir: Vladimirskii Gosudarstvennyie Universitet, 2017), 205-226.

The first proverbs were born when the first wise man or woman opened their mouth to communicate. Their ease of saying the right thing at the right time and their concise but eloquent choice of words have impressed those who were less gifted in the field of oratory.

The phrases and the sentences of these wise men and women became catchphrases, and sayings to quote when expressing vital points. This is how Wellerism, perverbs, expressions, allusions, short dialogues, and other categories of proverbs were born.

ENGLISH PROVERBS CATEGORIZATION

Wellerism: This category is named after Sam Weller, the fictional character in Charles Dickens's The Pickwick Papers (1837). Wellerism is a triad maxim that consists of a statement that is often a proverb, a person or an animal who is the speaker, and an expression that places the assertion into an unforeseen situation. A Telugu Wellerism proverb says, "A woman unable to dance said, 'the drum is defective.'"[11] A well-known Wellerism proverb from ancient Sumer (c. 4500 – c. 1900 BC) says, "The fox urinated into the Tigris: 'I am causing the high tide to rise!' [he said]"[12]

Perverb: This is an anti-proverb, so to speak. The adaptation, contextualization, and the deliberate misuse of a proverb to make a point is perverb. Examples include: "If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you." "Great minds, drink alike." "If at first you do not succeed, you are average." Perverbs are not a new genre. Aristophanes is known to have created some perverbs 2,300 years ago; he in fact used one of these in his play, *peace*. Perverbs are also described as an allusive distortion or parody. The title of this book, a proverb is worth a thousand words, is an example of anti-proverb or perverb adapted from the established Chines proverb, a picture is worth a thousand words.

These modified proverbs are also known as twisted, anti-, quasi- proverbs, and pseudo-proverbs, terms popularized by the likes of Wolfgang Mieder. An example of such anti-proverbs is the innovative "a penny saved is a penny taxed."

Expression: Proverbial expressions are not technically proverbs but flexible maxims that allow alterations to fit the desired context. Examples include, "You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink." "If you want something done right, you have to do it yourself."

Allusion: This saying refers to a proverb rather than quoting it verbatim. Examples include, "I think the new boss will fire some employees, you know what they say about a new broom." This allusion refers to the proverb "A new broom sweeps clean."

Short dialogue: "They asked the camel, 'Why is your neck crooked?' The camel laughed roaringly, 'What of me is straight?'"[13]

[11] Telugu, Bhuvaneswar, 2012, 41.

[12] Alster, 1975, 212.

[13] Marti Roos, Hans Nugteren, Zinaida Waibel, Khakas and Shor "Proverbs and Proverbial Sayings." In Exploring the Eastern Frontiers of Turkic, edited by Marcel Erdal and Irina Nevskaya, 157-192. (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2006), 176.

Styles
Stylistic features of proverbs include:

Alliteration: Man proposes, God disposes, first come, first served, forgive and forget

Declarative: Birds of a feather flock together

Ellipsis: Once bitten, twice shy

Imperative: Negative: Don't beat a dead horse

Imperative: Positive: If the shoe fits, wear it

Rhetorical: Is the Pope Catholic?

Parallelism: Wounds caused by knives will heal, wounds caused by words will not heal (Tamil proverb), Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime. (English proverb), nothing ventured, nothing gained

Rhyme: All the wisdom you gain, you will pay for in pain. When the cat is away, the mice will play. Don't trouble trouble until trouble troubles you.

DEDICATION

I am dedicating this book to David Williamson, my former English language professor at the Evangelical Theological College in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

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1. 20 Famous English Proverbs with Hilarious Twists that Make Them More Realistic. Collected by Sandeep Singh
2. African Proverbs About Life. Posted by Adeaga Favour
3. Proverbicals: The Library of Proverbial Wisdoms
4. Suratiundhiyu: 1,000 English Proverbs
5. Dictionary of Common English Proverbs
6. Special Dictionary: 451 Nigerian Proverbs
7. Your Dictionary: Examples of Proverbs

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A PROVERBS

1. A bad beginning makes a bad ending.
2. A bad corn promise is better than a good lawsuit.
3. A bad dancer always has trouble with his balls.
4. A bad excuse is better than none.
5. A bad penny always turns up.
6. A bad son gives his mother a bad name.
7. A bad workman quarrels with his tools.
8. A bad wound may heal, but a bad name will kill.
9. A bag that says it will not take more and a traditional doctor who says he would not leave.
10. A baking dog never bites.
11. A bargain is a bargain.
12. A bean in liberty is better than a comfit in prison.
13. A beggar can never be bankrupt.
14. A bellowing cow soon forgets her calf.
15. A bellyful is one of meat, drink, or sorrow.
16. A beloved child has many names.
17. A big heart is better than a big brain.
18. A bird does not change its feathers because the weather is bad.
19. A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.
20. A bird is known by its song.
21. A bird that flies from the ground onto an anthill does not know that it is still on the ground.
22. A black hen lays a white egg.
23. A blind leader of the blind.
24. A blind man would be glad to see.
25. A blind man's wife needs no paint.
26. A blow with a word strikes deeper than a blow with a sword.
27. A boat cannot go forward if each rows his way
28. A boat stands firmer with two anchors.
29. A boat that is not tied up will drift along with the stream.
30. A book is a garden carried in the pocket.
31. A book is a good friend when it lays bare the errors of the past.
32. A bottle of oil warmed over the fire has no means of producing oil by itself
33. A brave man dies once, a coward a thousand times.
34. A bridge is prepared when someone falls in the water.
35. A broken friendship may be soldered but will never be sound.
36. A broken watch is right two times a day.
37. A burden of one's own choice is not felt.
38. A burnt child dreads the fire.
39. A bush fowls' playground is never appreciably spacious
40. A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle.
41. A canoe does not know who the leader is when it turns over, everyone gets we.t
42. A carpenter is known by his chips.
43. A cat in gloves catches no mice.
44. A cat loves fish but won't risk its claws.

45. A cat may look at a king.
46. A chain is only as strong as its weakest link.
47. A change is as good as rest.
48. A change of name or place may sometimes save a person.
49. A chicken that hatches a crocodile's eggs is looking for trouble.
50. A child brought up where there is always dancing cannot fail to dance.
51. A child does not die because the mother's breasts are dry.
52. A child does not laugh at the ugliness of his mother.
53. A child is a certain sorrow and uncertain joy.
54. A child is a child of everyone.
55. A child is the reward of God.
56. A child is what you put into him .
57. A child one does not instruct upon return, one instructs him when going.
58. A child who fears beating would never admit that he played with a missing knife.
59. A child's lie is like a dead fish in a pond that in the end always comes to the surface, explains his mother.
60. A city that parleys is half gotten.
61. A civil denial is better than a rude grant.
62. A clean conscience is the best pillow
63. A clean fast is better than a dirty breakfast
64. A clean hand wants no washing.
65. A clear conscience laughs at false accusations.
66. A clenched fist can neither give nor take.
67. A clever king is the brother of peace.
68. A clever person turns great troubles into little ones and little ones into none at all.
69. A closed mouth catches no flies.
70. A cock is valiant on his own dunghill.
71. A constant guest is never welcome.
72. A country without freedom is like a prisoner with shackled hands.
73. A coward dies a thousand times before his death, the valiant never taste of death but once.
74. A cracked bell can never sound well.
75. A creaking door hangs long on its hinges.
76. A crow is never the whiter for washing itself often.
77. A crown is no cure for a headache.
78. A curst cow has short horns.
79. A daily guest is a great thief in the kitchen.
80. A danger foreseen is half avoided.
81. A day in prison is longer than a thousand years at large.
82. A day is lost if one has not laughed.
83. A deaf ear is followed by death, and an ear that listens is followed by blessings.
84. A decision made at night may be changed in the morning.
85. A delicate thing is not difficult to injure.
86. A dirty tongue litters its owner.
87. A doctor who invoked a storm on his people cannot prevent his house from destruction.
88. A dog is man's best friend.
89. A dripping June sets all in tune.
90. A drop in the bucket.
91. A drowning man will catch at a straw.

92. A face that never laughs betrays an evil heart.
93. A fair face may hide a foul heart.
94. A fault confessed is half redressed.
95. A feeble effort will not fulfill the self.
96. A fight between grasshoppers is a joy to the crow.
97. A fire should be put out while it is still small.
98. A fish always rots from the head downward.
99. A fish would not get into trouble if it kept its mouth shut.
100. A flea can trouble a lion more than the lion can harm a flea.
101. A fly in the ointment.
102. A fly perched on the scrotum is gently nudged off never struck!
103. A fool always rushes to the fore.
104. A fool and his money are soon parted.
105. A fool at forty is a fool indeed.
106. A fool is someone who trusts another fool.
107. A fool may ask more questions in an hour than a wise man can answer in seven.
108. A fool may give a wise man counsel.
109. A fool may throw a stone into a well that a hundred wise men cannot pull out.
110. A fool's tongue runs before his wit.
111. A forced kindness deserves no thanks.
112. A foul morn may turn to a fair day.
113. A fowl does not forget where it lays its eggs.
114. A fox is not taken twice in the same snare.
115. A fox smells its own lair first.
116. A friend in need is a friend indeed.
117. A friend in power is a friend lost.
118. A friend is someone you share the path with.
119. A friend to all is a friend to none.
120. A friend to everyone is a friend to no one.
121. A friend's frown is better than a foe's smile.
122. A friend's slap has honest intentions, your enemies' kisses are meant to deceive.
123. A friendly person is never a good-for-nothing.
124. A fully grown up tree cannot be bent into a walking stick.
125. A glorious past is the work of a glorious man.
126. A goat owned by two people sleeps outside.
127. A goat's frown cannot stop it from being taken to the market.
128. A golden bit does not make the horse any better.
129. A golden key can open any door.
130. A good action reaps another.
131. A good anvil does not fear the hammer.
132. A good beginning is half the battle.
133. A good beginning makes a good end.
134. A good book is a great evil.
135. A good deed is never lost.
136. A good deed is something one returns.
137. A good dog deserves a good bone.
138. A good face is a letter of recommendation.
139. A good horse cannot be of a bad color.

140. A good jack makes a good Jill.
141. A good laugh and a long sleep are the best cures in the doctor's book.
142. A good man is hard to find.
143. A good man manages on his own.
144. A good marksman may miss.
145. A good name is a second inheritance.
146. A good name is better than a precious stone.
147. A good name is better than riches.
148. A good name is more desirable than great riches.
149. A good name is more valuable than a velvet garment.
150. A good name is sooner lost than won.
151. A good name keeps its luster in the dark.
152. A good name reaches far, but a bad one reaches farther.
153. A good reputation is better than a golden girdle.
154. A good wife is easy to find, but suitable in-laws are rare.
155. A good wife makes a good husband.
156. A good word removes anger.
157. A great dowry is a bed full of brambles.
158. A great fortune is a great slavery.
159. A great ship asks for deep waters.
160. A green yule makes a fat churchyard.
161. A guest for a day is welcome for the whole year.
162. A guest hammers a nail in the wall even if he stays only one night.
163. A guest sees more in an hour than the host in a year.
164. A guest who breaks the dishes of his host is not soon forgotten.
165. A guest will not know what fasting means.
166. A guilty conscience needs no accuser.
167. A gypsy only tells the truth once in his life but he regrets it afterward.
168. A half-truth is a whole lie.
169. A hammer in the hands of young people becomes a nutcracker.
170. A hand that is ready to hit may cause you great trouble.
171. A hard nut to crack.
172. A hasty man drinks his tea with a fork.
173. A hasty man never wants woe.
174. A hasty man pisses twice.
175. A head is not to be cut off because it is scabby.
176. A headless army fights badly.
177. A headstrong man and a fool may wear the same cap.
178. A healthy ear can stand hearing sick words.
179. A healthy man is a successful man.
180. A healthy mind in a healthy body.
181. A healthy soul cannot live in a dry body.
182. A heart free from care is better than a full purse.
183. A heart in love with beauty never grows old.
184. A heart that loves is always young.
185. A hearth of your own is worth gold.
186. A hearty laugh lengthens your life.
187. A heavy purse makes a light heart.

188. A heavy shower is soon over.
189. A hedge between keeps friendship green.
190. A hen does not expect a warning to hide its chicks from the kite.
191. A hen is heavy over a long distance.
192. A henpecked husband gets no support during a lawsuit.
193. A herbalist that refuses to ask laymen what leaves he looks for in the bush, must have difficulties getting what he wants.
194. A herdsman needs a staff, a door needs a bolt.
195. A hero could be a woman or a man.
196. A hero is a man who is afraid to run away.
197. A hero is someone who can keep his mouth shut when he is right.
198. A hero only appears once the tiger is dead
199. A hidden fire is discovered by its smoke.
200. A hidden sin is half forgiven.
201. A hint is sufficient for the wise.
202. A hippopotamus can be made invisible in dark waters.
203. A hired horse and one's spurs make short miles.
204. A hog in armor is still a hog.
205. A home without a woman is like a barn without cattle.
206. A honey-comb in the mouth of a lion!
207. A honeyed tongue with a heart of gall.
208. A hook is well lost to catch a salmon.
209. A horse deprived of his food won't work.
210. A horse falls though he has four legs.
211. A horse grown fat kicks.
212. A horse has four legs but still stumbles.
213. A horse knows his rider by his spurs.
214. A horse may stumble, though he has four feet.
215. A horse of good breed is not dishonored by his saddle.
216. A horse that will not carry a saddle must have no oats.
217. A horse with two masters is always skinny.
218. A hound's food is in its legs.
219. A house divided against itself cannot stand.
220. A house divided cannot stand.
221. A house filled with guests is eaten up and ill-spoken of.
222. A house full of daughters is a cellar full of sour beer.
223. A house full of people is a house full of different points of view.
224. A house is not a home.
225. A house ready built and a vineyard ready planted.
226. A house ready-made and a wife to make.
227. A house with two keys is worth nothing.
228. A house without a child is like a tomb
229. A house without a dog, a cat, or a little child is a house without joy or laughter
230. A house without a woman is like a fire without a bucket.
231. A house without a woman is the devil's own lodging.
232. A house without children is a graveyard.

233. A housewife who complains that there is not enough foodstuffs in the market should remember that if her husband adds to what is already available; there would be more for everyone.
234. A hug a day keeps the demons at bay.
235. A human from a mullah, an almond from an oak tree.
236. A human is a wolf to a human.
237. A humble calf will feed from two mothers.
238. A hundred “nos” are less painful than one insincere “yes”.
239. A hundred aunts is not the same as one mother.
240. A hundred men can sit together quietly but when two dogs get together there will be a fight.
241. A hundred men may make an encampment, but it takes a woman to make a home.
242. A hundred tailors, a hundred millers, and a hundred weavers make three hundred thieves.
243. A hundred times nothing killed the donkey.
244. A hundred wagon loads of thoughts will not pay a single ounce of debt.
245. A hundred years cannot repair a moment’s loss of honor.
246. A hundred years hence we shall all be bald.
247. A hundred years is not much but never is a long while.
248. A hundred years of fretting will not pay a halfpenny of debt.
249. A hundred years of regret pay not a farthing of debt.
250. A hundred years of wrong do not make an hour of right.
251. A hundred-year-old revenge still has its baby teeth.
252. A hungry bear won’t dance.
253. A hungry belly has no ears.
254. A hungry belly hears nobody.
255. A hungry belly listens to no one.
256. A hungry clown is half-mad.
257. A hungry dog and a thirsty horse take no heed of blows.
258. A hungry dog does not fear the stick.
259. A hungry dog is not afraid of a cudgeling.
260. A hungry dog will bring a lion down.
261. A hungry dog will eat dirty pudding.
262. A hungry dog will eat his own excrement.
263. A hungry hen sees herself in a wheat silo.
264. A hungry horse makes a clean manger.
265. A hungry man discovers more than a hundred lawyers.
266. A hungry man is an angry man.
267. A hungry man should never be left alone in the granary.
268. A hungry man smells meat from afar.
269. A hungry man thinks he won’t be satiated, a thirsty man thinks he won’t be quenched.
270. A hungry man will listen to nothing.
271. A hungry mule eats any straw.
272. A hungry mule needs not a blow.
273. A hungry stomach knows no law.
274. A hungry wolf is not at rest.
275. A hungry wolf is stronger than a satisfied dog.
276. A hunter who has only one arrow does not shoot with a careless aim.

277. A hunter’s knife cannot carve its own handle.
278. A husband should not talk of pretty girls in front of his wife.
279. A husband with one eye rather than with a son.
280. A hut is a palace to the poor man.
281. A hyena cannot smell its own stench.
282. A jack of all trades is master of none.
283. A jack of both sides is before long, trusted by nobody, and abused by both parties.
284. A jackdaw among the muses.
285. A jackfish does more than a letter of recommendation.
286. A jade eats as much as a good horse.
287. A jade stone is useless before it is processed.
288. A jealous lover becomes an indifferent spouse.
289. A jealous woman will set a whole house on fire.
290. A jest is half a truth.
291. A jointly owned horse has a roughed-up back.
292. A joke driven too far brings home hate.
293. A joke is often the hole through which truth whistles.
294. A joke never gains an enemy but often loses a friend.
295. A journey of a thousand miles always begins with a single step.
296. A joy that’s shared is a joy made double.
297. A joyful evening may follow a sorrowful morning.
298. A judge and a stomach do their asking in silence.
299. A judge knows nothing unless it has been explained to him three times.
300. A jug carries water until its handle breaks off.
301. A jug that has been mended lasts two hundred years.
302. A just man falls seven times and rises up again.
303. A kick from a mare never hurt a horse.
304. A kind heart is better than a crafty head.
305. A kind person is the one who is kind to strangers.
306. A kind speech and forgiveness is better than alms followed by injury.
307. A kind word can attract even the snake from his nest.
308. A kind word is like a spring day.
309. A kind word opens even the iron doors.
310. A kindness bestowed on the good is never thrown away.
311. A king’s castle is his home.
312. A king’s child is a slave elsewhere.
313. A king’s son is no nobler than his company.
314. A king’s chaff is worth more than other men’s corn.
315. A kingdom is lost for want of a shoe.
316. A kiss without a beard is like an egg without salt.
317. A kiss without a hug is like a flower without fragrance.
318. A kitchen dog was never good for the chase.
319. A kitchen knife cannot carve its own handle.
320. A kitchen-dog is never a good rabbit-hunter.
321. A knife does not know who its master is.
322. A knife wound heals; a wound caused by words does not.
323. A known mistake is better than an unknown truth.
324. A lame crab walks straight.

325. A lame goat will not sleep by day.
326. A lame man always speaks when it's time to run.
327. A lame man won't walk with a lamer one.
328. A language is a dialect with an army and navy.
329. A large fire often comes from a small spark.
330. A large house hides large matters.
331. A lass that has many wooers often fares the worst.
332. A laughing jackal portends a witch in the rafters.
333. A lawsuit for a maravedi consumes a real's worth of paper.
334. A lawsuit is a fruit-tree planted in a lawyer's garden.
335. A lawyer and a cart-wheel must be greased.
336. A lawyer looks at you with one eye, but he looks at your pocket with two.
337. A lawyer needs three bags: one full of papers, one full of money, and one full of patience.
338. A lawyer never goes to law himself.
339. A lawyer's fee and a harlot's wages are paid in advance.
340. A lawyer's opinion is worth nothing unless paid for.
341. A lazy boy and a warm bed are difficult to part.
342. A lazy man will be an astrologer.
343. A lazy messenger is not short of excuses.
344. A lazy ox is little the better for the goad.
345. A lazy person sweats while eating and shivers while working.
346. A lazy sheep thinks its wool heavy.
347. A lazy tailor finds his thread too long.
348. A lazy thief is better than a lazy servant.
349. A lazy youth, a lousy age.
350. A lean agreement is better than a fat judgment.
351. A lean calf forgets to skip.
352. A lean compromise is better than a fat lawsuit.
353. A lean horse does not kick.
354. A leap year is never a good sheep year.
355. A learned man has always wealth in himself.
356. A learned man without work is a cloud without rain.
357. A learned person is the one who has been told.
358. A lengthy sermon is intolerable.
359. A leopard can't be hugged.
360. A leopard does not change his spots.
361. A letter from the heart can be read on the face.
362. A letter once written cannot be recalled.
363. A liar is caught quicker (easier/sooner) than a lame dog.
364. A liar is not believed when he speaks the truth.
365. A liar is sooner caught than a cripple.
366. A liar is worse than a thief.
367. A liar must have a good memory.
368. A liar's candle will burn until bed-time.
369. A liar's house is on fire and no one believes him.
370. A library is a repository of medicine for the mind.
371. A lie becomes true when one believes it.

372. A lie begets a lie.
373. A lie can be halfway around the world before the truth gets its boots on.
374. A lie can take you far away - but with no hope of return.
375. A lie has many variations, the truth none.
376. A lie has no author, nor a liar a conscience.
377. A lie has no legs, but scandalous wings.
378. A lie has short legs.
379. A lie is like a jump from a high roof.
380. A lie travels around the world while the truth is putting her boots on.
381. A life of leisure, and a life of laziness, is two things.
382. A life without love is like a year without summer.
383. A light belly, heavy heart.
384. A light heart lives long.
385. A light heart lives longest.
386. A light is still a light - even though the blind man cannot see it.
387. A light purse is a heavy curse.
388. A light purse makes a heavy heart.
389. A light supper is beneficial.
390. A lily between the thorns.
391. A lion is a lion, whether male or female.
392. A lion lurks in everyone's heart; awake him not.
393. A lion may be beholden to a mouse.
394. A litigious man, a liar.
395. A little absence does a lot of good.
396. A little apple for the thirst.
397. A little axe can cut down a big tree.
398. A little bird told me.
399. A little bird wants but a little nest.
400. A little body often harbors a great soul.
401. A little debt makes a debtor, a great one an enemy.
402. A little fire burns up a great deal of corn.
403. A little fire is quickly trodden out.
404. A little gall embitters much honey.
405. A little gall makes a great deal of honey bitter.
406. A little help does a great deal.
407. A little injury dismays, and a great one stills.
408. A little knowledge is a dangerous thing.
409. A little leak will sink a great ship.
410. A little learning is a dangerous thing.
411. A little leaven leavens a great mass.
412. A little leaven smoothens away the whole lump.
413. A little loss frightens, a great one tames.
414. A little makes a debtor and much an enemy.
415. A little man fells a great oak.
416. A little man often casts a long shadow.
417. A little nod is enough for the wise man.
418. A little of what you fancy does you good.
419. A little pack serves a little peddler.

420. A little pepper burns a big man’s mouth.
421. A little pot boils easily.
422. A little rain each day will fill the rivers to overflowing.
423. A little rain stills a great wind.
424. A little sheep always seems young.
425. A little shrub may grow into a tree.
426. A little spark kindles a great fire.
427. A little subtleness is better than a lot of force.
428. A little thing often helps.
429. A little too late is much too late.
430. A little truth helps the lie go down.
431. A little water is a sea to an ant.
432. A little with quiet is the only diet.
433. A living dog is better than a dead lion.
434. A living man doesn’t need an heir or an executor.
435. A living mule is better than a dead doctor.
436. A living person needs a life.
437. A lizard on a cushion will still seek leaves.
438. A lizard that fell from the top of a tree wastes its time looking back to where it fell from.
439. A load of March dust is worth a ducat.
440. A loan is a brother when taken, a nephew when paid back.
441. A loan long-continued usually confers ownership.
442. A loan, though old, is not a gift.
443. A lobster loves water, but not when he’s being cooked in it.
444. A lock is better than suspicion.
445. A lock is meant only for honest men.
446. A lonely person is at home everywhere.
447. A long beard and a rosary will not make you a priest.
448. A long pull and a strong pull and a pull altogether.
449. A long skirt wraps around the leg, a long tongue wraps around the head.
450. A long stride shortens the journey.
451. A long tongue betokens a shorthand.
452. A looker-on sees more of the game than a player.
453. A loose tooth will not rest until it’s pulled out.
454. A lord of straw devours a vassal of steel.
455. A lord without land is like a cask without wine.
456. A lordly taste makes a beggar’s purse.
457. A loss is a gain for the mind.
458. A loss not missed by your neighbor is not a real loss.
459. A lot of people become saints because of their stomach.
460. A lot of weeds will grow in a stagnant pond.
461. A lot will stick to dirty hands.
462. A loudmouth will fall (on his face) faster than a lame man.
463. A lounging lizard catches no crickets.
464. A louse cannot lift the eiderdown.
465. A louse in the cabbage is better than no meat at all.
466. A loved one has no pimples.
467. A lovelorn cook over salts the porridge.

468. A lovely girl attracts attention by her good looks, an ugly girl by the help of a mirror.
469. A lover should be regarded as a person demented.
470. A lover's anger is short-lived.
471. A loving man, a jealous man.
472. A lucky person is someone who plants pebbles and harvests potatoes.
473. A mad bull is not to be tied up with a packthread.
474. A mad dog cannot live long.
475. A mad parish, a mad priest.
476. A magpie brought it on its tail.
477. A maid who laughs is half taken.
478. A maker of idols is never an idolater.
479. A malicious man is like a coal sack - black on the outside and even blacker inside.
480. A malignant sore throat is a danger, a malignant throat not sore is worse.
481. A man and a sheaf of straw make two.
482. A man assailed is half overcome.
483. A man at five may be a fool at fifteen.
484. A man at sixteen will prove a child at sixty.
485. A man being short does not make him a boy.
486. A man by his word, an ox by its horn.
487. A man can die just once.
488. A man can do no more than he can.
489. A man can endure the worst pain - of others.
490. A man can fly if he wishes if he rides on the back of an eagle.
491. A man can never be perfect in a hundred years, but he may become corrupt in less than a day.
492. A man cannot sit down alone to plan for prosperity.
493. A man can't get rich if he takes proper care of his family.
494. A man cannot be a good physician if he has never been sick himself.
495. A man cannot carry all his kin on his back.
496. A man cannot jump over his own shadow.
497. A man cannot spin and reel at the same time.
498. A man cannot wave and thrive the same year.
499. A man chases a woman until she catches him.
500. A man combs his hair every morning - why not his heart?
501. A man comes from the dust and in the dust, he will end.
502. A man conducts himself abroad as he has been taught at home.
503. A man dances all the same, though he may dance against his will.
504. A man devoid of religion is like a horse without a bridle.
505. A man dies when he stops working.
506. A man does not always aim at what he means to hit.
507. A man does not run among thorns for no reason; either he is chasing a snake or a snake is chasing him.
508. A man does not seek his luck, luck seeks its man.
509. A man does not test the depth of a river with both legs.
510. A man does not wander far from where his corn is roasting.
511. A man finds many faults in a woman when he wants to divorce, and finds many charms in one's fiancé.
512. A man finds what he takes to be small; it will only be big again when he loses it.

513. A man forewarned is as good as two.
514. A man gains nothing by vain glory but contempt and hatred.
515. A man grows most tired while standing still.
516. A man has learned much who has learned how to die.
517. A man has two ears and one mouth that he hear much and speak little.
518. A man if he lives alone is either a god or a demon.
519. A man in a passion rides a horse that runs away with him.
520. A man in love mistakes a pimple for a dimple.
521. A man in love schemes more than a hundred lawyers.
522. A man in this world without learning is as a beast of the field.
523. A man is a lion in his own cause.
524. A man is as big as the things that made him mad.
525. A man is as old as he feels, and a woman as old as she looks.
526. A man is born in uphill, if he's born.
527. A man is bound by his word, an ox with a hempen cord.
528. A man is happy when he has books, but happier still when he does not need them.
529. A man is judged by his clothes.
530. A man is judged by his companions.
531. A man is judged by his deeds, not by his words.
532. A man is known by the company he keeps.
533. A man is known by the eye, and the face discovers wisdom.
534. A man is made in times of struggle if he conquers these.
535. A man is no happier than he thinks himself.
536. A man is not a lord because he feeds off fine dishes.
537. A man is not known until he cometh to honor.
538. A man is not old until his regrets take the place of his dreams.
539. A man is not where he lives, but where he loves.
540. A man is often a bad adviser to himself and a good adviser to another.
541. A man is old when he takes the whole night to do what he used to do all night long.
542. A man is the master of his house, even under a bench.
543. A man is valued according to his estimate of himself.
544. A man is what he thinks.
545. A man knows no more to any purpose than he practices.
546. A man laughs at others and weeps for himself.
547. A man may bear till his back breaks.
548. A man may cause his own dog to bite him.
549. A man may hope to bring home with him what makes him weep.
550. A man may lose his goods for want of demanding them.
551. A man may threaten yet be afraid.
552. A man must despise himself before others will.
553. A man must eat, though every tree were a gallows.
554. A man must make himself despicable before he is despised by others.
555. A man must plough with such oxen as he hath.
556. A man must put grain in the ground before he can cut the harvest.
557. A man need never revenge himself; the body of his enemy will be brought to his own door.
558. A man need not look in your mouth to know how old you are.
559. A man never becomes an orator if he has something to say.

560. A man of few words but learned withal.
561. A man of gladness seldom falls into madness.
562. A man of good natural plain common sense.
563. A man of high principles is someone who can watch a chess game without passing comment.
564. A man of straw is better than a woman of gold.
565. A man of straw is still a man.
566. A man of straw is worth a woman of gold.
567. A man of straw needs a woman of gold.
568. A man of three letters, 'FUR'.
569. A man of words and not of deeds is like a garden full of weeds.
570. A man often kisses the hand he would like to see cut off.
571. A man overboard, a mouth less to feed.
572. A man profits more by the sight of an idiot than by the orations of the learned.
573. A man says his word to the face.
574. A man should choose a friend who is better than himself.
575. A man should go on living - if only to satisfy his curiosity.
576. A man should learn to sail in all winds.
577. A man should live if only to satisfy his curiosity.
578. A man shows his character by what he laughs at.
579. A man shows in his youth what he will be in his age.
580. A man surprised is half beaten.
581. A man takes his own wherever he finds it.
582. A man that begets a barren cannot have a grandchild.
583. A man that does not lie shall never marry.
584. A man that has had his fill is no eater.
585. A man that is lean, not from hunger, is harder than brass.
586. A man thinks that he knows it, but his wife knows better.
587. A man too busy to take care of his health is like a mechanic too busy to take care of his tools.
588. A man too good for the world is no good for his wife.
589. A man travels as far in a day as a snail in a hundred years.
590. A man trying to sell a blind horse always praises its feet.
591. A man warned is half saved.
592. A man well mounted is always proud.
593. A man who always wears his best kimono has no Sunday clothes.
594. A man who cannot tolerate small ills can never accomplish great things.
595. A man who continually laments is not heeded.
596. A man who cries all the time is not heard.
597. A man who defecates forgets, but the one who steps never forgets.
598. A man who develops himself is born twice.
599. A man who drives his father's car is not entitled to speak in a council of men who own bicycles.
600. A man who eases himself in public gives cause to others to despise him.
601. A man who gets a good man to marry his daughter gains a son, but a man who gets a bad son-in-law also loses a daughter.
602. A man who has both feet planted firmly in the air can be safely called a liberal.
603. A man who has but one eye must take good care of it.

604. A man who has one finger pointing at another has three pointing towards himself.
605. A man who is advised and he takes it, is still a man who acts from his own free will.
606. A man who is afraid of suffering suffers from fear itself.
607. A man, who is given advice, is helped half the way.
608. A man who is his own lawyer has a fool for a client.
609. A man who is not spoken of is not abused.
610. A man who is trampled to death by an elephant is a man who is blind and deaf.
611. A man who knows nothing is not aware of his ignorance.
612. A man who lives alone is either always overworked, or always overfed.
613. A man who lives on the bank of a river does not use spittle to wash his hands.
614. A man who pays respect to the great paves his own way for greatness.
615. A man who prides himself on his ancestry is like the potato plant, the best part of which is underground.
616. A man who seeks a perfect friend, will turn out having none.
617. A man who uses force is afraid of reasoning.
618. If the rhythm of the drumbeat changes, the dance step must adapt.
619. A man who walks alone carries a load of palm-fronds.
620. A man who wants bread is ready for anything.
621. A man who wants to drown his dog says he is mad.
622. A man will be born in his house and will die in the desert.
623. A man will sacrifice his head to conquer a heart.
624. A man with a watch knows what time it is, a man with two watches is never sure.
625. A man with little learning is like the frog who thinks its pond is an ocean.
626. A man with too much ambition cannot sleep in peace.
627. A man with trousers that are too short should wear long suspenders.
628. A man with two ears can be supported by two words.
629. A man without a beard is like bread without a crust.
630. A man without a child is a king without sorrows.
631. A man without a fatherland is like a nightingale without a garden.
632. A man without a wife is like a man in winter without a fur cap.
633. A man without a woman cannot defend himself against seductions.
634. A man without a woman is a tree without leaves and branches.
635. A man without a woman is only half a man.
636. A man without enemies is worthless.
637. A man without grief is not a man.
638. A man without honor smells worse than a corpse.
639. A man without money is like a boat without sails.
640. A man without passion is no son of Adam.
641. A man without prudence is a ship without an anchor.
642. A man would not lick what he spit.
643. A man yearns for his paradise but it could become his hell.
644. A man's character reaches town before his person.
645. A man's conversation is the mirror of his thoughts.
646. A man's discontent is his worst evil.
647. A man's eyes are for seeing, a woman's for being seen.
648. A man's face is a lion's.
649. A man's first care should be to avoid the reproaches of his own heart, his next to escape the censures of the world.

650. A man’s grave is by the roadside.
651. A man’s greatest shortcoming is that he neglects his own field and weeds that of others.
652. A man’s heart changes as often as does the autumn sky.
653. A man’s home is his castle.
654. A man’s own opinion is never wrong.
655. A man’s ruin lies in his tongue.
656. A man’s servant can live for a hundred years; the slave of a woman dies in six months.
657. A man’s wealth may be superior to him.
658. A man’s will is his heaven.
659. A man’s word is his honor.
660. A man’s worst enemies are often those of his own house.
661. A man’s worth depends on his two smallest organs: his heart and his tongue.
662. A man’s youth will never die, unless he kills himself.
663. A mansion pulled down is half-built up again.
664. A market is three women and a goose.
665. A marriage in later years sends a letter to the gravedigger.
666. A marriage is a procession in which the cross goes first.
667. A married couple is neither enemies nor friends.
668. A married man has many sorrows - an unmarried man has one more.
669. A married man is a caged bird.
670. A masquerade does not perform to an outside audience until he performs well at the home base.
671. A masquerade is not a spirit only because of its mask.
672. A master has their master too.
673. A matter does not overcome people in the grave.
674. A matter about which you know nothing is like a dark night.
675. A meager compromise is better than a fat lawsuit.
676. A meal without flesh is like feeding on grass.
677. A meal without wine is like a day without sunshine.
678. A measly hog infects the whole sty.
679. A melancholic look is visible but not a melancholic heart.
680. A melon and a woman are hard to know.
681. A mended lid to a cracked pan.
682. A merchant’s happiness hangs upon chance, winds, and waves.
683. A merry companion on the road is as good as a nag.
684. A merry host makes merry guests.
685. A merry life forgets father and mother.
686. A mewing cat is never a good mouser.
687. A middle course is the safest.
688. A mild sheep is sucked by every lamb.
689. A mile walk with a friend has only one hundred steps.
690. A mill and a wife are always in want of something.
691. A mill cannot grind with the water that is past.
692. A millstone gathers no moss.
693. A mind conscious of innocence laughs at the lies of rumor.
694. A mirror does not reflect a broken heart.
695. A mirror to your face, and a thorn behind your back.
696. A mischievous dog must be tied short.

697. A miser and a liar bargain quickly.
698. A miser is ever in want.
699. A miser's money takes the place of wisdom.
700. A miser's son is generally a spendthrift.
701. A miserly father makes a prodigal son.
702. A misfortune and a friar seldom go alone.
703. A misfortune never comes alone.
704. A miss by an inch is a miss by a mile.
705. A miss is as good as a mile.
706. A mistake is no fraud.
707. A mistake is no reckoning.
708. A misty morning does not signify a cloudy day.
709. A modest dog seldom grows fat.
710. A moment of patience can prevent a great disaster and a moment of impatience can ruin a whole life.
711. A moneyless man goes fast through the market.
712. A monkey is a gazelle in its mother's eyes.
713. A monkey is not to be caught in a trap.
714. A monkey makes fun of the red behinds of his fellow monkeys.
715. A monkey never thinks her baby is ugly.
716. A monkey remains a monkey, though dressed in silk.
717. A monkey that eats grass instead of banana is a goat.
718. A morsel eaten gains no friend.
719. A morsel eaten selfishly does not gain a friend.
720. A moth will eat the finest linen.
721. A mother can more easily feed seven children than seven children can feed one mother.
722. A mother is gold, a father is a mirror.
723. A mother understands what a child does not say.
724. A mother will understand what her dumb son says.
725. A mother-in-law made of sugar, still tastes bitter.
726. A mother-in-law may be good, but she is better when mother earth covers her up.
727. A mother's behind sins when it sits down.
728. A mother's heart is always with her children.
729. A mother's wrath does not survive the night.
730. A mountain ended up as a mouse.
731. A mountain won't get to a mountain, but a human will get to a human.
732. A mouse in time may bite in two a cable.
733. A mouse may help a lion.
734. A mouse relies not solely on one hole.
735. A mouse that removes the palm-nut that turns out to be the bait of a trap, would already have known that the palm-nut does not ripen on the ground.
736. A mouse will put the finishing stroke to a castle wall.
737. A mouse will scare a thief.
738. A mousetrap cannot kill an elephant.
739. A mouth that praises and a hand that kills.
740. A much-used plow shines; stagnant waters stink.
741. A muffled cat never caught a mouse.
742. A mule and a woman do what is expected of them.

743. A mule can go to Mecca, but it will not come back as a pilgrim.
744. A mule can swim seven different strokes but the moment he sees the water he forgets them all.
745. A mule does not appreciate fruit compote.
746. A mule does not stumble twice over the same stone.
747. A mule driver is not aware of the stink of his animals.
748. A mule is but an ass, though laden with gold.
749. A mule laden with gold is welcome at every castle.
750. A mule let him be who brays at an ass.
751. A mule that thinks he is a stag discovers his mistake when he comes to leap over the ditch.
752. A mule who goes in search of a fine set of antlers, will come back with his ears cut off.
753. A mule with her colt goes not straight to the mill.
754. A mute bird makes no omen.
755. A nail is driven out by another nail; habit is overcome by habit.
756. A naked hand cannot grasp the fire.
757. A naked man will often laugh at someone with torn clothes.
758. A name doesn't make a man worse, if the man doesn't make his name worse.
759. A narrow neck keeps the bottle from being emptied in one swig.
760. A nation without a language is a nation without a heart.
761. A nation's language is the most crucial element to its existence.
762. A nation's treasure is its scholars.
763. A naughty child must be roughly rocked.
764. A near neighbor is better than a distant cousin.
765. A necessary lie is harmless.
766. A needle cannot hold two threads or a mind two thoughts.
767. A needle in a pile of hay.
768. A neighbour's eye is full of jealousy.
769. A net will catch more than a pole.
770. A new broom is good for three days.
771. A new broom sweeps clean, but an old broom knows the corners.
772. A new language is a new life.
773. A new net won't catch an old bird.
774. A new order for the ages.
775. A newborn baby has no fear of tigers.
776. A nibbling rabbit can also die of overfeeding.
777. A nice word is better than a nice mattress.
778. A night with Venus and a life with Mercury.
779. A nightingale doesn't feed on songs.
780. A noble prince or king never has a coin to bless himself.
781. A nobleman's calf does not know how a butcher kills.
782. A nod for a wise man, and a rod for a fool.
783. A nod from a lord is a breakfast for a fool.
784. A nod is as good as a wink to a blind horse.
785. A noisy cow gives little milk.
786. A north wind has no corn, and a poor man no friend.
787. A novice blows into the bell of a clarion.
788. A nut who forgets its shell.

789. A one-eyed person does not thank God until he meets a blind person at prayer.
790. A one-inch error at the start can be a thousand miles at the end.
791. A pack of cards is the devil's prayer-book.
792. A pad that breaks a pot of water does not remain on the head.
793. A paddle here, a paddle there - the canoe stays still.
794. A pain in the foot is soon forgotten - a pain in the head is not.
795. A pain that pricks the conscience is more effective than a lot of whiplashes.
796. A pair of light shoes is not all that is needed for dancing.
797. A palm full of water can't be grasped.
798. A palm tree growing in the shade will not bear ripe fruit.
799. A pan was mocking a pot because his mouth is big.
800. A paragraph should be like a lady's skirt: long enough to cover the essentials but short enough to keep it interesting.
801. A parasite cannot live alone.
802. A partner in the business will not put an obstacle to it.
803. A party of one alone is not a party.
804. A party of two is that of God; of three of the king; of four is of the devil.
805. A patient that can swallow food makes the nurse doubtful.
806. A patient woman can roast an ox with a lantern.
807. A peacock has too little in its head and too much in its tail.
808. A peacock who sits on his tail is just another turkey.
809. A pear tree cannot bear an apple.
810. A pear will fall to its root.
811. A pear will never fall into a closed mouth.
812. A pearl is worthless as long as it is in its shell.
813. A peasant between two lawyers is like a fish between two cats.
814. A peck of March dust is worth a king's ransom.
815. A peg for every hole.
816. A pelt is rolled up while it is still moist.
817. A penny earned is a penny lost; a penny shared is a penny well-spent.
818. A penny in time is as good as a dollar.
819. A penny is a lot of money-if you haven't got a penny.
820. A penny is sometimes better spent than spared.
821. A penny is the root of a fortune.
822. A penny saved is a penny earned.
823. A penny soul never came to two pence.
824. A pennyworth of mirth is worth a pound of sorrow.
825. A people without history is like wind on the buffalo grass.
826. A perfect whipping-top for changing sides.
827. A person always breaking off from work never finishes anything.
828. A person always looking at the sky will never discover anything on the ground.
829. A person born to be a flower pot will not go beyond the porch.
830. A person changing his clothing always hides while changing.
831. A person consists of his faith whatever is his faith, even so is he.
832. A person does not seek luck; luck seeks the person.
833. A person eating must make crumbs.
834. A person is a guest for one or two days, but becomes an intruder on the third.
835. A person is a person because of other persons.

836. A person is always thanked after death.
837. A person is doing something but his/her eyes are on something else.
838. A person is known by the company he keeps
839. A person is unlucky who falls on his back and breaks his nose.
840. A person must stand very tall to see their own fate.
841. A person on whose head lice are being removed must be grateful.
842. A person once bitten by a snake will be scared by an old rope.
843. A person, who does not bathe, must know it of himself that he is dirty.
844. A person who has children does not die.
845. A person who is active will not grow stale.
846. A person who is always nice is not always nice.
847. A person who misses a chance and the monkey who misses its branch -- both cannot be saved.
848. A person who talks a lot is sometimes right.
849. A person who talks about his inferiors hasn't any.
850. A person with a bad name is already half-hanged.
851. A person with a wound on his head keeps touching it.
852. A person with too much ambition cannot sleep in peace.
853. A person without a smiling face must never open a shop.
854. A person without a spouse is like a vase without flowers.
855. A person's heart is in his feet.
856. A pessimist is a well-informed optimist.
857. A pessimist will not get disappointed.
858. A pestilence follows a famine.
859. A pet child has many names.
860. A phantasm can be a bridge that men cross toward reality.
861. A physician's neighbor is never a doctor.
862. A picture is a poem wanting words.
863. A picture is worth a thousand words.
864. A piece of bread in your pocket is better than a feather in your hat.
865. A piece of churchyard fits everybody.
866. A piece of incense may be as large as the knee, but unless burned emits no fragrance.
867. A piece of iron can only become what the blacksmith says it should become.
868. A piece of meat with eyes.
869. A piece of wood that has been burned easily catches fire.
870. A pig bought on credit grunts all the year.
871. A pig doesn't sleep in the lion's thicket.
872. A pig on credit makes a good winter and a bad spring.
873. A pig that is used to wallowing in the mud looks for a clean person to rub against.
874. A pig used to dirt turns up his nose at rice.
875. A pig will find mud (anywhere).
876. A pig's life, short and sweet.
877. A pig's tail will never make a good arrow.
878. A pitcher that goes off to the well is broken at last.
879. A place for each thing and each thing in its place.
880. A plank in a wreck.
881. A pleasant companion on a journey is as good as a post chaise.
882. A pleasant thing never comes too soon.

883. A plough that worketh, shines; but still water stinks.
884. A poet is born not made.
885. A poke in the eye for those who dwell on the past.
886. A polite devil is more agreeable than a rude saint.
887. A poor beauty finds more lovers than husbands.
888. A poor cask often holds good wine.
889. A poor dancer will be disturbed even by the hem of her skirt.
890. A poor joke must invent its own laughter.
891. A poor man has few acquaintances.
892. A poor man is all schemes.
893. A poor man is always behind.
894. A poor man is hungry after eating.
895. A poor man would like to have some fun, but he cannot find the right place.
896. A poor man's cow doesn't give birth to twins.
897. A poor man's joy has much alloy.
898. A poor man's sheep will never get fat.
899. A poor old horse will have a worn out tail.
900. A poor person is often worthy.
901. A poor person isn't he who has little, but he who needs a lot.
902. A poor workman always blames his tools.
903. A postern door makes a thief.
904. A pot that builds attracts the cook.
905. A pound's worth of tears will not settle a penny's worth of debt.
906. A powerful friend becomes a powerful enemy.
907. A powerful man has big ears.
908. A precipice is in front, a wolf behind.
909. A pretty basket does not prevent worries.
910. A pretty face and fine clothes do not make a character.
911. A pretty person looks pretty in every clothing.
912. A priest blesses his own bread first.
913. A priest sees people at their best, a lawyer at their worst, but a doctor sees them as they really are.
914. A priest's belly is made up of several sheepskins.
915. A priest's pocket is not easily filled.
916. A prince without ears to listen has no head to govern.
917. A princely mind will undo a private family.
918. A problem shared is a problem halved.
919. A promise is a cloud; fulfillment is the rain.
920. A promise is a comfort for a fool.
921. A promise is a debt.
922. A prophet is not recognized in his own land.
923. A proposal without patience breaks its own heart.
924. A prospering man should remain at home.
925. A prostitute in spring, a nun in autumn.
926. A proud heart can survive a general failure because such a failure does not prick its pride.
927. A proud pauper and a rich miser are contemptible beings.
928. A proverb can't be judged.

929. A proverb is a short sentence based on long experience.
930. A proverb is the child of experience.
931. A proverb is the horse of conversation: when the conversation lags, a proverb revives it.
932. A proverb never lies; it is only its meaning which deceives.
933. A prudent man does not make the goat his gardener.
934. A prudent man will read the letter from back to front.
935. A prudent wife is from the Lord.
936. A puff of wind and popular praise weigh alike.
937. A pussy hair can pull more weight than a bunch of bulls.
938. A quarrel is like buttermilk: once it's out of the churn, the more you shake it, the sourer it grows.
939. A quarrelsome chief does not hold a village together.
940. A quiet conscience sleeps in thunder.
941. A quiet tongue shows a wise head.
942. A ragged coat finds little credit.
943. A ragged colt may make a good horse.
944. A rainy day is not a day for children.
945. A rainy morn oft brings a pleasant day.
946. A rakish bachelor makes a jealous husband.
947. A rap on the ringed finger does not hurt.
948. A rat is not born a rabbit.
949. A razor may be sharper than an axe, but it cannot cut wood.
950. A real friend takes the hand of his friend in overwhelming worry and fire.
951. A real person is not afraid of trying.
952. A real scoundrel turned up and they took off their hats to him.
953. A reconciled friend is a double enemy.
954. A red-nosed man may be a teetotaler but will find no one to believe it.
955. A red-nosed man may not be a drunkard, but he will always be called one.
956. A reed before the wind lives on, while mighty oaks do fall.
957. A refined kitchen leads to the pharmacy.
958. A reflection does not see itself.
959. A renter becomes a comfortable dweller.
960. A reserved will not have sons and daughters.
961. A resolute heart endures no counsel.
962. A restive morsel needs a spur of wine.
963. A rich child often sits in a poor mother's lap.
964. A rich man even has the devil to lull his children.
965. A rich man has no need of character.
966. A rich man is either a rogue or a rogue's heir.
967. A rich man is never ugly in the eyes of a girl.
968. A stingy rich man is the worst pauper.
969. A rich man will get his carriage over the mountains; a poor man will lose his way on a level plain.
970. A rich man's belongings will tire a poor man's jaw.
971. A rich man's foolish sayings pass for wise ones.
972. A rich man's wooing need seldom be a long one.
973. A rich mouthful, a heavy groan.
974. A rich widow weeps in one eye and laughs with the other.

975. A rich wife is a source of quarrel.
976. A rickety chair will not long serve as a seat.
977. A riddle made by God has no solution.
978. A ridiculous accident has often been the making of many.
979. A ring of gold in a sow's nostril.
980. A ripe coconut can't compete with a stone.
981. A ripe melon falls by itself.
982. A ripe pear is more likely to fall into the dirt than onto the clean ground.
983. A rising tide lifts all boats.
984. A river is enlarged by its tributaries.
985. A river is not contaminated by having a dog drink from it.
986. A river that rumbles brings boulders.
987. A roaring lion kills no game.
988. A rock offered by a friend is like an apple.
989. A rod is better than a fox's brush.
990. A rogue says 'Yes' to what a rogue says.
991. A rolling stone gathers no moss
992. A rooster is not expected to crow for the whole world.
993. A rose is a rose is a rose.
994. A rose too often smelled loses its fragrance.
995. A rose will sprout from the place where a teacher has hit.
996. A rotten apple injures its neighbours.
997. A rotten egg cannot be spoiled.
998. A rotten fish pollutes the whole kitchen.
999. A rotten heart - breath that smells.
1000. A rotting fish begins to stink at the head.
1001. A rough river is a profit for the fishers.
1002. A round egg can be made square according to how you cut it.
1003. A round peg in a square hole.
1004. A royal heart is often hidden under a tattered cloak.
1005. A ruler without a nation is like a flower without the sun.
1006. A rumor goes in one ear and out many mouths.
1007. A runaway horse punishes himself.
1008. A runaway monk never speaks well of his convent.
1009. A running man can slit a thousand throats in one night.
1010. A rustic ancestry will always remain field-slaves.
1011. A sack full of fleas is easier to watch than a woman.
1012. A sack is best tied before it is full.
1013. A sack was never so full but that it would hold another grain.
1014. A sad bride makes a glad wife.
1015. A sad house where the hen crows louder than the cock.
1016. A sad woman has no chance for happiness even if she tries.
1017. A saddle fits more backs than one.
1018. A saint that cannot cure anyone has few disciples.
1019. A satisfied man is happy even if he is poor; a dissatisfied man is sad even if he is rich.
1020. A scabby colt may make a good horse.
1021. A scabby head fears the comb.
1022. A scald head need strong lye.

1023. A scalded cat flees from cold water.
1024. A scepter is one thing, a ladle another.
1025. A scholar's ink is worth as much as the blood of the martyr.
1026. A scorpion never stung me, but I cured myself with its grease.
1027. A seat in the council is honor without profit.
1028. A second marriage is like a warmed-up meal.
1029. A second woman has golden thighs.
1030. A secret between two is God's secret, between three is all men's.
1031. A secret imparted is no longer a secret.
1032. A secret is like a dove, when it leaves my hand it takes wing.
1033. A sense of humour is the pole that adds balance to our steps as we walk the tightrope of life.
1034. A servant and a rooster must be kept but one year.
1035. A service done to the unwilling is no service.
1036. A shady lane breeds mud.
1037. A sharp tongue will cut off its own head.
1038. A sharp tooth for hard bread.
1039. A sheep cannot bleat in two different places at the same time.
1040. A sheep's bite is never more than skip deep.
1041. A sheet of paper is lighter if two of you don't try to carry it.
1042. A shiftless person is the same as a pig.
1043. A ship and a woman are ever repairing.
1044. A ship on the beach is a lighthouse to the sea.
1045. A ship with two captains sinks.
1046. A shocked dog is starved and nobody believes it.
1047. A shoemaker's wife and a smith's mare are always the worst shod.
1048. A short cut is often a wrong cut.
1049. A short halter for a greedy horse.
1050. A short horse is soon curried.
1051. A short mass and a long dinner.
1052. A short rest is always good.
1053. A short sword for a brave man.
1054. A short tail won't keep off flies.
1055. A shut mouth catches no flies.
1056. A shut mouth keeps me out of strife.
1057. A shy cat makes a proud mouse.
1058. A sick man sleeps, but not a debtor.
1059. A sick mind cannot endure any harshness.
1060. A sick person is a prisoner.
1061. A sick woman is forever.
1062. A sign is enough for the wise man.
1063. A silent fool is counted wise.
1064. A silent man accomplishes more than an incessant talker.
1065. A silent man is not a conquered man.
1066. A silent man is the best one to listen to.
1067. A silent man's words are not brought into court.
1068. A silent mouth is melodious.
1069. A silent mouth is sweet to hear.

1070. A silent pig digs the deepest root.
1071. A silent woman is a gift from God.
1072. A silent woman is always more admired than a noisy one.
1073. A silly daughter teaches her mother how to bear children.
1074. A silly song may be sung in many ways.
1075. A silver hammer breaks an iron door.
1076. A sin confessed is half forgiven.
1077. A sin of gold is followed by punishment of lead.
1078. A sin that is confessed is less heavy to bear.
1079. A sin that is hidden is half forgiven.
1080. A single advantage is worth a thousand sorceries.
1081. A single arrow is easily broken; a quiver often is not.
1082. A single bag of money is stronger than two bags of truth.
1083. A single beam cannot support a great house.
1084. A single bracelet does not jingle.
1085. A single conversation across the table with a wise man is worth a month's study of books.
1086. A single day grants what a whole hear denies.
1087. A single finger cannot catch fleas.
1088. A single flower makes not Spring.
1089. A single penny fairly got, is worth a thousand that are not.
1090. A single prayer moves heaven.
1091. A single stick may smoke, but it will not burn.
1092. A single stroke doesn't fell the oak.
1093. A sinking vessel needs no navigation.
1094. A sitting crow starves.
1095. A slave does not choose his master.
1096. A slave yesterday, today a freedman.
1097. A sleeping fox counts chicken in his dreams.
1098. A sleeping fox finds no meat.
1099. A slice off a cut loaf isn't missed.
1100. A slight suspicion may destroy a good repute.
1101. A slippery person is not a king.
1102. A slothful man is a beggar's brother.
1103. A slothful man never has time.
1104. A sluggard claims the wisdom of forty viziers.
1105. A sly rabbit will have three openings to its den.
1106. A sly rogue is often in good dress.
1107. A small bolt to the house is better than none at all.
1108. A small cloud may hide both sun and moon.
1109. A small competence is best.
1110. A small cottage wherein laughter lives is worth more than a castle full of tears.
1111. A small debt makes a man your debtor, a large one your enemy.
1112. A small family is soon provided for.
1113. A small fish to catch a much greater one.
1114. A small gift is better than a great promise.
1115. A small gift, but well-timed.
1116. A small hatchet fells a great oak.

1117. A small house can lodge a hundred friends.
1118. A small leak will sink a great ship.
1119. A small pack becomes a small peddler.
1120. A small spark often initiates a large flame.
1121. A small tear relieves a great sorrow.
1122. A small tuft often overturns a big load.
1123. A small tumbledown house is better than a communal palace.
1124. A small woman always seems newly married.
1125. A smart coat is a good letter of introduction.
1126. A smart person will not climb a mountain; a smart person will go around it.
1127. A smart witch can also dance without a broomstick.
1128. A smile shortens the distance.
1129. A smile will gain you ten more years of life.
1130. A smiling face dispels unhappiness.
1131. A smiling face is half the meal.
1132. A smooth sea never made a skilled mariner.
1133. A smooth tongue is better than smooth locks.
1134. A snake (is hidden) in the grass.
1135. A snake bites where it reaches.
1136. A snake can change its skin but not its disposition.
1137. A snake deserves no pity.
1138. A snake lies concealed in the grass.
1139. A snake that you can see does not bite.
1140. A snake which escapes fills a basket.
1141. A snake will always give birth to something long.
1142. A snap of sight may describe much more than a thousand words.
1143. A snotnose may grow up to be a man; but he who laughs without cause, never.
1144. A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in.
1145. A soft answer bids a Furioso to put up his sword.
1146. A soft answer calms the wrath.
1147. A soft-spoken compliment is honied poison.
1148. A soldier who doesn't want to become a general is a bad one.
1149. A solitary man is either a brute or an angel.
1150. A solitary ox defecates more than a hundred swallows.
1151. A son is a son 'till he gets him a wife'; a daughter's a daughter all her life.
1152. A son will learn from his father to make a living, a daughter will learn from her mother to cut clothes.
1153. A son-in-law and a pig will show you the way only once.
1154. A son-in-law's friendship is a winter's sun.
1155. A song belongs to no one.
1156. A sooty chimney costs many a beef-steak.
1157. A sore finger and a headache are standard excuses for not going to school.
1158. A sound mind in a sound body.
1159. A sow is always dreaming of bran.
1160. A sow may find an acorn as well as a hog.
1161. A sow may whistle, though it has an ill mouth for it.
1162. A sow prefers bran to roses.

1163. A spacious ground is the right place to demonstrate one's skill in wrestling.
1164. A spared body only goes twenty-four hours further than another.
1165. A sparrow in hand is worth more than a vulture flying.
1166. A speaker needs no tools.
1167. A speedy wrestling and a bad fall go hand in hand.
1168. A spider's cobweb isn't only its sleeping spring but also its food trap.
1169. A splinter doesn't land far from the trunk.
1170. A spoiled son becomes a gambler, while a spoiled daughter becomes a harlot.
1171. A spoken word is not a sparrow once it flies out, you can't catch it.
1172. A spoken word, carved wood.
1173. A sponge to wipe away the past; a rose to sweeten the present; a kiss to greet the future.
1174. A spooked crow is afraid of a bush.
1175. A spoon does not know the taste of soup, nor a learned fool the taste of wisdom.
1176. A spoonful of tar spoils a barrel of honey.
1177. A spot shows most on the finest cloth.
1178. A spur in the head is worth two in the heel.
1179. A staff is quickly found to beat a dog.
1180. A stammerer would eventually say 'father'.
1181. A starved town is soon forced to surrender.
1182. A starving crocodile is never pleasant.
1183. A steady drop will carve the stone.
1184. A stepmother has a hard hand.
1185. A stern look is not a slap in the face.
1186. A stick is a peacemaker.
1187. A stick is soon found to beat a dog.
1188. A stick with both sides covered in shit.
1189. A still tongue makes a wise head.
1190. A stingy man is always poor.
1191. A stitch in time saves nine.
1192. A stone from the hand of a friend is an apple.
1193. A stone thrown at the right time is better than a stone thrown at the wrong time.
1194. A stone was removed off my heart.
1195. A store-house of evil is a woman if she is depraved.
1196. A storm in a glass of water.
1197. A story is only half told if there is only one side presented.
1198. A stout heart overcomes ill fortune.
1199. A stout heart tempers adversity.
1200. A strange glass is emptied in one draught; your own glass not even in ten.
1201. A stranger has big eyes but sees nothing.
1202. A stranger's soul is like a dark forest.
1203. A strawberry blossom will not moisten dry bread.
1204. A stream cannot rise above its source.
1205. A strong attack is half the battle won.
1206. A strong chicken starts to crow the moment that it comes out of the shell.
1207. A strong man is remembered on the day of the fight, and a glutton on the day pounded yam is surplus.
1208. A strong remedy for evils is ignorance of them.

1209. A stumble is not a fall.
1210. A stupid act entails doing the work twice over.
1211. A stupid friend is a greater plague than a wise enemy.
1212. A suit doesn't make a man.
1213. A surgeon should be young, a physician old.
1214. A surgeon tries his experiments on the heads of orphans.
1215. A suspicious mind sees everything on the dark side.
1216. A swarm in May is worth a load of hay; a swarm in June is worth a silver spoon, but a swarm in July is not worth a fly.
1217. A sweaty foot seldom comes alone.
1218. A sword anointed with honey.
1219. A sword in the hands of a drunken slave is less dangerous than science in the hands of the unscrupulous.
1220. A sword of lead in a scabbard of ivory.
1221. A sword's honor is its idleness.
1222. A table friend is changeable.
1223. A table is not blessed if it has fed no scholars.
1224. A table without bread is a villain's table.
1225. A tailless dog cannot express his joy.
1226. A tale is soon told; a deed is not soon done.
1227. A tale never loses in the telling.
1228. A talkative bird will not build a nest.
1229. A task postponed from one day to another, remains undone.
1230. A tattler is worse than a thief.
1231. A teacher is better than two books.
1232. A teacher is someone who ploughs with his tongue to fill his little bowl with rice.
1233. A tear at the right moment is better than a misplaced smile.
1234. A tear in the eye is the wound of the heart.
1235. A tender-hearted mother makes a scabby daughter.
1236. A tent without a woman is like a violin with no strings.
1237. A termite can do nothing to a stone save lick it.
1238. A thankless man never does a thankful deed.
1239. A thief does not like to be robbed.
1240. A thief does not willingly see another carry a basket.
1241. A thief doesn't rob a thief.
1242. A thief has more than two hands.
1243. A thief is a king until he is caught.
1244. A thief is a thief, whether he steals a diamond or a cucumber.
1245. A thief is always under suspicion.
1246. A thief knows a thief as a wolf knows a wolf.
1247. A thief makes opportunity.
1248. A thief passes for a gentleman when stealing has made him rich.
1249. A thief seldom grows rich by thieving.
1250. A thief stole other thief's club.
1251. A thief thinks everyone steals.
1252. A thief who steals from a thief is not a thief.
1253. A thief's end is hanging.
1254. A thing is never much talked of but there is some truth in it.

1255. A thing is not bad if well understood.
1256. A thing of beauty is a joy forever.
1257. A thing too much seen is little prized.
1258. A thorn comes into the world point foremost.
1259. A thorn defends the rose, harming only those who would steal the blossom.
1260. A thorn pierces young skin more quickly than old.
1261. A thorn that pierces the toe should be burned by the light of a new moon lest the devil possesses the foot.
1262. A thousand cups of wine do not suffice when true friends meet, but half a sentence is too much when there is no meeting of minds.
1263. A thousand curses never tore a shirt.
1264. A thousand friends are few; one enemy is too many.
1265. A thousand people cannot undress a naked person.
1266. A thousand pounds and a bottle of hay are all one at Domesday.
1267. A thousand probabilities do not make one truth.
1268. A thousand regrets do not cancel one debt.
1269. A thousand workers, a thousand plans.
1270. A thousand years hence the river will run as it did.
1271. A thread will tie an honest man better than a chain a rogue.
1272. A thread-bare coat is armor proof against highwaymen.
1273. A threat does not lengthen your sword.
1274. A threatened blow is seldom given.
1275. A threatened buffet is never well given.
1276. A threatened man lives long, if he can get bread.
1277. A three-inch tongue - the iron bulwark of politics.
1278. A thriftless woman burns the entire candle looking for a match.
1279. A tiger cannot beat a crowd of monkeys.
1280. A tiger wearing a bell will starve.
1281. A tilted load won't reach its destination.
1282. A time and a place for everything.
1283. A timely 'no' beats a hasty 'yes'.
1284. A timid man has little chance.
1285. A titmouse in the hand is better than a crane in the sky.
1286. A toad does not jump around in the daytime, unless something is after its life.
1287. A toad too would like to crack nuts, but he has no teeth.
1288. A tongue has no bones but it can break.
1289. A too modest man goes hungry.
1290. A tottering man must lean upon a staff.
1291. A trade not properly learned is an enemy.
1292. A trap without bait won't catch anything.
1293. A traveler to distant places should make no enemies.
1294. A tree cannot stand without roots.
1295. A tree does not move unless there is wind.
1296. A tree falls the way it leans.
1297. A tree is best measured when it's down.
1298. A tree is climbed from its base.
1299. A tree is known by its fruit.
1300. A tree is straightened while it is still young.

1301. A tree near the road is easily cut down.
1302. A tree never hits an automobile except in self-defense.
1303. A tree often transplanted does not thrive.
1304. A tree often transplanted is never loaded with fruit.
1305. A tree that grows in the shade of another one will die small.
1306. A tree that is born twisted never grows straight.
1307. A trifling pledge of no small friendship.
1308. A triple rope is not easily broken.
1309. A trouble shared is a trouble halved.
1310. A troubled heart is a worm to the bones.
1311. A trout in the pot is better than a salmon in the sea.
1312. A true friend is discerned during an uncertain matter.
1313. A true gentleman would rather have his clothes torn than mended.
1314. A true word needs no oath.
1315. A truly great man never puts away the simplicity of a child.
1316. A truth spoken before its time is dangerous.
1317. A truth that comes too early or too late is just like a lie.
1318. A truth-teller finds the doors closed against him.
1319. A truth-telling woman has few friends.
1320. A turkey never voted for an early Christmas.
1321. A turtle can only get on it by sticking its neck out.
1322. A turtle is not proud of his long neck.
1323. A turtle makes progress when it sticks its neck out.
1324. A used plough shines, standing water stinks.
1325. A useless pitcher does not get broken.
1326. A usurer, a miller, a banker, and a publican are the four evangelists of Lucifer.
1327. A vacant mind is open to all suggestions, as a hollow mountain returns all sounds.
1328. A vagabond monk never spoke well of his convent.
1329. A variation, once burned, twice shy.
1330. A verbal contract isn't worth the paper it's written on.
1331. A vicious dog must be tied short.
1332. A virgin's heart is a dark forest.
1333. A virtuous person sleeps well.
1334. A visit is like rainwater; you pray for it when it stays away and it's a problem when it rains too much.
1335. A visitor comes with ten blessings, eats one, and leaves nine.
1336. A voluntary burthen is no burthen.
1337. A volunteer is worth twenty pressed men.
1338. A wager is a fool's argument.
1339. A waiting appetite kindles many a spite.
1340. A wall between increases love.
1341. A want of pence stops all your marketing.
1342. A warm Christmas means a cold Easter.
1343. A warm January; a cold May.
1344. A warrior dies in battle; a mountain climber on the rocks, but a farmer dies of old age.
1345. A watched clock never tells the time.
1346. A watched man never plays.
1347. A watched pot never boils.

1348. A way to success is to serve.
1349. A weak foundation destroys the work.
1350. A wealthy man can err with impunity.
1351. A wealthy man will always have followers.
1352. A weaning baby that does not cry aloud will die on its mothers back.
1353. A weapon is an enemy even to its owner.
1354. A weapon which you don't have in your hand won't kill a snake.
1355. A wedding is like a funeral, but with musicians.
1356. A well-educated man always has a kind word to say about the place where he spends the night.
1357. A well-mannered man does not step on the shadow of his fellow man.
1358. A well-beaten path does not always make the right road.
1359. A well-formed figure needs no cloak.
1360. A well-wisher sees from afar.
1361. A wet wedding is a blessed wedding.
1362. A wheel that turns gathers no rust.
1363. A whistling woman and a crowing hen are neither fit for god or men.
1364. A whistling girl and a crowing hen never came to a good end.
1365. A white day sheds light, a black day sheds darkness.
1366. A white dog does not bite another white dog.
1367. A white glove often conceals a dirty hand.
1368. A white plaster will be of benefit on a black day.
1369. A white wall is the fool's paper.
1370. A whitewashed crow soon shows black again.
1371. A wicked book cannot repent.
1372. A wicked companion invites us all to hell.
1373. A wicked dog must be tied short.
1374. A wicked man's gift hath a touch of his master.
1375. A wide garment does not tear, a proverb does not spoil.
1376. A widow, like a widower, is a house without a roof.
1377. A wife is frightened of her first husband and a husband is frightened of his second wife
1378. A wife is not a pot, she will not break so easily
1379. A wife should be as humble as a lamb, busy as a bee, as beautiful as a bird of paradise and faithful as a turtle dove.
1380. A wife's advice is not worth much, but woe to the husband who refuses to take it.
1381. A wild goose may be worth a hundred pieces of gold, but you first have to spend three pieces of gold to buy an arrow.
1382. A wild goose never laid a tame egg.
1383. A willful fault has no excuse, and deserves no pardon.
1384. A willful man must have his way.
1385. A willing helper does not wait until he is asked.
1386. A windy day is not a day for thatching.
1387. A wise (man) will rule (or possibly, be ruled by) the stars.
1388. A wise falcon hides his talons.
1389. A wise fish should know that a beautiful earthworm that looks so easy to swallow has a sharp hook attached to it.
1390. A wise fool is wiser than a foolish wise man.
1391. A wise head hath a close mouth to it.

1392. A wise head makes a close mouth.
1393. A wise lawyer never goes to law himself.
1394. A wise man adapts himself to circumstances, as water shapes itself to the vessel that contains it.
1395. A wise man and a fool together, know more than a wise man alone.
1396. A wise man changes his mind, a fool never will.
1397. A wise man does at first what a fool must do at last.
1398. A wise man hears one word and understands two.
1399. A wise man learns at the fool's expense.
1400. A wise man learns from mistakes of others, a dumb one won't learn even from one's own.
1401. A wise man makes his own decisions; an ignorant man follows the public opinion.
1402. A wise man may learn of a fool.
1403. A wise man never knows all, only fools know everything.
1404. A wise man sees only water in the tears of a woman.
1405. A wise man should never give his wife too much reign.
1406. A wise man takes everything he owns with himself.
1407. A wise man turns chance into good fortune.
1408. A wise man who knows proverbs can reconcile difficulties.
1409. A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds.
1410. A wise man will make tools of what comes to hand.
1411. A wise man will not rebuke a fool.
1412. A wise man without a book is like a workman with no tools.
1413. A wise man, a strong man.
1414. A wise man's day is worth a fool's life.
1415. A wise person, skilled in the use of proverbs, settles disputes.
1416. A wise teacher makes learning a joy.
1417. A wolf hankers after sheep even at his last gasp.
1418. A wolf in sheep's clothing.
1419. A wolf in the story' said about someone who has just appeared and it was talked about him.
1420. A wolf will still be a wolf even if he hasn't eaten your sheep.
1421. A wolf's mourning is the fox's feast.
1422. A wolf's repentance died a long time ago.
1423. A woman and a glass are always in danger.
1424. A woman and a hen are soon lost through gadding.
1425. A woman and a melon are hard to choose.
1426. A woman and a ship ever want mending.
1427. A woman and a stove may not leave the house.
1428. A woman conceals only what she does not know.
1429. A woman either loves or hates, she does not know a third alternative.
1430. A woman for a general and the soldiers will be women.
1431. A woman gets thirty percent of her beauty from nature and seventy percent from makeup.
1432. A woman has advice only for another woman.
1433. A woman has even cheated the devil.
1434. A woman has many mouths.
1435. A woman hath nine lives like a cat.

1436. A woman is a fortress, a man her prisoner.
1437. A woman is as old as she wishes to tell you.
1438. A woman is at her strongest when she faints.
1439. A woman is attractive when she is somebody else's wife.
1440. A woman is like a banana; one alone can turn the whole bunch rotten.
1441. A woman is like a blanket: If you cover yourself with it, it bothers you; if you throw it aside you will feel the cold
1442. A woman is like a cup of tea; you'll never know how strong she is until she boils.
1443. A woman is like the moon-some nights it is silver others gold.
1444. A woman is never old when it comes to the dance she knows.
1445. A woman is not a harmonica that you put aside when you have used it.
1446. A woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke.
1447. A woman is probably at the heart of the quarrel.
1448. A woman is taken, a man given.
1449. A woman is the last judgement of the man.
1450. A woman keeps secret only what she does not know.
1451. A woman laughs when she can and weeps when she wants.
1452. A woman like a horse needs spurs.
1453. A woman listens only to the advice of a fool.
1454. A woman may be ever so old, if she takes fire she will jump.
1455. A woman possessed by demons dreams of toads in red dancing shoes.
1456. A woman prefers a man without money to money without a man.
1457. A woman prefers poverty with love to wealth without love.
1458. A woman strong in flounces is weak in the head.
1459. A woman talks to one man, looks at another, and thinks about a third.
1460. A woman that always laughs is everybody's wife; a man that is always laughing is an idiot.
1461. A woman that always laughs is everybody's wife; a man that is always laughing is an idiot.
1462. A woman told me that a woman told her.
1463. A woman wearing trousers? What has she got hanging in there?
1464. A woman who cries, a man who swears, a horse that sweats, all imposture.
1465. A woman who dances too much gets ill from little work.
1466. A woman who has not been twice married cannot know what a perfect marriage is.
1467. A woman who is not successful in her own marriage has no advice to give to her younger generations.
1468. A woman who likes to wash will find water.
1469. A woman who looks much in the glass spins but little.
1470. A woman who offers sex to everyone will get kicked by everyone.
1471. A woman will be twice bound when her chains feel comfortable.
1472. A woman with two husbands cheats both.
1473. A woman would rather swallow her teeth than her tongue.
1474. A woman's advice is of little value, but he who does not take it is a fool.
1475. A woman's answer is never to seek.
1476. A woman's beauty cannot warm a winter's night.
1477. A woman's belly is a garden with many kinds of fruit.
1478. A woman's clothes are the price her husband pays for peace.
1479. A woman's first advice is her best.

1480. A woman’s heart dries quicker than her tears.
1481. A woman’s mosque is her home.
1482. A woman’s strength is a multitude of words.
1483. A woman’s tears and a log’s limping are not real.
1484. A woman’s tongue is her sword, and she does not let it rust.
1485. A woman’s tongue is longer than her hair.
1486. A woman’s vengeance knows no bounds.
1487. A woman’s will is God’s will.
1488. A woman’s work is never done.
1489. A woman’s work is worth more than the talk of a thousand men.
1490. A wonder lasts but nine days.
1491. A wooden bed is better than a golden coffin.
1492. A word about to be spoken is like a stone that is ready to be thrown.
1493. A word and a stone once launched cannot be recalled.
1494. A word before is better than two after.
1495. A word brings another word.
1496. A word from the mouth is like a stone from a sling.
1497. A word is enough to the wise.
1498. A word is sufficient for the wise.
1499. A word of kindness is better than a fat pie.
1500. A word once out flies everywhere.
1501. A word once said cannot be taken back.
1502. A word once spoken, an army of chariots cannot overtake it.
1503. A word out of the mouth is an egg slipped from the hand.
1504. A word spoken is past recalling.
1505. A work ill done must be twice done.
1506. A worm-infested turnip is sweet, but bitter is the one that a mouse has bitten.
1507. A wound foreseen paint the less.
1508. A wound heals but the scar remains.
1509. A wound inflicted by a friend does not heal.
1510. A wound never heals so well that the scar cannot be seen.
1511. A wounded soul is difficult to heal.
1512. A wreck on shore is a beacon at sea.
1513. A wretched year has twenty-four months.
1514. A year’s care, a minute’s ruin
1515. A young man married is a young man.
1516. A young angel, an old devil.
1517. A young branch takes on all the bends that one gives it.
1518. A young crocodile does not cry when he falls in the water.
1519. A young doctor makes a humpy graveyard.
1520. A young ewe and an old ram, every year bring forth a lamb.
1521. A young foal and an old horse draw not well together.
1522. A young man idle, an old man needy.
1523. A young man married is a young man marred.
1524. A young man should not marry yet; an old man not at all.
1525. A young monkey does not teach tricks to an old one.
1526. A young physician fattens the churchyard.
1527. A young preacher, a new hell.

1528. A young wife is an old man’s post-horse to the grave.
1529. A young wife, new bread, and green wood devastate a house.
1530. A young woman is to an old man the horse that he rides to hell.
1531. A youngster can ask further than an aged has been.
1532. Abandon all hope, ye who enter here.
1533. Ability can take you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there.
1534. About everything and something else.
1535. About the King and the Inquisition, hush!
1536. Above the clouds, the sky is always blue.
1537. Abroad one has a hundred eyes, at home not one.
1538. Abroad we judge the dress; at home we judge the man.
1539. Absence and a friendly neighbor washes away love.
1540. Absence is a foe to love; away from the eyes, away from the heart.
1541. Absence is a shrew.
1542. Absence is the enemy of love.
1543. Absence makes the heart forget.
1544. Absence makes the heart grow fonder but makes the mind forget.
1545. Absence sharpens love; presence strengthens it.
1546. Absence, and a friendly neighbor, washes away love.
1547. Absent friends get further away every day.
1548. Absent people do not inherit.
1549. Absent, none without blame; present, none without excuse.
1550. Absentmindedness is searching for the horse you are riding.
1551. Absolute power corrupts absolutely.
1552. Abstinence and fasting cure many a complaint.
1553. Abstinence is the best medicine.
1554. Abundance begets indifference.
1555. Abundance does not spread; famine does.
1556. Abundance doesn’t know contentment, but contentment is abundance.
1557. Abundance is from activity.
1558. Abundance like want, it ruins many.
1559. Abundance of money is a trial for a man.
1560. Abundance will make cotton pull a stone.
1561. Abundance, like want, ruins many.
1562. Abuse does not invalidate usefulness.
1563. Abuse doesn’t hang on the collar.
1564. Abuse is like a god that destroys his master.
1565. Abuse is no argument against proper use.
1566. Abuse of hospitality breaks the bridge.
1567. Abuse often starts with praise.
1568. Abuses are the result of seeing one another too often.
1569. Accidents happen unexpected.
1570. Accidents will happen in the best-regulated families.
1571. Accomplishment of purpose is better than making a profit.
1572. According to his pinions the bird flies.
1573. According to the arm be the bleeding.
1574. According to the custom of Aragon, good service, bad guerdon.
1575. According to the nature of his sin shall a man be punished?

1576. According to the suffering is the reward.
1577. Accusing the times is but excusing ourselves.
1578. Achievement is largely the product of steadily raising one's levels of aspirations and expectations.
1579. Acknowledgement is half of correction.
1580. Acorns were good till bread was found.
1581. Acquaintance without patience is like a candle with no light.
1582. Act and you shall have dinner; think and you shall be dinner.
1583. Act honestly, and answer boldly.
1584. Act in the valley so that you need not fear those who stand on the hill.
1585. Act like you are an idiot and everyone will respect you.
1586. Act quickly, think slowly.
1587. Act today only, tomorrow is too late.
1588. Acting is the forte of all their race.
1589. Action is the proper fruit of knowledge.
1590. Action without vision is a nightmare.
1591. Actions have consequences.
1592. Actions instead of words!
1593. Active hands, full bellies.
1594. Active people never have louse bites.
1595. Acts of kindness may soon be forgotten, but the memory of an offence remains.
1596. Adam ate the apple, and our teeth still ache.
1597. Adam must have an Eve to blame for his faults.
1598. Adam's ale is the best brew.
1599. Adapt and survive.
1600. Add legs to the snake after you have finished drawing it.
1601. Add up your pennies, and buy a hen.
1602. Adjust the mouth in accordance with the bag.
1603. Admission by the defendant is worth a hundred witnesses.
1604. Adolescence is smoke.
1605. Advantage is a better soldier than rashness.
1606. Adventures are to the adventurous.
1607. Adversity and loss make a man wise.
1608. Adversity brings knowledge and knowledge wisdom.
1609. Adversity comes with instruction in his hand.
1610. Adversity exists to be overcome.
1611. Adversity flatters no man.
1612. Adversity is a great schoolmaster.
1613. Adversity is easier borne than prosperity forgot.
1614. Adversity is the foundation of virtue.
1615. Adversity makes a man wise, not rich.
1616. Adversity makes strange bedfellows.
1617. Advertising is the driving force of business.
1618. Advertising is the mother of trade.
1619. Advice after injury is like medicine after death.
1620. Advice after the mischief is like medicine after death.
1621. Advice given in the midst of a crowd is loathsome.
1622. Advice is a free gift that can become expensive for the one who gets it.

1623. Advice is a stranger; if he's welcome he stays for the night; if not, he leaves the same day.
1624. Advice is cheap.
1625. Advice is least heeded when most needed.
1626. Advice is like fire: it has to be obtained from others.
1627. Advice is not compulsion.
1628. Advice is useful when one listens.
1629. Advice most needed is least heeded.
1630. Advice should be viewed from behind.
1631. Advice should precede the act.
1632. Advice to a fool goes in at one ear and out at the other.
1633. Advice to all, security for none.
1634. Advice when most needed is least heeded.
1635. Advice and counsel him; if he does not listen, let adversity teach him.
1636. Advise no one to go to war or to marry.
1637. Advisers are not givers.
1638. Advisers are not the payers.
1639. Advising is easier than helping.
1640. Advising is often better than fighting.
1641. Affairs of the home should not be discussed in the public square.
1642. Affectation is a greater injury to the face than smallpox.
1643. Affinity is a mysterious thing, but it is spicy!
1644. Afraid of his own shadow.
1645. Afraid of the enemies - don't be a border guard.
1646. Africa is a cold land where the sun is warm.
1647. After a battle, everyone is a general.
1648. After a feast, a man scratches his head.
1649. After a foolish deed comes remorse.
1650. After a rich man gets rich, his next ambition is to get richer.
1651. After a storm comes calm.
1652. After a thrifty father, a prodigal son.
1653. After a trial one party is naked and the other without a shirt.
1654. After all is said and done, more is said than done.
1655. After all, every man is the son of a woman.
1656. After all, harming others means you first harm yourself.
1657. After bad luck comes good fortune.
1658. After breaking my head, you bring plaster.
1659. After Christmas comes Lent.
1660. After clouds comes clear weather.
1661. After clouds, sunshine.
1662. After dark all cats are leopards.
1663. After darkness comes light.
1664. After death, the doctor.
1665. After death, nothing, and death itself is nothing.
1666. After death, say holy.
1667. After dinner comes the reckoning.
1668. After dinner sit a while, after supper walk a mile.
1669. After eating nine hundred rats, the cat is now going on a pilgrimage.

1670. After ebb comes flood, and friends with good.
1671. After every darkness is light.
1672. After fasting for so long, he feasts on an onion.
1673. After great droughts come great rains.
1674. After he grew old, they sent him to school.
1675. After high floods come low ebbs.
1676. After honor and state follow envy and hate.
1677. After I saw what my mother did, I will never trust a widow.
1678. After lunch, rest; after dinner take a walk.
1679. After me, the deluge.
1680. After me will come one that will make from me a good person in the public view.
1681. After meat comes mustard.
1682. After mischance everyone is wise.
1683. After nine months the secret comes out.
1684. After one loss come many.
1685. After one Pope, another is made.
1686. After one that earns one that wastes.
1687. After one vice a greater follows.
1688. After pleasant scratching comes unpleasant smarting.
1689. After rain, comes sunshine.
1690. After rain, fine weather.
1691. After shaking hands with a Greek, count your fingers.
1692. After shaving, there is nothing to shear.
1693. After stuffing pears within, drink old wine until they swim.
1694. After taking ninety-nine years to climb a stairway, the tortoise falls and says there is a curse on haste.
1695. After taking off the head one doesn't (shouldn't) bewail the hair.
1696. After the act, wishing is in vain.
1697. After the darkness, the light.
1698. After the daughter is married, then comes sons-in-law in plenty.
1699. After the feast, comes the reckoning another day.
1700. After the fight, both parties give each other a good smack.
1701. After the game, the king and the pawn go into the same box.
1702. After the head is off, one does not cry over the hair.
1703. After the house is finished, he deserts it.
1704. After the meal, one has to be still and shut the eyes for a while in the gloom.
1705. After the rain, the grass will grow; after wine, conversation.
1706. After the rain, comes the nice weather.
1707. After the ship has sunk, everyone knows how she might have been saved.
1708. After the sour, comes the sweet.
1709. After the storm, comes tranquility.
1710. After the vintage, baskets.
1711. After the war, aid.
1712. After three days without reading, talk becomes flavorless.
1713. After three years even a disaster can be good for something.
1714. After three years useless things are useful too.
1715. After us, the deluge.
1716. After victory, tighten your helmet chord.

1717. After your daughter is married, there comes a number of potential sons-in-law.
1718. Afterwards is no advice.
1719. Against change of fortune set a brave heart.
1720. Against stupidity; God Himself is helpless.
1721. Against the beastly human being even the gods are powerless.
1722. Age and marriage tame the beast.
1723. Age and wedlock bring a man to his nightcap.
1724. Age does not give you good sense; it only makes you go slowly.
1725. Age does not protect from foolishness.
1726. Age is a sorry travelling companion.
1727. Age is honorable and youth is noble.
1728. Age makes many a man whiter, but not better.
1729. Age of miracles is past.
1730. Agree, agree, for the law is costly.
1731. Agreement makes law.
1732. Agreement with two people, lamentation with three.
1733. Agreements must be honored.
1734. Agreements should be clearly expressed, and chocolate should be served thick.
1735. Agues come on horseback, but go away on foot.
1736. Aim at a certain issue.
1737. Aim high in your career but stay humble in your heart.
1738. Ain't over till the fat lady sings.
1739. Alas for the son whose father went to heaven!
1740. Alas for those that get the worst of it!
1741. Alcohol won't run out by drinking.
1742. Ale in, wit out.
1743. Alertness and courage are life's shield.
1744. Alexander the Great was but of small stature.
1745. Alike children play the best.
1746. All ages are submissive to love.
1747. All are brave when the enemy flies.
1748. All are good lasses, but whence come the bad wives?
1749. All are not asleep who have their eyes shut.
1750. All are not cooks who carry long knives.
1751. All are not free who mock their chains.
1752. All are not friends that speak us fair.
1753. All are not good cooks who carry long knives.
1754. All are not harpers, who hold the harp.
1755. All are not hunters who blow the horn.
1756. All are not merry that dance lightly.
1757. All are not princes who ride with the emperor.
1758. All are not saints that go to church.
1759. All are not soldiers who go to the wars.
1760. All are not thieves that the dogs bark at.
1761. All aren't gold that glimmers.
1762. All ask if a man be rich, no one if he be good.
1763. All asses wag their ears.
1764. All be the same in a hundred years.

1765. All birds will flock to a fruitful tree.
1766. All bite the bitten dog.
1767. All bread is not baked in one oven.
1768. All but saves many a man.
1769. All cassavas have the same skins but not all taste the same.
1770. All cats are alike grey at night.
1771. All cats are grey in the dark.
1772. All cats are not to be set down for witches.
1773. All cats love fish but hate to get their paws wet.
1774. All claim kindred with the prosperous.
1775. All clever men are birds of prey.
1776. All clouds are not rain clouds.
1777. All clouds do not rain.
1778. All covet, all lose.
1779. All criminals turn preachers under the gallows.
1780. All do not beg for one saint.
1781. All do not bite that show their teeth.
1782. All doors open to courtesy.
1783. All dumb people have a lot to say.
1784. All earthly goods we have only on loan.
1785. All eggs should not be put in one basket.
1786. All errors are amendable.
1787. All fear has much imagination and little talent.
1788. All feet tread not in one shoe.
1789. All flowers are not fit for nosegays.
1790. All food is fit to eat, but not all words are fit to speak.
1791. All fools are brothers.
1792. All for one and one for all.
1793. All frills and no knickers.
1794. All fur coat and no knickers.
1795. All gardeners know better than other gardeners.
1796. All goats jump onto leaning trees.
1797. All goes down gutter lane.
1798. All good come from above.
1799. All good things are three.
1800. All good things come to he who waits.
1801. All good things must come to an end.
1802. All good women are in the graveyard.
1803. All had rather it were well for themselves than for another.
1804. All hairy skins must not be singed.
1805. All Hallows moon, witches soon.
1806. All hands on deck/to the pump.
1807. All happiness is in the mind.
1808. All hat and no cattle.
1809. All heads are not sense-boxes.
1810. All heads are the same, but not all thoughts are the same.
1811. All his geese are swans.
1812. All in good time.

1813. All in the way of joke the wolf goes to the ass.
1814. All is fair in love and golf.
1815. All is fair in love and war.
1816. All is fish that comes to the net.
1817. All is for the best in the best of all possible worlds.
1818. All is grist that comes to the mill.
1819. All is in vain unless Providence is with us.
1820. All is luck or ill luck in this world.
1821. All is never said.
1822. All is not butter that comes from the cow.
1823. All is not false which is publicly reported.
1824. All is not gold that glitters.
1825. All is not lost that is delayed.
1826. All is not lost that is in danger.
1827. All is not lost that is in peril.
1828. All is well that ends well.
1829. All is well, for if the bride has not fair hair, she has a fair skin.
1830. All keys hang not at one woman's girdle.
1831. All kinds of fame belong partly to others.
1832. All lay load on the willing horse.
1833. All lizards lie on their bellies, but nobody knows which of them suffers stomach ache.
1834. All mankind is divided into three classes: those that are immoveable, those that are moveable, and those that move.
1835. All married women are not wives.
1836. All men are baked in the same clay.
1837. All men are fools, but all fools are not men.
1838. All men are mortal.
1839. All men are not cast in the same mold.
1840. All men can't be masters.
1841. All men have three ears, one on the left of his head, one on the right and one in his heart.
1842. All men wish to be healthy, but often they do everything that's disadvantageous to their health.
1843. All methods are good except for the bad ones.
1844. All monkeys cannot hang on the same branch.
1845. All of the earth's treasures can't bring back a lost moment.
1846. All of us are crazy in one way or another.
1847. All of us cannot do everything.
1848. All offices are greasy.
1849. All old sayings have something in them.
1850. All paths lead to Rome.
1851. All people are your relatives; therefore expect only trouble from them.
1852. All pleasant things are either a sin or bad for your health.
1853. All poor people aren't black/ and all black people aren't poor.
1854. All power is impatient of a partner.
1855. All promises are either broken or kept.
1856. All publicity is good publicity.
1857. All riches come from the earth.

1858. All rivers do their best for the sea.
1859. All roads do not lead to Rome.
1860. All roosters must have a comb.
1861. All rotten fish taste the same.
1862. All saints without, all devils within.
1863. All saints do not work miracles.
1864. All signs are misleading.
1865. All sins cast long shadows.
1866. All sins flow into one.
1867. All sizzle and no steak.
1868. All skill is in vain when an angel pees in the touchhole of your musket.
1869. All state, and nothing on the plate.
1870. All sugar and honey.
1871. All sunshine makes the desert.
1872. All tastes are tastes.
1873. All temptations are found either in hope or fear.
1874. All that comes to the net is a fish.
1875. All that glitters is not gold, nor all that sparkles silver.
1876. All that is allowed to Jupiter is not necessarily allowed to an ox.
1877. All that is round is not a cake.
1878. All that meal comes not from your own sack.
1879. All that's fair must fade.
1880. All that's mine I carry with me.
1881. All that's said in the kitchen should not be told in the hall.
1882. All that's well lasts short.
1883. All the brains are not in one head.
1884. All the fingers are not alike.
1885. All the flowers of tomorrow are in the seeds of yesterday.
1886. All the fruit is not found in just one field.
1887. All the hours wound, the last one kills.
1888. All the past died yesterday; the future is born today.
1889. All the roads lead to Rome.
1890. All the sheep are not for the wolf.
1891. All the smiths can't mend a broken egg.
1892. All the treasures of the earth can't bring back one lost moment.
1893. All the water in the sea doesn't even reach the knees of the man who fears not death.
1894. All the wool is hair, more or less.
1895. All the world is your country, to do well is your religion.
1896. All the world loves a lover.
1897. All the world will beat the man whom fortune buffets.
1898. All things are becoming to good people.
1899. All things are cause for either laughter or weeping.
1900. All things are difficult before they are easy.
1901. All things are easy that are done willingly.
1902. All things are not good for all.
1903. All things are possible with God.
1904. All things at first appear difficult.
1905. All things come not to pass which the mind has conceived.

1906. All things come to those who wait.
1907. All things good to know are difficult to learn.
1908. All things grow with time - except grief.
1909. All things must pass.
1910. All things seem difficult at first.
1911. All things to their owner.
1912. All threateners don't fight.
1913. All times are good when old.
1914. All too good is every man's fool.
1915. All truths are not good to be uttered.
1916. All truths are not to be told.
1917. All waiting is long.
1918. All water flows into the ocean or into the purse of the rich.
1919. All water runs to the sea.
1920. All who snore are not asleep.
1921. All wish to live long, but none to be called old.
1922. All women are alike when the lamp is out.
1923. All women are good Lutherans - they would rather preach than hear mass.
1924. All women are heirs to Mother Eve.
1925. All women may be won.
1926. All wooers are rich, and all captives poor.
1927. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.
1928. All you need is love.
1929. All you need to die is to be alive.
1930. All your geese are swans.
1931. All is fair in love and war.
1932. All is fish that comes to the net.
1933. All is for the best in the best of all possible worlds.
1934. All is grist that comes to the mill.
1935. All is lost that's put in a riven dish.
1936. All is not lost that's in danger.
1937. All is well that ends well.
1938. Allah does not destroy the men whom one hates.
1939. Allah does not love the aggressors.
1940. Allah gave hunger to one and hunger to another.
1941. Allah has said, 'Start moving so that I may start blessing'.
1942. Allah preserve us from, 'If only I'd known!
1943. Almond nuts come to those who have no teeth.
1944. Almost is not eaten.
1945. Almost is one meter off the shore.
1946. Almost kills no man.
1947. Almost never killed a fly.
1948. Almost' and 'nearly' do not throw a man from his horse.
1949. Alms given openly will be rewarded in secret.
1950. Alms never make poor.
1951. Alone is strong.
1952. Along in counsel, alone in sorrow.
1953. Already passed the caravan of friends, just leave me alone.

1954. Although the monkey might dress in silk, monkey it still is.
1955. Although the snake does not fly it has caught the bird whose home is in the sky.
1956. Although there exist many thousands of subjects for elegant conversation, there are persons who cannot meet a cripple without talking about feet.
1957. Although there's nothing to eat, life is fun.
1958. Always a bridesmaid, never a bride.
1959. Always be patient with the rich and powerful.
1960. Always be well dressed, even when begging.
1961. Always care about your flowers and your friends Otherwise, they'll fade, and soon your house will be empty.
1962. Always count the cost.
1963. Always drink upstream from the herd.
1964. Always in love, never married.
1965. Always keep calm in an emergency.
1966. Always leave a little room for a mistake.
1967. Always more fish in the sea - there's.
1968. Always say no, and you will never be married.
1969. Always something new, seldom something good.
1970. Always take an emergency leisurely.
1971. Always taking out and never putting in, soon reaches the bottom.
1972. Always talk big and you will never be forgotten.
1973. Always tell the truth in the form of a joke.
1974. Always to be sparing is always to be in want.
1975. Ambition and fleas both jump high.
1976. Ambition and revenge are always hungry.
1977. Ambition begets troubles.
1978. Ambition destroys its possessor.
1979. Amendment is repentance.
1980. Among blind people the squinting one rules.
1981. Among men of honor, a word is a bond.
1982. Among ten matchmakers only nine will lie.
1983. Among the blind the one-eyed man is king.
1984. Among the blind, a person with one working eye is the king.
1985. Among the blind, the squint rules.
1986. Among the dead and the wounded someone will get out unscathed.
1987. Among thorns grow roses.
1988. Among those who stand, do not sit; among those who sit, do not stand among those who laugh, do not weep; among those who weep, do not laugh.
1989. Among walnuts, only the empty one speaks.
1990. An absent saint gets no candles.
1991. An abundance of money ruins youth.
1992. An abyss calls another.
1993. An accident makes one wiser.
1994. An accident rarely comes alone.
1995. An accident won't arrive with a bell on its neck.
1996. An accidental meeting may be better than a fixed date.
1997. An accomplishment sticks to a person.
1998. An accuser may not act as a defender.

1999. An aching for wine-a wine-ache.
2000. An adder with its poisonous fangs taken out is nothing more than a piece of rope.
2001. An advantage of poverty, your relatives gain nothing by your death.
2002. An agreement is a kind of debt.
2003. An ailing woman lives forever.
2004. An ambassador bears no blame.
2005. An American will go to hell for a bag of coffee.
2006. An ancient custom, not of to-day or yesterday.
2007. An Angel on the road, a Devil at the fireplace.
2008. An angry man heeds no counsel.
2009. An animal's end is slaughter.
2010. An answer that does not resolve a quarrel makes a thousand new ones.
2011. An ant on the move does more than a dozing ox.
2012. An ant-hill that is destined to become a giant ant-hill will definitely become one, no matter how many times it is destroyed by elephants.
2013. An ant's nest could bring down a hill.
2014. An ape is an ape, though decked with gold.
2015. An apothecary ought not to be long a cuckold.
2016. An apple a day keeps the doctor away.
2017. An apple does not fall far from the tree.
2018. An apple-pie without some cheese is like a kiss without a squeeze.
2019. An arch never sleeps.
2020. An argument rips, but peace builds.
2021. An army is driven back by courage and not by insults, however many.
2022. An army marches on its stomach.
2023. An army of deer would be more formidable commanded by a lion, than an army of lions commanded by a stag.
2024. An army of sheep led by a lion would defeat an army of lions led by a sheep.
2025. An arrow can be pulled out of a wound, but a hurtful word stays forever in your heart.
2026. An art requires a whole man.
2027. An artel's pot boils denser.
2028. An ass does not appreciate fruit compote.
2029. An ass in a lion's skin.
2030. An ass is but an ass, though laden with gold.
2031. An ass loaded with gold climbs to the top of the castle.
2032. An ass's tail will not make a sieve.
2033. An ass's trot does not last long.
2034. An atheist is one point beyond the devil.
2035. An autumn day feeds a whole winter.
2036. An axe without a shaft is no threat to the forest.
2037. An eagle does not catch flies.
2038. An eagle does not fly very high if the wings don't hold it.
2039. An eagle will not catch flies.
2040. An early bird catches worms.
2041. An easy shepherd makes the wolf void wool.
2042. An eel escapes from a good fisherman.
2043. An eel, held by the tail, is not yet caught.
2044. An egg does not fight a rock.

2045. An egg is an egg, said the boor, and took the goose's egg.
2046. An egg is dear on Easter day.
2047. An egg today is better than a chicken tomorrow.
2048. An egg-thief will become a horse-thief.
2049. An elephant can never fail to carry its tusks.
2050. An elephant does not catch mice.
2051. An elephant does not die from one broken rib.
2052. An elephant does not get tired carrying his trunk.
2053. An elephant is still an elephant when flayed; a flea is still a flea if you poke at it.
2054. An elephant will reach to the roof of the house.
2055. An elephant's head is no load for a child.
2056. An elephant's tusks are never too heavy for it.
2057. An eloquent rooster crows as soon as it comes out of the egg.
2058. An ember burns where it falls.
2059. An empty barrel makes the most noise.
2060. An empty barrel sings in the wind.
2061. An empty belly hears nobody.
2062. An empty cellar makes an angry butler.
2063. An empty hand is no lure for a hawk.
2064. An empty knapsack is heavier to carry than a full one.
2065. An empty mill will turn without the wind.
2066. An empty pot makes the loudest noise.
2067. An empty purse and a new house make a man wise, but too late.
2068. An empty purse frights away friends.
2069. An empty sack can't stand up; a full sack cannot bend.
2070. An empty stomach will not listen to anything.
2071. An empty vessel gives a greater sound than a full barrel.
2072. An enemy does not sleep.
2073. An enemy may chance to give good counsel.
2074. An enemy will agree, but a friend will argue.
2075. An Englishman will burn his bed to catch a flea.
2076. An Englishman's home is his castle.
2077. An Englishman's word is his bond.
2078. An ennobled peasant does not know his own father.
2079. An enterprising fool needs little wit.
2080. An envious man waxes lean with the fatness of his neighbor.
2081. An estate inherited is the less valued.
2082. An evil chance seldom comes alone.
2083. An exception to every rule.
2084. An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.
2085. An eye for an eye makes the whole world blind.
2086. An honest tale speeds best, being plainly told.
2087. An hour in the morning is worth two in the evening.
2088. An hour of pain is as long as a day of pleasure.
2089. An idle brain is the devil's workshop.
2090. An ill wound is cured, not an ill name.
2091. An intelligent enemy is better than a stupid friend.
2092. An Irishman is never at his best except when fighting.

2093. An oak is not felled at one stroke.
2094. An oil lamp feels proud to give light even though it wears itself away.
2095. An old banana leaf was once young and green.
2096. An old cat will never learn to dance.
2097. An old dog barks not in vain.
2098. An old dog will learn no tricks.
2099. An old man is there to talk.
2100. An old man may miss his target when throwing a stone, but not with his mouth.
2101. An old person has eaten a lot of wisdom.
2102. An old poacher makes the best gamekeeper.
2103. An old pot keeps the water fresh.
2104. An old woman is not old in a song she dances well.
2105. An open door may tempt a saint.
2106. An orphaned calf licks its own back.
2107. An ounce of discretion is worth a pound of wit.
2108. An ounce of lying saves tons of explanations.
2109. An ounce of practice is worth a pound of precept.
2110. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.
2111. An ox is taken by the horns, and a man by the tongue.
2112. An ox shits more than a hundred mosquitoes.
2113. An unkempt promise leads to a bad life.
2114. An unfortunate man would be drowned in a teacup.
2115. An upstanding peasant is bigger than a nobleman on his knees.
2116. And drinking largely sobers us again.
2117. Anger and haste hinder good counsel.
2118. Anger and madness are brothers.
2119. Anger in the mind, smile on the teeth.
2120. Anger, no matter how hot it is, can never cook yam.
2121. Annoy your doctor and sickness comes in laughing.
2122. Another day, another dollar.
2123. Another dollar ask a silly question and you get a silly answer as you bake, so shall you brew as you brew.
2124. Antagonism is not good for fowls, and it is not good for goats; worse still, it is not good for human beings.
2125. Any port in a storm.
2126. Any publicity is good publicity.
2127. Any wealth that takes only a market week to acquire is sure to contain in it things for which the gods will surely come to make claims.
2128. Anyone who urinates in a stream should be warned because any of his relatives may drink from the water.
2129. Anything behind are both sure to suffer.
2130. Anything with scales counts as a fish.
2131. Anywhere is good, but home is best!
2132. Apelles was not a master painter the first day.
2133. Apes remain apes, though you cloth them in velvet.
2134. Appearance can be deceiving.
2135. A wolf can disguise himself as a sheep.
2136. Appearances are deceitful.

2137. Applaud the man who cheats a cheater.
2138. Applaud, my friends, the comedy is over.
2139. Apple a day keeps the doctor away.
2140. Apple blossoms are beautiful, but rice dumplings are better.
2141. Apple never falls far from the tree.
2142. Apply fitting ability in the fitting place.
2143. Approach the perfumer and thou wilt be perfumed.
2144. April and May make meal for the whole year.
2145. April is the cruelest month.
2146. April showers bring forth May flowers.
2147. Arabic is a language, Persian is a delicacy and Turkish is an art.
2148. Are there not spots on the sun?
2149. Are you asking the donkey about Wednesday?
2150. Are you not accustomed to look at home, when you abuse others?
2151. Argus at home, a mole abroad.
2152. Aristocracy obligates.
2153. Arm ourselves for war? No! All the arms we need are for hugging.
2154. Arms and money require good hands.
2155. Arms carry peace.
2156. Arms, women, and books should be looked at daily.
2157. Army marches on its stomach.
2158. Around a flowering tree, there are many insects.
2159. Around bread there will always be crumbs.
2160. Arrange your cloak as the wind blows.
2161. Arrogance comes before the fall.
2162. Arrogance diminishes wisdom.
2163. Arrogance is a weed that grows mostly on a dunghill.
2164. Arrogance is intolerable.
2165. Art and knowledge bring bread and honor.
2166. Art finds its food everywhere.
2167. Art for art's sake.
2168. Art holds fast when all else is lost.
2169. Art is art, even though unsuccessful.
2170. Art is long and life is short.
2171. Art is to conceal art.
2172. Art without knowledge is nothing.
2173. As a child, is a man wrapped in his mother's womb; as an adult, in tradition; comes death, and he is wrapped in earth.
2174. As a daughter grows up she is like smuggled salt.
2175. As a dog returns to his vomit, so a fool returns to his folly.
2176. As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion.
2177. As a man dresses so is he esteemed.
2178. As a man eats, so he works.
2179. As a man has lived, so will he die.
2180. As a thing is used, so it brightens.
2181. As are the times, so are the manners.
2182. As busy as a bee.
2183. As changeable is the moon so is the opinion of the woman.

2184. As day breaks, the glowworms say ‘We’ve lit up the world!
2185. As drunk as a lord.
2186. As fast as laws are devised, their evasion is contrived.
2187. As fit as a fiddle.
2188. As fortune is sought, so it is found.
2189. As good as gold.
2190. As good be an addled egg as an idle bird.
2191. As good eat the devil as the broth he was boiled in.
2192. As great birds die the eggs rot.
2193. As he thinketh in his heart, so is he.
2194. As hungry as a wolf.
2195. As if it weren’t bad enough to fall, the ladder lands on top of you.
2196. As if s/he has fallen from an elephant’s nose.
2197. As innocent as a babe unborn.
2198. As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.
2199. As is the gardener, so is the garden.
2200. As is the king, so are his people.
2201. As is the lover so is the beloved.
2202. As is the master, so is his dog.
2203. As Jake treats God, God will treat Jake.
2204. As like as an apple to an oyster.
2205. As like as two peas.
2206. As long as a child does not cry, it does not matter what pleases it.
2207. As long as a language lives, the people will not perish.
2208. As long as a sick person is conscious, there is still hope.
2209. While there’s life there’s hope.
2210. As long as I am running my father will still have a son.
2211. As long as I breathe, I hope.
2212. As long as the beard exists, the world clenches its fists.
2213. As long as the clouds dolts weep, the pasture cannot laugh.
2214. As long as the fish swims in the water, don’t light up the grill.
2215. As long as the mouse keeps still you can be sure that the cat stays on guard
2216. As long as the sun shines one does not ask for the moon.
2217. As long as the white man stutters, the interpreters have a lot of work.
2218. As long as there are lice in the seams of the garment, there must be bloodstains on the fingernails.
2219. As long as there is no wind, the tree won’t blow.
2220. As long as there will remain two men on earth, Jealousy will reign.
2221. As long as there’s life, there is hope.
2222. As long as time is not pressing one does not burn incense; when it becomes urgent one kisses the feet of Buddha.
2223. As long as you are happy, you will have many friends. As long as you are wealthy, you will have many friends. When the tough times come, you will be left alone.
2224. As long as you stay in a group, the lion will stay hungry.
2225. As many opinions as people.
2226. As mills require two stones, so friendship requires two heads.
2227. As old as the hills.
2228. As old people sing, young people tweet.

2229. As one devil goes out, another one comes in.
2230. As one is dressed, one will be judged.
2231. As one makes his bed, that way he shall lie down.
2232. As one sows, so shall he reap.
2233. As people go their own way, destiny goes with them.
2234. As plain as the nose on a man's face.
2235. As plain as two and two make four.
2236. As princes fiddle, subjects must dance.
2237. As small as a button but a big trouble maker.
2238. As snug as a bug in a rug.
2239. As soon a man is born he begins to die.
2240. As soon as a man gets new trousers, he thinks about a new wife.
2241. As soon as a man is born, he begins to die.
2242. As soon as a man leaves his house he has seven enemies.
2243. As soon as he set her down she said that she was tired.
2244. As soon as stones can swim, leaves will sink.
2245. As soon as you have finished a job, you start appreciating the difficulties.
2246. As soon as your cart is turned over, everyone rushes to give you advice.
2247. As soon dies the calf as the cow.
2248. As stupid as a pig's bottom.
2249. As sure as eggs is eggs.
2250. As the abbot sings the sacristan responds.
2251. As the big hound is, so will the pup be.
2252. As the call, so the echo.
2253. As the crow tried to imitate the partridge, it forgot its own walking style.
2254. As the day lengthens, so the cold strengthens
2255. As the dog said, 'If I fall down for you and you fall down for me', it is playing.
2256. As the fat man gets thinner, the thin one is already dead.
2257. As the field, so the crops; as the father, so the sons.
2258. As the fool thinks, so the bell clinks.
2259. As the grace of man is in the mind, so the beauty of the mind is eloquence.
2260. As the king lives, so live his vassals.
2261. As the labor, so the pay.
2262. As the man is worth, his land is worth.
2263. As the master is, so are his men.
2264. As the master sleeps, the servant dreams.
2265. As the master, so the work.
2266. As the meat, so its broth.
2267. As the mistress, so the maid.
2268. As the old birds sings, the young ones twitter.
2269. As the old rooster crows, so crows the young.
2270. As the person who has health is young, so the person who owes nothing is rich.
2271. As the question, so the answer.
2272. As the sea will not dry up, so the nation will not lose its way.
2273. As the sheep are shorn, the lambs shiver.
2274. As the snow melts the filth shows through.
2275. As the spokes of a wheel are attached to the hub, so all things are attached to life.
2276. As the stone leaves your hand it belongs to the devil.

2277. As the suns shadow shifts, so there is no permanence on earth.
2278. As the tree falls, so shall it lie.
2279. As the tree, so the fruit; as the mistress, so the maid.
2280. As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined.
2281. As the virtue in the tree, such is the fruit.
2282. As the wind, so the sail.
2283. As the wise man looks for a bridge, the fool crosses the river.
2284. As the wound inflames the finger, so the thought inflames the mind.
2285. As they pipe to me, I will dance.
2286. As they say on my own Cape Cod, a rising tide lifts all the boats.
2287. As thick as thieves.
2288. As to the juror or the witness, bribe both.
2289. As twice two is four.
2290. As we grow older our bad qualities make us younger.
2291. As we were speaking of the King of Rome, look who dropped by!
2292. As welcome as flowers in May.
2293. As welcome as water in one's shoes.
2294. As well be hanged for a sheep as for a lamb.
2295. As won, so spent.
2296. As you are, I was. As I am, you will be.
2297. As you bake, so shall you brew.
2298. As you began the dance, you may pay the piper.
2299. As you have arranged the thread, so must you weave it.
2300. As you make your bed, so you must lie on it.
2301. As you see yourself, I once saw myself; as you see me now, you will be seen.
2302. As you shout, you get will be answered.
2303. As you sow, you shall reap.
2304. As you worship plantain, remember to worship banana as well.
2305. As you would have a daughter, so choose a wife.
2306. Ashamed of what she sees in the daytime, the sun sets with a blush.
2307. Ashes always fly back in the face of him who throws them.
2308. Ashes to ashes, dust to dust.
2309. Ask a lot, but take what is offered.
2310. Ask a silly question and you get a silly answer.
2311. Ask about your neighbors, and then buy the house.
2312. Ask advice of an ignorant man and he will think you are his enemy.
2313. Ask advice of your equals, help of your superiors.
2314. Ask for advice, and then use your head.
2315. Ask for too much in order to get enough.
2316. Ask for your wife's advice, and then do the opposite.
2317. Ask God for what man can give, and you may get it.
2318. Ask me no questions, I'll tell you no lies.
2319. Ask me what my virtues are, not about the color of my skin.
2320. Ask me what is the greatest thing in the world, I will reply: 'It is people, it is people, it is people'.
2321. Ask my companion if I be a thief.
2322. Ask my comrade, who is as great a liar as myself.
2323. Ask no questions and hear no lies.

2324. Ask not after a good man’s pedigree.
2325. Ask someone else for advice, but keep your knowledge to yourself.
2326. Ask the experienced rather than the learned.
2327. Ask too much to get enough.
2328. Ask which was born first, the hen or the egg.
2329. Asking costs little.
2330. Asking doesn’t offend.
2331. Asleep in the morning, awake in the evening; this way will destroy a house.
2332. Aspiration is not a defect for youngsters.
2333. Assertion is no proof.
2334. Asses carry the oats and horses eat them.
2335. Asses must not be tied up with horses.
2336. Asses sing badly, because they pitch their voices too high.
2337. Asses that bray most eat least.
2338. Assistance given when it is not required is as bad as an injury.
2339. Associate with the good and you will be one of them.
2340. Assurance is two-thirds of success.
2341. At a dangerous passage, yield precedence.
2342. At a distance, she takes the heart; up close, she takes the gall-bladder.
2343. At a good bargain, pause and ponder.
2344. At a great pennyworth, pause awhile.
2345. At a great river, be the last to pass.
2346. At a little fountain one drinks at one’s ease.
2347. At a round table there is no dispute about place.
2348. At a time a cockerel matures, it begins to crow to tell the world the time of day.
2349. At a wedding a bride eats the least.
2350. At an auction keep your mouth shut.
2351. At an open chest, the righteous sins.
2352. At borrowing cousin German, at repaying son of a prostitute.
2353. At court there are many hands, but few hearts.
2354. At court they sell a good deal of smoke without fire.
2355. At death’s door a man will beg for the fever.
2356. At evening the sluggard is busy.
2357. At high tide fish eat ants; at low tide ants eat fish.
2358. At home saints never perform miracles.
2359. At last the foxes all meet at the furriers.
2360. At night all cats are grey.
2361. At night one takes eels, it is worth waiting sometimes.
2362. At once a good general and a stout soldier.
2363. At Rome do as Rome does.
2364. At Shrove-tide everyone had need of his frying-pan.
2365. At table bashfulness is out of place.
2366. At the bar of one’s own conscience.
2367. At the bottom of patience one finds heaven.
2368. At the bottom of the lighthouse, it is dark.
2369. At the bottom of the sack you will find the bill.
2370. At the end of the game we see who wins.
2371. At the end of the song comes payment.

2372. At the end of the work you may judge of the workmen.
2373. At the end the Gloria is chanted.
2374. At the harvest you know how good the millet is.
2375. At the king's court every one for himself.
2376. At the narrow passage there is no brother and no friend.
2377. At the touch of love, everyone becomes a poet.
2378. At the wars as they do at the wars.
2379. At the wedding-feast, the least eater is the bride.
2380. At twenty a man will be a peacock, at thirty a lion, at forty a camel, at fifty a serpent, at sixty a dog, at seventy a monkey, and at eighty nothing.
2381. Attack is the best form of defense.
2382. Attempt nothing beyond your strength.
2383. Attend funerals avoid weddings.
2384. Attractiveness is better than beauty.
2385. Aught for naught, and a penny change.
2386. Authority has no partner.
2387. Avarice bursts the bag.
2388. Avarice increases with wealth.
2389. Avarice is never satisfied.
2390. Avoid a friend who covers you with his wings and destroys you with his beak.
2391. Avoid bawling in conversation or in play.
2392. Avoid strife with those in power.
2393. Avoid the evil, and it will avoid thee.
2394. Avoid those who constantly praise you.
2395. Avoid those who don't like bread and children.
2396. Away from home the girl picks forbidden fruit.
2397. Away from the eye, away from the mind.
2398. Away is good but home is best.
2399. Away with grieving, only fit for women.

B PROVERBS

2400. Bad and good are intertwined like rope.
2401. Bad beginnings lead to bad results.
2402. Bad birds seldom bring good weather.
2403. Bad charcoal only makes smoke.
2404. Bad children? Guilty parents!
2405. Bad dancer blames the drummer.
2406. Bad egg, bad chick.
2407. Bad eyes never see any good.
2408. Bad friends prevent you from having good friends.
2409. Bad grass does not make good hay.
2410. Bad head, bad heart.
2411. Bad is called good when worse happens.
2412. Bad is never good until worse happens.
2413. Bad is the sack that will not bear patching.
2414. Bad is the wool that cannot be died.
2415. Bad is want which is born of plenty.
2416. Bad luck for one man is good luck for another.
2417. Bad luck in the game, luck in love.
2418. Bad luck is fertile.
2419. Bad merchandise is never cheap.
2420. Bad money always comes back.
2421. Bad money drives out good.
2422. Bad news comes on horseback.
2423. Bad news doesn't lie at rest.
2424. Bad news has wings.
2425. Bad news is always true.
2426. Bad news is the first to come.
2427. Bad news travels fast.
2428. Bad peace is better than a good quarrel.
2429. Bad penny always turns up.
2430. Bad people don't sing.
2431. Bad the crow, bad the egg.
2432. Bad things are always foreshadowed.
2433. Bad things often turn out to be good for you.
2434. Bad tidings always come too soon.
2435. Bad ware is never cheap.
2436. Bad ware must be cried up.
2437. Bad watch often feeds the wolf.
2438. Bad weather prevents even wars.
2439. Bad work isn't good play.
2440. Badly oiled wheels will squeak.
2441. Bake it and then say it.
2442. Bald from here and from here.
2443. Bald man's head gets washed fastest.
2444. Bald people can always find a comb.
2445. Bare is brother less back.

2446. Bargain like a gypsy, but pay like a gentleman.
2447. Bargains are costly.
2448. Barking does seldom bite.
2449. Barking dogs don't catch hares.
2450. Barriers will disappear on the path of the skilled.
2451. Bashfulness is of no use to the needy.
2452. Basketeer who makes a basket makes a hundred if he's given wicker and time.
2453. Bathe early every day and sickness will avoid you.
2454. Bathe other people's children but don't wash behind their ears.
2455. Battle doesn't need a purpose; the battle is its own purpose.
2456. Be a friend to yourself, and others will.
2457. Be a horse ever so well-shod, he may slip.
2458. Be a lion at home and a fox abroad.
2459. Be a mountain or lean on one.
2460. Be always a little afraid so that you never will be much afraid.
2461. Be amiable, and then you'll be loved.
2462. Be bad to the bad; good to the good; be a flower to other flowers and a thorn to other thorns.
2463. Be careful before every step.
2464. Be careful for deep water and dogs that do not bark.
2465. Be careful not to make a woman weep.
2466. Be careful what you wish for.
2467. Be first in the field, the last to the couch.
2468. Be glad you are unknown, for when you are known, you would wish you weren't.
2469. Be grateful for whatever you are given, however little it is.
2470. Be happy while you're living, for you're a long time dead.
2471. Be honorable yourself if you wish to associate with honorable people.
2472. Be in readiness for favorable winds.
2473. Be it bread given to the beggar, be it one taken from him.
2474. Be just before you're generous.
2475. Be kind to the one who is kind to you.
2476. Be like a camel - carrying sweets but dining on thorns.
2477. Be like the mouth and the hand: when the hand is hurt the mouth blows on it, when the mouth is hurt the hand rubs it.
2478. Be master of mind rather than mastered by mind.
2479. Be mindful of your own fingers when you are chewing that of a monkey.
2480. Be mine; I will be yours.
2481. Be my enemy and go to my mill.
2482. Be neither intimate nor distant with the clergy.
2483. Be not a baker if your head is butter.
2484. Be not afraid of going slowly; be afraid only of standing still.
2485. Be not an esquire where you were a page.
2486. Be not ashamed of mistakes and thus make them crimes.
2487. Be not ashamed of your craft.
2488. Be not deceived with the first appearance of things, for show is not substance.
2489. Be not disturbed at being misunderstood; be disturbed at not understanding.
2490. Be not unmindful of obligations conferred.
2491. Be not water, taking the tint of all colors.

2492. Be old betimes, if you wish your old age to last.
2493. Be old when young, if you would be young when old.
2494. Be on a horse when you go in search of a better one.
2495. Be on your guard against a silent dog and still water.
2496. Be patient with a bad neighbor; he may move or face misfortune.
2497. Be patient with your enemies and forgiving of your friends.
2498. Be peaceful yet vigilant - a sheep will bite someone without a stick.
2499. Be quick to follow up an advantage.
2500. Be resolved and the thing is done.
2501. Be silent, or say something better than silence.
2502. Be sincere - and go with God.
2503. Be skeptical; long garments can also hide big feet.
2504. Be slow in choosing a friend but slower in changing him.
2505. Be slow to promise and quick to perform.
2506. Be sure before you marry from a house wherein to tarry.
2507. Be sure not to owe anything to the rich, and don't lend anything to the poor.
2508. Be sure that the candle is lit before you throw away the match.
2509. Be sure to have a controversial opinion, and men will talk about you.
2510. Be sure to send a lazy man for the angel of death.
2511. Be swift to hear, slow to speak.
2512. Be the horse good or bad always wear your spurs.
2513. Be the thing you would be called.
2514. Be what you would seem to be.
2515. Be wise, but pretend to be ignorant.
2516. Beads about the neck, and the devil in his heart.
2517. Bear and bull catch no fox.
2518. Bear patiently that which you suffer by your own fault.
2519. Bear with others and you shall be borne with.
2520. Bear won't bite bear.
2521. Beard and cloak do not make one a philosopher.
2522. Beat one dog and the others will run away.
2523. Beat swords into ploughshares.
2524. Beat the churl and he will be your friend.
2525. Beat the dog; wait for its master.
2526. Beat the rogue and he will be your friend.
2527. Beat your drum inside the house to spare the neighbors.
2528. Beat your gong and sell your candles.
2529. Beat your own and others will fear you.
2530. Beaten with his own rod.
2531. Beating a dead person is a sin.
2532. Beautiful girls are seldom happy, intelligent boys are seldom beautiful.
2533. Beautiful grapes often make poor wine.
2534. Beautiful roads never go far.
2535. Beautiful things are secured with the most difficulty.
2536. Beautiful woman, beautiful trouble.
2537. Beautiful women and wine are sweet venom.
2538. Beauty and chastity are always quarreling.
2539. Beauty and folly are often companions.

2540. Beauty carries its dower in its face.
2541. Beauty does not season soup.
2542. Beauty doesn't exist, men only dream it.
2543. Beauty draws with a single hair.
2544. Beauty is a fading flower.
2545. Beauty is a good letter of introduction.
2546. Beauty is a silent eloquence.
2547. Beauty is an empty calabash.
2548. Beauty is but drowses it honesty be lost.
2549. Beauty is but skin-deep.
2550. Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.
2551. Beauty is not so much what you see as what you dream.
2552. Beauty is potent but money is omnipotent.
2553. Beauty is power.
2554. Beauty is ten, nine of which is dressing.
2555. Beauty is the eye's food but the soul's sorrow.
2556. Beauty is the sister of idleness and the mother of luxury.
2557. Beauty is the wisdom of women; wisdom is the beauty of men.
2558. Beauty isn't wisdom.
2559. Beauty lies in lover's eyes.
2560. Beauty never travels in a group.
2561. Beauty without honesty is like a rose without perfume.
2562. Beauty without virtue is a curse.
2563. Beauty without virtue is like a rose without scent.
2564. Beauty, unaccompanied by virtue, is as a flower without perfume.
2565. Because a man has injured your goat, do not go out and kill his bull.
2566. Because friendship is pleasant, we partake of our friend's entertainment; not because we have not enough to eat in our own house.
2567. Because he has so many trades, he is unemployed.
2568. Because he killed his wife, he took shelter with his in-laws.
2569. Because of their figure, vain women stay cold.
2570. Because the cat was given no meat, he said it was Friday.
2571. Because we focused on the snake, we missed the scorpion.
2572. Because with tricks you should do a war.
2573. Become famous, and then go to sleep.
2574. Bed is the poor man's opera.
2575. Bedbug might be small, but definitely is stinky.
2576. Beer makes beautiful bodies.
2577. Beer on wine, everything is fine; wine on beer you are going to get sick / suffer.
2578. Bees do not become hornets.
2579. Bees that have honey in their mouths have stings in their tails.
2580. Bees touch no fading flowers.
2581. Beetles that roll balls out of human feces demand to be hidden away from the rich man, because there is nothing he wouldn't buy.
2582. Before a man learns to hang he is half dead.
2583. Before borrowing money from a friend decide which you need most.
2584. Before criticizing a man, walk a mile in his shoes.
2585. Before eating, open thy mouth.

2586. Before firing, you must take aim.
2587. Before God and the bus driver we are all equal.
2588. Before healing others, heal yourself.
2589. Before honor is humility.
2590. Before one cooks, one must have the meat.
2591. Before shooting, one must aim.
2592. Before the fat one slims, the slim one will die.
2593. Before the time, great courage; when at the point, great fear.
2594. Before you beat the dog, find out the name of his master.
2595. Before you build a house, you have to dig a pit.
2596. Before you buy shoes, measure your feet.
2597. Before you can score you must first have a goal.
2598. Before you find God, you will be eaten by saints.
2599. Before you go out with a widow, you must first ask her what killed the husband.
2600. Before you let your voice be heard, first lick your lips.
2601. Before you love, learn to run through snow without leaving footprints.
2602. Before you make a friend eat a peck of salt with him.
2603. Before you marry consider what you do.
2604. Before you marry reflect, for it is a knot you cannot untie.
2605. Before you milk a cow, tie it up.
2606. Before you mount, look to the girth.
2607. Before you prepare to improve the world, look around your own house three times.
2608. Before you start up a ladder, count the rungs.
2609. Beggars breed and rich men feed.
2610. Beggars can never be bankrupts.
2611. Beggars cannot be choosers.
2612. Beggars fear no rebellion.
2613. Beggars mounted ride their horses to death.
2614. Begged bread has a hard crust.
2615. Begin to weave and God will give the thread.
2616. Beginning and ending shake hands.
2617. Beginning is easy - to keep going is hard.
2618. Beginning is half done.
2619. Behave like the chameleon: look forward and observe behind.
2620. Behind an able man there are always other able men.
2621. Behind every great man, there is a great woman.
2622. Behind every mountain lies a valley.
2623. Behind the cross stands the devil.
2624. Being able to feel it on wooden shoes.
2625. Being happy in one’s home is better than being a chief.
2626. Being happy is better than being king.
2627. Being ignorant of law harms.
2628. Being in the right does not depend on having a loud voice.
2629. Being loved is the best way of being useful.
2630. Being on sea, sail; being on land, settle.
2631. Being warned, let us pursue a better course.
2632. Being well dressed does not prevent one from being poor.
2633. Being young is a fault which improves daily.

2634. Believe a boaster as you would a liar.
2635. Believe him who speaks from experience.
2636. Believe me, for I have experienced.
2637. Believe neither all that you see, nor half what you hear.
2638. Believe not that all that shines is gold.
2639. Believe nothing and be on your guard against everything.
2640. Believe nothing of what you hear, and only half of what you see.
2641. Believe that you have it, and it is yours.
2642. Believe that, and drink some water.
2643. Believe the liar up to the door of his house and no further than that.
2644. Believe what you see and lay aside what you hear.
2645. Believe your servants but do not listen to them.
2646. Belles are not for the beaux.
2647. Bells call to church but do not enter.
2648. Beloved children have many names.
2649. Below the navel, there is neither religion nor truth.
2650. Bend the willow while it is young.
2651. Benefits grow old betimes, but injuries are long livers.
2652. Benefits make a man a slave.
2653. Benefits please like flowers, when they are fresh.
2654. Benefits, like flowers, please most when they are fresh.
2655. Berry by berry, a basket will be full.
2656. Best defense is a good offence.
2657. Best is the enemy of good.
2658. Best not to talk.
2659. Best things in life are free.
2660. Best to be on the safe side.
2661. Best to be without oaths.
2662. Best to bend while it is a twig.
2663. Best to learn from other people's injury.
2664. Best-laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley.
2665. Better 'what will I eat with' than 'what will I eat'.
2666. Better a bad harvest than a bad neighbor.
2667. Better a bad wife than an empty house.
2668. Better a bed of wood than a bier of gold.
2669. Better a bird in the hand than ten in the air.
2670. Better a bite from a friend than a caress from an enemy.
2671. Better a bitter truth than a sweet lie.
2672. Better a blind horse than an empty halter.
2673. Better a blush in the face than a spot in the heart.
2674. Better a bony agreement than a fat disagreement.
2675. Better a curtain hanging motionless than a flag blowing in the wind.
2676. Better a daughter that has been slept on than a son who has been hanged.
2677. Better a day alive than two dead.
2678. Better a devil you know than a hundred strangers.
2679. Better a diamond with a flaw than a pebble without.
2680. Better a dinner of herbs than a stalled ox where hate is.
2681. Better a distant good than a near evil.

2682. Better a dog fawn on you than bite you.
2683. Better a dove on the plate than a wood grouse in the mating place.
2684. Better a drop of wisdom than an ocean of gold.
2685. Better a fair pair of heels than a halter.
2686. Better a free bird than a king in captivity.
2687. Better a friend at court than gold on the finger.
2688. Better a friend than money to spend.
2689. Better a friend's bite than an enemy's caress.
2690. Better a friendly refusal than an unwilling promise.
2691. Better a glorious death than a shameful life.
2692. Better a goat that can give milk than a cow that cannot.
2693. Better a good conscience without wisdom than wisdom without a good conscience.
2694. Better a good cow than a cow of a good kind.
2695. Better a good dinner than a fine coat.
2696. Better a good hanging than a bad marriage.
2697. Better a good hope than a bad possession.
2698. Better a good neighbor than a distant friend.
2699. Better a good shilling than a dud sovereign.
2700. Better a handful of dry dates and content therewith than to own the Gate of Peacocks and be kicked in the eye by a broody camel.
2701. Better a healthy donkey than a consumptive philosopher.
2702. Better a Jew without a beard than a beard without a Jew.
2703. Better a known harm than an unknown benefit.
2704. Better a lean agreement than a fat lawsuit.
2705. Better a lean peace than a fat victory.
2706. Better a leg broken than the neck.
2707. Better a lie that soothes than a truth that hurts.
2708. Better a little fire to warm us, than a great one to burn us.
2709. Better a little furniture than an empty house.
2710. Better a live beggar than a dead king.
2711. Better a living donkey than a dead doctor.
2712. Better a mile of a detour than an inch of a dangerous way.
2713. Better a mistake at the beginning than at the end.
2714. Better a mouse in the pot than no meat at all.
2715. Better a mule that carries me than a horse that throws me.
2716. Better a near neighbor than a distant cousin.
2717. Better a night full of anger than a night full of repentance.
2718. Better a patch than a hole.
2719. Better a poor horse than an empty stall.
2720. Better a quiet death than a public misfortune.
2721. Better a red face than a black heart.
2722. Better a ruined than a lost land.
2723. Better a sick body than an ignorant mind.
2724. Better a single decision maker than a thousand advisors.
2725. Better a slap from your friend than a kiss from your enemy.
2726. Better a slip of the foot than of the tongue.
2727. Better a small fire that warms you than a big one that burns you.
2728. Better a snotty child than his nose wiped off.

2729. Better a sparrow in the hand than a pigeon on the roof.
2730. Better a stupid wife than a mess at home.
2731. Better a thief for a neighbor than an overzealous rabbi.
2732. Better a thousand enemies outside the tent than one within.
2733. Better a wise man's servant than an idiot's master.
2734. Better a witch doctor than a troublemaker.
2735. Better a field with the birds than hanging on lords.
2736. Better alone than in bad company.
2737. Better an apple pie than apple blossom.
2738. Better an egg this year than a chicken next year.
2739. Better an empty purse than an empty head.
2740. Better an end with pain than pain without end Better an honest enemy than a false friend.
2741. Better an honest slap in the face than an insincere kiss.
2742. Better an iron dictatorship than a golden anarchy.
2743. Better an open enemy than a false friend.
2744. Better an ounce of happiness than a pound of gold.
2745. Better an ounce of luck than a pound of gold.
2746. Better an ugly duckling from your own village than a beauty from foreign parts.
2747. Better an unjust peace than a just war.
2748. Better anticipate than be anticipated.
2749. Better ask twice than go wrong once.
2750. Better aught than nought.
2751. Better badly mounted than proud on foot.
2752. Better be a bird of the wood than a bird in the cage.
2753. Better be a coward than foolhardy.
2754. Better be a cursed man than he who curses.
2755. Better be a fool than a knave.
2756. Better be a tail for the lions than the head of the foxes.
2757. Better be alone than in bad company.
2758. Better be an old man's darling than a young man's slave.
2759. Better be born lucky than rich.
2760. Better be carried by a mule than thrown by a horse.
2761. Better be convinced by words than by blows.
2762. Better be envied than pitied.
2763. Better be ill spoken of by one before all than by all before one
2764. Better be in debt than in shame.
2765. Better be killed by robbers than by the kick of an ass.
2766. Better be kind at home than burn incense in a far place.
2767. Better be mad with all the world than wise alone.
2768. Better be one-eyed than quite blind.
2769. Better be out of the world than out of the fashion.
2770. Better be proficient in one art than a smattered in a thousand.
2771. Better be quarreling than lonesome.
2772. Better be safe than sorry.
2773. Better be silent than speak ill.
2774. Better be the head of a cat than the tail of a lion.
2775. Better be too credulous than too skeptical.

2776. Better be wrong with the many than right with the few.
2777. Better beg than steal.
2778. Better being alone than in bad company.
2779. Better belly burst than good victuals spoil.
2780. Better beloved than admired.
2781. Better bend than break.
2782. Better blow hard than burn yourself.
2783. Better bread in the basket than a feather in your cap.
2784. Better breadless than clueless.
2785. Better coarse cloth than naked thighs.
2786. Better come late to church than never.
2787. Better cross an angry man than a fasting man.
2788. Better cross-eyed than blind.
2789. Better deny at once than promise long.
2790. Better die standing than live kneeling.
2791. Better die ten years early than live ten years poor.
2792. Better do a good deed near at home than go far away to burn incense.
2793. Better do a kindness near home than go far to burn incense.
2794. Better do it than wish it done.
2795. Better dry bread in peacetime than meat in wartime.
2796. Better early than late.
2797. Better educated than wealthy.
2798. Better envy than pity.
2799. Better ever than never.
2800. Better fifty enemies outside the house than one within.
2801. Better free in a foreign land than a serf at home.
2802. Better gain in mud than lose in gold.
2803. Better give a shilling than lend a half-crown.
2804. Better give nothing than stolen alms.
2805. Better give than not to have to give.
2806. Better give the wool than the sheep.
2807. Better go about than be drowned.
2808. Better go about than fall into the ditch.
2809. Better go round than be drowned.
2810. Better go than send.
2811. Better go to bed supper less than rise in debt.
2812. Better go to heaven in rags than to hell in embroidery.
2813. Better go without medicine than call in an unskilled physician.
2814. Better half an egg than empty shells.
2815. Better half hanged than ill married.
2816. Better have a dog for your friend than your enemy.
2817. Better have one bee than a host of flies.
2818. Better have to give than have to beg.
2819. Better ice that melts than fire that extinguishes.
2820. Better in an old carriage than in a new ship.
2821. Better in the grave than be a slave.
2822. Better is a leap over the ditch than the entreaties of good men.
2823. Better is my neighbor’s hen than mine.

2824. Better is one bird in the hand than ten in the bush.
2825. Better is rule than rent.
2826. Better is the branch that bends, than the branch that breaks.
2827. Better is the enemy of good.
2828. Better is the evil known than the good which is yet to know?
2829. Better is the smoke of my own house than the fire of another's
2830. Better joy in a cottage than sorrow in a palace.
2831. Better just repair the gutter than the whole house.
2832. Better keep peace than make peace.
2833. Better keep, than have to beg.
2834. Better lady in a cottage than serving-woman in a castle.
2835. Better late than never.
2836. Better lie than gossip.
2837. Better listen to a broken string than never having bent a bow.
2838. Better little than too little.
2839. Better live with a dragon than a wicked woman.
2840. Better lose a jest than a friend.
2841. Better lose a supper than have a hundred physicians.
2842. Better lose that lose more.
2843. Better lose the anchor than the whole ship.
2844. Better lose your labor than your time in idleness.
2845. Better loved and lost than never loved.
2846. Better make a short circuit than to wet your hose.
2847. Better make profit out of manure than losses with musk.
2848. Better mine than ours.
2849. Better my own cottage than the palace of another.
2850. Better no law, than law not enforced.
2851. Better no spoon than no soup.
2852. Better on the heath with an old cart that at sea in a new ship.
2853. Better once in heaven than ten times at the gate.
2854. Better once than never.
2855. Better one bird in the hand than ten in the sky.
2856. Better one cow in peace than seven in trouble.
2857. Better one eye-witness than ten hearsay witnesses.
2858. Better one good thing that is than two good things that were.
2859. Better one hazel grouse in the bag, than ten on the branch.
2860. Better one living word than a hundred dead ones.
2861. Better one poor horse than an empty stall.
2862. Better one true friend than a hundred relatives.
2863. Better one-eyed than blind.
2864. Better pain in your purse than in your heart.
2865. Better play at a small game than stand out.
2866. Better poor on land than rich at sea.
2867. Better poor with honor than rich with shame.
2868. Better rags than nakedness.
2869. Better repair the gutter than the whole house.
2870. Better retreat in honor than advance in disgrace.
2871. Better return halfway than lose yourself.

2872. Better ride a good horse for a year than a mule all your life.
2873. Better ruined ten times than dead once.
2874. Better rule in hell, than serve in heaven.
2875. Better safe than sorry.
2876. Better say nothing than not to the purpose.
2877. Better sit idle than work for naught.
2878. Better slip with the foot than with the tongue.
2879. Better something on the arm than all in the stomach.
2880. Better something than nothing at all.
2881. Better spare at the brim that at the bottom.
2882. Better squinting than blind.
2883. Better starve free than to be a fat slave.
2884. Better straw, than nothing.
2885. Better stretch your hand than your neck.
2886. Better suffer a known evil than change for uncertain good.
2887. Better suffer for the truth than prosper in a falsehood.
2888. Better take time.
2889. Better ten people hurt than one dead.
2890. Better than a banquet somewhere else is a good cup of tea and a bowl of rice at home.
2891. Better than the ignorant are those who read books; better still are those who retain what they read; even better are those who understand it; the best of all are those who go to work.
2892. Better the best of the worse than the worst of the best.
2893. Better the child cry than the old man.
2894. Better the cold blast of winter than the hot breath of a pursuing elephant.
2895. Better the cottage where one is merry than the palace where one weeps.
2896. Better the death of the eyes than the death of the heart.
2897. Better the devil you know than the devil you don't know.
2898. Better the first of its kind than the last.
2899. Better the foot slip than the tongue.
2900. Better the head of a village than the tail of a town.
2901. Better the little that is given, than the plentiful that is promised.
2902. Better the second husband of a widow than the first.
2903. Better there should be too much than too little.
2904. Better to ask a question than to remain ignorant.
2905. Better to ask than go astray.
2906. Better to ask twice than to lose your way once.
2907. Better to be a cuckold and not know it than to not be one and everybody say so.
2908. Better to be a dog in peacetime that a man in wartime.
2909. Better to be a free bird than a captive king.
2910. Better to be a poor woman than the slave of the rich.
2911. Better to be alone than in bad company.
2912. Better to be an ant's head than a lion's tail.
2913. Better to be envied than pitied.
2914. Better to be guilty in the eyes of men than in the eyes of God.
2915. Better to be known as a sinner than a hypocrite.
2916. Better to be off with the old love before we are on with the new.
2917. Better to be paying the baker than the chemist.

2918. Better to be queen for an hour than a countess for life.
2919. Better to be safe than sorry.
2920. Better to be the lowest in your own land than a Sultan in a foreign land.
2921. Better to be tossed about than to sink.
2922. Better to be watched by a wild animal than a nosey man.
2923. Better to beg forgiveness than to ask permission.
2924. Better to bend than break.
2925. Better to blush once than pale a hundred times.
2926. Better to dam the brook than the creek.
2927. Better to deny at once, than to promise long.
2928. Better to die fighting man, how to spend time fleeing.
2929. Better to die than to live on with a bad reputation.
2930. Better to die upright than to live on your knees.
2931. Better to do a kindness near home than go far away to burn incense.
2932. Better to do than to say.
2933. Better to do well than to say well.
2934. Better to drink the milk than to eat the cow.
2935. Better to eat bread in peace, then cake amid the turmoil.
2936. Better to fall from the window than the roof.
2937. Better to flee than to fence poorly.
2938. Better to go blind than to lose heart.
2939. Better to go to bed hungry than to wake up in debt.
2940. Better to go to bed supper less than run in debt.
2941. Better to have a diamond with a few small flaws than a perfect rock.
2942. Better to have a friend on the road than gold and silver in your purse.
2943. Better to have a handful of might than a sack of justice.
2944. Better to have bread and onion with peace than stuffed fowl with strife.
2945. Better to have friends in the marketplace than money in your coffers.
2946. Better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it.
2947. Better to have loved and lost than never to have love.
2948. Better to have one thousand enemies outside the house than to have one single enemy inside it.
2949. Better to have something yourself, than to beg of your sister.
2950. Better to hear curses than to be pitied.
2951. Better to keep quiet than to speak poorly.
2952. Better to kiss an ugly woman than to lick yourself.
2953. Better to lick the knife than to give up the spoon.
2954. Better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.
2955. Better to lose a little money than a little friendship.
2956. Better to lose a minute in your life than your life in a minute.
2957. Better to lose the wool than the sheep.
2958. Better to marry a neighbor than a stranger.
2959. Better to prevent than to have to cure.
2960. Better to reign in hell, than serve in heaven.
2961. Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak and remove all doubt.
2962. Better to risk a little than to lose the whole.
2963. Better to satisfy the body than to tarnish the soul.
2964. Better to see the face than to hear the name.

2965. Better to sell with regret than to keep with regret.
2966. Better to sit all night than to go to bed with a dragon.
2967. Better to stumble once than be always tottering.
2968. Better to travel hopefully than to arrive - it's.
2969. Better to turn back than to lose your way.
2970. Better to wash an old kimono than borrow a new one.
2971. Better to wear out than rust out.
2972. Better to write down something one time than to read something ten times.
2973. Better twice measured than once wrong.
2974. Better twice remembered than once forgotten.
2975. Better untaught than ill taught.
2976. Better visit hell in your lifetime, than after you're dead.
2977. Better walk before a hen than behind an ox.
2978. Better walk on wooden legs, than be carried on a wooden bier.
2979. Better warn than be warned.
2980. Better weak beer than an empty cask.
2981. Better wear out shoes than sheets.
2982. Better wed over the mixer than over the moor.
2983. Better when birds sing than where irons ring.
2984. Better whole than patched in gold.
2985. Better wise language than well combed hair.
2986. Better your enemy who you recognize than a dark friend.
2987. Better your own bread than another's roast.
2988. Between brothers, two witnesses and a notary.
2989. Between doing and saying lies the sea.
2990. Between evil tongues and evil ears, there is nothing to choose.
2991. Between husband and wife, one doesn't put the spoon.
2992. Between neighbors' gardens a hedge is not amiss.
2993. Between promising and giving, a man should marry his daughter.
2994. Between saying and doing many a pair of shoes is worn out.
2995. Between the beginning and the end, there is always a middle.
2996. Between the cup and the lip, a morsel may slip.
2997. Between the devil and the deep (blue) sea.
2998. Between the hand and the lip, the soup may be spilt.
2999. Between the upper and nether millstone.
3000. Between the wish and the thing life lies waiting.
3001. Between two cooks, the soup becomes either salty or bland.
3002. Between two cowards, the first to detect the other has the advantage.
3003. Between two friends, a notary and two witnesses.
3004. Between two Saturdays, happens many marvels.
3005. Between two sharpers the sharpest.
3006. Between two stools one falls to the ground.
3007. Between wife and husband, don't put a finger between them.
3008. Between word and deed, there's a wide trench.
3009. Between wording and working is a long road.
3010. Between wrangling and disputing truth is lost.
3011. Beware a rickety wall, a savage dog, and a quarrelsome person.
3012. Beware of a bad woman, and put no trust in a good one.

3013. Beware of a door that has many keys.
3014. Beware of a man of one book.
3015. Beware of a man that does not talk, and a dog that does not bark.
3016. Beware of a man's shadow and a bee's sting.
3017. Beware of a pledge that eats.
3018. Beware of a reconciled friend as of the devil.
3019. Beware of a silent dog and still water.
3020. Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.
3021. Beware of him who gives you advice according to his own interests.
3022. Beware of him who has nothing to lose.
3023. Beware of laughing hosts and weeping priests.
3024. Beware of men who flourish hereditary honors.
3025. Beware of one who flatters unduly; he will also censure unjustly.
3026. Beware of one who has nothing to lose.
3027. Beware of people who dislike cats.
3028. Beware of the anger of a patient man.
3029. Beware of the bear when he tucks in his shirt.
3030. Beware of the front of a bull, the back of a horse, and both sides of a blind man.
3031. Beware of the man of two faces.
3032. Beware of the vinegar of sweet wine.
3033. Beware of women with beards and men without beards.
3034. Beware the ides of March.
3035. Beware the man of one book.
3036. Beware the man who lavishes too much praise on you, he will later run you down.
3037. Beware the tyranny of the minority.
3038. Beware, the enemy lies under your blanket.
3039. Beyond the mountain is another mountain.
3040. Big chickens don't peck at small seeds.
3041. Big fish spring out of the kettle.
3042. Big fleas have little fleas upon their back to bite them.
3043. Big flies break the spider's web.
3044. Big horse, whether or not it can trot.
3045. Big in the words, small on the ground.
3046. Big mouthfuls often choke.
3047. Big of the body but small by his deeds
3048. Big rivers are made out of small streams
3049. Big ships often sail on big debts.
3050. Big trees cast more shadow than fruit.
3051. Big winds, small showers.
3052. Big words seldom accompany good deeds
3053. Big words won't split one's mouth.
3054. Bind the sack before it is full.
3055. Bird that allows itself to be caught will find a way of escaping.
3056. Birds are caught with seed, men with money.
3057. Birds fly not into our mouths ready roasted.
3058. Birds in their little nests agree.
3059. Birds of a feather flock together.

3060. Birds of prey do not sing.
3061. Birds sing not because they have answers, but because they have songs.
3062. Birth is the only remedy against death.
3063. Birth, ancestry, and that which you have not achieved can hardly be called your own.
3064. Bite not the dog that bites.
3065. Bitter fruit will fall before the ripe.
3066. Bitter pills may have blessed effects.
3067. Bitter truth is better than sweet falsehood.
3068. Black cows give white milk.
3069. Black goats must be caught early, before it gets dark.
3070. Black souls wear white shirts.
3071. Blacksmith's children are not afraid of sparks.
3072. Blame is a lazy man's wages.
3073. Blame it on the rain.
3074. Blame the obstacle that caused your fall and not the ground you fell on.
3075. Bleed him, purge him, and if he dies, bury him.
3076. Bless the builders, damn the slayers!
3077. Blessed are the dead that the rain rains on.
3078. Blessed are the peacemakers.
3079. Blessed are the poor in spirit.
3080. Blessed are those who can please themselves.
3081. Blessed is he who expects nothing.
3082. Blessed is the misfortune that comes along.
3083. Blessed is the moon; it goes but it comes back again.
3084. Blessings brighten as they take their flight.
3085. Blessings on him that said 'face about.'
3086. Blest is the bride the sun shines on.
3087. Blind eyes see well than blind hearts.
3088. Blind hens can find grain too.
3089. Blind is the bookless man.
3090. Blind men can judge no colors.
3091. Blind men have no need to walk.
3092. Block the door where the wind comes from and relax.
3093. Blood boils without fire.
3094. Blood cannot turn into water.
3095. Blood cannot be washed out with blood.
3096. Blood doesn't turn into water.
3097. Blood is the sweat of heroes.
3098. Blood is thicker than water.
3099. Blood vessels are not cleaned with blood.
3100. Blood will have blood.
3101. Blood, does not become water.
3102. Bloom where you are planted.
3103. Blossoms are not fruits.
3104. Blow first, and sip afterward.
3105. Blow your horn in a herd of elephants; crow in the company of roosters; bleat in a flock of goats.
3106. Blow, smith, and you'll get money.

3107. Blows are not given upon conditions.
3108. Blue are the hills that are far away.
3109. Blushing is the paint of good habits.
3110. Boast during the day; be humble at night.
3111. Boast to a stranger; complain only to your friends.
3112. Boasting begins where wisdom stops.
3113. Boil not the pap before the child is born.
3114. Boil stones in butter, and you may sip the broth.
3115. Boil the water and the scum will rise to the top.
3116. Bold in design, but timid in execution.
3117. Bold resolution is the favorite of providence.
3118. Boldly ventured is half won.
3119. Boldness in business is the first, second, and third thing.
3120. Bolt a door with a boiled carrot!
3121. Bones snatched from the mouth of a hungry dog.
3122. Books and friends should be few but good.
3123. Borderers are either thieves or murderers.
3124. Boredom is the father of all sins.
3125. Born with a silver spoon in one's mouth.
3126. Borrowed bread lies heavy on the stomach.
3127. Borrowed clothes don't cover your rear.
3128. Borrowed wives, like borrowed books, are seldom returned.
3129. Borrowers must not be choosers.
3130. Borrowing brings care.
3131. Borrowing does well only once.
3132. Borrowing is bad, and paying back is a loss.
3133. Borrowing is good, and returning the money is a loss.
3134. Both are better for their mutual friendship.
3135. Both legs in the stocks or only one, 'it is all the same'.
3136. Both noble and common blood is the same color.
3137. Both the cross and the gallows are made of wood.
3138. Both the fast and the slow will meet each other on the ferry boat.
3139. Both your friend and your enemy think you will never die.
3140. Bought wit is the best wit if it is not too expensive.
3141. Bounty doesn't come from cleverness, nor lack of stupidity.
3142. Boyfriend and girlfriend tantrums doubled loves.
3143. Boys are boys and boys will act like boys.
3144. Boys avoid the bees that stung them.
3145. Boys come up with things even the devil forgot.
3146. Brackish water is sweet in a drought.
3147. Brag is a good dog, but holdfast is better.
3148. Bragging is unlike mowing; it won't make your backache.
3149. Bragging saves advertising.
3150. Brain is better than brawn.
3151. Brains are not to be found in the beard.
3152. Branches may be trained; not the trunk.
3153. Brandy is as a lead in the morning, silver at noon, and gold at night.
3154. Bravery without foresight is like a blind horse.

3155. Bread always falls buttered side down.
3156. Bread and cheese, eat, and dance.
3157. Bread and onion but an open forehead!
3158. Bread and salt never quarrel.
3159. Bread and wine start a banquet.
3160. Bread doesn't go for belly, but belly goes for bread.
3161. Bread in one hand, a stone in the other.
3162. Bread is better than the song of birds.
3163. Bread is the head of everything.
3164. Bread is the stuff of life.
3165. Bread without sauce and a home without a wife are meaningless.
3166. Break a pot, pay for a pot.
3167. Break one link and the whole chain falls apart.
3168. Break the law as the law should be beaten.
3169. Break the legs of evil custom.
3170. Breaking her hip is the old woman's fault.
3171. Breasts adorn a woman and make a man look ugly.
3172. Breasts are never too heavy for the chest.
3173. Breeding will break out in the eyes of a cat.
3174. Brevity is the soul of wit.
3175. Bribery is the enemy of justice.
3176. Bribery makes both parties happy.
3177. Bribes will enter without knocking.
3178. Brief showers fill the stream.
3179. Broken friendship may be soldered but can never be made sound.
3180. Brother does not feed his brother but it is hard not having one.
3181. Brother will turn on brother.
3182. Brotherly love for brotherly love, but cheese for money.
3183. Brothers love each other when they are equally rich.
3184. Buffaloes are held by ropes, a man by his words.
3185. Bugbear took that pacifier.
3186. Build a better mousetrap and the world will beat a path to your door.
3187. Build a golden bridge for the fleeing enemy.
3188. Build but one nest in one tree.
3189. Build golden bridges for the flying foe.
3190. Building castles in the air.
3191. Bulls make money and bears make money, but hogs just get slaughtered.
3192. Burn not your house to rid it of the mouse.
3193. Burnt child shuns the fire.
3194. Bury truth in a golden coffin, it will break it open.
3195. Bushes have ears, walls have eyes.
3196. Business before pleasure.
3197. Bustle is not an industry.
3198. But for all that the honest man has not got his purse.
3199. But hope has not been broken yet.
3200. But may not truth in laughing guise be dressed?
3201. Butter spoils no meat, and moderation injures no cause.
3202. Buttered bread always falls dry side up.

3203. Butterflies come to pretty flowers.
3204. Butterflies forget that they were once caterpillars.
3205. Buy cheap, buy a heap.
3206. Buy from desperate people, and sell to newlyweds.
3207. Buy in the cheapest market and sell in the dearest.
3208. Buy on the cannons, sell on the trumpets.
3209. Buy the bed of a great debtor.
3210. Buy the best and you only cry once.
3211. Buy when it is market time.
3212. Buy your greyhound, don't rear him.
3213. Buy your neighbor's ox, and woo your neighbor's daughter.
3214. Buyers want a hundred eyes, sellers none.
3215. Buying a cat in a bag.
3216. Buying is cheaper than asking.
3217. Buying on credit is robbing next year's crop.
3218. By a brave endurance of unavoidable evils, we conquer them.
3219. By asking for the impossible, obtain the best possible.
3220. By beating love decays.
3221. By being grateful, a man makes himself deserving of yet another kindness.
3222. By biting and scratching cats and dogs come together.
3223. By bravely enduring it, an evil which cannot be avoided is overcome.
3224. By candle-light, a goat looks like a lady.
3225. By coming and going, a bird weaves its nest.
3226. By committing foolish acts, one learns wisdom.
3227. By continually scolding someone, they in time become accustomed to it and despise your reproof.
3228. By day they're ready to divorce, by night they're ready for bed.
3229. By day think of your own faults, by night think of the faults of others.
3230. By doing nothing men learn to do evil.
3231. By fair means or foul.
3232. By falling we earn to go safely.
3233. By getting angry, you show you are wrong.
3234. By gnawing skin, a dog learns to eat leather.
3235. By going and coming, a bird weaves its nest.
3236. By going gains the mill, and not by standing still.
3237. By good means or bad.
3238. By good nature and kindness, even fierce spirits become tractable.
3239. By ignorance we mistake, and by mistakes, we learn.
3240. By its fruits, one knows the tree.
3241. By joining the tail to the trunk one makes up the whole elephant.
3242. By labor comes wealth.
3243. By labor fire is got out of a stone.
3244. By lamplight every country wench seems handsome.
3245. By much laughter you detect the fool.
3246. By night all cats are black.
3247. By others faults the wise correct their own.
3248. By pleasing, while we instruct.
3249. By pride one causes virtue to decline.

3250. By repeated blows even the oak is felled.
3251. By running and defecating at the same time, you'll get crap on your heels.
3252. By slitting the ears and cutting the tail, a dog is still a dog, not a horse, not an ass.
3253. By slow degrees the bird builds his nest.
3254. By speedy, not by slow measures.
3255. By submitting to an old insult you invite a new one.
3256. By suppers more have been killed than Galen ever cured.
3257. By telling our woes we often assuage them.
3258. By the air you can see who's in the wagon.
3259. By the familiarity of the master the servant is spoilt.
3260. By the first glass a lamb, the second a lion, and the third a pig.
3261. By the hands of many a great work is made light.
3262. By the living we bury the dead.
3263. By the power of truth, I, while living, have conquered the universe.
3264. By the street of 'By-and-By' one arrives at the house of 'Never'.
3265. By the time the fool has learned the game, the players have dispersed.
3266. By the yard, life is hard. By the inch, it's a cinch.
3267. By their marks, the bales are known.
3268. By trying often, the monkey learns to jump from the tree.
3269. By what servant is his master better loved than by his dog?
3270. By wisdom and courage.
3271. By working in the smithy one becomes a smith.
3272. By writing you learn to write.
3273. Bygone troubles are good to tell.

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3274. Cabbage for cabbage.
3275. Cabbage is best after it is reheated seven times.
3276. Cactus is bitter only to him who tastes it.
3277. Caesar's wife must be above suspicion.
3278. Calamity is man's true touchstone.
3279. Call a woman a harlot and you make her one.
3280. Call me not fortunate till you see me buried.
3281. Call me not olive before you see me gathered.
3282. Call no man happy till he dies.
3283. Call not a surgeon before you are wounded.
3284. Call not the devil, he will come fast enough unbidden.
3285. Call on God, but row away from the rocks.
3286. Call someone your lord and he'll sell you in the slave market.
3287. Call the bear uncle till you are safe across the bridge.
3288. Call your husband cuckold in jest, and he'll never suspect you.
3289. Calling the devil is not the same as seeing him come.
3290. Calm water does not mean there are no crocodiles.
3291. Calumniate strongly and some of it will stick.
3292. Can a burst dam be mended with toothpicks?
3293. Can a man take fire in his bosom and his clothes not be burned?
3294. Can a mill go with the water that's past?
3295. Can a mouse fall in love with a cat?
3296. Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard his spots?
3297. Can the monkey know the taste of ginger?
3298. Can't see the forest for the trees.
3299. Can't tell his mule from a hole in the ground.
3300. Can't turn dog's tail into a silk scarf!
3301. Cap in hand never did any harm.
3302. Capitalism is the exploitation of man by man.
3303. Care and chicken soup never hurt no-one.
3304. Care brings on grey hairs, and age without years.
3305. Care for your horse as a friend; ride it as if it were an enemy.
3306. Care killed the cat.
3307. Care now, be cared for later.
3308. Care, and not fine stables, makes a good horse.
3309. Careless rat chewing on a cat's tail: beware lightning!
3310. Careless talk costs lives.
3311. Carelessness is worse than a thief.
3312. Caress your dog, and he'll spoil your clothes.
3313. Carrying water to the sea.
3314. Carve the peg only after studying the hole.
3315. Cast no dirt into the well that gives you water.
3316. Cast no roses before swine.
3317. Cast not pearls to swine.
3318. Casting the iron whilst it is hot.
3319. Cat died of curiosity.

3320. Cat knows whose meat it has eaten.
3321. Cat may look at a king.
3322. Cat will eventually get a downpour of mice' tears.
3323. Catch a chicken slowly.
3324. Catch not a shadow and lose the substance.
3325. Catch the bear before you sell his skin.
3326. Catch the bird before you build a cage.
3327. Catch the opportunity.
3328. Catching's before hanging.
3329. Cats always fall in their paws.
3330. Cats don't catch mice to please God.
3331. Cats don't catch the old birds.
3332. Cats hide their claws.
3333. Cattle in faraway lands have long horns.
3334. Caution is not cowardice; even the ants march armed.
3335. Caution is the parent of delicate beer glasses.
3336. Caution minimizes loss.
3337. Cautious in small matters, careless in great.
3338. Cease your jests; there is no joke in being ill-natured.
3339. Censure pardons the ravens but rebukes the doves.
3340. Cent-wisdom and dollar-folly.
3341. Ceremony is the smoke of friendship.
3342. Chain is only as strong as its weakest link.
3343. Chains of gold are stronger than chains of iron.
3344. Chairs sink and stools rise.
3345. Challenge your preconceptions, or they will challenge you.
3346. Change in the grandchild begins with the grandfather.
3347. Change yourself, and fortune will change with you.
3348. Character and presence from the cradle to the tomb.
3349. Character can be built on daily routine.
3350. Character is easier kept than recovered.
3351. Character is habit long continued.
3352. Charge nothing and you'll get a lot of customers.
3353. Charity and pride have different aims, yet both feed the poor
3354. Charity begins at home.
3355. Charity covers a multitude of sins.
3356. Charity excuses not cheating.
3357. Charity gives itself rich, covetousness hoards itself poor.
3358. Charity looks at the need and not at the cause.
3359. Charity sees the need, not the cause.
3360. Charity well-regulated begins at home.
3361. Charity will be rewarded in heaven.
3362. Charm is stronger than beauty.
3363. Charms do not perform miracles on the shelf; they perform for those who are brave.
3364. Chasten thy son while there is hope.
3365. Chastise one that is worthless, and he will presently hate you.
3366. Cheap meat never makes a good soup.
3367. Cheap things are not good, good things are not cheap.

3368. Cheap things don’t come without problems; expensive things don’t come without effort.
3369. Cheap things turn out to be expensive.
3370. Cheat me in the price and not in the goods.
3371. Cheat the earth and the earth will cheat you.
3372. Cheaters never win and winners never cheat.
3373. Cheating is more honorable than stealing.
3374. Cheating is the chapman’s cart and plough.
3375. Cheats never prosper.
3376. Check before you bite if it is bread or a stone.
3377. Cheek brings success.
3378. Cheerful company shortens the journey.
3379. Cheerful company shortens the miles.
3380. Cheerfulness and goodwill make labor light.
3381. Cheese and bread make the cheeks red.
3382. Cheese from the ewe, milk from the goat, butter from the cow.
3383. Cheese is gold in the morning, silver at noon, and lead at night.
3384. Cheese, wine, and friends must be old to be good.
3385. Cherries are bitter to the glutted blackbird.
3386. Chickens are counted in autumn.
3387. Chickens can’t go back into eggs.
3388. Chickens can’t speak well of their own soup.
3389. Chickens don’t praise their own soup.
3390. Chicks ought to be counted in the fall.
3391. Child is father to the man.
3392. Child’s pig, father’s pork.
3393. Children and drunken men speak the truth.
3394. Children and fools are prophets.
3395. Children and fools have merry lives.
3396. Children and fools must not play with edged tools.
3397. Children and fools speak the truth.
3398. Children are a poor man’s riches.
3399. Children are buttonholes that hold their parents together.
3400. Children are certain cares, but uncertain comforts.
3401. Children are certain sorrow, but uncertain joy.
3402. Children are the reward of life.
3403. Children are what they are made.
3404. Children aren’t dogs; adults aren’t gods.
3405. Children do as you do, not as you say.
3406. Children grow up, with or without parents.
3407. Children have a hair of their father.
3408. Children have more need of models than critics.
3409. Children have wide ears and long tongues.
3410. Children learn to creep ere they can learn to go.
3411. Children married, cares increased.
3412. Children of the same mother do not always agree.
3413. Children of three days - one has to spoil them: not more than that.
3414. Children should be seen and not heard.

3415. Children suck the mother when they are young and the father when they are old.
3416. Children tell in the highway what they hear by the fireside.
3417. Children who get everything they ask for seldom succeed in life.
3418. Children will tell you what they do, men what they think and older people what they have seen and heard.
3419. Children: one is one, two is fun, and three is a houseful.
3420. Children's love is like water in a basket.
3421. Chins without beards deserve no honor.
3422. Choleric men are blind and mad.
3423. Choose a friend with the eyes of an old man, and a horse with the eyes of a young one.
3424. Choose a wife from among your equals.
3425. Choose a wife rather by your ear than by your eye.
3426. Choose an author as you choose a friend.
3427. Choose neither a woman nor linen by candlelight.
3428. Choose your bedfellows by day.
3429. Choose your company before you choose your drink.
3430. Choose your fellow traveler before you start on your journey.
3431. Choose your inn before dark, get back on the road before dawn.
3432. Choose your lodging before dark and leave before the morning dew.
3433. Choose your neighbor before your house and your companion before the road.
3434. Choose your wife as you wish your children to be.
3435. Choose your wife with her nightcap on.
3436. Choose your woman with a velvet glove, but control her with a fist of iron.
3437. Choosing eggs for your money.
3438. Choosy pigs never get fat.
3439. Chop wood, carry water.
3440. Chop and you will have splinters.
3441. Christ endured and told us to.
3442. Christians have no neighbors.
3443. Christmas comes but once a year.
3444. Christmas has been talked of so long that it has come at last.
3445. Church is close, but the road is slippery; pub is far, but the road is easy.
3446. Circumstances alter cases.
3447. Civility costs nothing.
3448. Clapping with the right hand only will not make a noise.
3449. Claw a churl by the breech and he will shite in your fist.
3450. Claw me and I'll claw thee.
3451. Clay and lime conceal much evil.
3452. Clean bodies, pure morals.
3453. Clean hands offend no one.
3454. Cleanliness is half of health
3455. Cleanliness is next to godliness.
3456. Cleanliness is the luxury of the poor.
3457. Cleanness is half of believe.
3458. Clear agreements, good friends.
3459. Clear conscience never fears midnight knocking.
3460. Clemency is the support of justice.
3461. Clergymen's sons always turn out badly.

3462. Clever father, clever daughter; clever mother, clever son.
3463. Clever person likes to learn, and the fool.
3464. Clinging onto someone's lips.
3465. Close does not shoot any hares.
3466. Close sits my shirt, but closer my skin.
3467. Close, but no cigar.
3468. Clothes cover up character.
3469. Clothes do not make the man.
3470. Clothes put on while running come off while running.
3471. Clothing makes a man.
3472. Clouds are a sign of rain.
3473. Clouds do not always mean rain, but smoke is a sure sign of fire.
3474. Clouds that thunder do not always rain.
3475. Clumsy birds have need of early flight.
3476. Coal that does not burn gives little heat.
3477. Cobbler always wears the worst shoes.
3478. Cocks that crow too early will quickly find themselves in the pot.
3479. Coffee and love are best when they are hot.
3480. Coffee has two virtues, it's wet and it's warm.
3481. Coffee should be black as hell, strong as death, and sweet as love.
3482. Coincidence defeats a well-laid plan.
3483. Cold hand, a warm heart.
3484. Cold hearts can find warm words.
3485. Cold tea and cold rice are bearable, but cold looks and cold words are not.
3486. Cold teaches a man how to steal charcoal.
3487. Colewort twice cooked.
3488. Colts by falling, and lads by losing, grow prudent.
3489. Come a little closer when your sword is too short.
3490. Come fish, come frog, all goes into the basket.
3491. Come for your inheritance and you may have to pay for the funeral.
3492. Come live with me and you'll know me.
3493. Come trouble, but come alone.
3494. Comes in at the end with a wet sail.
3495. Cometh the hour, cometh the man.
3496. Comfortable is he who doesn't have a donkey -- He who doesn't know of its straw and barley.
3497. Coming events cast their shadow before.
3498. Command your wealth, else that will command you.
3499. Commit a sin twice and it will not seem a crime.
3500. Common fame is seldom to blame.
3501. Common goods, no goods.
3502. Common grief is lighter to bear.
3503. Common mal-shortening of 'Where' ignorance is bliss, it is folly to be wise.
3504. Common sense hides shame.
3505. Common sense is not so common.
3506. Communism is a cow of many; well milked and badly fed.
3507. Communities begin by building their kitchen.
3508. Company in distress makes trouble less.

3509. Compare your griefs with other men’s and they will seem less.
3510. Comparing apples to pears.
3511. Comparison is not proof.
3512. Comparisons are misleading.
3513. Comparisons are odious.
3514. Compassion is an illness.
3515. Compete not with a friend.
3516. Compete, don’t envy.
3517. Competition is the whetstone of talent.
3518. Complain about the house where the husband is the wife.
3519. Complain to one who can help you.
3520. Complain to the one who can help you.
3521. Complete idiot who can keep silent, to a wise man is similar.
3522. Compliments cost nothing, yet many pay dearly for them.
3523. Concealed goodness is a sort of vice.
3524. Condemn a man within earshot; praise him at a distance.
3525. Confess and be hanged.
3526. Confess you were wrong yesterday; it will show you are wise today.
3527. Confessed faults are half mended.
3528. Confession is good for the soul.
3529. Confession is the first step to repentance.
3530. Confide a secret to a dumb man and he will speak.
3531. Confide in a woman and a magpie if you want something to be broadcast.
3532. Confidence begets confidence.
3533. Confiding a secret to an unworthy person is like carrying grain in a bag with a hole.
3534. Confucius says too much.
3535. Conquerors are kings; the beaten are bandits.
3536. Conscience betrays guilt.
3537. Conscience cannot be compelled.
3538. Conscience is as a thousand witnesses.
3539. Conscience is as good as a thousand witnesses.
3540. Conscience is the chamber of justice.
3541. Conscience is the dog that can’t bite, but never stops barking.
3542. Conscience is the nest where all good is hatched.
3543. Conscience is what tells you not to do what you have just done.
3544. Conscience makes cowards of us all.
3545. Consider each day of your life to be the best.
3546. Consider how long the winter will last.
3547. Consider the facts seven times before you suspect someone.
3548. Consideration gets as many victories as rashness loses.
3549. Consideration is the parent of wisdom.
3550. Consideration should be shown to a novice.
3551. Considering who it is, codfish will be enough.
3552. Consolation, for the condemned, is to be one of many.
3553. Constant dropping wears away a stone.
3554. Constant occupation prevents temptation.
3555. Constant sunshine makes a desert.
3556. Consult with your pillow.

3557. Continual cheerfulness is a sign of wisdom.
3558. Continue to do well, and heaven will come down to you.
3559. Contraries are cured by contraries.
3560. Contrasts mutually set off each other.
3561. Contrivance is better than force.
3562. Conversation is like making love; the man is the question, the woman the answer, and the union of both will bear fruit.
3563. Conversation is the food of the ears.
3564. Conversation ministers to a mind diseased.
3565. Conversation shortens the distance, singing lightens the load.
3566. Conviviality reveals secrets.
3567. Cookie searches for a wife.
3568. Copper begets copper, and not men's bones.
3569. Copying everybody else all the time, the monkey one day cut his throat.
3570. Corner a dog in a dead-end street and it will turn and bite.
3571. Correction bringeth fruit.
3572. Correction is good when administered in time.
3573. Cost goes before the profit.
3574. Cotton cannot play with fire.
3575. Could a man foresee events, he would never be poor.
3576. Could everything be done twice, everything would be done better.
3577. Councils of war never fight.
3578. Counsel after action is like rain after harvest.
3579. Counsel is irksome when the matter is past remedy.
3580. Counsel is no command.
3581. Counsel is nothing against love.
3582. Count not only my blessings but also count my worries and struggles as well.
3583. Count not what is lost but what is left.
3584. Count not your chickens before they are hatched.
3585. Count your blessings.
3586. Counted sheep are eaten by the wolf.
3587. Counterfeit coin passes current at night.
3588. Coupled sheep drown one another.
3589. Courage cannot be bought at the inn.
3590. Courage is a kingdom without a crown.
3591. Courage is often caused by fear.
3592. Courage is ten; nine is the ability to escape.
3593. Courage is the father of success.
3594. Courage is the measure of a man; beauty is the measure of a woman.
3595. Courage lost, all lost.
3596. Courage mounted with occasion.
3597. Courage, not multitude, wins.
3598. Course of true love never did run smooth.
3599. Court not companionship with tigers.
3600. Courteous men learn courtesy from the discourteous.
3601. A courtesy is cumbersome to them that ken it not.
3602. Courtesy never offended anybody.
3603. Courtesy on one side can never last long.

3604. Courtesy that is all on one side cannot last long.
3605. Courting and wooing brings dallying and doing.
3606. Courts grant not their favors as men are good and deserving.
3607. Cover up the pot, there's an eel in it.
3608. Covet not the property of others.
3609. Covet wealth, and want it; don't, and luck will grant it.
3610. Covetous men's chests are rich, not they.
3611. Covetousness bursts the bag.
3612. Covetousness is always filling a bottomless vessel.
3613. Covetousness is the father of unfulfilled desires.
3614. Cow of many - well milked and badly fed.
3615. Coward against coward, the assailant conquers.
3616. Cowardice will not prolong life.
3617. Cowardly men, healthy bones.
3618. Cowards have no luck.
3619. Cowards may die many times before their death.
3620. Cowards win no laurels.
3621. Cowards' weapons neither cut nor pierce.
3622. Cowl does not make the friar.
3623. Cows do not indulge in horseplay.
3624. Cows have no business in horseplay.
3625. Crabs teach their offspring to walk straight.
3626. Craftiness must have clothes, but truth loves to go naked.
3627. Crafty advice is often got from a fool.
3628. Crap or get off the pot.
3629. Crazy wheels run longest.
3630. Crazy words, closed ears.
3631. Creaking carts last the longest.
3632. Cream doesn't rise to the top; it works its way up.
3633. Create fame, and go to sleep.
3634. Creating the thing with which you will be beaten.
3635. Credit is better than money.
3636. Credit is better than ready money.
3637. Credit is better than wealth.
3638. Credit is dead, bad pay killed it.
3639. Credit lost is like a broken looking-glass.
3640. Creditors have better memories than debtors.
3641. Crime does not pay.
3642. Crime is cunning; it puts an angel in front of every devil.
3643. Crime leaves a trail like a water beetle; like a snail, it leaves its silver track; like a horse-mango, it leaves its smell.
3644. Crimes may be secret, yet not secure.
3645. Criminals are punished, that others may be amended.
3646. Criticism is easy but it does not create.
3647. Criticism of the state is all right, but don't forget the nation is you.
3648. Crooked bannock, straight belly.
3649. Crooked by nature is never made straight by education.
3650. Crooked iron may be straightened with a hammer.

3651. Crooked logs make straight fires.
3652. Crooked wood burns quite as well as straight.
3653. Cross even a stone bridge after you've tested it.
3654. Cross the bridge when you reach it.
3655. Cross the river among a crowd and the crocodile won't eat you.
3656. Cross the stream where it is shallowest.
3657. Crosses are ladders that lead to heaven.
3658. Crowd can easily overpower a bull.
3659. Crows are black everywhere.
3660. Crows are never the whiter for washing themselves.
3661. Crows bewail the dead sheep, and then eat them.
3662. Crows do not peck out crow's eyes.
3663. Crows do not pick crow's eyes.
3664. Crows everywhere are equally black.
3665. Cruelty is stupidity.
3666. Cry and the whole world cries with you.
3667. Cry not out before you are hurt.
3668. Crying a lot does not give you peace of mind.
3669. Cuddly lamb suckles from two ewes.
3670. Cultivate a heart of love that knows no danger.
3671. Cultivate not a barren soil.
3672. Cultivate the garden within.
3673. Cunning has little honor.
3674. Cunning is better than strength.
3675. Cunning men deal in generalizations.
3676. Cunning men's cloaks sometimes fall.
3677. Cunning surpasses strength.
3678. Cupidity has no peak.
3679. Curiosity killed the cat.
3680. Curse your wife at evening, sleep alone at night.
3681. Cursed cows have short horns.
3682. Curses are like chickens, they always come home.
3683. Curses are like processions: they return to whence they set out.
3684. Curses like chickens come home to roost.
3685. Curses on accounts with relations.
3686. Curses, like chickens, always come home to roost.
3687. Custom and law are sisters.
3688. Custom becomes law.
3689. Custom follow or country flee.
3690. Custom in infancy becomes nature in old age.
3691. Custom is a second nature.
3692. Custom is a tyrant.
3693. Custom is stronger than law.
3694. Custom is the guide of the ignorant.
3695. Custom is the plague of wise men and the idol of fools.
3696. Custom makes all things easy.
3697. Customer is always right.
3698. Customers are jade; merchandise is grass.

3699. Customs are stronger than laws.
3700. Cut down the tree that you are able to.
3701. Cut off the dog's tail, he remains a dog.
3702. Cut your bird's feather, so that it doesn't leave you.
3703. Cut your coat according to your cloth.
3704. Cut your losses and let your profits run.
3705. Cutting by the tongue is different from cutting by the knife.
3706. Cutting off a mule's ears doesn't make it a horse.

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3707. Damage makes you wise.
3708. Damage suffered makes you knowing, but seldom rich.
3709. Damned if you do, damned if you don't.
3710. Dance to the tune that is played.
3711. Dance, father, people's eyes don't eat, they just stare.
3712. Dancing at the carnival, baptizing on all saints day.
3713. Dancing in two weddings.
3714. Danger and delight grow on one stalk.
3715. Danger can never be overcome without taking risks.
3716. Danger is the next neighbor to security.
3717. Danger past, God has forgotten.
3718. Dangerous enemies will meet again in narrow streets.
3719. Dare to steal the minaret but first prepare the sack for hiding it.
3720. Daringly dared, half of it won.
3721. Darkest hour is just before the dawn.
3722. Darkness and night are mothers of thought.
3723. Darkness conceals the hippopotamus.
3724. Darkness reigns at the foot of the lighthouse.
3725. Daughter-in-law hates mother-in-law.
3726. Daughters are brittle ware.
3727. Daughters are easy to rear, but hard to marry.
3728. Daughters may be seen but not heard.
3729. Dawn does not come twice to awaken a man.
3730. Dawn is the friend of the muses.
3731. Day has its eyes, night has its ears.
3732. Day will not break thanks to the cackling of the chicken.
3733. Daylight will come, though the rooster does not crow.
3734. Dead dogs don't bite.
3735. Dead man is hard to wake.
3736. Dead news, like dead love, has no phoenix in its ashes.
3737. Dead song-birds make a sad meal.
3738. Dead though the oil-palm may be, the maggot in it lives on.
3739. Dead with tea and dead without it.
3740. Deal gently with the bird you mean to catch.
3741. Deal the cards, and learn to play.
3742. Deal with the faults of others as gently as with your own.
3743. Dear child has many names.
3744. Dear God: You do such wonderful things for complete strangers; why not for me?
3745. Dear is cheap, and cheap is dear.
3746. Dearness gluts.
3747. Death always comes too early or too late.
3748. Death answers before it is asked.
3749. Death brings to level spades and scepters.
3750. Death cancels everything but the truth.
3751. Death closes all doors.
3752. Death considers not the fairest forehead.

3753. Death defies the doctor.
3754. Death does not blow a trumpet.
3755. Death does not come free of charge, for it costs us our life.
3756. Death does not look at your teeth.
3757. Death does not take the old but ripe.
3758. Death has no modesty.
3759. Death has the key to open the miser's chest.
3760. Death is a black camel that lies down at every door Sooner or later you must ride the camel.
3761. Death is a shadow that always follows the body.
3762. Death is always news.
3763. Death is certain, life is not.
3764. Death is in the pot.
3765. Death is nature's way of telling you to slow down.
3766. Death is never at a loss for occasions.
3767. Death is not found behind mountains but right behind our shoulders.
3768. Death is preferable.
3769. Death is the black camel that kneels before every door.
3770. Death is the bride of life.
3771. Death is the great leveler.
3772. Death is the key that will open a miser's coffers.
3773. Death is the last doctor.
3774. Death is the poor man's best physician.
3775. Death is the reaper who doesn't take a midday nap.
3776. Death keeps no calendar.
3777. Death makes no appointment.
3778. Death makes us equal in the grave but not in eternity.
3779. Death on your feet is better than life on your knees.
3780. Death pays all debts.
3781. Death rides a fast camel.
3782. Death rights everything.
3783. Death settles sleep debts.
3784. Death snatches away the most deserving and leaves the wicked.
3785. Death squares all accounts.
3786. Death to the wolf is life to the lambs.
3787. Death was afraid of him because he had the heart of a lion.
3788. Death when it comes will have no denial.
3789. Death will find me alive.
3790. Debt is beautiful only after it is repaid.
3791. Debt is the worst of poverty.
3792. Debt severs love.
3793. Debtors are liars.
3794. Debts are like children, the smaller they are the louder they scream.
3795. Debts are like women, once you have them you can't get rid of them.
3796. Debts make the thief.
3797. Deceit always returns to its master.
3798. Deceit and treachery make no man rich.
3799. Deceit is in haste, but honesty can wait for fair leisure.

3800. Deceive me about the price but not about the goods.
3801. Deceive not thy physician, confessor, or lawyer.
3802. Deceive the rich and powerful, if you will, but don't insult them.
3803. Deceiving a deceiver is no knavery.
3804. Declared dead live longer!
3805. Deeds are fruits, words are leaves.
3806. Deeds are love and not fine phrases.
3807. Deeds not words are required.
3808. Deep doubts, deep wisdom; small doubts, little wisdom.
3809. Deep down all men are alike - and that is the problem.
3810. Deep draughts, and long morning slumbers, soon make a man poor.
3811. Deep rivers move with silent majesty, shallow brooks are noisy.
3812. Deep swimmers and high climbers usually don't die in their beds.
3813. Deer-hunter, waste not your arrow on the hare.
3814. Defeat isn't bitter if you don't swallow it.
3815. Defend me from chickens, for dogs, I'm not afraid of.
3816. Defend me, Lord, from my friends, because from enemies I can defend myself.
3817. Defer not till tomorrow what may be done today.
3818. Deferred is not annulled.
3819. Deficiencies come by the kilo and go by the gram.
3820. Delays are dangerous.
3821. Deliberate before you act.
3822. Deliberate slowly, execute quickly.
3823. Depend on others and you'll go hungry.
3824. Depend on your walking stick, not on other people.
3825. Dependence on another is a perpetual disappointment.
3826. Deprive a mirror of its silver and even the czar won't see his face.
3827. Desert and reward seldom keep the company.
3828. Desire beautifies what is ugly.
3829. Desire first, death afterward.
3830. Desire for glory is the last garment that even wise men put off.
3831. Desire is the father of the thought.
3832. Desire is worse than compulsion.
3833. Desire nothing that would bring disgrace.
3834. Desire of God and desire of man are two.
3835. Desire won't fade with embraces.
3836. Desires are nourished by delays.
3837. Despair doubles our strength.
3838. Despair gives courage to a coward.
3839. Desperate cuts must have desperate cures.
3840. Desperation is the mistress of the impossible.
3841. Despise learning and make everyone pay for your ignorance.
3842. Despise not a small wound or a poor kinsman.
3843. Despise not the weak: the gnat stings the eyes of the lion.
3844. Despise school and remain a fool.
3845. Despise your enemy and you will soon be beaten.
3846. Destroy the lion while he is but a whelp.
3847. Deviate an inch, lose a thousand miles.

3848. Devil looks after his own.
3849. Devil makes work for idle hands to do.
3850. Devils have more than twelve apostles.
3851. Devils must be driven out with devils.
3852. Diamond cut diamond.
3853. Dictators ride to and fro on tigers from which they dare not dismount.
3854. Did the flour go to your mouth?
3855. Diet cures more than doctors.
3856. Differences between husband and wife should not be aired in the marketplace.
3857. Different fields, different grasshoppers; different seas, different fish.
3858. Different men like different things.
3859. Different pursuits suit different ages.
3860. Dig a well before you are thirsty.
3861. Dig a well every day to drink water every day.
3862. Dig where you stand.
3863. Diligence is the mother of success.
3864. Diligent work makes a skillful workman.
3865. Dine with a friend but do not do business with him.
3866. Dine with a stranger but save your love for your family.
3867. Dine with arrogance, sleep with shame.
3868. Dirty clothes one washes it at home.
3869. Dirty water does not wash clean.
3870. Dirty water will quench the fire.
3871. Disappears like a fart into Sahara.
3872. Disappears without a trace.
3873. Discord between the powerful is a fortune for the poor.
3874. Discover a well before you are thirsty.
3875. Discreet stops make speedy journeys.
3876. Discretion in speech is more important than eloquence.
3877. Discretion is a way of hiding what you cannot help.
3878. Discretion is the better part of valor.
3879. Diseased genitals must keep to themselves.
3880. Diseases are the interests of pleasures.
3881. Diseases are the visits of God.
3882. Disgrace is like the grain of a tree trunk - time makes it bigger instead of erasing it.
3883. Disgraced like a man whose own pet bites him.
3884. Disputing and borrowing cause grief and sorrow.
3885. Dissemblers often deceive themselves than others.
3886. Distance lends enchantment to the view.
3887. Distance makes the heart grow fonder.
3888. Distance tests a horse’s strength; time reveals a marls character.
3889. Distant hills look beautiful; near ones are ugly.
3890. Distracted by what is far away, he does not see his nose.
3891. Distress knows no law.
3892. Distrust is poison to friendship.
3893. Divide and conquer.
3894. Dividing the pelt of a bear not yet killed.
3895. Divorce a young woman and you make another man happy.

3896. Divorce is the sacrament of adultery.
3897. Divorcing a wife is easy for a single guy.
3898. Do a good deed and throw it into the sea.
3899. Do as I say, not as I do.
3900. Do as others do, and few will mock you.
3901. Do business best when the wind's in the west.
3902. Do everything at the right time and one day will seem like three.
3903. Do for me and I will do for you.
3904. Do well and forget it; do ill and remember it.
3905. Do well because of tomorrow.
3906. Do good if you expect to receive it.
3907. Do well to a knave, and pray God he may not do the same to thee.
3908. Do well without looking at whom.
3909. Do ill, and expect the like.
3910. Do it today! Tomorrow it might be forbidden.
3911. Do little things now; so shall big things come to thee by and by asking to be done.
3912. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles?
3913. Do no evil and have no fear.
3914. Do not abstain from sowing for fear of the pigeons.
3915. Do not act to spite someone else if it is damaging to yourself.
3916. Do not add legs to the snake after you have finished drawing it.
3917. Do not allow sins to get beyond creeping.
3918. Do not allow the belly to make you useless.
3919. Do not allow the sheep to die for a halfpenny of tar.
3920. Do not ask questions of fairy tales.
3921. Do not attempt what you cannot bring to a good end.
3922. Do not bathe if there is no water.
3923. Do not be in a hurry to tie what you cannot untie.
3924. Do not be like a miser who saves for those who will bury him.
3925. Do not be like the mosquito that bites the owner of the house.
3926. Do not bite into the hand which feeds you.
3927. Do not blame God for having created the tiger, but thank Him for not giving it wings.
3928. Do not blame the sun for the darkness of the night.
3929. Do not blow in the bear's ear.
3930. Do not boast of your own endeavors.
3931. Do not buy a carrier's ass, or marry an innkeeper's daughter.
3932. Do not buy either the moon or the news, for in the end, they will both come out.
3933. Do not buy with your ears but with your eyes.
3934. Do not call a dog with a whip in your hand.
3935. Do not call a wolf to help you against the dogs.
3936. Do not call the forest that shelters you a jungle.
3937. Do not cast your pearls before swine.
3938. Do not catch a leopard by the tail, but if you do, do not let it go.
3939. Do not change horses in the middle of the river.
3940. Do not check the teeth of a horse given as a present.
3941. Do not choose your wife at a dance, but in the field among the harvesters.
3942. Do not choose your wife on your way to the church.
3943. Do not compare a fly with an elephant.

3944. Do not confide in your friend if he has other friends.
3945. Do not confine your children to your own learning, for they were born in another time.
3946. Do not count your chickens before they are hatched.
3947. Do not cross the bridge till you come to it.
3948. Do not cry over spilled milk.
3949. Do not despise an insignificant enemy, nor a slight wound.
3950. Do not dispose of the monkey's tail before he is dead.
3951. Do not divide the spoil until the victory is won.
3952. Do not do something that may only harm you in the future.
3953. Do not draw your sword to kill a fly.
3954. Do not dress in clothes made of leaves when going to put out a fire.
3955. Do not drink from a well and throw a stone into it.
3956. Do not drink poison to quench a thirst.
3957. Do not dwell in a city whose governor is a physician.
3958. Do not eat before you have fed your animal.
3959. Do not eat your chicken and throw its feathers in the front yard.
3960. Do not employ handsome servants.
3961. Do not fall before you are pushed.
3962. Do not fish for a shark with your hands, fish for hands with a shark.
3963. Do not follow a person who is running away.
3964. Do not forget little kindnesses and do not remember small faults.
3965. Do not fret for news, it will grow old and you will know it.
3966. Do not give an opinion until it is asked for.
3967. Do not give the dog bread every time he wags his tail.
3968. Do not halloo until you are out of the wood.
3969. Do not have each foot on a different boat.
3970. Do not hide your light under a bushel.
3971. Do not hurry the night; the sun will always rise for its own sake.
3972. Do not insult the crocodile until you've crossed the river.
3973. Do not judge by appearances; a rich heart may be under a poor coat.
3974. Do not judge the dog by his hair.
3975. Do not judge your friend until you stand in his place.
3976. Do not keep a dog and bark yourself.
3977. Do not keep secret from your friend what your enemy already knows.
3978. Do not kick away the canoe which helped you to cross the river.
3979. Do not laugh at the fallen; you may find slippery roads ahead.
3980. Do not lean on a worm-eaten staff.
3981. Do not leave for the morning the business of the evening.
3982. Do not leave your host's house throwing mud in his well.
3983. Do not lend your money to a great man.
3984. Do not let the bastards grind you down.
3985. Do not let the cat watch over the bacon.
3986. Do not let the grass grow on the path of friendship.
3987. Do not light a fire that you cannot yourself put out.
3988. Do not look where you fell, but where you slipped.
3989. Do not lose honor through fear.
3990. Do not make a hen out of a feather.
3991. Do not make a mountain out of a molehill.

3992. Do not make an elephant out of a fly.
3993. Do not make jokes that cost more than a ruble.
3994. Do not make me kiss, and you will not make me sin.
3995. Do not make the dress before the child is born.
3996. Do not make two devils of one.
3997. Do not make yourself so big, you are not so small.
3998. Do not measure another man's coat on your body.
3999. Do not measure the timbers for your house in the forest.
4000. Do not measure the wolf's tail until he is dead.
4001. Do not measure up the wood before the tree is cut down.
4002. Do not meddle in other people's family affairs.
4003. Do not meet troubles half-way.
4004. Do not mend your neighbor's fence before seeing to your own.
4005. Do not mistake a goat's beard for a fine stallion's tail.
4006. Do not play with edged tools.
4007. Do not prophesy to the man who can see further than you can.
4008. Do not protect yourself by a fence, but rather by your friends.
4009. Do not pull everyone over with a comb.
4010. Do not push the river, it will flow by itself.
4011. Do not put all your eggs in one basket.
4012. Do not put in more warp than you can weave.
4013. Do not put new wine into old bottles.
4014. Do not put the cart before the horse.
4015. Do not put your spoon into the pot which does not boil for you.
4016. Do not rake up old grievances.
4017. Do not rear a bird of a bad breed.
4018. Do not refuse the body what it asks for.
4019. Do not rejoice at my grief, for when mine is told, yours will be new.
4020. Do not remove a fly from your friend's forehead with a hatchet.
4021. Do not respond to a barking dog.
4022. Do not rest after dinner, but walk a mile.
4023. Do not ridicule the thin-bearded when you have no beard.
4024. Do not rock the boat.
4025. Do not say the first thing that comes to your mind.
4026. Do not scare the birds you are going to shoot.
4027. Do not seek the truth; only cease to cherish your opinions.
4028. Do not sell the sun in July.
4029. Do not separate your mind from your tongue.
4030. Do not ship all in one bottom.
4031. Do not show a stick to a dog that has been beaten.
4032. Do not shut/lock the stable door after the horse has bolted.
4033. Do not sigh, for your enemy will hear and rejoice.
4034. Do not slaughter a calf before its mother's eyes.
4035. Do not speak of a rhinoceros if there is no tree nearby.
4036. Do not spend it all in one place.
4037. Do not spread your corn to dry at an enemy's door.
4038. Do not stand in a dangerous place trusting in miracles.
4039. Do not stay too long when the husband is not home.

4040. Do not steal a loaf from him that kneads and bakes.
4041. Do not strip before bedtime.
4042. Do not sweep another person's house whilst your own is dirty.
4043. Do not sympathize with those who cannot empathize.
4044. Do not taste the honey if it is lying on a thorn.
4045. Do not teach a learned person.
4046. Do not teach your grandmother to suck eggs.
4047. Do not tear down the east wall to repair the west.
4048. Do not tell a friend anything you would conceal from an enemy.
4049. Do not tell all that you know; don't believe all you hear, and don't do all that you can.
4050. Do not tell secrets in front of servants.
4051. Do not tell the man who is carrying you that he stinks.
4052. Do not throw pearls to swine.
4053. Do not throw the baby out with the bathwater.
4054. Do not torch a stump with a hornet nest.
4055. Do not treat your loved one like a swinging door: you are fond of it but you push it back and forth.
4056. Do not triumph before the victory.
4057. Do not trust a liar even if he tells the truth.
4058. Do not trust a person who claims to be honest, and never trust exaggerated friendliness.
4059. Do not try to cook the goat's young in the goat's milk.
4060. Do not try to make yourself so big, you are not so small.
4061. Do not upset the apple-cart.
4062. Do not use a hatchet to remove a fly from your friend's forehead.
4063. Do not use words that are too big for your mouth.
4064. Do not wade where you see no bottom.
4065. Do not wake sleeping dogs.
4066. Do not walk in God's ways on someone else's behalf.
4067. Do not walk into a snake pit with your eyes open.
4068. Do not waste your time looking for soft ground to drive your spade in.
4069. Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due when it is in the power of your hand to do so.
4070. Do not wrong or hate your neighbor for it is not he that you wrong but yourself.
4071. Do right and fear no man.
4072. Do something good and your neighbor will never know, do something bad and they will hear about it a hundred miles away.
4073. Do the works, and learn to play.
4074. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.
4075. Do well and have well.
4076. Do well the little things now; so shall great things come to thee by and by asking to be done.
4077. Do what you ought, come what may.
4078. Do what you want, but make sure you are first
4079. Do you see a man who is wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.
4080. Do you want better bread than wheaten?
4081. Do you want to buy cheap? Buy of a needy fool.
4082. Do you wish people to think well of you? Don't speak.

4083. Do your duty, come what may.
4084. Doctor Luther’s shoes do not fit every parish priest.
4085. Doctors and gravediggers are partners.
4086. Doctors are the signposts to heaven.
4087. Doctors make the worst patients.
4088. Doctors must be old and lawyers must be young.
4089. Doctors purge the body, ministers the conscience, lawyers the purse.
4090. Does a man not know when he has pepper in his eyes? If we forget yesterday, how shall we remember tomorrow?
4091. Does the left hand chop off the right?
4092. Does your neighbor bore you? Lend him some money.
4093. Dog has to have its stomach full.
4094. Dog won’t eat dog’s meat.
4095. Dogs bark at hose they don’t know.
4096. Dogs bark, but the caravan goes on.
4097. Dogs cannot make dreams come true - people must do that.
4098. Dogs do not dislike poor families.
4099. Dogs don’t love people; they love the place where they are fed.
4100. Dogs have teeth in all countries.
4101. Dogs that always fight always have bleeding ears.
4102. Dogs that bark at a distance bite not at hand.
4103. Dogs that fight each other will join forces against the wolf.
4104. Dogs that put up many hares kill none.
4105. Doing is better than saying.
4106. Doing nothing teaches doing ill.
4107. Doing two things at the same time will result in a mess.
4108. Dominies come for your wine, and officers for your daughters.
4109. Don’t allow the grass to grow on the path of friendship.
4110. Don’t approach a goat from the front, a horse from the back, or a fool from any side.
4111. Don’t argue with a fool, he has a rested mind.
4112. Don’t ask a dog to judge between a pillar and a tree.
4113. Don’t ask an innkeeper the way.
4114. Don’t ask God to guide your footsteps if you’re not willing to move your feet.
4115. Don’t ask in this life for the three most difficult things: good sons, long life, and a long beard.
4116. Don’t ask me where I am going but where I have come from.
4117. Don’t ask questions about fairy tales.
4118. Don’t ask the old one, ask the experienced one.
4119. Don’t bargain for fish which are still in the water.
4120. Don’t bargain with God.
4121. Don’t bark if you can’t bite.
4122. Don’t be a lion in your own house.
4123. Don’t be a thief and you won’t fear the king.
4124. Don’t be afraid of a spot that can be removed with water.
4125. Don’t be afraid of he who raises a hue and cry; be afraid of he who holds his head down.
4126. Don’t be afraid of me, my job, I’m not going to touch you.

4127. Don’t be afraid of the dog that barks, but be afraid of the one, that is silent and wags its tail.
4128. Don’t be fooled by how clean the turban is, the soap was probably bought on credit
4129. Don’t be frightened at high-sounding words.
4130. Don’t be misled by the tears of a beggar.
4131. Don’t be scared when you have no other choice.
4132. Don’t be so clever; cleverer ones than you are in jail.
4133. Don’t be so much in love that you can’t tell when it’s raining.
4134. Don’t be too sweet lest you be eaten up; don’t be too bitter lest you be spewed out.
4135. Don’t believe in foretelling’s but don’t stay without them.
4136. Don’t believe in the saint unless he works miracles.
4137. Don’t believe what you see, husband, but only what I tell you.
4138. Don’t bet more than you can afford to lose.
4139. Don’t bet on only one card.
4140. Don’t bite off more than you can chew.
4141. Don’t bite till you know whether it is bread or a stone.
4142. Don’t blame the pig; blame the one who scratches his back.
4143. Don’t blame your wife’s side if your son is cross-eyed.
4144. Don’t boast when you start out, but when you get there.
4145. Don’t borrow another’s nose to breathe with.
4146. Don’t bother the beggar’s son and the beggar’s son won’t bother you.
4147. Don’t bring a knife to a gunfight.
4148. Don’t budge, if you sit at ease.
4149. Don’t build a new ship out of old wood.
4150. Don’t burn the candle at both ends.
4151. Don’t burn your bridges behind you.
4152. Don’t buy a boat that is underwater.
4153. Don’t buy the house, buy the neighborhood.
4154. Don’t buy the salt if you haven’t licked it yet.
4155. Don’t call a man honest just because he never had the chance to steal.
4156. Don’t call me a little olive until you’ve picked me.
4157. Don’t call the alligator ‘big-mouth’ till you have crossed the river.
4158. Don’t call the doctor after the funeral.
4159. Don’t carry all your eggs in one basket.
4160. Don’t celebrate until you are across the brook.
4161. Don’t change horses in midstream.
4162. Don’t chat idly on the phone - an unwary talker is a great find for a spy.
4163. Don’t climb a tree to catch a fish.
4164. Don’t close the barn door after the horse runs away.
4165. Don’t complicate the issue.
4166. Don’t consider your reputation and you may do anything you like.
4167. Don’t cough in a hiding place.
4168. Don’t count what they get - they count what they don’t get.
4169. Don’t cross a bridge before you come to it.
4170. Don’t cross the brook for water.
4171. Don’t cry, ugly child, tomorrow we’ll buy you a mask.
4172. Don’t cut off the monkey’s tail before it is dead.
4173. Don’t dance on a volcano.

4174. Don’t demand that what you write in the Nile will be read in the desert.
4175. Don’t depend on someone else if you can be your own master.
4176. Don’t despise the nut, one day it will be a palm tree.
4177. Don’t dig a pit for somebody to fall into, or you will end up in it yourself.
4178. Don’t dig your grave with your knife and fork.
4179. Don’t dirty the place where you have eaten.
4180. Don’t divide the spoil before the victory is won.
4181. Don’t do all you can, spend all you have, believe all you hear, or tell all you know.
4182. Don’t do that of which you doubt the propriety.
4183. Don’t do to another what is hated by you.
4184. Don’t do today what you probably can leave undone tomorrow as well.
4185. Don’t draw a sword against a louse.
4186. Don’t drive the horse with a whip, but drive the horse with a rouble.
4187. Don’t drown the man who taught you to swim.
4188. Don’t empty the water jar until the rain falls.
4189. Don’t even take a bath with fools, because they’ll throw away the soap.
4190. Don’t exaggerate small things.
4191. Don’t expect to be offered a chair when you visit a place where the chief himself sits on the floor.
4192. Don’t expect, Inspect.
4193. Don’t fight with the strong one, don’t sue the rich one.
4194. Don’t find fault with what you don’t understand.
4195. Don’t fly till your wings are feathered.
4196. Don’t get mad, get even.
4197. Don’t give a child a name until after it is born.
4198. Don’t give cherries to a pig; don’t advice to a fool.
4199. Don’t give the sparrow in the hand for the crow on the fence.
4200. Don’t give up your old prayer rug.
4201. Don’t go a-fishing to a famous stream.
4202. Don’t go between the tree and the bark.
4203. Don’t go selling the hide while the bear remains in the hole.
4204. Don’t go to war without weapons.
4205. Don’t go uninvited to baptisms and weddings.
4206. Don’t guild the lily.
4207. Don’t hack the branch you are sitting on.
4208. Don’t hang your hat higher than you can reach.
4209. Don’t harness the donkey and the horse together.
4210. Don’t have a friend who always agrees with you, but have a friend who argues with you.
4211. Don’t have a hundred rubles, but have a hundred friends.
4212. Don’t have thy cloak to make when it begins to rain.
4213. Don’t have too many irons in the fire.
4214. Don’t help a bull out of a ditch, for when he’s out he’ll butt you.
4215. Don’t help the elephant to carry his tusks.
4216. Don’t hide your light under a bushel.
4217. Don’t hit someone’s door by finger because your door will be punched.
4218. Don’t hope for rain or thunder, hope for an agronomist.
4219. Don’t ignore the small things - the kite flies because of its tail.

4220. Don’t interfere between a wife and husband.
4221. Don’t judge and you won’t be judged.
4222. Don’t just cross a river - cross it bearing fire!
4223. Don’t just take love, experience it.
4224. Don’t keep a dog and bark yourself.
4225. Don’t laugh when your neighbor’s oven is on fire.
4226. Don’t lean on your fellow men - theirs is ever-moving support.
4227. Don’t learn too much, Jack, else you must do a great deal.
4228. Don’t leave the high road for a short cut.
4229. Don’t leave your manners on the doorstep.
4230. Don’t let procrastination eat your own clock.
4231. Don’t let the bastards grind you down.
4232. Don’t let the cat guard the cream.
4233. Don’t let the cat out of the bag.
4234. Don’t let the falcon loose until you see the hare.
4235. Don’t let women who attract attention walk behind you.
4236. Don’t let your sorrow come higher than your knees.
4237. Don’t let your tongue or your paintbrush wag your tail when they are making up an inventory.
4238. Don’t let your tongue say what your head may have to pay for.
4239. Don’t lie down in low places, the flood will take you, don’t lie down in high places, the wind will take you.
4240. Don’t live in a town where there are no doctors.
4241. Don’t lock the stable door after the horse is stolen.
4242. Don’t look at the jar, but at what’s inside it.
4243. Don’t look for a sea when you can drown in a puddle.
4244. Don’t look for bad things in the good that you do.
4245. Don’t look for speed in a cheap horse; be content if it neighs.
4246. Don’t look where you fell, but where you slipped.
4247. Don’t make a mountain out of a molehill.
4248. Don’t make toil of pleasure.
4249. Don’t make an oven of your cap or a garden of your belly.
4250. Don’t make clothes for a not yet born baby.
4251. Don’t make use of another’s mouth unless it has been leaned to you.
4252. Don’t make waves.
4253. Don’t make yourself poor to one who won’t make you rich.
4254. Don’t marry for money, you can borrow it cheaper.
4255. Don’t marry without love, but don’t love without reason.
4256. Don’t measure others with your own hand.
4257. Don’t measure your neighbor’s honesty on your own.
4258. Don’t meet troubles half-way.
4259. Don’t mix business with pleasure.
4260. Don’t move settled things.
4261. Don’t offer me advice; give me money.
4262. Don’t open a shop unless you know how to smile.
4263. Don’t open your mouth to eat other people’s bread.
4264. Don’t overstrain your bow - it may break.
4265. Don’t pick a wasp out of a cream-jug.

4266. Don’t plant a seed in the sea.
4267. Don’t plant pumpkins where they never sprouted.
4268. Don’t play matchmaker for your son but rather for you.
4269. Don’t play with the bear if you don’t want to be bit.
4270. Don’t poison someone whom you can kill with sweets.
4271. Don’t pour away from your water on the strength of a mirage.
4272. Don’t praise my good fortune before I’m dead and buried.
4273. Don’t praise the bread that is not out of the oven.
4274. Don’t promise something when you are full of joy; don’t answer letters when you are full of anger.
4275. Don’t pull hard enough to break the rope.
4276. Don’t put a finger into his mouth.
4277. Don’t put gold buttons on a torn coat.
4278. Don’t put it in my ear, but in my hand.
4279. Don’t put too tight a ring on your finger.
4280. Don’t put your trust in fortune until you are in heaven.
4281. Don’t raise more demons than you can lay down.
4282. Don’t raise your club so high; it will only fall on your head.
4283. Don’t reckon without your host.
4284. Don’t reckon your eggs before they are laid.
4285. Don’t refuse a wing to the one who gave you the chicken.
4286. Don’t reject the good together with the bad.
4287. Don’t rely on the label of the bag.
4288. Don’t remove winter vests (undergarments) until summer arrives.
4289. Don’t rob Peter to pay Paul.
4290. Don’t rock the boat.
4291. Don’t run in front of a carriage.
4292. Don’t run too far, you will have to return the same distance.
4293. Don’t say ‘hop’, until you have jumped over.
4294. Don’t say amen to an unacceptable prayer.
4295. Don’t scratch your shoe when it’s your foot that itches.
4296. Don’t scuffle with the potter, for he makes money by the damage.
4297. Don’t sell eggs at the bottom of hens.
4298. Don’t send away your cat for being a thief.
4299. Don’t set sail on someone else’s star.
4300. Don’t set the attic on fire just because you didn’t catch any mice.
4301. Don’t settle in a place where the doctor has gout.
4302. Don’t shake the tree when the pears fall off themselves.
4303. Don’t share the skin while it’s still on the bear.
4304. Don’t shoot people you hate; don’t lend to those you love.
4305. Don’t shoot the messenger.
4306. Don’t show a hyena how well you can bite.
4307. Don’t show me the palm tree, show me the dates.
4308. Don’t shut the barn door after the horse is gone.
4309. Don’t slaughter a duck that’s hatching eggs if you want more ducks.
4310. Don’t slaughter more pigs than you can salt.
4311. Don’t speak unless you can improve on the silence.
4312. Don’t spill blood until the raven has flown over.

4313. Don’t spit in the wind - it might land on your head.
4314. Don’t spoil a cool place under the hospitable tree.
4315. Don’t spoil the ship for a halfpenny-worth of tar.
4316. Don’t spur a willing horse.
4317. Don’t squat with your spurs on.
4318. Don’t stay on the dew until the sun reaches its highest.
4319. Don’t stop sowing just because the birds ate a few seeds.
4320. Don’t stop the way of a bull or of a current of air.
4321. Don’t strike a flea on a tiger’s head.
4322. Don’t swear off of beggary and jail.
4323. Don’t sweat the small stuff.
4324. Don’t take a golden sword to cut a radish.
4325. Don’t take a second mouthful before you have swallowed the first.
4326. Don’t take life too seriously; you’ll never get out of it alive.
4327. Don’t take this the wrong way.
4328. Don’t talk about others, they won’t talk about you.
4329. Don’t talk too much, because your ignorance is greater than your knowledge.
4330. Don’t talk unless you can improve the silence.
4331. Don’t teach fishes to swim.
4332. Don’t tell a peasant how well cheese goes with pears.
4333. Don’t tell any more fairy tales when the child has gone to sleep.
4334. Don’t tell others to do what you cannot do.
4335. Don’t tell your secret to your friend, he will tell it to his friend.
4336. Doesn’t that just butter your grits?
4337. Don’t think about the pig until it’s in the poke.
4338. Don’t think there are no crocodiles because the water is calm.
4339. Don’t think you are eloquent just because a fool applauds you.
4340. Don’t throw a stone into a well you drank from.
4341. Don’t tread on the tail of a sleeping snake.
4342. Don’t trouble until trouble troubles you.
4343. Don’t trust anyone over thirty.
4344. Don’t trust in fortune until you are in heaven.
4345. Don’t trust the smile of your opponent.
4346. Don’t trust your bone to another man’s dog.
4347. Don’t trust your wife until she has borne you ten sons.
4348. Don’t try to fly before you have wings.
4349. Don’t try to get blood from a locust; God didn’t put it in there
4350. Don’t try to get into hell ahead of your father.
4351. Don’t try to make predictions - especially those concerning the future.
4352. Don’t try to make someone hate the person he loves, for he will still go on loving, but he will hate you.
4353. Don’t try to sell pumpkins to a gardener.
4354. Don’t undo your bootlaces until you have seen the river.
4355. Don’t upset the apple cart.
4356. Don’t use a lot where a little will do.
4357. Don’t use an ax to do embroidery.
4358. Don’t use oiled paper to wrap up a fire.
4359. Don’t use your teeth when you can untie the knot with your fingers.

4360. Don’t visit auctions if you have no money.
4361. Don’t wade into a river without knowing a ford.
4362. Don’t waste good iron for nails or good men for soldiers.
4363. Don’t waste too many stones on one bird.
4364. Don’t waste your favors before you get them.
4365. Don’t worry if people call you ordinary - only if you are ordinary.
4366. Don’t worry if you borrow - worry if you lend.
4367. Don’t yoke the plow before the horses.
4368. Don’t you know, my son, with how little wisdom the world is governed?
4369. Don’t ask the price if you don’t have money to pay.
4370. Don’t be so clever; cleverer ones than you are in jail.
4371. Don’t be so in love that you can’t tell when it’s raining.
4372. Don’t build a new ship out of old wood.
4373. Don’t buy the pig in the bag.
4374. Don’t forget to distrust.
4375. Don’t laugh at a boat being tossed by the waves; your relatives may be in it.
4376. Don’t let your sorrow come higher than your knees.
4377. Don’t light a fire for the crows.
4378. Don’t look a gift horse in the mouth.
4379. Don’t put stones on a burden
4380. Don’t shoot yourself in the foot.
4381. Don’t stop sowing just because the birds ate a few seeds.
4382. Don’t think back on someone whose name you forgot, he is probably someone else by now
4383. Don’t trust in fortune until you are in heaven.
4384. Done by the one who profits from it.
4385. Done in by his own trade like a water merchant in the rain.
4386. Donkey voices don’t reach heaven.
4387. Donkey’s lips don’t fit onto a horse’s mouth.
4388. Donkeys only come to the court to carry bags.
4389. Doth the moon on high care for the barking of a dog?
4390. Double charging will break a cannon.
4391. Double standards may work in theory, but they don’t work in practice.
4392. Doubt is the beginning not the end of wisdom.
4393. Doubt is the key to all knowledge.
4394. Doubt makes the mountain in which faith can move.
4395. Doubtful the die, and dire the cast!
4396. Doubts mean losing half of one’s case beforehand.
4397. Doughtiness and cowardice are one step apart.
4398. Downhill all saints help, uphill things change.
4399. Draw not your bow till your arrow is fixed.
4400. Draw the bow but don’t shoot - it is a bigger threat to be intimidated than to be hit.
4401. Drawn wells have the sweetest water.
4402. Dread the anger of the dove.
4403. Dream different dreams while on the same bed.
4404. Dream of a funeral and you hear of a marriage.
4405. Dreams are lies.

4406. Dreams are not the ones that come when you sleep, but they are the ones that will not let you sleep.
4407. Dreams go by contraries.
4408. Dress makes the man.
4409. Dress slowly when you are in a hurry.
4410. Dress-up a stick and you get a doll.
4411. Dress-up the beetle; it becomes the lady of the ladies.
4412. Dressed like a windmill.
4413. Drink a glass of wine after your soup and you will be stealing a ruble from the doctor.
4414. Drink and frankfurters for a dime; kill a man before his time.
4415. Drink and sing: the dark night is ahead of us.
4416. Drink is the curse of the land. It makes you fight with your neighbor. It makes you shoot at your landlord and it makes you miss him.
4417. Drink makes you forget your sorrow; but only, alas, until tomorrow.
4418. Drink nothing without seeing it; sign nothing without reading it.
4419. Drink water like an ox, wine like the king of Spain.
4420. Drink wine and let the water go to the mill.
4421. Drink wine upon figs.
4422. Drinking a little too much is drinking a great deal too much.
4423. Drinking tea is unlike chopping firewood.
4424. Drive a rat into a corner, and he'll jump at you.
4425. Drive gently over the stones.
4426. Drive not a second nail till the first be clinched.
4427. Drive not away what never came near you.
4428. Drive not too many plows at once, some will make foul work.
4429. Drive the nail that will go.
4430. Drop the jest when it is most amusing.
4431. Drown not thyself to save a drowning man.
4432. Drowning man will clutch at a straw.
4433. Drum is happy with a drum's sound.
4434. Drumming is not the way to catch a hare.
4435. Drums sound loud because they are hollow.
4436. Drunk sweetly, paid sourly.
4437. Drunkards know no danger.
4438. Drunkards talk to the gods.
4439. Drunken days have all their tomorrow.
4440. Drunkenness does not itself cause bad qualities but it does show them up clearly.
4441. Drunkenness makes some men fools, some beasts, and some devils.
4442. Drunkenness reveals what soberness conceals.
4443. Drunkenness takes more lives than the sword.
4444. Dry bread at home is better than roast meat abroad.
4445. Dry wood makes a quick fire.
4446. Ducats are clipped, pence are not.
4447. Ducks quack loudly before a rain.
4448. Dull scissors make crooked-mouthed tailors.
4449. Dumb dogs and still water are dangerous.
4450. Dumb dogs are dangerous.
4451. Dumplings are better than flowers.

4452. Dung is no saint, but where it falls it works miracles.
4453. During hardship, the devil eats flies.
4454. During the battle, you cannot lend your sword to anyone.
4455. During the evening the lazy get in a hurry.
4456. During the war, you don’t clean your weapons.
4457. Dust does not rise because of dog-flea hops.
4458. Duty before devotion.
4459. Dwarfs see giants everywhere.
4460. Dwell not upon thy weariness, thy strength shall be according to the measure of thy desire.
4461. Dying is as natural as living.
4462. Dying is not a child’s play.
4463. Dying while young is a boon in old age.

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4464. Each bird loves to hear himself sing.
4465. Each bird sings according to its beak.
4466. Each child brings his blessing into the world.
4467. Each cross has its own inscription.
4468. Each day has enough of its own misery.
4469. Each day you can admire the moon, the snow, and the flowers.
4470. Each has his way of moving.
4471. Each head, its sentence.
4472. Each hour injures, the last one slays.
4473. Each is the maker of his fortune.
4474. Each man has a peculiar hobby.
4475. Each man makes his shipwreck.
4476. Each man must ride the road of his fate.
4477. Each man's character shapes his fortunes.
4478. Each monkey on its branch.
4479. Each one helps himself of self-conceit and holy water.
4480. Each one in their profession.
4481. Each one is meant for what he was born for.
4482. Each one to his owner.
4483. Each one with his peer.
4484. Each person knows with which line to sew.
4485. Each person eats what he likes best.
4486. Each person is the forger of his happiness.
4487. Each snowflake in an avalanche pleads its innocence.
4488. Each thing has its time.
4489. Each thing has its use, and each threads its spindle.
4490. Eagles catch no flies.
4491. Eagles do not breed doves.
4492. Early flowers give no seed.
4493. Early marriage, earlier pregnant.
4494. Early marriage, long love.
4495. Early risers travel far away.
4496. Early rising is most conducive to health.
4497. Early sleep and early wake-up, gives health and makes you grow.
4498. Early to rise and late to bed, lifts again the debtor's head.
4499. Early, not late remedies are the most effective.
4500. Earnestness and sport go well together.
4501. Ears are usually uninvited guests.
4502. Ears do not grow higher than the head.
4503. Earth belongs to the brave but heaven to those who deserve it.
4504. Earth is but a marketplace; heaven is home
4505. Earth is dearer than gold.
4506. Earth is like a prison: we all go in through the same door, but we stay in different cells.
4507. Earth is old, but it is not mad.
4508. Earth is the queen of beds.
4509. Ease and honor are seldom bedfellows.

4510. Easier hides a wise man his wisdom than a fool his madness.
4511. Easier said than done.
4512. Easier to bend the body than the will.
4513. Easier to rule a nation than a son.
4514. Easily caught, easily lost.
4515. East or west, home is best.
4516. Easy come easy go.
4517. Easy to be wise after the event.
4518. Easy to believe in heaven's law, but so hard to keep.
4519. Easy to enroll a thousand soldiers but, ah, one general!
4520. Easy to keep the castle that was never besieged.
4521. Easy to know men's faces, not their hearts.
4522. Easy to run downhill, much puffing to run up.
4523. Eat according to the limits of your provisions; walk according to the length of your step.
4524. Eat and drink with your relatives; do business with strangers.
4525. Eat and take belly, because tomorrow the assistant of the executioner will come to take the skin.
4526. Eat at pleasure, drink with measure.
4527. Eat before falling in love.
4528. Eat bread that's light, and cheese by weight.
4529. Eat breakfast like a king, lunch like a prince and dinner like a pauper.
4530. Eat breakfast yourself, share dinner with your friend, and give the supper to your enemy.
4531. Eat coconuts while you have teeth.
4532. Eat less, live longer.
4533. Eat the wind and swallow bitterness.
4534. Eat to live, not live to eat.
4535. Eat what is cooked; listen to what is said.
4536. Eat what you have found with your relatives, non-relatives are forgetful.
4537. Eat what's been well-cooked, drink clear liquids, and speak what is true.
4538. Eat whatever you like, but dress as others do.
4539. Eat with him, and beware of him.
4540. Eat with the devil but give him a long spoon.
4541. Eat with your mouth, pay with your back.
4542. Eat your dog food.
4543. Eat your fish while it is fresh; marry your daughter while she is young.
4544. Eat, bird, or die!
4545. Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we shall die.
4546. Eaten bread is soon forgotten
4547. Eating and drinking hold body and soul together.
4548. Eating and scratching are in the beginning.
4549. Eating needs chewing, talking needs thinking.
4550. Eating sets the head to rights.
4551. Eating teaches drinking.
4552. Eating while seated makes one of large size; eating while standing makes one strong.
4553. Ebb does not follow ebb - flood is in between.
4554. Economy is great revenue.

4555. Economy is the wealth of the poor and the wisdom of the rich.
4556. Education begins a gentleman, conversation completes him.
4557. Education has no end.
4558. Education is a progressive discovering of our ignorance.
4559. Education is life not books.
4560. Education is the poor man's heaven.
4561. Education is what you know, not what's in the book.
4562. Education keeps you on the road.
4563. Education makes machines which act like men and produces men who act like machines.
4564. Education won't knock you down in the ditch.
4565. Eels become accustomed to skinning.
4566. Effort is important, but knowing where to make an effort makes all the difference!
4567. Efforts and capability are not the same.
4568. Eggs and iron must not be in the same bag.
4569. Eggs and oaths are easily broken.
4570. Eggs are put to hatch on a chance.
4571. Eggs cannot be unscrambled.
4572. Eggs don't teach the hens anything.
4573. Eggs have no business dancing with stones.
4574. Eggs may be smarter than the chickens, but it doesn't take long for them to stink.
4575. Eggs should not fight stones.
4576. Egotism is an alphabet of one letter.
4577. Eighteen daughters beautiful as goddesses are not as good as one crippled son.
4578. Either a man or a mouse.
4579. Either a ship or a tuft of feathers.
4580. Either act as you speak, or speak as you act.
4581. Either act or die.
4582. Either by might or by sleight.
4583. Either chest in crosses, or a head in bushes
4584. Either do as your neighbors do, or move away.
4585. Either it doesn't help or it isn't needed.
4586. Either never attempt a thing or carry it out.
4587. Either the mule will die, or he that goads it.
4588. Either tolerate or die.
4589. Either you sink or you swim.
4590. Elbow-grease is a great preventative of disease.
4591. Elder-berry is in the kitchen-garden; therefore your uncle is in.
4592. Elephants are killed for their ivory, birds for their feathers.
4593. Eleven persons take eleven paths.
4594. Elm trees have beautiful branches but hardly ever bear fruit.
4595. Eloquence avails nothing against the voice of gold.
4596. Emergency does not read the law.
4597. Empty barrel rumbles the most.
4598. Empty hands-only please their owner.
4599. Empty pots will never boil over.
4600. Empty rooms make giddy housewives.
4601. Empty sacks will never stand upright.

4602. Empty stomachs create friendships.
4603. Empty the clear path to heaven; crowded the dark road to hell.
4604. Empty the glass if you would judge of the drink.
4605. Emulation begets emulation.
4606. Emulation is the whetstone of talent.
4607. End well, all well.
4608. Ends do not justify the means.
4609. English are a nation of shopkeepers.
4610. Englishman's home is his castle.
4611. Enjoy what you don't know.
4612. Enjoy your little while the fool seeks for more.
4613. Enjoy yourself; it's later than you think.
4614. Enjoy yourself; for there is nothing in the world we can call our own.
4615. Enjoying the fruits of the labor of others.
4616. Enough food and a pipe full of tobacco make you equal to the immortals.
4617. Enough is enough and too many spoils.
4618. Enough is great riches.
4619. Enter alcohol, exit words.
4620. Enter not at all, or else pass through.
4621. Entreat the churl and the bargain is broken off.
4622. Entreaties to get him to sing and entreaties to leave off.
4623. Entreaty and right do the deed.
4624. Envious persons never compliment, they only swallow.
4625. Envy accomplishes nothing.
4626. Envy can breed swans from bad duck eggs.
4627. Envy does not enter an empty house.
4628. Envy eats nothing but its own heart.
4629. Envy envies itself.
4630. Envy goes beyond avarice.
4631. Envy is the companion of glory.
4632. Envy never has a holiday.
4633. Envy never rests.
4634. Envy sees the sea but not the rocks.
4635. Envy shoots at others and wounds herself.
4636. Envy waits on boasting.
4637. Envy was never a good spokesman.
4638. Epigrams succeed where epics fail.
4639. Equal children play best.
4640. Erring is not cheating.
4641. Error is no payment.
4642. Escaping from the smoke he falls into the fire.
4643. Eternal peace lasts only until the next war.
4644. Eternity makes room for a salty cucumber.
4645. Even a ball of wool has a beginning.
4646. Even a big elephant can be caught in one female hair.
4647. Even a blind squirrel finds an acorn sometimes.
4648. Even a boy can beat a man when bound.
4649. Even a broken clock is right twice a day.

4650. Even a broken/stopped clock is right twice a day.
4651. Even a cat appreciates kind words.
4652. Even a child may beat a man that's bound.
4653. Even a cooked hen would laugh.
4654. Even a dog can distinguish between being stumbled over and being kicked.
4655. Even a dog can make it to the top when there's a flood.
4656. Even a dog will not eat a leg without flesh.
4657. Even a fish wouldn't get into trouble if it kept its mouth shut.
4658. Even a fly can show temper.
4659. Even a fly has its spleen.
4660. Even a fool can govern if nothing happens.
4661. Even a fool knows the glow of gold.
4662. Even a fool sometimes speaks to the purpose.
4663. Even a frog would bite if it had teeth.
4664. Even a god can barely love and still have all his wits about him.
4665. Even a hair casts its shadow.
4666. Even a hair off the bear is serendipitous.
4667. Even a hare will bite when it is cornered.
4668. Even a hare will insult a dead lion.
4669. Even a horse will kick out of love.
4670. Even a horse, though he has four feet, stumbles.
4671. Even a leopard has a wife.
4672. Even a mangy camel will carry more than a herd of asses.
4673. Even a monk can't shave his own head.
4674. Even a mule will not fall twice in the same quicksand.
4675. Even a sheep with the skin of a tiger is afraid of the wolf.
4676. Even a sheet of paper has two sides.
4677. Even a sheet of paper is lighter when two people lift it.
4678. Even a small star shines in the darkness.
4679. Even a small thorn causes festering.
4680. Even a soft speech has its own poison.
4681. Even a straw becomes heavy if you carry it far enough.
4682. Even a stupid one seems wise if he keeps his mouth shut.
4683. Even a sugar mother-in-law tastes bitter.
4684. Even a thief takes ten years to learn his trade.
4685. Even a tin knocker will shine on a dirty floor.
4686. Even a tower a hundred yards tall has still its foundations on the ground.
4687. Even a weak lion is not bitten by a dog.
4688. Even a worm will turn.
4689. Even abstinence has its limit.
4690. Even among the apostles, there was a Judas.
4691. Even an accomplished physician cannot cure himself.
4692. Even an ant can hurt an elephant.
4693. Even an eagle will not fly higher than the sun.
4694. Even an elephant can slip.
4695. Even an old dog likes to be patted on the head.
4696. Even an old lady makes mistakes.
4697. Even an old woman may run when a goat carries her snuff-box.

4698. Even angels have teeth.
4699. Even as the archer loves the arrow that flies, so too he loves the bow that remains constant in his hands.
4700. Even Buddhist priests of the same temple quarrel occasionally.
4701. Even champions make mistakes.
4702. Even children of the same mother look different.
4703. Even clever hens sometimes lay their eggs among nettles.
4704. Even counted sheep are eaten by the wolf.
4705. Even criminals have their uses; they keep sleepyheads awake.
4706. Even crumbs are bread.
4707. Even doubtful accusations leave a stain behind them.
4708. Even flies have ears.
4709. Even food can attack.
4710. Even foul water will quench the fire.
4711. Even foxes are caught.
4712. Even from a foe, a man may learn wisdom.
4713. Even God cannot make two mountains without a valley in between.
4714. Even God is fed up with workless people.
4715. Even good dogs have fleas.
4716. Even half-blind men hope to see again.
4717. Even hares insult a dead lion.
4718. Even he gets on who is drawn by oxen.
4719. Even Hercules can't against two.
4720. Even honey can taste bitter if it's used as medicine.
4721. Even if a bee could explain to the fly why pollen is better than shit, the fly would not understand it.
4722. Even if a chef cooks just a fly, he would keep the breast for himself.
4723. Even if a monkey wears a gold ring, it is and remains an ugly creature.
4724. Even if Christ's death could have been prevented, Judas would still be a traitor.
4725. Even if the elephant is thin he is still the lord of the jungle.
4726. Even if the powers are missing, the will deserves praise.
4727. Even if the whole world conspired against you that would not inflict a quarter of the harm you inflict yourself.
4728. Even if you bewitch during the night, you will be known.
4729. Even if you had ten tongues, you should hold them all.
4730. Even if you know a thousand things, still ask someone who knows.
4731. Even ill-natured cows give milk.
4732. Even in hell, it is good to have friends.
4733. Even in mecca, people make money.
4734. Even in the ashes, there will be a few sparks.
4735. Even in the freshest of milk, you will still find hairs.
4736. Even in the monastery, there is an occasion for song and merriment.
4737. Even in the tiniest little chapel, there are some prayers said once a year.
4738. Even Jupiter himself cannot be in love and wise at the same time.
4739. Even light takes a decade to travel ten light-years.
4740. Even old foxes are caught in the snare.
4741. Even over cold pudding, the coward says: 'It will burn my mouth'.
4742. Even reckoning makes long friends.

4743. Even silence is an answer.
4744. Even small fish are fish.
4745. Even sugar itself may spoil a good dish.
4746. Even that fish may be caught that strives the hardest against it.
4747. Even the ant hath its anger.
4748. Even the beggar envies the beggar.
4749. Even the best cooking pot will not produce food.
4750. Even the best dancer on the stage must retire sometime.
4751. Even the best hack stumbles once.
4752. Even the best mule still saves a kick for his master.
4753. Even the best perfumes of the world lose their fragrance when you are not around me.
4754. Even the best song becomes tiresome if heard too often.
4755. Even the best words bring no food.
4756. Even the best writer has to erase.
4757. Even the blind chicken finds grains.
4758. Even the bottom of a basket finds something to hold.
4759. Even the candle seller dies in the dark.
4760. Even the devil himself does not know where women sharpen their knives.
4761. Even the devil is beautiful when he is young.
4762. Even the devil knows what is right, but he will not do it.
4763. Even the devil needs a friend.
4764. Even the devil slaves for the fortunate.
4765. Even the devil's grandmother was a nice girl when she was young.
4766. Even the dog gets bread by wagging his tail.
4767. Even the fall of a dancer is a somersault.
4768. Even the fear of death is dispelled by music.
4769. Even the fiercest leader in the world is overcome by sleep.
4770. Even the fool says a wise word sometimes.
4771. Even the fountains thirst.
4772. Even the goats will jump on a slanted tree.
4773. Even the gods are conciliated by offerings.
4774. Even the grave of the Lord has a paid guard.
4775. Even the hardest of winters fears the spring.
4776. Even the hen looks toward heaven when she drinks.
4777. Even the highest towers begin at the ground.
4778. Even the just requires help.
4779. Even the largest army is nothing without a good general.
4780. Even the lion has to defend himself against flies.
4781. Even the maid has a family.
4782. Even the mightiest eagle comes down to the treetops to rest.
4783. Even the most beautiful morning cannot bring back the evening.
4784. Even the most beautiful sheets have small flaws.
4785. Even the Niger River must flow around an island.
4786. Even the night has ears.
4787. Even the old goat will lick the salt.
4788. Even the one-eyed man winks to women.
4789. Even the rooster of a rich man lays eggs.
4790. Even the rustling of leaves will alarm the hare.

4791. Even the saints' patience has its limits.
4792. Even the sea, great as it is, grows calm.
4793. Even the sharpest ear cannot hear an ant singing.
4794. Even the smallest drop is appreciated by the drunkard.
4795. Even the smallest will take-off of the ground.
4796. Even the stone you trip on is part of your destiny.
4797. Even the strongest person will find his master.
4798. Even the sun has got spots.
4799. Even the thief has his office.
4800. Even the thinnest piece of meat will happily marry a piece of bread.
4801. Even the tiniest little chapel has its saint.
4802. Even the white lily casts a shadow.
4803. Even the wisest makes mistakes.
4804. Even the worst trousers are a match for a skirt.
4805. Even thieves are just doing their job.
4806. Even thinking about sexual pleasure has its roots in greed.
4807. Even though chickens don't wash, their eggs are still white.
4808. Even though he misses his duck, he will not miss his lake.
4809. Even though his stomach is satiated, his eye will not be satiated.
4810. Even though it is black, the raven loves its young.
4811. Even though the old man is strong and hearty, he will not live forever.
4812. Even though there is barely room enough for the mouse, it is trying to enter the hole with a besom tied to its ass.
4813. Even though you know a thousand things, ask the man who knows one.
4814. Even too much praise is a burden.
4815. Even ugly faces are worth looking at - and that is a great comfort for most people.
4816. Even vinegar is sweet when for a freebie.
4817. Even walls may have ears.
4818. Even when a girl is as shy as a mouse, you still have to beware of the tiger within.
4819. Even when months and days are long, life is short.
4820. Even when the fire has done its very worst, one still has to resort to it.
4821. Even without drum beats, banana leaves dance.
4822. Even woods have ears.
4823. Evening promises are like butter: morning comes, and it's all melted.
4824. Evening red and morning grey will set the traveler on his way.
4825. Events are the teacher of stupid persons. Stupid people learn by experience, bright people calculate what to do.
4826. Events follow one another like the days of the week.
4827. Ever one hair, only one, and the man is bald at last.
4828. Ever receive a present with approbation.
4829. Ever since death came into fashion, life hasn't been safe.
4830. Ever since the fall of the holy temple, it has come to be that prophecy was taken away from the prophets, and given to the infants and the fools.
4831. Every advantage has its disadvantage.
4832. Every age has its book.
4833. Every age wants its playthings.
4834. Every ambitious man is a captive and every covetous one a pauper.
4835. Every animal knows more than you do.

4836. Every answer can result in a new question.
4837. Every ant has its ire.
4838. Every art requires an open person.
4839. Every art requires the whole person.
4840. Every ass loves to hear himself bray.
4841. Every bean has its black.
4842. Every beast roars in its own den.
4843. Every beetle is a gazelle in the eyes of its mother.
4844. Every beginning is weak.
4845. Every bird dies by its own tongue.
4846. Every bird has a hawk above it.
4847. Every bird likes its own nest.
4848. Every bird needs its own feathers.
4849. Every bird relishes his own voice.
4850. Every bird sings as it is beaked.
4851. Every book must be chewed to get out its juice.
4852. Every bullet has its billet.
4853. Every cackling hen was an egg at first.
4854. Every cask smells of the wine it contains.
4855. Every cloud has a silver lining.
4856. Every convenience brings its own inconveniences along with it.
4857. Every country has its custom.
4858. Every country is a fatherland.
4859. Every cricket must know its hearth.
4860. Every day a thread makes a skein in the year.
4861. Every day cannot be a feast of lanterns.
4862. Every day hath its night, every weal its woe.
4863. Every day is a messenger of God.
4864. Every day is not a holiday.
4865. Every day of your life is a page of your history.
4866. Every disadvantage has its advantage.
4867. Every ditch is full of your after-wits.
4868. Every doctor thinks his pills are the best.
4869. Every dog is a great barker at the door of his own house.
4870. Every dog is a lion at home.
4871. Every dog is a tiger in his street.
4872. Every dog is allowed one bite.
4873. Every dog is valiant at his door.
4874. Every dog knows his dinnertime.
4875. Every donkey eats hay, the matter is knowing how to give it to him.
4876. Every donkey has its own saddle.
4877. Every door has its own key.
4878. Every door may be shut but death’s door.
4879. Every elephant has to carry its own trunk around.
4880. Every elm has its man.
4881. Every error has an excuse.
4882. Every excuse is good if it works.
4883. Every eye has its look.

4884. Every fame has a foundation.
4885. Every family has a skeleton in the cupboard.
4886. Every family has its hanger-on.
4887. Every fashion goes out of style.
4888. Every fault is laid at the door of the hyena, but it does not steal a bale of cloth.
4889. Every fault that a Sultan pleases can be a quality.
4890. Every flail on the oats.
4891. Every flock has its black sheep.
4892. Every future is not far away.
4893. Every goodbye is the birth of a memory.
4894. Every guest hates the others, and the host hates them all.
4895. Every Jack has his Jill.
4896. Every kind of love is love, but self-love is supreme among them.
4897. Every little bit helps.
4898. Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost.
4899. Every man has a fool in his sleeve.
4900. Every man has his faults.
4901. Every man has his hobby-horse.
4902. Every man has his price.
4903. Every man is the architect of his own fortunes.
4904. Every man to his taste.
4905. Every miller draws water to his own mill.
4906. Every misfortune is a blessing.
4907. Every mother thinks her own gosling a swan.
4908. Every mule loves to hear himself bray.
4909. Every one's faults are not written in their foreheads.
4910. Every Paul has his truth.
4911. Every picture tells a story.
4912. Every river knows where its water would not be soaked up into the earth, and that is where it flows past.
4913. Every rooster crows best on his dunghill.
4914. Every rose has its thorn.
4915. Every stick has two ends.
4916. Every tide has its ebb.
4917. Every tub must stand upon its bottom.
4918. Every white has its black, and every sweet it's sour.
4919. Every why has a wherefore.
4920. Everybody joins to blame or condemn a child who overthrows the pot of soup.
4921. Everybody wants to go to heaven but nobody wants to die.
4922. Everybody's business is nobody's business.
4923. Everyone gets the ember close to his own sardine.
4924. Everyone is a thief in his own craft.
4925. Everyone is as old as their heart.
4926. Everyone is eloquent in his cause.
4927. Everyone is given the key to the gates of heaven the same key opens the gates of hell.
4928. Everyone is kneaded out of the same dough but not baked in the same oven.
4929. Everyone is nice until the cow gets into the garden.
4930. Everyone is tempted to evil.

4931. Everyone is the age of their heart.
4932. Everyone is wise until he speaks.
4933. Everyone is worth more than his neighbor and less than his son.
4934. Everyone knows the bear, but the bear knows no one.
4935. Everyone loves justice in the affairs of another.
4936. Everyone makes firewood of a fallen tree.
4937. Everyone must row with the oars he has.
4938. Everyone pushes a falling fence.
4939. Everyone rakes the fire under his pot.
4940. Everyone speaks well of the bridge which carries him over.
4941. Everyone talks about changing the world, but no one talks about changing himself
4942. Everyone thinks his burden heavy.
4943. Everyone tries to make the water flow to his mill.
4944. Everyone wants to live long, but no one wants to be called old.
4945. Everyone will sit on a little donkey.
4946. Everyone wipes his feet on poverty.
4947. Everyone's the blacksmith of their fate.
4948. Everything beautiful is loveable.
4949. Everything can be justified until it happens to you.
4950. Everything changes; everything stays the same.
4951. Everything comes to him who waits.
4952. Everything does not fall that totters.
4953. Everything ends in weeping.
4954. Everything goes better with a smile.
4955. Everything goes by favor and cousinship.
4956. Everything good in life is either illegal, immoral, or fattening.
4957. Everything has a wherefore.
4958. Everything has an end except a sausage, which has two.
4959. Everything has its season.
4960. Everything has two handles (or two sides).
4961. Everything is formed by habit, even praying.
4962. Everything is good for something.
4963. Everything is pure for the pure one.
4964. Everything is small at the beginning and then grows; except trouble, which is big at the beginning and still grows.
4965. Everything is worn out with usage except for experience.
4966. Everything living comes from the egg.
4967. Everything may be borne except good fortune.
4968. Everything may be bought except day and night.
4969. Everything may be repaired except for the neck bone.
4970. Everything new is beautiful.
4971. Everything passes, everything perishes, and everything palls.
4972. Everything tastes bitter to him with gall in his mouth.
4973. Everything that gets in is a gain.
4974. Everything that glitters is not gold.
4975. Everything unknown passes for miraculous.
4976. Everything would be well were there not a 'but'.
4977. Everywhere is fine, but best at home.

4978. Evil begets evil.
4979. Evil communications corrupt good manners.
4980. Evil enters like a needle and spreads like an oak tree.
4981. Evil for evil let the devil come and choose.
4982. Evil gun powder doesn't go away easily.
4983. Evil herb never dies out.
4984. Evil is soon done but slowly mended.
4985. Evil is to him who evil thinks.
4986. Evil thoughts often come from idleness.
4987. Evil wastes itself.
4988. Evil will get its pay.
4989. Evil words corrupt good manners.
4990. Evils follow each other.
4991. Exaggeration is to paint a snake and add legs.
4992. Examine what is said, not him who speaks.
4993. Example is better than precept.
4994. Example is the greatest of all seducers.
4995. Excellent people are honored wherever they go.
4996. Except for my father and my mother everybody lies.
4997. Except for the night, we could never know the stars.
4998. Exception proves the rule.
4999. Excess in anything becomes a vice.
5000. Excess of delight palls the appetite.
5001. Excess of obligations may lose a friend.
5002. Exchange is no robbery.
5003. Excuses are always mixed with lies.
5004. Exile is the brother of death.
5005. Expect good if you do good.
5006. Expect not at another's hand what you can do on your own.
5007. Expect trust from a dog but not from a woman.
5008. Experience costs blood.
5009. Experience is a comb which nature gives to men when they are bald.
5010. Experience is more important than theory.
5011. Experience is not always the kindest of teachers, but it is surely the best.
5012. Experience is that marvelous thing that enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.
5013. Experience is the comb that nature gives us when we are bald.
5014. Experience keeps a dear school, but fools learn in no other.
5015. Experience keeps no school, she teaches her pupils singly.
5016. Experience purchased by suffering teaches wisdom.
5017. Experiences are the spectacles of intellect.
5018. Explaining something to an ignorant person is harder than making a camel jump over a ditch.
5019. Expresses strong suspicion.
5020. Extinguish the spark before the house is on fire; deflect the trouble before its strike.
5021. Extol the virtue of water, but drink wine.
5022. Extravagant offers are a kind of denial.
5023. Eyes have no boundaries.

5024. Eyes that do not cry do not see.
5025. Eyes that don’t see the heart that doesn’t feel.
5026. Eyes trust themselves, ears trust others.

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5027. Faces we (can) see, hearts we don't/can't know.
5028. Fact is stranger than fiction.
5029. Facts are male, words are female.
5030. Facts are stubborn things.
5031. Fail to steal the chicken while it ate up your bait grain.
5032. Failing to plan is planning to fail.
5033. Failing will make you more determined to succeed the next.
5034. Failure is not falling; you fail when you don't get back up.
5035. Failure is the stepping stone for success.
5036. Faint heart never won fair lady.
5037. Faint praise is akin to abuse.
5038. Faint heart is always in danger.
5039. Fair and softly goes far in a day.
5040. Fair exchange is no robbery.
5041. Fair feathers make fair fowls.
5042. Fair flowers are not left standing along the wayside long.
5043. Fair hair may have foul roots.
5044. Fair is he that comes, but fairer he that brings.
5045. Fair money can cover much that's foul.
5046. Fair play's a jewel.
5047. Fair promises bind fools.
5048. Fair things are soon snatched away.
5049. Fair without, foul within.
5050. Fair words break no bones.
5051. Fair words can buy a horse on credit.
5052. Fair words don't fill the pocket.
5053. Fair words please the fool, and sometimes the wise.
5054. Fair words won't fill the sack.
5055. Fair words, but look to your purse.
5056. Fair, good, rich, and wise, is a woman four stories high.
5057. Faith and dishonesty are other words for uselessness.
5058. Faith can move mountains.
5059. Faith has no eyes; he who asks to see has no faith.
5060. Faith in a lord, a cap the fool.
5061. Faith is confirmed by the heart, confessed by the tongue, and acted upon by the body.
5062. Faith keeps the world going.
5063. Faithful are the wounds of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.
5064. Fake it till you make it.
5065. Falcons don't fly after cage-birds.
5066. Fall seven times, stand up eight.
5067. Fall sick, and you will see who your friend is and who not.
5068. Falling does not signify failure but staying there does.
5069. Falling hurts least those who fly low.
5070. Falling is easier than rising.
5071. Falling teaches us to walk safely.
5072. Falling with the door into the house.

5073. False ambition serves the neck.
5074. False friends are worse than open enemies.
5075. False in one respect, never trustworthy.
5076. Falsehood is like the sand: soft when you lie on it; hard when you get up.
5077. Falsehood travels and grows.
5078. Falsehood, like a nettle, stings those who meddle with it.
5079. Falseness often lurks beneath fair hair.
5080. Fame and repute follow a man to the door.
5081. Fame is a magnifying glass.
5082. Familiarity breeds contempt; distance breeds respect.
5083. Familiarity is like the sea that kills the fisherman.
5084. Family is the worst.
5085. Family names are like flowers, they blossom in clusters.
5086. Fancy passes beauty.
5087. Fancy requires much, necessity but little.
5088. Farfetched and dear-bought is meat for ladies.
5089. Far fowls have fair feathers.
5090. Far from the eye, far from the heart.
5091. Far from the grave, no praying.
5092. Far waters cannot quench near fires.
5093. Far-fetched and dear-bought is good for ladies.
5094. Farewell and be hanged; friends must part!
5095. Farewell basket, the vintage is ended.
5096. Fashion is more powerful than any tyrant.
5097. Fast as you bake, so shall you brew.
5098. Fast is well, slow is well, but careful is better.
5099. Fasting comes after feasting.
5100. Fat broth cannot be made of anything.
5101. Fat geese don’t fly far.
5102. Fat head, fewer brains.
5103. Fat is in the fire.
5104. Fat pastures make fat venison.
5105. Fate and self-help share equally in shaping our destiny.
5106. Fate loves a rebel.
5107. Fate sends almonds to toothless people.
5108. Fate throws fortune, but not everyone catches.
5109. Father and mother are kind, but God is kinder.
5110. Faults are thick where love is thin.
5111. Favor and gifts disturb justice.
5112. Favor often avails more than justice or reason.
5113. Favors should never be forced upon others against their will.
5114. Fear a silent man. He has lips like a drum.
5115. Fear an ignorant man more than a lion.
5116. Fear and love do not go together.
5117. Fear and restlessness kill more than do illnesses.
5118. Fear blows wind into your sails.
5119. Fear guards the vineyard.
5120. Fear has large eyes.

5121. Fear increasing age, for it does not come without companions.
5122. Fear is a fine spur; so is rage.
5123. Fear is a great inventor.
5124. Fear is also a shield.
5125. Fear is no obstacle to death.
5126. Fear is the fever of life.
5127. Fear lends wings.
5128. Fear less, hope more.
5129. Fear may force a man to cast beyond the moon.
5130. Fear no forest because it is dense.
5131. Fear of death is worse than death itself.
5132. Fear only two: God, and the man who has no fear of God.
5133. Fear the goat from the front, the horse from the rear, and a man from all sides.
5134. Fear the Greeks bearing gifts.
5135. Fear the law, not the judge.
5136. Fear the man who fears you.
5137. Fear those who do not fear God.
5138. Fear to let fall a drop and you will spill a lot.
5139. Fear, not a jest.
5140. Fear, not the man who fears God.
5141. Feasting is the physician's harvest.
5142. Feather by feather the goose is plucked.
5143. February fill dyke, be it black or be it white.
5144. Feed a cold and starve a fever.
5145. Feed a dog to bark at you.
5146. Feed sparingly and defy the physician.
5147. Feed the raven and he'll peck out your eyes.
5148. Feed your horse as a friend, mount him as an enemy.
5149. Feeling it from his water.
5150. Feet accustomed to going cannot be still.
5151. Feet that are used to move cannot remain quiet.
5152. Feet warm, head cool.
5153. Feign death and the bull will leave you.
5154. Feigned love is worse than hatred.
5155. Female of the species is more deadly than the male.
5156. Fetters of gold are still fettered, and silken cords pinch.
5157. Few are fit to be entrusted with themselves.
5158. Few are like fathers; no one is like a mother.
5159. Few have luck, all have died.
5160. Few laws, good nations.
5161. Few there are that will endure a true friend.
5162. Few women turn grey because their husband dies.
5163. Few words are best.
5164. Few words to the good knowledgeable.
5165. Fie upon a cloak in fair weather!
5166. Fields have eyes and woods have ears.
5167. Fifty percent of something is better than one hundred percent of nothing.
5168. Fight a wolf with a flex stalk.

5169. Fight the good fight.
5170. Fight with silver spears, and you will overcome everything.
5171. Fighting for your country glorifies death.
5172. Fill up the crack so the rat can't pass.
5173. Fill your garners, harvest lasts not forever.
5174. Find a cruel man and you see a coward.
5175. Find words butter no parsnips.
5176. Find you without an excuse, and find a hare without a mouse.
5177. Fine and fine make but a slender doublet.
5178. Fine birds are commonly plucked.
5179. Fine dressing is a foul house, swept before the windows.
5180. Fine feathers make fine birds.
5181. Fine linen often conceals scabby skin.
5182. Fine words butter no parsnips.
5183. Fine words do not produce food.
5184. Fine words don't fill the belly.
5185. Fine words without deeds go not far.
5186. Fingers were invented before knives and forks.
5187. Fir and water are good servants, but bad masters.
5188. Fire and faggot are but sad reformers.
5189. Fire and gunpowder are not bedfellows.
5190. Fire and straw soon make a flame.
5191. Fire and water are good servants but bad masters.
5192. Fire begins with sparks.
5193. Fire burns where it falls.
5194. Fire doesn't beget fire, it begets ashes.
5195. Fire drives the wasp out of its nest.
5196. Fire has no brother.
5197. Fire in the heart sends smoke to the head.
5198. Fire is good, but ashes are also produced from it.
5199. Fire is never a gentle master.
5200. Fire is next akin to smoke.
5201. Fire is not extinguished with fire.
5202. Fire makes mud hard and gold melt.
5203. Fire purges everything.
5204. Fire with seasoned wood and work with flexible people are easy.
5205. Fire, fire, many pots on, and one pea in them all.
5206. Fire, the sea, and the woman; these are three ills.
5207. Fire, water, and government know nothing of mercy.
5208. Firelight will not let you read fine stories but it's warm and you won't see the dust on the floor.
5209. Firm breasts don't last long.
5210. First a turnip, then a sheep; next a cow, and then the gallows.
5211. First catch your hare when all you have is a hammer.
5212. First cobwebs, then chains.
5213. First come to the mill, first grind.
5214. First comes chow, then morals.
5215. First comes duty, then devotion.

5216. First deserve and then desire.
5217. First do it, and then say it.
5218. First food, then religion.
5219. First help yourself and then God will help you.
5220. First impressions are the most lasting.
5221. First leap and then say ‘hop’!
5222. First look at home, and then censure me.
5223. First secure an independent income, and then practice virtue.
5224. First sweep the ground in front of your own door.
5225. First the man takes a drink, then the drink takes a drink, then the drink takes the man.
5226. First the stable, then the cow.
5227. First, do no harm.
5228. Fish always rots from the head downwards.
5229. Fish and company stink in three days.
5230. Fish bite best on a golden hook.
5231. Fish don’t get caught in deep water.
5232. Fish must swim three times: once in the water, a second time in the sauce and a third time in wine in the stomach.
5233. Fish or cut bait.
5234. Fish seek for a deep place; men seek for a better place.
5235. Fish, to taste right, must swim three times; in water, in butter, and in wine.
5236. Fish’s child knows how to swim.
5237. Fishermen recognize each other from far away.
5238. Fishes don’t pull carts.
5239. Fishing without a net is just bathing.
5240. Five fingers are brothers but not equals.
5241. Five fingers hold more than two forks.
5242. Five minutes of health comfort the ill one.
5243. Five of them would run from the bang of one empty gun.
5244. Fix the small problem now before it becomes larger and harder to fix.
5245. Fix your cart in winter, and sled in summer.
5246. Flatter a fool and you’ll see how he goes.
5247. Flatterers and traders are related.
5248. Flatterers are cats that lick before and scratch behind.
5249. Flatterers haunt not cottages.
5250. Flatters, like cats, lick, and then scratch.
5251. Flattery is sweet food for those who can swallow it.
5252. Flattery is the best persuader of people.
5253. Flattery makes friends and truth makes enemies.
5254. Flattery will get you nowhere.
5255. Flawless human is impossible.
5256. Fleas are not lobsters.
5257. Fleeing from error leads to fault if the skill is lacking.
5258. Flesh of man, mends itself.
5259. Flies are easier caught with honey than with vinegar.
5260. Flies don’t light on a boiling pot.
5261. Flies flock to the lean horse.
5262. Flies will easily fly into the honey; their problem is how to get out.

5263. Flies will never leave the shop of a sweet maker.
5264. Flies will not light on a boiling pot.
5265. Flies, dogs, and mimics are the first to rush to the dish.
5266. Flint and gunpowder: every time they meet there is an explosion.
5267. Float on small clouds.
5268. Flog my erring child comes from the lips; "don't hurt him/her" comes from the bottom of the heart.
5269. Flowers are the pledges of fruit.
5270. Flowers leave a part of their fragrance in the hands that bestow them
5271. Flowing water never gets dirty.
5272. Flowing water never goes bad; our door hubs never gather termites.
5273. Flying birds have no master.
5274. Flying from the bull he fell into the river.
5275. Foam will always find its way to the shore.
5276. Follow love and it will flee, flee love and it will follow.
5277. Follow the advice of the one who makes you cry, not from the one who makes you laugh.
5278. Follow the customs or flee the country.
5279. Follow the river and find the sea.
5280. Follow the saint no further than his doorstep.
5281. Folly hath eagle's wings, but the eyes of an owl.
5282. Folly is the most incurable of maladies.
5283. Folly is the product of all countries and ages.
5284. Food tastes best when you eat it with your own spoon.
5285. Food you will not eat you do not boil.
5286. Fool and his money are soon parted.
5287. Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me.
5288. Fool's haste is no speed.
5289. Foolish boys, wise men.
5290. Fools and barns should never see half-done work.
5291. Fools and knives require good handling.
5292. Fools and madmen speak the truth.
5293. Fools and obstinate men make rich lawyers.
5294. Fools and the perverse fill the lawyers' purse.
5295. Fools are free all the world over.
5296. Fools are like other folks as long as they are silent.
5297. Fools are more useful to the wise than wise are to fools.
5298. Fools are not sown or reaped, they appear by themselves.
5299. Fools ask questions that wise men cannot answer.
5300. Fools ask what's o'clock, but wise men know their time.
5301. Fools build houses, and wise men buy them.
5302. Fools for luck.
5303. Fools go in throngs.
5304. Fools grow without watering.
5305. Fools have the habit of writing their names everywhere.
5306. Fools live poor to die rich.
5307. Fools look to tomorrow; wise men use tonight.
5308. Fools love not the wise, drunkards love not the sober.

5309. Fools may sometimes speak to the purpose.
5310. Fools must not be set on eggs.
5311. Fools never get grey hair.
5312. Fools never know when they are well.
5313. Fools refuse favors.
5314. Fools rush in where angels fear to tread.
5315. Fools sometimes give wise men counsel.
5316. Foot firm till death.
5317. Footprints on the sands of time are not made by sitting down.
5318. For a bad night, a mattress of wine.
5319. For a big ship, a big voyage.
5320. For a chaste woman, God is enough.
5321. For a dear friend, I'm willing to take an earring out of my own ear.
5322. For a drunkard, the sea only reaches his knees.
5323. For a ducat, he would sell his brother.
5324. For a flying enemy make a silver bridge.
5325. For a good appetite, there is no hard bread.
5326. For a good companion, good company.
5327. For a good dinner and a gentle wife, you can afford to wait.
5328. For a greedy man, even his tomb is too small.
5329. For a lot of people, their conscience lives in the middle of the street.
5330. For a paltry gift, little thanks.
5331. For a poor (naked) man, to prepare for a trip means (as little as) belt himself.
5332. For a rash to heal, you must stop scratching it.
5333. For a single guest, the host can slaughter a cow.
5334. For a sly bastard, a sly bad and a half.
5335. For a stubborn mule, a stubborn driver.
5336. For a voracious beast pebble in his feed.
5337. For a web begun God sends thread.
5338. For a wife and a horse go to your neighbor.
5339. For a wise man, a fool is a good advisor.
5340. For age and want save while you may, no morning sun lasts a whole day.
5341. For all one's early rising, it dawns none the sooner.
5342. For altar and hearth.
5343. For an ant to have wings would be his undoing.
5344. For an apple and an egg.
5345. For angry Nataly all the people are rascals.
5346. For bad health, I'd rather have none.
5347. For bad tongue, scissors.
5348. For better for worse, they have married me.
5349. For big problems, big solutions
5350. For each man produced by heaven, the earth provides a grave.
5351. For each wise man, there are plenty of fools.
5352. For every ailing foot, there is a slipper.
5353. For every dog, there is an appropriate stick.
5354. For every head, a hat.
5355. For every wise man, there is one still wiser.
5356. For everything, there is a season.

5357. For extreme ills, extreme remedies.
5358. For God and our country.
5359. For great evils, strong remedies.
5360. For he who has the time even the jungle is a paradise.
5361. For him who does not believe in signs, there is no way to live in the world.
5362. For his master, the dog is a lion.
5363. For lack of men, they made my father justice.
5364. For lazy people, it is always party time.
5365. For love, the wolf eats the sheep.
5366. For most people love of justice is no more than the fear to suffer injustice.
5367. For news of the heart, ask the face.
5368. For one pleasure, a thousand pains.
5369. For our altars and our hearths.
5370. For overbuying, there's no help but selling again.
5371. For people who love even water is sweet.
5372. For poor people, small coin.
5373. For rich and poor alike the womb is equally warm.
5374. For some of us, happiness comes while we sleep.
5375. For some people, war is war, for others, dear mother.
5376. For the benefit of the flowers, we water the thorns too.
5377. For the cat's violin/button/cunt.
5378. For the first five years of your son's life treat him as a prince, for the next ten years as a slave, then as a friend for the rest of his life.
5379. For the flying enemy a golden bridge.
5380. For the friendship of two, the patience of one is required.
5381. For the greater glory of God.
5382. For the king, the laws, and the people.
5383. For the last comer, the bones.
5384. For the love of the game.
5385. For the love of the ox, the wolf licks the yoke.
5386. For the sake of one good action, a hundred evil ones should be forgotten.
5387. For the sake of the knight, the lady kisses the squire.
5388. For the sake of the rose, the thorn is watered too.
5389. For the upright, there are no laws.
5390. For those who believe, no proof is necessary. For those who don't believe, no proof is possible.
5391. For those who can read, a dot is a letter.
5392. For tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.
5393. For want of a nail the shoe is lost, for want of a shoe, the horse is lost, for want of a horse, the rider is lost.
5394. For want of a nail, the shoe is lost.
5395. For whom does the blind man's wife adorn herself?
5396. For wolves flesh dog sauce.
5397. Forbearance is no acquaintance.
5398. Forbidden fruit always tastes the best.
5399. Forbidden road is often heavily worn.
5400. Force does not favor the unwillingness.
5401. Force is that which rules the actions without regulating the will.

5402. Force without a forecast is too little avail.
5403. Forced love does not last.
5404. Fore-talk spares after-talk.
5405. Foreign bread is good for your son.
5406. Foreign places are nice enough, but home is sweeter.
5407. Forethought is easy, repentance hard.
5408. Forever is a long bargain.
5409. Forewarned is forearmed.
5410. Forge while the iron is hot.
5411. Forget injuries, never forget kindnesses.
5412. Forget not that you are a man.
5413. Forget the favors you have given; remember those received.
5414. Forgetting is humankind's medicine.
5415. Forgetting trouble is the way to cure it.
5416. Forgive thyself nothing and others much.
5417. Forgiveness hides a pleasure that you can't get back from revenge.
5418. Forgiveness is a pillar of justice.
5419. Forgiveness is more satisfying than revenge.
5420. Forgiving the unrepentant is like drawing pictures on water.
5421. Forsake not God till you find a better master.
5422. Fortune aids the bold.
5423. Fortune and flowers do not last forever.
5424. Fortune and glass break easily.
5425. Fortune and the arts assist each other.
5426. Fortune and women are partial to fools.
5427. Fortune can take from us only what she has given us.
5428. Fortune comes to him who strives for it.
5429. Fortune does not stand waiting at any one's door.
5430. Fortune enriches or tramples on us at her will.
5431. Fortune favors the bold but abandons the timid.
5432. Fortune gives her hand to a bold man.
5433. Fortune gives many too much, but no one enough.
5434. Fortune is blind.
5435. Fortune is easily found, but hard to be kept.
5436. Fortune is fickle and soon asks back what he has given.
5437. Fortune is like a wall that falls on those who lean on it.
5438. Fortune is like women: loves youth and is fickle.
5439. Fortune is made of glass.
5440. Fortune is preparing friends, scarcity is in testing them.
5441. Fortune is round; it makes one a king, another a dunghill.
5442. Fortune is with you for an hour and against you for ten!
5443. Fortune rarely brings good or evil singly.
5444. Fortune smiles on the brave and frowns upon the coward.
5445. Fortune to one is mother, to another step-mother.
5446. Fortune visits only once.
5447. Fortune wearies with carrying one and the same man always.
5448. Fortune will call at the smiling gate.
5449. Fortune and go to sleep.

5450. Fortunes, heaven-born gifts.
5451. Foster a raven and it will peck out your eyes.
5452. Foul linen should be washed at home.
5453. Foul water will quench the fire.
5454. Fouls invent fashions and wise men follow them.
5455. Found isn't stolen.
5456. Four eyes see more (better) than two.
5457. Four horses cannot overtake the tongue.
5458. Four things come not back: the spoken word, the spent arrow, the past life, and the neglected opportunity.
5459. Four walls make a man free.
5460. Fowls will not spare a cockroach that falls in their midst.
5461. Fox's broth, cold and scalding.
5462. Foxes come at last to the furrier.
5463. Fraud is a shopkeeper's field and plow.
5464. Fraud lurks in loose generalities.
5465. Free saving comes having.
5466. Free ships, free goods.
5467. Freedom is a plateful of hard crusts.
5468. Frequent washing makes not the crow whiter.
5469. Fresh air impoverishes the doctor.
5470. Fretting cares make grey hairs.
5471. Friar modest never was prior.
5472. Friend in need is a friend indeed.
5473. Friend who won't give, relatives who won't lend you a hand, avoid them like the plague.
5474. Friend, do not try to borrow combs from shaven monks.
5475. Friendly words are convincing.
5476. Friendly words gain much and cost nothing.
5477. Friends and mules fail in hard trials.
5478. Friends are flowers in the garden of life.
5479. Friends are for occasions.
5480. Friends are friends, business is something aside.
5481. Friends are known in adversity.
5482. Friends are known in the time of need.
5483. Friends are like fiddle strings; they must not be screwed too tight.
5484. Friends are lost by calling often and calling seldom.
5485. Friends are thieves of time.
5486. Friends become foes, and foes are reconciled.
5487. Friends have all things in common.
5488. Friends in need are friends indeed.
5489. Friends may meet, but mountains never greet.
5490. Friends tie their purses with a spider's web.
5491. Friendship broken may be soldered, but never made whole.
5492. Friendship does not need pepper to cry.
5493. Friendship doubles joy and halves grief.
5494. Friendship is a furrow in the sand.
5495. Friendship is a plant we must often water.

5496. Friendship is friendship, but keep our tobacco (money) apart.
5497. Friendship is honey, but don't eat it all.
5498. Friendship is in love with intelligence.
5499. Friendship is not born of words alone.
5500. Friendship is proven in adversity.
5501. Friendship lasts as long as the pot boils.
5502. Friendship lasts but for a day, business connections forever.
5503. Friendship reminds us of fathers, love of mothers.
5504. Friendship should be unpicked, not rent.
5505. Friendship with the French is like their wine; exquisite but short-lived.
5506. Frightened at bugbears.
5507. Frivolous talk is like shooting without aiming.
5508. From a bad paymaster take a straw.
5509. From a big cloud comes little rain.
5510. From a broken violin do not expect fine music.
5511. From a closed door, the devil turns away.
5512. From a fallen tree, all make kindling.
5513. From a high rooftop to a deep pit.
5514. From a pure source pure water comes.
5515. From a scabby sheep, it's better to get at least a flock of wool than nothing at all.
5516. From a silent man, and a dog that does not bark, deliver us.
5517. From a silent person, remove your dwelling.
5518. From a small beginning comes great things.
5519. From a spark, the house is burnt.
5520. From a thing's possible, one cannot be certain of its reality.
5521. From a thorn comes a rose, and from a rose comes a thorn.
5522. From all the fish in the pot, you can only make one soup.
5523. From all the good things of the land.
5524. From bad to worse.
5525. From bishop to turn miller.
5526. From children, drunkards, and madmen you get to hear the truth.
5527. From clogs to clogs is only three generations.
5528. From great rivers come great fish.
5529. From head to heel.
5530. From his silence, a man's consent is inferred.
5531. From knowledge, comes (sea) power.
5532. From listening comes wisdom, and from speaking repentance.
5533. From little acorns, mighty oaks do grow.
5534. From little things, men go on to great.
5535. From long journeys long lies.
5536. From nothing comes nothing.
5537. From one, you may judge of the whole.
5538. From our ancestors, come to our names from our virtues our honor.
5539. From plate to mouth you can lose the soup.
5540. From rain and under the gutter.
5541. From saving comes having.
5542. From saying to doing is a long way.
5543. From short pleasure, long repentance.

5544. From someone else's cart, you have to get off halfway.
5545. From Spain can come neither good winds nor good marriages?
5546. From success to failure is one step; from failure to success is a long road.
5547. From that dust, comes this mud.
5548. From the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks.
5549. From the black earth, there grows the finest grain.
5550. From the boat, we get to the ship.
5551. From the father comes honor, from the mother comfort.
5552. From the leather of others, you can cut long strips.
5553. From the lowly perspective of a dog's eyes, everyone looks short.
5554. From the miseries of others, he fears for his own position.
5555. From the old ox, the young one learns to plow.
5556. From the promise to the deed is a day's journey.
5557. From the same flower, the bee extracts honey and the wasp gall.
5558. From the soldier who has no cloak, keep your own in your chest.
5559. From the straws in the air, we judge the wind.
5560. From the sublime to the ridiculous is only one step.
5561. From the sweetest wine, the tartest vinegar.
5562. From the well of envy, only a fool drinks the water.
5563. From the withered tree, a flower blooms.
5564. From this column to that column may be a relief.
5565. From those to whom much is given, much is expected.
5566. From tomorrow till tomorrow time goes a long journey.
5567. From trifling causes, great results arise.
5568. From trivial things great arguments often arise.
5569. From walking, something; from sitting, nothing.
5570. From what has taken place we infer what is about to happen
5571. From you grow a wound on you.
5572. From you, action; from God, benediction.
5573. Frost on the mud, water on the bed.
5574. Frugality is an estate alone.
5575. Frugality is great revenue.
5576. Frugality is the sure guardian of our virtues.
5577. Fruit ripens not well in the shade
5578. Fry the chapati when the pan is hot.
5579. Fuel is not sold in a forest, nor fish on a lake.
5580. Full bottles and glasses make swearers and asses.
5581. Full cup, steady hand.
5582. Full feasting breeds ferocity.
5583. Full of courtesy, full of craft.
5584. Full once they nibble, fleas quibble.
5585. Full stomach, happy heart.
5586. Full vessels give the least sound.
5587. Funeral sermon, lying sermon.
5588. Further from the eye, closer to the heart.

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5589. Gain from your opponents without sacrificing your own strength.
5590. Gain has a pleasant odor, come whence it will.
5591. Gamblers do not contribute to the public welfare.
5592. Gambling is the son of avarice and the father of despair.
5593. Gambling sire, gambling son.
5594. Games won't keep you in bread.
5595. Garbage in, garbage out.
5596. Garden flowers larger, field flowers stronger.
5597. Garlands are not for every brow.
5598. Garlic and onions cure many diseases.
5599. Garlic is as good as ten mothers.
5600. Gather and spare can last long.
5601. Gather firewood to the capacity of the string.
5602. Gather flowers while the morning sun lasts.
5603. Gather the breadfruit from the farthest branches first.
5604. Gather thistles, expect prickles.
5605. Geese are plucked as long as they have any feathers.
5606. Generals conquer, soldiers are killed.
5607. Genius can be recognized by its childish simplicity.
5608. Genius is an infinite capacity for taking pains.
5609. Genius is one percent inspiration, ninety-nine percent perspiration.
5610. Gentility without ability is worse than plain beggary.
5611. Gentle healers make stinking wounds.
5612. Gentlemen don't want to give much and are ashamed to give little.
5613. Gentlemen prefer blonds, but marry brunettes.
5614. Gentleness does more than violence.
5615. Gently but firmly.
5616. Gently, not by force.
5617. Get a good name and go to sleep.
5618. Get married and you will be happy for a week; slaughter a pig and you will be happy for a month; become a priest and you will be happy for the rest of your life.
5619. Get out of that place and let me take it.
5620. Get the coffin ready and watch the man mend.
5621. Get thy spindle and thy distaff ready, and God will send flax.
5622. Get what you can and keep what you have; that's the way to get rich.
5623. Getting money is like digging with a needle spending it is like water soaking into the sand.
5624. Gifts are according to the giver.
5625. Gifts are often losses.
5626. Gifts from enemies are dangerous.
5627. Gifts make friendship lasting.
5628. Gifts make their way through stone walls.
5629. Gifts should be handed, not thrown.
5630. Girls marry to please parents, widows to please themselves.
5631. Girls will be girls.
5632. Give a beggar a bed and he'll repay you with a louse.

5633. Give a blind man eyes and he will ask for eyebrows.
5634. Give a clown your finger he'll grasp your fist.
5635. Give a fool rope enough, and he will hang himself.
5636. Give a grateful man more than he asks for.
5637. Give a helping hand to a man in trouble.
5638. Give a hint to the man of sense, and consider the thing done.
5639. Give a horse to the one who likes the truth so that on it he can escape.
5640. Give a little, take a little.
5641. Give a loaf, and beg a shive.
5642. Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.
5643. Give a man a fish and you will feed him for a day.
5644. Give a man a match; he shall be warm for a moment. Light a man on fire and he shall be warm for the rest of his life.
5645. Give a man enough rope and he will hang himself.
5646. Give a man fortune and cast him into the sea.
5647. Give a naked man a piece of cloth and he will say it is too thick.
5648. Give a piece to the raven and he will be back.
5649. Give a rogue an inch, and he will take an ell.
5650. Give a servant a proper meal and the cow will give more milk and the cat will drink less.
5651. Give a thing, and take a thing, to wear the devil's gold ring.
5652. Give a traitor good words and you make him loyal.
5653. Give an extra piece of cake to a stepchild.
5654. Give a mule oats and he runs after thistles.
5655. Give and take is fair play.
5656. Give Caesar what belongs to Caesar; give to God what belongs to God.
5657. Give credit where credit is due.
5658. Give ear and weigh the matter well.
5659. Give ear to that man who has four ears.
5660. Give even an onion graciously.
5661. Give every man his due.
5662. Give every man thy ear, but few thy voice.
5663. Give good and get good.
5664. Give graciously, even an onion.
5665. Give him a foot and he'll take four.
5666. Give him an inch and he will take a mile.
5667. Give me a hamburger, French fries, and a thick shake.
5668. "Give me a push from my back" does not mean give me a hunchback.
5669. Give me a seat, and I will make myself room to lie down.
5670. Give me bread and call me stupid.
5671. Give me good advice but don't advise me not to do it.
5672. Give me money, not advice.
5673. Give me the rhubarb and you may take the sienna.
5674. Give me today and you may keep tomorrow.
5675. Give me wool and tomorrow you will have a sheep.
5676. Give me Lord my daily bread; I will get my own brandy.
5677. Give me mother luck at my birth, and then throw me if you will on the rubbish heap.

5678. Give neither advice nor salt, until you are asked for it.
5679. Give nine, save ten.
5680. Give orders and do no more, and nothing will come of it.
5681. Give people a common enemy and hopefully they will work together.
5682. Give respect, take respect.
5683. Give the devil his due.
5684. Give the Goddess her due, even when her due is grief.
5685. Give the priest drink, for the clerk is thirsty.
5686. Give the wise man a hint and leave him to act.
5687. Give them a finger and they'll take an arm.
5688. Give to a pig when it grunts and a child when it cries and you will have a fine pig and a bad child.
5689. Give up the smallest part of a secret, and the rest is no longer in your power.
5690. Give up your 'hopefully' on the battle-front.
5691. Give wine to them that are in sorrow.
5692. Give your children too much freedom and you lose your own.
5693. Give your ears to words but do not give your words to ears.
5694. Give your friend a pig and your enemy a peach.
5695. Give and ye shall receive.
5696. Given counsel is all the same hard to take.
5697. Gives earrings to someone with no ears and pistachio too.
5698. Gives fatherliness, motherliness into it.
5699. Giving advice to a stupid man is like giving salt to a squirrel.
5700. Giving alms never lessens the purse.
5701. Giving gifts to the rich is like pouring water into the sea.
5702. Giving gold coins to a cat.
5703. Giving is not losing; it is keeping for tomorrow.
5704. Giving just a crumb to the hungry is worth more than giving lunch to the satisfied.
5705. Glory does not come by calling.
5706. Gloves hide the ugliest hands.
5707. Glow worms are not lanterns.
5708. Glowing coals sparkle oft.
5709. Gluttony has killed more people than famine has.
5710. Gnaw the bone which is fallen to thy lot.
5711. Go abroad and you'll hear news of home.
5712. Go and wake up your luck.
5713. Go as far as you can see, and when you get there you'll see further.
5714. Go away and the conversation changes.
5715. Go early to market and as late as you can to battle.
5716. Go even against the flow.
5717. Go everywhere; come back to your home.
5718. Go far, you'll be loved more.
5719. Go for the throat.
5720. Go further and fare worse.
5721. Go in God's name, for he takes a loaf of mine.
5722. Go not every evening to your brother's house.
5723. Go not in and out of court that thy name may not stink.
5724. Go often to the house of a friend, for weeds soon choke up an unused path.

5725. Go quickly but don't fall off my step.
5726. Go slowly; come slowly, lest the cat should gore you.
5727. Go softly at bad bits of road.
5728. Go to bed supper-less and you will wake without debt.
5729. Go to bed with the lamb and rise with the lark.
5730. Go to friends for advice; to women for pity; to strangers for charity; to relatives for nothing.
5731. Go to law for a sheep and lose your cow.
5732. Go to the sea if you would fish well.
5733. Go to the square and ask advice; go home and do what you like.
5734. Go to your aunt's house, but not every day.
5735. Go with the flow.
5736. Go with the good and you'll be like them; go with the evil and you'll be worse than them.
5737. Go with the powerful and people will kneel before you.
5738. Goat came to the cart.
5739. Goats cannot live in a herd of leopards.
5740. God alone understands fools.
5741. God and fairies can be wrong as well.
5742. God bless him who pays visits, short visits.
5743. God comes at last, when we think he is farthest off.
5744. God comes to see without ringing the bell.
5745. God cometh with leaden feet, but strike with iron hands.
5746. God could not be everywhere and therefore He made mothers.
5747. God counts her tears.
5748. God created a world full of small worlds.
5749. God created the beard on himself first.
5750. God created women and women created the hearth.
5751. God cures and the physician takes the fee.
5752. God defend me from my friends; from my enemies I can defend myself.
5753. God delays but doesn't forget.
5754. God deliver me from a man of one book.
5755. God deliver us from a gentleman by day and a friar by night.
5756. God detests a man who rushes to accuse a neighbor.
5757. God did not create haste.
5758. God did not give wings to scorpions.
5759. God does not give horns to a cow that likes to gore.
5760. God does not give to the cow that butts.
5761. God does not love those who have not suffered.
5762. God does not pay every Saturday.
5763. God does not pay weekly, but pays at the end.
5764. God does not smite with both hands.
5765. God doesn't give more beards than soap.
5766. God don't like ugly and he isn't stuck on pretty.
5767. God feeds the birds that use their wings.
5768. God first created a beard for himself.
5769. God forgives sinners; otherwise His heaven would be empty.
5770. God forgives the sin of gluttony.

5771. God gave burdens, also shoulders.
5772. God gave teeth; He will give bread.
5773. God gave the giraffe a long neck so that He would not have to bend the palm tree.
5774. God gave us hands but He doesn't build bridges with them.
5775. God gave, God took back.
5776. God give you luck, my son, for little wit must serve your turn.
5777. God gives a curst one short horn.
5778. God gives all birds their food but does not drop it into their nests.
5779. God gives almonds to one who has no teeth.
5780. God gives birds their food, but they must fly for it.
5781. God gives bread to who can bite.
5782. God gives burdens also shoulders.
5783. God gives but does not lock the gate.
5784. God gives clothes according to the cold.
5785. God gives every bird his worm, but he does not throw it into the nest.
5786. God gives little folks small gifts.
5787. God gives nothing to those who keep their arms crossed.
5788. God gives nuts to those that don't have teeth and to those who don't have nuts.
5789. God gives the cold according to the cloth.
5790. God gives the milk but not the pail.
5791. God gives the nuts but he does not crack them.
5792. God gives the will, necessity gives the law.
5793. God gives to those who wake up early.
5794. God gives to us according to the measure of our hearts.
5795. God gives wings to the ant that she may perish the sooner.
5796. God gives, but man must open his hand.
5797. God grant me a good sword and no use for it.
5798. God grant me to argue with those who understand me.
5799. God grant us no neighbor with two eyes.
5800. God grant, dear wife, that this son be ours.
5801. God has created lands with lakes and rivers for man to live, and the desert so that he can find his soul.
5802. God has given nuts to one who has no teeth.
5803. God has spared the naked man from washing his clothes with soap.
5804. God hears things upside down.
5805. God help the sheep when the wolf is judge.
5806. God helps them that help themselves.
5807. God helps three sorts of people: fools, children and drunkards.
5808. God is a busy worker but loves to be helped.
5809. God is a father, happiness is a stepfather.
5810. God is a good worker but He loves to be helped.
5811. God is always where we don't look for him.
5812. God is big, but the forest is bigger.
5813. God is bigger than your problems.
5814. God is closest to those with broken hearts.
5815. God is everywhere, except where he has a delegate.
5816. God is good, but not crazy.
5817. God is looking for those who come to Him.

5818. God is not without sins: He created the world.
5819. God is on the side of the strongest battalions.
5820. God is the comfort of the poor.
5821. God keep me from my friends; from my enemies I will keep myself.
5822. God keep you from 'It is too late'.
5823. God keeps away flies from the tailless cow.
5824. God keeps those safe who keep themselves safe.
5825. God knows what will happen to women who drink wine, girls that speak old languages, and suns that set too early.
5826. God knows who is a good pilgrim.
5827. God knows why he has made the wings of some birds shorter.
5828. God laughs at man's proposal.
5829. God laughs when you steal from a thief.
5830. God lets things go, but only to a point.
5831. God likes trinity.
5832. God lives in an honest heart.
5833. God made hands before knives.
5834. God made low branches for birds that cannot fly so well.
5835. God made man because he loves stories.
5836. God made us, and we admire ourselves.
5837. God makes the back to the burden.
5838. God makes them and they look for each other.
5839. God makes three requests of his children: do the best you can, where you are, with what you have, now.
5840. God marks the crook.
5841. God never sends mouths but he sends meat.
5842. God often pays debts without money.
5843. God often visits us, but most of the time we are not at home.
5844. God out of a machine.
5845. God pardons the ignorant.
5846. God permits the wicked; but not for ever.
5847. God postpones, he does not overlook.
5848. God preserve you from one who eats without drinking.
5849. God promised me a fur coat and I'm already sweating.
5850. God promises a safe landing but not a calm passage.
5851. God provides, but He needs a nudge.
5852. God punishes some people immediately.
5853. God puts a good root in the little pig's way.
5854. God raises them and they meet each other.
5855. God save me from a bad neighbor and a beginner on the fiddle.
5856. God save me from him who has but one occupation.
5857. God save us from the enriched poor and from the impoverished rich.
5858. God saves the moon from the wolves.
5859. God sells knowledge for labor, honor for risk.
5860. God sends burdens and shoulders.
5861. God sends enough to all.
5862. God sends meat, but the devil sends cooks.
5863. God sends nothing but what can be borne.

5864. God sits on high and he sees far.
5865. God speaks a foreign tongue.
5866. God takes care of the flowers.
5867. God wanted to chastise mankind, so he sent lawyers.
5868. God will be present, whether asked or not.
5869. God will help a seaman in a storm but the pilot must still remain at the wheel.
5870. God will listen to you whatever cloak you wear.
5871. God will provide, but a good bundle of straw will not be amiss.
5872. God willing, even cold water is a medication.
5873. God won't give it away, pigs won't eat it.
5874. God's goal will be achieved when everyone is content with himself.
5875. God's help is nearer than the door.
5876. God's mill goes slowly, but it grinds well.
5877. God's mill mills slowly, but surely.
5878. God's work is soon done.
5879. Going around with the hat.
5880. Going beyond is as bad as falling short.
5881. Going over corpses.
5882. Going to bed without dinner is better than waking up in debt.
5883. Going too far is as bad as falling short.
5884. Gold and silver are mingled with dirt, till avarice parted them.
5885. Gold bears more gold.
5886. Gold blinds many, love blinds all.
5887. Gold does not buy everything.
5888. Gold glitters even in the mud.
5889. Gold goes in at any gate.
5890. Gold has its price; learning is beyond price.
5891. Gold is a debt we can repay, but kindness not till our dying day.
5892. Gold is gold, though it be in a rogue's purse.
5893. Gold is proved by fire.
5894. Gold is proved in the fire, friendship in need.
5895. Gold is tested by fire, man by gold.
5896. Gold is the devil's fishhook.
5897. Gold is where you find it.
5898. Gold lies deep in the mountain, dirt on the highway.
5899. Gold may be bought too dear.
5900. Gold should be sold to the one who knows the value of it.
5901. Gold takes no rust.
5902. Gold that falls to earth never dims.
5903. Gold that is lent goes away laughing and comes back in tears.
5904. Gold without wisdom is but clay.
5905. Gold's father is dirt, yet it regards itself as noble.
5906. Golden bishop, wooden crosier; wooden bishop, golden crosier.
5907. Golden dishes will never turn black.
5908. Golden dreams make men wake hungry.
5909. Golden hands, but a wicked mouth.
5910. Golden key can open any door.
5911. Goldsmith hits and blacksmith one.

5912. Gone is gone; no Jew will lend upon it.
5913. Good accounting makes good friends.
5914. Good actions are never lost.
5915. Good advice is as good as an eye in the hand.
5916. Good advice is beyond all price.
5917. Good advice is given; good esteem is no given.
5918. Good advice is often annoying, bad advice never is.
5919. Good advice is worth gold, good advice is expensive.
5920. Good advice once was worth a camel; now that it is free of charge, no one takes it.
5921. Good and bad make up a city.
5922. Good and quickly seldom meet.
5923. Good as drink is, it ends in thirst.
5924. Good bargains empty the purse.
5925. Good beginning makes a good ending.
5926. Good behavior is a virtue for the man; bad behavior is the virtue of a woman.
5927. Good blood never lies.
5928. Good brotherhood is the best wealth.
5929. Good clothes open all doors.
5930. Good comes slowly.
5931. Good comes to better, and better to bad.
5932. Good company makes short miles.
5933. Good company on a journey is worth a coach.
5934. Good corn is not reaped from a bad field.
5935. Good counsel comes over night.
5936. Good debts become bad unless called in.
5937. Good deeds are the best prayer.
5938. Good diagnosis, good cure.
5939. Good drink drives out bad thoughts.
5940. Good eating deserves good drinking.
5941. Good eyes don't fear smoke.
5942. Good faith is a seldom guest; when you have him, hold him fast.
5943. Good faith stole the cow.
5944. Good fences make good neighbors.
5945. Good fortune is loaned, not owned.
5946. Good fortune may forebode bad luck, which may in turn disguise good fortune.
5947. Good fruit never comes from a bad tree.
5948. Good habits result from resisting temptation.
5949. Good has many names, bad many customs.
5950. Good health and good sense are two great blessings.
5951. Good health is worth more than the greatest wealth.
5952. Good hunters track narrowly.
5953. Good is good, but better beats it.
5954. Good is the delay which makes sure.
5955. Good is the fowl which another rears.
5956. Good is when I steal other people's wives and cattle; bad is when they steal mine.
5957. Good judgment is the road to paradise.
5958. Good land should not be quieted for a bad landlord.
5959. Good leading makes good following.

5960. Good looking and good luck don't always walk the same road.
5961. Good looking apples are sometimes sour.
5962. Good luck beats early rising.
5963. Good luck comes in slender currents, misfortune in a rolling tide.
5964. Good luck in business is like the froth on an ox's face.
5965. Good luck lasts not forever.
5966. Good luck makes its way in by elbowing.
5967. Good luck, with good looking after!
5968. Good man is hard to find.
5969. Good management is better than good income.
5970. Good manners and plenty of money will make my son a gentlemen.
5971. Good manners can be paid for with compliments, but only the sound of money will pay your debts.
5972. Good masters make good servants.
5973. Good medicine often has a bitter taste.
5974. Good memories last long, bad ones last longer.
5975. Good men are hard to find.
5976. Good men must die, but death cannot kill their names.
5977. Good millet is known at the harvest.
5978. Good morrow spectacles, farewell lasses.
5979. Good music goes with good food
5980. Good nature without prudence is foolishness
5981. Good neighbors give good days.
5982. Good never comes too often.
5983. Good news always comes from far away.
5984. Good news crawls on its belly; bad news has wings.
5985. Good news is rumored and bad news flies.
5986. Good or bad we must all live.
5987. Good pay makes happy workers.
5988. Good people live far asunder.
5989. Good people, like clouds, receive only to give away.
5990. Good qualities never cancel out the bad, just as sugar is no antidote for poison.
5991. Good remains are nice to have.
5992. Good repute is better than a golden belt.
5993. Good right needs good help.
5994. Good swimmers are drowned at last.
5995. Good table, bad will.
5996. Good take heed doth surely speed.
5997. Good talk saves the food.
5998. Good things (or people) come in small packages.
5999. Good things are never cheap.
6000. Good things come to those who wait.
6001. Good things come to those who don't wait for lunch.
6002. Good things sell themselves; those that are bad have to be advertised.
6003. Good things soon find a purchaser.
6004. Good thongs may be cut out of other people's hides.
6005. Good tools make good workers.
6006. Good ware was never dear.

6007. Good watch prevents misfortune
6008. Good watching drives away ill-luck.
6009. Good will gives wings to the feet.
6010. Good wind needs no bush.
6011. Good wine is milk for the aged.
6012. Good wine makes good blood.
6013. Good wine makes the horse go.
6014. Good wine ruins the purse and bad the stomach.
6015. Good wine sells itself.
6016. Good words and bad deeds deceive both wise and simple.
6017. Good words and no deeds are rushes and reeds.
6018. Good words and no deeds.
6019. Good words break no bones.
6020. Good words cool more than cold water.
6021. Good words fill not a sack.
6022. Good words without deeds are rushes and reeds.
6023. Good, that comes too late, is good as nothing.
6024. Goodness reaches further than badness.
6025. Goodness speaks in a whisper, evil shouts.
6026. Goodwill makes the road shorter.
6027. Gorge what's been well cooked, drink what's available.
6028. Gossip needs no carriage.
6029. Gossipers are the devil's trumpeters.
6030. Gossiping and lying go hand in hand.
6031. Gossips always suspect that others are talking about them.
6032. Got a stone but didn't get a nut to crack, got a nut but didn't get a stone to crack it with.
6033. Got with the fife, spent with the drum.
6034. Govern a family as you would cook a small fish.
6035. Govern a horse with a bit, and a shrew with a stick.
6036. Govern your passions, or they will govern you.
6037. Govern yourself and you can govern the world.
6038. Grab the bull by its horns.
6039. Grain and graciousness grow on good ground.
6040. Grain by grain the hen fills the crop.
6041. Grain by grain, a loaf; stone by stone, a castle.
6042. Grapes do not grow in a willow tree.
6043. Grapes picked too early don't even make good vinegar.
6044. Grapes will darken by looking at each other.
6045. Grasp all, lose all.
6046. Grasp no more than thy hand will hold.
6047. Grass does not grow on the nose of a thief.
6048. Grass doesn't grow on a busy street.
6049. Grass fears the frost, frost fears the sun.
6050. Grass grows not upon the highway.
6051. Grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.
6052. Grass will not grow on a volcano.
6053. Gratitude and wheat prosper only on good soil.
6054. Gratitude is not servitude.

6055. Gratitude is the heart’s memory.
6056. Graves are filled with after-the-fact wisdom.
6057. Gray and green make the worst medley.
6058. Gray hair is a sign of age, not of wisdom.
6059. Gray hairs are death’s blossoms.
6060. Grease a churl’s boots and he’ll say you are burning them.
6061. Grease to the wheels.
6062. Great abilities produce great vices as well as virtues.
6063. Great barkers are no biters.
6064. Great birth is a very poor dish at table.
6065. Great blessings come from heaven; small blessings come from man.
6066. Great boasters, little doers.
6067. Great business is good; to sit and sip this glass is better.
6068. Great care is no defense against fate.
6069. Great consolation may grow out of the smallest saying.
6070. Great cry and little wool, as the man said who shaved the sow.
6071. Great cry, little milk.
6072. Great deeds come from times of shortage.
6073. Great disputing repels truth.
6074. Great doubts deep wisdom, small doubts little wisdom.
6075. Great events cast their shadows before them.
6076. Great events may stem from words of no importance.
6077. Great fish are caught in great waters.
6078. Great fishes break the net.
6079. Great fools must have great bells.
6080. Great gaps may be filled with small stones.
6081. Great greediness to reap helps not the money-heap.
6082. Great griefs are mute.
6083. Great hate follows great love.
6084. Great is the victory that is gained without bloodshed.
6085. Great lords have long hands, but they do not reach to heaven.
6086. Great men have big hearts.
6087. Great men may just with saints.
6088. Great men’s requests are commands.
6089. Great men’s servants don’t think little of themselves.
6090. Great men’s vices are accounted sacred.
6091. Great minds think alike, but fools seldom differ.
6092. Great needs grow from great possessions.
6093. Great oaks from little acorns grow.
6094. Great people give it with reproaches.
6095. Great smoke, little roast.
6096. Great souls have wills; feeble ones have only wishes.
6097. Great spenders are bad lenders.
6098. Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds.
6099. Great talents mature late.
6100. Great talker, great liar.
6101. Great thieves always have their sleeves full of gags.

6102. Great things can be reduced to small things, and small things can be reduced to nothing.
6103. Great things can best be said in silence.
6104. Great trees are envied by the wind.
6105. Great trees give more shade than fruit.
6106. Great villainy is often called loyalty.
6107. Great wealth, great care.
6108. Great weights may hang on small wires.
6109. Greater qualities are needed to bear good fortune than bad.
6110. Greatness alone in not enough or the cow would outrun the hare.
6111. Greatness and beauty do not belong to the gods alone.
6112. Greatness is not achieved with violence.
6113. Greed is the root of all evil.
6114. Greed keeps men forever poor, even the abundance of this world will not make them rich.
6115. Greedy folk have long arms.
6116. Greeks only agree with each other about going to the toilet.
6117. Green Christmas, a white Easter.
6118. Green leaves and brown leaves fall from the same tree.
6119. Green logs hardly burn, and he who sleeps too much hardly learns anything.
6120. Green wood gives more smoke than heat.
6121. Greet everyone cordially when you don’t know who your in-laws are going to be.
6122. Grey hair into beard, devil into rib.
6123. Grief for a dead wife lasts to the door.
6124. Growing millet does not fear the sun.
6125. Guests always have nice backs.
6126. Guests bring good luck with them.
6127. Guilt is like the footprint of a hippopotamus.

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6128. Habit becomes second nature.
6129. Habit causes love.
6130. Habit cures habit.
6131. Habit gives readiness.
6132. Habit in sinning takes away the sense of sin.
6133. Habit is a good servant, but a poor master.
6134. Habit is a shirt that we wear till death.
6135. Habit is the body's skin.
6136. Habit is the intelligence of the crowd.
6137. Habit is the sixth sense that dominates the other five.
6138. Habit is worse than rabies.
6139. Habits are cobwebs at first, cables at last.
6140. Habits are the first gossamer then cables.
6141. Habits don't expire until the soul expires.
6142. Hackney mistress, Hackney maid.
6143. Had the crow been a surgeon, it would have stitched its own rear.
6144. Had the pheasant not screamed, it wouldn't have been shot.
6145. Had you kept silent you would have passed for a wise man?
6146. Hair does not grow faster by being pulled.
6147. Half a brain is enough for him who says little.
6148. Half a house is half a hell.
6149. Half a loaf is better than no bread.
6150. Half a nose is quickly blown.
6151. Half a word to the wise is enough.
6152. Half figs, half raisins.
6153. Half the truth is often a whole lie.
6154. Half the world is trying to con the other half.
6155. Half-carried - a well-built load.
6156. Halfway is twelve miles when you have fourteen miles to go.
6157. Hand that rocks the cradle rules the world.
6158. Handfuls make a load.
6159. Handle the pudding while it's hot.
6160. Hands that give also receive.
6161. Hands wash each other, a thief covers another thief.
6162. Handsome apples are sometimes sour.
6163. Handsome is not what is handsome, but what pleases.
6164. Handsome women generally fall to a lot of ugly men.
6165. Hang a German, even if he is a good man.
6166. Hang a thief when he's young, and he'll not steal when he's old.
6167. Hang your knapsack where you can reach it.
6168. Happiness and glass break easily.
6169. Happiness can't be purchased with money.
6170. Happiness comes, happiness leaves.
6171. Happiness does not come from happiness itself, but from the journey towards achieving it.
6172. Happiness does not give, it only lends.

6173. Happiness flies away from those who want it most.
6174. Happiness has its roots, sorrow has its womb.
6175. Happiness invites envy.
6176. Happiness is a warm puppy.
6177. Happiness is like a sunbeam, which the least shadow intercepts, while adversity is often as the rain in the spring.
6178. Happiness is like crystal - when it shines the most, it soon cracks.
6179. Happiness is not a horse, you cannot harness it.
6180. Happiness is worth more than riches.
6181. Happiness itself does not stay, only moments of happiness do.
6182. Happiness opens the arms and closes the eyes.
6183. Happiness rarely keeps company with an empty stomach.
6184. Happiness requires something to do, something to love, and something to hope for.
6185. Happiness spring cleans the heart.
6186. Happiness takes no account of time.
6187. Happiness that lasts too long spoils the heart.
6188. Happiness you pay for is to be found everywhere.
6189. Happy are one-eyed men in the country of the blind.
6190. Happy he who can take warning from the mishaps of others.
6191. Happy is he that is happy in his children.
6192. Happy is he who knows his follies in his youth.
6193. Happy is she who is in love with an old dotard.
6194. Happy is the bride that the sun shines on.
6195. Happy is the country which has no history.
6196. Happy is the man who has a handsome wife close to an abbey.
6197. Happy is the man who is out of debt.
6198. Happy is the man who knows he's happy.
6199. Happy is the man whose father went to the devil.
6200. Happy is the man without sickness; rich is the man with no debts.
6201. Happy is the one who forgets that which cannot be changed.
6202. Happy is the woman whose husband does not speak to her.
6203. Happy nations have no history.
6204. Happy people never count hours as they pass.
6205. Happy the child whose father goes to the devil.
6206. Happy the house in which there is no shaven crown.
6207. Happy the man who keeps out of strife.
6208. Happy the marriage where the husband is the head and the wife the heart.
6209. Happy is the wooing that is not long a-doing.
6210. Hard against hard never was good.
6211. Hard by a river he digs a well.
6212. Hard cases make bad law.
6213. Hard heads suffer much.
6214. Hard is a new law imposed on an old license?
6215. Hard is the path from poverty to renown.
6216. Hard upon hard does not make a good wall.
6217. Hard words break no bones.
6218. Hard work never did anyone any harm.
6219. Hares always jump where they are least expected.

6220. Hares are not caught by the sound of the drum.
6221. Hares are not caught with drums.
6222. Hares may pull dead lions by the beard.
6223. Harm watch, harm catch.
6224. Harmony of citizens is the wall of cities.
6225. Harsh world, this world.
6226. Haste and hurry can only bear children with many regrets along the way.
6227. Haste bequeaths disappointment.
6228. Haste does not result in prosperity.
6229. Haste has no blessing.
6230. Haste is from the Devil.
6231. Haste is good only for catching flies.
6232. Haste is the enemy of perfection.
6233. Haste is the invention of the devil.
6234. Haste is the mother of imperfection.
6235. Haste is the mother of inaccuracy.
6236. Haste makes waste and waste makes want.
6237. Haste manages all things badly.
6238. Haste trips up its heels.
6239. Hasten leisurely.
6240. Hastiness is the beginning of wrath and its end repentance.
6241. Hasty climbers have sudden falls.
6242. Hasty questions require slow answers.
6243. Hasty speed doesn't often succeed.
6244. Hasty speed is rarely good.
6245. Hat in hand goes through the land.
6246. Hate has no medicine.
6247. Hate knows no age but death.
6248. Hate not at the first harm.
6249. Hatred corrodes the vessel in which it is stored.
6250. Hatred is a wave of settled anger.
6251. Hatred is blind, as well as love.
6252. Hatred renewed is worse than at first.
6253. Hatred watches while friendship sleeps.
6254. Have a bill to pay at Easter, and your Lent will be short.
6255. Have a care of a silent dog and still water.
6256. Have a fire for the crows.
6257. Have a horse of your own and then you may borrow another's.
6258. Have an open face, but conceal your thoughts.
6259. Have but few friends though much acquaintance.
6260. Have confidence, but beware in whom.
6261. Have faith, God calls forth life even from eggs.
6262. Have luck, and sleep.
6263. Have not all your eggs in one nest.
6264. Have patience and the mulberry leaf will become satin.
6265. Have patience, fleas, the night is long!
6266. Have patience, the grass will be milk soon enough.
6267. Have two strings to your bow.

6268. Having a good discussion is like having riches.
6269. Having a good wife and rich cabbage soup, seek no other things.
6270. Having been bitten by a snake, he's afraid of a rope.
6271. Having brains make a person look good.
6272. Having is haying, come whence it may.
6273. Having made thirty, 'we should make thirty-one', or better, 'Having made thirty, let's make thirty-one'.
6274. Having need of makes the ugly beautiful.
6275. Having something on your liver.
6276. Having two ears and one tongue, we should listen twice as much as we speak.
6277. Having two left hands.
6278. Hawks will not pick out hawk's eyes.
6279. Hay is more acceptable to an ass than gold.
6280. Hay smells different from lovers and horses.
6281. He / She who does not limp, hobbles.
6282. He / She who is silent, consents.
6283. He / She who keeps things can find them.
6284. He / She who loves you a lot can make you cry.
6285. He acts wisely who says little.
6286. He alone is wise who can accommodate himself to all the contingencies of life; but the fool contends, and is struggling, like a swimmer, against the stream.
6287. He argues in vain who argues without means.
6288. He asked for bread and he received a stone.
6289. He asks advice in vain who will not follow it.
6290. He ate one fig and he thought the autumn had come.
6291. He avenged himself on fleas and burned up his bed.
6292. He avoided the fly and swallowed the spider.
6293. He beat the bushes and another caught the birds.
6294. He became an infidel hesitating between two mosques.
6295. He begins to die that quits his desires.
6296. He begins to grow bad who believes himself well.
6297. He burns the candle at both ends.
6298. He buys honey dear who has to lick it off thorns.
6299. He buys very dearly who begs.
6300. He buys well who is not called a donkey.
6301. He came time enough who was hung by candlelight.
6302. He can carry the ox who has carried the calf.
6303. He can cheat a fish of its skin.
6304. He can do but little who cannot threaten another.
6305. He can see a louse as far away as China but is not aware of an elephant on his nose.
6306. He cannot be a friend to anyone who is his enemy.
6307. He cannot find water in the sea.
6308. He cannot lay eggs, but he can cackle.
6309. He cannot lead a good life who serves without wages.
6310. He cannot speak well that cannot hold his tongue.
6311. He carries fire in one hand and water in the other.
6312. He catches the best fish who angles with a golden hook.
6313. He catches the wind with a net.

6314. He comes with incense in one hand, in the other a spear.
6315. He complains like an imprisoned Greek.
6316. He confesses his guilt who flies from his trial.
6317. He conquers who conquers himself.
6318. He counts his chickens before they are hatched.
6319. He covers me with his wings and bites me with his bill.
6320. He cries out before he is hurt.
6321. He cries wine and sells vinegar.
6322. He cuts the branch that he is sitting on.
6323. He dances well to whom fortune pipes.
6324. He devil is not as ugly as he is painted.
6325. He devil tempts all, but the idle man tempts the devil.
6326. He did hear the sound of the bell but doesn't know where the clapper hangs.
6327. He did not invent gunpowder.
6328. He dies before he is old who is wise before his day.
6329. He dies twice who perishes by his hand.
6330. He does a good day's work who rids himself of a fool.
6331. He does not gain losses.
6332. He does not guard himself well who is not always on his guard.
6333. He does not laugh at that laughs at himself first.
6334. He does not live in this world that can skin a grindstone.
6335. He does not show a decent quality even over a good dinner.
6336. He does not think milk-and-water of himself.
6337. He does not think small beer of himself.
6338. He doesn't boast who does the most.
6339. He doesn't see any water; otherwise, he is a skilled swimmer.
6340. He doubts nothing who knows nothing.
6341. He drives out one devil by another.
6342. He either wheedles by assuasive means or terrifies by threats.
6343. He escaped the thief and fell in the fortune-teller's trap.
6344. He even begrudges the water with which he washes.
6345. He expects that larks will fall-ready roasted into his mouth.
6346. He expects to find water at the first stroke of the spade.
6347. He falls into the pit who leads another into it.
6348. He falls on his back and breaks his nose.
6349. He falsifies who renders a verse just as it looks.
6350. He fasted for a whole year and then broke his fast with an onion.
6351. He fears neither the earthquake nor the fury of the waves.
6352. He fears the sack who has been in it.
6353. He fears the very flies.
6354. He feels like a cat in a strange warehouse.
6355. He feigns death like a panther.
6356. He fell today, I may fall tomorrow.
6357. He fell with his nose in the butter.
6358. He fishes on who catches one.
6359. He fishes well who uses a golden hook.
6360. He flays enough who holds the foot.
6361. He fled from the rain and sat down under the waterspout.

6362. He flourishes by hereditary renown.
6363. He forgets himself.
6364. He forgot nothing except to say farewell.
6365. He gains a great deal who loses a vain hope.
6366. He gapes like a clown at a fair.
6367. He gathers up ashes and scatters flour.
6368. He gets his passage for nothing and then winks at the captain's wife.
6369. He gets his wisdom cheaply who gets it at another's cost.
6370. He gets wind in his sails who waits, and harbor who rows.
6371. He gives a party with bath-water.
6372. He gives him roast meat and beats him with the spit.
6373. He gives neither too little, nor too much.
6374. He gives too late who waits to be asked.
6375. He gives twice who gives promptly.
6376. He giveth twice who giveth in a trice.
6377. He God has not done this for any other nation.
6378. He goes about it like a cat around hot milk.
6379. He goes as willingly as a thief to the gallows.
6380. He goes beyond the bounds.
6381. He goes long barefoot that waits for dead man's shoes.
6382. He goes not out of his way that goes to a good inn.
6383. He goes safely to a trial whose father is a judge.
6384. He goes safely who has nothing.
6385. He got out of the mud and fell into the river.
6386. He had need rise betimes who would please everybody.
6387. He has a good pledge of the cat who has her skin.
6388. He has a head, and so has a pin.
6389. He has a ton of knowledge, but the bottom is out.
6390. He has a wolf-conscience.
6391. He has beans in his ears.
6392. He has been gone for long and must once return.
6393. He has command of the sack who is seated on it.
6394. He has eaten his corn in the blade.
6395. He has eaten so many snakes that he has become a viper.
6396. He has enough to do who holds the handle of a frying-pan.
6397. He has enough who is content.
6398. He has eyes in the back of his head.
6399. He has fallen off the donkey but has found a date.
6400. He has gained every point that has mixed the useful and the agreeable.
6401. He has given the hen for the egg.
6402. He has good legs, has often bad boots.
6403. He has great need of a fool who makes himself one.
6404. He has hard work who has nothing to do.
6405. He has him under his thumb.
6406. He has his finger in every pie.
6407. He has his own brain, he can solve his own problems.
6408. He has left no means untried.
6409. He has lost the horse, yet, he's looking for the horseshoe.

6410. He has lost the nest-egg.
6411. He has much to do who would please everybody.
6412. He has not done who is beginning.
6413. He has not leisure even to scratch his ears.
6414. He has nothing who is not content with what he has.
6415. He has put all his eggs into one basket.
6416. He has rubbed shoulders against a baobab tree.
6417. He has seen the wolf.
6418. He has sold the sun to buy a candle.
6419. He has sprung up like a mushroom.
6420. He has tasted the lotus.
6421. He has the Bible on his lips, but not in his heart.
6422. He has the greatest blindside who thinks he has none.
6423. He has too many lice to feel an itch.
6424. He hath lived ill that knows not how to die well.
6425. He hauls at a long rope who expects another's death.
6426. He heeds have plenty of meal who would stop every man's mouth.
6427. He helps little that helps not himself.
6428. He hit me, started to cry, and went straight to the judge to sue me.
6429. He howls with the wolves and bleats with the sheep.
6430. He invites future injuries who rewards past ones.
6431. He invokes heaven if a flea bites him.
6432. He is a bad shot who cannot find an excuse.
6433. He is a bad smith who cannot bear smoke.
6434. He is a bad workman who cannot talk about work.
6435. He is a fool that forgets himself.
6436. He is a fool who does not know from what quarter the wind blows.
6437. He is a fool who loses the flight for the leap.
6438. He is a fool who makes a mallet of his fist.
6439. He is a fool who makes his physician his heir.
6440. He is a fool who thinks that another does not think.
6441. He is a fool whose sheep run away twice.
6442. He is a friend when you sneeze, all he says is 'God bless you'.
6443. He is a good dog who goes to church.
6444. He is a good friend that speaks well of us behind our backs.
6445. He is a great fool who forgets himself.
6446. He is a great simpleton who starves himself to feed another.
6447. He is a horse with four white feet.
6448. He is a man as a book.
6449. He is a man, who acts like a man.
6450. He is a poor Smith who is afraid of sparks.
6451. He is a thief indeed who robs a thief.
6452. He is a very sorry barber who has but one comb.
6453. He is a wise man who accommodates himself to all circumstances.
6454. He is always right who suspects that he is always wrong.
6455. He is an aristocrat in folio.
6456. He is an essence of scoundrels.
6457. He is an old saint and may leave it in the hands of God.

6458. He is as easily caught as a hare with drums
6459. He is as good a divine as Judas was an apostle.
6460. He is as poor as Job.
6461. He is as sharp as a leaden dagger.
6462. He is blind enough who cannot see through a sieve.
6463. He is brave when fighting against sheep, and when fighting against a brave man he's a sheep himself.
6464. He is but a poor husbandman, who sows in the sand.
6465. He is called clever who cheats and plunders his friend.
6466. He is caught in his own snare.
6467. He is circling it like a cat around the hot porridge.
6468. He is consumed by a vain hope.
6469. He is easy to lure, who is ready to follow.
6470. He is full of sweet faults.
6471. He is great whose faults can be numbered.
6472. He is guilty who is not at home.
6473. He is happy that thinks so.
6474. He is his own trumpeter.
6475. He is hunting for water in the sea.
6476. He is in no place who is everywhere.
6477. He is in search of a ram with five feet.
6478. He is indeed a conqueror who conquers himself.
6479. He is lifeless that is faultless.
6480. He is like a cat; he always falls on his feet.
6481. He is like a singed cat, better than he looks.
6482. He is little suited to be a baker, whose head is made of butter.
6483. He is looking out for a fig. He is planning for himself.
6484. He is lucky who forgets what cannot be mended.
6485. He is lucky who helps everyone he can.
6486. He is master of another man's life who is indifferent to his own.
6487. He is miserable indeed that must lock up his miseries.
6488. He is most cheated on who cheats himself.
6489. He is most likely to spill who holds the vessel in his hand.
6490. He is my friend who grinds at my mill.
6491. He is nearest a thing, who has it in his hands.
6492. He is nearest to God who has the fewest wants.
6493. He is no friend that eats his own by himself and mine with me.
6494. He is no great heir that inherits not his ancestor's virtues.
6495. He is no merchant who always gains.
6496. He is no small knave who knows a great one.
6497. He is noble who performs noble deeds.
6498. He is nobody's enemy but his own.
6499. He is not a bad driver who knows how to turn.
6500. He is not a good mason who refuses any stone.
6501. He is not a man who cannot say no.
6502. He is not a wise man who cannot play the fool on occasions.
6503. He is not afraid of his own shadow.
6504. He is not escaped who drags his chain.

6505. He is not fat; it is his belt that doesn't fit.
6506. He is not fit to command others that cannot command himself.
6507. He is not free who drags his chain after him.
6508. He is not happy who does not realize his happiness.
6509. He is not happy who knows it not.
6510. He is not honest who has burned his tongue and does not tell the company the soup is hot.
6511. He is not poor that has little, but he that desires much.
6512. He is not so much of a devil as he is black.
6513. He is not yet born who can please everybody.
6514. He is out of danger who rings the alarm-bell.
6515. He is past preaching to who does not care to do well.
6516. He is rich enough who is contented.
6517. He is rich who owes nothing.
6518. He is separated from the water by a plank.
6519. He is so wise that he goes upon the ice three days before it freezes.
6520. He is still alive because he cannot afford a funeral.
6521. He is the architect of his own fortunes.
6522. He is the best gentleman, who is the son of his own deserts.
6523. He is the devil's valet; he does more than he is ordered.
6524. He is the more obstinate for being advised.
6525. He is the most unfortunate whose today is not better than yesterday.
6526. He is the wisest man who does not think himself so.
6527. He is too idle to fetch his breath.
6528. He is too stupid to be trusted alone by the fire.
6529. He is truly hungry who accepts defeat in a fight over meat.
6530. He is unworthy of life who gives no life to another.
6531. He is very blind who cannot see the sun.
6532. He is washing the crow.
6533. He is wise to no purpose, who is not wise for himself.
6534. He is wise who learns at another's cost.
6535. He is wise, who suits himself to the occasion.
6536. He is your friend who gets you out of a fray.
6537. He jests at scars that never felt a wound.
6538. He keeps his road well enough who gets rid of bad company.
6539. He keeps his word, as the sun keeps butter.
6540. He keeps hitting her end the female donkey keeps pissing backward.
6541. He knocks boldly at the door who brings a welcome message.
6542. He knows best what good is that has endured evil.
6543. He knows enough who knows how to live and keep his own counsel.
6544. He knows how many beans make five.
6545. He knows it as well as his Lord's Prayer.
6546. He knows much who knows how to hold his tongue.
6547. He knows the roads by which he has escaped before.
6548. He knows the water best who has waded through it.
6549. He knows well where the thorn pricks him.
6550. He knows where the devil carries his tail.
6551. He labors vainly, who endeavors to please every person.

6552. He lacks not comfort who enjoys a contended mind.
6553. He laughs at scars who never felt a wound.
6554. He laughs best who laughs last.
6555. He lays his eggs beside his nest.
6556. He left us and we rejoiced; then an even more unbearable person came.
6557. He lies like a tooth drawer.
6558. He lives in the land of promise.
6559. He lives long who lives well.
6560. He lives well who lives unnoticed.
6561. He looks for his mule and sits on its back.
6562. He looks one way and rows another.
6563. He lords it (or swaggers) like an eel in a tub.
6564. He loses his market who has nothing to sell.
6565. He loses his thanks who promises and delays.
6566. He loses least in a quarrel who keeps his tongue in cheek.
6567. He loves me as the devil loves holy water.
6568. He loves well who does not forget.
6569. He makes a lion of a mouse.
6570. He makes his home where the living is best.
6571. He makes idle boasting.
6572. He makes the bed soft, yet it's hard to sleep on.
6573. He makes the water muddy to fish.
6574. He may lie safely who comes from afar.
6575. He may say that he loves you, wait, and see what he does for you.
6576. He may swim boldly who is held up by the chin.
6577. He means well but has a bad way of showing it.
6578. He measures others by his own standard.
6579. He measures others with his own yard.
6580. He must be ill-favored who scares the devil.
6581. He must be pure who would blame another.
6582. He must gape wide who would gape against an oven.
6583. He must have clean fingers who want to blow another's nose.
6584. He must have crept out of hell while the devil was asleep.
6585. He must have iron fingers who would flay the devil.
6586. He must have keen eyes that would know a maid at sight.
6587. He must have many meals that would stop all mouths.
6588. He must have plenty of butter, who would stop everybody's mouth.
6589. He must indeed be a good master who never does wrong.
6590. He must keep a sharp look-out who would speak the truth.
6591. He must need swim that is held up by the chin.
6592. He must rise betimes who would please everybody.
6593. He must shoot well who always hits the mark.
6594. He must stand high that would see the end of his destiny.
6595. He must stoop that has a low door.
6596. He need not search his pockets for words.
6597. He needs a long candle who awaits the death of another.
6598. He needs to say nothing about the score who pays nothing.
6599. He neither eats nor lets others eat.

6600. He never did a good day's work who went grumblingly about it.
6601. He never was a friend who ceased to be so for a slight cause.
6602. He never was a friend who has ceased to be one.
6603. He on whose head we would break a coconut never stands still.
6604. He opens the door with an ax.
6605. He ought to be feared who sends you with a message, not the one to whom you are sent.
6606. He painted a tiger, but it turned out a dog.
6607. He pays dearly for honey who licks it off thorns.
6608. He pays for the glasses who break them.
6609. He plays well that wins.
6610. He plows the land of others and leaves his own untilled.
6611. He preaches well who lives well.
6612. He prepares evil for himself who plots mischief for others.
6613. He promised me earrings, but then only pierced my ears.
6614. He pulls at a long rope who desires another's death.
6615. He puts his sickle into another man's harvest.
6616. He puts up with small annoyances to gain great results.
6617. He ran away from the rain and was caught in a hailstorm.
6618. He rises early that is hanged before noon.
6619. He runs as fast as if he had eggs in his shoes.
6620. He runs far who never turns.
6621. He runs heavily who is forced to run.
6622. He says what is wholly irrelevant.
6623. He scolds most that can hurt the least.
6624. He seeks renown by public applause.
6625. He sells the bird on the branch.
6626. He sets the wolf to guard the sheep.
6627. He shaves close to the skin.
6628. He should have a long spoon, who sups with the devil.
6629. He sings his praises.
6630. He sins as much who holds the bag as he who puts into it.
6631. He sits well who can rise without help.
6632. He sleeps securely who has nothing to lose.
6633. He slumbers enough who does nothing.
6634. He smells best that smells of nothing.
6635. He spends the happiest life who knows nothing.
6636. He stares like the bought swine.
6637. He started with nothing and still, he has just his begging bag.
6638. He sticks his nose in everything.
6639. He studies the Bible of fifty-two leaves.
6640. He suffered from paralysis by analysis.
6641. He suffocates me with kindness.
6642. He sups ill who eats up all at dinner.
6643. He takes out a nail and puts it in a pin.
6644. He talks like a sausage without the fat.
6645. He talks to a dead man.
6646. He talks to the wind.

6647. He tells a tale of a tub.
6648. He tells me my way and knows not his own.
6649. He tells the dog to catch and the rabbit to run.
6650. He that always thinks it is too soon is sure to come too late.
6651. He that asks knows one shame; he that doesn't know two.
6652. He that bears the cross blesses himself first.
6653. He that beats the drum for the mad man to dance is no better than the mad man himself.
6654. He that bulls the cow must keep the calf.
6655. He that can be patient finds his foe at his feet.
6656. He that can reply to an angry man is too hard for him.
6657. He that can't endure the bad will not live to see the good.
6658. He that cannot ask cannot live.
6659. He that cannot obey cannot command.
6660. He that cannot pay let him pray.
6661. He that chases another does not sit still himself.
6662. He that climbs high falls heavily.
6663. He that comes first to the hill may sit where he will.
6664. He that commits a fault thinks everyone speaks of it.
6665. He that complies against his will is of his own opinion still.
6666. He that conceals his grief finds no remedy for it.
6667. He that converses not knows nothing.
6668. He that corrects not youth controls not age.
6669. He that counts his friend's mistakes will be abandoned by him.
6670. He that court injury will obtain it.
6671. He that cuts above himself will get splinters in his eye.
6672. He that dallies with his enemy gives him leave to kill him.
6673. He that dares not venture must not complain of ill luck.
6674. He that deals in dirt has ay foul fingers.
6675. He that desires but little does not need much.
6676. He that despises the small is not worthy of the great.
6677. He that digs up a grave for his enemy, maybe digging it for himself.
6678. He that does amiss may do well.
6679. He that does will never want for excuses.
6680. He that does not ask will never get a bargain.
6681. He that does not bring up his son to some honest calling and employment brings him up to be a thief.
6682. He that does not lie does not come of good blood.
6683. He that does not save pennies will never have pounds.
6684. He that does you a very ill turn will never forgive you.
6685. He that doesn't know his bed is too hard sleeps well.
6686. He that doth most at once doth least.
6687. He that drinks beer thinks beer.
6688. He that eats his fowl alone may saddle his horse alone.
6689. He that eats till he is sick must fast till he is well.
6690. He that falls by himself never cries.
6691. He that falls today may be up again tomorrow.
6692. He that fears danger in time seldom feels it.
6693. He that fears every bush must never go a-birding.

6694. He that fears you present will hate you absent.
6695. He that feeds himself from waiting could die of hunger.
6696. He that feeds upon charity has a cold dinner and no supper.
6697. He that fights and runs away may live to fight another day.
6698. He that finds fault wants to buy.
6699. He that flatters you more than you desire either has deceived you or wishes to deceive.
6700. He that flies may fight another day.
6701. He that gives bad counsel suffers most by it.
6702. He that goes a borrowing goes a sorrowing.
6703. He that goes barefoot must not plant thorns.
6704. He that has a choice has trouble.
6705. He that has a full purse never wanted a friend.
6706. He that has a good harvest must be content with a few thistles.
6707. He that has a great nose thinks everybody is speaking of it.
6708. He that has a head of glass must not throw stones at another.
6709. He that has an hour's start will not be hanged.
6710. He that has an ill name is half hanged.
6711. He that has been hurt, fears.
6712. He that has but one pig easily fattens it.
6713. He that has he head needs no hat.
6714. He that has long legs will go far.
6715. He that has lost his credit is dead to the world.
6716. He that has no children brings them up well.
6717. He that has no children knows not what love is.
6718. He that has no head needs no hat.
6719. He that has no ill luck grows weary of good luck.
6720. He that has no money has no friends.
6721. He that has no money might as well be buried in a rice tub with his mouth sewn up.
6722. He that has no wife beats her oft.
6723. He that has not bread to spare should not keep a dog.
6724. He that has swallowed the devil may swallow his horns.
6725. He that has the devil on his neck must find his work.
6726. He that has the luck leads the bride to the church.
6727. He that hath a head of butter must not come near the oven.
6728. He that hath a wife is sure of strife.
6729. He that hath been bitten by a serpent is afraid of a rope.
6730. He that hath many irons in the fire, some of them will cool.
6731. He that hath no children doth bring them up well.
6732. He that hath no honey in his pot let him have it in his mouth.
6733. He that hears much hears many lies.
6734. He that hides can find.
6735. He that hides is no better than he that steals.
6736. He that holds is no better than he that scourges.
6737. He that holds the handle of a frying-pan runs the risk of burning himself.
6738. He that hunts others must run himself.
6739. He that inquires much learns much.
6740. He that is afraid of the devil does not grow rich.
6741. He that is always right is always wrong.

6742. He that is ashamed to eat is ashamed to live.
6743. He that is at sea has not the wind in his hands.
6744. He that is baldheaded has no need for combs.
6745. He that is bitten by a dog must apply some of its hair.
6746. He that is born to be hanged will never be drowned.
6747. He that is doing nothing is seldom in need of helpers.
6748. He that is drowning shouts though he is not heard.
6749. He that is drunk is gone from home.
6750. He that is embarked with the devil must sail with him.
6751. He that is full of himself is very empty.
6752. He that is good for something is the mule of the public.
6753. He that is his own lawyer has a fool for a client.
6754. He that is ill to himself will be good for nobody.
6755. He that is in fault is in suspicion.
6756. He that is kinder than he was wont hath a design upon thee.
6757. He that is not eager to be paid in cash is not a businessman.
6758. He that is not sensible of his loss has lost nothing.
6759. He that is of a merry heart has a continual feast.
6760. He that is once at sea must either sail or sink.
6761. He that is thrown would still wrestle.
6762. He that is too much in haste, may stumble on a good road
6763. He that is too secure is not safe.
6764. He that is uneasy at every little pain is never without some ache.
6765. He that is unkind to his own will not be kind to others.
6766. He that is warm thinks all so.
6767. He that is won with a nut, maybe lost with an apple.
6768. He that keeps out of harm's way will gather goodly riches.
6769. He that knows little often repeats it.
6770. He that knows nothing doubts nothing.
6771. He that laughs on Friday may cry on Sunday.
6772. He that lies on the ground cannot fall.
6773. He that lives in hope dances to an ill tune.
6774. He that lives long suffers much.
6775. He that lives on hope has but a slender diet.
6776. He that lives upon hope will die fasting.
6777. He that lives with cripples learns to limp.
6778. He that lives with wolves must howl with wolves.
6779. He that loves his child chastises him.
6780. He that loves law will soon get his fill of it.
6781. He that makes himself a sheep shall be eaten by the wolf.
6782. He that makes one basket can make a hundred.
6783. He that marries a widow will have a dead man's head often thrown in his dish.
6784. He that marries for love has good nights, but sorry days.
6785. He that mischief hatches, mischief catches.
6786. He that neglects time, time will neglect.
6787. He that never climbed never fell.
6788. He that never fails never grows rich.
6789. He that once deceives is ever suspected.

6790. He that paints a flower does not give it perfume.
6791. He that parts with his property before his death prepares himself for much suffering.
6792. He that peeks through a keyhole may see what will vex him.
6793. He that peeps into every bush will hardly get into the wood.
6794. He that performs his own errand saves the messenger's hire.
6795. He that picks up all sorts of wood soon gets an armful.
6796. He that plants thorns must never expect to gather roses.
6797. He that plays at racket must watch the ball.
6798. He that promises too much means nothing.
6799. He that reckons without his host must reckon again.
6800. He that repairs, not a part, builds all.
6801. He that repeats a matter separates very friends.
6802. He that respects not is not respected.
6803. He that rewards flattery begs it.
6804. He that runs fast will not run long.
6805. He that saves something today will have something tomorrow.
6806. He that says what he should not will hear what he would not.
6807. He that seeks to have many friends never has any.
6808. He that seeks trouble always finds it.
6809. He that seeks finds, and sometimes what he would rather not.
6810. He that serves at the altar ought to live by the altar.
6811. He that serves everybody is paid by nobody.
6812. He that serves God for money will serve the devil for better wages.
6813. He that shipped the devil must make the best of him.
6814. He that shows his money shows his judgment.
6815. He that shows his passion tells his enemy where he may hit him.
6816. He that sings himself is the best pleased.
6817. He that sits among reeds, cuts pipes when he pleases.
6818. He that sleeps sound feels not the toothache.
6819. He that sows shall also reap.
6820. He that spares something today will have something tomorrow.
6821. He that spares the bad injures the good.
6822. He that speaks truth must have one foot in the stirrup.
6823. He that speaks without care shall remember with sorrow.
6824. He that speaks, sows; he that hears, reaps.
6825. He that spends more than he is worth spins a rope for his own neck.
6826. He that stays in the valley will not get over the hill.
6827. He that steals an egg will steal an ox.
6828. He that stirs honey will have some of it stick to him.
6829. He that stumbles and falls not, mends his pace.
6830. He that takes too great a leap falls into the ditch.
6831. He that talks much errs much.
6832. He that that hath a head of wax must not approach the fire.
6833. He that tickles himself may laugh when he will.
6834. He that ties well unties well.
6835. He that touches pitch defiles himself.
6836. He that troubles his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be a servant to the wise of heart.

6837. He that ventures does not fail.
6838. He that waits for a dead man's shoes may long go barefoot.
6839. He that walks too hastily often stumbles in a plain way.
6840. He that walks with wise men shall be wise, but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.
6841. He that wants should not be bashful.
6842. He that wants the kernel must crack the nut.
6843. He that wants to hang a dog is sure to find a rope.
6844. He that will cheat at play will cheat you anyway.
6845. He that will conquer must fight.
6846. He that will have eggs must bear with cackling.
6847. He that will not be counseled cannot be helped.
6848. He that will not be saved needs no preacher.
6849. He that will not look forward must look behind.
6850. He that will not when he can cannot when he will.
6851. He that will not when he may, when he will he shall have nay.
6852. He that will steal an egg will steal an ox.
6853. He that will take the bird must not scare it.
6854. He that will thrive must first ask his wife.
6855. He that will, does more that he that can.
6856. He that won't listen, must feel.
6857. He that would be a leader must be a bridge.
6858. He that would be healthy, must eat temperately, and sup early.
6859. He that would be ill-served should keep plenty of servants.
6860. He that would be old long must begin betimes.
6861. He that would beat his dog can easily find a stick
6862. He that would hang his dog gives out first, that he is mad.
6863. He that would have a beautiful wife should choose her on a Sunday.
6864. He that would have eggs must endure the cackling of hens.
6865. He that would have the fruit must climb the tree.
6866. He that would heal a wound must not handle it.
6867. He that would jest must take a jest, or else to let it alone were best.
6868. He that would keep his eye sound must tie up his hand.
6869. He that would live for aye must eat sage in May.
6870. He that would make a golden gate must bring a nail to it daily.
6871. He that would stop everybody's mouth needs plenty of flour.
6872. He that would the daughter win must with the mother first begin.
6873. He that's a wise man by day is no fool by night.
6874. He that's born to be hanged will never be drowned.
6875. He that's long a giving knows not how to give.
6876. He thinks nothing right, but what he does himself.
6877. He thinks to catch shell-fish in the trees.
6878. He threatens many who affronts one.
6879. He threatens who is afraid.
6880. He to whom God gives no sons, the devil gives nephews.
6881. He travels fastest who travels alone.
6882. He tried to pluck her eyebrow but blinded her eye.
6883. He understands badly who listens badly.

6884. He unravels the enigmas of the Sphinx.
6885. He waits long that waits for another man's death.
6886. He wanted to cure a healthy pig and ended up with a sick one.
6887. He wants forever, who would more acquire.
6888. He wants to fly before he has wings.
6889. He wants to learn how to shave using my beard.
6890. He was born on a Sunday, he likes work-ready done.
6891. He was slain that had warning, not he that took it.
6892. He wastes his tears who weeps before the judge.
6893. He wears the mourning of his washerwoman.
6894. He went as an ox and came back as a cow.
6895. He who accepts favors pawns his freedom.
6896. He who accepts the gift loses his liberty.
6897. He who acknowledges no judge condemns himself.
6898. He who admits to his ignorance shows it once only; he who tries to hide it shows it frequently.
6899. He who allows his day to pass by without practicing generosity and enjoying life's pleasures is like a blacksmith's bellows He breathes but does not live.
6900. He who always eats the roots of a plant is capable of anything.
6901. He who always knows best never learns.
6902. He who always tells me a lie never cheats me.
6903. He who always thinks it is too soon is sure to come too late.
6904. He who always wants the last word ends up talking to himself.
6905. He who answers is inferior to the one who asks the question.
6906. He who arrives too late finds the plate turned over.
6907. He who asks a question may be a fool for five minutes; he who asks no questions stays a fool forever.
6908. He who asks for alms blushes once; he who refuses, twice.
6909. He who asks is a fool for five minutes, but he who does not ask remains a fool forever.
6910. He who asks questions cannot avoid the answers.
6911. He who asks the fewest favors is the best received.
6912. He, who asks, need not wander.
6913. He who at thirty has no brains will never purchase an estate.
6914. He who attempts too much seldom succeeds.
6915. He who avoids the temptation avoids the sin.
6916. He who begins a conversation does not foresee the end.
6917. He who begins and does not finish loses his labor.
6918. He who begins badly ends badly.
6919. He who begins ill finishes worse
6920. He who begins many things finishes but few.
6921. He who begins much finishes little.
6922. He who begins too much accomplishes little.
6923. He who believes his wife too much will regret it in the end.
6924. He who believes in dreams feeds on the wind.
6925. He who bestirs himself sucks up; he who lies still dries up.
6926. He who betrays you is not one from far away.
6927. He who bids for much often loses all.
6928. He who blackens others does not whiten himself.

6929. He who blows dust fills his eyes with it.
6930. He who blows his nose too hard makes it bleed.
6931. He who boasts much can do little.
6932. He who boasts of his accomplishments will heap ridicule.
6933. He who borrows sells his freedom.
6934. He who breaks his word shall through his word be broken.
6935. He who brings bad tidings comes soon enough.
6936. He who brings is welcome.
6937. He who buckles his armor should not boast like the one who opens it.
6938. He who builds a house, or marries, is left with a lank purse.
6939. He who builds according to every man's advice will have a crooked house.
6940. He who builds and he who marries is never safe.
6941. He who builds by the road-side has many masters.
6942. He who builds on another's ground loses his stone and mortar.
6943. He who builds to every man's advice will have a crooked house.
6944. He who burns down his house knows why ashes cost a fortune.
6945. He who burns his mouth on the soup will blow on a cold fish dish.
6946. He who burns his posteriors must sit on blisters.
6947. He who buys a horse buys care.
6948. He who buys a house gets many a plank and nail for nothing.
6949. He who buys and sells does not feel what he spends.
6950. He who buys betimes buys cheaply.
6951. He who buys the broom can also buy the handle.
6952. He who buys useless things later sells things that he needs.
6953. He who can do more can do less.
6954. He who can give has many good neighbors.
6955. He who can lick can bite.
6956. He who can persuade someone not to gamble has earned money for him.
6957. He who can predict winning numbers should not set off firecrackers.
6958. He who can read and write has four eyes.
6959. He who can sit upon a stone and feed himself should not move.
6960. He who can wait obtains what he wishes.
6961. He who can't endure the bad will not live to see the good.
6962. He who can't get bacon must be content with cabbage.
6963. He who cannot agree with his enemies is controlled by them.
6964. He who cannot bear misfortune is truly unfortunate.
6965. He who cannot boast cannot succeed.
6966. He who cannot conceal his sentiments knows not how to live.
6967. He who cannot dance will say the drum is bad.
6968. He who cannot do what he wishes must need to do as he can.
6969. He who cannot even manage a yacht asks for a ship of burthen!
6970. He who cannot help may hinder.
6971. He who cannot keep silence cannot speak.
6972. He who cannot light a fire knows nothing about love.
6973. He who cannot paint must grind the colors.
6974. He who cannot pay with his purse must pay with his hide.
6975. He who cannot pray at home will celebrate mass somewhere else.
6976. He who cannot sleep can still dream.

6977. He who cannot speak well of his trade does not understand it.
6978. He, who cannot suffer discomfort, will not be called for important things.
6979. He who carries nothing loses nothing.
6980. He who carries one burden will soon carry a hundred.
6981. He who carries the word ‘no’ with him will never be poor even when he is old.
6982. He who carries too much tenderness will become a slave.
6983. He who carves the Buddha never worships him.
6984. He who catches one fish is a fisherman.
6985. He who chatters with you will chatter about you.
6986. He who cheats the earth will be cheated by the earth.
6987. He who chooses takes the worst.
6988. He who climbs a ladder must have his brains in his feet.
6989. He who climbs to high is near a fall.
6990. He who comes first to the mill is first served.
6991. He who comes for the inheritance is often made to pay for the funeral.
6992. He who comes from afar may lie without fear of contradiction as he is sure to be listened to with the utmost attention.
6993. He who comes from hell is not afraid of hot ashes.
6994. He who comes sooner shall mill/grind sooner.
6995. He who comes with a story to you brings two away from you.
6996. He who comforts never has a headache.
6997. He who conceals his disease cannot expect to be cured.
6998. He who conceits himself wise has a mule near at hand.
6999. He who conquers his anger has conquered an enemy.
7000. He who controls his tongue saves his head.
7001. He who could foresee affairs three days in advance would be rich for thousands of years.
7002. He who covers up his mistakes intends to make some more.
7003. He who cries today that he has no bread will cry again tomorrow because he isn’t hungry.
7004. He who dances well goes from wedding to wedding.
7005. He who dares wins
7006. He who deals with a blockhead will need a lot of brains.
7007. He who decries wants to buy.
7008. He who delays gathers.
7009. He who demands does not command.
7010. He who demands well should fulfill his demands well.
7011. He who denies all confesses all.
7012. He who denies everything confesses everything.
7013. He who despises small things seldom grows rich.
7014. He who dictates separates himself from others.
7015. He who did evil expects evil.
7016. He who did not help to build the minaret thinks that it just grew out from the ground.
7017. He who dies for the truth finds holy ground everywhere for his grave.
7018. He who digs a hole under someone else will fall into it himself.
7019. He who digs too deep for a fish may come out with a snake.
7020. He who dines with the dogs will eat feces.
7021. He who dispraises a thing wants to buy it.

7022. He who divides and shares always takes the best part.
7023. He who does as he likes has no headache.
7024. He, who does evil to another, has done it to himself.
7025. He who does good to you either dies or goes away.
7026. He who does good, will meet good.
7027. He who does many bad deeds can expect a big one in return.
7028. He who does no evil does a lot of good.
7029. He who does no more than another is no better than another.
7030. He who does not advance recedes.
7031. He who does not ask questions learns nothing.
7032. He, who does not climb, will not fall either.
7033. He who does not cultivate his field will die of hunger.
7034. He who does not fully speak the truth is a traitor to it.
7035. He who does not go forward stays behind.
7036. He who does not have common sense at age thirty will never have it.
7037. He who does not honor his wife dishonors himself.
7038. He who does not improve to-day will grow worse tomorrow.
7039. He who does not know how to serve cannot know how to command.
7040. He who does not know is forgiven by God.
7041. He who does not know one thing knows another.
7042. He who does not know what to do in his spare time is not a businessman.
7043. He who does not look before lags behind.
7044. He who does not lose his way by night will not lose his way by day.
7045. He who does not mend his clothes will soon have none.
7046. He who does not mix with the crowd knows nothing.
7047. He who does not open his eyes must open his purse.
7048. He who does not pick up a pin cares nothing for his wife.
7049. He who does not punish evil invites it.
7050. He who does not regularly put on clean socks will never get used to circus life.
7051. He who does not repair his gutter has a whole house to repair.
7052. He who does not research has nothing to teach.
7053. He who does not seize opportunity today will be unable to seize tomorrow's opportunity
7054. He who does not shave you does not cut you.
7055. He who does not show himself is overlooked.
7056. He who does not speak the whole truth is a traitor to truth.
7057. He who does not speak, God does not hear
7058. He who does not sweat in his youth will extend his hand when old.
7059. He who does not teach his son a trade teaches him to steal.
7060. He who does not tire, tires adversity.
7061. He who does not want something already has enough.
7062. He who does not want to lend loses friends; he who lends gains enemies.
7063. He who does not when he can cannot when he will.
7064. He who does not whip the child does not mend the youth.
7065. He who does not wish for little things does not deserve big things.
7066. He who does nothing does ill.
7067. He who does the wrong forgets it, but not he who receives it.
7068. He, who does what he likes, does not what he ought.

7069. He who doesn't drink from the spring will drink from the river.
7070. He who doesn't get tired can reach much.
7071. He who doesn't go to war roars like a lion.
7072. He who doesn't know how just stares.
7073. He who doesn't know teaches other ones.
7074. He who doesn't know the road holds back even the one that does.
7075. He who doesn't like chattering women must stay a bachelor.
7076. He who doesn't open his eyes when he buys must still open his purse to pay.
7077. He who doesn't pick up a dime isn't worth a dime.
7078. He who doesn't risk never gets to drink champagne.
7079. He who doesn't scheme doesn't get ahead OR If you don't scheme, you don't get ahead.
7080. He who doesn't see his failings should not see those of his fellow man.
7081. He who doesn't speak will get no help from God.
7082. He who doesn't want to listen will have to experience.
7083. He who doesn't clean his mouth before breakfast always complains that the food is sour.
7084. He who doesn't risk never gets to drink champagne.
7085. He who doth the injury never forgives the injured man.
7086. He who doubts nothing knows nothing.
7087. He who dreams for too long will become like his shadow.
7088. He who drinks a little too much drinks much too much.
7089. He who drinks beer thinks beer.
7090. He who drinks dies; he who does not drink dies as well.
7091. He who drinks no more still likes to see the beer pulled.
7092. He who drinks on credit gets drunk twice.
7093. He who eats a partridge in his youth will only be left with feathers in his old age.
7094. He who eats alone dies alone.
7095. He who eats alone is Satan's brother.
7096. He who eats and drinks with the rich leaves the table hungry.
7097. He who eats and puts by has sufficient for two meals.
7098. He who eats by himself dies alone, but he who shares his food dies of hunger.
7099. He who eats cherries with gentlemen risks getting the pips in his nose.
7100. He who eats pears with his master should not choose the best.
7101. He who eats the king's cow lean pays for it fat.
7102. He who eats the meat let him pick the bone.
7103. He who endures with patience is a conqueror.
7104. He who enjoys good health is rich, though he knows it not
7105. He who enters the game must endure it.
7106. He who envies his admits his inferiority.
7107. He who envies suffers.
7108. He who esteems none but himself is as happy as a king
7109. He who excuses himself accuses himself.
7110. He who fails to plan plans to fail.
7111. He, who fain would marry, in choice, should not tarry.
7112. He who fears every bramble should not go to the woods.
7113. He who fears fire cannot be a leader.
7114. He who fears something gives it power over him.

7115. He who fears to suffer suffers from fear.
7116. He who feeds a wolf strengthens his enemy.
7117. He who feeds the hen is out to have the egg.
7118. He who feels no compassion will become insane.
7119. He, who feels scabby, let him a scratch.
7120. He who fights and runs away may live to fight another day.
7121. He who finds fault wants to buy.
7122. He who flatters me is my enemy, who blames me is my teacher.
7123. He who flatters with laughter wants to see you cry.
7124. He who flees proves himself guilty.
7125. He who follows advice from women will end up in hell.
7126. He who follows the crowd has many companions.
7127. He who follows two hares loses both.
7128. He who fondles you more than usual has either deceived you or wants to.
7129. He who foretells the future lies, even if he tells the truth.
7130. He who forgives a thief is a thief himself.
7131. He who forgives ends the argument.
7132. He who gains the rank as a fox will be a wolf in the rank
7133. He who gave it took it.
7134. He who gets a name for early rising can stay in bed until midday.
7135. He who gets out of debt enriches himself.
7136. He who gets the grace of the women is neither hungry nor thirsty.
7137. He who gets up and marries early doesn't lose.
7138. He who gives a monkey as a present doesn't keep hold of its tail
7139. He who gives alms to the poor faces heaven.
7140. He who gives away his belongings slowly becomes a beggar.
7141. He who gives bread to others' dogs is often barked at by his own.
7142. He who gives fair words feeds you with an empty spoon.
7143. He who gives little gives from his heart; he who gives much gives from his wealth.
7144. He who gives quickly gives twice.
7145. He who gives to me teaches me to give.
7146. He who gives to the poor lends to the Lord.
7147. He who gives to the public gives to no one
7148. He who gives when he is asked has waited too long.
7149. He who goes abroad by day has no need of a lantern.
7150. He who goes everywhere gains everywhere.
7151. He who goes his own way does not deserve being received.
7152. He who goes not into battle cannot wear a crown.
7153. He who goes out to the air (blown up) loses his place.
7154. He who goes slowly goes safely and goes far.
7155. He who goes to bed hungry dreams of pancakes.
7156. He who goes to collect wool may come back shorn.
7157. He who goes to the blacksmith's shop comes home with scorched clothes.
7158. He who goes to the law for a sheep loses his cow
7159. He who goes to the mill gets floured.
7160. He who goes with wolves learns to howl.
7161. He who gossips and he who listens to it deserve to be thrown to the dogs.
7162. He who gossips to you will gossip about you.

7163. He who got burnt in boiling water will be careful in mildly warm water.
7164. He who grasps all loses all.
7165. He who grasps at much holds fast little.
7166. He who greases his cart-wheels helps his oxen.
7167. He who guesses well prophesies well.
7168. He who handles pitch besmears himself.
7169. He who hangs out a branch wants to sell his wine.
7170. He who has a back is not beaten on the belly.
7171. He who has a bad name is half hanged.
7172. He who has a bad tongue should have good loins.
7173. He who has a boss is not the master of his burden.
7174. He who has a choice has trouble.
7175. He who has a companion has a master.
7176. He who has a dog need not bark himself.
7177. He who has a fever is not shown to the fire.
7178. He who has a glass roof must not throw stones at his neighbor's.
7179. He who has a good looking wife, a castle on the river or a vineyard on the roadside is never without war.
7180. He who has a good neighbor has a good morning.
7181. He who has a good next finds good friends.
7182. He who has a good wife can bear any evil.
7183. He who has a head of wax must not go near the fire.
7184. He who has a head won't want for a hat.
7185. He who has a lot of money and no children is not rich; he who has many children and no money is not a pauper.
7186. He who has a mate has a master.
7187. He who has a mind to beat a dog will easily find a stick.
7188. He who has a son grown up should not call another a thief.
7189. He who has a stepmother has the devil at his hearth.
7190. He who has a straight body is not worried about his crooked shadow.
7191. He who has a straw tail is always in fear of its catching fire.
7192. He who has a tongue goes to Rome.
7193. He who has a trade may travel through the world.
7194. He who has a true friend has no need for a mirror.
7195. He who has an egg in his pocket does not dance.
7196. He who has approved of wrongdoing is as guilty as he who has committed it.
7197. He who has bad breath cannot smell it.
7198. He who has bad neighbors is fain to praise himself.
7199. He who has been at the mill has flour on his hat.
7200. He who has burned his mouth blows his soup.
7201. He who has but one coat cannot lend it.
7202. He who has children will never die of starvation.
7203. He who has come through the fire will fade in the sun.
7204. He who has come to the mill first does not grind last.
7205. He who has crossed the ford knows how deep it is.
7206. He who has daughters is always a shepherd.
7207. He, who has daughters to marry, let him give them silk to spin.
7208. He who has done evil expects evil.

7209. He who has drunk will drink.
7210. He, who has enemies, let him not sleep.
7211. He who has everything is content with nothing.
7212. He who has four and spends five has no need for a purse.
7213. He who has gold is served by the devil.
7214. He who has had enough to eat thinks of serving God; the hungry think of stealing.
7215. He who has health has hope, and he who has hope has ever thing.
7216. He who has his own mother never cries.
7217. He who has his purse full preaches to the poor man.
7218. He who has land has war.
7219. He who has learned how to steal must learn how to hang.
7220. He who has loaves has dogs.
7221. He who has long fingers should also have long legs.
7222. He who has lost his oxen is always hearing bells.
7223. He who has lost his reputation is a dead man among the living.
7224. He who has many irons in the fire will let some of them burn.
7225. He who has money can eat ice cream in hell.
7226. He who has much wants more.
7227. He, who has never been cheated, cannot be a good businessman.
7228. He who has no bread has no authority.
7229. He who has no children has one sorrow; he who has children has a thousand sorrows.
7230. He who has no enemies has no friends either.
7231. He who has no falcon must hunt with an owl.
7232. He who has no faults is not born.
7233. He who has no hand cannot clench his fist.
7234. He who has no head wants no hat.
7235. He who has no health has nothing.
7236. He who has no house of his own is everywhere at home.
7237. He who has no intelligence is happy with it.
7238. He who has no patience has nothing at all.
7239. He who has no shoe dances in his socks.
7240. He who has no spoon will burn his hands.
7241. He who has no thirst has no business at the fountain.
7242. He who has no voice in the valley will have none in the council.
7243. He who has not been given brains from above will not buy them at the apothecary.
7244. He who has not health has nothing.
7245. He who has not tasted bitter knows not what sweet is.
7246. He who has once used deception will deceive again.
7247. He who has one foot in a brothel has the other in a hospital.
7248. He who has only one enemy meets him everywhere.
7249. He who has people is richer than he who has money.
7250. He who has plenty of butter may put some in his cabbage.
7251. He who has plenty of pepper may season his food as he likes.
7252. He who has scalded himself once blows the next time.
7253. He who has servants has unavoidable enemies.
7254. He who has sheep has fleeces.
7255. He who has shipped the devil must carry him over the sound.
7256. He who has the fortune brings home the bride.

7257. He who has the necessities has no shame.
7258. He who has the Pope for his cousin may soon be a cardinal.
7259. He who has three enemies must agree with two.
7260. He who has to be hanged, will not drown.
7261. He who has to deal with a blockhead has need of much brains.
7262. He who has to do with foxes must look after his hen-roost.
7263. He who has traveled alone can tell what he likes.
7264. He who has tried it is afraid of it.
7265. He who has two masters to serve must lie to one of them.
7266. He who has two women loses his soul; he who has two houses loses his mind.
7267. He who has victory has right.
7268. He who has wraps four; he who has not wraps trouble.
7269. He who hasn't a penny sees bargains everywhere.
7270. He who hastens too much stumbles and falls.
7271. He, who hates, hates himself.
7272. He who hath an ill name is half hanged.
7273. He, who hath ears to hear, let him hear.
7274. He who hath many peas may put the more in the pot.
7275. He who heeds not the lost shoe-nail will soon lose the horse.
7276. He who heeds the first word of his wife must listen forever to the second.
7277. He who helps everybody helps nobody.
7278. He who herds with wolves learns to howl.
7279. He who hesitates, regrets.
7280. He who hiccups of him who beats the pestle.
7281. He who hides his faults plans to make more.
7282. He who holds his tongue does not commit himself.
7283. He who holds the handle of the frying-pan turns it as he pleases.
7284. He who holds the ladder is as bad as the thief.
7285. He who holds the thread holds the ball.
7286. He who humbles himself too much gets trampled upon.
7287. He who hunts after bargains will scratch his head.
7288. He who hurries cannot walk with dignity.
7289. He who hurts his nose hurts his face.
7290. He who increases knowledge increases sorrow.
7291. He who inherits a farthing is expected to disburse a dollar.
7292. He who inherits a hill must climb it.
7293. He who inherits a penny is expected to spend a dollar.
7294. He who instigates good deeds is greater than the one who performs them.
7295. He who insults another digs two graves.
7296. He who invites storks must have frogs in the house.
7297. He who is (too) curious shall grow old soon.
7298. He, who is a Basque, a good Christian and has two mules, needs nothing more.
7299. He who is a guest in two houses starves.
7300. He who is a slave of truth is a free man.
7301. He who is absent is always in the wrong.
7302. He who is accustomed to evil is offended by good.
7303. He who is afraid does not gamble.
7304. He who is afraid of a thing gives it power over him.

7305. He who is afraid of death loses his life.
7306. He who is afraid of doing too much always does too little.
7307. He who is afraid of the leaves must not go into the wood.
7308. He who is afraid to ask is ashamed of learning.
7309. He who is alive always shows up.
7310. He who is always right will never get around the world.
7311. He who is ashamed of asking is ashamed of learning.
7312. He who is at sea does not direct the winds.
7313. He who is being carried does not realize how far the town is.
7314. He who is bitten by a snake fears a lizard.
7315. He who is born a fool is never cured.
7316. He who is born in jail loves jail.
7317. He who is born to be hanged shall never be drowned.
7318. He who is born with a weak intellect and a goiter can never be cured.
7319. He who is called a man must behave like a man.
7320. He who is courteous is not a fool.
7321. He who is covered with other people's clothes is naked.
7322. He who is dependent on others must make friends with the dog.
7323. He who is desperate will squeeze oil out of a grain of sand.
7324. He who is destined for the gallows will not be drowned.
7325. He who is drunk from wine can sober up, he who is drunk from wealth cannot.
7326. He who is everybody's friend is either very poor or very rich.
7327. He who is everywhere is nowhere.
7328. He who is far from home is near to harm.
7329. He who is feared by many must be afraid of many.
7330. He who is feared gets more than his own.
7331. He who is fed by another's hand seldom gets enough.
7332. He who is first in time has the prior right.
7333. He who is free of faults will never die.
7334. He who is frightened of a sparrow will never sow barley.
7335. He who is guilty believes that all men speak ill of him.
7336. He who is guilty has much to say.
7337. He who is harmed shall be mocked.
7338. He who is his own judge never finds a reason to condemn.
7339. He who is his own teacher has a fool for a pupil.
7340. He who is honest at finance, what fear of audit will he have?
7341. He who is hopeless is capable of everything.
7342. He who is hungry is never a good civil servant.
7343. He who is in a hurry always arrives late.
7344. He who is in hell knows not what heaven is.
7345. He who is in love with himself need fear no rival.
7346. He who is in the mud likes to get another into it.
7347. He who is judge between two friends loses one of them.
7348. He who is late may gnaw the bones.
7349. He who is master of himself cannot tolerate another boss.
7350. He who is master of his thirst is master of his health.
7351. He who is near the church is often far from God.
7352. He who is not drunk on a Sunday is not worth a greeting on Monday.

7353. He who is not for me is against me.
7354. He who is not friendly towards a good guest will never have one.
7355. He who is not impatient is not in love.
7356. He who is not lazy shall get much green.
7357. He who is not satisfied with himself will grow; he who is not sure of his own correctness will learn many things.
7358. He who is not taught by his mother will be taught by the world.
7359. He, who is of no use to himself, is of no use to anyone else.
7360. He who is of the craft can discourse about it.
7361. He who is only right hasn't really anything.
7362. He who is outside the door has already a good part of his journey behind him.
7363. He who is proud of his sins, sins twice as much.
7364. He who is quick at borrowing is slow in paying.
7365. He who is quiet agrees.
7366. He, who is scared by words, has no heart for deeds.
7367. He who is sick will not refuse medicine.
7368. He who is silent gains store.
7369. He who is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly.
7370. He who is struck by the lightning doesn't hear the thunder.
7371. He who is sure of his victory will not start a war.
7372. He who is surety for another pays for him.
7373. He who is the cause of his own misfortune may bewail it himself.
7374. He who is the judge between two friends loses one of them.
7375. He who is the offender is never the forgiver.
7376. He who is thirsty dreams that he is drinking.
7377. He who is to receive, some is saved for him, and if he is late, it will be warmed up again.
7378. He who is too proud to ask is too good to receive.
7379. He who is too servile ruins his back.
7380. He who is too sure of himself and acts without thinking is heading for his downfall.
7381. He who is transplanted is still sustained.
7382. He who is unable is always willing.
7383. He who is unable to dance blames it in the stony yard.
7384. He who is undercover when it rains is a great fool if he stirs.
7385. He who is waiting for someone else's bowl often dines late.
7386. He who is warned in time is saved.
7387. He who is well prepared has won the battle.
7388. He who is without debt is without credit.
7389. He who keeps his mouth shut dies without confession.
7390. He who keeps his own secret avoids much mischief.
7391. He who kills with iron dies by iron.
7392. He who knew you when you were young will not respect you when you grow up.
7393. He who knows a great deal has a hundred eyes.
7394. He who knows a knave makes no bid for him.
7395. He who knows but little quickly tells it.
7396. He who knows does not speak He who speaks does not know.
7397. He who knows his heart mistrusts his eyes.

7398. He who knows how to beg may leave his money at home.
7399. He who knows how to live knows enough.
7400. He who knows little knows enough if he knows how to hold his tongue.
7401. He who knows little quickly tells it.
7402. He who knows much makes many mistakes.
7403. He who knows not to shame does whatever he likes.
7404. He who knows not when he has enough is poor.
7405. He who knows nothing doubts nothing.
7406. He who knows the road can ride full trot.
7407. He, who knows, knows; he who doesn't know learns.
7408. He who laid a snare for me has fallen into it.
7409. He who laughs last laughs longest.
7410. He who laughs last thinks slowest!
7411. He who laughs overmuch may have an aching heart.
7412. He who leans against a big tree will always find shade.
7413. He who learns teaches.
7414. He who leaves a good name does not die poor.
7415. He who leaves his people will be left by God.
7416. He who leaves his place loses it.
7417. He who leaves the game loses.
7418. He who leaves the manor loses his seat.
7419. He who led me in the night will be thanked by me at daybreak.
7420. He who lends to a friend loses twice.
7421. He who lends to the poor gets his interest from God.
7422. He who lets another sit on his shoulder will soon have him on his head.
7423. He who licks knives will soon cut his tongue.
7424. He who lies down in the wash will be eaten by swine.
7425. He who lies for you will lie about you.
7426. He who lies in the grave is well lodged.
7427. He who lies on the ground cannot fall.
7428. He who lies on the ground must expect to be trodden on.
7429. He who likes borrowing dislikes paying.
7430. He who likes cherries soon learns to climb.
7431. He who likes drinking is always talking of wine.
7432. He who listens to a proposition is already half sold.
7433. He who listens to doors hears more than he desires.
7434. He who lives a long life must pass through much evil.
7435. He who lives by medical prescriptions lives miserably.
7436. He who lives by the church shall serve the church.
7437. He who lives by the sword dies by the sword.
7438. He who lives in a glass house should be the last to throw stones.
7439. He who lives in a glass house should not throw stones.
7440. He who lives in hopes, breakfasts ill and sups worse.
7441. He who lives in the attic knows where the roof leaks.
7442. He who lives long knows what pain is.
7443. He who lives more lives than one, more deaths than one must die.
7444. He who lives on hope dies of hunger.
7445. He who lives shall see.

7446. He who lives without discipline dies without honor.
7447. He who longs too much for a child will marry a pregnant woman.
7448. He who looks at the face doesn't see the heart.
7449. He who looks demurely trust not with your money.
7450. He who looks for a friend without a fault will never find one.
7451. He who looks not before finds himself behind.
7452. He who looks on has two-thirds of the game
7453. He who looks on knows more of the game than he who plays.
7454. He who looks only at heaven may easily break his nose on earth.
7455. He who looks up too much gets a pain in the neck.
7456. He who loses his temper is in the wrong.
7457. He who loses is always at fault.
7458. He who loses sins.
7459. He who lost his faith has nothing more to lose.
7460. He who loves a woman is a nephew of the sun.
7461. He who loves Bertrand loves his dog.
7462. He who loves drives a nail into his heart.
7463. He who loves me loves my dog too.
7464. He who loves money must labor.
7465. He who loves peace minds his own business.
7466. He who loves Peter won't harm his dog.
7467. He who loves sorrow will always find something to mourn over.
7468. He who loves the truth has many enemies.
7469. He who loves the vase loves also what is inside.
7470. He who loves the world as his body may be entrusted with the empire.
7471. He who loves thinks that the others are blind; the others think that he is crazy
7472. He who loves well is slow to forget.
7473. He who loves well obeys well.
7474. He who loves you swallows stones from you, while your enemy.
7475. He who loves, love you with your dirt.
7476. He who makes a beast out of himself gets rid of the pain of being a man.
7477. He who makes a good bed sleeps on it.
7478. He who makes a law should keep it.
7479. He who makes a mouse of himself will be eaten by the cats.
7480. He who makes friends of all keeps none.
7481. He who makes himself a dove is eaten by the hawk.
7482. He who makes himself a servant is expected to remain a servant.
7483. He who makes himself honey will be eaten by the bees.
7484. He who makes light of his enemy dies by his hand.
7485. He who makes no mistakes makes nothing.
7486. He who makes one basket can make a hundred.
7487. He who makes the first bad move always loses the game.
7488. He who makes too much haste gains his end later.
7489. He who maligns you in your absence is afraid of your presence.
7490. He who marries a beauty marries trouble.
7491. He who marries a widow also marries her debts.
7492. He who marries a widow with three children marries four thieves.
7493. He who marries does well, but who remains single does better.

7494. He who marries for love has good nights and bad days.
7495. He who marries for money earns it.
7496. He who marries ill is long in becoming widowed.
7497. He who marries on a rainy day will be happy for the rest of his life.
7498. He who measures oil greases his hands.
7499. He who meddles in other people's affairs will be left with two of three parts.
7500. He who mocks the cripple should be straight himself.
7501. He who never begins will never end.
7502. He who never budges from Paris will never be Pope.
7503. He who never has enough never has anything.
7504. He who offers his back should not complain if it is beaten.
7505. He who only thinks about what is in his belly is worth less than what comes out of it.
7506. He who opens his heart for ambition closes it for the rest.
7507. He who overcomes his passions overcomes his greatest enemies.
7508. He who owes nothing fears not the sheriff's officer.
7509. He who paddles two canoes, sinks.
7510. He who paints the flower cannot paint its fragrance.
7511. He who passes a winter's day passes one of his mortal enemies.
7512. He who pays his debts betters his condition.
7513. He who pays is fairly entitled to speak his mind.
7514. He who pays the piper calls the tune.
7515. He who pays well is master of another man's purse.
7516. He who pays well may borrow again.
7517. He who peeps through a hole may see what will vex him.
7518. He who perseveres wins at last.
7519. He who pitches too high won't get through his song.
7520. He who plants a garden plants happiness.
7521. He, who plants fruit-trees, must not count upon the fruit.
7522. He who plants the lettuce doesn't always eat the salad.
7523. He who plants thorns must never expect to gather roses.
7524. He who plants winds harvests storms.
7525. He who plays with a sword plays with the devil.
7526. He who pleased everybody died before he was born.
7527. He who pledges or promises runs in debt.
7528. He who plows with young oxen makes crooked furrows.
7529. He who plunders with a little boat is a pirate; he who plunders with a fleet is a conqueror.
7530. He who praises himself befouls himself.
7531. He who praises himself must have bad neighbors.
7532. He who prates much lies much.
7533. He who prays a lot is afraid of something.
7534. He who prays for his neighbors will be heard for himself.
7535. He who predicts the future lies, even if he tells the truth
7536. He who prepares the trap frequently falls on it.
7537. He who prizes little things is worthy of great ones.
7538. He who promises incurs a debt.
7539. He who pursues an innocent chicken always stumbles.
7540. He who puts by for the night puts by for the cat.

7541. He who puts his nose in a turd does not know what he is smelling.
7542. He who puts on lordly airs winds up hauling hay.
7543. He who puts up with insult invites injury.
7544. He who quarrels with a drunk hurts an absentee.
7545. He who quits his place loses it.
7546. He who really wants looks for solutions, he who doesn't want looks for pleas.
7547. He who really wants to die will not complain if he is buried standing up.
7548. He who receives a gift does not measure.
7549. He who receives the offerings let him ring the bells.
7550. He who recovers but the tail of his cow does not lose all.
7551. He who reforms, God assists.
7552. He who refuses a gift will not fill his barn.
7553. He who refuses to obey cannot command.
7554. He who remains in the mill grinds, not he who goes to and fro.
7555. He who respects his parents never dies.
7556. He, who rests, will be rusting.
7557. He who rides a camel should not be afraid of dogs.
7558. He who rides a tiger is afraid to dismount.
7559. He who rides behind another does not saddle when he will.
7560. He who rides on a tiger can never get off.
7561. He who rides the horse is his master.
7562. He who rides the mule shoes her.
7563. He who rides upon a mule cannot help but smell its gas!
7564. He who rises early will gather wisdom.
7565. He who risks nothing can gain nothing.
7566. He who runs after good fortune runs away from peace.
7567. He who runs away from the fire falls in the water.
7568. He who runs from the white ant may stumble upon the stinging ant.
7569. He who sacrifices his conscience to ambition burns a picture to obtain the ashes.
7570. He who saves in little things can be liberal in great ones.
7571. He who saves shall have as much as three people.
7572. He who saves up for another day has no trust in God.
7573. He who says nothing never lies.
7574. He who says what he likes will hear what he does not like.
7575. He who searches for pearls should not sleep.
7576. He who seeds wind shall harvest storm.
7577. He who seeks revenge should remember to dig two graves.
7578. He who sees heaven in the water sees the fishes in the trees.
7579. He who sees leather cut asks for a thong.
7580. He who serves is not free.
7581. He who serves many masters must neglect some of them.
7582. He who serves the people has a bad master.
7583. He who serves the public has a sorry master
7584. He who serves the Tsar cannot serve his people.
7585. He who shares the meat is always left with the bone
7586. He who shelters under a tree gets twice as wet.
7587. He who shoots often hits at last.
7588. He who sings drives away sorrow.

7589. He who sins when drunk will have to atone for it when sober.
7590. He who sits in the shade won't take an ax to the tree.
7591. He who sits waiting for his neighbor will go to bed hungry.
7592. He who slanders his neighbor makes a rod for his own back.
7593. He who slaps himself on the face should not cry ouch.
7594. He who sleeps along keeps long cold, two soon warm each other.
7595. He who sleeps catches no fish.
7596. He who sleeps does not sin.
7597. He who sleeps forgets his hunger.
7598. He who sleeps in a silver bed has golden dreams.
7599. He who sleeps much learns little.
7600. He who sleeps well does not feel the fleas.
7601. He who slowly gets angry will stay angry for a long time.
7602. He who smells does not know it himself.
7603. He who solves a problem with a problem will always have another problem in waiting.
7604. He who sows brambles must not go barefoot.
7605. He who sows everywhere harvests nowhere.
7606. He who sows hatred shall gather rue.
7607. He who sows iniquity shall reap shame.
7608. He who sows money will reap poverty.
7609. He who sows the seed of discord works in the devil's barn.
7610. He who spares his birch rod hates his child.
7611. He who speaks a lot learns little.
7612. He who speaks for the innocent is eloquent enough.
7613. He who speaks ill of himself is praised by no one.
7614. He who speaks the truth won't get shelter for the night.
7615. He who speaks to your face is not a traitor.
7616. He who spends a night with a chicken will cackle in the morning.
7617. He who spits above himself will have it fall on his face.
7618. He who spits in the air pollutes himself.
7619. He who stands by his point of view must be ready to suffer hunger
7620. He who stands high is seen from afar
7621. He who stands still in the mud sticks in it
7622. He who starts a lawsuit makes a hole in the dike.
7623. He who starts singing too high will never finish the song.
7624. He who steals an egg will steal more.
7625. He who steals honey licks his fingers.
7626. He who steals once is never trusty.
7627. He who steps aside for someone broadens the way.
7628. He who stops at every stone never gets to his journey's end.
7629. He who stops halfway is only half in error.
7630. He who stores (food), albeit being hungry; the rat will come and eat it (the food).
7631. He who storms in like a whirlwind returns like an ant.
7632. He who strikes first strikes twice.
7633. He who strives to do does more than he who has the power.
7634. He who stumbles twice over one stone deserves to break his shins.
7635. He who succeeds is reputed wise.
7636. He who sups with the devil must have a long spoon.

7637. He who suspects is seldom at fault.
7638. He who swallows a complete coconut has absolute trust in his anus.
7639. He who swears is a liar.
7640. He who sweats more in peace bleeds less in war.
7641. He who takes a wife takes a master.
7642. He who takes a woman gives away his freedom.
7643. He who takes his rank lightly raises his own dignity.
7644. He, who takes it to himself, is who has done the act.
7645. He who takes light to find a snake should start at his own feet.
7646. He who takes no chances wins nothing.
7647. He who takes revenge for a small insult will have a bigger one thrown at him.
7648. He who takes the profit ought also to take the labor.
7649. He who takes the wrong road must make his journey twice over.
7650. He who talks incessantly talks nonsense.
7651. He who talks much is sometimes right.
7652. He who talks to a mule is one himself.
7653. He who talks to a silent listener will soon stand naked.
7654. He who tastes every man's broth often burns his mouth.
7655. He who teaches children learns more than they do.
7656. He who tells a tale adds a tail.
7657. He who tells his own secret will hardly keep another's.
7658. He who tells no lies will not grow up.
7659. He who tells the truth is never wrong.
7660. He who thinks badly commits a sin but hits the mark.
7661. He who thinks the worst usually is right.
7662. He who thinks too much about every step he takes will stay on one leg all his life.
7663. He who threatens is afraid.
7664. He who threatens to strike and does not, is afraid.
7665. He who throws a stone in the market will hit his relative.
7666. He who throws himself under the bench will be left to lie there.
7667. He who throws the ball must expect it back.
7668. He who tickles himself can laugh whenever he wants.
7669. He who took the donkey up to the roof should bring it down.
7670. He who torments others does not sleep well.
7671. He who touches pitch defiles himself.
7672. He who travels a lot becomes wise; he who is wise stays home.
7673. He who travels over land has to drink enough water.
7674. He who trusts is happy; the doubter is wise.
7675. He who undertakes to be his own teacher has a fool for a pupil.
7676. He who waits for a chance may wait for a long time.
7677. He who walks alone shall surely arrive first
7678. He who whispers lies.
7679. He who wishes to barter does not like his belongings.
7680. He who would be rich should not collect money but reduce his needs.
7681. He who would catch fish must not mind getting wet.
7682. He who would eat the nut must first crack the shell.
7683. He who would search for pearls must dive below.
7684. He whose throat is longer than his arm must pray constantly for gods' protection.

7685. He works best who knows his trade.
7686. He, who laughs too much, is hiding his grief.
7687. He, who takes revenge for a small insult, will have a bigger one thrown at him.
7688. Head cook and bottle-washer.
7689. Health is not valued till sickness comes.
7690. Health is quietly keeping silent
7691. Health is wealth.
7692. Heaven has no rage, like love to hatred turned, nor hell a fury, like a woman scorned.
7693. Hell hath no fury as a woman scorned.
7694. Hell is paved with good intentions, roofed in with lost opportunities.
7695. Help thy brother's boat across, and lo! Thine own has reached the shore.
7696. High birth is a poor dish on the table.
7697. High climbers and deep swimmers never grow old.
7698. High houses are mostly empty in the upper story
7699. High regions are never without storms.
7700. High trees catch lots of wind.
7701. High trees give more shadow than fruit.
7702. High winds blow on high hills.
7703. Him, who errs, forgive once, but never twice.
7704. Hindsight is always twenty-twenty.
7705. Hindsight is always.
7706. Hire staff but do it yourself.
7707. Hired horses make short miles.
7708. His blood is in his head.
7709. His brains hang at the top of his fez.
7710. His bread fell into the honey.
7711. His courage oozed out at his fingers' ends.
7712. His eyes are like two burnt holes in a blanket.
7713. His face would hang him.
7714. His forefeet though you sever, his grip he'll make good.
7715. His heart fell down to his heels.
7716. His hens lay eggs with two yolks.
7717. His horse's head is too big; it cannot get out of the stable.
7718. His illness is more mental than bodily.
7719. His money burns a hole in his pocket.
7720. His money takes the place of wisdom.
7721. His opinions are like water in the bottom of a canoe, going from side to side.
7722. His presents conceal a baited hook.
7723. His tongue says little, but powerful is his right arm.
7724. His whole life he carried his wife on his back
7725. History is the tutor of life.
7726. History repeats itself.
7727. Hit him with a bean, he will break.
7728. Hit like a bomb.
7729. Hit the iron while it's hot.
7730. Hit two flies with one fly swatter.
7731. Hitch a horse and a mule to the same post; if they don't smell the same, they'll behave the same.

7732. Hitting the bag, aiming at the donkey.
7733. Hitting two flies with one swat.
7734. Hobby horses are more expensive than Arabian stallions.
7735. Hoist your sail when the wind is fair.
7736. Hold a candle to the devil!
7737. Hold a true friend with both your hands.
7738. Hold food in your hand, and the dog will bite it.
7739. Hold on tight to the words of your ancestors.
7740. Hold on to a true friend with both hands.
7741. Hold short services for minor gods.
7742. Hold tongue correct in the mouth.
7743. Hold with the hare and run with the hounds.
7744. Hold your children with your heart but teach them with your hands.
7745. Hold your dog in readiness before you start the hare.
7746. Holy place is never empty.
7747. Holyday time will not last forever.
7748. Home affairs are not talked about in the public square.
7749. Home is home though it's never so homely.
7750. Home is home, be it ever so humble.
7751. Home saints don't make miracles.
7752. Home, dear home, small as thou art, to me thou art a palace.
7753. Homer sometimes nods.
7754. Honest men marry soon, wise men never.
7755. Honest poverty is thinly sown.
7756. Honest work won't let you live in the stone palace.
7757. Honesty is like an icicle, if once it melts, that's the end of it.
7758. Honesty is the best policy.
7759. Honesty is the key to success.
7760. Honesty last longest.
7761. Honesty makes you rich, but she works slowly.
7762. Honesty will inherit the earth.
7763. Honesty with poverty is better than ill-gotten wealth.
7764. Honey catches more flies than vinegar.
7765. Honey cloys.
7766. Honey in his mouth, knives in his heart.
7767. Honey is bitter for a sore mouth.
7768. Honey is never far away from the sting.
7769. Honey is not for asses.
7770. Honey is not for the ass's mouth.
7771. Honey is one thing, the price is another.
7772. Honey is sweet, but the bee stings.
7773. Honey was not made for the mouth of the ass.
7774. Honeyed speech often conceals poison and gall.
7775. Honor and money cannot go in the same sack.
7776. Honor blossoms on the grave.
7777. Honor buys no meat in the market.
7778. Honor goes to God; the priests get the bacon.
7779. Honor is better than honors.

7780. Honor the old, teach the young.
7781. Honor the tree that gives you shelter.
7782. Honor who should be honored.
7783. Honorable words by the bushel!
7784. Honor and profit lie not in one sack.
7785. Honor once lost never returns.
7786. Hooray for the difference!
7787. Hope and expectation are a fool's income.
7788. Hope and strive is the way to thrive.
7789. Hope deferred makes the heart sick.
7790. Hope does not disappoint.
7791. Hope does not kill; I shall live in hope of getting what I seek another day.
7792. Hope for the best and prepare for the worst.
7793. Hope is a good breakfast but a bad supper.
7794. Hope is an egg, of which one man gets the yolk, another the white, and a third the shell.
7795. Hope is last to die.
7796. Hope is not equal to despair.
7797. Hope is our only comfort in adversity.
7798. Hope is the bread of the poor.
7799. Hope is the dream of a soul awake.
7800. Hope kills nobody.
7801. Hope springs eternal.
7802. Hope sustains the farmer.
7803. Hope won't be cut from the soul that has not expired.
7804. Hopped just as jumped.
7805. Horn blowers blow in unison.
7806. Horns are not too heavy for the cow.
7807. Horses become acquainted by neighing, people by talking.
7808. Horses have four legs though there often fall.
7809. Horses run after benefices and asses get them.
7810. Hospitality is one form of worship.
7811. Hot anger is not capable of cooking yams.
7812. Hour by hour time departs.
7813. Hours once lost cannot be regained.
7814. House divided against itself cannot stand.
7815. Household goods take after the homeowner.
7816. How beautiful it is to do nothing, and then rest afterward.
7817. How can a man be remembered when the giant trees in the forest are soon forgotten?
7818. How can one start a fast with baklava in one's hand?
7819. How can the cat help it if the maid is a fool?
7820. How can you expect to find ivory in a dog's mouth?
7821. How can you put out a fire set on a cart-load of firewood with only a cup of water?
7822. How did the wise men help with their ruling?
7823. How easily a hair gets into the butter.
7824. How echo is prompted, it will bounce back.
7825. How good at combing is the bald priest.
7826. How great man would be were he not so arrogant.

7827. How great the sufferings we endure.
7828. How lovely is the sun after rain, and how lovely is laughter after sorrow.
7829. How many accidents keep human life a rolling?
7830. How many daily read the Word, and yet from vice are not deterred.
7831. How much do we resemble that filthy brute the ape!
7832. How much is that doggy in the window?
7833. How near to guilt without actual guilt.
7834. How quickly with all is a kindness forgotten!
7835. How shall the enemy of the bride speak well of the wedding?
7836. How the mighty have fallen.
7837. How to dress? When the money is going from you wear anything you like. When the money is coming to you, dress your best.
7838. How to live happily, not luxuriously, is the question.
7839. How well you live makes a difference, not how long.
7840. How you come by it no one asks, but the wealth you must have.
7841. However big the whale maybe, the tiny harpoon can rob him of life.
7842. However bright the sun may shine; leave not your cloak at home.
7843. However early you wake up, the sun won't rise earlier.
7844. However far the stream flows, it never forgets its source.
7845. However full of the house, the hen finds a corner to lay in.
7846. However hard a thing is thrown into the air, it always falls to the ground.
7847. However high a bird may soar, it seeks its food on earth.
7848. However little you think of the elephant, you can't say it won't fill a pot.
7849. However long the moon disappears, someday it must shine again.
7850. However long the night may last, there will be a morning.
7851. However long the sun shines upon a thistle, it will never become a rose.
7852. However many languages you know, that much of a human you are.
7853. However much fruit a tree bears, it humbles its head that much more.
7854. However much it rains on you, no wild banana tree will grow on your head.
7855. However much the buttocks are in a hurry, they will always remain behind.
7856. However much the world degenerates, man shall never find worms in salt.
7857. However much would the string wind, the end will be reached anyway.
7858. However much you steal from your state (government), all the same you won't get your own back.
7859. However much, well you feed the wolf; he still looks at the woods.
7860. However poor the elephant, it will be worth more than ten frogs.
7861. However swift a man, he will not outstrip his shadow.
7862. However tall the mountain is, there's a road to the top of it.
7863. However tall you grow, you will never be taller than the hair on your head.
7864. However treacherous the sea maybe, women are still more so.
7865. Howling makes the wolf bigger than he really is.
7866. Hugs won't remove the desire.
7867. Human blood is all of one color
7868. Human blood is heavy; he who has shed it cannot run away.
7869. Humans think God directs.
7870. Humans thought God laughed
7871. Humility, this beautiful virtue, honors the age and the youth.
7872. Humming is one's ear is more (effective) than magic.

7873. Humor to a man is like a feather pillow. It is filled with what is easy to get but gives great comfort.
7874. Hunger and cold surrender a man to his enemy.
7875. Hunger and delay raise anger.
7876. Hunger breaks stone walls.
7877. Hunger brings people down, but pride can help them get up.
7878. Hunger drives good taste away.
7879. Hunger drives the wolf out of the wood.
7880. Hunger eats through stone walls.
7881. Hunger finds no fault with cookery.
7882. Hunger gives a relish even to raw beans.
7883. Hunger goes in a straight line, desire turns in circles.
7884. Hunger is a good cook.
7885. Hunger is a spice for any meal.
7886. Hunger is felt by slave and king alike.
7887. Hunger teaches us many a lesson.
7888. Hunger transmutes beans into almonds.
7889. Hunger will break through stone walls.
7890. Hunger will lead a fox out of the forest.
7891. Hunger, work, and sweat are the best herbs.
7892. Hungry bellies have no ears.
7893. Hungry flies sting sore.
7894. Hunt in every jungle, for there, is wisdom and good hunting in all of them.
7895. Hurried bitches give birth to twisted/dead young.
7896. Hurry with leisure.
7897. Hurry, hurry has no blessing.
7898. Hurrying and worrying are not the same as strength.
7899. Husband and wife are the same Satan.
7900. Husband is always the last to know.
7901. Husband, you are a cuckold; wife, who told you so?
7902. Hush, brides women, I knew all that before.
7903. Hussars pray for war and doctors for fever.
7904. Hyenas are caught with stinking bait.
7905. Hygiene is two-thirds of health.
7906. Hypocrisy is a homage that vice pays to virtue.
7907. Hypocrisy is the mother of peace.
7908. Hypocrites kick with their hind feet while licking with their tongues.
7909. Hypocritical piety is double iniquity.

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7910. I am a gentleman and you are a gentleman; who, then, should look after the pigs?
7911. I am closest to myself.
7912. I am dead It is as if everybody were dead Let the man left behind shut the door if he wants to.
7913. I am human, so nothing human is foreign to me.
7914. I am in a place where three ways meet.
7915. I am just as good as you are, and a damned sight better.
7916. I am like you and you like me the devil united us.
7917. I am neither for nor against, much to the contrary.
7918. I am not here to catch flies.
7919. I am on good terms with the friend who eats his bread with me.
7920. I am recommending you to do what I should do myself.
7921. I am scratching myself where I am itching.
7922. I am talking to you, daughter-in-law so that you could hear it, neighbor!
7923. I am touched but not broken by the waves.
7924. I am what you will be; I was what you now are.
7925. I am willing but unable.
7926. I attempted to be benevolent, but I got burnt.
7927. I beggar is not favored even by his relations.
7928. I being satisfied, the world is satisfied.
7929. I believe because it is absurd.
7930. I believe what you say; I'm surprised at what you do.
7931. I bought the nettle, sowed the nettle, and then the nettle stung me.
7932. I broke my leg, perhaps for my good.
7933. I came to you to help me, but I found that you need help.
7934. I came, I saw, I conquered.
7935. I can chew for you, my child, but you must swallow by yourself.
7936. I can find good in my boss but he is at loggerheads with me.
7937. I can only get better if I have good friends.
7938. I can push others' problem away with my hands, but can't put my own mind to my own one.
7939. I can see as far into a mill-stone as another man.
7940. I can't sing but I am a musicologist.
7941. I cannot get on with you or without you.
7942. I complained I had no shoes until I met a man who had no feet.
7943. I cried when I was born and as each day passes I know why.
7944. I dance to the tune that is played.
7945. I did not love, even if I yearned to love.
7946. I do not tell thee what thou art, thou wilt tell it thyself.
7947. I don't count them to you, wife, but a hog makes twelve puddings.
7948. I don't sow ground nuts when the monkey is watching.
7949. I don't vomit bile and then return to lick it up.
7950. I don't want it; I don't want it but put it into my hood.
7951. I don't want the cheese; I just want out of the trap.
7952. I dreamed a thousand new paths I woke and walked my old one.
7953. I eat it, and it's mine, and you stay away from me.

7954. I eat what others have planted and I plant what others want to eat.
7955. I gave him a staff for his support and he uses it to break my head.
7956. I gave so much advice that hair grew on my tongue.
7957. I give a present to the mother but I think of the daughter.
7958. I give, that you may give.
7959. I grew up among wise men and found that there is nothing better for a man than silence.
7960. I hate a jovial table companion with a good memory.
7961. I hate fetters though they are of gold.
7962. I have a cow in the sky, but cannot drink her milk.
7963. I have a mouth that I feed; it must speak what I please.
7964. I have an aunt who plays the guitar.
7965. I have built a monument more durable than bronze.
7966. I have it indeed, but it's not for you.
7967. I have lost my labor and my cost.
7968. I have money; you have money; so we are friends.
7969. I have no right to rejoice at the death of my enemy when I do not have eternal life myself.
7970. I have nothing for dinner, sit down to the table.
7971. I have so much to do that I am going to bed.
7972. I have the whole world against me, I show my back and the whole world is following me.
7973. I have two masters, God and the devil; I work for the devil until lunch then I follow the Lord.
7974. I have washed my hands of it.
7975. I hear and I forget, I see and I remember I do and I understand.
7976. I keep the faith.
7977. I kill the boars, but another eats the flesh.
7978. I kiss thee hide because thou art to be a wine-bag.
7979. I know by my own pot how the others boil.
7980. I know many songs, but I cannot sing.
7981. I know nothing about it; I haven't seen it; that is the best answer.
7982. I know on which side my bread is buttered.
7983. I know that I know nothing.
7984. I know they are all honest men, but my cloak is nowhere to be found.
7985. I know well what I say when I ask for bread.
7986. I know what I know but will say nothing about it.
7987. I left what I knew for what I heard praised, and repented.
7988. I like not fair terms and a villain's mind.
7989. I may go over my reckoning, but not over my time.
7990. I may have lost the ring, but I still have the fingers!
7991. I meant to cross myself and put out one of my eyes.
7992. I met a hundred men going to Delhi and everyone is my brother.
7993. I mistress and you miss, who is to sweep the house?
7994. I murmured because I had no shoes until I met a man who had no feet.
7995. I need not fear my enemies because the most they can do is attack me. I need not fear my friends because the most they can do is betray me. But, I have much to fear from people who are indifferent.

7996. I neither give nor take, as a Jew on the Sabbath
7997. I never ask God to give me anything; I only ask him to put me where things are.
7998. I never saw a silent rich man.
7999. I only have my nails to scratch with and my feet to walk on.
8000. I own a cow in heaven, but I cannot drink her milk.
8001. I perfectly feel even at my fingers' end.
8002. I prefer death to disgrace.
8003. I protect myself from my enemies; may God protect me from my friends!
8004. I ran from the wolf but ran into a bear.
8005. I regret that I have given what I have.
8006. I renounce the golden basin in which I have to spit blood.
8007. I rest, therefore I rust.
8008. I saw a man, who saw another man, who saw the sea.
8009. I say it to you, daughter; hear it, daughter-in-law.
8010. I see the better and acknowledge it, but I follow the worse.
8011. I sell it for what I bought it.
8012. I shall come for the cows after the donkeys have grown horns.
8013. I shall speak facts, but some will say I deal in fiction.
8014. I simply state what I have heard.
8015. I sing the song of the person whose bread I eat.
8016. I sit here happy and let sorrow catch some breathe.
8017. I struggle and arise.
8018. I stubborn and you stubborn, who is to carry the load?
8019. I swim not thanks to the wine, but thanks to the water.
8020. I think, therefore I am.
8021. I thought I had made the sign of the cross, and I hurt my eye.
8022. I thought I had no husband, and I eat up the stew.
8023. I too am not powerless, and my weapons strike hard.
8024. I too can lead the geese to water when it rains.
8025. I want more for my teeth than for my relations.
8026. I want no drones in my bee-hive.
8027. I was born on a Friday, but not last Friday.
8028. I was wise once: when I was born I cried.
8029. I went to my neighbor's house and was ashamed of myself; I got back to mine and made do with what I had.
8030. I wept when I was born and every day explains why.
8031. I will either find a way or I will make one.
8032. I will win the horse, or lose the saddle.
8033. I wish that he would sink as deep in the ground as a hare can run in ten years.
8034. I won't stop eating bread for fear of indigestion.
8035. I would as soon see your nose be cheese, and the cat gets the first bite of it.
8036. I would have had no luck, if not for misfortune.
8037. I would not purchase it at the price of a rotten nut.
8038. I would rather be in an apple-tree, than a bad man in distress.
8039. I would rather buy than beg.
8040. I would rather have a dog as a friend than an enemy.
8041. I would rather have a donkey that can carry me than a horse that throws me.
8042. I yield to no one.

8043. I'd like to drink honey with your lips.
8044. I'd rather be red than dead.
8045. I'll come again, said the woman who got caught in a wing of the windmill.
8046. I'll marry, and eat the prime of the pot, and sit down first.
8047. I'll sleep on it.
8048. I'm dead and buried in the countryside.
8049. I'm going to have to give you a pink slip.
8050. I'm not me, and this horse isn't mine.
8051. I'm talking to the door, but I want the walls to hear me.
8052. I've climbed mountains and searched promontories; while I find many husbands, I no longer find my brother.
8053. I've fried my sausage in better pans than these.
8054. I've got, but not for you.
8055. Ice in spring is treacherous; new friendships are seldom sure.
8056. Ices plant a new, one.
8057. Ideas are something that usually comes like a fireman, too late.
8058. Idiots can sometimes give good advice.
8059. Idle folks lack no excuses.
8060. Idle hands are the devil's playthings.
8061. Idle men tempt the devil; the devil tempts all others.
8062. Idleness has poverty for wages.
8063. Idleness is ever the root of indecision.
8064. Idleness is hunger's mother, and of theft, it is the bull brother.
8065. Idleness is mother to all vices.
8066. Idleness is the beginning of all sin.
8067. Idleness is to be dead in the limbs but alive within.
8068. Idleness moves so slowly that it will be overtaken by misery.
8069. Idleness ruins the constitution.
8070. Idleness rusts the mind.
8071. If 'How are you?' cost a cent, few would hear it.
8072. If a bad person has an important role, he can't anyway perform it aright.
8073. If a bamboo tube makes a loud sound, it is empty.
8074. If a beard were all, the goat would be the winner.
8075. If a bird knew how poor he was it wouldn't sing so beautifully.
8076. If a blind man leads another, they both fall together.
8077. If a blind man says he will throw a stone at you, he probably has his foot on one.
8078. If a cat is the judge the rat can't win its case.
8079. If a cat wants to eat her kittens, she'll say that they look like mice.
8080. If a centipede loses a leg, it does not prevent him from walking.
8081. If a child cries for a razor blade, give it to him.
8082. If a child is not well-behaved, she is not sent by the mother to go alone to the market to buy things for her.
8083. If a child shoots an arrow that reaches the top of a tall palm tree, then it must be that an elderly person carved the arrow for him.
8084. If a child washes his hands he could eat with kings.
8085. If a dead tree falls, it carries with it a live one.
8086. If a dog bites you and you don't bite him back, it will say that you have no teeth.
8087. If a dog offers to help you across the river, don't ask if he is suffering from the mange.

8088. If a dog's prayers were answered, bones would rain from the skies.
8089. If a drum is not made, it is the fault of the master; but if the drum is made and is not beaten, then that is the fault of the boys.
8090. If a flame has caught the firs, what will the moss on the wall say?
8091. If a flea had money, it would buy its own dog.
8092. If a fool borrows a book cut off his hand; but cut off both hands of the fool who brings it back.
8093. If a forest catches fire, both the dry and the wet will burn up.
8094. If a friend hurts you, run to your wife.
8095. If a greedy eater is near a patient, such a patient can never survive.
8096. If a Jew cannot be a shoemaker, he will dream of being a professor.
8097. If a job is worth doing it is worth doing well.
8098. If a leader loves you, he makes sure you build your house on the rock.
8099. If a link is broken, the entire chain breaks.
8100. If a man becomes powerful even his chicken and his dog go to heaven.
8101. If a man believes in stone, that stone will serve him well.
8102. If a man deceives me once, shame on him; if he deceives me twice, shame on me.
8103. If a man from humble beginnings gets rich, he will carry his umbrella at midnight.
8104. If a man has folly in his sleeve, it will be sure to peep out.
8105. If a man is a river, then a woman will be a bridge.
8106. If a man is destined to drown, he will drown even in a spoonful of water.
8107. If a man is great, even his dog will wear a proud look.
8108. If a man is not clean and smooth, there is nothing he can really do about pride.
8109. If a man leaves little children behind him, it is as if he did not die.
8110. If a man makes a soup of his tears, ask him not for broth.
8111. If a man once falls, all will tread on him.
8112. If a man wants to grow a long tooth, he should have the lip to cover it.
8113. If a man would know what he is, let him anger his neighbors.
8114. If a man would learn to pray let him go often to see.
8115. If a man would live in peace he should be blind, deaf, and dumb.
8116. If a man's heart is impure, all things will appear hostile to him.
8117. If a man's mouth were silent, then another part would speak.
8118. If a monkey is amongst dogs, why won't it start barking?
8119. If a mule goes a-traveling, he'll not come home a horse.
8120. If a pedestrian sees a horse he will want to ride it.
8121. If a person is away, his right is away.
8122. If a person shaves you with a razor, do not shave him with broken glass.
8123. If a person who curses another is not better than the person he curses, a request is never made of him to rescind the curse.
8124. If a poor man finds a penny, it is probably a false one.
8125. If a poor man gives to you, he expects more in return.
8126. If a rat wants to die it bites a cat's tail.
8127. If a rich man ate a snake, they would say it was because of his wisdom; if a poor man ate it, they would say it was because of his stupidity.
8128. If a rich man dies, all the world is moved; if a poor man dies, nobody knows it.
8129. If a rich man steals it is a mistake; if a poor man makes a mistake he has stolen.
8130. If a ruler hearkens to lies, all his servants are wicked.
8131. If a son is uneducated, his father is to blame.

8132. If a stone falls on an egg, it is bad for the egg; if an egg falls onto a stone, it is still bad for the egg.
8133. If a stranger comes to stay with you, do not forget when you lay aside his weapons that he is hungry.
8134. If a string has one end, then it has another end.
8135. If a thing's worth doing, it's worth doing well.
8136. If a toad jumps around in the daytime, it is either chasing something or something is chasing it.
8137. If a tree does not have branches, it does not have shade.
8138. If a wife is unfaithful then the husband is partly to blame.
8139. If a woman doesn't know what she has to answer then the sea is dry.
8140. If a woman gets rich she changes into a man.
8141. If a woman hears that something unusual is going on in heaven, she would find a ladder to go and look.
8142. If a woman sees a stick for beating her rival, she will throw it away in the woods.
8143. If a word is worth one shekel, silence is worth two.
8144. If a young woman says no to marriage just wait until her breasts sag.
8145. If advice will not improve him, neither will the rod.
8146. If age and experience came at birth, we would have neither youth nor mirth.
8147. If Ali is the camel-driver, he knows where to rest his camel.
8148. If all else fails, sleep with your mother.
8149. If all else fails, try the obvious.
8150. If all men were just, there would be no need for valor.
8151. If all of us take hold of it together, it won't feel heavy.
8152. If all pulled in one direction, the world would keel over.
8153. If all seeds that fall were to grow, then no one could follow the path under the trees.
8154. If all the bees made honey, there would be enough for even gypsies to eat.
8155. If an arrow has not entered deeply, then its removal is not hard.
8156. If an ass (donkey) brays at you, don't bray at him.
8157. If an eel is with fish, he shows his tail; if he is with snakes, he shows his head.
8158. If an enemy is annoying you by playing well, consider adopting his strategy.
8159. If and if my mule is pointy and full of marmalade.
8160. If anyone makes you laugh, it is not always because they love you.
8161. If anything can go wrong, it will.
8162. If at first, you do not succeed, try, and try again.
8163. If bad luck is asleep you must not awaken it.
8164. If begging should, unfortunately, be thy lot; knock at the large gates only.
8165. If better were within, better would come out.
8166. If Candlemas day is sunny and bright.
8167. If charity cost nothing and benevolence caused no heartache, the world would be full of philanthropists.
8168. If children's prayers were answered, there wouldn't be a single teacher alive.
8169. If cooks quarrel, the roast burns.
8170. If crocodiles eat their own eggs what would they do to the flesh of a frog?
8171. If customs are not customary, custom will mourn.
8172. If death is terrible, the fault is not in death, but thee.
8173. If does not go to the mountain, the mountain will go to Muhammad.
8174. If envy were a fever, all the world would be ill.

8175. If envy would burn, there would be no need for wood.
8176. If ever you should need my life, come and take it.
8177. If every day was a sunny day, who would not wish for rain?
8178. If every fool wore a crown, we should all be kings.
8179. If everyone gives one thread, the poor man will have a shirt
8180. If everyone is going to dance, then who will watch?
8181. If everyone swept in front of his house, the whole town would be clean.
8182. If everyone thought alike, no goods would ever be sold.
8183. If everyone were a gentleman, who would make the mills work?
8184. If everyone were wise, a fool would be the prize.
8185. If everything is coming your way, then you're in the wrong lane.
8186. If everything that came from your tongue were to come into your hands, then every beggar would be a pasha.
8187. If folly were a pain, there would be groaning in every house.
8188. If fools ate no bread, corn would be cheap.
8189. If fools went not to market, bad wares would not be sold.
8190. If fools were to eat no bread, corn would be cheap.
8191. If fortune turns against you, even jelly breaks your tooth.
8192. If glory comes after death, I'm not in a hurry.
8193. If God didn't like beautiful women, he wouldn't have made them.
8194. If God doesn't give children to you, the devil will give you nephews.
8195. If God had meant us to fly he'd have given us wings.
8196. If God is with us, who can be against us?
8197. If God listened to every shepherd's curse, our sheep would all be dead.
8198. If God lived on earth, people would break his windows.
8199. If God sends you a meal, the devil takes the sack.
8200. If God wants people to suffer, he sends them too much understanding.
8201. If God were living on earth, people would break His windows.
8202. If God were not forgiving, heaven would be empty.
8203. If God's wills, even males become fertile.
8204. If gold rusts, what will iron do?
8205. If he fell onto his back, he'd break his nose.
8206. If he gives you a rope, tie him with it.
8207. If he hadn't seen his father, he would have claimed kingship.
8208. If he keeps on imitating everybody the monkey will one day cut his own throat.
8209. If he says yogurt is white, I'll say it's black.
8210. If he should ask for wine, box his ears.
8211. If he waits long enough the world will be his own.
8212. If he won't carry the sack, give him a whack.
8213. If heaven above let's fall a plum, open your mouth.
8214. If heaven drops a date, open your mouth.
8215. If heaven made him, the earth can find some use for him.
8216. If his legs fail him, he fights on his knees.
8217. If his/her mule wasn't attached, s/he would give that away too.
8218. If horses neigh to one another, they become acquainted, if people talk to one another, they become acquainted.

8219. If hunger forces a farmer in a particular year to eat both his yam tubers and the seed-yams, the succeeding years would still be worse because he would have no yams to eat and none to plant.
8220. If I am a fool, put your finger in my mouth.
8221. If I am not for myself, who is for me? And when I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?
8222. If I am seen I am joking; if I am not seen I steal.
8223. If I am to be drowned, it shall be in clean water.
8224. If I dealt in candles, the sun would never set.
8225. If I die, I forgive you; if I recover, we shall see.
8226. If I had a dog as daft, I would shoot him.
8227. If I had two loaves of bread, I would sell one and buy hyacinths, for they would feed my soul.
8228. If I keep a green bough in my heart, the singing bird will come.
8229. If I peddle salt, it rains; if I peddle flour, the wind blows.
8230. If I sleep, I sleep for myself; if I work, I know not for whom.
8231. If I try to be like him, who will be like me?
8232. If I went to sea I should find it dry.
8233. If ill luck were cheese, dairy-women would go wanting work.
8234. If in doubt go left.
8235. If it can't be cured, it must be endured.
8236. If it does not kill you, it will bring you happiness.
8237. If it does not stink, it is not a foot.
8238. If it doesn't burn you, you haven't tasted it.
8239. If it doesn't have water for me, it sure has bread for you.
8240. If it hurts to spend your money, you will go hungry.
8241. If it is good then the deed is more important than the intention; if it's bad then the intention is worse than the deed.
8242. If it is not stolen, it is a legacy.
8243. If it is to be luck, the bull may as well calve as the cow.
8244. If it is worth taking, it is worth asking for.
8245. If it isn't seen, there's no guilt.
8246. If it looks like a duck, swims like a duck, and quacks like a duck, then it probably is a duck.
8247. If it must always be better, it can never be good enough.
8248. If it only depends on swearing, the cow is ours.
8249. If it pleases you, it does not displease me.
8250. If it rains on the pastor it drops on the vicar.
8251. If it tastes good it is expensive.
8252. If it were a snake, it would have bit you.
8253. If it were ever to rain soup, the poor would only have forks.
8254. If it were God's will, you could shoot with a broom too.
8255. If it were not for hope, the heart would break.
8256. If it were not for the belly, the back might wear gold.
8257. If it were not for the hands, the clock would be useless.
8258. If it weren't for sorrow and bad times, every day would be Christmas.
8259. If it's a big man that is hurting you, smile at him.
8260. If it's God's will the broom will lose its handle.

8261. If it's just a matter of someone dying, then let my father die, as he's older.
8262. If it's not here and now, who cares about what and when?
8263. If it's not one thing, it's another.
8264. If it's not true, it's a good story.
8265. If it's not your time, you won't be born and you won't die.
8266. If it's too good to be true, then it probably is.
8267. If it's worth doing, it's worth over-doing.
8268. If Jesus Christ comes to help me, I laugh at the angels.
8269. If lies are to find credence, they must be patched with the truth.
8270. If lies were Latin, there would be many learned men.
8271. If life gives you lemons, make lemonade.
8272. If life is fulfilled we go away with empty hands.
8273. If love is a sickness, patience is the remedy.
8274. If love is timid it is not true.
8275. If love is torn apart you cannot stitch the pieces together again.
8276. If lying were a capital crime, the hangman would work overtime.
8277. If marriage were a good thing, it wouldn't need witnesses.
8278. If men could foresee the future, they would still behave as they do now.
8279. If men were now to turn their hostility towards the cat, it would not be long before the domestic cat becomes a wild animal.
8280. If money is not thy servant, it will be thy master.
8281. If my aunt had been a man, she'd have been my uncle.
8282. If my shirt knew my design, I'd burn it.
8283. If neither animal nor vegetable you be, then mineral you are.
8284. If no one comes the dog does not bark.
8285. If not by washing, then by rolling.
8286. If not for your tongue, the crows would have gouged out your eyes.
8287. If nothing touches the palm-leaves they do not rustle.
8288. If old age was the same as wisdom, any old donkey would be a celebrated Justice.
8289. If one as to jump a stream and knows how wide it is, he will not jump If he doesn't know how wide it is, he'll jump, and six times out of ten he'll make it.
8290. If one cooks the meal then the others wash up.
8291. If one finger brought oil it soiled others.
8292. If one goes to a land where they cut off ears, he should cut off his own and contribute them.
8293. If one goes to bed with small kids, wakes up wet.
8294. If one hand were the other they would both want to be clean.
8295. If one imitates the upright, one becomes upright; if one imitates the crooked, one becomes crooked.
8296. If one is not fitted for a certain role, he/she should not try to assume it.
8297. If one is not in a hurry, even an egg will start walking.
8298. If one is told about an event beforehand, they can prepare.
8299. If one link has broken so has the whole chain.
8300. If one man praises you, a thousand will repeat the praise.
8301. If one soldier knew what the other thinks, there would be no war.
8302. If one sows pumpkins with the devil, they will bash onto one's head.
8303. If one were to remove every smoking wood from fire and condemn it as bad, one would be killing the fire itself.

8304. If one won't, another will.
8305. If one word does not succeed, ten thousand are of no avail.
8306. If one would not eat pounded yam for its own sake, one can still eat it for the sake of the soup that goes with it.
8307. If one, two, three say you are an ass, put on a tail.
8308. If only I were a bird! Ah, but eating caterpillars?
8309. If only one race has to be chosen, why the Jews?
8310. If only the youth would know if the old age would be able to.
8311. If others are allowed to, that does not mean you are.
8312. If peace reigns in the land, a nun can govern it.
8313. If people lead, the leaders will follow.
8314. If poor, act with caution.
8315. If power is for sale, sell your mother to buy it. You can always buy her back again.
8316. If praying had helped, he could have hired someone to do it.
8317. If pride were a disease, how many would be already dead?
8318. If rain bothers you, you can always jump into the sea.
8319. If regret was a horn, the fellow's horn would reach the sky.
8320. If relatives help each other, what evil can hurt them?
8321. If rubles fell from heaven the poor would have no bag.
8322. If she works for you, you work for him.
8323. If someone accompanies you in darkness, accompany them in the moonlight.
8324. If someone hits you with a stone, hit him with bread; your bread will return to you and his stone will return to him.
8325. If someone is coming to kill you, get up early, and kill him first.
8326. If someone puts their trust in you, don't sever it
8327. If someone says "there is a wedding ceremony in the clouds," then the women would soon arrive with their ladders.
8328. If someone sweats for you, you change his shirt.
8329. If something can go wrong, it will.
8330. If something happens to the master the servants will get his share too.
8331. If something that was going to chop off your head only knocked off your cap, you should be grateful.
8332. If sorrow would not talk it would die.
8333. If speech is silver, silence is gold.
8334. If strokes are good to give, they are good to receive.
8335. If summer had a mother, she would weep at summer's passing.
8336. If sweetness is excessive, it is no longer sweet.
8337. If the bald man knew a remedy he would rub it on his own head.
8338. If the bathroom and brandy cannot help a man, then death is imminent.
8339. If the beard meant everything, the goat would preach.
8340. If the beard were all, goats could preach.
8341. If the bird hadn't sung, it wouldn't have been shot.
8342. If the brain sows not corn, it plants thistles.
8343. If the bread in the oven is a failure you lose a week; if the harvest is a failure you lose a year; if marriage is a failure then you lose a life.
8344. If the bride can't dance, she blames the musicians.
8345. If the bull would throw you, lie down.
8346. If the camel once gets his nose in the tent, his body will soon follow.

8347. If the cap fits, wear it.
8348. If the cat had wings all sparrows would die.
8349. If the child does not cry, the mother knows not its wants.
8350. If the claw is stuck, the whole bird is lost.
8351. If the deceased is no good, one shouldn't waste good candles on him.
8352. If the devil catches a man idle he'll set him at work.
8353. If the devil is going to disguise himself, it will be as a monk or a lawyer.
8354. If the devil is powerless, send him a woman.
8355. If the devil is your godfather you will be welcome in hell.
8356. If the Devil were dead, folk would do little for God's sake.
8357. If the doctor cures, the sun sees it; if he kills, the earth hides it.
8358. If the doctor is fasting it is bad for the priest.
8359. If the dog barks, go in; if the female dog barks you had better stay outside.
8360. If the dog is not at home, he barks not.
8361. If the eye does not admire, the heart will not desire.
8362. If the family is together, the soul is in the right place.
8363. If the farmer is poor then so is the whole country.
8364. If the father is a frog, the son will be a frog.
8365. If the father marries the aunt, he's an uncle.
8366. If the fight is tomorrow, why then clench your fist today?
8367. If the fire does not burn you the smoke will blacken you.
8368. If the fish comes out of the water to say that the crocodile is ill, no one should doubt it.
8369. If the flesh is not to be had, fish must content us.
8370. If the food is delicious, the tongue knows.
8371. If the fool has a hunchback no one remarks about it; if a wise man has a boil everybody talks about it.
8372. If the full moon loves you, why worry about the stars?
8373. If the goat had a longer tail he could wipe the stars clean.
8374. If the hare is your enemy, admit that he can run fast.
8375. If the head is dumb, the body suffers.
8376. If the headaches all the members of the body suffer.
8377. If the heart is sad, tears will flow.
8378. If the heart worries there is no lack of tears.
8379. If the hill is on fire the grasshoppers are roasted.
8380. If the horse is already dead more hay will not help it.
8381. If the horseman is bad, it's the horse's fault.
8382. If the hours are long enough and the pay is short enough, someone will say its women's work.
8383. If the hunter comes back with mushrooms, don't ask him how his hunt was.
8384. If the husband is the head, the wife ought to be his neck.
8385. If the hyena eats the sick man, he will eat the whole one.
8386. If the judge is against you, you should withdraw the complaint.
8387. If the king says that it is night in the middle of the day, look up at the stars.
8388. If the knitter is weary the baby will have no new bonnet.
8389. If the lady of the house breaks something it is an unfortunate accident; if the servant does, then it is a terrible disaster.
8390. If the landlady is fair, the wine is fair.
8391. If the left-hand battles the right, who wins?

8392. If the lion's skin cannot, the fox's shall.
8393. If the load doesn't go on the donkey, the donkey will go under the load.
8394. If the master gets drunk it is an honorable drunkenness; if the servant does it is evidence of his mean disposition.
8395. If the moon helps me I will scoff at the stars.
8396. If the moon is with you, you need not care about the stars.
8397. If the mule doesn't go to the burden, then the burden will come to the mule.
8398. If the owner of a calabash calls it a worthless calabash, others will join him to use it to pack rubbish.
8399. If the owner of the goat is not afraid to travel by night, the owner of a hyena certainly will not be.
8400. If the palm of the hand itches it signifies the coming of great luck.
8401. If the panther knew how much he is feared, he would do much more harm.
8402. If the peacock were to look at its feet, it would stop him strutting.
8403. If the peasant doesn't hear the thunder he won't make the sign of the cross.
8404. If the pedestal is beautiful the statue must be even more beautiful.
8405. If the place you have arrived at is blind, shut your eyes.
8406. If the pocket is empty, the judge is deaf.
8407. If the pupil is smart, the teacher gets the credit.
8408. If the ram is fond of butting, its courage comes from the heart and not from the horns.
8409. If the rich could hire other people to die for them, the poor could make a wonderful living.
8410. If the seawater were hotter we could catch boiled fish.
8411. If the secret sorrows of everyone could be read on their forehead, how many who now cause envy would suddenly become the objects of pity.
8412. If the shoe fits, wear it.
8413. If the skin of your belly is tight, the skin of your eyelids can sleep.
8414. If the sky falls there will be pots broken.
8415. If the sky were to fall we should catch plenty of larks.
8416. If the soup is sweet, it is money that cooks it.
8417. If the stomachache were in the foot, one would go lame.
8418. If the Sultan demands five eggs, let his soldiers roast a thousand chickens.
8419. If the sun claims superiority over the moon, let it shine at night.
8420. If the sun doesn't come through the window, the doctor will come through the door.
8421. If the tail of the dog can save me, I don't care about its stench.
8422. If the teacher is corrupt, the world will be corrupt.
8423. If the thunder is not loud, the peasant forgets to cross himself.
8424. If the townspeople are happy, look for the chief.
8425. If the truth hurts, you are not living right.
8426. If the village stands, it can break a trunk.
8427. If the walls were adamant, gold would take the town.
8428. If the wife sins the husband is not innocent.
8429. If the wind blows, it enters every crevice.
8430. If the wind will not serve, take to the oars.
8431. If the wine bothers you while you work, stop working.
8432. If the wine comes in, good sense goes out.
8433. If the world is flooded, it wouldn't matter for the duck.
8434. If the young knew and the old could, there is nothing that couldn't be done.

8435. If there are many buyers in the market, the merchant doesn't wash his turnips.
8436. If there are no nightingales one must settle for owls.
8437. If there are two cooks in one house, the soup is either too salty or too cold.
8438. If there be a hell, Rome is built over it.
8439. If there be no remedy, why worry?
8440. If there is a rich man in the area three villages are ruined.
8441. If there is a strong general, there will be no weak soldiers.
8442. If there is a wave there must be a wind.
8443. If there is any profit in partnership, two will share a woman.
8444. If there is cause to hate someone, the cause to love has just begun.
8445. If there is character, ugliness becomes beauty; if there is none, beauty becomes ugliness.
8446. If there is no wind, row.
8447. If there is only one earring among seven daughters, there will always be a quarrel on festival days.
8448. If there is room in the heart, there is room for the behind.
8449. If there is still doubt do not accuse.
8450. If there wasn't the little word 'if', my father would be a millionaire.
8451. If there were no clouds, we should not enjoy the sun.
8452. If there were no cold Friday evenings and boring Saturdays, no one would get married anymore.
8453. If there were no elephants in the jungle, the buffalo would be a great animal.
8454. If there were no receiver there would be no thief.
8455. If there were no sighing in the world, the world would stifle.
8456. If there were no tears, our ribs would burn.
8457. If there were no wrongdoing, there would be no forgiveness.
8458. If there's no bread, cakes are very good.
8459. If they are offered winged ants, people will eat them.
8460. If they had cereal, they'd want gumbo.
8461. If they say there is a wedding in the sky, women would try to put up a ladder.
8462. If they say you are good, ask yourself if it is true.
8463. If things are getting easier, maybe you're headed downhill.
8464. If things are not as you wish, wish them as they are.
8465. If things were to be done twice all would be wise.
8466. If three people say you are an ass, put on a bridle.
8467. If thy heart fails thee, why then climb at all?
8468. If thy strength will serve, go forward in the ranks; if not, standstill.
8469. If time has passed, there is no point in preparing.
8470. If to-day will not, tomorrow may.
8471. If triangles had a God, He'd have three sides.
8472. If two doctors visit a sick man, the sexton rings the bells.
8473. If two people say you're drunk, go to bed.
8474. If two ride on a horse, one must ride behind.
8475. If two wise men always agree, then there is no need for one of them.
8476. If we all pulled in one direction, the world would keel over.
8477. If we can't as we would, we must do as we can.
8478. If we cannot do what we want, we must want what we can.
8479. If we did not flatter ourselves the flattery from others would not harm us.

8480. If we do not change our direction, we are likely to end up where we are headed.
8481. If we don't fight we remain equals, if we do fight then one of us wins.
8482. If we knew where death resided, we would never stay there.
8483. If we pay for the music we will take part in the dance.
8484. If we put a hammer in every person's hand, could they all become blacksmiths?
8485. If we will be alive we will not die.
8486. If wealth is lost, nothing is lost If health is lost, something is lost If character is lost, everything is lost.
8487. If while climbing a tree you insist on going beyond the top, the earth will be waiting for you.
8488. If wishes were horses then beggars would ride.
8489. If wishes were true, shepherds would be kings.
8490. If women were not vain, men could teach them how to be.
8491. If wood-hewing were an order, there would be fewer monks.
8492. If work brings health, let the sick do it.
8493. If work were a delicacy, the masters would do it themselves.
8494. If ye had as little money as ye have manners, ye would be the poorest man of all your kin.
8495. If you 'marry' a monkey for his wealth, the money goes and.
8496. If you add to the truth, you take something away from it.
8497. If you agree to carry the calf, they'll make you carry the cow.
8498. If you always give, you will always have.
8499. If you always live with those who are lame, you will learn to limp.
8500. If you are a fast talker at least think slowly.
8501. If you are a friend of the captain, you can wipe your hands on the sail.
8502. If you are a host to your guest, be a host to his dog also.
8503. If you are a mouse don't follow frogs.
8504. If you are a peg, endure the knocking; if you are a mallet, strike.
8505. If you are a surgeon, set your own bones.
8506. If you are already wet, you won't care about the rain.
8507. If you are always dwelling in trouble, change your address.
8508. If you are among the roses, your friends will look for you among the thorns.
8509. If you are an elephant don't offend the cat.
8510. If you are bitter at heart, sugar in the mouth will not help you.
8511. If you are born fat you will not die thin
8512. If you are building a house and a nail breaks, do you stop building or do you change the nail?
8513. If you are buying a cow, make sure that the price of the tail is included.
8514. If you are contented with your lot, you will live wisely.
8515. If you are dancing with your rivals, don't close your eyes.
8516. If you are determined, just do it!
8517. If you are doing wrong, make sure you don't get fat from it.
8518. If you are eager to be in the shadow, leave your ax at home.
8519. If you are filled with pride, then you will have no room for wisdom.
8520. If you are going a long way, go slowly.
8521. If you are going into the wood, don't leave your ax at home.
8522. If you are going out for a fight leave your best hat at home.
8523. If you are going out to steal, go alone, otherwise, there is a witness.

8524. If you are going to bathe, get thoroughly wet.
8525. If you are going to die you will die in the dark even if you have been in the candle business.
8526. If you are going to fall its muddy everywhere.
8527. If you are going to have a roast, a chicken is better than a phoenix.
8528. If you are going to sit on it for three years, the seat will certainly get warm.
8529. If you are going to steal bells plug your ears.
8530. If you are hunting for a red deer then ignore the hares.
8531. If you are in a hurry, go via the roundabout.
8532. If you are in hiding, don't light a fire.
8533. If you are in the house of a friend, bad times are soon forgotten.
8534. If you are kind to the cruel, you will be cruel to the kind.
8535. If you are looking for a fly in your food it means that you are full.
8536. If you are looking for bad luck, you will soon find it.
8537. If you are lucky, even your ox will calve.
8538. If you are man enough, break this pestle's handle.
8539. If you are married to a chicken obey the chicken If you are married to a dog obey the dog.
8540. If you are not a fish, how can you know if the fish are happy?
8541. If you are not a rose, do not be a thorn either.
8542. If you are not good for yourself, how can you be good for others?
8543. If you are not so strong, don't carry heavy burdens.
8544. If you are not the lead dog, the view never changes.
8545. If you are offered a bull, do not ask how much milk he will give.
8546. If you are patient in one moment of anger, you will escape a hundred days of sorrow.
8547. If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people.
8548. If you are praised by a villain, mend your ways at once.
8549. If you are ready to believe, you are easy to deceive.
8550. If you are sick, think about your life; if you are better, think about your gold.
8551. If you are threatened by a man, sleep at night, if it is by a woman then stay awake.
8552. If you are too busy to laugh, you are too busy.
8553. If you are too modest you will go hungry.
8554. If you are too smart to pay the doctor, you had better be too smart to get ill.
8555. If you are too sparing with the cat's food, the rats will eat your ears.
8556. If you are travelling in the blind man's country close one eye.
8557. If you are ugly you must either learn to dance or make love.
8558. If you are ugly, be winsome.
8559. If you are up to your knees in pleasure, then you are up to your waist in grief.
8560. If you are wearing shoes, you don't fear the thorns.
8561. If you are well, I am well.
8562. If you are willing to admit faults, you have one less fault to admit.
8563. If you beat my drum, I will blow your whistle.
8564. If you beat spice it will smell the sweeter.
8565. If you believe everything you read, you had better not read.
8566. If you believe that dreams can come true be prepared for the occasional nightmare.
8567. If you borrow some chaff from the rich man you have to repay him with wheat.
8568. If you bow at all, bow low.

8569. If you build it they will come.
8570. If you bury the truth by the head, it will arise by the feet.
8571. If you buy cheap meat, you'll smell what you have saved when it boils.
8572. If you buy cheaply, you pay dearly.
8573. If you buy quality, you only cry once.
8574. If you buy what you don't need, you steal from yourself.
8575. If you call a lady a slave, she laughs, but if you call a slave a slave, he cries.
8576. If you can command yourself, you can command the world.
8577. If you can give me no ointment for my wound, can you help me by not rubbing salt in?
8578. If you can steal, be able to be responsible for it.
8579. If you can walk you can dance.
8580. If you can't be good, be careful.
8581. If you can't beat them, arrange to have them beaten.
8582. If you can't beat them, join them.
8583. If you can't change your fate, change your attitude.
8584. If you can't dance well, you'd better not get up.
8585. If you can't feed a horse, how are you going to feed an elephant?
8586. If you can't get it in bushels, take it in spoonful.
8587. If you can't get people to listen to you any other way, tell them it's confidential.
8588. If you can't give any sugar then speak sweetly.
8589. If you can't go over, you must go under.
8590. If you can't hold on to the horse's mane then don't try to hang on to its tail.
8591. If you can't stand the heat get out of the kitchen.
8592. If you can't use your eyes, follow your nose.
8593. If you cannot become rich, be the neighbor of a rich man.
8594. If you cannot build a town, build a heart.
8595. If you cannot catch a fish, do not blame the sea.
8596. If you cannot contribute positivity, least do not contribute adversity.
8597. If you cannot have the best, make the best of what you have.
8598. If you cannot heal the wound, do not tear it open.
8599. If you cannot live longer, live deeper.
8600. If you cannot say it, point to it with your finger.
8601. If you cannot serve, you cannot rule.
8602. If you care for the court, the court will bring care for you.
8603. If you carry the egg basket do not dance.
8604. If you climb up a tree, you must climb down the same tree.
8605. If you close one eye, you will not hear everything.
8606. If you come up in this world, be sure not to go down in the next.
8607. If you commence a good action, leave it not incomplete.
8608. If you cross your bridges before you come to them, you will have to pay the toll twice.
8609. If you cut down the trees you will find the wolf.
8610. If you damage the character of another, you damage your own.
8611. If you dance you must pay the fiddler.
8612. If you deal in camels, make the doors high.
8613. If you desire peace, be ever prepared for war.
8614. If you destroy a bridge, be sure you can swim.
8615. If you destroy the bridge you'd better know how to swim.
8616. If you dip your arm into the pickle pot let it be up to the elbow.

8617. If you do good to the devil, out of gratitude he will deliver you to hell.
8618. If you do not gather firewood, you cannot keep warm.
8619. If you do not have a head, you must have legs.
8620. If you do not have patience you cannot make beer.
8621. If you do not know death, look at the grave.
8622. If you do not know how to fish, do not stir up the water.
8623. If you do not step on the dog's tail, he will not bite you.
8624. If you do not travel, you will marry your own sister.
8625. If you do what you should not do, you will see what you should not see.
8626. If you don't buy a ticket, you can't win the raffle.
8627. If you don't crack the shell, you can't eat the nut.
8628. If you don't eat you will die; overeating will shorten your life.
8629. If you don't have a brain, join the army; if you don't have rice, use beans instead.
8630. If you don't have a dog, you hunt with a cat.
8631. If you don't have a hundred rubles, make sure you have a hundred friends.
8632. If you don't have a plan for yourself, you'll be part of someone else's.
8633. If you don't have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all.
8634. If you don't have what you love, you have to love what you have.
8635. If you don't know where you're going, any train will get you there.
8636. If you don't lift the skirt of a bride you don't know what she wears under it.
8637. If you don't light fires, smoke won't get in your eyes.
8638. If you don't like the heat, get out of the kitchen.
8639. If you don't make mistakes you don't make anything.
8640. If you don't scale the mountain, you can't view the plain.
8641. If you don't see the bottom, don't wade.
8642. If you don't speculate, you can't accumulate.
8643. If you don't stand for something, you will fall for something.
8644. If you don't take it, you don't have it.
8645. If you don't understand it with a wink, you certainly will with a blow.
8646. If you don't want to be deceived, you must have as many eyes as hairs on the head.
8647. If you don't want to do something, one excuse is as good as another.
8648. If you don't wish to have rags for clothes, don't play with a dog.
8649. If you don't work you shan't eat.
8650. If you don't have a plan for yourself, you'll be part of someone else's.
8651. If you drink the water, follow the custom.
8652. If you eat a live toad first thing in the morning, nothing worse will happen all day long.
8653. If you eat it up at supper, you cannot have it for breakfast.
8654. If you eat someone's cake, you must also eat his lentils.
8655. If you eat your bagel, you'll have nothing in your pocket but the hole.
8656. If you educate a man you educate one individual, but if you educate a woman you educate a family.
8657. If you enjoy riding, you better enjoy pulling the sleigh.
8658. If you enter the city of the blind, cover your eyes.
8659. If you fail to plan, then you plan to fail.
8660. If you fail to take away a strong man's sword when he is on the ground, will you do it when he gets up?
8661. If you fake it, you can't make it.
8662. If you fall in a river hang on to a snake.

8663. If you fall in love let her be a beauty.
8664. If you should steal, let it be a camel.
8665. If you fall into a pit, Providence is under no obligation to come and look for you.
8666. If you fall off a cliff, you might as well try to fly After all, you got nothing to lose.
8667. If you fear God, you won't fear humans.
8668. If you feed the mouth, the eye becomes shy.
8669. If you feel an urge to work, take a nap, and it will pass.
8670. If you find no fish, you have to eat bread.
8671. If you find your friend on the sofa at home with your wife, you had better sell the sofa.
8672. If you flatter the mother, you will embrace the daughter.
8673. If you follow a fool, you're a fool yourself.
8674. If you follow god, you won't find anything.
8675. If you follow the lead of the rooster, you'll be led to the poulterer.
8676. If you forgive the fox for stealing your chickens, he will take your sheep.
8677. If you get mixed with bran you'll soon be pecked by chickens.
8678. If you get rich, be in a dark corner when you jump for joy.
8679. If you get up one more time than you fall you will make it through.
8680. If you give a gift to a rich man, the devil sniggers.
8681. If you give a man nuts then give him something to crack them with.
8682. If you give a mouse a cookie, he'll always ask for a glass of milk.
8683. If you give away what you have, you will not yearn for what you see.
8684. If you give in to a fool, he will say, 'This is because they are afraid of me'.
8685. If you give orders and leave, the work won't get done.
8686. If you give someone a finger he wants the whole hand.
8687. If you go for a day trip, take a week's supply of bread.
8688. If you go into a goat stable, bleat; if you go into a water buffalo stable, bellow.
8689. If you go only once round the room, you are wiser than he who sits still.
8690. If you go out a lot at night, you will probably meet ghosts.
8691. If you go to bed hungry, you'll wake up without having slept.
8692. If you go to sleep with the blind, you'll wake up squinting.
8693. If you got it flaunt it.
8694. If you had kept your silence, you would have stayed a philosopher.
8695. If you had teeth of steel, you could eat iron coconuts.
8696. If you hate a man, let him live.
8697. If you have a bulldozer, you don't need a snow shovel.
8698. If you have a friend who is a doctor, then send him to your enemy's house.
8699. If you have a good case, try to compromise; if you have a bad one, take it to court.
8700. If you have a good cellar at home don't go drinking at the tavern.
8701. If you have a good friend, you don't need a mirror
8702. If you have a mouth, you can go to Rome.
8703. If you have a sore eye wipe it with your elbow.
8704. If you have a tail of straw, then keep away from the fire.
8705. If you have escaped the jaws of the crocodile while bathing in the river, you will surely meet a leopard on the way.
8706. If you have figs in your knapsack, everyone will want to be your friend.
8707. If you have five wives, then you have five tongues.
8708. If you have given away much of your wealth, then you have given a little of your heart.
8709. If you have money and wine, your friends will be many.

8710. If you have money, men think you are wise, handsome, and able to sing like a bird.
8711. If you have much, give of your wealth; if you have little, give of your heart.
8712. If you have never done anything evil, you should not be worrying about devils knocking at your door.
8713. If you have never seen evil, look closely at yourself sometimes.
8714. If you have never seen the bottom of the tree, you cannot know how tall it stands.
8715. If you have no arrows in your quiver, go not with archers.
8716. If you have no enemies think then that your own mother might have produced one.
8717. If you have no money, be polite.
8718. If you have no one else, then confer with your knee.
8719. If you have no teeth, do not break to clay cooking pot.
8720. If you have nothing better to do, go to bed with your own wife.
8721. If you have nothing else to offer me, offer me your smile.
8722. If you have nothing to lose, you can try everything.
8723. If you have one finger pointing at somebody, you have three pointing towards yourself.
8724. If you have one pair of good soles it is better than two pairs of good uppers.
8725. If you have planted a tree you must water it too.
8726. If you have run out of gunpowder, use your gun as a club.
8727. If you have the moon, ignore the stars.
8728. If you have to drag a dog to the hunt, neither he nor.
8729. If you have to swallow two frogs, don't swallow the smaller one first.
8730. If you have two loaves of bread, sell one and buy a lily.
8731. If you have worked hard and made wise choices, you will find contentment.
8732. If you have, give; if you lack, seek.
8733. If you haven't been to two marketplaces, you don't know which the best value is.
8734. If you hear hoof beats, look for horses, not zebras.
8735. If you hear the mountain has moved, believe; but if you hear that a man has changed his character; believe it not.
8736. If you heat an empty pot it bursts.
8737. If you hold high office, the whole village will share your fame.
8738. If you hunt with cats you'll catch mice.
8739. If you invite yourself, bring your own chair.
8740. If you keep your mouth shut, you won't put your foot in it.
8741. If you kick a stone in anger, you'll hurt your own foot.
8742. If you know his father and grandfather, don't worry about his son.
8743. If you know how to lullaby, why can't you put yourself to sleep?
8744. If you know the beginning well, the end will not trouble you.
8745. If you know what a dollar is worth, try to borrow it.
8746. If you laugh before breakfast you'll cry before supper.
8747. If you laugh today, you will cry tomorrow.
8748. If you learn a lot, you'll age soon.
8749. If you lend something you may lose it, but not if you give it.
8750. If you let everyone walk over you, you become a carpet.
8751. If you let the weeds grow for a year you will need seven to clear them.
8752. If you lie and then tell the truth, the truth will be considered a lie.
8753. If you light one candle for God, then you must light two for the devil.
8754. If you like to have things easy, you'll have difficulties; if you like problems, you will succeed.

8755. If you live on the river, befriend the crocodile.
8756. If you live properly, don't worry about what the evil ones say?
8757. If you look for a faultless woman, you will remain a bachelor.
8758. If you look for trouble, you will not miss it.
8759. If you lose one, there are a thousand more to choose from.
8760. If you lose your girlfriend in a crowded bar, just start talking to a beautiful girl and she will reappear.
8761. If you love me, John, your acts will tell me so.
8762. If you love somebody, let them go, for if they return, they were always yours and if they don't, they never were.
8763. If you love your son, make him leave home.
8764. If you make a fool to pray to God, he will hurt forehead.
8765. If you make a habit of buying things you do not need, you will soon be selling things you do.
8766. If you make love in the shade you get cold.
8767. If you make yourself into a doormat, people will wipe their feet on you.
8768. If you marry a young woman, make sure your friends stay outside.
8769. If you marry money the devil lays an egg in your storeroom.
8770. If you miss the official appointment try hard to get it!
8771. If you must be a servant, serve the rich; if you must be a dog, let it be a temple dog.
8772. If you must dance with the devil, you might as well know his favorite song.
8773. If you must play, decide on three things at the start: the rules of the game, the stakes, and the quitting time.
8774. If you must, you can do a lot.
8775. If you neglect the pot, it boils over and extinguishes the fire.
8776. If you offend, ask for a pardon; if offended forgive.
8777. If you open the eyes of a blind man he wants to go back to the darkness.
8778. If you overtake a leader, you break your neck.
8779. If you pay peanuts, you get monkeys.
8780. If you pay what you owe, what you're worth you'll know.
8781. If you pick up one end of the stick you also pick up the other.
8782. If you pick up too much, some fall down.
8783. If you play with fire you get burned.
8784. If you play with the fool at home, he will play with you abroad.
8785. If you praise the man who taps the palm tree, he'll put water in the palm wine.
8786. If you pray for another, you will be helped yourself.
8787. If you pull one pig by the tail all the rest squeak.
8788. If you put a razor in your mouth, you will spit blood.
8789. If you put in the work to sharpen the steel, it will eventually turn into needles.
8790. If you put in you can take out.
8791. If you reach for something that is far too good for you, it is not going to end well.
8792. If you really have to sin, then choose a sin that you enjoy.
8793. If you receive a gift don't measure it.
8794. If you refuse to be made straight when you are green, you will not be made straight when you are dry.
8795. If you rely on God, you won't fail.
8796. If you reprove one error, you will correct a hundred.
8797. If you respect your wife like a friend you won't have children with her.

8798. If you rise too early, the dew will wet you.
8799. If you rush things, you'll just make others laugh.
8800. If you scatter thorns, don't go barefoot.
8801. If you see a frog squatting on his house, don't ask him for a chair.
8802. If you see him riding on a bamboo-cane, say to him, 'Good health to your horse!
8803. If you see in your wine the reflection of a person not in your range of vision, don't drink it.
8804. If you see no reason for giving thanks, the fault lies in yourself.
8805. If you see that a town worships a calf, then cut the grass and feed it.
8806. If you see what the ducks eat then you eat no more duck.
8807. If you see your neighbor's beard burning then wet your own.
8808. If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you.
8809. If you sell the cow, you sell her milk too.
8810. If you share a man's wealth, try to lessen his misfortune.
8811. If you shoot your arrows at stones, you will damage them.
8812. If you sing before breakfast, you'll cry before night.
8813. If you sit at a crossroads, you will get sick.
8814. If you sit with us, you will become like us.
8815. If you sleep with itching anus, you will definitely wake up with your hands smelling.
8816. If you sleep, your business sleeps too.
8817. If you snooze, you lose.
8818. If you sow arrows, you will reap sorrows.
8819. If you speak the truth, keep a foot in the stirrup.
8820. If you speak up, you will go farther in life.
8821. If you spit against the wind, you spit in your own face.
8822. If you spit downwards, it hits the beard, if you spit upwards, the mustache.
8823. If you spit in the face of a coward he'll tell you that it's raining.
8824. If you stand straight, do not fear a crooked shadow.
8825. If you start thinking of death, you are no longer sure of life.
8826. If you starve for three days, there is no thought that does not invade your imagination.
8827. If you stay at home you won't wear out your shoes.
8828. If you stay long enough in one place the whole world passes you by.
8829. If you steal something small you are a petty thief, but if you steal millions you are a gentleman of society.
8830. If you step on a dead hen, it'll also squeak.
8831. If you stop every time a dog barks, your road will never end.
8832. If you strike a goad with your fist, your hand will suffer most.
8833. If you strip off your clothes by the water you have no choice but to bathe.
8834. If you sup with the devil, use a long spoon.
8835. If you suspect a man, don't employ him, and if you employ him, don't suspect him.
8836. If you swear you will catch no fish.
8837. If you take big paces you leave big spaces.
8838. If you take from the hill, it'll shake.
8839. If you take too long to choose, you will end up with the leftovers.
8840. If you take your tongue to the pawnshop, you can't redeem it later.
8841. If you talk to an official you must talk about rubles.
8842. If you talk to the blacksmith you'll get hit by sparks.
8843. If you tell people to live together, you tell them to quarrel.

8844. If you tell the truth too early, you are laughed at, too late and you are stoned.
8845. If you think about things too long, good thoughts will disappear.
8846. If you think education is expensive, try ignorance.
8847. If you think that you know everything, then you're a jack ass.
8848. If you think you have someone eating out of your hands, it is a good idea to count your fingers.
8849. If you think your bundle of dirty clothes is too heavy, try picking up your neighbor's.
8850. If you throw a handful of stones, one at least will hit.
8851. If you throw a stone in a crowded market, you are likely to hit your relative.
8852. If you throw money away with your hands, you will seek it later with your feet.
8853. If you throw mud enough, some of it will stick.
8854. If you throw nettles into your neighbors garden you will find them growing on your own.
8855. If you took the tug, don't say you're not strong enough.
8856. If you trust before you try, you may repent before you die.
8857. If you try to cleanse others, just like soap, you will waste away in the process!
8858. If you try to please all you will please none.
8859. If you turn into a dog, be sure to choose a rich family.
8860. If you understand everything, you must be misinformed.
8861. If you understand, things are just as they are; if you do not understand, things are just as they are.
8862. If you wait for tomorrow, tomorrow comes If you don't wait for tomorrow, tomorrow comes.
8863. If you wait long enough, it will be good weather.
8864. If you wake up in the morning and feel no pain it is to be feared that you died in the night.
8865. If you walk on snow you cannot hide your footprints.
8866. If you want a cricket go give birth to it.
8867. If you want a place in the sun, you must leave the shade of the family tree.
8868. If you want a thing done right, do it yourself.
8869. If you want a thing well done, do it yourself.
8870. If you want a well, only dig in one place.
8871. If you want advice, ask it to the old man.
8872. If you want an audience, start a fight.
8873. If you want apples, you have to shake the trees.
8874. If you want breakfast in bed, sleep in the kitchen.
8875. If you want clear water, draw it from the spring.
8876. If you want dinner, don't insult the cook.
8877. If you want equality, then go to the graveyard.
8878. If you want fire, look for it in the ashes.
8879. If you want good service, serve yourself.
8880. If you want heaven to know, tell it to the wind.
8881. If you want peace prepare for war.
8882. If you want some lies to be believed wrap them up in truths.
8883. If you want something done, do it yourself.
8884. If you want the daughter, you must kiss the mother.
8885. If you want to annoy the devil stay silent.
8886. If you want to be a hundred you must start young.

8887. If you want to be a leader, be a bridge.
8888. If you want to be criticized, marry.
8889. If you want to be dead, wash your head and go to bed.
8890. If you want to be loved, love.
8891. If you want to be old, hang yourself when you are young.
8892. If you want to be respected, you must respect yourself.
8893. If you want to be revenged, hold your tongue.
8894. If you want to be served, serve yourself.
8895. If you want to beat a dog, say he ate your iron.
8896. If you want to build high, you must dig deep.
8897. If you want to buy love, love itself is the price you'll have to pay.
8898. If you want to catch a monkey, behave like one.
8899. If you want to drown yourself, don't torture yourself with shallow water.
8900. If you want to eat pickled herring, think about the thirst you will have.
8901. If you want to gather a lot of knowledge, act as if you are ignorant.
8902. If you want to get something under the bed, you have to bend to be able to do so.
8903. If you want to give a sick man medicine, let him first be really ill, so that he can see how well the medicine works.
8904. If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.
8905. If you want to go up in the world, veil ambition with the forms of humanity.
8906. If you want to hear the truth about yourself, offend your neighbor.
8907. If you want to hit your mother-in-law, be sure to split her head.
8908. If you want to judge a man's character, give him power.
8909. If you want to keep camels, have a big enough door.
8910. If you want to keep something secret from black folks, put it between the covers of a book.
8911. If you want to keep your credit you must use it as little as possible.
8912. If you want to kill a snake, chop off its head.
8913. If you want to know how the true story goes, wait until the arguments start.
8914. If you want to know the value of money, go and borrow some.
8915. If you want to know the villain, give him a stick.
8916. If you want to know what a ducat is worth, try to borrow one.
8917. If you want to know what a man is really like, notice how he acts when he loses money.
8918. If you want to know what God thinks of money, look at the people he gives it to.
8919. If you want to know who your friends are, lie by the roadside and pretend to be drunk.
8920. If you want to live and thrive, let the spider run alive.
8921. If you want to live long, be healthy and fat, drink like a dog, and eat like a cat.
8922. If you want to look good, you have to suffer.
8923. If you want to love your household as much as your bread then you will have to knead your wife like dough.
8924. If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans.
8925. If you want to marry wisely, marry your equal.
8926. If you want to score, you have to know how to smile.
8927. If you want to sleep well, buy the bed of a bankrupt.
8928. If you want to sweep the steps clean, start at the top.
8929. If you want to take revenge on a man, send him a really beautiful woman.
8930. If you want to travel fast use the old roads.

8931. If you want to understand men, study women.
8932. If you want world peace then hold your tongue.
8933. If you want your children to enjoy a quiet life let them suffer a little hunger and a little cold.
8934. If you want your dreams to come true, don't sleep.
8935. If you want your eggs hatched, sit on them yourself.
8936. If you watch your pot, your food will not burn.
8937. If you weep for all the sorrows in this world, in the end, you will have no eyes.
8938. If you were born lucky, even your rooster will lay eggs.
8939. If you were born to be shot, you'll never be hanged.
8940. If you will not hear reason, she will surely rap your knuckles.
8941. If you will stir up the mire, you must bear the smell.
8942. If you wish a thing done, go; if not, send.
8943. If you wish to be good, first believe that you are bad.
8944. If you wish to be well served, serve yourself.
8945. If you wish to drown, do not torture yourself with shallow water.
8946. If you wish to know the mind of a man, listen to his words.
8947. If you wish to know what a man is, place him in authority.
8948. If you wish to know what most occupies a man's thoughts, you have only to listen to his conversation.
8949. If you wish to learn the highest truth, begin with the alphabet.
8950. If you wish your merit to be known, acknowledge that of other people.
8951. If you won't work you shan't eat.
8952. If you would acquire fame, let not the sunshine on you in bed
8953. If you would be a good judge, hear what everyone says.
8954. If you would be happy for a week, take a wife; if you would be happy for a month, kill a pig; but if you would be happy all your life, plant a garden.
8955. If you would be healthy, be sage betimes.
8956. If you would be in good repute, let not the sun find you in bed.
8957. If you would be a Pope, you must think of nothing else.
8958. If you would be praised, die.
8959. If you would be rich in a year, you may be hanged in six months.
8960. If you would be well served, serve yourself.
8961. If you would catch a fox you must hunt with geese.
8962. If you would get ahead, be a bridge.
8963. If you would have the dog follow you, give him bread.
8964. If you would have the lamp burn, you must pour oil into it.
8965. If you would have your work ill done, pay beforehand.
8966. If you would live in health, grow old early.
8967. If you would live long, open your heart.
8968. If you would make a thief honest, trust him.
8969. If you would make an enemy, lend man money, and ask for it back again.
8970. If you would shoot a general, shoot his horse first.
8971. If you would succeed, you must not be too good.
8972. If you wrestle with a collier you will get a blotch.
8973. If you're afraid of wolves, don't go to the woods.
8974. If you're an able hoer, hoe your own garden first.
8975. If you're born to be hanged then you'll never be drowned.

8976. If you're fated to drown, you may die in a teaspoon of water.
8977. If you're going home, you don't get wet
8978. If you're growing in age, then you're nearing to the graveyard
8979. If you're in a hole, stop digging.
8980. If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem.
8981. If you're out to beat a dog, you're sure to find a stick.
8982. If you've enjoyed the dance, pay the musicians.
8983. If you've got it, flaunt it.
8984. If you've kneeled, you've got to pray.
8985. If you've nothing to do, dig a spinster's grave.
8986. If you've the money, take a seat; if you've none, take to your feet.
8987. If you've enjoyed the dance, pay the musicians.
8988. If your beard's on fire, others will light their pipes on it.
8989. If your books are not read, your descendants will be ignorant.
8990. If your buttocks burn, you know you have done wrong.
8991. If your conduct is noble, you will be a king.
8992. If your enemy is up to his waist in water, give him your hand; if the water reaches his shoulders, stand on his head.
8993. If your face looks skewed, don't blame the mirror.
8994. If your friend becomes your enemy, he will be your enemy for life.
8995. If your friend is honey, don't lick him thoroughly.
8996. If your heart is a rose, then your mouth will speak perfumed words.
8997. If your house is burning, there is no time to go hunting.
8998. If your mother-in-law does not know how to sit properly, you are probably the one who knows how to watch properly.
8999. If your mouth turns into a knife, it will cut off your lips.
9000. If your neighbor is an early riser, you too will become one.
9001. If your only tool is a hammer, you will see every problem as a nail.
9002. If your parents take care of you up to the time you cut your teeth, you take care of them when they lose theirs.
9003. If your pocket gets empty, your faults will be many.
9004. If your roof is made of glass, don't throw stones at your neighbor's house.
9005. If your sister is in the group of singing girls, your name always comes into the song.
9006. If your strength is small, don't carry heavy burdens. If your words are worthless, don't give advice.
9007. If your time hasn't come not even a doctor can kill you.
9008. If your wife tells you to throw yourself off a cliff, pray to God that it is a low one.
9009. If your words are worthless, don't give advice.
9010. If youth but had the knowledge and old age the strength.
9011. If youth knew! If age could!
9012. Ignorance doesn't kill you, but it does make you sweat a lot.
9013. Ignorance is bliss.
9014. Ignorance is the peace of life.
9015. Ignorance of one's misfortunes is clear gain.
9016. Ignorance of the law is no excuse for breaking it.
9017. Ill befall the belly that forgets eaten bread.
9018. Ill begun, ill done.
9019. Ill fares the young bird in the urchin's hand.

9020. Ill-gotten gains are like snow that is sprinkled with hot water.
9021. Ill luck comes by pounds and goes away by ounces.
9022. Ill tidings come soon enough.
9023. Ill vessels seldom miscarry.
9024. Ill weeds grow apace.
9025. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.
9026. In a game, it's difficult to know when to stop.
9027. In a good word, there is three winters' warmth; in one malicious word, there is a pain for six frosty months.
9028. In a group of many words, there is bound to be a mistake somewhere in them.
9029. In a place, without dogs, they teach the cats to bark.
9030. In a small house, God has his corner, in a large house; he has to stand in the hall.
9031. In anger, there is no intelligence.
9032. In bad luck, hold out; in good luck, hold in.
9033. In calm water, every ship has a good captain.
9034. In every beginning think of the end.
9035. In every woman, there is a queen Speak to the queen and the queen will answer.
9036. In for a penny, in for a pound.
9037. In god we trust; all others pay cash.
9038. In one ear and out the other.
9039. In order to get where you want to go, you first have to leave where you are.
9040. In peace be faithful; in war be valiant.
9041. In teaching others we teach ourselves.
9042. In the calmest waters swim the ugliest fish.
9043. In the country of the blind one-eyed man is a king.
9044. In the desert sand is cheap.
9045. In the end, things will mend.
9046. In the evening one may praise the day.
9047. In the game, no one is brother to others.
9048. In the hotel of decisions, the guests sleep well.
9049. In the kingdom of the blind, the one-eyed man is king.
9050. In the land of promise, a man may die of hunger.
9051. In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.
9052. In the midst of great anger, do not answer anyone's letter.
9053. In the midst of life, we are in death.
9054. In the moment of crisis, the wise build bridges, and the foolish build dams.
9055. In times of trouble, leniency becomes a crime.
9056. In too much disputing truth is lost.
9057. In trouble, you know a hero.
9058. In trying to put make-up around the eye, he blinded it.
9059. In vain does a man possess property if he makes no use of it?
9060. In vain the net is spread in the sight of the bird.
9061. In war, hunting, and love, for one pleasure a hundred pains.
9062. In war, it is best to tie your horse to a strange manger.
9063. In wartime, no sweets are given out.
9064. In wartime, there is pay for every horse.
9065. In wine there is truth.
9066. In your light, we shall see light.

9067. In your neighbors' soup, there is always one fatty morsel.
9068. In your own company, no one is the boss.
9069. In youth, one has tears without grief; in age, grief without tears.
9070. Incense intoxicates and everyone wishes for it.
9071. Indecision is like a stepchild: if he does not wash his hands, he is called dirty, if he does, he is wasting water.
9072. Indecision is the key to flexibility.
9073. Indifference is a generous kind of intolerance.
9074. Indiscreet questions must be answered with a lie.
9075. Indulge not in boisterous mirth.
9076. Indulgences have more victims than swords.
9077. Industriousness vanquishes hard luck.
9078. Industry is the parent of fortune.
9079. Infinite is the number of fools.
9080. Ingratitude is sooner or later fatal to its author.
9081. Ingratitude is the daughter of pride.
9082. Ingratitude is the mother of every vice.
9083. Ingratitude is the reward of the world.
9084. Ingratitude is the world's reward.
9085. Ingratitude sickens benevolence
9086. Injuries destroy affection.
9087. Injuries put us on our guard.
9088. Injurious is the gift that takes away freedom.
9089. Injury is to be measured by malice.
9090. Ink, if not used, will dry up.
9091. Innocence itself sometimes hath need of a mask.
9092. Innocence plays in the backyard of ignorance.
9093. Innocent actions carry their warrant with them.
9094. Insanity is doing the same thing in the same way and expecting a different outcome.
9095. Insanity is doing the same thing over and over, expecting different results.
9096. Insects do not nest in a busy door-hinge.
9097. Inside a well-nourished body, the soul remains longer.
9098. Insight is more valuable than gold.
9099. Instead of a fish, he gives you a scorpion.
9100. Instinct is stronger than upbringing.
9101. Instruction in youth is like engraving in stone.
9102. Insults must be written in sand and compliments carved in stone.
9103. Insults should be well avenged or well endured.
9104. Insults shouldn't be made when people are celebrating.
9105. Intelligence is in the head, not in the age.
9106. Intelligence is like hair, everyone has their own type.
9107. Intelligence is the best capital.
9108. Intemperance is the doctor's wet-nurse.
9109. Interest on debts grows without rain.
9110. Interfere not in the quarrels of others.
9111. Into every life, a little rain must fall.
9112. Into the house where joy lives, happiness will gladly come.
9113. Into the mouth of a bad dog falls many a good bone.

9114. Invite a peasant to your table and he'll put his feet on it.
9115. Invite people into your parlor, and they will come into your bedroom.
9116. Involve me, and I'll understand.
9117. Iron is worked when it's still hot.
9118. Iron may be rubbed so long that it gets heated.
9119. Iron must be forged when it is hot.
9120. Iron that is not used soon rusts.
9121. Iron whets iron.
9122. Is the white camel made of fat?
9123. It also concerns you when the nearest wall is burning.
9124. It always takes a person much longer to tell you what he thinks than what he knows.
9125. It can happen even in better families.
9126. It concerns you, too, when your neighbor's wall is on fire.
9127. It dawns none the sooner for all one's early rising.
9128. It destroys the craft not to learn it.
9129. It does no harm now and then to burn a candle for the devil.
9130. It does not become the sparrow to mix in the dance of the cranes.
9131. It does not depend upon the dog when the horse shall die.
9132. It does not fall to a lot of all to the smell of musk.
9133. It doesn't matter how much milk you spill just as long as you don't lose your cow.
9134. It doesn't matter what the kid plays with as long as he doesn't cry.
9135. It doesn't take a genius to spot a goat in a flock of sheep.
9136. It doubles the value of a gift to be well-timed.
9137. It early pricks that will be a thorn.
9138. It fares ill with the house when the distaff commands the sword.
9139. It flies gently, but wounds deeply.
9140. It flows like a fountain from a broomstick.
9141. It got worse than worse!
9142. It hangs upon a silken thread.
9143. It has caused injury and will do so again.
9144. It hits like a dick on a drum kit.
9145. It hits like a grip on a pig.
9146. It ill becomes a carpenter to be heavy-handed, a smith to be shake-handed or a physician to be tenderhearted.
9147. It is a bad action that success cannot justify.
9148. It is a bad bargain, where both are losers.
9149. It is a bad hand that refuses to guard the head.
9150. It is a bad hen that does not scratch herself.
9151. It is a bad hen that eats at your house and lays at another's.
9152. It is a bad plan that cannot be changed.
9153. It is a bad plowman that quarrels with his ox.
9154. It is a bad sheep that are too lazy to carry its own fleece.
9155. It is a bad thing to be a knave, but worse to be known for one.
9156. It is a bad thing to be poor, and seem poor.
9157. It is a base thing to tear a dead lion's beard off.
9158. It is a beggar's pride that he is not a thief.
9159. It is a bitter fare to eat one's own words.
9160. It is a blessing in disguise.

9161. It is a bold mouse that makes her nest in a cat’s ear.
9162. It is a cart if it goes well; otherwise, it is but timber.
9163. It is a crooked wood that shows the best sculptor.
9164. It is a disgrace to be praised by those who deserve no praise.
9165. It is a double pleasure to deceive the deceiver.
9166. It is a fine thing to die for one’s fatherland, but a still finer thing to live for it.
9167. It is a fool who rejoices when his neighbor is in trouble.
9168. It is a foul bird that fills his own nest.
9169. It is a fraud to connive at a fraud.
9170. It is a good answer which knows when to stop.
9171. It is a good file that cuts iron without making a noise.
9172. It is a good horse that draws its own cart.
9173. It is a great art to laugh at your own misfortune.
9174. It is a greater gift to give than to receive.
9175. It is a grief to one beggar that another stands at the door.
9176. It is a hard morsel that chokes.
9177. It is a hard winter when one wolf eats another.
9178. It is a hasty speed that doesn’t succeed.
9179. It is a kingly act to help the fallen.
9180. It is a lazy bird that will not build its own nest.
9181. It is a lazy man who says, "It is only because I have no time that my farm is overgrown with weeds."
9182. It is a long day, a day without bread.
9183. It is a long lane that has no turning.
9184. It is a loss of soap to wash the ass’s head.
9185. It is a mean thing to despise unsuccessful merit.
9186. It is a mistake to suppose that people succeed through success; they often succeed through failures.
9187. It is a mistake to try the tried one.
9188. It is a poor dog that’s not worth whistling for.
9189. It is a poor parish where the priest has to ring his own bells.
9190. It is a poor roast that gives no dripping.
9191. It is a pot of water that is already half full that the world would like to help in filling to the brim.
9192. It is a real compliment that comes from an enemy.
9193. It is a sad situation for a son-in-law when his mother-in-law praises him.
9194. It is a sign of weakness just to let things happen.
9195. It is a silly fish that is caught twice with the same bait.
9196. It is a sorry house in which the cock is silent and the hen crows.
9197. It is a stupid goose that listens to the fox preach.
9198. It is a wedge of itself that splits the oak.
9199. It is a wise child that knows its own father.
9200. It is a wise man who can laugh at his own jokes.
9201. It is a wise man who lives with money in the bank; it is a fool who dies that way.
9202. It is a wise son that knows his own father.
9203. It is a wretched position to be dependent on others for support.
9204. It is advantageous to follow advice, for you will succeed in life.
9205. It is all grist to the mill.

9206. It is always good to have two strings to your bow.
9207. It is always impossible that happens.
9208. It is always the fat ones who lead the dance.
9209. It is always well to keep hold of your horse's bridle.
9210. It is an easy task to improve upon an invention.
9211. It is an equal failing to trust everybody and to trust nobody.
9212. It is an ill bird that fouls its own nest.
9213. It is an ill prizing of green barley.
9214. It is an ill turn that does no good to anyone.
9215. It is an irresponsible adult that creates enmity because of a disagreement that arises between two children.
9216. It is an unthinking man who achieves prosperity and then finds with time, that his body can no longer pass through the door.
9217. It is approved alchemy to have an income and spend nothing.
9218. It is as bad to have too many friends who have no friends at all.
9219. It is as cheap sitting as standing.
9220. It is as difficult to win love as it is to pack salt in pine needles.
9221. It is as well to be naked as to have no covering.
9222. It is astonishing for the neck to refuse to lie down on the bed.
9223. It is at home, not in public, that one washes his dirty linen.
9224. It is bad baking without flour and water.
9225. It is bad for puppies to play with bear-cubs.
9226. It is bad luck to fall out of a thirteenth story window on Friday.
9227. It is bad marketing with empty pockets.
9228. It is bad to have a servant, but worse to have a master.
9229. It is bad to lean against a falling wall.
9230. It is bad well into which one must put water.
9231. It is best to be on the safe side.
9232. It is best to bind up the finger before it is cut.
9233. It is best to bite into the sour apple angry cats get scratched skin.
9234. It is best to learn wisdom through the experience of others.
9235. It is best to play with equals.
9236. It is better not to begin than, having begun, leave unfinished.
9237. It is better the child should cry than the father.
9238. It is better to arrive at the right moment than to be invited.
9239. It is better to be a bull for a year than a cow for a hundred years.
9240. It is better to be a coward for a minute than dead for the rest of your life.
9241. It is better to be a free man in a small house than a slave in a big one.
9242. It is better to be a mouse in a cat's mouth than a man in a lawyer's hands.
9243. It is better to be blind than to see things from only one point of view.
9244. It is better to be born lucky than rich.
9245. It is better to be condemned by many doctors than by one judge.
9246. It is better to be entirely without a book than to believe it entirely.
9247. It is better to be envied than pitied.
9248. It is better to be ignorant than mistaken.
9249. It is better to be in hell with a wise man than in heaven with an idiot.
9250. It is better to be loved than feared.
9251. It is better to be poor in youth than in old age.

9252. It is better to be smarter than you appear than to appear smarter than you are.
9253. It is better to be the hammer than the anvil.
9254. It is better to be the head of a chicken than the rear of an ox.
9255. It is better to be the object of jealousy than of pity.
9256. It is better to be the victim of injustice than to be unjust yourself.
9257. It is better to be without a book than to believe it entirely.
9258. It is better to be without a wife for a minute than without tobacco for an hour.
9259. It is better to bear your cross than to drag it.
9260. It is better to begin in the evening than not at all.
9261. It is better to bend than break.
9262. It is better to blow than burn your mouth.
9263. It is better to buy dearly than to hunger direly.
9264. It is better to carry stones with a wise man than accept the meal of a madman.
9265. It is better to cultivate land with two bulls, rather working under boss who never gives wages when asked.
9266. It is better to cut off the head that has no pride.
9267. It is better to deal with a whole fool than half a fool.
9268. It is better to die in revenge than to live on in shame.
9269. It is better to die on one's feet than life on one's knees.
9270. It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house.
9271. It is better to exist unknown to the law.
9272. It is better to finish something than begin.
9273. It is better to fly than to remain in disgrace.
9274. It is better to free someone guilty than to convict someone innocent.
9275. It is better to give away the wool than the sheep.
9276. It is better to give than to receive.
9277. It is better to have a husband without love than jealous.
9278. It is better to have bread leftover than to run short of wine.
9279. It is better to have broken Irish than clever English.
9280. It is better to have less thunder in the mouth and more lightning in the hand.
9281. It is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.
9282. It is better to have to do with God than with his saints.
9283. It is better to hear the nightingale sing than the mouse gnaw.
9284. It is better to irritate a dog than an old woman.
9285. It is better to know how to help yourself than to beg from others.
9286. It is better to leave than to lack.
9287. It is better to leave the child's nose dirty than wring it off.
9288. It is better to lick the hands of poverty than the hands of death.
9289. It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.
9290. It is better to look from the mountain than from the dungeon.
9291. It is better to lose a minute in your life than to lose your life in a minute.
9292. It is better to lose the saddle than the horse.
9293. It is better to make conditions in the bush than in prison.
9294. It is better to make money in the straw market than to lose it in the money market.
9295. It is better to precede than to be preceded.
9296. It is better to receive awards that you don't deserve rather than deserve them and not receive them.

9297. It is better to refuse than to accept and not to go.
9298. It is better to ride for half a year on a good horse than to spend your entire life riding on a mule.
9299. It is better to run back than run the wrong way.
9300. It is better to satisfy our hunger than to be clothed in purple
9301. It is better to save your innocence at the expense of your honor than your country at the expense of your life.
9302. It is better to say nothing than not enough.
9303. It is better to scrape the cheese than to peel it.
9304. It is better to sit down than to stand, it is better to lie down than to sit, but death is the best of all.
9305. It is better to skip one meal than to consult a hundred doctors.
9306. It is better to suffer for truth than to prosper by falsehood.
9307. It is better to talk to a woman and think of God than talk to God and think of a woman.
9308. It is better to talk to the organ-grinder than to his monkey.
9309. It is better to travel hopefully than to arrive.
9310. It is better to trust the eyes rather than the ears.
9311. It is better to turn back than to persevere in an evil course.
9312. It is better to walk around a bush than fight with a dog.
9313. It is better to walk fast than to grow angry at the forest.
9314. It is better to wear out one's shoes than one's sheets.
9315. It is better to weep with wise men than to laugh with fools.
9316. It is better to work and be free than to be fed in captivity.
9317. It is better to work on your own land than to count your money abroad.
9318. It is by the strength of their number that the ants in the field are able to carry their prey to the nest.
9319. It is commendable to know some things; it is disgraceful to refuse to learn.
9320. It is courage that vanquishes in war, and not good weapons.
9321. It is cruel to refer to those things which cause sorrow.
9322. It is crueler to be always afraid of dying than to die.
9323. It is cruelty to the innocent not to punish the guilty.
9324. It is darkest before dawn.
9325. It is dear honey that must be licked off thorns.
9326. It is dear-bought butter that is licked off a wool comb.
9327. It is difficult for two long-nosed lovers to kiss.
9328. It is difficult to catch a black cat in a dark room, especially when it is not there.
9329. It is difficult to chase a frog into the water.
9330. It is difficult to find a man but it's easy to recognize him.
9331. It is difficult to get many heads under one hat.
9332. It is difficult to hide what everybody knows.
9333. It is difficult to repay the gifts you get at a wedding or a funeral.
9334. It is difficult to scare people who think they will profit from dying.
9335. It is difficult to spit honey out of a mouth full of gall.
9336. It is difficult to steal when the boss is a thief.
9337. It is difficult to teach a cow to climb a tree.
9338. It is difficult to tie an unborn horse to the manger.
9339. It is difficult to trap an old fox.
9340. It is easier for the mare when a woman gets off the cart.

9341. It is easier for the son to ask from the father than for the father to ask from the son.
9342. It is easier not to commit a sin than to repent it.
9343. It is easier to abstain than to restrain.
9344. It is easier to be a happy bachelor for a year than a widower for a month.
9345. It is easier to bear a child once a year than to shave every day.
9346. It is easier to beat two devils into a child, than one devil out.
9347. It is easier to believe than to go and ask.
9348. It is easier to blame than do better.
9349. It is easier to climb down than up.
9350. It is easier to criticize than to do better.
9351. It is easier to dam a river than to stop gossip.
9352. It is easier to descend than ascend.
9353. It is easier to fill a rogue's belly than his eye.
9354. It is easier to get a chicken back in the egg than to undo a slander.
9355. It is easier to get away from the back than the bottom.
9356. It is easier to give orders than to work.
9357. It is easier to govern a country than a son.
9358. It is easier to guard a sack full of fleas than a girl in love.
9359. It is easier to know how to do than it is to do.
9360. It is easier to lose a friend than to find one again.
9361. It is easier to make a camel jump a ditch than to make a fool listen to reason.
9362. It is easier to make a lady of a peasant girl than a peasant girl of a lady.
9363. It is easier to prevent ill habits than to break them.
9364. It is easier to pull down than to build up.
9365. It is easier to raise the devil than to lay him.
9366. It is easier to stem the brook than the river.
9367. It is easier to take a couple of drinks than to refuse them.
9368. It is easier to talk than to hold one's tongue.
9369. It is easier to visit your friends than to live with them.
9370. It is easier to wage war with wise enemies than being at peace with foolish friends.
9371. It is easier to watch over one hundred fleas than one young girl.
9372. It is easier to win good luck than to retain it.
9373. It is easy to advise the wise.
9374. It is easy to be born; it is difficult to be a human being.
9375. It is easy to be liberal out of another man's purse.
9376. It is easy to be wise after the event.
9377. It is easy to bear the misfortunes of others.
9378. It is easy to become a monk in one's old age.
9379. It is easy to cut broad strips off other people's leather.
9380. It is easy to die; the difficulty lies in living.
9381. It is easy to find the rod when another finds the bottom.
9382. It is easy to forget a kindness, but one remembers unkindness.
9383. It is easy to frighten the bull from the window.
9384. It is easy to get a thousand soldiers, but difficult to get one general.
9385. It is easy to give advice when all goes well.
9386. It is easy to go on foot if you are holding your horse by the rein.
9387. It is easy to govern a kingdom but difficult to rule one's family.
9388. It is easy to halve the potato where there's love.

9389. It is easy to help him, who is willing to be helped.
9390. It is easy to manage when fortune favors.
9391. It is easy to poke another man's fire.
9392. It is easy to preach fasting with a full belly.
9393. It is easy to rob when the dog is quieted.
9394. It is easy to set a cask a rolling to influence a fool.
9395. It is easy to sit at the helm in fine weather.
9396. It is easy to straighten in the oak the crook that grew in the sapling.
9397. It is easy to stride a tree when it is down.
9398. It is easy to swim when another holds up your head.
9399. It is easy to tempt a frog to the river.
9400. It is easy to threaten a bull from a window.
9401. It is enough to make a cat laugh.
9402. It is fair and just to cheat the cheater.
9403. It is fairer to listen to the string that broke than to never strain a bow.
9404. It is fitting for a great God to forgive great sinners.
9405. It is folly to drown on dry land.
9406. It is folly to fear what one cannot avoid.
9407. It is folly to gape against an oven.
9408. It is folly to sing twice to a deaf man.
9409. It is for saying that he has no time that the monkey's body became over-grown with long hairs.
9410. It is fun to do something foolish every now and then.
9411. It is glorious to forget injustice.
9412. It is good fishing in troubled waters.
9413. It is good living under the shadow of the belfry.
9414. It is good rowing with the sail set.
9415. It is good sailing with wind and tide.
9416. It is good speaking that improves good silence.
9417. It is good spinning from another's yarn.
9418. It is good to be taught even by an enemy.
9419. It is good to beat a proud man when he is alone.
9420. It is good to buy when another wants to sell.
9421. It is good to dance on another man's floor.
9422. It is good to go afoot when one is tired of riding.
9423. It is good to have friends everywhere.
9424. It is good to hold the clothes of one who is swimming.
9425. It is good to know the truth and to speak the truth. It is even better to know the truth and speak about palm trees.
9426. It is good to look homewards.
9427. It is good to make a bridge of gold to a flying enemy.
9428. It is good to sleep in a whole skin.
9429. It is good to swim near a boat.
9430. It is good to warm oneself by another's fire.
9431. It is good, there where we are not.
9432. It is hard for an empty bag to stand upright.
9433. It is hard for an ex-king to become a night watchman.
9434. It is hard not to write satire.

9435. It is hard to blow with a full mouth.
9436. It is hard to catch birds with an empty hand.
9437. It is hard to catch hares with unwilling hounds.
9438. It is hard to find a pin in the dark.
9439. It is hard to glean after a niggardly husbandman.
9440. It is hard to labor with an empty belly.
9441. It is hard to lure hawks with empty hands.
9442. It is hard to make a fire on a cold hearth.
9443. It is hard to pay for bread that has already been eaten.
9444. It is hard to please everyone.
9445. It is hard to sail without wind, and to grind without water.
9446. It is hard to steal where the host is a thief.
9447. It is hard to swim against the current.
9448. It is hard to teach an old dog new tricks.
9449. It is hard to track the path the ship follows in the ocean.
9450. It is hard work to be the mother of many pigs.
9451. It is harder to work getting to hell than to heaven.
9452. It is he who has no place to call at that moves fast through life.
9453. It is heavy to carry, but you cannot throw it away.
9454. It is human to err, but diabolical to persevere.
9455. It is idle to swallow the cow and choke on the tail.
9456. It is ill catching hares with drums.
9457. It is ill done to chain a dragon for roasting your meat.
9458. It is ill fishing before the net.
9459. It is ill sailing against wind and tide.
9460. It is ill taking the breeks off a highlandman.
9461. It is impossible to bend the arm of God.
9462. It is in putting it into the oven that the loaf is made crooked.
9463. It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.
9464. It is in vain to cast nets in a river where there are no fish.
9465. It is inevitable that two thighs will rub against each other.
9466. It is just that the priest should live by the altar.
9467. It is later than you think.
9468. It is little by little that a bird builds its nest.
9469. It is little honor to the lion to seize the mouse.
9470. It is little use to dig a well after the house has caught fire.
9471. It is love that makes the impossible possible.
9472. It is loving too much to die of love.
9473. It is madness for a sheep to talk of peace with a wolf.
9474. It is merry in hall when beards wag all.
9475. It is more becoming to have a large nose than two small ones.
9476. It is more blessed to give than to receive.
9477. It is more difficult for beautiful women to stay chaste.
9478. It is more difficult to contend with oneself than with the world.
9479. It is more disgraceful to suspect our friends than to be deceived by them.
9480. It is more fun doing evil than putting it right.
9481. It is more necessary to guard the mouth than the chest.
9482. It is more painful to do nothing than something.

9483. It is wicked to love a sin than to commit one.
9484. It is necessary to break the shell to have the almond.
9485. It is necessary to learn how to obey to know to command.
9486. It is necessary to strike the iron while it is hot.
9487. It is never later than midnight.
9488. It is never too late to ask what time it is.
9489. It is never too late to learn.
9490. It is never winter in the land of hope.
9491. It is no advantage for a man in fever to change his bed.
9492. It is no business of mine; may it go to the devil!
9493. It is no child's play when an old woman dances.
9494. It is no disgrace to be poor, but it can be inconvenient.
9495. It is no fun to guard a house with two doors.
9496. It is no good going to the river just wanting to catch a fish; you have to take a net as well.
9497. It is no shame at all to work for money.
9498. It is no time to go for the doctor when the patient is dead.
9499. It is no use cutting a stick when the fight is over.
9500. It is no use fretting after last winter's snow.
9501. It is no use hiding from a friend what is known to an enemy.
9502. It is no use locking the stable door after the horse has bolted.
9503. It is not a fish until it is on the bank.
9504. It is not a secret if it is known by three people.
9505. It is not a sin to sell dear, but it is to make ill measure.
9506. It is not all who turn their backs that flee.
9507. It is not allowed in a war to blunder twice.
9508. It is not always good to be wise.
9509. It is not at the table but in prison that you learn who your true friends are.
9510. It is not because things are difficult that we do not dare, but because we do not dare, things are difficult.
9511. It is not becoming to play the fox or to play up on both sides.
9512. It is not easy suddenly to cast aside a fancy long indulged in.
9513. It is not easy to bear prosperity unruffled.
9514. It is not easy to guard the hen that lays her eggs abroad.
9515. It is not easy to know your butter in another man's cabbage.
9516. It is not easy to meet Good, but it is easy to recognize it.
9517. It is not easy to pluck hairs from a bald pate.
9518. It is not easy to show the way to a blind man.
9519. It is not easy to steal in thieves' houses.
9520. It is not easy to sting a bear with a straw.
9521. It is not easy to walk upon the devil's ice.
9522. It is not economical to go to bed early to save the candles if the result is twins.
9523. It is not enough to aim, you must hit.
9524. It is not enough to learn how to ride; you must also learn how to fall.
9525. It is not every flower that smells sweet.
9526. It is not everyone who takes the right sow by the ear.
9527. It is not fine, but the coarse and ill-spun that breaks.
9528. It is not for the blind to give an opinion on colors.

9529. It is not for the swan to teach eaglets to sing.
9530. It is not from the love of God that the cat catches mice.
9531. It is not getting easier by an hour.
9532. It is not good to be the poet of a village.
9533. It is not honor for an eagle to vanquish a dove.
9534. It is not in the pilot's power to prevent the wind from blowing.
9535. It is not necessary to fall into a well to know its depth.
9536. It is not one person's fault if two people quarrel.
9537. It is not only the fox; even the snail arrives at its destination.
9538. It is not only the hare; the tortoise arrives also at the destination.
9539. It is not planning that makes a factory (beautiful), but results.
9540. It is not so much the gift that is given but the way in which the gift is driven.
9541. It is not summer until the crickets sing.
9542. It is not surprising for a dry branch to fall.
9543. It is not the big oxen that do the best day's work.
9544. It is not the bullet that kills you, it is fate.
9545. It is not the burden but the over-burden that kills the beast.
9546. It is not the cook's fault when the cassava turns out to be hard and tasteless.
9547. It is not the cowl that makes the friar.
9548. It is not the destination that is important, but the journey there.
9549. It is not the eye that understands, but the mind.
9550. It is not the fire in the fireplace which warms the house, but the couple who get along well.
9551. It is not the hen that cackles most that lay most eggs.
9552. It is not the hook or the rod, but the bait that lures.
9553. It is not the horse that draws the cart, but the oats.
9554. It is not the load but the overload that kills.
9555. It is not the long day, but the heart that does the work.
9556. It is not the same thing to talk of bulls as to be in the bullring.
9557. It is not the surplice that makes parson or clerk.
9558. It is not want but abundance that makes avarice.
9559. It is not what you are called, but what you answer to.
9560. It is not where you are, but what you do there, that matters.
9561. It is not work that kills but worry.
9562. It is nothing at all, only a woman drowning.
9563. It is nothing for one to know something unless another knows you know it.
9564. It is nothing; they are only killing my husband.
9565. It is of no use making shoes for geese.
9566. It is often better to go by a circuitous than by a direct path
9567. It is often more difficult to come back home than it is to go away.
9568. It is often that a cow does not take after its breed.
9569. It is one after another that the castles are built.
9570. It is one person in a street that kills a dog and the street is named a street of dog killers.
9571. It is one thing to boast, another to fight.
9572. It is one word of advice that one needs to give to a wise man, and that word keeps multiplying in his mind.
9573. It is only good bargains that ruin.
9574. It is only good when the old and the young respect each other.

9575. It is only idle people who can find time for everything.
9576. It is only in your coffin that you sleep really well.
9577. It is only the bashful that lose.
9578. It is only the blind who ask why they are loved who are fair.
9579. It is only the first bottle that is expensive.
9580. It is only the toad that gets up from its knees and falls back again on its knees.
9581. It is only the tortoise that moves and carries its shell about, which it calls its house.
9582. It is only the water that is spilled; the bowl is not broken!
9583. It is patience that gets you out of the net.
9584. It is pleasant driving when there is no danger of upsetting.
9585. It is pleasant to be drunk and engaged, but hell to be hungover and married.
9586. It is possible for a ram to kill a butcher.
9587. It is precisely the uncertainty of this world that makes life worth living.
9588. It is prosperity that gives us friends, adversity that proves them.
9589. It is sad when the elephant dies, but the whole tribe can feed on it.
9590. It is safe to lend barley to him who has oats.
9591. It is safer to irritate a dog than an old woman.
9592. It is safest to sail within reach of the shore.
9593. It is seldom the fault of one when two argue.
9594. It is sheer folly to expect justice from the unprincipled.
9595. It is sweet and meritorious to die for one's country.
9596. It is sweet to drink but bitter to pay for.
9597. It is the bait that lures, not the fisherman or the rod.
9598. It is the beautiful bird that gets caged.
9599. It is the belief in roses that makes them flourish.
9600. It is the belly that daily gives thanks.
9601. It is the blood of the soldier that makes the general great.
9602. It is the bread that keeps one warm, not fur.
9603. It is the brutally outspoken man that earns enmity.
9604. It is the calm and silent water that drowns a man.
9605. It is the dose that makes the poison.
9606. It is the duty of children to wait on elders, and not the elders on children.
9607. It is the early bird that gets the worm.
9608. It is the fate of the coconut husk to float, for the stone to sink.
9609. It is the fate of the great ones of this earth, to be appreciated only after they are gone.
9610. It is the fear of offense that makes men swallow poison.
9611. It is the fear of what tomorrow may bring that makes the tortoise carry his house along with him wherever he goes.
9612. It is the first step that costs.
9613. It is the fool whose own tomatoes are sold to him.
9614. It is the fool's sheep that break loose twice.
9615. It is the fortunate person that the physician undertakes to help.
9616. It is the grass that suffers when elephants fight.
9617. It is the habit that a child forms at home, that follows them to their marriage.
9618. It is the last straw that breaks the camel's back.
9619. It is the law that judges, not the judge.
9620. It is the master-wheel that makes the mill go round.
9621. It is the mind that wins or loses.

9622. It is the nature of the greyhound to carry a long tail.
9623. It is the old cow's notion that she never was a calf.
9624. It is the pace that kills.
9625. It is the part of a good shepherd to shear his flock, not to skin it.
9626. It is the path of the needle that the thread is accustomed to follow.
9627. It is the perfection of art when no trace of the artist appears.
9628. It is the petty expenses that empty the purse.
9629. It is the pot that boils but the dish that gets the credit.
9630. It is the quiet pigs that eat the meal.
9631. It is the raised stick that makes the dog obey.
9632. It is the same moon that wanes today that will be the full moon tomorrow.
9633. It is the sauce that makes the fish edible.
9634. It is the season, not the soil that brings the crop.
9635. It is the self-love of the king parrot that made him become talkative.
9636. It is the small expenses that empty your purse.
9637. It is the softness of the lime that is fatal to the bird.
9638. It is the squeaky wheel that gets the grease.
9639. It is the thief who thinks that all men steal.
9640. It is the tone that makes the music.
9641. It is the toothless animal that arrives first at the base of the fruit tree, to eat his fill before others arrive.
9642. It is the tree that gives its nature to the fruit.
9643. It is the truth that irritates a person.
9644. It is the very backbone of wisdom not to trust too hastily.
9645. It is the visitor who can clearly point out where your house leaks.
9646. It is the wandering dog that finds the old bone.
9647. It is the wife who knows her husband.
9648. It is the woman whose child has been eaten by a witch who best knows the evils of witchcraft.
9649. It is the work of one's hands that decides what one eats for dinner, for some it is pounded yam, for others it is pounded plantain or nothing.
9650. It is through the small things we do that we learn, not the big things.
9651. It is time enough to take off your hat when you see the man.
9652. It is to be bent in time that which bent shall be.
9653. It is too late for the bird to scream when it is caught.
9654. It is too late to come with water when the house is burnt down.
9655. It is too late to cover the well when the child is drowned.
9656. It is trade that is profitable.
9657. It is truth that makes many angry.
9658. It is unclear who has money and who faith.
9659. It is ungentlemanly to lie; truthfulness becomes the gentleman.
9660. It is unlucky to marry in May.
9661. It is unpleasant to go alone, even to be drowned.
9662. It is useful to first see the spark before the fire.
9663. It is useless to convince a dog that honey is sweeter than a bone.
9664. It is useless to gape against an oven.
9665. It is useless to knock at the door of a deaf man.

9666. It is usual of a person found guilty in a trial to boast that he would press his case further.
9667. It is vain to do that by a multitude that a few can accomplish.
9668. It is vain to fish if the hook is not baited.
9669. It is very savory to eat scot-free.
9670. It is wanted and repellent.
9671. It is well to fly low on account of the branches.
9672. It is well to have clean bread in one's wallet.
9673. It is well to know how to be silent until it is time to speak.
9674. It is well to leave off playing when the game is at its best.
9675. It is what the eyes of one man see that is described as a boa constrictor.
9676. It is when there is a stampede, that a person with big buttocks knows that he carries a load.
9677. It is wisdom to prevent someone from whom one cannot accept repayment to have access to one's valuable possessions.
9678. It is worms that destroy a tree; it is worry which destroys a human.
9679. It is worse to be wounded by words than a sword.
9680. It is worse to excuse than to offend.
9681. It little avails the unfortunate to be brave.
9682. It makes chicken laugh.
9683. It makes no sense to try to forge the iron whilst it is still cold.
9684. It matters less to a person where they are born than where they can live
9685. It may be a fire today, tomorrow it will be ashes.
9686. It may be quieter to sleep alone, but not warmer.
9687. It may be said that noisy barrels are easier to carry.
9688. It money doesn't smell.
9689. It must be a hard winter when one wolf devours another.
9690. It needs a cunning hand to shave a fool's head.
9691. It needs a high wall to keep out fear.
9692. It needs a hundred lies to cover a single lie.
9693. It needs a light spirit to bear a heavy fate.
9694. It needs but slight provocation to make the wolf devour the lamb.
9695. It needs no loan to prophesy snow at the midwinter.
9696. It never rains but it pours.
9697. It never rains on your neighbors without you getting your feet wet.
9698. It pays to pay attention to.
9699. It rained on the mountaintop, but it was the valley below that got flooded.
9700. It rains sorrow on him who is already wet.
9701. It rings, it is empty.
9702. It rolled like water off a duck's back.
9703. It sticks to his fingers, like the charity-money to the matron.
9704. It takes a good many mice to kill a cat.
9705. It takes a heap of licks to strike a nail in the dark.
9706. It takes a whole village to raise a child.
9707. It takes all sorts to make a world.
9708. It takes both rain and sunshine to make rainbows.
9709. It takes four living men to carry one dead man out of a house.
9710. It takes good and bad to make good things in the future or make them stand out.

9711. It takes little effort to watch a man carry a load.
9712. It takes many words to fill a sack.
9713. It takes one to know one.
9714. It takes the taste to account for taste.
9715. It takes three generations to make a gentleman.
9716. It takes time to build castles.
9717. It takes two days to learn everything about a man; to know animals you will need more time.
9718. It takes two to achieve a task.
9719. It takes two to lie? One to lie and one to listen.
9720. It takes two to make a bargain.
9721. It takes two to quarrel, but only one to end it.
9722. It was smooth on paper, but we've forgotten about ravines.
9723. It went well every time.
9724. It will all come out in the soap-suds.
9725. It will all come right in the wash.
9726. It will be the same a hundred years hence.
9727. It will come back and haunt you.
9728. It will heal well before your wedding.
9729. It will not do to keep the holidays before they come.
9730. It will not out of the flesh that is bred in the bone.
9731. It will snap where it's the thinnest.
9732. It won't do to trifle with fire.
9733. It would be clear enough even to a blind man.
9734. It would be good to have two mouths and speak to yourself with both.
9735. It's a bad bridge that is narrower than the stream.
9736. It's a big wind that blows on small doors.
9737. It's a blessing in disguise.
9738. It's a cracked pitcher that goes longest to the well.
9739. It's a crime if you get caught is no time to play chess when the house is on fire.
9740. It's a foolish sheep that makes the wolf its confessor.
9741. It's a long lane that has no turning.
9742. It's a very proud horse that will not carry his oats.
9743. It's a well-known fact, dirt stinks more when stirred.
9744. It's a white hat and hat white.
9745. 'It's always something' said the girl with a nosebleed.
9746. It's as difficult to be rich without bragging as it is to be poor without complaining.
9747. It's as difficult to win love as to wrap salt in pine needles.
9748. It's as hard to see a woman crying as it is to see a barefooted duck.
9749. It's astonishing how important a man becomes when he dies.
9750. It's bad combing where there is no hair.
9751. It's best to be on the safe side.
9752. It's best to prevent than to have to remedy.
9753. It's better (to satisfy) a taste, than (to keep) sixpence.
9754. It's better for people to wait for rice, than rice for people.
9755. It's better less/fewer but better.
9756. It's better not to poke a jaguar with a short staff.
9757. It's better that it should make you sick than that you don't eat it at all.

9758. It’s better to arrive on time than to be invited.
9759. It’s better to be a cripple than always sitting down.
9760. It’s better to be afraid than to be frightened.
9761. It’s better to be known as a rascal than a fool.
9762. It’s better to be safe than sorry.
9763. It’s better to be silent and thought a fool than to speak up and remove all doubt.
9764. It’s better to be that than to seem so.
9765. It’s better to be the subject of a joke than being funny.
9766. It’s better to be too aware than too unaware.
9767. It’s better to break than to bend.
9768. It’s better to change from donkey to horse than from horse into a donkey.
9769. It’s better to die two years early than to live for one year too long.
9770. It’s better to do well in the neighborhood than to burn incense far away.
9771. It’s better to drink and feel sick than not to drink and feel bad.
9772. It’s better to fall from a tree and a break your back than to fall in love and break your heart.
9773. It’s better to fly and stay alive than to die a hero.
9774. It’s better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.
9775. It’s better to lie a little than to be unhappy.
9776. It’s better to light a candle than curse the darkness.
9777. It’s better to pick a fight with your in-laws than with your neighbors.
9778. It’s better to see once than hear a hundred times.
9779. It’s better to sleep on the floor in an incense shop than in a bed in a fish market.
9780. It’s better to travel hopefully than to arrive.
9781. It’s better to turn around halfway, then to get lost completely.
9782. It’s better to want something you can’t have than have something you don’t want.
9783. It’s by following his friends that a crab lost its hiding place.
9784. It’s cheaper to keep her.
9785. It’s difficult to chain up an old dog.
9786. It’s difficult to take a wolf cub without bringing in the whole pack.
9787. It’s easier to ask for forgiveness than permission.
9788. It’s easier to catch a liar than a limping person.
9789. It’s easier to see the straw in someone else than the beam in oneself.
9790. It’s easy for a single to divorce a woman.
9791. It’s easy to become a father, but hard to be one.
9792. It’s easy to throw something into the river but hard to get it out again.
9793. It’s easy to wad your neighbor’s field.
9794. It’s foolish sheep that makes the wolf its confessor.
9795. It’s for her own good that the cat purrs.
9796. It’s from us that is upon us.
9797. It’s good dancing on another man’s floor.
9798. It’s good steering with wind and tide.
9799. It’s good to be out (and about), but at home is best.
9800. It’s good to hope, it’s the waiting that spoils it.
9801. It’s good to watch the rain from a dry standpoint.
9802. It’s ill jesting with edged tools.
9803. It’s ill speaking between a full man and a fasting.
9804. It’s ill waiting for dead men’s shoes.

9805. It’s in old kettles that one makes the best soup.
9806. It’s like exchanging six for half a dozen.
9807. It’s more likely for the earth to rip than for a prostitute to feel ashamed.
9808. It’s no big problem if someone doesn’t eat for having eaten before.
9809. It’s no crime to steal from a thief.
9810. It’s no delay to stop to edge the tool.
9811. It’s no disgrace to be poor, but it can be inconvenient.
9812. It’s no shame to look into the warm spring sun and regret a lost limb.
9813. It’s no use boiling your cabbage twice.
9814. It’s no use locking the stable door after the horse has bolted.
9815. It’s no use pumping a dry well.
9816. It’s no use shutting the stable door after the horse has bolted.
9817. It’s normal for a sieve to have holes in it.
9818. It’s not a matter of upper and lower class but of being up a while and down awhile.
9819. It’s not a rose but even potatoes bloom too.
9820. It’s not as easy as blowing and making bottles.
9821. It’s not as good with money as it is bad without it.
9822. It’s not enough to know how to ride; you must also know how to fall.
9823. It’s not gods who make pots.
9824. It’s not healthy to swallow books without chewing.
9825. It’s not one person’s fault if two people quarrel.
9826. It’s not shameful not to know, but it’s shameful not to ask.
9827. It’s not that the well is too deep, but rather the rope is too short.
9828. It’s not the beauty of a woman that blinds the man, the man blinds himself.
9829. It’s not the cow that calls most which gives the most milk.
9830. It’s not the fault of the mouse, but of the one who offers him the cheese.
9831. It’s not the fleas of the dog that make the cat meow.
9832. It’s not the gay coat that makes the gentleman.
9833. It’s not the same to call on the devil then it is to see him coming.
9834. It’s not the size of the boat; it’s the motion of the ocean.
9835. It’s not what you say but the way you say it.
9836. It’s often a person’s mouth broke their nose.
9837. It’s okay to get mad, but one shouldn’t stay angry.
9838. It’s one thing to flourish and another to fight.
9839. It’s one thing to promise and another to perform.
9840. It’s only the shoes that know if the stockings have holes.
9841. It’s pleasant to look at the rain when one stands dry.
9842. It’s possible to light another man’s candle without damaging your own.
9843. It’s sin and not poverty that makes men miserable.
9844. It’s six of one and half a dozen of the other.
9845. It’s the exception that proves the rule.
9846. It’s the fool’s sheep that breaks loose twice.
9847. It’s the grinding of his teeth that awakes the blacksmith’s dog, not the noise of the hammer.
9848. It’s the little things in life that count.
9849. It’s the merry drizzle that makes grass grow fine.
9850. It’s the pot calling the kettle black.
9851. It’s the quiet pigs that eat the grain.

9852. It’s the rain that fills the rivers, not the dew.
9853. It’s the same donkey, but with a new saddle.
9854. It’s the still waters that are inhabited by devils.
9855. It’s the straw that breaks the camel’s back.
9856. It’s the thought that counts.
9857. It’s the whole, not the detail that matters.
9858. It’s too bad to want a thing and not be allowed.
9859. It’s too late to rise early when you wake at eleven o’clock.
9860. It’s when in need that one recognizes his friends.
9861. It’s when it’s small that the cucumber gets warped.
9862. It’s your own lantern; don’t poke holes in the paper.
9863. It’s better to arrive on time than to be invited.
9864. It’s better to be the pot than the lid suit the behavior to the occasion.
9865. It’s better to fall from a tree and a break your back than to fall in love and break your heart.
9866. It’s like removing a hyena from a pit.
9867. It’s no shame to look into the warm spring sun and regret a lost limb.
9868. It’s not the fault of the parrot, but of the one who teaches him to talk.
9869. It’s not what you know, it’s who you know.
9870. It’s the fear of what tomorrow may bring that makes the tortoise carry its house along wherever it goes.
9871. It’s the thought that counts.
9872. It’s when things get rough and you don’t quit that success comes.

J PROVERBS

9873. Jack is as good as his master.
9874. Jack of all trades and master of none.
9875. Jack will never make a gentleman.
9876. Jackdaw in peacock's feathers.
9877. Jacket like pants.
9878. Jacob's voice, Esau's hands.
9879. Jade and men, both are sharpened by bitter tools.
9880. Jam tomorrow and jam yesterday, but never jam today.
9881. Jealousy and fear have big eyes.
9882. Jealousy is a pain seeking its cause.
9883. Jealousy is nourished by doubt.
9884. Jest not with the eye, or religion.
9885. Jest so that it may not turn to earnest.
9886. Jest with an ass and he will flap you in the face with his tail.
9887. Jest with your equals.
9888. Jesting costs money.
9889. Jesus Christ was crucified by public opinion.
9890. Joan is as good as my lady in the dark.
9891. Job feeds the man, and laziness spoils him.
9892. John has been to school to learn to be a fool.
9893. Jokes, which carry injury with them, are never agreeable.
9894. Joking must have its proper limit.
9895. Journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step.
9896. Jove but laughs at the lover's perjury.
9897. Joy and sorrow are next-door neighbors.
9898. Joy and sorrow are to-day and to-morrow.
9899. Joy from others' misfortune is the best joy.
9900. Joy is like the ague; one good day between two bad ones.
9901. Joy surfeited turns to sorrow.
9902. Joyfulness is half your health.
9903. Judge a man not by the words of his mother, but from the comments of his neighbors.
9904. Judge all by this one.
9905. Judge each day not by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant.
9906. Judge not if you want not to be judged.
9907. Judge not of a ship as she lies on the stocks.
9908. Judge not of men and things at first sight.
9909. Judges and physicians kill with impunity.
9910. Judges should have two ears, both alike.
9911. Judgment delayed is judgment avoided.
9912. Judgment must wait to hear all the witnesses.
9913. Jump into the potatoes, jump out of the potatoes.
9914. Jump to navigation Jump to search.
9915. Jupiter himself cannot please everybody.
9916. Just and unjust are four fingers apart.
9917. Just as a bamboo cane forms a round jet of water, so taking counsel together makes men of one mind.

9918. Just as medicine may not cure a serious illness, the wine will certainly not dispel your grief.
9919. Just as tall trees are known by their shadows, so are good men known by their enemies.
9920. Just as the twig is bent, the tree is inclined.
9921. Just because he harmed your goat, do not go out and kill his bull.
9922. Just because men do not like the cold, Heaven will not stop the winter.
9923. Just even having once held a state goat's tail one can make a fur-coat.
9924. Just scales and full measure injure no man.
9925. Just toss it in my hat and I'll sort it out tomorrow.
9926. Just when you think you've finally hit bottom, someone tosses you a shovel.
9927. Justice begins at home.
9928. Justice delayed is justice denied.
9929. Justice for all.
9930. Justice has a waxen nose.
9931. Justice is better than admiration if you are going to kill, then kill an elephant; if you are going to steal make sure it's a treasure.
9932. Justice is like fire, even if covered with a veil, still burns.
9933. Justice is more powerful than weapons.
9934. Justice knows no friendship.
9935. Justice oft leans to the side where the purse pulls.
9936. Justice pleases few in their own house.
9937. Justice, but not in my own house.
9938. Justice, Justice you shall pursue.
9939. Justifying a fault doubles it.

K PROVERBS

9940. Karma is the mother and karma is the father.
9941. Keep a good company and you shall be of the number.
9942. Keep a green tree in your heart and perhaps the singing bird will come.
9943. Keep a stiff upper lip.
9944. Keep a thing for seven years and you'll find a use for it.
9945. Keep adding little by little and you will soon have a big hoard.
9946. Keep away from trouble and sing to it.
9947. Keep both eyes open before you are married and afterward close only one
9948. Keep counsel of thyself first.
9949. Keep fire away from straw.
9950. Keep five yards from a carriage, ten yards from a horse, and a hundred yards from an elephant; but the distance one should keep from a wicked man cannot be measured.
9951. Keep going, for success lies just around the corner for those who refuse to quit.
9952. Keep learning because knowledge is the key to power.
9953. Keep no more cats than catch mice.
9954. Keep no secrets of thyself from thyself.
9955. Keep not two tongues in one mouth.
9956. Keep quiet and people will think you a philosopher.
9957. Keep several balls in the air.
9958. Keep some till more come.
9959. Keep something for a rainy day.
9960. Keep something to do but not something to eat, for food will turn sour but work won't.
9961. Keep straw, its time will come.
9962. Keep the tongue in your mouth a prisoner.
9963. Keep to the little ones, and the big ones will not bite you.
9964. Keep watch for the appearing mushroom.
9965. Keep well with your neighbors, whether right or wrong.
9966. Keep within the compass.
9967. Keep your broken arm inside your sleeve.
9968. Keep your chin up.
9969. Keep your ears wider and your mouth narrower.
9970. Keep your eye on girls that don't tell their mothers everything.
9971. Keep your eye on the ball and your head in the game.
9972. Keep your eye upon the goal.
9973. Keep your friends close, but your enemies closer.
9974. Keep your mouth shut and your ears open.
9975. Keep your nose out of another's mess.
9976. Keep your nose to the grindstone.
9977. Keep your own counsel.
9978. Keep your own fish guts for your own sea maws.
9979. Keep your powder dry.
9980. Keep your secret in your own.
9981. Keep your shop and your shop will keep you.
9982. Keep your sickness until Friday and don't fast.
9983. Keep your tents apart and your hearts together.
9984. Keep your weather-eye open.

9985. Keep yourself from opportunities and God will keep you from sins.
9986. Keeping a woman to her word is like trying to hold an eel by its tail.
9987. Keeping an eye on the sail.
9988. Keeping from falling is better than helping up.
9989. Keeping the finger on the wrist.
9990. Keeping yourself and your food clean, you'll get more from it.
9991. Kettledrum sounds dulcet when heard from afar.
9992. Kick away the ladder and your feet are left dangling.
9993. Kicking in an open door.
9994. Kill a cow to donate shoes.
9995. Kill no more than you can salt, or you will have tainted meat.
9996. Kill not the goose that laid the golden egg.
9997. Kill one to warn a hundred.
9998. Kill the chicken to frighten the monkey.
9999. Kill the goose that lays the golden eggs.
10000. Kill them for the Lord knows those who are His.
10001. Kill two birds with one stone.
10002. Kill your darlings.
10003. Killing a man to save the world does not save the world.
10004. Killing no murder.
10005. Kin or no kin, woe to him who has nothing.
10006. Kind words and few are a woman's ornament.
10007. Kind words conquer.
10008. Kind words don't wear out the tongue.
10009. Kind words heal friendship's wounds.
10010. Kind words will unlock an iron door.
10011. Kindle not a fire you cannot put out.
10012. Kindness begets kindness.
10013. Kindness breaks no bones.
10014. Kindness in giving creates love.
10015. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness.
10016. Kindness in words creates confidence.
10017. Kindness succeeds where the force will fail.
10018. Kindness, like a boomerang, always returns.
10019. Kindness, like grain, increase by sowing.
10020. King's entreaties are commands.
10021. Kings don't come back on what they say.
10022. Kings have long arms.
10023. Kings have many ears and eyes.
10024. Kings have no friends.
10025. Kings learn wisdom from associating with wise men.
10026. Kings love the treason, but not the traitor.
10027. Kinsmen are born, but friendship is a gift of the gods.
10028. Kiss the hand of your enemy if you cannot chop it off.
10029. Kiss the hand that you cannot bite.
10030. Kisses are the messengers of love.
10031. Kisses that are easily obtained are easily forgotten.
10032. Kissing goes by favor.

10033. Knaves and fools divide the world.
10034. Knock and the door will be opened unto you.
10035. Knotty timber must have sharp wedges.
10036. Know all and you will pardon all.
10037. Know each other as if you were brothers; negotiate deals as if you were strangers to each other.
10038. Know thyself knowledge is power.
10039. Know thyself to know others, for heart beats like a heart.
10040. Know what you say, but don't say all that you know.
10041. Know which side your bread is buttered.
10042. Know, cabbages, that there is spinach in the stew.
10043. Knowing hens lay even in nettles.
10044. Knowing of the hat and the brim.
10045. Knowing too much is being ignorant.
10046. Knowing where Abraham gets the mustard.
10047. Knowledge acquired as a child is more lasting than an engraving on stone.
10048. Knowledge adds pain.
10049. Knowledge creates mysteries.
10050. Knowledge has no enemies but the ignorant.
10051. Knowledge is a treasure, but practice is the key to it.
10052. Knowledge is better than riches.
10053. Knowledge is like a garden: if it is not cultivated, it cannot be harvested.
10054. Knowledge is not the main thing, but deeds.
10055. Knowledge is power, guard it well.
10056. Knowledge is the best charity.
10057. Knowledge is the foundation of skill.
10058. Knowledge is the mother of all virtue; all vice proceeds from ignorance.
10059. Knowledge that is not replenished diminishes every day.
10060. Knowledge uses up no space.
10061. Knowledge without practice makes but half an artist.
10062. Knowledge without wisdom is like water in the sand.
10063. Knowledge, humbles a great person, astonishes the common, and puffs up the small.

L PROVERBS

10064. Labour conquers all things.
10065. Labour has a bitter root, but a sweet taste.
10066. Labour warms, sloth harms.
10067. Labourer is worthy of his hire.
10068. Lack of knowledge is darker than night.
10069. Lack of resource has hanged many a person.
10070. Laid card lies.
10071. Lamb in the spring, snow in the winter.
10072. Lambs don't run with the mouth of the sleeping wolf.
10073. Land is permanent, man disappears.
10074. Languages differ but coughs are the same.
10075. Large demands on oneself and little demands on others keep resentment at bay.
10076. Large desire is endless poverty.
10077. Large thongs of another man's leather.
10078. Large trees are envied by the wind.
10079. Lasses and glasses are always in danger.
10080. Last night I made a thousand plans, but this morning I went my old way.
10081. Last ship, best ship.
10082. Last, but not least.
10083. Late children are early orphans.
10084. Late fruit keeps well.
10085. Late hours and love and wine lead not to moderation in anything.
10086. Late lunch makes day go faster.
10087. Late repentance is rarely sincere.
10088. Late repentance is seldom worth much.
10089. Latecomers see the least.
10090. Laugh and everyone sees it, cry and no one sees it.
10091. Laugh and grow fat.
10092. Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone.
10093. Laugh at the rice and you will weep for the lentil.
10094. Laugh before breakfast, cry before supper.
10095. Laugh corrects customs', or 'satire corrects habits.
10096. Laugh when you're happy, cry when you're sad, and do both when you're the happiest you've ever been.
10097. Laugh with those that laugh.
10098. Laugh, if you are wise.
10099. Laughing is not always the proof of a mind at ease.
10100. Laughing wife, crying purse.
10101. Laughs are plentiful in the mouth of the foolish.
10102. Laughs at others today, (and) tomorrow others will laugh at you.
10103. Laughs better he who laughs last.
10104. Laughter abounds in the mouths of fools.
10105. Laughter cannot bring back what anger has driven away.
10106. Laughter is the best medicine for them who do not know how to laugh.
10107. Laughter is the hiccup of a fool.
10108. Laughter is the shortest distance between two people.

10109. Laughter makes good blood.
10110. Law cannot persuade when it cannot punish.
10111. Law helps the waking; luck may come to the sleeping.
10112. Law is a flag and gold is the wind that makes it move.
10113. Law is like a shaft of a cart, it points wherever you turn it to.
10114. Law is the solemn expression of legislative will.
10115. Laws are silent in time of war.
10116. Laws catch flies, but let hornets go free.
10117. Laws control the lesser man; right conduct controls the greater one.
10118. Laws were made for rogues.
10119. Laws without punishment are like bells with no clackers.
10120. Laws, like the spider's web, catch the fly and let the hawk go free.
10121. Lawyers and painters can soon make what's black, white.
10122. Lawyers and woodpeckers have long bills
10123. Lawyers are bad Christians
10124. Lawyers' gowns are lined with the willfulness of their clients
10125. Lawyers' houses are built of fools' heads.
10126. Lawyers' robes are lined with the obstinacy of suitors.
10127. Lay it on thick and some of it will stick.
10128. Lay on more wood; ashes give money.
10129. Layovers for meddlers.
10130. Laziness is often mistaken for patience.
10131. Lazy men get active when it's time to sleep.
10132. Lazy people always want to do everything at the same time.
10133. Lazy people are always eager to be doing something.
10134. Lazy people are always in red.
10135. Lazy people have no spare time.
10136. Lazy people will eventually lose even their trousers.
10137. Lazybones take all day to get started.
10138. Lead by example.
10139. Lead for old iron.
10140. Lead to success, follow to failure.
10141. Leadership comes from god.
10142. Leadership does not depend on age.
10143. Leadership shortens life.
10144. Lean liberty is better than fat slavery.
10145. Lean meat from a fat pig.
10146. Learn a language, and you will avoid a war.
10147. Learn about the future by looking at the past.
10148. Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.
10149. Learn from your tears and you will win laughing.
10150. Learn good manners from those who don't have them.
10151. Learn politeness from the impolite.
10152. Learn till old, live till old, and there is still three-tenths not learned.
10153. Learn to handle a writing-brush and you'll never handle a begging-bowl.
10154. Learn to obey before you command.

10155. Learn to paint a tiger and you only paint his skin; learn to know a human being and you only know his face.
10156. Learn who your friends are when you are in need.
10157. Learn wisdom by the follies of others.
10158. Learn young, learn fair; learn old, learn more.
10159. Learned fools are the greatest fools.
10160. Learned is learned.
10161. Learned when young is done when old.
10162. Learning has sour roots, but pleasant fruits.
10163. Learning is a golden urn that can never be stolen.
10164. Learning is a treasure which accompanies its owner everywhere.
10165. Learning is a weightless treasure you always carry easy.
10166. Learning is better than becoming rich.
10167. Learning is like rowing upstream: not to advance is to drop back.
10168. Learning is the stately clothing of the rich man, and the riches of the poor man.
10169. Learning is there for every man.
10170. Learning makes people fit company for themselves.
10171. Least said sooner mended.
10172. Leave a bit of the tail to whisk off flies.
10173. Leave a great talker in the middle of the street.
10174. Leave her now and then if you would really love your wife.
10175. Leave it alone and it will grow on its own.
10176. Leave no nail unclenched.
10177. Leave not your staff at home.
10178. Leave the English way.
10179. Leave the jest at its best.
10180. Leave the minster where it is.
10181. Leave well enough alone.
10182. Leaves enough, but few grapes.
10183. Leaves without figs.
10184. Left out of there, driven from here.
10185. Lend everyone your ears, give a hand to your friends but give your lips only to a woman.
10186. Lend money to someone who won’t pay you back and he’ll hate you.
10187. Lend to god and the earth - they both pay good interest.
10188. Lend to your friend, and ask payment of your enemy.
10189. Lend your money and lose your friend.
10190. Lending a friend money turns him into an enemy.
10191. Lending is the firstborn of poverty.
10192. Lending nourishes bad feeling.
10193. Length begets loathing.
10194. Length of time rots a stone.
10195. Lent, which seems so long, is short at other men’s tables.
10196. Leopards lurk in dark corners.
10197. Less advice and more hands.
10198. Less malevolence or more power to exercise it.
10199. Less of your courtesy, and more of your purse.
10200. Let a child have its will, and it will not cry.

10201. Let a fool hold his tongue, and he will pass for a sage.
10202. Let a horse drink when he will, not what he will.
10203. Let a saint be ever so humble, he will have his wax taper.
10204. Let a wrong-doing repeat itself at least three times: the first may be an accident, the second a mistake, but the third is likely to be intentional.
10205. Let another man praise thee, not thine own mouth.
10206. Let another's shipwreck be your sea-mark.
10207. Let bygones be bygones.
10208. Let deeds match words.
10209. Let each man do his best.
10210. Let every bird sing its own note.
10211. Let every fox take care of his own tail.
10212. Let every man carry his own sack to the mill.
10213. Let every man have his due.
10214. Let every man look to the bread upon which he must depend.
10215. Let every man mind his own business.
10216. Let every man praise the bridge he goes over.
10217. Let everyone be content with what god has given him.
10218. Let everyone keep off the flies with his own tail.
10219. Let everyone look to himself, and no one will be lost.
10220. Let everyone sweep before his own door.
10221. Let every sheep hang by its own foot.
10222. Let every tub stand on its own bottom.
10223. Let everyone pick his own nose.
10224. Let fools and wind pass.
10225. Let go over a cliff, die completely, and then come back to life, after that you cannot be deceived.
10226. Let god's waters run over god's acres.
10227. Let he who covers you uncover/discover you.
10228. Let him bear the prize, who has deserved it.
10229. Let him eat the tough morsel who eat the tender.
10230. Let him either drink or leave.
10231. Let him make use of instinct who cannot make use of reason.
10232. Let him not be a lover who has not courage.
10233. Let him play the instrument who knows how.
10234. Let him speak who has seen with his eyes.
10235. Let him stay at the oar who has learnt to row.
10236. Let him take the oars who has learned to row.
10237. Let him that earns the bread eat it.
10238. Let him that has a mouth not say to another, blow.
10239. Let him who does not know what war is go to war.
10240. Let him who does not know you buy you.
10241. Let him who feels he has a dirty nose wipe it.
10242. Let him who is cold blow the fire.
10243. Let him who is well off hold his tongue.
10244. Let him who is without sin cast the first stone.
10245. Let him who will not have advice have conflict.
10246. Let it be a husband, though it be but a log.

10247. Let it be given to the most meritorious.
10248. Let it be late, let it be good.
10249. Let it go for what it is worth.
10250. Let it roll; it will right itself.
10251. Let justice be done though the heavens fall.
10252. Let lie what is too heavy to lift.
10253. Let me eat, let me sit, when it gets dark let me sleep.
10254. Let me fart, and then hit you.
10255. Let me get over the lake, and I have no fear of the brook.
10256. Let me go warm, and folks may laugh.
10257. Let no man be the servant of another, who can be his own master.
10258. Let no one look into your heart or into your purse.
10259. Let no one take a pawn that eats.
10260. Let no shovel-beaked bird ever enter your yard.
10261. Let not him that has a mouth ask another to blow.
10262. Let not the bottom of your purse or of your mind be seen.
10263. Let not the tongue utter what the head must pay for.
10264. Let not thy right hand know what thy left hand doeth.
10265. Let not turn fun to mischief.
10266. Let not you shirt know your secret.
10267. Let not your right hand know what your left hand doeth.
10268. Let not your sword be drawn at any man's bidding.
10269. Let people take and dogs bark.
10270. Let rats shoot arrows at each other.
10271. Let sleeping dogs lie.
10272. Let someone else acknowledge your virtues.
10273. Let someone else sing your praise.
10274. Let the big dog eat.
10275. Let the blood be ever so thin, it is always thicker than water.
10276. Let the buyer be on his guard.
10277. Let the cobbler stick to his last.
10278. Let the dead bury the dead.
10279. Let the devil into church and he will climb into the pulpit.
10280. Let the devil never find you unoccupied.
10281. Let the food silence the mouth.
10282. Let the giver be silent and the receiver speak.
10283. Let the guest go before the storm bursts.
10284. Let the guts be full, for it is they that carry the legs.
10285. Let the injurer not forget.
10286. Let the man who has suffered ask it, not the man who has travelled.
10287. Let the miracle be wrought, though it be by the devil.
10288. Let the mishap circulate.
10289. Let the poor man mind his tongue.
10290. Let the punishment fit the crime.
10291. Let the relentless fist be kissed.
10292. Let the rings go, let the fingers stay.
10293. Let the salad-maker be a spendthrift for oil, a miser for vinegar, a statesman for salt, and a madman for tossing.

10294. Let the sun shine on me, for I care not for the moon.
10295. Let the sword decide only after the plan has failed.
10296. Let the water you cannot drink flow by.
10297. Let the welfare of the people be the supreme law.
10298. Let the world say what it will.
10299. Let them be birds.
10300. Let them laugh that win.
10301. Let them talk of men, and beg of me.
10302. Let there be no delay.
10303. Let those who have nails play the guitar.
10304. Let us be judged of by our actions.
10305. Let us first catch the bear and then sell its skin.
10306. Let us go hand in hand, not one before another.
10307. Let us go, where fate directs us.
10308. Let us have florins and we shall find cousins.
10309. Let us hurry and finish up the food; when visitors arrive, the meal will be over.
10310. Let war be waged in the house of him who wants it.
10311. Let what is lost go for god's sake.
10312. Let your hair down.
10313. Let your head be more than a funnel to your stomach.
10314. Let your love be like drizzle: it comes softly, but still swells the river.
10315. Let your love be like the misty rain, coming softly but flooding the river.
10316. Let your purse be your master.
10317. Let your trouble tarry till its own day comes.
10318. Let's fight, let's fight, no one knows whom fighting would favor.
10319. Let's get back to what we were saying, doing.
10320. Let's pour clear water into the glass.
10321. Letting failing/falling is not failure in itself, but letting it get you down or stop trying is.
10322. Liars should have good memories.
10323. Liberal hands make many friends.
10324. Liberate me from that bad fellow, myself.
10325. Liberty has no crueler enemy than license.
10326. Liberty is god's gift, liberties the devil's.
10327. Lick upwards, kick downwards.
10328. Lie bread so I can eat you.
10329. Lie down with dogs, wake up with fleas.
10330. Lie, but don't overdo it.
10331. Lies and gossip have a wretched offspring.
10332. Lies are accepted once, not twice.
10333. Lies are short legged.
10334. Lies are usually caused by undue fear of men.
10335. Lies have no legs.
10336. Lies have short legs.
10337. Lies melt the snow.
10338. Lies never pay the toll.
10339. Lies that build are better than truths that destroy.
10340. Life and death in the hands of the tongue.

10341. Life at court is often a short cut to hell.
10342. Life begins at forty.
10343. Life can be understood backwards but we live it forwards.
10344. Life does not give mortals anything but hard labor.
10345. Life imitates chess.
10346. Life is not separate from death.
10347. Life is a bridge Cross over it, but build no house on it.
10348. Life is a dung pie from which you take a bite every day.
10349. Life is a gift for which we pay dearly.
10350. Life is a ladder; some will climb up it, others down.
10351. Life is a long journey with a heavy bag on its back.
10352. Life is a perception of your own reality.
10353. Life is a shadow and a mist; it passes quickly by, and is no more.
10354. Life is a temporary stop, death is the journey home.
10355. Life is a waste if you didn't live as you would have wanted to!
10356. Life is an onion that you peel crying.
10357. Life is but a span.
10358. Life is for one generation; a good name is forever.
10359. Life is half spent before one knows what it is.
10360. Life is just a bowl of cherries.
10361. Life is just like a dream, but don't wake me.
10362. Life is like a ballet performance - danced only once.
10363. Life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you're going to get.
10364. Life is like a candle in the wind; like frost on the roof; like the wriggling of the fish in the pan.
10365. Life is like a Christmas tree, there's always someone who breaks the balls.
10366. Life is like a game in which god shuffles the cards, the devil deals them and we have to play the trumps.
10367. Life is like a lamp flame; it needs a little oil now and then.
10368. Life is like perpetual drunkenness; the pleasure passes but the headache remains.
10369. Life is like this: sometimes sun, sometimes rain.
10370. Life is not a bed of roses.
10371. Life is not all beer and skittles.
10372. Life is not always about roses.
10373. Life is not separate from death. It only looks that way.
10374. Life is short but a smile takes barely a second.
10375. Life is sweet.
10376. Life is ten percent what happens to you and ninety percent how you respond to it.
10377. Life is the biggest bargain, we get it for nothing.
10378. Life is the source of all things.
10379. Life is too short not to do something that matters.
10380. Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans.
10381. Life is what you do while you're waiting to die.
10382. Life is what you make it.
10383. Life itself cannot give you joy/ unless you really will it/ life just gives you time and space, it's up to you to fill it.
10384. Life will not get more beautiful by making grimaces.
10385. Life without a friend is death without a witness.

10386. Life, like a fire, begins in smoke and ends in ashes.
10387. Lift up your hearts!
10388. Light a candle for God and a candle-stub for the Devil.
10389. Light burdens carried far become heavy.
10390. Light come, light go.
10391. Light gains make a heavy purse.
10392. Light griefs can speak, but deeper ones are dumb.
10393. Light in the streets, shadows in the house.
10394. Light is bad for sore eyes.
10395. Light is half a companion.
10396. Light is light, though the blind man see it not.
10397. Light wisdom, heavy burden.
10398. Light your lamp first at home and afterwards at the mosque.
10399. Lighting a lantern for a blind person is a waste of kerosene.
10400. Lightly come, lightly go.
10401. Lightning never strikes the same place twice.
10402. Like a bride's mother, does nothing yet acts busy.
10403. Like a cat on hot bricks.
10404. Like a chicken without a head.
10405. Like a collier's sack, bad without and worse within.
10406. Like a fish, one should look for a hole in the net.
10407. Like a hen on a heap.
10408. Like a little angel pissing on your tongue.
10409. Like a needle in a haystack.
10410. Like a pee on the run.
10411. Like a snail on a barrel of tar.
10412. Like attracts like.
10413. Like blood, like means, and like age, make the happiest marriage.
10414. Like box-makers, more noise than work.
10415. Like the cat around the hot meal.
10416. Like the clock ticks at home, so it ticks nowhere else.
10417. Likeness is the mother of love.
10418. Lilies are whitest in a black moor's hand.
10419. Limit your desires and you will improve your health.
10420. Limit your inquiry after knowledge.
10421. Link by link the coat of mail is made.
10422. Lion entries, lamb's exits.
10423. Lion skins were never had cheap.
10424. Lions in time of peace; deer in war.
10425. Lip courtesy pleases much and costs little.
10426. Liquor is the drink of wise men.
10427. Listen a hundred times; ponder a thousand times; speak once.
10428. Listen or your tongue will keep you deaf.
10429. Listen to that which is openly and seriously spoken.
10430. Listen to the sound of the river and you will get a trout.
10431. Listen to what they say of the others and you will know what they say about you.
10432. Listen with both ears, but speak with only one tongue.
10433. Listen with one ear; be suspicious with the other.

10434. Listeners hear no good of themselves.
10435. Listening to good advice is the way to wealth.
10436. Little and lasting is better than much and passing.
10437. Little and often fills the purse.
10438. Little bean comes around his little salary.
10439. Little beard, little modesty.
10440. Little birds that can sing and won't sing must be made to sing.
10441. Little enemies and little wounds are not to be despised.
10442. Little fish are sweet.
10443. Little fishes make the pike big.
10444. Little folks are fond of talking about what great folks do.
10445. Little grain have I collected from a mass of chaff.
10446. Little is better than nothing.
10447. Little is done where many command.
10448. Little is spent with difficulty, much with ease.
10449. Little kettles soon boil over.
10450. Little knowledge is a dangerous thing.
10451. Little leaks sink the ship.
10452. Little of what you fancy does you good.
10453. Little pigeons can carry great messages.
10454. Little pitchers have big ears.
10455. Little pots soon run over.
10456. Little presents maintain friendship.
10457. Little rain lays great dust.
10458. Little saints also perform miracles.
10459. Little sorrows are loud, great ones silent.
10460. Little sticks kindle a fire, great ones put it out.
10461. Little strokes fell great oaks.
10462. Little thieves are hanged, but great ones escape.
10463. Little thieves have iron chains, and great thieves gold ones.
10464. Little things amuse little minds.
10465. Little things are pretty.
10466. Little wood, much fruit.
10467. Live according to your means.
10468. Live and learn, die and forget it all.
10469. Live for today for tomorrow never comes.
10470. Live long and prosper.
10471. Live near a lame man, and you will soon learn to limp.
10472. Live not beyond your means.
10473. Live patiently in the world; know that those who hate you are more numerous than those who love you.
10474. Live to fight another day.
10475. Live to live and you will learn to live.
10476. Live today for tomorrow it will all be history.
10477. Live together like brothers and do business like strangers.
10478. Live with vultures, become a vulture; live with crows, become a crow.
10479. Live your own life, for you will die your own death.
10480. Living in the past has one thing going for it; it's cheaper!

10481. Living in worry invites death in a hurry.
10482. Living is not a reward and dying is no crime.
10483. Living is worthless for one without a home.
10484. Living your life is not like crossing a meadow.
10485. Loaning money causes loss of memory.
10486. Loaves put awry into the oven come out crooked.
10487. Lock your door rather than suspect your neighbor.
10488. Locks and keys are not made for honest fingers.
10489. Locks cannot be made from good iron.
10490. Locks keep out only the honest.
10491. Loneliness breaks the spirit.
10492. Loneliness is a nest for the thoughts.
10493. Lonely is one.
10494. Long absence changes friends.
10495. Long absent, soon forgotten.
10496. Long borrowed is not given.
10497. Long experience of someone or something can make one as aware of the faults as to be scornful.
10498. Long fasting is no bread sparing.
10499. Long foretold, long last; short notice, soon past.
10500. Long is not forever.
10501. Long life to the conqueror.
10502. Long looked for comes at last.
10503. Long on hair, short on brains.
10504. Long parting ceremonies mean unnecessary tears.
10505. Long roads test the horse, long dealings the friend.
10506. Long skirts carry dust, but short skirts carry away souls.
10507. Long talk makes short days.
10508. Long tongue, short hand.
10509. Long whiskers cannot take the place of brains.
10510. Long-talked-of (or looked-for) comes at last.
10511. Longest journey starts with a single step.
10512. Look after number one.
10513. Look after the pennies and the pounds will look after themselves.
10514. Look after yourself and no more than that.
10515. Look and keep silent, and if you are eating meat, tell the world it is fish.
10516. Look at my color (face), know my mood!
10517. Look at the colander telling the pierced serving spoon, ‘You have three holes’.
10518. Look at the mother, marry the daughter.
10519. Look at work to know a person.
10520. Look down if you want to know how tall you are.
10521. Look for a black goat while it is still day-time.
10522. Look for a thing until you find it and you’ll not lose your labor.
10523. Look for a thrifty woman, even though it may cost you a pair of shoes.
10524. Look for cake, and lose your bread.
10525. Look for the good and let the bad things come on their own.
10526. Look for the hog at the oak.
10527. Look for wind in a field.

10528. Look high and fall low.
10529. Look not a gift horse in the mouth.
10530. Look not at thieves eating meat, but look at them suffering punishment.
10531. Look not out for dead men's shoes.
10532. Look on the bright side.
10533. Look with suspicion on the flight of an enemy.
10534. Looked for the female donkeys and found the kingship.
10535. Lookers-on see most of the game.
10536. Looking at a king's mouth one would never think he sucked his mother's breast.
10537. Looking at a tree, see its fruit; looking at a man, see his deeds.
10538. Looking down at one's nose.
10539. Looking for fish? Don't climb a tree.
10540. Looks can be deceiving.
10541. Loose lips sink ships.
10542. Loose tongues are worse than wicked hands.
10543. Loquacity and lying are cousins.
10544. Lords and fools speak freely.
10545. Lose a leg rather than life.
10546. Lose an hour in the morning, chase it all day.
10547. Lose and win in the same spirit.
10548. Lose at buying, win at wearing.
10549. Lose no rights, and commit no extortions.
10550. Loser becomes ashes, winner becomes coal.
10551. Losers are always in the wrong.
10552. Losses make us more cautious.
10553. Lost by a hundred, lost by a thousand.
10554. Lost is the person who forgets his/her past.
10555. Lost time is never found again.
10556. Love (and you) become good/well, hate (and you) become bad.
10557. Love and dignity do not dwell together.
10558. Love and eggs are best when they are fresh.
10559. Love and faith are seen in their works.
10560. Love and faith are seen in works.
10561. Love and hate always exaggerate.
10562. Love and let the world know, hate in silence.
10563. Love and lordship like no fellowship.
10564. Love and poverty are hard to conceal.
10565. Love and War are arenas of complete passion that often obfuscate reason.
10566. Love begins with song and music and ends in a sea of tears.
10567. Love brooks no delay.
10568. Love can do much, money can do all.
10569. Love can neither be bought nor sold; its only price is love.
10570. Love can turn a cottage into a golden palace.
10571. Love cannot be forced.
10572. Love conquers all things; let us own her dominion.
10573. Love created the earth.
10574. Love demands faith, and faith firmness.
10575. Love does not pay attention to dignity.

10576. Love does wonders, but money makes marriage.
10577. Love doesn't listen to rumors.
10578. Love enters a man through his eyes, woman through her ears.
10579. Love expels jealousy.
10580. Love for those too easily won does not last long.
10581. Love from someone who is bad is worse than his hatred.
10582. Love goes over the mountains.
10583. Love has its own language, but marriage falls back on the local dialect.
10584. Love has its tides; before ebb tide you must take advantage of the flood.
10585. Love has no law.
10586. Love has produced some heroes but even more idiots.
10587. Love him who tells you your faults in private.
10588. Love in a cottage.
10589. Love is a bridge between two hearts.
10590. Love is a crocodile in the river of desire.
10591. Love is a despot who spares no one.
10592. Love is a garden full of flowers and marriage is a field of stinging nettles.
10593. Love is a kind of military service.
10594. Love is a painkiller.
10595. Love is a sweet dream, and marriage is the alarm clock.
10596. Love is an excuse for its own faults.
10597. Love is an eye that doesn't see anything.
10598. Love is better than a whip.
10599. Love is blind, but not the neighbors,
10600. Love is blind and thinks that others don't see either,
10601. Love is blind but sees afar,
10602. Love is blind, and greed insatiable.
10603. Love is blind, as well as hatred.
10604. Love is blind, but marriage finds its cure.
10605. Love is blind, friendship closes its eyes.
10606. Love is blind, so you have to feel your way.
10607. Love is blind, but marriage is the real eye-opener.
10608. Love is blind; friendship closes its eyes.
10609. Love is incompatible with fear.
10610. Love is just like rice, plant it elsewhere and it grows.
10611. Love is like a baby it should be handled tenderly.
10612. Love is like a cough, it can't be hidden.
10613. Love is like a glass that breaks if handled clumsily.
10614. Love is like a mousetrap: you go in when you want, but you don't get out when you like.
10615. Love is like a shuttlecock.
10616. Love is like butter, it's good with bread.
10617. Love is like dew that falls on both nettles and lilies.
10618. Love is like fog, there is no mountain on which it does not rest.
10619. Love is like the moon: now full, now dark.
10620. Love is like war, begin when you like and leave off when you can.
10621. Love is like war, easy to start, hard to end, impossible to forget.
10622. Love is like young rice: transplanted, still it grows.

10623. Love is love no matter whence it comes or in what form.
10624. Love is master of all arts.
10625. Love is not finding someone to live with; it's finding someone whom you can't live without.
10626. Love is often the fruit of marriage.
10627. Love is one-eyed, hate is blind.
10628. Love is paid with love.
10629. Love is patient.
10630. Love is sometimes difficult but death even more so.
10631. Love is stronger than any addiction, baby.
10632. Love is the art of making exceptions.
10633. Love is the fruit of love.
10634. Love is the true price at which love is bought.
10635. Love is too rare to be lost on jealousy.
10636. Love is wealth.
10637. Love kills time and time kills love.
10638. Love kills with golden arrows.
10639. Love knows hidden paths.
10640. Love knows no law.
10641. Love knows not labor.
10642. Love lasts as long as does the reproach.
10643. Love laughs at locksmiths.
10644. Love levels all inequalities.
10645. Love makes a man both blind and deaf.
10646. Love makes labor light.
10647. Love makes the time pass.
10648. Love makes the world go round.
10649. Love makes time pass away, and time makes love pass away.
10650. Love makes time pass; time makes love pass.
10651. Love many, trust few and always paddle your own canoe.
10652. Love me little and love me long.
10653. Love me when I least deserve it, because that is when I need it the most.
10654. Love me, love my dog.
10655. Love never dies of starvation, but often of indigestion.
10656. Love of money is the root of all evil.
10657. Love of the fatherland is our law.
10658. Love often begins with a fight.
10659. Love rules his kingdom without a sword.
10660. Love sees clearly, hate even more so, but jealousy sees the most clearly, because it is equal to love plus hate.
10661. Love sees roses without thorns.
10662. Love steals on us imperceptibly.
10663. Love subdues everything except the recreant's heart.
10664. Love talks, even with closed lips.
10665. Love tastes sweet, but only with bread.
10666. Love teaches asses to dance.
10667. Love tells us many things that are not so.
10668. Love thy neighbor as thyself.

10669. Love thy neighbor, but pull not down thy hedge.
10670. Love understands all languages.
10671. Love well, whip well.
10672. Love will creep where it may not go.
10673. Love will find a way Indifference will find an excuse.
10674. Love will find a way.
10675. Love without friendship is like a shadow without the sun.
10676. Love without jealousy is like a Pole with no moustache.
10677. Love without return is like a question without an answer.
10678. Love your friend with his faults.
10679. Love your neighbor, but don't tear down your fence.
10680. Love, a cough, and smoke will not remain secret.
10681. Love, grief, and money cannot be kept secret.
10682. Love, like rain, does not choose the grass on which it falls.
10683. Love, pain, and money cannot be kept secret; they soon betray themselves.
10684. Love, thieves, and fear, make ghosts.
10685. Love's anger is fuel to love.
10686. Love's evil, you'll love even a goat.
10687. Love's merchandise is jealousy and broken faith.
10688. Love's plant must be watered with tears, and tended with care.
10689. Love's quarrels oft in pleasing concord end.
10690. Lovely flowers fade fast.
10691. Lovely women, lovely quarrels.
10692. Lovers always think that other people have had their eyes put out.
10693. Lovers and thieves always look for darkness.
10694. Lovers are madmen.
10695. Lovers do not hide their nakedness.
10696. Lovers do not need much room.
10697. Lovers think others are blind.
10698. Lovers' fights, double loves.
10699. Lovers' purses are tied with cobwebs.
10700. Loving with the eyes only, has blinded a lot of fools.
10701. Low is the mountain, high the expectations.
10702. Lower your head modestly while passing and you will harvest bananas.
10703. Lower your voice and strengthen your argument.
10704. Loyal she began, and loyal she remains.
10705. Luck comes to those who look after it.
10706. Luck favors the bold.
10707. Luck has but a slender anchorage.
10708. Luck has much for many, but enough for no one.
10709. Luck is a mirror of hard work.
10710. Luck is better than a hundred marks.
10711. Luck is infatuated with the efficient.
10712. Luck is like having a rice dumpling fly into your mouth.
10713. Luck is loaned, not owned.
10714. Luck is the idol of the idle.
10715. Luck never gives; it only lends.
10716. Luck seeks those who flee and flees those who seek it.

10717. Luck sometimes visits a fool, but never sits down with him.
10718. Luck taps at the door and inquires whether prudence is within.
10719. Luck that lasts is always suspected.
10720. Lucky at cards, unlucky in love.
10721. Lucky at gambling, unlucky at love.
10722. Lucky charms protect you only if you have your own luck.
10723. Lucky in cards, unlucky in love.
10724. Lust never sleeps.
10725. Lust of power is the strongest of all passions.
10726. Luxury encourages idleness.
10727. Lying and gossiping go hand in hand.
10728. Lying and stealing are next door neighbors.
10729. Lying is the first step to the gallows.
10730. Lying pays no tax.
10731. Lying will get you a wife, but it won’t keep her.

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10732. Mad desire, when it has the most, longs for more.
10733. Mad dogs get their coats torn.
10734. Mad drunkenness discloses every secret.
10735. Mad love, I for you and you for another.
10736. Maidens say no, and mean yes.
10737. Main time seems to pass quicker when you aren't consciously waiting for something.
10738. Make a bridge of silver for the flying enemy.
10739. Make a friend of the wolf, but keep your ax ready.
10740. Make a friend when you don't need one.
10741. Make a pact with the devil until you have crossed the bridge.
10742. Make bread while the oven is hot.
10743. Make do with bread and butter until God can bring you jam.
10744. Make friends with what is good in a man and not his goods.
10745. Make good flour and you need no trumpet.
10746. Make good use of your time, it flies fast.
10747. Make happy those who are near and those who are far will come.
10748. Make haste slowly.
10749. Make hay while the sun shines.
10750. Make love, not war.
10751. Make me a prophet and I will make you rich.
10752. Make new friends, but don't forget the old ones.
10753. Make no more haste than good speed.
10754. Make not the sauce till you have caught the fish.
10755. Make not your sail too big for your ballast.
10756. Make peace with man and war with your sins.
10757. Make somebody happy with a dead sparrow.
10758. Make sure to be in with your equals if you're going to fall out with your superiors.
10759. Make sure you leave some fat for the other side.
10760. Make sure your blanket covers your feet.
10761. Make the best of a bad bargain.
10762. Make the cap fit the head.
10763. Make too much haste and pay the penalty.
10764. Make use of the sun while it shines.
10765. Make way for a madman and a bull.
10766. Make your bargain before beginning to plow.
10767. Make your chest wet.
10768. Make your experiment on a worthless subject.
10769. Make your son you heir and not your steward.
10770. Make yourself a sheep and the wolf is ready.
10771. Make yourself all honey and the flies will devour you.
10772. Making a long nose.
10773. Making a road to freedom.
10774. Making a rod for your own back.
10775. Making money is like digging with a needle.
10776. Making money selling manure is better than losing money selling musk.
10777. Malice drinks its own poison.

10778. Mallet strikes chisel; chisel splits wood.
10779. Malta would be a nice place if every knight were a tree.
10780. Man and woman, fire and chaff.
10781. Man can't live in this world alone.
10782. Man cannot stir one inch without the push of heaven's finger.
10783. Man carrying a basket with another looking in.
10784. Man concocts a million schemes; god knows but one.
10785. Man counts what he has refused, not what he has given.
10786. Man does not live by bread alone.
10787. Man does what he can, God does what he will.
10788. Man fools himself He prays for a long life, and he fears old age.
10789. Man grows up, felt wears out.
10790. Man has a thousand plans, heaven but one.
10791. Man has responsibility, not power.
10792. Man is his own judge.
10793. Man holding the neck of a snake.
10794. Man is a pilgrim on this earth; he does not know where his tomb is.
10795. Man is a wolf to man.
10796. Man is fire, the woman in tow, and the devil comes and blows.
10797. Man is greater than the tools he invents.
10798. Man is harder than iron, stronger than stone, and more fragile than a rose.
10799. Man is heaven and earth in miniature.
10800. Man is himself the author of every sorrow he endures.
10801. Man is his own mirror.
10802. Man is known by his friends.
10803. Man is learning all his life and yet he dies in ignorance.
10804. Man is like a banana: when he leaves the bunch, he gets skinned.
10805. Man is like a bubble of water on the ocean.
10806. Man is like palm-wine: when young, sweet but without strength; in old age, strong but harsh.
10807. Man is like pepper, you only know him when you've ground him.
10808. Man is preceded by the forest and followed by the desert.
10809. Man is the flower of the earth.
10810. Man is the head and woman is the crown upon it.
10811. Man is the head of the family, woman the neck that turns the head.
10812. Man is the instrument of illness.
10813. Man is the measure of all things.
10814. Man is the only mammal that can be skinned more than once.
10815. Man is to man a wolf; man is to man a demon.
10816. Man is truly himself when he's alone.
10817. Man learns from the cradle to the grave.
10818. Man longs to see that which he is afraid to see.
10819. Man loves but once.
10820. Man loves his own mistakes.
10821. Man makes plans, God finishes them.
10822. Man must be sharpened on man, like knife on stone.
10823. Man only ever scores nine out of ten.
10824. Man plans, God laughs.

10825. Man proposes but god disposes.
10826. Man punishes the action, but God the intention.
10827. Man scraping bark from a tree.
10828. Man sins then blames it on the devil.
10829. Man thinks out, but God determines.
10830. Man was created in a hurry.
10831. Man wasn't born to suffer but to carry on.
10832. Man who is his own lawyer has a fool for his client.
10833. Man who waits for roast duck to fly into mouth must wait very, very long time.
10834. Man, woman, and love created fire.
10835. Man's affairs are evaluated only after his coffin is closed.
10836. Man's extremity, God's opportunity.
10837. Man's eyelids are transparent.
10838. Man's life is a sojourn in a strange land.
10839. Man's life is like a drop of dew on a leaf.
10840. Man's mind is a watch that needs winding daily.
10841. Manage with bread and salted butter until God brings something to eat with it.
10842. Manana is often the busiest day of the week.
10843. Mankind fears an evil man but heaven does not.
10844. Mankind is made out of forgetfulness.
10845. Mankind scorns a virtuous man, but heaven does not.
10846. Manners make the man.
10847. Manual play, clown's play.
10848. Manure is the farmer's gold.
10849. Many a fine dish has nothing on it.
10850. Many a friend has been lost by a jest, but none has ever been got by one.
10851. Many a good cow has a bad calf.
10852. Many a good face is under a ragged hat.
10853. Many a good hanging prevents a bad marriage.
10854. Many a good tune played on an old fiddle.
10855. Many a little make a mickle.
10856. Many a man digs his grave with his teeth.
10857. Many a man is a good friend but a bad neighbor.
10858. Many a man labours for the day he will never live to see.
10859. Many a one is good because he can do no mischief.
10860. Many a one suffers for what he can't help.
10861. Many a one threatens and yet is afraid.
10862. Many a one would like to lay his own shame on another man's back.
10863. Many a pupil has gained more wealth than his master.
10864. Many a sheep goes out woolly and comes home shorn.
10865. Many a thing whispered into one ear is heard over the whole town.
10866. Many a true word is spoken in jest.
10867. Many an injury comes from a fool's speech.
10868. Many annoyances surround an aged man.
10869. Many are brave when the enemy flees.
10870. Many are called but few are chosen.
10871. Many are esteemed, only because they are not known.
10872. Many are the eyes of the person whose spouse commits adultery.

10873. Many are the roads that do not lead to the heart.
10874. Many asses have only two legs.
10875. Many beads form one necklace.
10876. Many bring their clothes to church rather than themselves.
10877. Many cakes are beautiful on the surface, but don't have nice fillings.
10878. Many can drive an ox; few can plough.
10879. Many can help one.
10880. Many can pack the cards that cannot play.
10881. Many children and little bread is a painful pleasure.
10882. Many complain of their looks, but none of their brains.
10883. Many cooks spoil the broth.
10884. Many desire the tree that pretend to refuse the fruit.
10885. Many dogs are the death of the hare.
10886. Many dogs, rabbit's death.
10887. Many enter the wood without an axe.
10888. Many fall by the sword, but more from gluttony.
10889. Many families are built on laughter.
10890. Many flowers, few fruits.
10891. Many friends empty the stomach.
10892. Many go out for wool, and come home shorn themselves.
10893. Many grains of sand will sink a ship.
10894. Many hands make quick work.
10895. Many have good intentions, but something comes across them.
10896. Many have too much, but none have enough.
10897. Many heads, much knowledge.
10898. Many heroes appear after the war.
10899. Many hounds are the death of the hare.
10900. Many kiss the child for the nurse's sake.
10901. Many little rivulets make a great river.
10902. Many love to praise right and do wrong.
10903. Many medicines, few cures.
10904. Many meet the gods, but few salute them.
10905. Many men are like clocks that show one hour and strike another.
10906. Many men know how to flatter; few men know how to praise.
10907. Many midwives, the child will be lazy.
10908. Many open a door to shut a window.
10909. Many people/bad assistance.
10910. Many people quit looking for work when they find a job.
10911. Many promises impair confidence.
10912. Many rats cannot all at once dig a hole for their home.
10913. Many roads lead to Rome.
10914. Many scruple to spit in church, and afterward defile the altar.
10915. Many see more with one eye than others with two.
10916. Many seek good nights and waste good days.
10917. Many speak much who cannot speak well.
10918. Many speeches can be heard throughout the world, but one always has to wait for deeds.
10919. Many stars cannot be concealed by a small cloud.

10920. Many stop their noses at ambergris.
10921. Many take by the bushel and give with the spoon.
10922. Many talk like philosophers yet live like fools.
10923. Many things are lost for want of asking.
10924. Many things grow in the garden that was never sown there.
10925. Many trades, begging the best.
10926. Many who build castles in the air cannot build a hut on earth.
10927. Many who have gold in the house are looking for copper outside.
10928. Many will hate you if you love yourself.
10929. Many will show the way after the carriage has overturned.
10930. Many women, many words.
10931. Many words hurt more than swords.
10932. Many words, little credit.
10933. March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb.
10934. March makes one look through the door and makes one burn hoes and shovels.
10935. March winds and April showers bring forth May flowers.
10936. Marred young saint, old devil.
10937. Marriage and shroud come from heaven.
10938. Marriage equals hell and bankruptcy.
10939. Marriage has teeth and it bites hard.
10940. Marriage is a covered dish.
10941. Marriage is a little bit like buying melons, you need a little luck.
10942. Marriage is a sack full of ninety-nine snakes and one eel.
10943. Marriage is a snake to slip into your handbag.
10944. Marriage is a three ring circus: engagement ring, wedding ring, and suffering.
10945. Marriage is heaven and hell.
10946. Marriage is like a besieged castle; those who are on the outside wish to get in; and those who are on the inside wish to get out.
10947. Marriage is like a besieged fortress: those who are outside want to come in, and those already in want to be out.
10948. Marriage is like a groundnut: you have to crack them to see what is inside.
10949. Marriage is not a tight knot, but a slip knot.
10950. Marriage is not just a porridge that you spit out if it's too hot.
10951. Marriage is the only war in which you sleep with the enemy.
10952. Marriage is the opposite of a fever attack; it begins very hot and ends very cold.
10953. Marriage is the sunset of love.
10954. Marriage teaches you to live alone.
10955. Marriage without lovemaking means sad consequences and sorrow.
10956. Marriages are all happy. It's having breakfast together that causes all the trouble.
10957. Marriages are not as they are made, but as they turn out.
10958. Marriages are written in heaven.
10959. Marriages sealed with rings end with drawn knives.
10960. Married couples tell each other a thousand things without speech.
10961. Married folk is like rats in a trap, fain to get others in, but fain to be out themselves.
10962. Marry a mountain girl and you marry the whole mountain.
10963. Marry a person in your own rank in life.
10964. Marry a woman from the mountain and you'll marry the mountain.
10965. Marry for money, my little sonny, a rich man's joke is always funny.

10966. Marry in haste and repent at leisure.
10967. Marry in Lent, and you'll live to repent.
10968. Marry me forthwith, mother, for my face, is growing wrinkled.
10969. Marry your son when you please, your daughter when you can.
10970. Marry, and grow tame.
10971. Marry, marry, and what about the housekeeping.
10972. Marry, marry, sounds well but tastes ill.
10973. Marrying in the blood is never good.
10974. Marrying is easy, but housekeeping is hard.
10975. Martha sings well when she has had her fill.
10976. Masha is good, but she's not ours.
10977. Master and servant, both have the same body odour.
10978. Masters who sacrifice for servants will receive the gift of loyalty.
10979. Masters' hints are commands.
10980. Mastiff never liked greyhound.
10981. Maternity is a matter of fact; paternity is a matter of opinion.
10982. Maturity comes from wisdom, not in the passing of years.
10983. Maturity consists of no longer being taken in by oneself.
10984. May and December never agree.
10985. May chicken come cheeping.
10986. May God bless you to live as long as you want to, and want to as long as you live!
10987. May God not so prosper our friends that they forget us.
10988. May it end with threats and not come to blows.
10989. May makes everything new.
10990. May the horse live!
10991. May you have a bright future, as the chimney sweep said to his son.
10992. May you have a lawsuit in which you know you are in the right.
10993. May you live to be a hundred, and decide then rest for yourself.
10994. May your friendship not be like a stone.
10995. Maybe and somehow won't make any good.
10996. Mean fathers, wasteful sons.
10997. Meaner than a junk-yard dog.
10998. Meaningless laughter is a sign of ill-breeding.
10999. Meanness looks through one eye only, ambition is blind.
11000. Measure a thousand times and cut once.
11001. Measure the corn of others with your own bushel.
11002. Measure your guilt, and then stretch your legs.
11003. Measure your throat before you swallow a bone.
11004. Meat and mass never hindered man.
11005. Meat does not eat meat.
11006. Meat that the cat brings in never gets to your plate.
11007. Meddle not in what you don't understand.
11008. Meddle with dirt and some of it will stick to you.
11009. Medicine can only cure curable diseases, and then not always.
11010. Medicine cures the man who is fated not to die.
11011. Medicine is the noblest of all arts.
11012. Medicine left in the bottle can't help.
11013. Mediocrity is climbing molehills without sweating.

11014. Meekness is the pride of the humble.
11015. Meet on the stairs and you won't meet in heaven.
11016. Melons and women are known by their asses.
11017. Memory is everyone's friend, it leaves you when you need it most.
11018. Memory is life's clock.
11019. Memory is the treasure of the mind.
11020. Memory slips, letters remain.
11021. Men after the modern fashion, and asses after the ancient.
11022. Men and women are never placed too far apart to be near.
11023. Men and women sleep on the same pillow, but they have different dreams.
11024. Men apt to promise are apt to forget.
11025. Men are as old as they feel, women as old as they look.
11026. Men are blind in their own cause.
11027. Men are bound by words, bulls' horns by ropes.
11028. Men are just as God made them, and a little worse.
11029. Men are like bagpipes: no sound comes from them till they're full.
11030. Men aren't measured with a hand's length.
11031. Men believe what they want to.
11032. Men can acquire knowledge, but not wisdom Some of the greatest fools ever known were learned men.
11033. Men can bear all things except good days.
11034. Men count up the faults of those who keep them waiting.
11035. Men dig their graves with their teeth.
11036. Men don't build on strange ground.
11037. Men don't die of threats.
11038. Men eat fish, thanks to the sauce.
11039. Men fated to be happy need not haste.
11040. Men fear danger, women only the sight of it.
11041. Men fear, but time fears the pyramids.
11042. Men get spoiled by staying, women get spoiled by wandering.
11043. Men go not laughing to heaven.
11044. Men have thought about their marriage a whole year long, and it lasts but one night.
11045. Men in the game are blind to what men looking on see clearly.
11046. Men in the office must work hard.
11047. Men know not all their faults, oxen all their strength.
11048. Men laugh with their hearts, women only with their mouth.
11049. Men learn little from success, but much from failure.
11050. Men look more like their uncles on the mother's side.
11051. Men made money; money never made men.
11052. Men make laws; women make morals.
11053. Men make the earth black from green leaves.
11054. Men make wealth, and women preserve it.
11055. Men marry women with the hope they will never change Women marry men with the hope they will change. Invariably they are both disappointed.
11056. Men may meet but mountains never.
11057. Men must sail while the wind serves.
11058. Men must sew up tears with gentleness.

11059. Men never moan over the opportunities lost to do good, only the opportunities to be bad.
11060. Men prefer the wife of another but love their own sons more.
11061. Men prone to tears are good.
11062. Men see more of the business of others than of their own.
11063. Men see only the present; heaven sees the future.
11064. Men seek less to be instructed than applauded.
11065. Men that crawl, never fall.
11066. Men that have much business must have much pardon.
11067. Men were born with bread in their hands women were born with empty hands.
11068. Men who have lost heart never yet won a trophy.
11069. Men who have no religion, no honor.
11070. Men who watch their fortune grow find their houses too small.
11071. Men will always lose the battle against cholera and bureaucracy.
11072. Men will give away their last shirt to become millionaires.
11073. Men will love each other as long as one is richer than the other.
11074. Men will not be fortunate without a helping hand from misfortune.
11075. Men will only throw stones at trees that are laden with fruit.
11076. Men wishes (dreams), but god decides.
11077. Men worship the rising, not the setting sun.
11078. Men would not be richer for being miserly; generosity does not make a man poorer.
11079. Men would not tell lies if women asked fewer questions.
11080. Men's skins have many colors, but human blood is always red.
11081. Mention not a rope in the house of one whose father was hanged.
11082. Meowing cats catch fewer mice.
11083. Merchant today, beggar tomorrow.
11084. Merchant's goods are ebb and flood.
11085. Mere intentions are not to be esteemed as actions.
11086. Mere words do not feed the friars.
11087. Merit and glory never adorn a nightcap.
11088. Merit consists in action.
11089. Merit is often an obstacle to fortune; the reason is it produces two bad effects, envy and fear.
11090. Merit is often belied by the countenance.
11091. Mettle is dangerous in a blind horse.
11092. Mewing cats catch no mice.
11093. Mice always return to their own little holes.
11094. Mice care not to play with kittens.
11095. Mice play around, when they don't smell the cat.
11096. Midday sun is the remedy for a cold.
11097. Midsummer night is not long but it sets many cradles rocking.
11098. Might and courage require wit in their suite.
11099. Might goes before right.
11100. Might have gone further and have fared worse.
11101. Might is always right.
11102. Mighty oaks from little acorns grow.
11103. Mildness governs more than anger.
11104. Milk for a child, meat for a man, beer for the old.

11105. Milk the cow that stands still.
11106. Milk the cow, but do not pull off the udder.
11107. Millers and bakers do not steal, people bring to them.
11108. Mills and wives are ever wanting.
11109. Mind your own business.
11110. Mirrors do everything we do, but they cannot think for themselves.
11111. Mirrors were not made for the blind.
11112. Mischief comes soon enough.
11113. Misers' money goes twice to market.
11114. Misery does not arrive alone.
11115. Misery loves company.
11116. Misfortune comes on horseback and goes away on foot.
11117. Misfortune does not restrict his visits to one day.
11118. Misfortune does not visit the weak-hearted.
11119. Misfortune is easier to bear if you share it with many others.
11120. Misfortune is not that which can be avoided, but that which cannot.
11121. Misfortune makes us know who loves us.
11122. Misfortune never comes alone.
11123. Misfortune of soup made of shanks and feet.
11124. Misfortune sits on a rich man's lap but grabs the throat of the pauper.
11125. Misfortune upon misfortune is not wholesome.
11126. Misfortune, wood, and hair, grow throughout the year.
11127. Misfortunes come on horseback and depart on foot.
11128. Misfortunes make happiness sweeter when it comes.
11129. Misfortunes, when asleep, are not to be awakened.
11130. Misreckoning is no payment.
11131. Miss is as good as a mile.
11132. Missing the wood for the trees.
11133. Mistakes are to be pardoned.
11134. Mistakes occur through haste, never through doing a thing leisurely.
11135. Mistrust before you trust.
11136. Mistrust is an axe in the tree of love.
11137. Mistrust is the mother of certainty.
11138. Mix with your neighbors, and you learn what's doing in your own house.
11139. Mock not the fallen, for slippery is the road ahead of you.
11140. Mock the palm tree only when the date harvest is over.
11141. Mockery is the flashing of slander.
11142. Moderate measures succeed best.
11143. Moderate profits fill the purse.
11144. Moderation is everything.
11145. Modesty is an adornment, but you come further without it.
11146. Modesty is the beauty of women.
11147. Modesty is the highest form of arrogance.
11148. Modesty may be a grace; forget it if you want to win the race.
11149. Monday is the key day of the week.
11150. Monday's child is fair of face.
11151. Money and friendship break the arms of justice.
11152. Money and the devil know no rest.

11153. Money begets money, and fleas beget fleas.
11154. Money borrowed is soon sorrowed.
11155. Money buys cherries.
11156. Money buys everything but good sense.
11157. Money can build roads in the sea.
11158. Money can buy a lot that is not even for sale.
11159. Money can't buy everything, but everything needs money.
11160. Money can't buy happiness.
11161. Money comes to money.
11162. Money demands care, you abuse it and it disappears.
11163. Money does not announce how it is earned but whereas properly earned money appreciates, improperly earned money depreciates.
11164. Money does not grow on trees.
11165. Money earned by deceit goes by deceit.
11166. Money for old rope.
11167. Money goes to peacocks.
11168. Money grows on the tree of persistence.
11169. Money has no ears but it hears; no legs but it walks.
11170. Money has the capability of making people laugh; but when they laugh, the foolish ones sometimes forget to close their mouths.
11171. Money hides in the tiger's ear.
11172. Money in the purse dispels melancholy.
11173. Money is a good servant but a bad master.
11174. Money is a sweet balm.
11175. Money is an epitome of human power.
11176. Money is better than my lord's letter.
11177. Money is flat and meant to be piled up.
11178. Money is like a guest: it comes today, leaves tomorrow.
11179. Money is like down; one puff and it's gone.
11180. Money is lost only for want of money.
11181. Money is meant to be spent.
11182. Money is more eloquent than twelve members of parliament.
11183. Money is not gained by losing time.
11184. Money is only good for a weekday, a holiday, and a rainy day.
11185. Money is only needed to pay back a debt.
11186. Money is round, it must roll.
11187. Money is sharper than a sword.
11188. Money is the best servant.
11189. Money is the devil's eye.
11190. Money is the key that opens all locks.
11191. Money is the measure of all things.
11192. Money is the root of all evil.
11193. Money is the sinew of war.
11194. Money is truthful. If a man speaks of his honor, make him pay cash.
11195. Money isn't everything.
11196. Money kills more than weapons.
11197. Money lent, an enemy made.
11198. Money likes a count.

11199. Money makes a man.
11200. Money makes even dogs' dance.
11201. Money makes many things, but also makes devil dance.
11202. Money makes money.
11203. Money makes the mare go.
11204. Money makes the world go around.
11205. Money often unmakes the men who make it.
11206. Money opens all gates but heavens.
11207. Money purifies everything.
11208. Money saved is as good as money gained.
11209. Money soothes more than a gentleman's words.
11210. Money spent on the brain is never spent in vain.
11211. Money sticks to money.
11212. Money swore an oath that nobody that did not love it should ever have it.
11213. Money taken, freedom forsaken.
11214. Money turns bad into good.
11215. Money was made to be counted.
11216. Money will buy you everything but good sense.
11217. Money wins the battle, not the long arm.
11218. Money, like a queen, gives rank and beauty.
11219. Monkey see, monkey do.
11220. Monks, mice, rats, vermin, seldom sunder without harming.
11221. More afraid than hurt.
11222. More are drowned in the bowl than in the sea.
11223. More belongs to dancing than a pair of dancing shoes.
11224. More blind than the cast-off skin of a serpent.
11225. More cost, more worship.
11226. More die by food than famine.
11227. More festive than the feast itself is the day before.
11228. More flies are caught with a spoonful of syrup than with a barrel full of vinegar.
11229. More grows in a garden than the gardener sows there.
11230. More haste at a task will lead to the task being completed less speedily.
11231. More haste, less speed.
11232. More is done with words than with hands.
11233. More lambs than sheep are slaughtered.
11234. More money only causes more problems.
11235. More naked than the cast-off skin of a serpent.
11236. More people are slain by supper than by the sword.
11237. More people are threatened than being beaten up.
11238. More people die from overeating than from undernourishment.
11239. More people drown in glasses than in rivers.
11240. More people know Tom Fool than Tom Fool knows.
11241. More precious than our children are the children of our children.
11242. More smoke than flame.
11243. More than enough is too much.
11244. More than one mother can make a tasty soup.
11245. More than one war has been caused by a single word.
11246. More than we use is more than we want.

11247. More the hurry, more the obstacles.
11248. More things change, the more they stay the same.
11249. More things grow in the garden than the gardener sows.
11250. More unlucky than dogs in church.
11251. Morning dreams come true.
11252. Morning hour has gold in its mouth.
11253. Morning is wiser than the evening.
11254. Morning rain and women's tears dry as fast as each other.
11255. Moss grows on a lying stone.
11256. Most bitter are the quarrels of brothers.
11257. Most haste, worst speed.
11258. Most insects are to be found near the blossoms.
11259. Most men employ the earlier part of their life to make the other miserable.
11260. Most people forget everything except being ungrateful.
11261. Most people like short prayers and long sausages.
11262. Mother earth promised to tell her secrets to heaven.
11263. Mother Nature, time and patience are the three best doctors.
11264. Mother-in-law and daughter-in-law can be cooked together but they will never be tender.
11265. Mother-in-law and daughter-in-law storm and hail.
11266. Mother's anger is like spring snow: a lot of it may fall, but it will melt away shortly.
11267. Mother's love is ever in its spring.
11268. Mother's soup is always the best in the world.
11269. Mother's truth keeps constant youth.
11270. Mothers raise their daughters and let their sons grow up.
11271. Mothers-in-law are fine so long as they are deaf and blind.
11272. Mountains are used to snow.
11273. Mountains do not meet; people do.
11274. Mountains never unite.
11275. Mountains won't endure what lies ready.
11276. Moustache is respected and a beard is worn even by goats.
11277. Moustaches hide the imperfections of the mouth.
11278. Mouth and heart are wide apart.
11279. Mouth from honey, the heart of gall.
11280. Mouth shut and eyes open.
11281. Move your neck according to the music.
11282. Much ado and little help.
11283. Much always long for more.
11284. Much as I like you, puppy, but not enough to give you bread.
11285. Much broth is sometimes made with little meat.
11286. Much caution does no harm.
11287. Much chatter, little wit.
11288. Much coin, much care.
11289. Much cry and little wool.
11290. Much is forgotten by those who don't know.
11291. Much kindred, much trouble.
11292. Much laughter, little wisdom.
11293. Much laughter, little wit.

11294. Much law, but little justice.
11295. Much meat, much disease.
11296. Much memory and little judgment.
11297. Much money, many friends.
11298. Much more than you have sown will grow in your garden.
11299. Much never cost little.
11300. Much noise from nothing.
11301. Much smoke and a little roast.
11302. Much straw and little corn.
11303. Much talking, much erring.
11304. Much taste, much waste.
11305. Much wants more.
11306. Much water passes by the mill that the miller perceives not.
11307. Much water runs by while the miller sleeps.
11308. Much will have more.
11309. Much wisdom is lost in poor men's mouths.
11310. Much wisdom is smothered in a poor man's head.
11311. Much wit is lost in a poor man's purse.
11312. Much would have more and lost all.
11313. Muck and money go together.
11314. Mud houses don't burn.
11315. Muddied water does not reflect.
11316. Muddy springs will have muddy streams.
11317. Muddy water won't do for a mirror.
11318. Mules are always boasting that their ancestors were horses.
11319. Mules help to scratch each other.
11320. Mules make a great fuss about their ancestors having been donkeys.
11321. Murder will out.
11322. Music has charms to soothe the savage breast.
11323. Music helps not the toothache.
11324. Music induces more madness in many than wine.
11325. Music is the best cure for a sorrowing mind.
11326. Music is the handmaid of divinity.
11327. Music provokes love.
11328. Must is a hard nut.
11329. Mustard after the meal.
11330. Mutual affection is when each gives his share.
11331. Mutual gifts cement a friendship.
11332. My chest locked my soul safe.
11333. My chicken is good, but my neighbor's looks better.
11334. My debtor is a worse payer even than I am.
11335. My dog slaps you with his tail and bites you with his teeth.
11336. My donkey is dead; let no more grass grow.
11337. My enemy's liver is the sheath of my sword.
11338. My fathers planted for me, and I planted for my children.
11339. My friend's enemy is often my best friend.
11340. My gossips don't like me because I tell them truths.
11341. My house is at the end of the street; so I have no idea what's going on.

11342. My house is my castle.
11343. My life and soul at your service, but not the pack-saddle.
11344. My money, your money, let us go to the tavern.
11345. My neighbor's goat gives more milk than mine.
11346. My no is as good as your yes.
11347. My shirt is closer to me than my cloak.
11348. My sister's son is a kinsman beyond dispute.
11349. My skin is closer to me than my shirt is.
11350. My skirt with tears is always wet.
11351. My son, too old is the Earth doesn't make fun of it.
11352. My teeth are nearer than my kindred.
11353. My tongue is an enemy mine.
11354. My word is my bond.

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11355. Naked, but right.
11356. Name not a rope in his house that hanged himself.
11357. Name the dog, ready the stick.
11358. Names are odious.
11359. National customs are national honors.
11360. Natural things are not shameful.
11361. Nature abhors a vacuum.
11362. Nature and love cannot be hidden.
11363. Nature breaks through the eyes of the cat.
11364. Nature draws stronger than seven oxen.
11365. Nature gave us two cheeks instead of one to make it easier to eat hot food.
11366. Nature hangs out her sign everywhere.
11367. Nature has given us two ears, two eyes, and but one tongue; to the end, we should hear and see more than we speak.
11368. Nature is better than a middling doctor.
11369. Nature is our mother.
11370. Nature is the greatest in the smallest things.
11371. Nature never did betray the heart that loved her.
11372. Nature requires little, fancy much.
11373. Nature surpasses nurture.
11374. Nature teaches us to love our friends, but religion our enemies.
11375. Nature without an effort surpasses art.
11376. Nature, time, and patience are three great physicians.
11377. Naught must disturb a man of worth at dinner.
11378. Naught venture, naught have.
11379. Near is my petticoat but nearer is my smock.
11380. Near the church far from God.
11381. Near the dry, the damp will burn.
11382. Necessity and opportunity may make a coward valiant.
11383. Necessity becomes will.
11384. Necessity is harsh.
11385. Necessity is the mother of all invention.
11386. Necessity knows no law.
11387. Necessity never made a good bargain.
11388. Necessity recognizes no law.
11389. Necessity requires no decision.
11390. Necessity seeks bread where it is to be found.
11391. Necessity turns a lion into a fox.
11392. Necessity unites hearts.
11393. Need is a bad negotiator.
11394. Need is not governed by the law.
11395. Need makes the old wife trot.
11396. Need teaches a plan.
11397. Need teaches things unlawful.
11398. Needle and thread are half clothing.
11399. Needs must when the devil drives.

11400. Neglect will sooner kill an injury than revenge.
11401. Neighbor once over the hedge, neighbor over it again.
11402. Neither a good friar for friend nor a bad one for the enemy.
11403. Neither beautiful nor young.
11404. Neither blame nor praise yourself.
11405. Neither down nor feather.
11406. Neither give cherries to pigs nor advice to fools.
11407. Neither handsome enough to kill nor ugly enough to frighten away.
11408. Neither here nor there.
11409. Neither reprove nor flatter your wife where people hear or see it.
11410. Neither rhyme nor reason.
11411. Neither seek nor shun the fight.
11412. Neither women nor linen by candlelight.
11413. Neutrals are soused from above and singed from below.
11414. Neutrals tread on eggs and break none.
11415. Never admit that there is a tomorrow.
11416. Never advise a man to go to the wars, or to marry.
11417. Never answer a letter while you are angry.
11418. Never approach a goat from the front, a horse from behind, and a fool from both sides.
11419. Never argue with a man who buys ink by the barrel.
11420. Never ask a barber if you need a haircut.
11421. Never ask a favor of someone till they have had their dinner.
11422. Never ask God to give you anything; ask Him to put you where things are.
11423. Never ask of him who has, but of him who wishes you well.
11424. Never ask pardon before you are accused.
11425. Never ask to be told the obvious.
11426. Never be boastful; someone may come along who knew you as a child.
11427. Never be content with your lot. Try for a lot more.
11428. Never be too much elated.
11429. Never become a teacher where you yourself were a pupil.
11430. Never beg from one who was a beggar.
11431. Never boast, you might meet someone who knew you as a child.
11432. Never bolt your door with a boiled carrot.
11433. Never burn your fingers to snuff another man’s candle.
11434. Never buy through your ears but your eyes.
11435. Never by-pass a town where a friend lives.
11436. Never cast a clout till may be out.
11437. Never cast dirt into that fountain of which you have sometimes drunk.
11438. Never celebrate someone’s leaving until you know who will succeed him.
11439. Never challenge a fool to do wrong.
11440. Never change, for the sake of others. There will be no one like you if you change.
11441. Never choose your women or linen by candlelight.
11442. Never confuse gratitude with love.
11443. Never consult a doctor who has never been ill himself.
11444. Never coward shall have a fair lady for a friend.
11445. Never criticize a man until you’ve walked a mile in his moccasins.
11446. Never cross a bridge till you come to it.

11447. Never cut what can be untied.
11448. Never descend to vulgarity even in joking.
11449. Never did capon love a hen.
11450. Never do anything standing that you can do sitting, or anything sitting that you can do lying down.
11451. Never do anything that you want to remain a secret.
11452. Never do evil that good may come of it.
11453. Never do that by proxy which you can do yourself.
11454. Never do things by halves.
11455. Never does a woman lie in a more cunning way than when she tells the truth to someone who doesn't believe her.
11456. Never draw your dirk when a blow will do it.
11457. Never dress in mourning before the dead man is in his coffin.
11458. Never eat in a restaurant where the chef is thin.
11459. Never fall out with your bread and butter.
11460. Never fell oak at the very first stroke.
11461. Never fight an enemy whilst it is possible to cheat him.
11462. Never find fault with the absent.
11463. Never forget benefits done you, regardless how small.
11464. Never fry a fish till it's caught.
11465. Never give a child a sword.
11466. Never give a sucker an even break.
11467. Never give a sword to a fool or power to an unjust man.
11468. Never give or take a credit.
11469. Never give the skin when you can pay with the wool.
11470. Never give up what you have seen for what you have heard.
11471. Never go to a pub without money.
11472. Never go to bed on an argument.
11473. Never grieve over spilt milk.
11474. Never had an ill workman good tools.
11475. Never hang your hat higher than you can reach.
11476. Never has a man more need of his intelligence than when a fool asks him a question.
11477. Never have loans, in neither direction.
11478. Never heed the color of a gift horse.
11479. Never is a long time.
11480. Never judge things of which you only know the shadow.
11481. Never kill a brooding bird.
11482. Never kill a man who says nothing.
11483. Never kiss an opportunity with a dirty mouth.
11484. Never leave a friend behind!
11485. Never leave a woman to do a man's work.
11486. Never let a hyena know how well you can bite.
11487. Never let a poor man advice you on investments.
11488. Never let any mechanical device know that you are in a hurry.
11489. Never let fools see half-finished work.
11490. Never let people see the bottom of your purse or of your mind.
11491. Never let the right hand know what the left hand is doing.
11492. Never let the sun go down on your anger.

11493. Never let the truth get in the way of a good story.
11494. Never let your feet run faster than your shoes.
11495. Never listen to these three advisers: wine, the night, and love.
11496. Never look a gift horse in the mouth.
11497. Never look for a worm in the apple of your eye.
11498. Never love with all your heart, it only ends in breaking.
11499. Never malign a friend.
11500. Never marry a woman who has bigger feet than you.
11501. Never mention a rope in the house of a thief.
11502. Never mind storms and snows for the sake of a friend.
11503. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
11504. Never mistake chicken shit for an egg.
11505. Never murder a man who is about to commit suicide.
11506. Never offer to teach a fish to swim.
11507. Never open a door that you can't lock again.
11508. Never pet a bear unless it is a rug.
11509. Never pick up what you didn't put down.
11510. Never point out the mistakes of another with a dirty finger.
11511. Never praise life in front of death, nor the beautiful day in front of a night.
11512. Never promise a poor person, and never owe a rich one.
11513. Never put your finger between the tree and the bark.
11514. Never put your thumbs between two grinders.
11515. Never quit certainty for hope.
11516. Never refuse a good offer.
11517. Never rely on the glory of the morning or the smiles of your mother-in-law.
11518. Never repeat old grievances.
11519. Never reveal the bottom of your purse or the depth of your mind.
11520. Never say 'from this water I shall not drink.
11521. Never seek the wind in the field It is useless to try and find what is gone.
11522. Never sell the bearskin till you have killed the bear.
11523. Never share a foxhole with anyone braver than you are.
11524. Never show the truth naked, just in its shirt.
11525. Never sign anything by neon light.
11526. Never smash a glass over a brick donkey.
11527. Never speak ill of the dead.
11528. Never speak in a hurry.
11529. Never speak of a rope in the family of one who has been hanged.
11530. Never spend time with people who don't respect you.
11531. Never spread your corn to dry before the door of a saintly man.
11532. Never spur a willing horse.
11533. Never squat with your spurs on.
11534. Never stand in front of a judge or behind a donkey.
11535. Never step over one duty to perform another.
11536. Never such a small feast, that it won't have sponges on.
11537. Never swap horses crossing a stream.
11538. Never take a wife till you know what to do with her.
11539. Never take the antidote before the poison.
11540. Never tell tales out of school.

11541. Never tell your friends what your enemy may not hear.
11542. Never tell your story to a deaf man.
11543. Never throw away the old at the sight of the new.
11544. Never throw the cat at the dog.
11545. Never tickle the nose of a sleeping bear.
11546. Never to forsake your ideas is better than dreaming of great things.
11547. Never too much of a good thing.
11548. Never trust a fool with a sword.
11549. Never trust a woman who mentions her virtue.
11550. Never trust overmuch to a new friend or an old enemy.
11551. Never trust the advice of a man in difficulty.
11552. Never trust the man who tells you all his troubles but keeps from you all his joys.
11553. Never trust to another what you should do yourself.
11554. Never try to be more foolish than the jester.
11555. Never try to catch two frogs with one hand.
11556. Never try to prove what nobody doubts.
11557. Never twice without thrice.
11558. Never underestimate the power of stupid people in large numbers.
11559. Never use a dwarf to measure the depth of the water.
11560. Never was a mewing cat a good mouser.
11561. Never was hood so holy but the devil could get his head into it.
11562. Never watch a bonfire wearing a straw coat.
11563. Never wear a brown hat in Friesland.
11564. Never whisper to the deaf or wink at the blind.
11565. Never wrestle with a strong man nor bring a rich man to court.
11566. Never write a letter while you are angry.
11567. Never write what you dare not sign.
11568. New brooms sweep the best.
11569. New churches and new bars are seldom empty.
11570. New comers are always welcome.
11571. New day, new destiny
11572. New dishes beget new appetites.
11573. New doctor, new churchyard.
11574. New laws, new roguery.
11575. New lords, new laws.
11576. New loves drive out the old.
11577. New songs are eagerly sung.
11578. New things are most looked at.
11579. New trappings to an old mule.
11580. News does not sleep on the way.
11581. Nice word finds a nice place.
11582. Nice words are free, so choose ones that please another’s ears.
11583. Night has no friend.
11584. Night is the mother of advice.
11585. Nightingales will not sing in a cage.
11586. Nights of pleasure are short.
11587. Nine gamblers could not feed a single rooster.
11588. Nine tailors make a man.

11589. Ninety percent of inspiration is perspiration.
11590. No and yes cause long disputes.
11591. No answer is also an answer.
11592. No ape but swears he has the most handsome children.
11593. No apple tree is immune from worms.
11594. No armor is proof against the gallows.
11595. No attention is paid to him who is always complaining.
11596. No bad thing which doesn't bring anything good.
11597. No barber shaves so close but another finds his work.
11598. No bears and no forest.
11599. No bed is big enough to hold three.
11600. No bees, no honey; no work, no money.
11601. No better masters than poverty and want.
11602. No better moonshine than in august.
11603. No better witnesses than your own eyes.
11604. No blessing is bestowed on a secret.
11605. No call alligator long mouth till you pass him.
11606. No camel route is long with good company.
11607. No chicken will fall into the fire a second time.
11608. No child was ever born without having been conceived.
11609. No choice is an option.
11610. No church without a sermon.
11611. No clock is more regular than the belly.
11612. No comforter's head ever aches.
11613. No cook ever died of starvation.
11614. No corn without chaff.
11615. No cow on the lake ice.
11616. No cross, no crown.
11617. No crowd ever waited at the gates of patience.
11618. No danger on the roof.
11619. No day but has its evening.
11620. No day dawns like another.
11621. No day in which you learn something is a complete loss.
11622. No day is wholly productive of evil.
11623. No day should pass without something being done.
11624. No day so long but has its evening.
11625. No day without a line.
11626. No dew ever competed with the sun.
11627. No diadem can cure a headache.
11628. No dish pleases all palates alike.
11629. No donkey can cart what weighs down your heart.
11630. No family has no ugly member.
11631. No fat mouse in a widow's house.
11632. No fate is worse than a life without love.
11633. No feast like a miser's.
11634. No fine clothes can hide the clown.
11635. No fire without smoke.
11636. No fishing like fishing in the sea.

11637. No flies get into a shut mouth.
11638. No flies light on a boiling pot.
11639. No flock without dog and shepherd.
11640. No flying from fate.
11641. No fool like an old fool.
11642. No friends but the mountains.
11643. No frog is tied by a rope to a pond.
11644. No gain is as certain as that which proceeds from the economical use of what you already have.
11645. No gains without pains.
11646. No garden without its weeds.
11647. No good doctor ever takes physic.
11648. No good dog barks without reason.
11649. No good lawyer ever goes to court himself.
11650. No good thing is a failure and no evil thing success.
11651. No good will come of oversleeping.
11652. No grass grows on a beaten road.
11653. No great loss without some small gain.
11654. No greater promisers than they who have nothing to give.
11655. No herb can remedy the anguish of love.
11656. No herb will cure love.
11657. No hero without a wound.
11658. No hill without gravestones, no valley without shadows.
11659. No horse is so good, but that he will at times stumble.
11660. No injury can be complained of by a consenting party.
11661. No iron is so strong that it cannot be melted down, and no business so dirty that can be fixed with money.
11662. No is a good answer when given in time.
11663. No jealousy, no love.
11664. No jesting with edged tools.
11665. No joy without wine.
11666. No king was ever a traitor, or Pope excommunicated.
11667. No labor, no oilcake.
11668. No lamp burns till morning.
11669. No living man all things can.
11670. No loans today but tomorrow.
11671. No lock avails against a hatchet.
11672. No lock will hold against the power of gold.
11673. No longer pipe, no longer dance.
11674. No love like the first love.
11675. No mad dog runs seven years.
11676. No man acquires perfection all at once.
11677. No man can call again yesterday.
11678. No man can do nothing and no man can do everything.
11679. No man can like all or be liked by all.
11680. No man can paddle two canoes at the same time.
11681. No man can perfectly empty a pot with a ladle.
11682. No man can swim ashore and carry his baggage with him.

11683. No man commands ably unless he has himself obeyed discipline.
11684. No man ever became wicked all at once.
11685. No man grieves long unless by his own fault.
11686. No man has a worse friend than he brings with him from home.
11687. No man is a good physician who has never been sick.
11688. No man is a hero in the eyes of his valet.
11689. No man is an island, but some of us are long peninsulas.
11690. No man is born into this world, whose work is not born with him.
11691. No man is contented with his lot in this life.
11692. No man is his craft's master the first day.
11693. No man is impatient with his creditors.
11694. No man is indispensable.
11695. No man is infallible.
11696. No man is quick enough to enjoy life to the full.
11697. No man is so tall that he need never stretch and none so small that he need never stoop.
11698. No man is so young he cannot teach, or so old he cannot learn.
11699. No man is wise at all times.
11700. No man knows fortune till he dies.
11701. No man learns but by pain or shame.
11702. No man limps because another is hurt.
11703. No man loves his fetters, be they made of gold.
11704. No man ought to be twice tried for the same offence.
11705. No man sees his shadow who faces the sun.
11706. No man should be a witness in his own cause.
11707. No man will feed on herbs when meat is to be had.
11708. No man's master, no master's man.
11709. No marriage contract is made without a quarrel.
11710. No masika (rain season) without mosquitoes.
11711. No matter her past, when a chambermaid marries a lord she becomes a lady.
11712. No matter how bad a child is, he is still good for a tax deduction.
11713. No matter how beautiful and well-crafted a coffin might look, it will not make anyone wish for death.
11714. No matter how big a child is, he cannot deny that he was once carried on the back of a woman.
11715. No matter how big the sea may be, sometimes two ships meet.
11716. No matter how big, one beam cannot support a house.
11717. No matter how dark it is, the hand always knows the way to the mouth.
11718. No matter how far an eagle flies up the sky, it will definitely come down to look for food.
11719. No matter how far down a wrong road you are, turn back
11720. No matter how far you have gone on a wrong road, turn back.
11721. No matter how far you urinate, the last drop always falls at your feet.
11722. No matter how fast moonlight runs, daylight catches up.
11723. No matter how fast the poplar grows, it will never reach heaven.
11724. No matter how full the river, it still wants to swell more.
11725. No matter how hard you throw a dead fish in the water, it still won't swim.
11726. No matter how hard you try the bull will never give milk.

11727. No matter how high a bird can fly, it still has to look for food on the ground.
11728. No matter how hot your anger may be, it cannot cook.
11729. No matter how long a log floats on the river, it will never be a crocodile.
11730. No matter how long the night, the day is sure to come.
11731. No matter how many chores you finish in your house, there is always yet more to be done.
11732. No matter how much snow falls, it won't remain there all the way till summer.
11733. No matter how much the wise man travels, he always lives in the same place.
11734. No matter how much the world changes, cats will never lay eggs.
11735. No matter how much you feed a wolf, he will always return to the forest.
11736. No matter how sharp it is, a knife will never cut its own handle.
11737. No matter how stout one beam, it cannot support a house.
11738. No matter how tall the mountain, it cannot block out the sun.
11739. No matter how tall the tree is, its leaves will always fall to the ground.
11740. No matter how tall/long the neck is, there's no day it will surpass the head.
11741. No matter how treacherous is the sea, a woman will always be more so.
11742. No matter how worthless a man may be, kill him and see how much he costs you.
11743. No matter if you eat a little or a lot of garlic, the smell is just as strong.
11744. No matter where you go, your destiny follows you.
11745. No matter where you go, your house is always there waiting.
11746. No meat ever remains in the shambles however bad it may be.
11747. No medicines can cure the vulgar man.
11748. No mill, no meal.
11749. No mirror ever reflected an ugly woman.
11750. No need to seek shelter for an old ox.
11751. No need to teach an eagle to fly.
11752. No needle is sharp at both ends.
11753. No news is good news.
11754. No office so humble but it is better than nothing.
11755. No one became poor by giving alms.
11756. No one betrays himself by silence.
11757. No one boasts of what belongs to another.
11758. No one buys what he recommends himself.
11759. No one can have peace longer than his neighbor pleases.
11760. No one can be expected to be an expert at something before they have tried it.
11761. No one can be caught in places he does not visit.
11762. No one can blow and swallow at the same time.
11763. No one can climb a tree with no branches.
11764. No one can complain of the sea who twice suffers shipwreck.
11765. No one can guard against treachery.
11766. No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.
11767. No one can pray well, but those who live well.
11768. No one can see into another further than his teeth.
11769. No one can take two skins from one ox.
11770. No one ever became poor through giving alms.
11771. No one ever kicks a dead dog.
11772. No one ever repented of having held his tongue.
11773. No one ever saw a goat dead of hunger.

11774. No one ever suddenly reached the height of vice.
11775. No one falls low unless he attempt to climb high.
11776. No one feels the pains that arise from unintended injury.
11777. No one fights the lion without the lion's claws getting to his body
11778. No one gets into trouble without his own help.
11779. No one has seen tomorrow.
11780. No one in a shabby coat is treated with respect.
11781. No one is a blacksmith when they are born.
11782. No one is a fool always, every one sometimes.
11783. No one is a good judge of his own case.
11784. No one is as angry as the person who is wrong.
11785. No one is as deaf as the man who will not listen.
11786. No one is bound to do impossibilities.
11787. No one is content with his lot.
11788. No one is dragged to heaven by the hair.
11789. No one is either rich or poor who has not helped himself to be so.
11790. No one is expected to achieve the impossible.
11791. No one is hanged who has money in his pocket.
11792. No one is happier than he who believes in his happiness.
11793. No one is hurt by doing the right thing.
11794. No one is indispensable.
11795. No one is more afraid of ghosts than those who don't believe in them.
11796. No one is obliged to do the impossible.
11797. No one is poor but he who thinks himself so.
11798. No one is rich enough to do without a neighbor.
11799. No one is as generous as he who has nothing to give.
11800. No one is so poor as an ignorant person.
11801. No one is so rich that he can do without a good neighbor.
11802. No one is too old to learn.
11803. No one is unhappier than the one who believes in happiness.
11804. No one is wise enough to advise himself.
11805. No one is without knowledge except he who asks no questions.
11806. No one is worse, for knowing the worst of themselves.
11807. No one knows as much about the pot as does the spoon.
11808. No one knows better where the shoe pinches that he who wears it.
11809. No one knows the messenger of death.
11810. No one knows the person better than the clerk.
11811. No one knows what the dawn will bring.
11812. No one knows what the dinner was after the plates have been washed.
11813. No one knows what will happen to him before sunset.
11814. No one knows where another's shoe pinches.
11815. No one likes justice brought home to his own door.
11816. No one likes to be the first to step on the ice.
11817. No one likes to bell the cat.
11818. No one loathes the smell of himself.
11819. No one loves another better than himself.
11820. No one perceives where the shoe pinches but he who wears it.
11821. No one puts his finger back where it was once bitten.

11822. No one rides a horse without moving his head, voluntarily or involuntarily.
11823. No one says his own buttermilk is sour.
11824. No one sees his own faults.
11825. No one should be considered truly happy before his death.
11826. No one should take in an eating pawn.
11827. No one so sure but he may miss.
11828. No one takes away anything with him.
11829. No one tests the depth of a river with both feet.
11830. No one was ever hung for what he was thinking.
11831. No one was ever hurt by laughter.
11832. No one was ever lost on a straight road.
11833. No one will get a bargain he does not ask for.
11834. No one will give a pauper bread, but everybody will give him advice.
11835. No one will say, 'My father is incontinent'. Everyone will say, 'He is a man of advice and wisdom'.
11836. No one will take the one who is destined for you.
11837. No one with a good catch of fish goes home by the back alley.
11838. No one would be an innkeeper but for money.
11839. No pear falls into a shut mouth.
11840. No penny, no paternoster.
11841. No person is born great, great people become great when others are sleeping.
11842. No pillows as soft as God's Promise.
11843. No price is too low for a bear or too high for a bull.
11844. No pride like that of an enriched beggar.
11845. No protection is as sure as that of innocence.
11846. No punishment without a law.
11847. No purchase like a gift.
11848. No rain without clouds.
11849. No revenge is more honorable than the one not taken.
11850. No river can return to its source, yet all rivers must have a beginning.
11851. No road is too long in the company of a friend.
11852. No rogue like the godly rogue.
11853. No roses without thorns.
11854. No saint was ever popular in his own parish.
11855. No sane person sharpens his machete to cut a banana tree.
11856. No sauce like appetite.
11857. No sheath shall hold what finds its home in flesh.
11858. No sheep runs into the mouth of a sleeping wolf.
11859. No sin is hidden to the soul.
11860. No snowflake ever falls in the wrong place.
11861. No solutions without discussions.
11862. No sooner have you spoken than what you have said becomes the property of another.
11863. No sooner is a law made than a way around it is discovered.
11864. No stake ever grew old with the bark on.
11865. No strength within, no respect without.
11866. No such breeze, no such calm, that the leaf wouldn't swing.
11867. No such thing as a free lunch.
11868. No sunshine but hath some shadow.

11869. No sweet without sweat.
11870. No tattoo is made without blood.
11871. No thanks attach to a kindness long deferred.
11872. No time like the present.
11873. No tree falls at the first stroke.
11874. No tree so small but it can cast a shade.
11875. No trees grow to the sky.
11876. No use in flogging a dead horse.
11877. No villain like the conscientious villain.
11878. No viper so little but hath its venom.
11879. No water is heated by him.
11880. No water without waves.
11881. No wheat without chaff.
11882. No wind can do him good who steers for no port.
11883. No wind is of service to him that is bound for nowhere.
11884. No wind is too cold for lovers.
11885. No wisdom like silence.
11886. No wise man takes responsibility for an eighteen-year-old daughter.
11887. No woman can make a wise man out of a fool, but every woman can change a wise man into a fool.
11888. No woman ever speaks the naked truth.
11889. No woman is ugly when she is dressed.
11890. No woman marries an old man for God's sake.
11891. No wonder lasts more than three days.
11892. No word is ill spoken, that is not ill taken.
11893. No year has two summers.
11894. No-one attacks me with impunity.
11895. Nobility imposes obligations.
11896. Nobility is what is earned by those who have no other earnings.
11897. Noble and common blood is of the same color.
11898. Nobles and dogs leave the door open.
11899. Nobody alone is clever enough.
11900. Nobody can do what an expert cannot do.
11901. Nobody can rest in his own shadow.
11902. Nobody dances sober.
11903. Nobody gathers firewood to roast a thin goat.
11904. Nobody gets out of the bed to sleep on the floor.
11905. Nobody goes to another monastery with one's own charter.
11906. Nobody has ever bet enough on a winning horse.
11907. Nobody is born wise.
11908. Nobody is born with teeth.
11909. Nobody is bound beyond ability.
11910. Nobody is shamed twice.
11911. Nobody is to blame for all.
11912. Nobody is too young to die tomorrow.
11913. Nobody leaves this world alive.
11914. Nobody leaves us, we only leave others.
11915. Nobody sees any miracle from this shrine.

11916. Nobody so wise but has a little folly to spare.
11917. Nobody sows a thing that will not sell.
11918. Nobody takes care of one's business as does its owner.
11919. Nobody tells all he knows.
11920. Nobody wages war with ghosts.
11921. Nobody walks with another man's gait.
11922. Nobody wants to buy a sleeping horse.
11923. Nobody will plough the land except its cows.
11924. Nobody's sweetheart is ugly.
11925. Nod's as good as a wink to a blind horse.
11926. Nodding the head does not row the boat.
11927. Noise and hunting don't go together.
11928. Noiseless is the approach of the avenging deities.
11929. None are haughtier than a common place person raised to power.
11930. None but a mule denies his family.
11931. None but the brave deserve the fair.
11932. None can guess the jewel by the casket.
11933. None is as deaf as the one who will not hear.
11934. None is as rich as that he can throw away a friend.
11935. None of us knows who we are.
11936. None as keen at the hunting of wolves as the dog with wolf blood.
11937. Nonviolence is the supreme law of life.
11938. Not a long day, but a good heart, rids work.
11939. Not all are asleep who have their eyes shut.
11940. Not all brave words become deeds.
11941. Not all flowers are fit for nosegays.
11942. Not all nice things are dear, but those that are dear are nice.
11943. Not all people who have yawned together must get married.
11944. Not all porridge cooked is eaten.
11945. Not all that is black is charcoal.
11946. Not all that is true is to be spoken.
11947. Not all that shakes falls.
11948. Not all the buds on a bush will blossom.
11949. Not all the forest hates the antelope.
11950. Not all the tree's blossoms will bear fruit.
11951. Not all the words that were ever uttered are worth weighing on golden scales.
11952. Not all who wander are lost.
11953. Not being able to reach it with your hat.
11954. Not crossing the ice after one night of frost.
11955. Not enough room to swing a cat.
11956. Not even a drop is left.
11957. Not even a god can bring back the leaves that have fallen.
11958. Not even counsel can make strong a man whose character is weak.
11959. Not every wood will make wooden shoes.
11960. Not every word requires an answer.
11961. Not everybody is as bad as he is dressed.
11962. Not everybody who wears spurs is a jockey.
11963. Not everyone who chased the zebra caught it, but he who caught it chased it.

11964. Not everyone who has a cowl on is a monk.
11965. Not everyone who sings a lullaby stays awake.
11966. Not everyone who sits in the seat of honor is master.
11967. Not everything is a mermaid that dives into the water.
11968. Not everything that is bad comes to hurt us.
11969. Not everything that is good to eat is good to talk about.
11970. Not everything that's allowed is agreeable.
11971. Not everything which is bad comes to hurt us.
11972. Not everything you hear is good for conversation.
11973. Not having a shot is always missed.
11974. Not having all of them in a row.
11975. Not having enough is like not having anything.
11976. Not he gives who likes, but who has.
11977. Not he who lived long knows, but he who traveled much knows.
11978. Not much is achieved where everyone gives the orders.
11979. Not only of bread lives a man.
11980. Not only that the rich man is rich, but he has such good checks too.
11981. Not only have those who can talk the best told you the most interesting things.
11982. Not the cry, but the flight of the wild duck, leads the flock to fly and follow.
11983. Not the fastest horse can catch a word spoken in anger.
11984. Not the glittering weapon fights the fight, but rather the hero's heart.
11985. Not the place where I was born but where I hang my hat is home.
11986. Not the raiment graces the man, but the man the raiment.
11987. Not to be ashamed of a sin is to sin double.
11988. Not to disturb that which is at rest.
11989. Not to know is bad, not to want to know is worse.
11990. Not to oversee workmen, is to leave your purse open.
11991. Not to watch your workmen is to lose your money.
11992. Not to wish to recover is a mortal symptom.
11993. Not too little, not too much.
11994. Not turning his hand around for it.
11995. Not until the tree is felled can you see how tall it was.
11996. Not wearing a high cap of someone.
11997. Nothing ages more than a good deed.
11998. Nothing answers worse than too high farming.
11999. Nothing but a handful of dust will fill the eyes of man.
12000. Nothing but the best is good enough.
12001. Nothing can be said which has not been said already.
12002. Nothing can come out of a sack but what is in it.
12003. Nothing can exist long without occasional rest.
12004. Nothing comes of nothing.
12005. Nothing dries faster than tears.
12006. Nothing equals the joy of the drinker, except the joy of the wine in being drunk.
12007. Nothing falls from heaven.
12008. Nothing grows old sooner than a kindness.
12009. Nothing happens for nothing.
12010. Nothing have put a stout heart to a stay brae.
12011. Nothing hurts like shame.

12012. Nothing improves the taste of pasta more than a good appetite.
12013. Nothing in haste but catching fleas.
12014. Nothing is as new as something which has been long forgotten.
12015. Nothing is certain but the unforeseen.
12016. Nothing is difficult if you're used to it.
12017. Nothing is difficult to a willing mind.
12018. Nothing is done while something remains undone.
12019. Nothing is easy to the unwilling.
12020. Nothing is gained without taking risks.
12021. Nothing is grievous which necessity enjoins.
12022. Nothing is haste but catching flies.
12023. Nothing is ill said if it is not ill taken.
12024. Nothing is more changeable than time and a woman.
12025. Nothing is more contagious than a bad example.
12026. Nothing is more easily blotted out than a good turn.
12027. Nothing is more elegant than ready money!
12028. Nothing is more expensive than the first beer.
12029. Nothing is more foolish than to dabble in too many things.
12030. Nothing is more like an honest man than a rogue.
12031. Nothing is nobler than politeness, and nothing more ridiculous than ceremony.
12032. Nothing is new under the sun.
12033. Nothing is as burdensome as a secret.
12034. Nothing is so difficult that diligence cannot master it.
12035. Nothing is so fortified that it can't be conquered with money.
12036. Nothing is as full of victory as patience.
12037. Nothing is so liberally given as advice.
12038. Nothing is as necessary as medicine.
12039. Nothing is so new but it has happened before.
12040. Nothing is as reckless as a blind horse.
12041. Nothing is such a heavy burden as a secret is.
12042. Nothing is too difficult you only need to know how.
12043. Nothing is true but death.
12044. Nothing is worse than waiting or chasing.
12045. Nothing looks more like a sensible man as a fool who holds his tongue.
12046. Nothing looks more like an honest man than a villain.
12047. Nothing must be done hastily but killing of fleas.
12048. Nothing passes between asses but kicks.
12049. Nothing prevails against wealth.
12050. Nothing resembles an honest man more than a cheat.
12051. Nothing seems expensive on credit.
12052. Nothing should be done in haste but gripping a flea.
12053. Nothing so bad as not to be good for something.
12054. Nothing so bad but it finds its master.
12055. Nothing so bad but it might have been worse.
12056. Nothing so bad, as not to be good for something.
12057. Nothing as bold as a blind man.
12058. Nothing as good as forbidden fruit.
12059. Nothing so visible than what you want to hide.

12060. Nothing speaks more eloquently than money.
12061. Nothing tastes bitterer than the truth.
12062. Nothing to be feared in life, but understood.
12063. Nothing to be got without pains but poverty.
12064. Nothing weighs lighter than a promise.
12065. Nothing will content him who is not content with a little.
12066. Nothing wipes your tears away but your own hand.
12067. Nothing, however small, is to be irritated.
12068. Nought is good for the eyes, but not for the stomach.
12069. Nought is never in danger.
12070. Nought needs no hiding place.
12071. Novelty always appears handsome.
12072. Novelty in all things is charming.
12073. Now my resources are reduced to a narrow compass.
12074. Now the shit has really hit the fan.
12075. Now we have doors so we can hide.
12076. Nowadays you must go to heaven to meet an angel.
12077. Numbers can achieve anything.
12078. Nutcrackers crack cedar seeds, monks crack rosary beads.

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12079. Oaks may fall when reeds stand the storm.
12080. Obedience comes before leadership.
12081. Obedience is the mother of happiness.
12082. Obedience to a woman leads to hell.
12083. Obey orders, if you break owners.
12084. Obscurity envelops truth.
12085. Observe decorum even in your sport.
12086. Observe your enemies, for they first find your faults.
12087. Obstinacy does not redeem anyone.
12088. Obstinately to justify a fault is a second fault.
12089. Occupy yourself, and you will be out of harm's way.
12090. Of a compliment only a third is meant.
12091. Of a dead leopard we keep the skin, of man his reputation.
12092. Of a good beginning cometh a good end.
12093. Of a stupid head the whole body has to suffer.
12094. Of all meat in the world drink goes down the best.
12095. Of all the female qualities a warm heart is the most valuable.
12096. Of all the stratagems, to know when to quit is the best.
12097. Of all the thirty-six alternatives, running away is the best.
12098. Of all weights, old age is the heaviest.
12099. Of bad debtors you make take spoilt herrings.
12100. Of big words and feathers may go to the pound.
12101. Of brothers-in-law and red dogs few are good.
12102. Of everything else the newest; of friends, the oldest.
12103. Of evil grain no good seed can come.
12104. Of evils, choose the least.
12105. Of genius and crazy, we all have a little.
12106. Of hasty counsel take good heed; for haste is very rarely speed.
12107. Of judgment everyone has a stock on hand for sale.
12108. Of listening children have your fears, for little pitchers have great ears.
12109. Of little cloth but a short cloak.
12110. Of no sort of good to himself, or to anybody else.
12111. Of no worldly good can the joy be perfect, unless it is shared by a friend.
12112. Of other men's leather large thongs.
12113. Of soup and love, the first is the best.
12114. Of soups and loves the first are the best.
12115. Of the dead speak well or not at all.
12116. Of the dead, nothing but good.
12117. Of the good we have an understanding, for fools we keep a stick upstairs.
12118. Of the great and of the dead either speak will or say nothing.
12119. Of the malady a man fears, he dies.
12120. Of the wealth of the world each has as much as they take.
12121. Of this world each man has as much as he takes.
12122. Of two cowards, the one who attacks conquers the other.
12123. Of two evils choose the least.
12124. Of two evils, it is always best to vote for the least hypocritical.

12125. Of two lookers on one is sure to become a player.
12126. Of war all can tattle, away from the battle.
12127. Of what does not concern you say nothing, good or bad.
12128. Of what fills the heart speaks the mouth.
12129. Of what use is a torch at midday?
12130. Of what use is the veil if you are going to dance.
12131. Of what you see, believe very little, of what you are told, nothing.
12132. Of words and feathers, it takes many to make a pound.
12133. Offences to the gods are the concern of the gods.
12134. Offenders never pardon.
12135. Offer not the right hand of friendship to everyone.
12136. Offer some to save many.
12137. Offer the lazy an egg, and they'll want you to peel it for them.
12138. Office tests the man.
12139. Office without pay makes thieves.
12140. Often a branch is broken off the tree by the one who has rested in its shadow.
12141. Often a silent face has voice and words.
12142. Often one finds one's destiny just where one hides to avoid it.
12143. Often shooting hits the mark.
12144. Often there is eloquence in a silent gaze.
12145. Oh you bad persons, stop envying me!
12146. Oh, misfortune, I forgive you when you come alone.
12147. Oil and truth will get uppermost at last.
12148. Oil and water don't mix.
12149. Old age and poverty are wounds that can't be healed.
12150. Old age and treachery will overcome youth and skill.
12151. Old age comes not on its own.
12152. Old age cures us of our youth.
12153. Old age does not announce itself.
12154. Old age does not come in just one day.
12155. Old age is a disease that you die from.
12156. Old age is a hundred disorders.
12157. Old age is cruel for prostitutes and magicians.
12158. Old age is in itself a disease.
12159. Old age is no fun.
12160. Old age is no protection against foolishness.
12161. Old age is not a blessing.
12162. Old age is not a joy, but death is not a gain.
12163. Old age is ripeness.
12164. Old age though despised, is coveted by all.
12165. Old age will not come alone.
12166. Old and new millet seeds end up in the same mill.
12167. Old as is the boat it may cross the ferry once.
12168. Old bachelors and old maids are either too good or too bad.
12169. Old birds are hard to pluck.
12170. Old birds are not caught with chaff.
12171. Old bread isn't hard, no bread, that is hard.
12172. Old canoes can be restored, but youth and beauty cannot.

12173. Old churches have dark windows.
12174. Old countries don’t disappear overnight; they stay for breakfast.
12175. Old crows are hard to catch.
12176. Old debts are never paid, and the new ones get old easily.
12177. Old donkeys do not learn languages.
12178. Old foxes are hard to catch.
12179. Old foxes go with difficulty into the trap.
12180. Old foxes want no tutors.
12181. Old friends and new reckonings.
12182. Old friends and old ways ought not to be disdained.
12183. Old friends and old wine are best.
12184. Old habits die hard.
12185. Old horse doesn’t learn how to walk.
12186. Old horses don’t forget the way.
12187. Old love and old brands kindle at all seasons.
12188. Old love and wood will burn as soon as they get the chance.
12189. Old love never rusts.
12190. Old men are twice children.
12191. Old men’s children are rarely of good constitution.
12192. Old mistakes need more friends than new truths.
12193. Old people see best in the distance.
12194. Old pigs have hard snouts.
12195. Old pottage is sooner heated than new made.
12196. Old praise dies unless you feed it.
12197. Old reckonings breed new disputes.
12198. Old saints don’t get incense anymore.
12199. Old Satan couldn’t get along without plenty of help.
12200. Old signs do not deceive.
12201. Old sins cast long shadows once a whore, always a whore.
12202. Old soldiers never die, they simply fade away.
12203. Old soldiers never die.
12204. Old swine have hard snouts, old oxen hard horns.
12205. Old thanks are not for new gifts.
12206. Old thieves make good jailers.
12207. Old trees are not to be bent.
12208. Old wine and friends improve with age.
12209. Old wine is good for the stomach.
12210. Old wounds easily bleed.
12211. Older than you by a day, wiser than you by a year.
12212. On a dead tree there are no monkeys.
12213. On a fishing lull, even a crayfish is fish.
12214. On a fool’s beard all learn to shave.
12215. On a hot day muffle yourself more.
12216. On a rainy day many offer to water the chickens.
12217. On a small pretense the wolf devours the sheep.
12218. On a steep road, let your horse set the pace.
12219. On a thief, the hat’s on fire.
12220. On an empty belly every burden is heavy.

12221. On an uphill road, give your horse his reins.
12222. On dry land even brackish water is good.
12223. On earth it’s hard and heaven is far away.
12224. On every small pretext the wolf seizes the sheep.
12225. On old pots you learn cooking.
12226. On poor people’s beards the young barber learns his trade.
12227. On the belly there is silk, and in the belly just a click.
12228. On the day of victory no fatigue is felt.
12229. On the first of March, the crows begin to search.
12230. On the hook of truth only small carp will bite; in the net of falsehood the big salmon are caught.
12231. On the ladder to success there is always somebody on the rung above you and who uses your head to steady himself.
12232. On the road between the homes of friends, grass does not grow.
12233. On the tongue there’s honey, and on the heart there’s ice.
12234. On the way out, the road is rough; returning, it is smooth.
12235. On your own donkey it is quicker than on someone else’s racehorse.
12236. Once a buffoon, never a good father of a family.
12237. Once a cock begins to crow, it never again becomes dumb.
12238. Once a drunkard, always a drunkard.
12239. Once a handmaid never a lady.
12240. Once a man has been bitten by a lion, he buys a dog.
12241. Once a word has been uttered it belongs to those who hear it.
12242. Once bit, twice shy.
12243. Once dead the good and the bad are covered by the same moss.
12244. Once deep pools, now a crossing place.
12245. Once does not mean frequently, and twice does not mean constantly.
12246. Once fire spreads the damp and the dry burn.
12247. Once I had the strength but no wisdom; now I have the wisdom but no strength.
12248. Once in a lifetime comes often, so be prepared.
12249. Once in each man’s life fortune smiles.
12250. Once is never, but twice is once too often.
12251. Once is no custom.
12252. Once it was the parents who taught their children to talk; now the children teach their parents to keep quiet.
12253. Once on a tiger’s back it is hard to alight.
12254. Once out of the throat it spreads over the world.
12255. Once resolved, the trouble is over.
12256. Once the cattle have been split up, then the tiger strikes.
12257. Once the game is over, the king and the pawn go back into the same box.
12258. Once the last tree is cut and the last river poisoned, you will find you cannot eat your money.
12259. Once the rice is pudding, it’s too late to reclaim the rice.
12260. Once we give shoulder to shoulder, we can turn mountains.
12261. Once you are tired, you still can go far.
12262. Once you have been tossed by a buffalo, a black ox looks like a buffalo.
12263. Once you have decided to hit someone, then hit them hard because the retribution will be the same whether you hit hard or not.

12264. Once you have fallen into the water, you're not scared of water any more.
12265. Once you have found your rhythm, you will then know your God.
12266. Once you have locked your door you are the emperor in your own domain.
12267. Once you've cut the bread, you cannot put it together again.
12268. Once you've told a lie, you become a liar forever.
12269. One against whom accusations when made are easily believed.
12270. One always knocks oneself in the sore place.
12271. One always returns to one's first love.
12272. One and one are sometimes eleven.
12273. One and one sometimes make eleven.
12274. One armpit cannot hold two watermelons.
12275. One arrow can knock down an elephant.
12276. One bad experience is worth more than a thousand threats.
12277. One bad eye spoils the other.
12278. One bad general is better than two good ones.
12279. One bag of money is stronger than two bags of truth.
12280. One bamboo does not make a forest.
12281. One barber shears another.
12282. One basket of grapes does not make a vintage.
12283. One beast easily recognizes another.
12284. One beats one's breast who does not beat one's child.
12285. One beats the bush, and another catches the bird.
12286. One bee is as good as a handful of flies.
12287. One bee is better than a thousand flies.
12288. One beetle recognizes another.
12289. One beggar likes not that another has two wallets.
12290. One bell serves a parish.
12291. One bird in the dish is better than a hundred in the air.
12292. One bite brings another.
12293. One blind man leads another into the ditch.
12294. One body cannot perform two services.
12295. One briar does not make a hedge.
12296. One butcher fears not many sheep.
12297. One camel does not make fun of another camel's hump.
12298. One can care little for man, but we need a friend.
12299. One can easily judge the character of a person by the way they treat people who can do nothing for them.
12300. One can forgive a murder but not impoliteness.
12301. One can get sick of cake, but never of bread.
12302. One can never hide his/her true feelings indefinitely.
12303. One can only try to get what one can from the head of an elephant; no one ever carries it home.
12304. One can pay back the loan of gold, but one lies forever in debt to those who are kind.
12305. One can speak and seven can sing.
12306. One can stand still in a flowing stream, but not in a world of men.
12307. One can't break an axe with a whip.
12308. One can't build one's happiness on others' grief.
12309. One can't cheat sparrow, who had been shot at once, with chaff.

12310. One can’t enter Paradise in spite of the saints
12311. One can’t give a grasshopper to a child if one has not caught it yet
12312. One can’t hinder the wind from blowing.
12313. One can’t jump over one’s head.
12314. One can’t make head or tail of it.
12315. One can’t ring the bells and walk in the procession.
12316. One can’t shoe a running horse.
12317. One can’t spoil porridge with butter.
12318. One can’t wash the black dog all the way to whiteness.
12319. One cannot be and have been.
12320. One cannot be at the oven and the mill at the same time.
12321. One cannot be in debt and still talk big.
12322. One cannot be in two places at once.
12323. One cannot blow and swallow at the same time.
12324. One cannot both eat one’s cake and keep it.
12325. One cannot both feast and become rich.
12326. One cannot count on riches.
12327. One cannot drink and whistle at the same time.
12328. One cannot eat the meat of every bird.
12329. One cannot go back to the farmer from whom one borrowed seed-yams to plant to say that the beetles have eaten up the seed-yams.
12330. One cannot keep peace longer than his neighbor will let him.
12331. One cannot learn to swim in a field.
12332. One cannot make soup out of beauty.
12333. One cannot manage too many affairs; like pumpkins in water, one pops up while you try to hold down the other.
12334. One cannot part two fighting bulls.
12335. One cannot ring the bells and walk in the procession.
12336. One cannot scoop up the ocean with a sea shell.
12337. One cannot shoe a running horse.
12338. One cannot wash a blackamoor white.
12339. One catches the hare, another eats it.
12340. One chick keeps a hen busy.
12341. One chops the wood, the other does the grunting.
12342. One coin in the money-box makes more noise than when it is full.
12343. One coward makes ten.
12344. One crow does not make a winter.
12345. One crow does not peck out another’s eyes.
12346. One cry of "thief!" and the whole marketplace is on the lookout.
12347. One daughter helps to marry the other.
12348. One day before you is better than ten years behind you.
12349. One day in perfect health is a lot.
12350. One day isn’t many days.
12351. One day of hunger is not starvation.
12352. One day of rain far surpasses a whole year of drought.
12353. One deceit brings on another.
12354. One defends and the other conquers.
12355. One devil does not make hell.

12356. One devil does not scratch out another devil's eyes.
12357. One devil drives out another.
12358. One devil that you know is better than twenty that you don't.
12359. One dirty pig pollutes others.
12360. One does evil enough when one does nothing good.
12361. One does it for love, another for honor, a third for money.
12362. One does not always hit what one aims at.
12363. One does not become a master diviner in a day.
12364. One does not breed a good female dog in her first heat.
12365. One does not get crucified, one crucifies oneself.
12366. One does not give a gift without a motive.
12367. One does not like hot, the other does not like cold; make it tepid to make an agreement.
12368. One does not live on joy or die of sorrow.
12369. One does not look for good when he is well.
12370. One doesn't change horses at river crossing.
12371. One doesn't shear the naked sheep.
12372. One dog barks at something, the rest bark at him.
12373. One dog growls to see another go into the kitchen.
12374. One door never shuts but another opens.
12375. One drink is just right; two is too many; three are too few.
12376. One ducat before the trial is worth three afterwards.
12377. One eats figs whilst the other pays.
12378. One eats, another watches. That's how revolutions are born.
12379. One enemy can harm you more than a hundred friends can do you good.
12380. One enemy is too many, and a hundred friends are too few.
12381. One eye is a better witness than two ears.
12382. One eye of the master sees more than four eyes of his servants.
12383. One falsehood leads to another.
12384. One falsehood spoils a thousand truths.
12385. One family builds the wall, two families enjoy it.
12386. One farts, and another goes to a resort.
12387. One father is more than a hundred schoolmasters.
12388. One finds little ingratitude so long as one is in a position to grant favors.
12389. One finger alone cannot even kill a louse.
12390. One fire drives out another.
12391. One fisherman recognizes another from afar.
12392. One flea does not hinder sleep.
12393. One flower does not make a garland.
12394. One fly does not provide for another.
12395. One fool always finds a greater fool to admire him.
12396. One fool is enough in a house.
12397. One fool may ask more questions than seven wise men can answer.
12398. One fool praises another.
12399. One fool tangles and ten wise men cannot untangle.
12400. One foot cannot stand on two boats.
12401. One foot is better than two crutches.
12402. One for sorrow, two for mirth.

12403. One for the mouse, one for the crow, one to rot, one to grow
12404. One funeral makes many
12405. One generation builds the street on which the next will walk.
12406. One gentle word opens a gate of iron.
12407. One gets what one orders.
12408. One goat cannot carry another goat's tail.
12409. One God and so many enemies.
12410. One good argument is worth more than ten better ones.
12411. One good punch on your enemy's nose, gives more pleasure than hearing well-meaning advice from your elders.
12412. One good turn deserves another.
12413. One good word puts out the flames better than a bucket of water.
12414. One grain does not full the granary, but it helps its companion.
12415. One grain of sand can tip the scale.
12416. One grows used to love and to fire.
12417. One hair of a woman draws more than a bell-rope.
12418. One half of the world does not know how the other half lives.
12419. One hand can't clap.
12420. One hand full of money is stronger than two hands full of truth.
12421. One hand washes the other and both of them wash the face.
12422. One happiness scatters a thousand sorrows.
12423. One has only to die to be praised.
12424. One head alone does not go into council.
12425. One head is good; two heads are better.
12426. One hour in the execution of justice is worth seventy years of prayer.
12427. One hour of justice is worth seventy hours of prayer
12428. One hour to-day is worth two tomorrow.
12429. One hour's sleep before midnight is better than three after it.
12430. One house cannot keep two dogs.
12431. One hundred alcoholics are better than one gambler.
12432. One hundred aunts are not equal to one mother.
12433. One idiot threw a stone in the well; forty wise people could not get it out.
12434. One is born, one dies; the land grows.
12435. One is certain only of death.
12436. One is never soiled but by filth.
12437. One is never too old to yearn.
12438. One is rated by others as he rates himself.
12439. One joy scatters a hundred griefs.
12440. One kind word can warm three winter months.
12441. One kindness is the price of another.
12442. One kisses the nurse for the sake of the child.
12443. One knavery is met by another.
12444. One knife keeps another in its sheath.
12445. One knife whets another.
12446. One knows not for whom he gathers.
12447. One knows where the shoe is too tight.
12448. One lamp can't light two houses.
12449. One law for the rich and another for the poor.

12450. One learns from mistakes.
12451. One lie can fill a sack; a second will empty it again.
12452. One lie ruins a thousand truths.
12453. One link broken, the whole chain is broken.
12454. One little arrow does not kill a serpent.
12455. One lives in the world's memory only by what they have done in the world's behalf.
12456. One living Pope is better than ten dead.
12457. One log does not burn long by itself.
12458. One love drives out another.
12459. One maiden is better than four widows.
12460. One man alone is prey to the wolf.
12461. One man can burn water, whereas another cannot even burn oil.
12462. One man cut the barrage, and a thousand people fell into the river.
12463. One man excels in one thing, another in another.
12464. One man goes and another steps in.
12465. One man is another's devil.
12466. One man is born to money, and another to the purse.
12467. One man is not bad because another is good.
12468. One man knocks in the nail, and another hangs his hat on it.
12469. One man must not fight with two.
12470. One man tells a lie, dozens repeat it as the truth.
12471. One man uses his tongue, another his teeth.
12472. One man yawning makes another yawn too.
12473. One man's beard is burning, and another warms his hands by it.
12474. One man's breath's another man's death.
12475. One man's fault is another man's lesson.
12476. One man's house burns so that another may warm himself.
12477. One man's junk is another man's treasure.
12478. One man's loss is another man's gain.
12479. One man's story is no story; hear both sides.
12480. One man's trash is another man's treasure.
12481. One man's happiness is another man's sadness.
12482. One mangy sheep spoils a whole flock.
12483. One marriage is never celebrated but another grows out of it.
12484. One may as well be well beaten as badly beaten.
12485. One may better steal a horse than another look over the hedge.
12486. One may go a long way after one is tired.
12487. One may have good eyes and see nothing.
12488. One may live without one's friends but not without one's pipe.
12489. One may see through a wall, if there's a hole in it.
12490. One may steal nothing save a lawyer's purse.
12491. One may survive distress, but not disgrace.
12492. One may teach another to speak, but none can teach another to hold his peace.
12493. One may tire of eating tarts.
12494. One measures the towers by their shadows and great people by those who envy them.
12495. One meets his destiny often on the road he takes to avoid it.
12496. One meets/greets people by their clothes, and says farewell by their mind.
12497. One might as well be hanged for a sheep as a lamb.

12498. One might as well throw water into the sea as to do a kindness to rogues.
12499. One minute of patience can mean ten years of peace.
12500. One misfortune brings on another.
12501. One mistake isn't reason enough to leave your wife.
12502. One moment of intense happiness prolongs life by a thousand years.
12503. One moment's error becomes a lifetime of sadness.
12504. One muddy buffalo makes the whole herd dirty.
12505. One mule among many monkeys is grinned at by all.
12506. One mule calls the other a pack animal.
12507. One mule nicknames another 'Long-ears'.
12508. One murder makes a villain, millions a hero.
12509. One must ask about the delight of opium from one who smokes it.
12510. One must be either anvil or hammer.
12511. One must either be the hammer or the anvil.
12512. One must fill the pitcher while the water is flowing.
12513. One must glean at harvest time.
12514. One must have to wait till the evening of one's life time to know what gratitude to pay to one's guardian spirit.
12515. One must howl with the wolves one is among.
12516. One must learn to be bored.
12517. One must lose a minnow to catch a salmon.
12518. One must needs like what one cannot hinder.
12519. One must pass through the door or the window.
12520. One must plough with the horses he has.
12521. One must row in whichever boat one finds one's self.
12522. One must run with the hare and hunt with the hounds.
12523. One must sometimes hold a candle to the devil.
12524. One must step back to make the better leap.
12525. One must take matters into one's own hands.
12526. One must talk little and listen much.
12527. One must talk soothingly to the dog until one has passed him.
12528. One nail drives out another.
12529. One never accuses without a little bit of lying.
12530. One never gets more than one's money's worth of anything.
12531. One never needs their humor as much a when they argue with a fool.
12532. One never tires working for oneself.
12533. One night of anarchy does more harm than a hundred years of tyranny.
12534. One night with an ugly woman and one day in the mountains both are like an eternity.
12535. One of the two partners always bites the best part of the apple.
12536. One of these days is none of these days.
12537. One often gets what one disdains.
12538. One often has need of a lesser than oneself.
12539. One old friend is better than two new ones.
12540. One only gives what one has and can't be made to give more.
12541. One ounce of good luck is better than a ton of brains.
12542. One owes the greatest possible care for the child.
12543. One pair of ears would exhaust a hundred tongues.
12544. One pebble doesn't make a floor.

12545. One penny in the pot makes more noise than when it is full.
12546. One penny is better on land than ten on the sea.
12547. One person can burn water, while another can't even burn oil.
12548. One person's death is another's bread.
12549. One picture is worth a thousand words.
12550. One piece of good advice is better than a bag full.
12551. One pleasure, a thousand pains.
12552. One ploughs, another sows, who will reap no one knows.
12553. One poison is cured by another.
12554. One pound of learning requires ten pounds of common sense to apply it.
12555. One pussy hair entrains more than an ox car.
12556. One quill is better in the hand than seven geese upon the strand.
12557. One raven does not peck out another's eyes.
12558. One road leads to heaven but many lead to hell.
12559. One searches for someone else's donkey while singing songs.
12560. One sesame seed won't make oil.
12561. One shoe will not fit every foot.
12562. One short step lengthens life.
12563. One should be born either a king or a fool.
12564. One should be just as careful in choosing one's pleasures as in avoiding calamities.
12565. One should count chicks in autumn.
12566. One should do the blacksmithing while the iron is hot.
12567. One should eat or one dies.
12568. One should eat sand rather than fall to villainy.
12569. One should fight fire with fire.
12570. One should learn to sail in all winds.
12571. One should mind one's own business.
12572. One should never rub bottoms with a porcupine.
12573. One should not add oil to the fire.
12574. One should not bow before stupidity merely because it is old.
12575. One should not go farther than the sea to fish.
12576. One should not offer cinnamon rolls to baker's children.
12577. One should not send a cat to deliver cream.
12578. One should not think about it too much when marrying or taking pills.
12579. One should only ask from a friend what he is capable of.
12580. One should speak a little with others and a lot with oneself.
12581. One shouldn't beat the one who fell.
12582. One shouldn't praise the day before the evening.
12583. One shouldn't sell the bear's fur before it has been killed.
12584. One shouldn't buy a pig in a sack
12585. One shower doesn't make a flood
12586. One simple maxim is often worth more than two good friends
12587. One sin is too much, a hundred prayers are not enough
12588. One sip of wine is an antidote against death, cupful poison life
12589. One size does not fit all.
12590. One sleeps like one makes his bed.
12591. One son is no son, two sons is no son, but three sons is a son.
12592. One sprinkles the most sugar where the tart is burnt.

12593. One starts the game and another bags it.
12594. One step at a time is good walking.
12595. One step at a time.
12596. One story is good till another is told.
12597. One string is good enough to a good musician.
12598. One stroke on the nail and a hundred on the horseshoe.
12599. One sturdy house is worth a hundred in ruins.
12600. One swallow does not make a spring.
12601. One sword keeps another in its scabbard.
12602. One take-this, is better than two thou-shalt-haves.
12603. One takes care of one's own: when a bachelor roasts yam, he shares it with his sheep.
12604. One takes care of the horse, another rides it.
12605. One tale is good till another is told.
12606. One talks about what one does not have.
12607. One that promised better things.
12608. One thumb alone does not kill a louse.
12609. One time after the denial.
12610. One time, no time, two times, a habit.
12611. One tree won't hold two robins.
12612. One trick is met by another.
12613. One volunteer is worth ten pressed men.
12614. One wants to eat a fish, but doesn't want to get to water.
12615. One wedding brings another.
12616. One wedge drives another.
12617. One whisky is all right; two is too much; three is too few.
12618. One who always tells the truth is avoided by his friends.
12619. One who bathes willingly with cold water does not feel the cold.
12620. One, who believes in sword, dies by the sword.
12621. One who boxes with a wall hurts his hand.
12622. One who can do you a deal of good or a deal of harm?
12623. One who carves a spoon saves his hand (from a burn).
12624. One who causes others misfortune also teaches them wisdom.
12625. One who climbs up a ladder climbs back down.
12626. One, who does not get lost by night, will not get lost by day.
12627. One who does not know death should look at a grave.
12628. One who does not look ahead remains behind.
12629. One who does what he says is not a coward.
12630. One who doesn't work does not bite.
12631. One who drinks water with one hand remains thirsty.
12632. One who eats a goat will repay a cow.
12633. One who follows the track of the elephant never gets wet from the dew on the bushes.
12634. One who goes slowly/carefully doesn't stumble.
12635. One who harvests in the sun eats in the shade.
12636. One who hides their nakedness can't give birth.
12637. One who is afraid of asking is ashamed of learning.
12638. One who is drowning doesn't stop struggling.
12639. One who is false to her first oath will be false to her second.
12640. One who is not in your eyes is not in your heart.

12641. One who is poor at finance pays twice.
12642. One who knows no proverbs does not know the ancestors.
12643. One who laughs at a scar hasn't seen a wound.
12644. One who lies for you will also lie against you
12645. One who lives on rich food gets fat.
12646. One who looks for a friend without faults will have none.
12647. One, who loves the vase, loves also what is inside.
12648. One who loves you, warns you.
12649. One who plays with shit will stink like it.
12650. One, who recovers from sickness, forgets about God.
12651. One who relates with a corrupt person likewise gets corrupted.
12652. One who runs alone cannot be outrun by another.
12653. One who seeks no friends is his own enemy.
12654. One who sits between two chairs may easily fall down.
12655. One who sits by the well will never go thirsty.
12656. One who smiles rather than rages is always the stronger.
12657. One who speaks fair words feeds you with an empty spoon.
12658. One who speaks only one language is one person, but one who speaks two languages is two people.
12659. One who supports himself on the fatty hump from a cow's back doesn't stop getting fat.
12660. One who talks, thinks; but one who keeps silent, thinks more.
12661. One who tells you about someone else's business will tell someone else about yours.
12662. One who waits for chance may wait a year.
12663. One who walks in another's tracks leaves no footprints.
12664. One whose seeds have not sprouted does not give up planting.
12665. One will not change his habits, if he hasn't hurt his feelings.
12666. One will suppress their desire for something they perceive impossible to attain.
12667. One wise man is better than thousand morons.
12668. One with children does not die.
12669. One with the courage to laugh is master of the world almost as much as the one who is ready to die.
12670. One witness one liar; more witnesses, all liars.
12671. One wolf does not kill another.
12672. One word beforehand is better than ten afterwards.
12673. One word brings on another.
12674. One word spoken in anger may spoil an entire life.
12675. One would rather be bitten by wolves than by sheep.
12676. One written word is worth a thousand pieces of gold.
12677. One wrong submitted to, another follows.
12678. One year's seeding makes seven years weeding.
12679. One, two, three, was the count God made.
12680. One's best fortune or their worst is their spouse.
12681. One's neighbors' problems do not induce one to lose one's appetite.
12682. One's own burden doesn't encumber.
12683. One's own hearth is worth gold.
12684. One's own shirt is closer to the body.
12685. One's own simple bread is much better than someone else's pilaf.

12686. One’s own spurs and another’s horse make the miles short.
12687. One’s prog does not clog.
12688. One’s shadow grows larger than life when admired by the light of the moon.
12689. One’s own language is never hard.
12690. Onions, smoke and women bring tears to your eyes.
12691. Only a certain amount of flowers and jewels are beautiful.
12692. Only a chicken rakes stuff away from itself.
12693. Only a fool gets drunk from his own bottle.
12694. Only a fool tests the depth of the water with both feet.
12695. Only a gift has hands He promised me earrings, but then only pierced my ears.
12696. Only a medicine man gets rich by sleeping.
12697. Only a monkey understands a monkey.
12698. Only a mother would carry the child that bites.
12699. Only a wise person can solve a difficult problem.
12700. Only bad drivers cut corners.
12701. Only believe a woman one day later.
12702. Only believe in the faith of a woman as you would believe in miracles.
12703. Only by falling do you learn how to mount a horse.
12704. Only chained bears dance.
12705. Only dead fish swim with the stream.
12706. Only death has no cure.
12707. Only death itself can end our hope.
12708. Only fools and horses work.
12709. Only God has no faults, only water is pure.
12710. Only God helps the badly dressed.
12711. Only grave will cure the hunchback.
12712. Only great men may have great faults.
12713. Only he who does nothing makes no mistakes.
12714. Only he who knows his own weaknesses can endure those of others.
12715. Only he who understands is really sad.
12716. Only heaven can see the back of a sparrow.
12717. Only hit his head so he doesn’t start limping.
12718. Only mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the noonday sun.
12719. Only men laugh, only men weep, only men dance.
12720. Only men with thick lips should smoke a cigar.
12721. Only one can be emperor.
12722. Only one who can swallow an insult is a man.
12723. Only people who work make mistakes.
12724. Only scratch where you can reach.
12725. Only someone else can scratch your back.
12726. Only stretch your foot to the length of your blanket.
12727. Only take away the wife of a strong man when he is out.
12728. Only tall things cast shadows.
12729. Only the cure you believe in cures.
12730. Only the dumb can silence the chatterer.
12731. Only the fool points at his origins with his left hand.
12732. Only the foolish visit the land of the cannibals.
12733. Only the good die young.

12734. Only the hunchback himself knows how he can lie comfortably.
12735. Only the knife knows the heart of a pineapple.
12736. Only the man who is not hungry says the coconut has a hard shell.
12737. Only the nightingale understands the rose.
12738. Only the soil knows when a young mouse is ill.
12739. Only the strong survive.
12740. Only the sufferers know how their bellies ache.
12741. Only the tent pitched by your own hands will stand.
12742. Only the wearer knows where the shoe pinches.
12743. Only thin dogs become wild.
12744. Only those who can't do anything else work.
12745. Only three things in life are certain birth, death and change.
12746. Only through suffering and sorrow do we acquire the wisdom not found in books.
12747. Only through the eyes of others can we really see our own faults.
12748. Only what you have eaten is yours; other things may not be.
12749. Only what you have in your hand is not a lie.
12750. Only when a new government comes to power do you learn to appreciate the values of the old one.
12751. Only when all contribute their firewood can they build up a strong fire.
12752. Only when the coffin is closed will we see how long lasting is the name.
12753. Only when the horses have escaped do men repair the stable.
12754. Only when the house is on fire do the rats shows itself (to runaway).
12755. Only when the tree is big and strong can you tether a cow to it.
12756. Only when you can be extremely pliable and soft can you be extremely hard and strong.
12757. Only when you have crossed the river, can you say the crocodile has a lump on his snout.
12758. Only when you have eaten a lemon do you appreciate what sugar is.
12759. Only who is in the convent knows what goes on inside.
12760. Only with a new ruler do you realize the value of the old.
12761. Only your real friends will tell you when your face is dirty.
12762. Open confession is good for the soul.
12763. Open hand makes open hand.
12764. Open not your door when the devil knocks.
12765. Open rebuke is better than secret love.
12766. Open thy mouth that I may know thee.
12767. Open your mouth before you eat.
12768. Open your purse and I will open my mouth.
12769. Opinions founded on prejudice are always sustained with the greatest violence.
12770. Opportunities come but do not linger.
12771. Opportunities may come but they never linger.
12772. Opportunities neglected can never be recovered.
12773. Opportunities, like eggs, come one at a time.
12774. Opportunity creates desire.
12775. Opportunity is offered with difficulty, lost with ease.
12776. Opportunity is waiting you need but to open the door.
12777. Opportunity knocks only once.
12778. Opportunity makes a thief.

12779. Opportunity only knocks once.
12780. Oppose not a hungry man.
12781. Opposites are cured by their opposites.
12782. Oppression causes rebellion.
12783. Order and do it and you will be rid of anxiety.
12784. Order makes friends.
12785. Order the lazybones a task; he will give you advice.
12786. Other countries, other customs.
12787. Other folks' cares kill the mule.
12788. Other land blueberry; own land strawberry.
12789. Other people's money has sharp teeth.
12790. Other people's wisdom prevents the king from being called a fool.
12791. Other person's soul is in darkness.
12792. Others are always interested in us, just as we are interested in them.
12793. Others' cow could moo, but yours should better stay silent.
12794. Ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.
12795. Our costliest expenditure is time.
12796. Our elders say that at sunset, it is one's cloth that one goes to remove from the village square.
12797. Our examples are like seeds on a windy day, they spread far and wide.
12798. Our eyes are our enemies.
12799. Our faults irritate us most when we see them in others.
12800. Our fears always outnumber our dangers.
12801. Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.
12802. Our hairs are numbered.
12803. Our hearts run riot in prosperity.
12804. Our language is our existence.
12805. Our last garment is made without pockets.
12806. Our neighbor's children are always the worst.
12807. Our outward actions reveal our hidden intentions.
12808. Our own house surpasses every other.
12809. Our parents taught us to speak and the world taught us to be silent.
12810. Our passions are the winds that propel our vessel. Our reason is the pilot that steers her. Without winds the vessel would not move and without a pilot she would be lost.
12811. Our pillow should be our counselor.
12812. Our real grave is not in the ground but in men's hearts.
12813. Our shadow will follow us.
12814. Our time runs on like a stream; first fall the leaves and then the tree.
12815. Our truth hurts the enemy.
12816. Our wisdom is no less at Fortune's mercy than our wealth.
12817. Our wishes are like little children, the more you indulge the more they want from you.
12818. Out before day, in before night.
12819. Out of a devil's egg there can only come a devil.
12820. Out of a dog's mouth will never come ivory tusks.
12821. Out of a great evil often comes a great good.
12822. Out of a little grass comes a great mule.
12823. Out of a white egg often comes a black chick.
12824. Out of all cookery, the coffee laced with schnapps is the best.

12825. Out of debt, out of danger.
12826. Out of desperation, he calls donkey dame.
12827. Out of frying pan into the fire.
12828. Out of laziness, s/he calls to the black donkey, ‘bless me Lord’.
12829. Out of love for the ox, the wolf licks the yoke.
12830. Out of small acorns grow mighty oaks.
12831. Out of ten men there are nine wives.
12832. Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.
12833. Out of the ashes into the fire.
12834. Out of the eye, out of the heart.
12835. Out of the frying pan and into the fire.
12836. Out of the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.
12837. Out of the rain and into the eaves.
12838. Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee?
12839. Out of yes and no comes all dispute.
12840. Out with the old, in with the new.
12841. Outside a man is respected; at home that man is neglected.
12842. Outside a sheep, inside a wolf.
12843. Outside noisy, inside empty.
12844. Outside the Church there is no salvation.
12845. Outward appearances assuming the form of virtues.
12846. Over a distance of a thousand miles only humanity works, not power.
12847. Over greedy man, over wrathful woman will never flourish.
12848. Over no home can the sign be hung: “There is no trouble here.”
12849. Over the bottle many a friend is found.
12850. Over truth there is light.
12851. Over-intelligent people can’t find friends.
12852. Overabundance is not far from want.
12853. Overdoing is doing nothing to the purpose.
12854. Overlooking the more important issue
12855. Overtakes who gets, and stones who doesn’t
12856. Own hearth is gold worth.
12857. Own help is the best help.
12858. Own home is worth gold.
12859. Own praise has a bad smell.
12860. Ownership is to fear.
12861. Ox, keep to your grass.

P PROVERBS

12862. Packed like herrings.
12863. Paddle your own canoe.
12864. Paid workmen have no arms.
12865. Pain is easier to endure than an itch.
12866. Pain is forgotten where gain comes.
12867. Pain is only weakness leaving the body.
12868. Pain mingles with pleasure.
12869. Pain of mind is worse than pain of body.
12870. Pain past is pleasure.
12871. Painless poverty is better than embittered wealth.
12872. Painted flowers are scentless.
12873. Painting the devil onto the wall.
12874. Papaya that is served, papaya that is eaten.
12875. Paper and ink and little justice.
12876. Paper can withstand anything.
12877. Paper can't wrap up a fire.
12878. Paper does not blush.
12879. Paper is patient.
12880. Paraphrased by graphic designers as 'comic sans is not so comic'.
12881. Pardon is the choicest flower of victory.
12882. Pardoning the bad is injuring the good.
12883. Parents gave birth to the child, god gives the child attitude.
12884. Parents who are afraid to put their foot down usually have children who step on their toes.
12885. Paris is owned by the early risers.
12886. Paris was not built in a day.
12887. Part with your head, but not with your secret.
12888. Parting is such sweet sorrow.
12889. Partner in work, partner in food.
12890. Partnership is an invention of the devil.
12891. Party over, musicians by foot.
12892. Pass by your enemy hungry but never naked.
12893. Pass the bridge that your kinsmen have passed.
12894. Pass the misfortune on.
12895. Past waters don't move watermills.
12896. Pastors come for your wine and officers for your daughters.
12897. Patched trousers, healthy testicles.
12898. Patience and the mulberry leaf become a silk robe.
12899. Patience and work will fray through anything.
12900. Patience begins with tears and ends with a smile.
12901. Patience brings roses.
12902. Patience can break through iron doors.
12903. Patience in the household is a real treasure.
12904. Patience is a bitter plant but it has a sweet fruit.
12905. Patience is a plaster for all sores.
12906. Patience is a trump.

12907. Patience is a virtue.
12908. Patience is beautiful.
12909. Patience is never too much.
12910. Patience is often better than medicine.
12911. Patience is poultice for all wounds.
12912. Patience is power; with time and patience the mulberry leaf becomes a silk gown.
12913. Patience is the art of hoping.
12914. Patience is the cure for all suffering.
12915. Patience is the key to paradise.
12916. Patience is the most beautiful prayer.
12917. Patience is the talisman of life.
12918. Patience is the virtue of asses.
12919. Patience is the virtue of the donkeys.
12920. Patience overtaxed turns to rage.
12921. Patience surpasses learning.
12922. Patience when teased is often transformed into rage.
12923. Patience and the mulberry leaf becomes a silk gown.
12924. Patience, money and time bring all things to past.
12925. Patient people are patient to gain longevity.
12926. Patient without any pain, the dog is lame when it wants to.
12927. Pay beforehand if you would have your work poorly done.
12928. Pay in like coin.
12929. Pay me back what you owe me; we'll talk later about what I owe you.
12930. Pay the doctor, praise the Lord.
12931. Pay what you owe, and be cured of your complaint.
12932. Payday comes every day.
12933. Peace and a well-built house cannot be bought too dearly.
12934. Peace and harmony is great treasure.
12935. Peace and patience, and death with penitence.
12936. Peace and tranquility are a thousand gold pieces.
12937. Peace feeds, war wastes; peace breeds, war consumes.
12938. Peace gains a value from discord.
12939. Peace is better than the most just war.
12940. Peace is costly but it is worth the expense.
12941. Peace is only possible after war.
12942. Peace is the best medicine.
12943. Peace is the well from which the stream of joy runs.
12944. Peace lasts until the army comes, and the army lasts until peace comes.
12945. Peace makes plenty.
12946. Peace must be bought even at a high price.
12947. Peace pays what war wins.
12948. Peace with a club in hand is war.
12949. Peacock, look at your legs.
12950. Pearls are of no value in a desert.
12951. Pearls around the neck, stones upon the heart.
12952. Pearls for the pigs.
12953. Pearls of wisdom.
12954. Pears and women are the sweetest in the parts that are heaviest.

12955. Peccadillos at home, deadly sins abroad.
12956. Pee on the ruins before they build a temple over them.
12957. Peel a fig for your friend, a peach for your enemy.
12958. Penny and penny laid up will be many.
12959. Penny wise, pound foolish.
12960. Penny-wise and pound-foolish.
12961. People always make the wolf more formidable than he is.
12962. People are man's medicine.
12963. People are the architects of their own fortune.
12964. People aren't good unless others are made better by them.
12965. People become what they want to become.
12966. People blame themselves for the purpose of being praised.
12967. People can be done without but a lot of us need a friend.
12968. People count the faults of those who keep them waiting.
12969. People die voluntarily when it becomes impossible to live.
12970. People fool themselves. They pray for a long life but fear old age.
12971. People give, but don't be in a hurry to take.
12972. People in trouble remember Allah.
12973. People know each other better on a journey.
12974. People lend only to the rich.
12975. People live in each other's shadows.
12976. People live like birds in a wood: When the time comes, each takes flight.
12977. People make the bells say what they please.
12978. People must eat, even were every tree a gallows.
12979. People often change and seldom for the better.
12980. People say that time goes by; time says that the people go by.
12981. People seek out big shots as flies seek out the elephant's tail.
12982. People should not talk while they are eating or pepper may go down the wrong way.
12983. People show their character by what they laugh at.
12984. People take more pains to be damned than to be saved.
12985. People talk about something until it actually happens.
12986. People think that the poor are not as wise as the rich, for if a man be wise, why is he poor?
12987. People who are asleep can't fall down.
12988. People who do not break things first will never learn to create anything.
12989. People who have bread to eat do not appreciate the severity of a famine.
12990. People who have little to do are excessive talkers.
12991. People will ignore their misfortunes and their interests when they are in competition with their pleasures.
12992. People with real wealth don't talk about it.
12993. People worry, and God smiles.
12994. Perfect love cannot be without equality.
12995. Perfect love sometimes does not come till the first grandchild.
12996. Perfect planning prevents piss poor performance.
12997. Perhaps the last dog is catching the hare.
12998. Perhaps you will soon find another and a fairer, lover.
12999. Perseverance brings success.
13000. Perseverance kills the game.

13001. Persevere and never fear.
13002. Persist as resolutely as you persist in eating.
13003. Person is known by the company he keeps – a.
13004. Persuasion is better than force.
13005. Peter is so godly that God does not improve his condition.
13006. Peter pinches me, and I like it.
13007. Petty thieves are hanged; you take off your hat to the big ones.
13008. Pheasants are fools if they invite the hawk to dinner.
13009. Philosophy bakes no bread.
13010. Physician, heal thyself.
13011. Physicians' faults are covered with earth, and rich men's with money.
13012. Pick and choose, and take the worst.
13013. Pick your inn before the dark; get on your road before the dawn.
13014. Pick your wife in the kitchen.
13015. Picture paints a thousand words.
13016. Pigeons are taken when crows fly at pleasure.
13017. Pigs in the cold and men in drink make a great noise.
13018. Pilgrims seldom come home saints.
13019. Pills must be bolted, not chewed.
13020. Pity is akin to love.
13021. Pity the stranger, even if he is rich.
13022. Pity without help does little good.
13023. Pity you get for free, but jealousy you must earn.
13024. Place for everything and everything in its place.
13025. Place the pot upside down, and the girl will take after.
13026. Plague seize the hindmost!
13027. Plan your life at New Year's Eve, your day at dawn.
13028. Plants oft removed never thrive.
13029. Plaster thick, some will stick.
13030. Play alone and you're bound to win.
13031. Play with an ass, and he will slap your face with his tail.
13032. Play with the fool at home, and he will play with you abroad.
13033. Playing is working for a child.
13034. Playing with fire will eventually turn bitter.
13035. Please the eye, and pick the purse.
13036. Please your eye and plague your heart.
13037. Pleasure and pain succeed each other.
13038. Pleasure for one hour, a bottle of wine.
13039. Pleasure for one year a marriage; but pleasure for a lifetime, a garden.
13040. Pleasure has a sting in its tail.
13041. Pleasure is often the introduction to pain.
13042. Pleasure is the bait of evil.
13043. Pleasure is the greatest incentive to vice.
13044. Pleasures are shallow, sorrows deep.
13045. Pleasures are transient, honors are immortal.
13046. Pleasures steal away the mind.
13047. Pleasures, while they flatter, sting.
13048. Plenty is no plague.

13049. Plenty know good ale, but don't know much after that.
13050. Plenty of words when the cause is lost.
13051. Plenty sits still, hunger is a wanderer.
13052. Plough deep and you will have plenty of corn.
13053. Plough the patches you missed to make the earth good.
13054. Pluck the magpie, and don't make her scream.
13055. Pluck the rose and leave the thorns.
13056. Plumpness is prettiness, thinness is beauty.
13057. Poetry moves heaven and earth.
13058. Poets are born, but orators are trained.
13059. Poets know all about famous places without having been there.
13060. Policy goes beyond strength.
13061. Polite words open iron gates.
13062. Politeness costs nothing and gains everything.
13063. Politeness is gold.
13064. Politeness is not sold in the bazaar.
13065. Politeness is what warmth is to wax.
13066. Politeness pleases even a cat.
13067. Politeness travels on short fares.
13068. Politeness wins the confidence of princes.
13069. Politicians are like crocodiles - big jaws but no ears
13070. Politics makes strange bedfellows.
13071. Ponder long before you act.
13072. Pondering over many things by night.
13073. Poor dancer is impeded (even) by his own balls.
13074. Poor folk's wisdom goes for little.
13075. Poor is the church without music.
13076. Poor memory is better than bad memories.
13077. Poor men do penance for rich men's sins.
13078. Poor men sleep the best.
13079. Poor men take to the sea, the rich to the mountains.
13080. Poor men's money and cowards' weapons are often flourished.
13081. Poor or rich, death makes us all equal.
13082. Poor people are crafty.
13083. Poor people entertain with the heart.
13084. Poor people's words go many to a sacksful.
13085. Poor relations have little honor.
13086. Poor thanks is the way of the world.
13087. Poor though in the midst of wealth.
13088. Popular agitation leads to justice.
13089. Popularity is the small change of glory.
13090. Possession and good right, with lance in hand.
13091. Possession is as good as a title.
13092. Possession is nine points of the law.
13093. Possession is nine points of the law.
13094. Possession is the grave of pleasure.
13095. Possible forbidden things are the most tempting.
13096. Possible however you try to go about things all will lead to the same conclusions.

13097. Possible looks can be deceiving, quiet people are often the deepest.
13098. Possible not everything is what it appears to be.
13099. Possible power draws all things to itself.
13100. Possible prepare for things to go wrong rather than worrying about them after the fact.
13101. Possible secrecy insures security.
13102. Possible seize the moment Take the opportunity now; don't waste it.
13103. Possible someone who never shuts up - often used in reference to London cab drivers.
13104. Possible worrying over something can make the task seem to take longer than it should.
13105. Postponement is cancellation.
13106. Pots take turns to sit on the fire.
13107. Pour not water on a drowned mouse.
13108. Poverty and hunger have many learned disciples.
13109. Poverty and ugliness are difficult to hide.
13110. Poverty craves many things, but avarice more.
13111. Poverty destroys all virtues.
13112. Poverty does not destroy virtue nor wealth bestow it.
13113. Poverty has no greater foe than bashfulness.
13114. Poverty has no kin.
13115. Poverty is a sin that the rich never forgive.
13116. Poverty is a sort of leprosy.
13117. Poverty is a wonderful thing. It sticks to a man after all his friends have forsaken him.
13118. Poverty is an older daughter of laziness.
13119. Poverty is cunning; it catches even a fox.
13120. Poverty is death in another form.
13121. Poverty is even worse if you have to sleep on the edge of a crowded bed.
13122. Poverty is like a lion, if you do not fight it, you get eaten.
13123. Poverty is no disgrace, but it's a great inconvenience.
13124. Poverty is no shame, but is no great honor either.
13125. Poverty is no sin, but it is a branch of roguery.
13126. Poverty is not a crime, but it's better not to show it.
13127. Poverty is the reward of idleness.
13128. Poverty is the sixth sense.
13129. Poverty makes a man mean.
13130. Poverty makes thieves, like love makes poets.
13131. Poverty never sped well in love.
13132. Poverty parts friends.
13133. Poverty parts good company.
13134. Poverty runs after the poor, wealth after the rich.
13135. Poverty shows us who are our friends and who our enemies.
13136. Poverty without debt is real wealth.
13137. Poverty won't allow him to lift up his head; dignity won't allow him to bow it down.
13138. Power acquired by guilt was never used for a good purpose.
13139. Power corrupts; absolute power corrupts absolutely.
13140. Power is strengthened by union.
13141. Power lasts ten years; influence not more than a hundred.
13142. Power often goes before talent.
13143. Power tends to corrupt; absolute power corrupts absolutely.

13144. Practice doesn't make a man perfect, but a perfect practice makes a man perfect.
13145. Practice may make perfect, but nobody's perfect so why practice.
13146. Praise a fool, and you may make him useful.
13147. Praise borrowed from ancestors is but very sorry praise.
13148. Praise in own mouth is insult.
13149. Praise is not pudding.
13150. Praise is the hire of virtue.
13151. Praise makes a bad man worse.
13152. Praise paves the way to friendship.
13153. Praise the child, and you make love to the mother.
13154. Praise the fine day in the evening.
13155. Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition.
13156. Praise the ripe field, not the green corn.
13157. Praise the sea, and keep on land.
13158. Praise the youth and they will come.
13159. Praise undeserved is satire in disguise.
13160. Praise without profit puts little in the pocket.
13161. Praise your horse tomorrow, your son when he has a beard, your daughter when she is married and yourself never.
13162. Praise yourself, basket, for I want to sell you.
13163. Pray as though no work could help, and work as though no prayer could help.
13164. Pray for a good harvest, but keep on hoeing.
13165. Pray for revenge, and god will turn a deaf ear.
13166. Pray that you will never have to bear all that you are able to endure.
13167. Pray to God but continue to row to the shore.
13168. Pray to God for a good harvest, but keep on hoeing!
13169. Pray to God, but hammer away.
13170. Pray to God, but hold on to your good mind.
13171. Pray to God, but keep on rowing to the shore.
13172. Pray to the saint until you have passed the slough.
13173. Pray, pray very much; but beware of telling God what you want.
13174. Prayer and practice is good rhyme.
13175. Prayer only from the mouth is no prayer.
13176. Prayers go up and blessings come down.
13177. Praying kneads no dough.
13178. Praying to God but hitting with the mallet.
13179. Praying to God but striking with the mallet.
13180. Preaching to the choir.
13181. Precept guides, but example draws.
13182. Precepts invite, but examples drag us to conclusions.
13183. Precepts may lead, but examples draw.
13184. Precious ointments are put in small boxes.
13185. Precious things are mostly in small compass.
13186. Precipitate counsel, perilous deed.
13187. Pregnancy and fire cannot be kept secret.
13188. Prepare a nest for the hen and she will lay eggs for you.
13189. Prepare food for guests even if they pretend not to be hungry.
13190. Prepare now for the solution of tomorrow's problem.

13191. Prepare your proof before you argue.
13192. Prepare yourself for when the water comes up to your knees.
13193. Preparing cocoyams for planting does not mean that they are already planted.
13194. Present to the eye, present to the mind.
13195. Presents from an enemy must be received with suspicion.
13196. Presents keep friendship warm.
13197. Presents make women affable, priests indulgent, and the law crooked.
13198. Presents more burdensome than profitable.
13199. Preserve the guns, but destroy the gunners.
13200. Presumption first blinds a man, and then sets him a running.
13201. Pretend that you are crazy, you will live.
13202. Pretend to be dead and the bull will leave you alone.
13203. Pretty children sing pretty songs.
13204. Prevention is better than cure.
13205. Prey runs into a trapper.
13206. Prices are forgotten, quality remains.
13207. Pride and dignity would belong to women if only men would leave them alone.
13208. Pride and poverty don't get along, but often live together.
13209. Pride can live in the dung heap.
13210. Pride can only lose.
13211. Pride comes before a fall.
13212. Pride feels no pain.
13213. Pride has no beauty.
13214. Pride is the mask of one's own faults.
13215. Pride joined with many virtues chokes them all.
13216. Pride that dined with vanity supped with poverty.
13217. Pride went out on horseback, and returned on foot.
13218. Priests and road signs show you the way but don't go with you.
13219. Priests and women never forget.
13220. Priests bless themselves first.
13221. Priests even smile pleasantly on young women.
13222. Priests pay each other no tithes.
13223. Priests return to the temple, merchants to the shop.
13224. Priests should not prate out of the confessional.
13225. Priests, friars, nuns, and chickens never have enough.
13226. Princes have long hands and many ears.
13227. Princes keep good reckoning, they never lose anything.
13228. Princes use men as the husbandman uses bees.
13229. Princes will not be served on conditions.
13230. Prior preparation prevents poor performance.
13231. Prison and Lent were made for the poor.
13232. Private reproof is the best grave for private faults.
13233. Problem shared is a problem halved.
13234. Procrastination is the thief of time.
13235. Proffered service is little valued.
13236. Profit is better than fame.
13237. Profit is profit even in mecca.
13238. Promise freely, fulfill sparingly.

13239. Promise is debt.
13240. Promise little and do much.
13241. Promise makes a fool happy.
13242. Promised berries will not fill the basket.
13243. Promises and undressed cloth are apt to shrink.
13244. Promises are like the full moon, if they are not kept at once they diminish day by day.
13245. Promises are made to be kept.
13246. Promises don't fill the belly.
13247. Promises have legs. Only a gift has hands.
13248. Promises make debt, and debt makes promises.
13249. Promises may make friends, but 'tis performances that keep them.
13250. Promises, like pie crust, are made to be broken.
13251. Promising and performing are two things.
13252. Promising is not giving, but serves to content fools.
13253. Proof of the pudding is in the eating.
13254. Property will not earn life, but life will earn property.
13255. Proportion your expenses to what you have, not what you expect.
13256. Prosperity discovers vices, and adversity virtue.
13257. Prosperity forgets father and mother.
13258. Prosperity makes friends, and adversity tries them.
13259. Protect the flame of your candle and it will light more!
13260. Protest long enough that you are right, and you will be wrong.
13261. Proverbs are like butterflies, some are caught and some fly away.
13262. Proverbs are long life experiences, told in one short sentence.
13263. Proverbs are the children of experience.
13264. Proverbs are the daughters of daily experience.
13265. Proverbs are the lamp of speech.
13266. Proverbs are the palm oil with which words are eaten.
13267. Proverbs run in pairs.
13268. Proverbs the name of love's fiancé is divorce.
13269. Provide for the worst; the best can take care of itself.
13270. Providence assists not the idle.
13271. Providence crushes pride.
13272. Providence has not entirely deserted us.
13273. Providence is always on the side of the big battalions.
13274. Providence is better than a rent.
13275. Providence may delay, but punishment will come at length.
13276. Providence our herald, no barrier can oppose us.
13277. Providence provides but short horns for the fierce ox.
13278. Providence tempers the wind to the shorn lamb.
13279. Providential aid at a critical moment.
13280. Prudence and strength combined.
13281. Prudence is the charioteer of all virtues.
13282. Prudent men choose frugal wives.
13283. Prudent men woo thrifty women.
13284. Prudent pauses forward business.
13285. Public money is like holy water; everyone helps himself to it.
13286. Pull gently at a weak rope.

13287. Pull someone by the ears and his head will follow.
13288. Pulling the devil by the tail does not lead far young or old.
13289. Punctuality is the politeness of kings.
13290. Punctuality is the soul of business.
13291. Punishment awaits all offences.
13292. Pursue your duties and don't let them pursue you.
13293. Put a beggar into your barn and he will make himself your heir.
13294. Put a nice face to the bad times.
13295. Put a rope around your neck and many will be happy to drag you along.
13296. Put a stout heart to a steep hill.
13297. Put by for a rainy day.
13298. Put everything onto the grey horse, he'll bear anything.
13299. Put it in song, put it in drink; but never, ever put it in ink!
13300. Put not your hand between the bark and the tree.
13301. Put not your trust in princes.
13302. Put off for one day and ten days will pass by.
13303. Put off the evil hour as long as you can.
13304. Put out the fire betimes, ere it reach the roof.
13305. Put silk on a goat, and it's still a goat.
13306. Put someone through their paces.
13307. Put something sweet in his mouth and send good news to the heart.
13308. Put the belfry in the middle of the village.
13309. Put the candle not so close that it would burn the saint, nor so far that it will fail to light it.
13310. Put the cart before the horse.
13311. Put the fiddle in the roof.
13312. Put the light out, and all women are alike.
13313. Put things into their places, and they will put you into your place.
13314. Put your best foot forward.
13315. Put your hand in your conscience and see if it does not come out as black as pitch.
13316. Put your money where your mouth is.
13317. Put your shoulder to the wheel.
13318. Put your trust in God, and keep your powder dry.
13319. Putting salt on every snail.
13320. Putting the cart before the horse.

Q PROVERBS

13321. Quackery has no friend like gullibility.
13322. Quality goods advertise themselves.
13323. Quarreling dogs come halting home.
13324. Quarrels do not last long if the wrong is only on one side.
13325. Quarrels end, but words once spoken never die.
13326. Quarrels enhance the pleasures of love.
13327. Quick and well don't agree.
13328. Quick and well seldom go together.
13329. Quick at meat, quick at work.
13330. Quick believers need broad shoulders.
13331. Quick come, quick go.
13332. Quick enough, if but good enough.
13333. Quick enough, if safe enough.
13334. Quick to believe is quickly deceived.
13335. Quick to borrow is always slow to pay.
13336. Quick wealth makes the man suspicious.
13337. Quicker by taking more time.
13338. Quiet horses kick the hardest.
13339. Quiet people are well able to look after themselves.
13340. Quiet rivers have flowery banks.
13341. Quiet water wears down a mountain.
13342. Quiet worms will bore a hole in the wall.
13343. Quiet/obedient children and beautiful old woman, who did ever saw?
13344. Quietly, if you can; if not, by any means.
13345. Quit not certainty for hope.

R PROVERBS

13346. Rage avails less than courage.
13347. Ragged colts make the handsomest stallions.
13348. Rags to riches to rags.
13349. Rain at seven, fine at eleven.
13350. Rain beats on a leopard's skin, but it does not wash out the spots.
13351. Rain does not fall on one roof alone.
13352. Rain does not make friends with anybody, it falls on any person it meets outside.
13353. Rain does not stay in the sky.
13354. Raining pitchers-full.
13355. Raise crows and they will peck your eyes out.
13356. Raise no more devils than you can lay.
13357. Raise your sail one foot and you get ten feet of wind.
13358. Raise your voice otherwise their arguments will beat you!
13359. Raised children, doubled work.
13360. Rare commodities are worth more than good.
13361. Rare is agreement between beauty and modesty.
13362. Rather (have) a pleasure in life than sixpence in the pocket.
13363. Rather a bit correctly than much incorrectly.
13364. Rather a bitter truth than a sweet lie.
13365. Rather a husband with one eye than with one son.
13366. Rather a piece of bread with a happy heart than wealth with grief.
13367. Rather a single grape for me than a brace of figs for thee.
13368. Rather a slip of the foot than a slip of the pen.
13369. Rather a sparrow today than a bustard tomorrow.
13370. Rather alone than in bad company.
13371. Rather an honest 'no' than an insincere 'yes'.
13372. Rather a mule that carries than a horse that throws.
13373. Rather be a dog in a peaceful land, instead of being a man in a land of war.
13374. Rather once cry your heart out than always sigh.
13375. Rather than having no husband better be married to a deaf one.
13376. Rather than tell a lie to help a friend, it is better to assist him in paying the fine for his offense.
13377. Rather the egg today than the hen tomorrow.
13378. Rather weigh the will of the speaker, than the worth of the words.
13379. Rats and conquerors must expect no mercy in misfortune.
13380. Rats desert a sinking ship.
13381. Rats do not play tricks with kittens.
13382. Rats don't dance in the cat's doorway.
13383. Rats know the way of rats.
13384. Rats make havoc in the kitchen when the cat's a kitten.
13385. Ravens do not peck each other's eyes out.
13386. Raw cucumber makes the churchyards prosperous.
13387. Raw leather will stretch.
13388. Re-open not a wound once healed.
13389. Reading books removes sorrows from the heart.
13390. Ready for all things.

13391. Ready money works great cures.
13392. Real gold is not afraid of the melting pot.
13393. Real love is when you don't have to tell each other.
13394. Real wealth consists not in having, but in not wanting.
13395. Reality is not only stranger than we imagine, it is stranger than we can imagine.
13396. Reality is often stranger than fiction.
13397. Reality surpasses the poem.
13398. Really to stop criticism one must die.
13399. Reason is absent, when impulse rules.
13400. Reason is the wise man's guide, example the fool's.
13401. Reason is yours, and the goat is mine.
13402. Reason lies between the bridle and the spur.
13403. Reason not with the great, 'tis a perilous gate.
13404. Reasonable people can differ.
13405. Reasonings banish reason.
13406. Rebuke should have a grain more of salt than of sugar.
13407. Rebuke with soft words and hard arguments.
13408. Rebukes ought not to have a grain more of salt than of sugar.
13409. Receive a plum, return a peach.
13410. Reckless youth makes rueful age.
13411. Recommendation is one thing, getting accepted is something else.
13412. Reconciled friendship is like a badly healed wound.
13413. Reflect on beforehand.
13414. Regretting the past is like chasing after the wind.
13415. Regularity is the best medicine.
13416. Rein in the horse at the edge of the cliff.
13417. Rejoice with those that do rejoice.
13418. Rejoiced in youth, repented in age.
13419. Relationship produces envy.
13420. Relatives are spiders.
13421. Relatives are the worst friends, said the fox as the dogs took after him.
13422. Release the chicken.
13423. Religion must be taught, not forced.
13424. Religious contention is the devil's harvest.
13425. Remember to be always daring', meaning that you should make an effort and do not mind that you make a mistake.
13426. Remember you will die.
13427. Remember, even monkeys fall out of trees.
13428. Remorse is worse than a beating.
13429. Remove that bean hiding under your tongue.
13430. Remove the ceiling and thatch the roof.
13431. Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's.
13432. Renounce the devil, and thou shalt wear a shabby coat.
13433. Renown is denied to the living.
13434. Rent and taxes never sleep.
13435. Repay evil with good, and hell will not claim you.
13436. Repeat only what you have seen, not what you have heard.
13437. Repeated begging leads to poverty/misery.

13438. Repentance costs very dear.
13439. Repentance for silence is better than repentance for speaking.
13440. Repentance is good, but innocence is better.
13441. Repentance is the spring beneath our virtues.
13442. Repentance prolongs a man's life.
13443. Repentance won't cure mischief.
13444. Repentant tears wash out the stain of guilt.
13445. Repetition is a mother of learning.
13446. Repetition is the mother of knowledge.
13447. Reshape one's foot to try to fit into a new shoe.
13448. Resolutely in deed, sweetly in manner.
13449. Respect flies away for the one who pursues it and hunts the person who is fleeing from it.
13450. Respect for ones parents is the highest duty of civil life.
13451. Respect is greater from a distance.
13452. Respect spiritual beings but keep your distance.
13453. Respect starts with yourself.
13454. Respect the fools to avoid noise.
13455. Rest comes from unrest, and unrest from rest.
13456. Rest is good after the work is done.
13457. Rest makes rusty.
13458. Restless feet may walk into a snake pit.
13459. Retreating is not the same as fleeing.
13460. Return to old watering holes for more than water; friends and dreams are there to meet you.
13461. Revenge a hundred years old has still its milk-teeth.
13462. Revenge converts a little right into a great wrong.
13463. Revenge does not long remain unrevenged.
13464. Revenge in cold blood is the devil's own act and deed.
13465. Revenge is a confession of pain.
13466. Revenge is a dish best served cold.
13467. Revenge is new wrong.
13468. Revenge is sweet.
13469. Revenge remains not unrevenged.
13470. Reverence for God isn't a white turban.
13471. Revolutions are not made with rose-water.
13472. Reward not a sleeping pilot.
13473. Reward sweetens labor.
13474. Rewards come to those who are attentive, or wary of events in the past/present/future.
13475. Rice is not cooked with only words.
13476. Rice is one thing, but there are many ways of cooking it.
13477. Rich for yourself, poor for your friends.
13478. Rich gamblers and old trumpeters are rare.
13479. Rich garments weep on unworthy shoulders.
13480. Rich is he who has no debts, fortunate he who lives without handicap.
13481. Rich men accumulate money; the poor accumulate years.
13482. Rich people are everywhere at home.
13483. Rich people cook their food in a potsherd.

13484. Rich people eat gold and shit lead.
13485. Rich people never know who their friends are.
13486. Rich people sometimes eat bad food.
13487. Riches abuse them who know not how to use them.
13488. Riches add to the house, virtues to the man.
13489. Riches and favor go before wisdom and art.
13490. Riches are often abused, but never refused.
13491. Riches breed care, poverty is safe.
13492. Riches cause arrogance; poverty, meekness.
13493. Riches fall not always to the lot of the most deserving.
13494. Riches have wings.
13495. Riches run after the rich, and poverty runs after the poor.
13496. Riches serve a wise man, but command a fool.
13497. Ride on, but look before you.
13498. Ridicule is the test of truth.
13499. Right is with the strongest.
13500. Right or wrong, ‘tis our house up to the roof.
13501. Right overstrained turns to wrong.
13502. Righteousness is half of religion.
13503. Ripe fruit falls by itself, but it does not fall into your mouth.
13504. Rippling water shows lack of depth.
13505. Rise early, and you will observe; labor and you will have.
13506. Rising early makes the road short.
13507. Rising tide lifts all boats.
13508. Rivalry between scholars improves science.
13509. Rivers and mountains may change; human nature, never.
13510. Rivers flow to the sea that is there.
13511. Road to hell is paved with good intentions.
13512. Roast geese don’t come flying into your mouth.
13513. Roasted pigeons will not fly into one’s mouth.
13514. Robin Hood could brave all weathers but a thaw wind.
13515. Rocks need no protection from the rain.
13516. Roll my log and I will roll yours.
13517. Romantic love is a lightning bolt. Married love is an electric current.
13518. Rome was not built in one day.
13519. Rooster today, feather duster tomorrow.
13520. Roosters’ tail feathers: pretty but always behind.
13521. Rope is good when it’s long; speech is good when it’s short.
13522. Rosary is hand, the devil at heart.
13523. Roses and maidens soon lose their bloom.
13524. Roses fall, but the thorns remain.
13525. Rotten straw can harm a healthy horse.
13526. Rotten wood cannot be carved.
13527. Rowing with the oars you have got.
13528. Rule: Never perform card tricks for the people you play poker with.
13529. Rumors grow through circulation.
13530. Run as hard as a wild beast if you will, but you won’t get any reward greater than that destined for you.

13531. Running about madly won’t prevent death.
13532. Running and buying don’t go together, running and selling do.
13533. Running away makes you guilty.
13534. Running water carries no poison.
13535. Rust consumes iron, and envy consumes itself.
13536. Rust wastes more than use.

S PROVERBS

13537. Sadness and gladness succeed each other.
13538. Sadness is a valuable treasure, only discovered in people you love.
13539. Sadness's don't pay debts.
13540. Safety is in caution/slowness, and regret is in haste.
13541. Said the frying pay to the kettle, Standoff, black bottom.
13542. Sail while the breeze blows, wind and tide wait for no man.
13543. Sailors get to know each other better when there is a storm.
13544. Sailors have a port in every storm.
13545. Saint cannot if God will not.
13546. Saints appear to fools.
13547. Saints don't fill the belly.
13548. Saints fly only in the eyes of their disciples.
13549. Salt and bread make the cheeks red.
13550. Salt split is never all gathered.
13551. Salt water and absence wash away love.
13552. Salt will never be worm-eaten.
13553. Same meat, different gravy.
13554. Same shit, with different flies on it.
13555. Same trouble, different day.
13556. Satan's friendship reaches the prison door.
13557. Satiety causes disgust.
13558. Satiety has killed more men than hunger.
13559. Satires run faster than panegyrics.
13560. Sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander.
13561. Save a thief from the gallows and he will cut your throat.
13562. Save money and money will save you.
13563. Save something for the man that rides on the white horse.
13564. Save something until the next stock comes.
13565. Save three pieces of gold and the fourth one will fall into your lap.
13566. Save us from our friends.
13567. Save your breath to cool your porridge.
13568. Save your fowl before it stops flapping.
13569. Saving is a greater art than gaining.
13570. Saving mustard seeds in hand, while a watermelon escapes.
13571. Savings are the first gain.
13572. Say before they say.
13573. Say but little and say it well.
13574. Say no from the start; you will have rest.
13575. Say nothing when you give, only when you receive.
13576. Say something nice or say nothing at all.
13577. Say what you have to say, tomorrow.
13578. Saying and doing are two things.
13579. Saying if you fail to practice your art, it will soon disappear.
13580. Saying is one thing, and doing another.
13581. Saying that it's for her child, she gets herself a loaf of bread.
13582. Saying well causes a laugh; doing well produces silence.

13583. Scandal is like an egg; when it is hatched it has wings.
13584. Scarce things are prized.
13585. Scatter with one hand, gather with two.
13586. Scholars talk books, butchers talk pigs.
13587. Science is unlimited in its course; life is short.
13588. Score twice before you cut once.
13589. Scornful dogs will eat dirty puddings.
13590. Scratch a lover and find an enemy.
13591. Scratch an old woman's back and she will let you taste her pepper pot.
13592. Scratch my back and I'll scratch yours.
13593. Scratch people where they itch.
13594. Scratching and borrowing do well enough, but not for long.
13595. Seamen learn to get to know each other during a storm.
13596. Search knowledge though it be in China.
13597. Search yourself, and you will find Allah.
13598. Seat yourself in your place and you will not be made to quit it.
13599. Second thoughts are best.
13600. Secrecy is the beginning of tyranny.
13601. Secrecy is the essence of business.
13602. Secret fire is discovered by its smoke.
13603. Secret gifts are openly rewarded.
13604. Secured cents are better than cents in the betting pot.
13605. Security is nowhere safe.
13606. Security is the first cause of misfortune.
13607. See a pin and let it lie, you'll want a pin before you die.
13608. See and believe, and in order not to make a mistake, touch.
13609. See how he has risen from a mayor to a hangman.
13610. See that in avoiding cinders you step not on burning coals.
13611. See that you tie so that you can untie.
13612. See that your own hearth is swept before you lift your neighbor's ashes.
13613. See to it that you have many books and many friends, but be sure they are good ones.
13614. See what should be seen.
13615. See with your mind, hear with your heart.
13616. See, hear, and hold your tongue.
13617. Seeing is better than hearing.
13618. Seek a wife in your own sphere.
13619. Seek advice but use your own common sense.
13620. Seek not the luxuries of life lest you reap sorrow.
13621. Seek not the rose which is once lost.
13622. Seek the brave in prison and the stupid among the clergy.
13623. Seekers of art; finders of the beggar's bag.
13624. Seize opportunity by the beard, for it is bald behind.
13625. Seldom seen soon forgotten.
13626. Self-love is the worst of all flattery.
13627. Self-done is well done.
13628. Self-exaltation is the fool's paradise.
13629. Self is a bad counselor.
13630. Self is the best farmhand.

13631. Self-trust is the first secret of success.
13632. Self-love is bad, and makes the eyes sad.
13633. Self-love is blind.
13634. Self-love nobody else's love.
13635. Self-praise is no praise at all.
13636. Self-praise is no recommendation.
13637. Self-praise stinks.
13638. Self-preservation is the first law of nature.
13639. Sell a man a fish, he eats for a day, teach a man how to fish, he eats for the rest of his life.
13640. Sell beets/apples as lemons.
13641. Sell me dear, and measure me fair.
13642. Sell not the bear's skin before you have caught him.
13643. Sell not virtue to purchase wealth.
13644. Sell publicly and buy privately.
13645. Sell what you have bought while the dust is still on your shoes.
13646. Senators are good men; however Senate is a malicious animal.
13647. Send a boy where he wants to go and you see his best pace.
13648. Send a child to do your errands, do it yourself afterwards.
13649. Send a fool to close the shutters and he'll close them all over town.
13650. Sending charcoal in the snow is better than adding flowers to a brocade.
13651. Sense comes with age.
13652. Separation secures manifest friendship.
13653. September blow soft till the fruit's in the loft.
13654. Servants differ as their masters.
13655. Serve a lord and you'll know what grief is.
13656. Serve as a serf or fly like a deer.
13657. Serve your neighbors as you would be served yourself.
13658. Service is greatness.
13659. Service is not inheritance.
13660. Services unrequired go unrequited.
13661. Set a beggar on a horse and he'll ride to the devil.
13662. Set a peasant on horseback, and he forgets both God and man.
13663. Set a sprat to catch a mackerel.
13664. Set a thief to catch a thief.
13665. Set good against evil.
13666. Set hard heart against hard hap.
13667. Set out wisely at first; custom will make every virtue more easy and pleasant to you than any vice can be.
13668. Set your expense according to your trade.
13669. Set your sail according to the wind.
13670. Setting out well is a quarter of the journey.
13671. Settling a dispute through the law is like losing a cow for the sake of a cat.
13672. Seven brothers in a council make wrong right.
13673. Seven days is the length of a guest's life.
13674. Seven days king, seven days minister, slave for the rest of your life.
13675. Seven hours of sleep is enough for the young and the aged.
13676. Seven nannies make a kid not looked after.

13677. Seven people do not wait for one person.
13678. Seven sets of ewers and washbowls, but no dinner or lunch.
13679. Seven trades but no luck.
13680. Seven's a banquet nine a brawl.
13681. Several eyes see more than only one.
13682. Sew and cut and you'll never see idle (hungry) times.
13683. Shadows are formed all along the wishes of the sun.
13684. Shake hands at the beginning and at the end.
13685. Shaken by the waves, but it will not sink.
13686. Shall the gosling teach the goose to swim?
13687. Shallow graves for shallow people.
13688. Shame comes to no man unless he himself help it on the way.
13689. Shame is forgotten, debts are not.
13690. Shame is worse than death.
13691. Shame lasts longer than poverty.
13692. Shame on he who gives up.
13693. Shame on the one who gives up.
13694. Shameful deeds bring on revenge.
13695. Shameful is not the one who doesn't know, but the one who doesn't ask.
13696. Shameful leftovers are worse than disgraceful eating.
13697. Shared grief is half grief.
13698. Shared joy is a double joy; shared sorrow is half a sorrow.
13699. Shared sorrow is half sorrow.
13700. Sharing a secret with a rogue is like carrying grain in a bag with a hole.
13701. Sharing the figs can leave you with none at all.
13702. Sharp acids corrode their own containers.
13703. She brought its maker out of it.
13704. She fries in her own grease.
13705. She hears it from this ear, and throws it out from the other.
13706. She is fond of greens, who kisses the gardener.
13707. She is fond of him, on the side where the pocket hangs.
13708. She is good and honored who is dead and buried.
13709. She is good who is close to the fire and does not burn.
13710. She is like a road, pretty but crooked.
13711. She is neither fish nor fowl.
13712. She is not a modest woman whom common report condemns.
13713. She is sleeping in donkey's ear.
13714. She once hits the horseshoe, and once hits the nail.
13715. She poured cleansing water on his hand.
13716. She sees everyone with one eye.
13717. She stoops to conquer.
13718. She takes in from one ear, and lets out from the other ear.
13719. She tells the sun: don't rise, I have come out.
13720. She took the taste out of the smell.
13721. She tried to fix the eyebrow, ended up blinding the eye too.
13722. She who is born a beauty is born betrothed.
13723. She who loves an ugly man thinks him handsome.
13724. She who wants to marry her stepfather regrets it in bed.

13725. She will take one to the water and bring him/her back thirsty.
13726. She would be a nice girl if she didn't have her head.
13727. Shear the sheep but don't flay them.
13728. Shiny are the distant hills.
13729. Shirk work and you will want bread.
13730. Shit floats to the top.
13731. Shit or get off the pot.
13732. Shit rolls downhill.
13733. Shoemaker stick to your last.
13734. Shoemakers go to mass and pray that sheep may die.
13735. Shoot at a pigeon and kill a crow.
13736. Short acquaintance brings repentance.
13737. Short cuts are long ways round.
13738. Short debts (accounts) make long friends.
13739. Short flax makes long thread.
13740. Short hair is soon brushed.
13741. Short hose must have long points.
13742. Short is the road that leads from fear to hatred.
13743. Short judgments make long friends.
13744. Short lived pleasure is the parent of pain.
13745. Short love, long sighs.
13746. Short pleasure often brings long repentance.
13747. Short prayers reach heaven.
13748. Short reckonings make long friends.
13749. Shoulders are never higher than the head.
13750. Show a dog a finger, and he wants the whole hand.
13751. Show her the rudder, but don't steer her boat.
13752. Show me a liar, and I'll show you a thief.
13753. Show me a poor man, I will show you a flatterer.
13754. Show me your wife and I will tell you what kind of a husband she has.
13755. Show me, and I may not remember.
13756. Show no fear to the man who picks up a big stone.
13757. Showing off with another's feathers.
13758. Showy clothes attract most.
13759. Shrouds are made without pockets.
13760. Shut your door, and you will make your neighbor good.
13761. Shut your mouth and you'll catch no flies.
13762. Shyness is the prison of the heart.
13763. Sick people are like kings.
13764. Sickness accompanies a waning moon; a new moon cures disease.
13765. Sickness comes in haste, and goes at leisure.
13766. Sickness comes in like a horse and leaves like a snail.
13767. Sickness comes on horseback and departs on foot.
13768. Sickness comes uninvited, no need to bespeak it.
13769. Sickness comes with a waning moon; a new moon cures disease.
13770. Sickness is every man's master.
13771. Sickness is felt, but health not at all.
13772. Sickness shows us what we are.

13773. Sickness soaks the purse.
13774. Sickness tells us what we are.
13775. Sighs never fall on the ground.
13776. Sight before hearsay.
13777. Sight goes before hearsay.
13778. Silence and look out, we shall catch both hen and chicks.
13779. Silence and reflection cause no dejection.
13780. Silence answers much.
13781. Silence gives consent.
13782. Silence gives rise to peace and with peace comes security.
13783. Silence heals all ills.
13784. Silence implies consent.
13785. Silence is a brother of delight.
13786. Silence is a cure for grief.
13787. Silence is a fence around wisdom.
13788. Silence is a fine jewel for a woman, but it is little worn.
13789. Silence is a woman's best garment.
13790. Silence is a wonderful jewel for a woman but she seldom wears it.
13791. Silence is also a form of speech.
13792. Silence is an attribute of the dead; he who is alive speaks.
13793. Silence is golden, speech is silver.
13794. Silence is more than just a lack of words.
13795. Silence is music to a wise man.
13796. Silence is sometimes the answer.
13797. Silence is the best answer to the stupid. The fool has his answer on the tip of his tongue.
13798. Silence is the door of consent.
13799. Silence is the fence around wisdom.
13800. Silence is the greatest ornament in a woman.
13801. Silence is the interpreter of happiness.
13802. Silence is the soul of all things.
13803. Silence is the voice of complicity.
13804. Silence is wisdom and gets a man friends.
13805. Silence makes irritation grow.
13806. Silence means consent.
13807. Silence surpasses speech.
13808. Silence was never written down.
13809. Silent men like still waters, are deep and dangerous.
13810. Silent tongue and hempen heart often go together.
13811. Silent water is dangerous water.
13812. Silent waters wash out banks.
13813. Silent worms dig holes in the walls.
13814. Silk and velvet put out the kitchen fire.
13815. Silk is cut best with old scissors.
13816. Silly sheep, where one goes, all go.
13817. Silly words make ears deaf.
13818. Silver and gold are all men's dears.
13819. Similar like two drops of water.

13820. Similar to ‘You reap what you sow’.
13821. Simple minds think alike.
13822. Simple things please/amuse simple minds.
13823. Simplicity is worse than crime.
13824. Sin is carried in the mouth.
13825. Sin punishes itself.
13826. Sin when you are drunk; pay the fine when you are sober.
13827. Since all lizards lie on their bellies, one can hardly tell which has stomach ache.
13828. Since I wronged you, I have never liked you.
13829. Since love departs at dawn, create, O God, a night that has no morn.
13830. Since the house is on fire I will warm myself at the blaze.
13831. Since the wine is drawn it must be drunk.
13832. Since we are lost, let’s go to the river.
13833. Since we cannot get what we like, let us like what we can get.
13834. Since we have loaves let us not look for cakes.
13835. Sincerity gives wings to power.
13836. Sinews and big muscles do not make a farmer.
13837. Sing before breakfast, cry before night.
13838. Sing not of triumph before the victory.
13839. Sing to a donkey, he will fart to you.
13840. Singed cats live long.
13841. Singers, lovers, and poets are privileged liars.
13842. Singing ‘Alleluia’ everywhere does not prove piety.
13843. Singing birds don’t build nests.
13844. Single man in a field is not a warrior.
13845. Sinning is the best part of repentance.
13846. Sins hide not in your sleep but in your dreams.
13847. Sins of omission are seldom fun.
13848. Sit and wait for the good chestnuts.
13849. Sit atop the mountain and watch the tigers fight.
13850. Sit on the bank of a river and wait: Your enemy’s corpse will soon float by.
13851. Sit, walk, or run, but don’t wobble.
13852. Sitting down beside the boxes.
13853. Sitting is being crippled.
13854. Sitting on black seed.
13855. Sitting quietly, doing nothing, spring comes and the grass grows by itself.
13856. Sitting securely in the saddle.
13857. Sitting with the hands in the hair.
13858. Six feet of earth make all men equal.
13859. Six hours for a man, seven for a woman, and eight for a fool.
13860. Six men give a doctor less to do than one woman.
13861. Six of one and half a dozen of the other.
13862. Skeptics are never deceived.
13863. Skill and assurance make an invincible combination.
13864. Skill is better than strength.
13865. Skill or fortune will efface the spots.
13866. Skips on two branches.
13867. Slander by the stream will be heard by the frogs.

13868. Slander cannot destroy an honest man: when the flood recedes the rock is there.
13869. Slander expires at a good woman's door.
13870. Slander is more deadly than weapons; weapons wound from close range, slander hurts from a distance.
13871. Slander leaves a score behind it.
13872. Slander piles itself before the door of a widow.
13873. Slander slays three persons: the speaker, the spoken to, and the spoken of.
13874. Slanderers are the devil's bellows, to blow up contention.
13875. Slaughter no more than you can well salt.
13876. Sleep after selling horses and elephants.
13877. Sleep and indolence are not cousins of a good harvest.
13878. Sleep has no master.
13879. Sleep is all important.
13880. Sleep is better than medicine.
13881. Sleep is half of health.
13882. Sleep is the best cure for waking troubles.
13883. Sleep is the cousin of death.
13884. Sleep is the poor man's treasure.
13885. Sleep not in time of peril.
13886. Sleep on a bed of silver and dream of gold.
13887. Sleep on it before speaking.
13888. Sleep over it, and you will come to a resolution.
13889. Sleep with a woman and she will make sure you wake up.
13890. Sleeping farmer gets a dreaming farmhand.
13891. Sleeping in and staying up late; this habit will run down your household.
13892. Sleeping shrimp gets taken by the current.
13893. Sleepy turtles never catch up with the sunrise.
13894. Slippery is the flagstone at the mansion-house door.
13895. Sloth is the beginning of vice.
13896. Sloth is the mother of poverty.
13897. Slow and steady wins the race.
13898. Slow fires will smolder for a long time.
13899. Slow help is no help.
13900. Slow in word, swift in deed.
13901. Slowly but surely the excrement of foreign poets will come to your village.
13902. Slowly, slowly, porridge goes into the gourd.
13903. Smack a tray of water and you get to wash your face.
13904. Small beer comes the last.
13905. Small children give you headache; big children heartache.
13906. Small children won't let you sleep, bigger children won't let you live.
13907. Small choice in rotten apples.
13908. Small faults indulged in are little thieves that let in greater.
13909. Small favors conciliate, but great gifts make enemies.
13910. Small gains bring great wealth.
13911. Small gifts go to places where men expect bigger ones.
13912. Small gifts maintain friendship, big ones maintain love.
13913. Small goat by small goat buys a ship.

13914. Small ills are the fountains of most of our groans Men trip not on mountains, they stumble on stones.
13915. Small laziness leads to big laziness.
13916. Small man, sly or dancer.
13917. Small matters breed important ones.
13918. Small minds are captivated by trifles.
13919. Small molehills can turn carriages over.
13920. Small people always cast big shadows.
13921. Small pots have ears too.
13922. Small profits and often, are better than large profits and seldom.
13923. Small profits are good if they come often.
13924. Small profits are sweet.
13925. Small rain lays a great wind.
13926. Small saints too work miracles.
13927. Small things have their own peculiar charm.
13928. Small tree trunks can make the cart turn over.
13929. Small tuft often overturns a big load.
13930. Small undertakings give great comfort.
13931. Small wells are better to quench your thirst.
13932. Small wounds and poor friends should not be despised.
13933. Smart bird gets trapped in its beak.
13934. Smart thief overcomes the landlord.
13935. Smile and the world smiles with you; cry, and you cry alone.
13936. Smiles that you broadcast will always come back to you.
13937. Smoke in your own country is purer than fire in a foreign land.
13938. Smoke spreads further than the fire.
13939. Smooth hands love the labor of others.
13940. Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors.
13941. Smooth words do not flay the tongue.
13942. Snails don't venture where horned animals gather.
13943. Snakes prefer to hide under flowers.
13944. Snakes turn milk into poison.
13945. Snapping curs never want sore ears.
13946. So (people) will see and fear.
13947. So good that he is good for nothing.
13948. So kind and so honest my lady appears to be.
13949. So long as a man is angry he cannot be in the right.
13950. So long as I can keep a secret it is my prisoner. If I let it slip then I am its prisoner.
13951. So long as the belly is silent all prostitutes are virgins.
13952. So long as the pot is boiling, friendship will stay warm.
13953. So long as the wolf is captured the dog will bite his leg.
13954. So long as you don't step on a snail's tail, he won't get up and bite you.
13955. So long does one walk with a jug for water, until one day the handle breaks off.
13956. So many 'little' things makes a man love a woman in a 'BIG' way.
13957. So many countries, so many customs.
13958. So many mists in March, so many frosts in May.
13959. So money gets money.
13960. So much meat and I'm eating cod and I with no teeth.

13961. So often goes the cat to the fat that she loses her paw.
13962. So often goes the pitcher to the fountain that will be finally broken.
13963. So the man, so his shadow.
13964. So wise, so young, they say, do never live long.
13965. So yourself be good, a fig for your grandfather.
13966. Soap is grey but it used to be white.
13967. Soft and fair goes far.
13968. Soft fire makes sweet malt.
13969. Soft speeches injure not the mouth of the speaker.
13970. Soft water constantly striking the hard stone, wears it at last.
13971. Soft water on hard rock will work until it makes a hole.
13972. Soft words and hard arguments.
13973. Soft words butter no parsnips, but they won't harden the heart of the cabbage either.
13974. Soft words don't scotch the tongue.
13975. Soft words win hard hearts.
13976. Softly, barber, the water scalds.
13977. Soldiers must be well paid, and well hanged.
13978. Solitude is full of God.
13979. Solitude is the nurse of wisdom.
13980. Solve one problem, and you keep a hundred others away.
13981. Some are more equal than others.
13982. Some birds avoid the water, ducks look for it.
13983. Someday Peter will command as much as his master.
13984. Some days you get the bear, other days the bear gets you.
13985. Some eat the figs, others get cracks in mouth.
13986. Some evils are cured by contempt.
13987. Some families are like potatoes, all that's good of them is underground.
13988. Some fathers love another man's daughter most.
13989. Some girls are like mangoes, while you are waiting for them to be ripe; others are chewing them raw with salt.
13990. Some go to law, for the wagging of a straw.
13991. Some have been thought brave because they didn't have the courage to run away.
13992. Some have bread who have no teeth left.
13993. Some have fine eyes and can't see a jot.
13994. Some have the fame, and other card the wool.
13995. Some like the priest some like the wife of the priest.
13996. Some many heads, so many brains.
13997. Some men go through a forest and see no firewood.
13998. Some men have only one book in them, others a library.
13999. Some men will build a wine cellar when they have found just one grape.
14000. Some men wonder over God's values, others over the cut of a garment.
14001. Some of the sweetest berries grow among the sharpest thorns.
14002. Some people are born hammers, others anvils.
14003. Some people are electrifying; they light up a room when they leave.
14004. Some people want to be praised for the rest of their lives for what they have done well for one day.
14005. Some perceived good things may have unintended bad consequences.
14006. Some prefer carrots while others like cabbage.

14007. Some roads aren't meant to be travelled alone.
14008. Some sell and don't deliver.
14009. Some sing who are not merry.
14010. Some small spark may yet by chance lie hidden.
14011. Some sow, others read.
14012. Some things are better praised by silence than by remark.
14013. Some things seem better from far but are far from better.
14014. Some think they have done when they are only beginning.
14015. Some thinking to avenge their shame increase it.
14016. Some who just tell tales of themselves?
14017. Some who mean only to warm, burn themselves.
14018. Some who will not speak against another, in the end does them harm.
14019. Some will enjoy the honey; others will have to put up with the sting.
14020. Some will, some don't, so what!
14021. Someone already wet will not be afraid of water.
14022. Someone else's legs are no good to you when you're travelling.
14023. Someone else's pain is easy to carry.
14024. Someone who can hold on to his money is worth more than the one who earns it.
14025. Someone who gossips to you will gossip about you.
14026. Someone who speaks about 'my inferiors' doesn't have them.
14027. Someone with an unrelenting heart is his own executioner.
14028. Someone's end is someone's beginning.
14029. Something done at the wrong time should be regarded as not done.
14030. Something is better than nothing.
14031. Something is either done or it is not done.
14032. Something that is well diagnosed can be cured well.
14033. Something to everyone is good division.
14034. Something worth doing is worth doing well.
14035. Something you don't want is dear at any price.
14036. Something you stole will be also stolen from you.
14037. Sometimes an egg is given for an ox.
14038. Sometimes even the intestine and the stomach disagree.
14039. Sometimes I go about in pity for myself, and all the while a great wind is bearing me across the sky.
14040. Sometimes it takes only an hour to get a reputation that lasts for a thousand years.
14041. Sometimes it's dense, sometimes it's empty.
14042. Sometimes the body becomes healthy by being very sick.
14043. Sometimes the cry of the animal is worse than the animal itself.
14044. Sometimes the lees are better than the wine.
14045. Sometimes the rain might force a man more than once to seek shelter under the same tree.
14046. Sometimes the whole nation has to pay for the foolish deed of one man.
14047. Sometimes we are the student. Sometimes we are the master, and sometimes we are merely the lesson.
14048. Sometimes you have to throw yourself into the fire to escape from the smoke.
14049. Sometimes you must be cruel to be kind.
14050. Son of a priest, grandson of the devil.
14051. Soon enough if well enough.

14052. Sooner could you hide an elephant under your armpit?
14053. Sooner or later the day comes when the tumor can be lanced.
14054. Sooner or later the truth comes to light.
14055. Sooner shall earth mount to heaven?
14056. Sooner will a beetle make honey?
14057. Sorrow and ill weather come unsent for.
14058. Sorrow brings on premature old age.
14059. Sorrow does not pay any debts.
14060. Sorrow doesn't kill, reckless joy does.
14061. Sorrow dwells on the confines of pleasure.
14062. Sorrow follows pleasure.
14063. Sorrow for a husband is like a pain in the elbow, sharp and short.
14064. Sorrow is like a precious treasure, shown only to friends.
14065. Sorrow is the child of too much joy.
14066. Sorrow is the seed of wealth.
14067. Sorrow is to the soul what the worm is to wood.
14068. Sorrow seldom comes alone.
14069. Sorrow, nobody dies about it.
14070. Sorrows are valuable treasures that you only show to your friends.
14071. Sorrows come uninvited.
14072. Soup must be hot, insults cold.
14073. Sour grapes will never make sweet wine.
14074. Sour wine, old bacon and rye bread keep a house rich.
14075. Sow corn in clay, and plant vines in sand.
14076. Sow not money on the sea, lest it sink.
14077. Spare at the spigot, and let out the bunghole.
14078. Spare the rod and spoil the child.
14079. Spare to speak and spare to speed.
14080. Spare us what we can learn to endure.
14081. Spare well and have to spend.
14082. Sparrows should not dance with cranes; their legs are too short.
14083. Sparrows who emulate peacocks are likely to break a thigh.
14084. Speak (talk) of the devil and he will appear (is sure to appear).
14085. Speak and the man shall be shown.
14086. Speak as you find.
14087. Speak highly of the lake, but stay on the bank.
14088. Speak little and to the purpose.
14089. Speak not against the dead.
14090. Speak not ill of the year until it is past.
14091. Speak not of my debts unless you mean to pay them.
14092. Speak of the devil and he appears.
14093. Speak of the dog and pick up the stick.
14094. Speak only the best of the dead.
14095. Speak softly and carry a big stick.
14096. Speak the truth and shame the devil.
14097. Speak the truth, but leave immediately after.
14098. Speak well of your friend; of your enemy say nothing.
14099. Speak when you are spoken to.

14100. Speak, that I may see thee.
14101. Speaking comes by nature, silence by understanding.
14102. Speaking French is no proof of intelligence.
14103. Speaking is silver, silence is gold.
14104. Speaking silence is better than senseless speech.
14105. Speech both conceals and reveals the thoughts of men.
14106. Speech is silver but silence is golden.
14107. Speedy execution is the mother of good fortune.
14108. Speedy rise, speedy fall.
14109. Spend not, where you may save; spare not, where you must spend.
14110. Spending is quick, earning is slow.
14111. Spending it is like pouring water into sand.
14112. Spendthrifts are always of necessity, greedy and covetous.
14113. Spent as earned.
14114. Spices are good but not too much.
14115. Spilled water is better than a broken jar.
14116. Spilled wine is a sign of happiness, but break the bed and all will have long faces.
14117. Spilt salt is never well collected.
14118. Spirit is the sword and experience the sharpening stone.
14119. Spit not in the well, you may have to drink its water.
14120. Splendor without diminishment.
14121. Spoken word is not a sparrow: once it flies out, you can't catch it.
14122. Spouses that love each other say a thousand things without speaking.
14123. Spread the table and contention will cease.
14124. Spread the word of a Psalm and it becomes a popular song.
14125. Spring has come when you can put your foot on three daisies.
14126. Spring is sooner recognized by plants than by men.
14127. Spring succeeds to winter.
14128. Spring will not come with one flower.
14129. Spur not a free horse to death.
14130. Spur not a willing horse.
14131. Spurs that are too sharp make even the mule rear.
14132. Squeaky wheel gets the grease.
14133. Stagnant water grows stinking.
14134. Stagnant waters putrefy.
14135. Stairs are climbed step by step.
14136. Stand away from a horse's heels.
14137. Stand away from dwarfs, for its God who hit them on the head.
14138. Stand so long until grass grows under your foot.
14139. Stand up, cent, let the dollar sit down.
14140. Stand up, farthing, let the florin sit down.
14141. Standers-by see more than gamesters.
14142. Standing pools gather filth.
14143. Standing with the mouth full of teeth.
14144. Starlings are lean because they go in flocks.
14145. Starlings are skinny because they fly in a group.
14146. Starting the work is two thirds of it.
14147. Starved lice bite the hardest.

14148. Stay a while, and lose a mile.
14149. Stay where there are songs.
14150. Steal a bell with one's ears covered.
14151. Steal goods and you'll go to prison, steal lands and you are a king.
14152. Stealing leads to poverty.
14153. Stealing may bring profit, but hanging costs far more.
14154. Steel whets steel.
14155. Step by step one goes far.
14156. Step on a crack break your mother's back.
14157. Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me.
14158. Sticks in a bundle are unbreakable.
14159. Still water breeds vermin.
14160. Still water undermines the bank.
14161. Still water wears down mountains.
14162. Still waters run deep.
14163. Stinginess deceives wisdom.
14164. Stitch in time saves nine.
14165. Stock-fish are made tender by much beating.
14166. Stolen bread stirs the appetite.
14167. Stolen fruit is sweet.
14168. Stones or bread, one must have something in hand for the dogs.
14169. Stoop, and let it pass; the storm will have its way.
14170. Stop and smell the roses.
14171. Stop, look and listen.
14172. Stopping at third base adds no more to the score than striking out.
14173. Stopping is dying.
14174. Storing milk in a sieve, you complain of bad luck?
14175. Storm in a glass of water.
14176. Straight line is the shortest, straight road is the safest.
14177. Straighten not the dog's tail even in the bamboo hollow.
14178. Strain not your bow beyond its bent, lest it break.
14179. Straitened circumstances.
14180. Strange sins, strange punishments.
14181. Strangers' meat is the greatest treat.
14182. Straws tell which way the wind blows.
14183. Straying shepherd, straying sheep.
14184. Street angel, house devil.
14185. Strength avails not a coward.
14186. Strength comes from union.
14187. Strength does not correspond to knowledge.
14188. Stretch your legs no farther than your coverlet.
14189. Strew no roses before swine.
14190. Strife is better than loneliness.
14191. Strike me a light, and I'll light you.
14192. Stroke the dog and he will mark you with his dirty paws.
14193. Stroke the horse until it is saddled.
14194. Strong attachment is difficult, it makes one mad or kills.
14195. Strong folks have strong maladies.

14196. Strong is the vinegar of sweet wine.
14197. Strong wood is worth more than painted wood.
14198. Stubborn men make lawyers.
14199. Stubbornness is the energy of fools.
14200. Study invites study, idleness produces idleness.
14201. Studying is light; not studying is darkness.
14202. Stuff today and starve tomorrow.
14203. Stumbling is not falling.
14204. Stupid is as stupid does.
14205. Stupid people always think they are right, wise people listen to advice.
14206. Stupid solutions that succeed are still stupid solutions.
14207. Stupidity begins with honesty.
14208. Stupidity is a force unto itself.
14209. Stupidity is the lover of ignorance.
14210. Stupidity won't kill you, but it can make you sweat.
14211. Submission to one wrong brings on another.
14212. Submit to the rule you have yourself laid down.
14213. Substance is not enough, accident is also required.
14214. Subtlety set a trap and caught itself.
14215. Success (only) comes after every necessary precaution.
14216. Success alters our manners.
14217. Success and rest don't sleep together.
14218. Success consecrates the foulest crimes.
14219. Success grows out of struggles to overcome difficulties.
14220. Success has many fathers, while failure is an orphan.
14221. Success is a journey not a destination.
14222. Success is doing what you like and making a living at it.
14223. Success is never blamed.
14224. Success leads to insolence.
14225. Success makes a fool seem wise.
14226. Success or ruin.
14227. Such a beginning, such an end.
14228. Such as the man is, such will be his discourse.
14229. Such is the fate of the sheep: either shorn or roasted.
14230. Sudden glory soon goes out.
14231. Sudden trust brings sudden repentance.
14232. Sue a beggar and catch a louse.
14233. Suffering teaches the wisdom of the ancestors.
14234. Sufficient for the day is the evil thereof.
14235. Sugarcane is always sweet, people only sometimes so.
14236. Sugared words generally prove bitter.
14237. Suit yourself to the times.
14238. Summer will not last forever.
14239. Sun cannot be daubed using wet clay.
14240. Sun is for cucumbers, rain for rice.
14241. Sunshine all the time makes a desert.
14242. Supper is soon served up in a plentiful house.
14243. Suppers have killed more than doctors have ever cured.

14244. Supposed to be ironic, meaning that it is better to have one person in charge than many.
14245. Supposing doesn't fill the grain basket 'if' doesn't fill the larder.
14246. Suppression of hunger leads to death.
14247. Suspicion bears dark devils.
14248. Suspicion is the poison of friendship.
14249. Swear by the words of the teacher.
14250. Sweat makes good mortar.
14251. Sweep first before your own door, before you sweep the doorsteps of your neighbors.
14252. Sweet are the tears that are dried by your loved one.
14253. Sweet is the memory of past labor.
14254. Sweet meat requires sour sauce.
14255. Sweet rice is eaten quickly.
14256. Sweet song has betrayed many.
14257. Sweet tongues buy horses on credit.
14258. Sweet wine makes sour vinegar.
14259. Swift gratitude is the sweetest.
14260. Swiftest horse cannot overtake the word once spoken.
14261. Swimming so much, only to remain on the shore.

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14262. Take a close look at today, because yesterday is but a dream and tomorrow is barely a vision.
14263. Take a close look then at today.
14264. Take a dog for a companion and a stick in your hand.
14265. Take a hair of the dog that bit you.
14266. Take a hair of the dog that has bitten you.
14267. Take a horse by his bridle and a man by his word.
14268. Take a man at his word, an ox by the horns.
14269. Take a second look; it costs you nothing.
14270. Take a woman's first advice and not her second.
14271. Take a young woman for the pleasure of possessing her until she is old.
14272. Take advice of a red-bearded man, and be gone.
14273. Take all you want; eat all you take.
14274. Take an ox by his horn, a man by his word.
14275. Take away fuel, take away flame.
14276. Take away my good name, take away my life.
14277. Take away the motive, and the sin is taken away.
14278. Take care how you beseech the gods, they may answer you.
14279. Take care of clothes since when they are new; take care of your honor since you are young.
14280. Take care of the pennies and the pounds will take care of themselves.
14281. Take care of your geese when the fox preaches.
14282. Take care of your plough, and your plough will take care of you.
14283. Take care you don't let your tail be caught in the door.
14284. Take counsel before it goes ill, lest it got worse.
14285. Take counsel of your pillow.
14286. Take down a thief from the gallows and he will hang you up.
14287. Take gifts with a sigh; most men give to be paid.
14288. Take heed is a good reed.
14289. Take heed of enemies reconciled.
14290. Take heed you do not find what you do not seek.
14291. Take help of many, advice of few.
14292. Take hold lightly; let go lightly.
14293. Take hold of a good minute.
14294. Take in laundry before you take in partners.
14295. Take it from the famished and give it to the nourished.
14296. Take it with a grain of salt.
14297. Take not the antidote before the poison.
14298. Take not your sickle to another man's corn.
14299. Take nothing in hand that may bring repentance.
14300. Take off your hat quickly but slowly take hold of your purse.
14301. Take one step to hell and you are already half way there.
14302. Take the bitter with the sweet.
14303. Take the bull by the horns and the man at his word.
14304. Take the custom where you come.
14305. Take the goods God provides.

14306. Take the middle of the way and thou wilt not fall.
14307. Take the will for the deed.
14308. Take the world as it is, not as it ought to be.
14309. Take things as they come.
14310. Take time to smell the roses.
14311. Take time when time is, for time will away.
14312. Take time: much may be gained by patience.
14313. Take us as you find us.
14314. Take what you want, God said to man, and pay for it.
14315. Take what you want, then pay for it.
14316. Takes a thief to catch a thief.
14317. Takes all sorts to make a world.
14318. Takes one to know one.
14319. Taking aim for too long can ruin your eyes.
14320. Taking care of business.
14321. Taking out and not putting in soon reaches the bottom.
14322. Taking water from the same well doesn't make all the wives' gravy taste good.
14323. Talent without skill is like a desert without an oasis.
14324. Talk as you go, husband, to the gallows.
14325. Talk does not cook rice.
14326. Talk is cheap but it takes money to buy whiskey.
14327. Talk little and well, and you will be looked upon as somebody.
14328. Talk of sporting, and buy game in the market.
14329. Talk the hind legs off a donkey.
14330. Talk to a priest and die a thousand deaths.
14331. Talk too much and you talk about yourself.
14332. Talk well of your friends and of your enemies say nothing.
14333. Talkers are not doers.
14334. Talking a mile a minute.
14335. Talking about bulls is altogether different from being in the arena.
14336. Talking comes by nature, silence by wisdom.
14337. Talking doesn't get your rice cooked.
14338. Talking is easier than doing, and promising than performing.
14339. Talking is the way for people to understand each other.
14340. Talking nineteen to the dozen.
14341. Talking of an old debt always starts another quarrel.
14342. Talking of bulls is not the same as being in the bullring.
14343. Talking to one another is loving one another.
14344. Talking without thinking is shooting without aiming.
14345. Talks that are considered to be important must be made to drag on for so long as to make even the deaf begin to hear it.
14346. Tall branches are apt to be broken.
14347. Tall oaks from little acorns grow.
14348. Tall trees catch much wind.
14349. Tap even a stone bridge before crossing.
14350. Tapping persistently breaks the stone.
14351. Tarred with the same brush.
14352. Task done on time and you are a king on your bed.

14353. Taste by taste empties the honey jar.
14354. Taste is like the buttocks, divided.
14355. Tastes are not argued.
14356. Tasty fish have to swim three times: once in the water, then in butter, and finally in wine.
14357. Tasty food, plenty of food, food in the right time - and peace at mealtimes!
14358. Tasty is the chicken that is fed by someone else.
14359. Taught in the same school.
14360. Teach a child, until it can lay across a bench, when it will stretch its whole length, you'll be unable to teach it.
14361. Teach your son in the front garden and your wife on the pillow.
14362. Teachers die, but books live on.
14363. Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself.
14364. Teaching in youth is like carving in stone.
14365. Teaching the fool means just spoiling him.
14366. Tears are at times as eloquent as words.
14367. Tears are no language.
14368. Tears come more often from the eyes than from the heart.
14369. Tears have meaning but only he who sheds them understands.
14370. Teeth do not see poverty.
14371. Teeth in a hyena's face always slide into place.
14372. Teeth placed before the tongue give good advice.
14373. Teeth will never quarrel with the tongue.
14374. Tell a lie and the truth will come to light.
14375. Tell a lie on Saturday and you will be ashamed on Sunday.
14376. Tell a lie, and you'll hear the truth.
14377. Tell a woman once she is beautiful and the devil will repeat it ten times.
14378. Tell everybody your business and the devil will do it for you.
14379. Tell God the truth, but give the judge money.
14380. Tell her she is handsome, and you will turn her brain.
14381. Tell it well, or say nothing.
14382. Tell lies, but become not tangled in lies.
14383. Tell me and I'll forget; show me and I may remember; involve me and I'll understand.
14384. Tell me the company you keep, and I will tell you who you are.
14385. Tell no one what you would have known only to yourself.
14386. Tell no tales out of school.
14387. Tell nothing to thy friend which why enemy may not know.
14388. Tell that to the marines.
14389. Tell the truth and run!
14390. Tell the truth and shame the devil.
14391. Tell your friend a lie, and if he keeps it a secret, tell him the truth.
14392. Tell your own story first.
14393. Temperance is the best medicine.
14394. Tempest in a teapot.
14395. Ten noes are better than one lie.
14396. Ten tongues that spread the word are worth less than two eyes that have seen, and two eyes that have seen are worth less than one hand that feels.

14397. Tender surgeons make foul wounds.
14398. Tenderness can be a bad judge.
14399. Termites live underground.
14400. Terrifying are the weaknesses of power.
14401. Thank you, pretty pussy, was the death of my cat.
14402. Thanks cost nothing.
14403. Thanks to one small candle the whole of Moscow burns.
14404. That bench is well adorned that is filled with virtuous women.
14405. That brings water to the mill.
14406. That cannot bear the daylight.
14407. That cock won't fight.
14408. That costs dear which is bought with begging.
14409. That day is lost on which one has not laughed.
14410. That driven nail draws-out the other.
14411. That fear may reach all, punish but few.
14412. That fellow roasts his fish in the flames of a fire.
14413. That gives it all its flavor.
14414. That grief is light which is capable of counsel.
14415. That happens in a moment which may not happen in a hundred years.
14416. That is done soon enough which is well done.
14417. That is good wisdom which is wisdom in the end.
14418. That is pleasant to remember which was hard to endure.
14419. That is true which all men say.
14420. That is with difficulty preserved which all hanker after.
14421. That land fares ill where the king's but a babe.
14422. That may be soon done, which brings long repentance.
14423. That miller is honest who has hair on his teeth.
14424. That one is happy whose Grandma tells fortunes.
14425. That priest is a fool who decries his relics.
14426. That suit is best that best fits me.
14427. That that comes of a cat will catch mice.
14428. That which a woman wishes, God wishes.
14429. That which blossoms must also decay.
14430. That which brings misfortune is not big.
14431. That which burns thee not, cool not.
14432. That which comes with sin, goes with sorrow.
14433. That which covers thee discovers thee.
14434. That which does not kill us makes us stronger.
14435. That which everybody guards will soon disappear.
14436. That which harms, often teaches.
14437. That which has been thrown away has often to be begged for again.
14438. That which has horns cannot be concealed by cloth.
14439. That which has passed isn't a sickness, heal that which shall come.
14440. That which I receive, that I return.
14441. That which is a sin in others is a virtue in ourselves.
14442. That which is beyond our reach is nothing to us.
14443. That which is cheap is dear.
14444. That which is customary requires no excuse.

14445. That which is deadly may have a sweet scent.
14446. That which is deferred is not abandoned.
14447. That which is despised is often most useful.
14448. That which is escaped now is pain to come.
14449. That which is exceptionally good is a forerunner of something bad.
14450. That which is good for the back is bad for the head.
14451. That which is his lot to-day may be yours tomorrow.
14452. That which is mine makes other people's things seem strange.
14453. That which is not understood is always marvelous.
14454. That which is reduced is that which is full.
14455. That which is stamped a penny will never be a pound.
14456. That which is sweet to some is bitter to others.
14457. That which is violent never lasts long.
14458. That which leaks cannot stay full.
14459. That which must be will be.
14460. That, which nourishes me, also destroys me.
14461. That which one least anticipates soonest comes to pass.
14462. That, which proves too much, proves nothing!
14463. That which satisfies is enough.
14464. That which the wise man does first, the fool does last.
14465. That which was bitter to endure may be sweet to remember.
14466. That which we obtain too easily, we esteem too lightly.
14467. That which we really require not is dear at a farthing.
14468. That which you do not know is older than you.
14469. That who insulted you is that who told you about the.
14470. That your sleeping hour be peaceful, let your dining hour be brief!
14471. That'll be the day!
14472. That's a horse of another color.
14473. That's a wise delay which makes the road safe.
14474. That's all well and good, but gold is better.
14475. That's but an empty purse which is full of other men's money.
14476. That's quickly done which is long repented.
14477. That's the bush where the rabbit squats.
14478. That's the snag!
14479. That's where the dog is buried.
14480. Thaw reveals what has been hidden by snow.
14481. The {belly} dancer dies, and her waist is still moving.
14482. The abbey does not fail for want on one monk.
14483. The absence of news is good news.
14484. The absent are always at fault.
14485. The absent get further off every day.
14486. The absent one will not be the heir.
14487. The absent were never in the right.
14488. The accomplice is as bad as the thief.
14489. The account is correct, but not a sixpence appears.
14490. The account of the donkey is different from that of the donkey-man.
14491. The accursed hunger for gold.
14492. The acolyte at the gate reads scriptures he has never learned.

14493. The acorn (apple) never falls far from the tree.
14494. The acre of laziness is full of thistles.
14495. The act of treachery is liked, but not he that does it.
14496. The action has a mightier impact than the word.
14497. The adult looks to deeds, the child to love.
14498. The advice of a clever woman can ruin a strong town.
14499. The advice of foxes is dangerous for chickens.
14500. The advice of the aged will not mislead you.
14501. The affection of a child is like water in a sieve.
14502. The affectionate calf sucks udders of two cows.
14503. The afternoon knows what the morning never suspected.
14504. The afterthought is good for naught, except it be to catch blind horses with.
14505. The afterthought is good, but forethought is better.
14506. The age of miracles is past.
14507. The aged in council, the young in action.
14508. The agreement (contract) costs more than money.
14509. The air is no less blue because the blind man doesn't see it.
14510. The alcohol that is insufficient for a whole town ought not to intoxicate one man.
14511. The ambitious one makes friends with the elephant, and then tramples upon the ant.
14512. The anger of a woman is mighty and the devil's trickery weak.
14513. The anger of the prudent never shows.
14514. The angry hammer works off his fury on the steel.
14515. The animal is dead, the venom has finished.
14516. The ant gets wings that she may perish sooner.
14517. The antics of a market buffoon provide laughter, but nobody prays that his child becomes the market buffoon.
14518. The anvil does not fear a good sledge-hammer.
14519. The appetite comes during eating.
14520. The applause of the people is a blast of air.
14521. The apple does not drop far from the tree.
14522. The archer loves the arrow that flies, as much as he loves the bow that remains constant in his hands.
14523. The archer that shoots badly has a lie ready.
14524. The arguments of the strongest have always the most weight.
14525. The army is the poison and the people are the water in which the poison is mixed.
14526. The arrow that has left the bow never returns.
14527. The art is not in making money, but in keeping it.
14528. The art is to eat it with taste.
14529. The art of doing business lies more in paying than in buying.
14530. The art of pleasing is the art of deceiving.
14531. The ass's hide is used to the stick.
14532. The assistance of fools only brings injury.
14533. The attack tames the beast.
14534. The autumn of beauty is still beautiful.
14535. The avenging gods have their feet clothed in wool.
14536. The awakening of a giant shakes the world.
14537. The axe forgets what the tree remembers.
14538. The baby gets lost amongst too many midwives.

14539. The baby is not yet born, and yet you say that his nose is like his grandfather's.
14540. The baby who doesn't cry isn't nursed.
14541. The bachelor is a peacock, the engaged man a lion, and the married man a jackass.
14542. The back dies for the shoulder and the shoulder knows nothing about it.
14543. The back door is the one that robs the home.
14544. The back has to pay for what the ears didn't hear.
14545. The back of one door is the face of another.
14546. The back of the bride of someone else is red.
14547. The back of the neighbor's bride is red.
14548. The bacon of paradise for the married man that does not repent.
14549. The bad barber leaves neither hair nor skin.
14550. The bad calligrapher is choosy about his brushes.
14551. The bad end of a bad beginning.
14552. The bad gardener quarrels with his rake.
14553. The bad man always suspects knavery.
14554. The bad man thinks that everybody looks like him.
14555. The bad neighbor gives a needle without thread.
14556. The bad plowman quarrels with his oxen.
14557. The bad refrain from sin from fear of punishment.
14558. The bad workman blames his tools.
14559. The badger is not aware of its own blaze.
14560. The bagpipe never utters a work till its belly is full.
14561. The bailiff's cow and another's cow are two different cows.
14562. The bait hides the hook.
14563. The baker shouldn't comment on his dough.
14564. The baker's child goes hungry.
14565. The balance in doing its office knows neither gold nor lead.
14566. The bald becomes golden haired when he dies, the blind becomes almond eyed when he dies.
14567. The bald person will find pride in the hair of her.
14568. The ball always looks for the best player.
14569. The ball is in your court.
14570. The barber doesn't cut his own hair and if he does he cuts himself.
14571. The barber learns to shave on the orphan's face.
14572. The bark of a fragrant incense tree isn't like that of one that stinks
14573. The barking dog gives you no power, it gives you fear.
14574. The barking of a dog does not disturb the man on a camel.
14575. The barking of dogs does not reach heaven.
14576. The barrel can only yield the wine that's in it.
14577. The bath has sworn not to whiten the blackamoor.
14578. The beadle of the parish is always of the vicar's opinion.
14579. The beadle's cow may graze in the churchyard.
14580. The bear dances but the tamer collects the money.
14581. The bear knows seven songs and they are all about honey.
14582. The bear wants a tail and cannot be a lion.
14583. The beard does not make the philosopher.
14584. The beast dead, the venom is dead.
14585. The beast once dead, the venom is dead.

14586. The beast that goes well never wants a rider to try its paces.
14587. The beaten pay the fine.
14588. The beaten wrestler is never satisfied with wrestling.
14589. The beautiful is less what one sees than what one dreams.
14590. The beauty of a housewife will not put more fat into the soup.
14591. The beauty of a woman does not make a man richer.
14592. The bee gets honey from the same flower where the snake sucks her poison.
14593. The bee is the doctor of flowers.
14594. The beggar is not afraid of the drawbacks of being rich.
14595. The beggar may sing before the thief (before a footpad).
14596. The beggar that begs near another beggar will never be rich.
14597. The beggar who asks for crumbs gets more than the one who asks for bread.
14598. The beggar's wallet has no bottom.
14599. The beginning hot, the middle lukewarm, the end cold.
14600. The beginning is always difficult, in the end stands the thank.
14601. The beginning is the half of every action.
14602. The beginning is the most important part of the work.
14603. The beginning of health is sleep.
14604. The beginning of health is to know the disease.
14605. The beginning of wisdom is to call things by their right names.
14606. The behind of another's bride is red.
14607. The believer is happy; the doubter is wise.
14608. The bell does not go to mass, and yet calls every one to it.
14609. The belly does not accept bail.
14610. The belly does not swell if a woman is not pregnant.
14611. The belly gives no credit.
14612. The belly has no conscience.
14613. The belly is a bad adviser.
14614. The belly is like a judge that is silent yet still asks questions.
14615. The belly overrules the head.
14616. The belly robs the back.
14617. The belly warm, the foot at rest.
14618. The benefice must be taken with its liabilities.
14619. The benefits you get become the debts you owe to others.
14620. The bereaved begins the wailing so that those from afar can come and join in.
14621. The best act of generosity is that which is quickly done.
14622. The best advice is found on the pillow.
14623. The best advice one can give to the hungry is bread.
14624. The best always goes first.
14625. The best answer to anger is silence.
14626. The best armor is to keep out of range.
14627. The best asset is a clean conscience.
14628. The best broths are made in the oldest pots.
14629. The best candle is understanding.
14630. The best cast at dice is not to play.
14631. The best cause requires a good champion.
14632. The best cook drops a whole tomato.
14633. The best counselors are the dead.

14634. The best doctor is to be found in hell.
14635. The best doctor prevents illness, an average doctor visits when the illness is imminent, and the unskilled doctor treats your present illness.
14636. The best driver will sometimes upset.
14637. The best feed of a horse is his master's eye.
14638. The best fish hook cannot catch limp cheese.
14639. The best fish smell when they are three days old.
14640. The best fish swim near the bottom.
14641. The best fodder is the mater's eye.
14642. The best friends are in one's purse.
14643. The best generosity is that which is quick.
14644. The best go first, the bad remain to mend.
14645. The best good deed/charity is a quick one.
14646. The best goods are the cheapest.
14647. The best helmsmen stand on shore.
14648. The best herbs are in the smallest bags.
14649. The best horse can't wear two saddles.
14650. The best horse needs a whip, intelligent men need advice, and devout women need a man.
14651. The best horse stumbles sometimes.
14652. The best is oftentimes the enemy of the good.
14653. The best is the cheapest.
14654. The best is what one has in his hand.
14655. The best kind of closed door is the one you can leave unlocked.
14656. The best knowledge is to know yourself.
14657. The best laid plans of mice and men often go awry.
14658. The best leaders of all, the people know not they exist. They turn to each other and say "we did it ourselves".
14659. The best log, keep it for May
14660. The best manure is under the farmer's shoe.
14661. The best memory is not so firm as faded ink.
14662. The best mirror is an old friend.
14663. The best mode of instruction is to practice what we preach.
14664. The best morsels are never given to a beggar.
14665. The best of friends must part.
14666. The best of friends need not speak face to face.
14667. The best of men are but men at best to the pure all things are pure virtue is its own reward.
14668. The best of men are but men at best.
14669. The best of the mill is that the sacks can't speak.
14670. The best ointment comes in small boxes.
14671. The best or the worst for a man is his wife.
14672. The best parents are both purses for money and sacks for the corn.
14673. The best part of repentance is a little sinning.
14674. The best pears fall into the pigs' mouths.
14675. The best pilots are ashore.
14676. The best shortage is a shortage of words.
14677. The best soldiers are not warlike.

14678. The best soup is made of old meat.
14679. The best spices are in small bags.
14680. The best surgeon is he that has been well hacked himself.
14681. The best swimmer is the first to drown himself.
14682. The best thing God did was to make one day follow another.
14683. The best things are the first to perish.
14684. The best throw of the dice is to throw them away.
14685. The best time to plant a tree was years ago. The second best time is today.
14686. The best trees are the most beaten.
14687. The best way to eat the elephant standing in your path is to cut it up into little pieces.
14688. The best way to get praise is to die.
14689. The best way to keep loyalty in a man's heart is to keep money in his purse.
14690. The best way to learn to ride is on an old bike.
14691. The best weapon is the one that's to hand.
14692. The best wedge comes from its own stick.
14693. The best wine has its lees.
14694. The best word is the unspoken word.
14695. The best you get is an even break.
14696. The best-laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley.
14697. The betrothed of good is evil; the betrothed of life is death; the betrothed of love is divorce.
14698. The better day the better deed.
14699. The better the day, the better the deed.
14700. The Bible as read by the devil.
14701. The big drum only sounds well from a distance.
14702. The big fish is caught with big bait.
14703. The big game often appears when the hunter has given up the hunt for the day.
14704. The big thieves hang the little ones.
14705. The bigger a man's head, the worse his headache.
14706. The bigger the pot the more rice will stick to it.
14707. The biggest fools are those who are paid to be wise.
14708. The bird flies high, but always returns to earth.
14709. The bird hunting a locust is unaware of the hawk hunting him.
14710. The bird is known by its flight.
14711. The bird leaves no trail.
14712. The bird once out of hand is hard to recover.
14713. The bird ought not to soil its own nest.
14714. The bird that escapes from its cage never wants to come back.
14715. The bird that remembers its flock mates never missed the way.
14716. The biter is often bit.
14717. The biter is sometimes bit.
14718. The bites of priests and wolves are hard to heal.
14719. The bitter cup we strive to remove from us holds the medicine we are most in need of.
14720. The bitter heart eats its owner.
14721. The bitterness of studying is preferable to the bitterness of ignorance.
14722. The black dog gets the food; the white dog gets the blame.
14723. The black man steals just half of very little, but the white man steals the whole sugar plantation.

14724. The black ox never trod on his own foot.
14725. The blacker the berry the sweeter the juice.
14726. The blacksmith was guilty, but they hanged the Gypsy.
14727. The blacksmith's mare walks without horseshoes.
14728. The blade wears out the sheath.
14729. The blame of the antelope is on the hunter.
14730. The bleating of the lamb merely arouses the tiger.
14731. The blessing of parents is a stick.
14732. The blind cannot see, the proud will not.
14733. The blind man explains the colors to the one-eyed man.
14734. The blind man has picked up a coin.
14735. The blind man is laughing at the bald head.
14736. The blind say that eyes have no sense of smell.
14737. The block of wood should not dictate to the carver.
14738. The blood creeps where it can't go.
14739. The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church.
14740. The blossoms in the spring are the fruit in autumn.
14741. The blow falls more lightly when it is anticipated.
14742. The blow is taken on the nose but it's the eyes that cry.
14743. The blunders of physicians are covered by the earth.
14744. The boat follows the helm, the woman follows her husband.
14745. The boat sails by, the shore remains.
14746. The body is killed by the mouth.
14747. The body of joy is not so big.
14748. The body of the Pope takes up no more room than the sexton's.
14749. The body pays for a slip of the foot and gold pays for a slip of the tongue.
14750. The bone doesn't come to the dog, but the dog goes to the bone.
14751. The bone given to you by the king is meat.
14752. The bones for those who come late!
14753. The boor looks after a cent as the devil after a soul.
14754. The borrower is servant to the lender.
14755. The boss is always right.
14756. The bottom line is the bottom line.
14757. The bottom of wealth is sometimes a dirty thing to behold.
14758. The bow may be bent until it breaks.
14759. The bowels support the heart and not the heart the bowels.
14760. The brain is not in the pocket, but in the head.
14761. The brain, that sows not corn, plants thistles.
14762. The branch is seldom better than the stem.
14763. The branch must be bent early that is to make a good crook.
14764. The branch that bears the most fruit bends itself thankfully towards the ground.
14765. The brave is known by his fame.
14766. The brave man may die, but he will never say 'die'.
14767. The brave person regards dying as just going home.
14768. The braying of a mule does not reach heaven.
14769. The bread always falls buttered side down.
14770. The bread eaten, the company departs.
14771. The bread never falls but on its buttered side.

14772. The breath of others always stinks.
14773. The brewery is the best drugstore.
14774. The bride doesn't know how to dance; she says the floor is slanted.
14775. The bride who brings a golden throne will sit on it herself.
14776. The bridge between joy and sorrow is not long.
14777. The brother or sister who does not respect the traditions of the elders will not be allowed to eat with the elders.
14778. The bucket goes down the well every day; someday it won't come up again.
14779. The bud becomes a rose and the rose a hip.
14780. The buffalo that arrive late will have to drink muddy water and eat dried grass.
14781. The bull that is used to the sun shivers by the light of the moon.
14782. The bullet that doesn't hit makes a noise.
14783. The burden one likes is cheerfully carried.
14784. The burden tames the beast.
14785. The burned kid avoids the fire.
14786. The bushes don't rattle if there's no wind.
14787. The busiest man finds the most leisure.
14788. The bust of Mercury cannot be cut from every wood.
14789. The busy fly is in every man's dish.
14790. The butterfly who settles on a branch is afraid that he will break it.
14791. The buyer needs a hundred eyes; the seller but one.
14792. The buzzing of the flies does not turn them into bees.
14793. The caged bird dreams of clouds.
14794. The calf is not afraid of the mother's horns.
14795. The calf isn't even born yet and there he is sharpening his carving knife.
14796. The calm (comes) before the storm.
14797. The calm is the virtue of the strong.
14798. The calmer you go, the further along you will be.
14799. The calmest husbands make the stormiest wives.
14800. The camel and his driver, each has his own plan.
14801. The camel going to seek horns lost his ears.
14802. The camel stallion grows old, the camel foal grows up.
14803. The camel went through labor only to give birth to a mouse.
14804. The candle that goes before gives the best light.
14805. The careful foot can walk anywhere.
14806. The carpenter's door is loose.
14807. The carriage draws the ox.
14808. The carrion which the eagle has left feeds the crow.
14809. The cart ruins the road, the woman the man, the water the wine.
14810. The cask always smells of the herring.
14811. The cask can give no other wine that that it contains.
14812. The cask full, the mother-in-law drunk.
14813. The cask savors of the first fill.
14814. The cask smells of the wine it contains.
14815. The casket opened in a simple way.
14816. The cassock does not make the monk.
14817. The castle gates will always open for gold-laden donkeys.
14818. The cat always leaves her mark upon her friend.

14819. The cat ate your tongue?
14820. The cat got an order and delegated it to her tail.
14821. The cat has nine lives: three for playing, three for straying, and three for staying.
14822. The cat in gloves catches no mice.
14823. The cat is a good friend, only she scratches.
14824. The cat knows whose meat it has eaten.
14825. The cat shuts its eyes when stealing cream.
14826. The cat which did not reach the sausage said: Anyhow it is Friday.
14827. The cat with cream on her whiskers should have a good excuse ready.
14828. The cat's play is the mouse's death.
14829. The cow is as good as the pasture in which it grazes.
14830. The cause at an end, the effect is removed.
14831. The cause makes the means holy.
14832. The cause of fear is ignorance.
14833. The cemeteries are filled with people who thought the world couldn't get along without them.
14834. The chain is no stronger than its weakest link.
14835. The chained buffalo doesn't enjoy grazing.
14836. The chair on which a Dane is sitting is beautifully decorated.
14837. The challenger is beaten.
14838. The chamber of sickness is the chapel of devotion.
14839. The chameleon changes color to match the earth, the earth doesn't change color to match the chameleon.
14840. The chameleon does not leave one tree until he is sure of another.
14841. The chameleon looks in all directions before moving.
14842. The chamois climbs high and yet is caught.
14843. The character of a man lies not in his body but in his soul.
14844. The charitable give out the door and God puts it back through the window.
14845. The cheat always lies at the feet of the cheated.
14846. The cheese betrays the milk.
14847. The cheese vessel will not sail merely by words.
14848. The chemist doesn't smell his own medicine.
14849. The chicken also knows when it's morning, but still watches the mouth of the rooster.
14850. The chicken pecks one grain at a time, but it is sated.
14851. The chicken that crows the loudest does not always give the biggest eggs.
14852. The chicken that stays in the farmyard will peck the crumbs.
14853. The chicken-thief does not listen to the chicken's prayer.
14854. The chickens don't mourn when the poulterer dies.
14855. The chickens have come home to roost.
14856. The child becomes an adult by himself, not by the others.
14857. The child hates the one who gives him all he wants.
14858. The child says nothing, but what it heard by the fire.
14859. The child that falls by itself does not cry.
14860. The child that will not allow his parents to sleep through the night must be prepared to stay awake himself.
14861. The child who died too soon was always beautiful and intelligent.
14862. The child who gets a stepmother also gets a stepfather.
14863. The child who loves freedom is the first victim of it.

14864. The child will grow, his clothes will not.
14865. The child you sired hasn't sired you.
14866. The children eat the fruit and the father sleeps on the peel.
14867. The church is an anvil which has worn out many hammers.
14868. The city that negotiates is half conquered.
14869. The city, whose physician has the gout, is in a bad state.
14870. The closer to the source, the clearer the water.
14871. The coalheaver is master at home.
14872. The coat is quite new, only the holes are old.
14873. The coat of truth is often lined with lies.
14874. The cobra that blocks the path is going his own way, yet people run away when they see him.
14875. The cold strengthens you more than hunger.
14876. The coldness of a friend and the coldness of linen, they never lasted long.
14877. The collective farm is wealthy - the collective farmer is happy.
14878. The comforter's head never aches.
14879. The common soldier's blood makes the general great.
14880. The communal donkey gets the heaviest burden.
14881. The community of living is the carriage of the Lord.
14882. The complete fool is half prophet.
14883. The concealer is as bad as the thief.
14884. The conquered dare not open their mouths.
14885. The conquered moans, the conqueror is undone.
14886. The conquerors are kings; the defeated are bandits.
14887. The consequence is the reward of the cause.
14888. The constitution is paper, bayonets are steel.
14889. The contented person can never be ruined.
14890. The continuous drip polishes the stone.
14891. The conversation of the wise concerns ideas; that of the intelligent is about ideas; the common folk talk about food.
14892. The cork is always bigger than the mouth of the bottle.
14893. The corn falls out of a shaken sheaf.
14894. The corn is not choked by the weeds but by the negligence of the farmer.
14895. The corn that is taken to a bad mill, will be badly ground.
14896. The corn will bend but it still ends up in the mill.
14897. The coroner and the lawyer grow fat on the quarrels of fools.
14898. The corruption of the best things makes the worst.
14899. The cost is high of the honey that must be licked from thorns.
14900. The costly news of today will be free tomorrow.
14901. The counsel of the aged is sound.
14902. The counsel you would have another keep, first keep yourself.
14903. The counterfeit image of a pot with two ears.
14904. The countries you visit the customs you find.
14905. The country where flowers are expensive lacks the foundation of culture.
14906. The course of true love never did run smooth.
14907. The court is most merciful when the accused is most rich.
14908. The court of Rome likes not sheep without wool.
14909. The court official in one life has seven rebirths as a beggar.

14910. The covetous person is always in want.
14911. The cow / goat must browse where she is tethered.
14912. The cow does not know the value of her tail till she has lost it.
14913. The cow does not lick a strange calf.
14914. The cow gives good milk, but kicks over the pail.
14915. The cow gives milk through her mouth.
14916. The cow has no owner.
14917. The cow is milked, not the ox; the sheep is shorn, not the horse.
14918. The cow knows the cowherd but not the owner.
14919. The cow steps on the calf, but she does not hate it.
14920. The cow that bellows does so for all cows.
14921. The cow that's first up gets the first of the dew.
14922. The coward sweats in water.
14923. The cowl does not make the monk.
14924. The cows that low most give the least milk.
14925. The crab instructs its young: 'Walk straight ahead like me.'
14926. The crab that walks miles too far will fall into the pot.
14927. The crab would catch the hare!
14928. The cradle is rocked but the baby is pinched.
14929. The crane was killed by the fishhook.
14930. The credit got by a lie lasts only till the truth comes out.
14931. The cricket cries, the year changes.
14932. The cricket is never blinded by the sand of its burrowing.
14933. The criminal always returns to the scene of the crime.
14934. The cripple is always the one to open the dancing.
14935. The crocodile does not die under the water so that we can call the monkey to celebrate its funeral.
14936. The crocodile drinks from the same river as the centipede.
14937. The crocodile is only strong in the water.
14938. The crook will turn into a mule, which the honest man will ride.
14939. The cross on his breast, and the devil in his acts.
14940. The crow flies sky high and lands on a pig.
14941. The crow is a pretty bird when the jackdaw is not present.
14942. The crow may be caged, but its thoughts are in the cornfield.
14943. The crow pecks at the ox to clean it, not to feed from it.
14944. The crow that mimics a cormorant gets drowned.
14945. The crow went traveling abroad and came back just as black.
14946. The crow will find its mate.
14947. The crowd is not led by the head but by the heart.
14948. The crust is part of the loaf.
14949. The cry of the hyena and the loss of the goat are one.
14950. The cure for bad times is patience.
14951. The cure is worse than the disease.
14952. The curse on the hearth wounds the deepest.
14953. The dance of an old man doesn't last long.
14954. The danger past and God forgotten.
14955. The darkest place is under the candlestick.
14956. The darkness is deepest under the lamp.

14957. The darkness of night cannot stop the light of morning.
14958. The date is set for each and every one.
14959. The daughter-in-law wipes away what the mother-in-law has seen.
14960. The dawn does not come twice to awaken a man.
14961. The day a monkey is destined to die all trees become slippery.
14962. The day cuts off the promise of the night.
14963. The day did not know that night had fallen.
14964. The day has eyes, the night has ears.
14965. The day is never so holy that the pot refuses to boil.
14966. The day is short and work lasts a long time.
14967. The day is sure to come when the cow will want her tail.
14968. The day we fear hastens toward us, the day we long for creeps.
14969. The day will come when the cow will have use for her tail.
14970. The day will wipe out all the promises of the night.
14971. The day you are leaving is not the time to start your preparations.
14972. The day you decide to do it is your lucky day.
14973. The day you decide to leave your house naked is the day you run into your in-laws.
14974. The day you marry, it is either kill or cure.
14975. The day your horse dies and your money's gone, your relatives change into strangers.
14976. The days follow each other and are not alike.
14977. The dead and the absent have no friends.
14978. The dead are not seen in the company of the living.
14979. The dead are soon forgotten.
14980. The dead are the best counselors.
14981. The dead cannot come to kinsmen's aid.
14982. The dead know the price of wood.
14983. The dead open the eyes of the living.
14984. The dead will go to the village where the rooster doesn't crow.
14985. The deaf laugh twice.
14986. The dearer the child, the sharper must be the rod.
14987. The dearest child of all is the dead one.
14988. The death of a swallow doesn't bring spring to an end.
14989. The death of an elderly man is like a burning library.
14990. The death of one, the bread of the other.
14991. The death of the anus scatters shit.
14992. The death of the mouth scatters spit.
14993. The death that will kill a man begins as an appetite.
14994. The death throes of an elephant are not as annoying as a living flea.
14995. The debts go to the next heir.
14996. The deceitful have no friends.
14997. The deceived sheep that went for wool and came back shorn.
14998. The deep sea can be fathomed, but who knows the hearts of men.
14999. The deeper the waters are, the more still they run.
15000. The delicacy of the feast is the learned guest.
15001. The descent to hell is easy.
15002. The desire to cheat and the refusal to be cheated are the cause of noise in the market.
15003. The devil always defecates on the biggest pile.
15004. The devil always takes back his gifts.

15005. The devil boasted to rule the whole world, but God didn't give him power even over the pig.
15006. The devil can make a pot but he can't make a lid.
15007. The devil can quote Scripture for his own ends.
15008. The devil can swallow a woman but he can't digest her.
15009. The devil catches most souls in a golden net.
15010. The devil climbs the bell tower in a priest's cassock.
15011. The devil dances in empty pockets.
15012. The devil does not always wear boots, he sometimes comes barefoot.
15013. The devil finds work for idle hands to do.
15014. The devil gets into the belfry by the vicar's skirts.
15015. The devil gives even rich men presents.
15016. The devil goes away and heaven comes to stay.
15017. The devil has all the best tunes.
15018. The devil has his martyrs among men.
15019. The devil hides behind the cross.
15020. The devil is bad because he is old.
15021. The devil is civil when he is flattered.
15022. The devil is fond of his own.
15023. The devil is in the details.
15024. The devil is never as black as he is painted.
15025. The devil is not always at a poor man's door.
15026. The devil is so fond of his son that he put out his eye.
15027. The devil knows more from being old than from being the devil.
15028. The devil leads him by the nose who the dice too often throws.
15029. The devil likes to hide behind a cross.
15030. The devil likes to souse what is already wet.
15031. The devil looks after his own.
15032. The devil lurks behind the cross.
15033. The devil makes work for idle hands to do.
15034. The devil may die without my inheriting his horns.
15035. The devil never grants long leases.
15036. The devil often lurks behind the cross.
15037. The devil places a pillow for a drunken man to fall upon.
15038. The devil puts a spoonful of honey into others' wife.
15039. The devil rebukes sin.
15040. The devil sits behind the cross.
15041. The devil sweetens another man's wife with a spoonful of honey.
15042. The devil take the hindmost.
15043. The devil takes a hand in what is done in haste.
15044. The devil tempts all other men, but idle men tempt the devil.
15045. The devil tempts but doesn't force.
15046. The devil turns away from a closed door.
15047. The devil visits the rich too - but he visits the poor twice.
15048. The devil was good looking at eighteen, and course tea makes a bitter first cup.
15049. The devil was handsome when he was young.
15050. The devil will blow upon fire near oakum.
15051. The devil will not bother you in a house full of children.

15052. The devil will tempt Lucifer.
15053. The devil would intrude upon hurried work.
15054. The devil's a busy bishop in his own diocese.
15055. The devil's boots don't creak.
15056. The devil's children have the devil's luck
15057. The devil's meal turns half to bran.
15058. The diamond cannot be polished without friction, nor the man perfected without trials.
15059. The diamond in your belly sparkles on your face.
15060. The difference between a man and a cat or a dog is that only a man can write the names of the cat and the dog.
15061. The difference is wide that sheets will not decide.
15062. The different sorts of madness are innumerable.
15063. The difficult thing is to get foot in the stirrup.
15064. The disobedient fowl obeys in a pot of soup.
15065. The distance between heaven and earth is no greater than one thought.
15066. The distance of miles begins with one step.
15067. The distress of others is the solace of idiots.
15068. The doctor cares for his patient, nature heals him.
15069. The doctor has a remedy for everything but poverty.
15070. The doctor is often more to be feared than the disease.
15071. The doctor must heal his own bald head.
15072. The doctor seldom takes physic.
15073. The dog barks, the caravan passes by.
15074. The dog called 'Sorrow,' without eating, will be fat in every house.
15075. The dog does not catch further that its leash.
15076. The dog does not get bread every time he wags his tail.
15077. The dog doesn't bark because of the village.
15078. The dog drag it here, the cat drag it there.
15079. The dog gets into the mill under cover of the ass.
15080. The dog has four feet, but he does not walk in four roads at the same time.
15081. The dog I bought bit me; the fire I kindled burned me.
15082. The dog is a lion in his own house.
15083. The dog is nude though the clothing cost a penny.
15084. The dog learns to swim when the water reaches his ears.
15085. The dog may be wonderful prose, but only the cat is poetry.
15086. The dog orders its tail.
15087. The dog rages at the stone, not at him that throws it.
15088. The dog returns to its vomit.
15089. The dog that has its female dog in town never barks well.
15090. The dog that is forced into the woods will not hunt many deer.
15091. The dog that is going to bite does not show its teeth.
15092. The dog that is quarrelsome and not strong, woe to his hide.
15093. The dog that kills wolves is killed by wolves.
15094. The dog that licks ashes is not to be trusted with flour.
15095. The dog that quits barking can get some sleep.
15096. The dog that trots about finds a bone.
15097. The dog that wags its tail won't be beaten.

15098. The dog will always attack the one with torn trousers.
15099. The dog will howl, which is hit by the stick.
15100. The dog will not get free by biting his chain.
15101. The dog's bark is not might but fright.
15102. The dog's kennel is not the place to keep a sausage.
15103. The dog's tail stays crooked even if he is buried for twelve years.
15104. The dogs bark, but the caravan moves on.
15105. The donkey is known by his ears, the fool by his words.
15106. The donkey is to be loaded at its owner's will.
15107. The donkey recognizes the tracks of a horse.
15108. The donkey sweats so the horse can be decorated with lace.
15109. The donkey won't drink if he can't see water.
15110. The door of success is marked 'push' and 'pull'.
15111. The door swings both ways.
15112. The door to virtue is heavy and hard to open.
15113. The doorstep of the palace is very slippery.
15114. The doorstep weeps for forty days whenever a girl is born.
15115. The doorway to charity is difficult to open and difficult to close.
15116. The dowry that a woman brings is like a bell; every time she passes by she hits you with the clapper.
15117. The dragon teaches you that if you want to climb high you have to do it against the wind.
15118. The dreams of a cat are full of mice.
15119. The dress does not make the friar.
15120. The dress doesn't make the monk.
15121. The dripping can hollow the stone.
15122. The drop that floods the bucket.
15123. The droplet is always at its largest just before it drops.
15124. The drowning man is not troubled by rain.
15125. The drum makes a great fuss because it's empty.
15126. The drum sounds when the hawk appears with a rabbit.
15127. The drunk and children tell the truth.
15128. The drunken ones will sober up, but the mad ones will not clever up.
15129. The drunkard thinks of only one thing and the barman of something else.
15130. The drunken man's joy is often the sober man's sorrow.
15131. The drunken man's word is the sober man's thoughts.
15132. The drunken mouth reveals the heart's secrets
15133. The dry reed does not seek the company of fire.
15134. The dumbest farmer harvests the thickest potatoes.
15135. The dying cannot leave their wisdom or experience to their heirs.
15136. The dying man is not saved by medicine.
15137. The dying person cannot wait for the shroud to be woven.
15138. The eagle does not catch flies.
15139. The eagle does not wage war against frogs.
15140. The eagle was killed by an arrow made with his own feathers.
15141. The ear is the road to the heart.
15142. The earrings are given to those without ears.
15143. The early man never borrows from the late man.

15144. The early morn favors study.
15145. The early riser is healthy, cheerful and industrious.
15146. The ears do not lose their interest.
15147. The ears don't grow above forehead.
15148. The ears of a wise man hear and filter the wisdom from foolish talk.
15149. The earth covers the errors of the physician.
15150. The earth does not shake when the flea coughs.
15151. The earth has ears, the wind has a voice.
15152. The earth hides as it takes the physician's mistakes.
15153. The earth is a beehive; we all enter by the same door but live in different cells.
15154. The earth is a giant cooking pot and men are the meat therein.
15155. The earth is a host who kills his guests.
15156. The earth is always frozen to lazy swine.
15157. The earth is God's bride, she feeds the living and cherishes the dead.
15158. The earth is man's only friend.
15159. The earth is not thirsty for the blood of the warriors but for the sweat of man's labor.
15160. The Earth moves at different speeds depending on who you are.
15161. The earth offers you a grave everywhere.
15162. The earth produces all things and receives all again.
15163. The earth will cover the doctor's mistakes.
15164. The earthen pan gains nothing by contact with the copper pot.
15165. The eavesdropper at the wall hears only his own dishonor.
15166. The echo knows all languages.
15167. The eel that got away is as fat as your thigh.
15168. The effects of serious illnesses are often unknown.
15169. The egg shows the hen where to hatch.
15170. The egg teaches the chicken how to breed.
15171. The egg wants to be smarter than the hen.
15172. The egg will be more knowing than the hen.
15173. The elders of a community are the voice of god.
15174. The elders of the village are the boundaries.
15175. The election of the abbot is not stopped for want of a monk.
15176. The elephant and the tiger do not go hunting on the same pasture.
15177. The elephant does not feel a flea-bite.
15178. The elephant that is stuck in the mud will tear down the tree with it.
15179. The elephant will reach to the roof of the house.
15180. The elephant's head is no load for a child.
15181. The elephant's track treads out the camels.
15182. The eleventh commandment: Thou shalt not contradict.
15183. The emperor is rich, but he cannot buy one extra year.
15184. The empty can that makes the most noise.
15185. The empty gives way to the full.
15186. The empty hand isn't licked.
15187. The empty purse says she is made of leather.
15188. The empty wagon must make room for the full one.
15189. The end crowns the work.
15190. The end is good, everything is good.
15191. The end justifies the means.

15192. The end of an ox is beef, and the end of a lie is grief.
15193. The end of mirth is the beginning of sorrow.
15194. The end of the corsair is to drown.
15195. The end of the pig is the beginning of the sausage.
15196. The end of wrath is the beginning of repentance.
15197. The enemy of a person is a person.
15198. The enemy of my enemy is my friend.
15199. The enemy's own punishment is his envy.
15200. The English are a nation of shopkeepers.
15201. The entire world rests on the tip of the tongue.
15202. The envious man's face grows lean and his eye swells.
15203. The envious never give praise, they only take it in.
15204. The epicure puts his purse into his belly.
15205. The error is human.
15206. The error of one moment becomes the sorrow of a whole life.
15207. The evening crowns the days.
15208. The evening is wiser than the morning.
15209. The evening rage - put it away for the morning.
15210. The evil is in the eyes of who sees it.
15211. The evil is lessened when it is seen beforehand.
15212. The evil weed produces the largest number of weeds.
15213. The evil which issues from thy mouth falls into thy bosom.
15214. The evil wound is cured, but not the evil name.
15215. The evils we bring on ourselves are hardest to bear.
15216. The ewer is cheaper than its solder.
15217. The exception confirms the rule.
15218. The excess of mirth leads to tears.
15219. The excess of one is the shortage of another.
15220. The executioner is a keen shaver.
15221. The existence of the sea means the existence of pirates.
15222. The exorcism for a mischievous child is a cane.
15223. The eye can see but the hand is too short.
15224. The eye can see it, but the tooth can't bite it.
15225. The eye cannot penetrate darkness.
15226. The eye cannot see what blows into it.
15227. The eye doesn't have a curtain.
15228. The eye envies, not the ear.
15229. The eye is bigger than the belly.
15230. The eye is blind if the mind is absent.
15231. The eye is never satiated with seeing.
15232. The eye is the mirror of the soul.
15233. The eye is the one that eats.
15234. The eye never forgets what the heart has seen.
15235. The eye of a crow boiled at the new moon brings good luck for the New Year.
15236. The eye of a master does more work than both his hands.
15237. The eye of the master makes the horse fat, and the eye of the mistress makes the chambers neat.
15238. The eye of the master will do more than both his hands.

15239. The eye that is still says more than a chattering mouth.
15240. The eye that sees all things else, sees not itself.
15241. The eye will never be higher than the eyebrow.
15242. The eyeless ant asked God: Give me eye-lashes.
15243. The eyes believe themselves; the ears believe other people.
15244. The eyes can do a thousand things that the fingers can't.
15245. The eyes discern the beauty but not the kindness of a person.
15246. The eyes do not see what the mind does not want
15247. The eyes have one language everywhere.
15248. The eyes of all cheats are full of tears.
15249. The face is the portrait of the mind; the eyes, its informers.
15250. The fairer the hostess, the heavier the reckoning.
15251. The falcon does not struggle when he is caught.
15252. The fall of a leaf is a whisper to the living.
15253. The falling out of lovers is the renewing of love.
15254. The false friend is like the shadow of a sun-dial.
15255. The family is like a roof made out of pumpkin leaves.
15256. The family that prays together stays together.
15257. The fangs of the green snake and the sting of a wasp don't really make poison, that is only to be found in a woman's heart.
15258. The pharaoh was proud, but drowned in the sea.
15259. The farmer grows the corn, but the bear eats it.
15260. The farmer hopes for rain, the walker hopes for sunshine, and the gods hesitate.
15261. The farther from Rome the nearer to God.
15262. The farthest way about is the nearest way home.
15263. The fast faggot is not easily broken.
15264. The fast talker makes mistakes.
15265. The fat buffalo will attract the lean buffalo.
15266. The fat is in the fire.
15267. The fat sow knows not what the hungry sow suffers.
15268. The fated thing will happen.
15269. The Fates will not permit it.
15270. The father a saint the son a devil.
15271. The father donated a vineyard to his son; the son didn't give a bunch of grapes to the father.
15272. The father in praising his son extols himself.
15273. The father may well be a horse, but it's most likely that the son will be a mule.
15274. The fault is as great as he that commits it.
15275. The fault is great in proportion to him who commits it.
15276. The fault of another is a good teacher.
15277. The fault was committed in the bush, but it is now talked about on the highway.
15278. The favor of the great is not lasting.
15279. The fear of death is worse than death itself.
15280. The fear of death takes away the joy of living.
15281. The fear of war is worse than war itself.
15282. The fear of women is the basis of good health.
15283. The feast passes and the fool remains.
15284. The feather of falcon and the inside of a crow.

15285. The feathers of a dead eagle would cover you all over.
15286. The fellow roasts his fish in the flames of a fire.
15287. The female dog in her haste brings forth blind puppies.
15288. The female of the species is more deadly than the male.
15289. The fences (walls) have ears.
15290. The fertile field becomes sterile without rest.
15291. The festival has passed, goodbye to the saint.
15292. The fetus that is afraid of criticism is never born.
15293. The fewer the words, the better the prayer.
15294. The fierce ox becomes tame on strange ground.
15295. The fingers of the housewife do more than a yoke of oxen.
15296. The fingers of the same hand are not alike.
15297. The fire burns brightest on one's own hearth.
15298. The fire cannot be put out with your hands.
15299. The fire doesn't care about the owner of the coat that is burning.
15300. The fire heeds little whose cloak it burns.
15301. The fire is welcome within, when icicles hang without.
15302. The fire is winter's fruit.
15303. The fire that burns a royal palace only enhances its splendor.
15304. The fire well knows whose cloak burns.
15305. The fire you kindle for your enemy often burns yourself more than him.
15306. The firm tree does not fear the storm.
15307. The first bird gets the first grain.
15308. The first blow is as good as two.
15309. The first breath is the beginning of death.
15310. The first comer grinds first.
15311. The first corn is for sparrows.
15312. The first day a guest, the second day a guest, the third day a calamity.
15313. The first day you see a friend; the next day, a brother.
15314. The first decision of a woman is the most intelligent and the last decision most dangerous.
15315. The first dish pleases every one.
15316. The first drink with water, the second without water, the third like water.
15317. The first duty of a soldier is obedience.
15318. The first faults are theirs that commit them, the second theirs that permit them.
15319. The first favor is a favor, the second an obligation.
15320. The first half of life is spent in longing for the second, the second half in regretting the first.
15321. The first hen that cackles is the one that laid the egg.
15322. The first hundred years are the hardest.
15323. The first impressions counts.
15324. The first in the boat has the choice of oars.
15325. The first love letters are written with the eyes.
15326. The first marriage is a plate of honey, the second a glass of wine, and the third is a cup of poison.
15327. The first mistake are theirs who commit them, the second are theirs that permit them.
15328. The first one to eat, the last one to work.
15329. The first pancake is always a failure.

15330. The first sin makes the bed for the second.
15331. The first step binds one to the second.
15332. The first step toward greatness is to be honest.
15333. The first swallow doesn't make the spring to come.
15334. The first to the mill grinds.
15335. The first wife is a broom, and the second a lady.
15336. The first wife is matrimony, the second company, the third heresy.
15337. The first will get the credit, even if the second is better.
15338. The fish always stinks from the head downwards.
15339. The fish caught in the net starts to think.
15340. The fish dies from the head.
15341. The fish lead a pleasant life, they drink when they like.
15342. The fish sees the bait not the hook.
15343. The fish that can see that its water is getting shallower cannot be stranded.
15344. The fish you cannot catch is always a big one.
15345. The fisherman fishes in troubled water.
15346. The fisherman knows where the octopuses are.
15347. The first loss is the best.
15348. The flame is not far from the smoke.
15349. The flatterer makes you climb up a tree then takes the ladder away.
15350. The flaw doesn't need to be big, if it is in the head.
15351. The flaw of the armpit is that it stinks even though it is not a wound.
15352. The flawed pot lasts longest.
15353. The flesh of a young animal tastes flat.
15354. The flood takes him in, and the ebb takes him out.
15355. The flounder does not return to the place he left when disturbed.
15356. The flour tastes bitter to the mouse who has had enough.
15357. The flower has no front or back.
15358. The flowers in your garden don't smell as sweet as those in the wild, but they last much longer.
15359. The fly flutters about the candle till at last it gets burnt.
15360. The fly has no pity for the thin man.
15361. The fly on the back of a water buffalo thinks that it's taller than the buffalo.
15362. The fly sat upon the axle of the chariot-wheel and said, 'What a lot of dust I raise'.
15363. The fly that bites the tortoise breaks its beak.
15364. The fly that has no one to advise it follows the corpse into the grave.
15365. The folly of a man is not broadcast like that of a woman.
15366. The food is half the provisions; the rest is herring and potatoes.
15367. The food which is prepared has no master.
15368. The fool castrates himself in order that he could accuse his pregnant wife of adultery.
15369. The fool cuts himself with his own knife.
15370. The fool does what he can't avoid; the wise man avoids what he can't do.
15371. The fool has his answer on the tip of his tongue.
15372. The fool has to do at last what the wise did at first.
15373. The fool hunts for misfortune.
15374. The fool is always beginning to live.
15375. The fool is thirsty in the midst of water.
15376. The fool never undertakes little.

15377. The fool passes for wise if he is silent.
15378. The fool sings a love song to his wife; the wise man will talk about his dog.
15379. The fool speaks, the wise man listens.
15380. The fool who is silent passes for wise.
15381. The fool who owns an ox is seldom recognized as a fool.
15382. The fool who's not proud, is not fool enough!
15383. The fool would teach the learned!
15384. The fool's excuse is bigger than the mistake he made.
15385. The fool's mother is always pregnant.
15386. The fool's excuse is bigger than the mistake he made.
15387. The foolish sayings of a rich man pass for wise ones.
15388. The foot has no place of repose.
15389. The foot of a lamp is always the least lit.
15390. The foot of the farmer manures the field.
15391. The foot of the owner is the best manure for his land.
15392. The forbidden fruit is the most desired.
15393. The force of anger is broken by a soft answer.
15394. The forest answers in the same way one shouts in it.
15395. The forest can't be without its jackals.
15396. The forest has ears, and field has eyes.
15397. The forest is the poor man's overcoat.
15398. The forest provides food to the hunter after he is utterly exhausted.
15399. The fortress that parleys soon surrenders.
15400. The fortune-teller never knows his own.
15401. The fowl digs out the blade that kills it.
15402. The fowl perspires, but the feathers do not allow us to see the perspiration.
15403. The fox changes his skin, but keeps the rogue.
15404. The fox did not reach the grape, said it's unripe.
15405. The fox does not go twice into the same trap.
15406. The fox does not leave its tail behind.
15407. The fox does not prey near his hole.
15408. The fox is knowing, but more knowing he who catches him.
15409. The fox knows a lot, but a woman in love knows even more.
15410. The fox knows well with whom he plays tricks.
15411. The fox may grow gray, but never good.
15412. The fox may lose his hair, but not his cunning.
15413. The fox said the grapes were sour.
15414. The fox that sleeps in the morning has not his tongue feathered.
15415. The fox that tarries long is on the watch for prey.
15416. The fox that waits until the chicken falls from the perch dies from hunger.
15417. The fox thinks everybody eats poultry like himself.
15418. The fox thrives best when he is most cursed.
15419. The fox will catch you with cunning, and the wolf with courage.
15420. The fox's enemy is its tail.
15421. The Fox's wiles will never enter the lion's head.
15422. The Frenchman sings well, when his throat is moistened.
15423. The friar who begs for God begs for two.

15424. The friend who helps me and the enemy, who does me no harm, make a pair of earrings.
15425. The friends of our friends are our friends.
15426. The friendship of a great man is like the shadow of a bush, soon gone.
15427. The friendship of the great is fraternity with lions.
15428. The frog cannot out of her bog.
15429. The frog does not drink up the pond in which he lives.
15430. The frog does not jump in the daytime without reason.
15431. The frog forgets that he was once a tadpole.
15432. The frog in his pond sneers at the ocean.
15433. The frog knows more about the rain than the calendar.
15434. The frog likes water, but not boiling water.
15435. The frog wanted to be an ox and swelled up until he burst.
15436. The frost hurts not weeds.
15437. The frost will drive a pig back home.
15438. The frowning of a he-goat does not stop it from being priced.
15439. The fruit falls not far from the stem.
15440. The fruit of silence is tranquility.
15441. The fruit of timidity is neither gain nor loss.
15442. The fuel in the lamp consumes itself but lights others.
15443. The fugitive finds everything impede him.
15444. The full belly does not believe in hunger.
15445. The full cask makes no noise.
15446. The full person does not understand the needs of the hungry.
15447. The full-fed sheep is frightened at its own tail.
15448. The fuller the cask, the duller its sound.
15449. The fun is in the search, not the finding.
15450. The funeral is hot while the dead is a dog.
15451. The further into the woods, the more firewood you'll encounter.
15452. The furthest way about is the nearest way home.
15453. The future belongs to God.
15454. The future is for those who know how to wait.
15455. The future struggles against being mastered.
15456. The gallows takes its own.
15457. The gallows was made for the unlucky.
15458. The gallows will have its own at last.
15459. The game is not worth the candle.
15460. The gardener who loves roses is slave to a thousand thorns.
15461. The gardener's dog, neither full nor hungry.
15462. The gardener's feet do no harm to the garden.
15463. The gardener had not yet dug out the radish, when the beggar held the alms-bowl in front of him.
15464. The gatekeepers are worse than the directors.
15465. The gates of hell are always open, even at midnight.
15466. The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.
15467. The generous man enriches himself by giving; the miser hoards himself poor.
15468. The generous man grows rich in giving, the miser poor in taking.
15469. The gentle calf sucks all the cows.

15470. The gentle cat scratches the worst.
15471. The gentle hawk man's herself.
15472. The gentle strides of a tiger do not indicate cowardice.
15473. The Germans carry their wit in their fingers.
15474. The gift itself can be light while carrying a heavy message.
15475. The gifts of fortune (windfalls) do not always benefit us.
15476. The girl as she is taught the flax as it is wrought.
15477. The girl who can't dance says the band can't play.
15478. The glaciers didn't freeze overnight.
15479. The gladiator seeks advice, when in the very lists.
15480. The glory of ancestors should not prevent a man from winning glory for himself.
15481. The glow soon becomes ashes.
15482. The glow-works light the nights, but more so the night that their mother prepares porridge.
15483. The gnat trusting itself to the flame is singed.
15484. The go-between wears out a thousand sandals.
15485. The goat can't well cover herself with her tail.
15486. The goat must browse where she is tied.
15487. The goat that climbs up the rock also has to go down.
15488. The goat thought it was dirtying its owner's wall till it realized its coat was peeling.
15489. The goat which has many owners will be left to die in the sun.
15490. The God who gave us teeth will also give us bread.
15491. The gods assist the industrious.
15492. The gods do not deduct from marls allotted span the hours spent fishing.
15493. The gods just laugh when men pray to them for wealth.
15494. The gods may still send a gentle breeze when they want to bless us.
15495. The gods only hear one wish at a time, and nothing more.
15496. The gods sell all things at a fair price.
15497. The gods send nuts to those who have no teeth.
15498. The gold of the new world has ruined the old one.
15499. The golden age never was the present age.
15500. The golden key opens every door.
15501. The golden mule passes everywhere.
15502. The good cow gets sold in its own country.
15503. The good day can be seen from the morning.
15504. The good die young.
15505. The good dog never gets a good bone.
15506. The good fellow to everyone is a good friend to no one.
15507. The good fortunes of life fall to the lot even of the base.
15508. The good is the enemy of the best.
15509. The good lawyer knows the law; the clever one knows the judge.
15510. The good mother knows what her children will eat.
15511. The good of the marriage lasts three days - and the bad lasts till death.
15512. The good physician is the third day one.
15513. The good seaman is known in bad weather.
15514. The good shepherd shears, not flays.
15515. The good son returns home.
15516. The good time comes but once.

15517. The good white man dies, the bad one remains.
15518. The goodness of the father reaches higher than a mountain; that of the mother goes deeper than the ocean.
15519. The goodwill accompanying the gift is the best portion of it.
15520. The goose goes so often into the kitchen till at last she sticks to the spit.
15521. The goose hisses, but does not bite.
15522. The goose is too small for two but too big for one.
15523. The goose that has a good gander cackles loudly.
15524. The goose that has lost its head no longer cackles.
15525. The goose's (maybe swan's) son is a good swimmer.
15526. The goslings would lead the geese out to grass.
15527. The gossips fall out and tell each other truths.
15528. The governor must fill your jars.
15529. The grace of God is found between the saddle and the ground.
15530. The granny handing pretzels, is gone.
15531. The grape is not ripened by the rays of the moon.
15532. The grapes are sour, said the fox, when he could not get at them.
15533. The grass is always greener on the other side.
15534. The grass won't be burnt in the shadows during summer.
15535. The grave is our mother.
15536. The graveyards are full of young lawyers, lost inheritance and young doctors.
15537. The gravity of the earth is so strong that the old grey man walks crooked.
15538. The great elephant of India cares not for a gnat.
15539. The great question is not whether you have failed, but whether you are content with failure.
15540. The great scholar forgets about fame, the average scholar works for it, and the unworthy scholar steals it.
15541. The Great Way is not difficult for those who have no preferences.
15542. The greater the calm, the nearer to the South wind.
15543. The greater the degeneration of the republic, the more of its laws.
15544. The greater the fear the nearer the danger.
15545. The greater the fool, the greater his insolence.
15546. The greater the sinner, the greater the saint.
15547. The greater the truth, the greater the libel.
15548. The greatest art is to hide art.
15549. The greatest barkers bite not sorest.
15550. The greatest burdens are not the gain fullest.
15551. The greatest conqueror is he who overcomes the enemy without a blow.
15552. The greatest consideration is due to the innocence of youth.
15553. The greatest cunning is to have none at all.
15554. The greatest hate springs from the greatest love.
15555. The greatest hero is one who has control over his desires.
15556. The greatest king must at last go to bed with a shovel
15557. The greatest love is a mother's; then a dog's; then a sweetheart's
15558. The greatest medicine for sadness is patience.
15559. The greatest oaks have been little acorns.
15560. The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do.
15561. The greatest step is out of doors.

15562. The greatest thing that could happen in my lifetime is for all my ideas to be stolen.
15563. The greatest things are done by the help of small ones.
15564. The greatest tranquility is when we desire nothing.
15565. The greatest victory is a bloodless victory.
15566. The greatest virtue is like water; good for everything.
15567. The greatest wealth is contentment with a little.
15568. The greatest wisdom of all is kindness.
15569. The greedy may do good work but for their own wrong intentions.
15570. The green burns for the dry and the righteous pay for sinners.
15571. The grey mare is the better horse.
15572. The greyhound that starts many hares kills none.
15573. The ground is always frozen for the lazy swine.
15574. The grown-up pays attention to what you are doing; the child sees beyond that.
15575. The grumbling mother-in-law forgets that she once was a bride.
15576. The guard's sleep is the lamplight of the thief.
15577. The guest who has broken the pot is not forgotten.
15578. The guest who outstays his fellow guests loses his overcoat.
15579. The guest who seeks special attention muddies the host's tea.
15580. The guests will go away, and we will eat the pasty.
15581. The guilty dog barks the loudest.
15582. The gutter by dropping wears the stone.
15583. The gypsy church was made of pork and the dogs ate it.
15584. The habit doesn't make the monk.
15585. The habit of thinking is the habit of gaining strength.
15586. The habits of our youth accompany us in our old age.
15587. The halfwit spoke, and the brainless believed.
15588. The hammer shatters glass but hardens steel.
15589. The hand can't cover the tongue's hole.
15590. The hand of God is with the group.
15591. The hand of the stranger is heavy.
15592. The hand often travels to the part where the pain is.
15593. The hand suffers at work, but the mouth still must eat.
15594. The hand that gives gathers.
15595. The hand that gives is also the one that receives.
15596. The hand that rocks the cradle rules the nation and its destiny.
15597. The hands of a lawyer are always in someone's pocket.
15598. The handsomest snuffs the candle.
15599. The handsomest woman can only give what she has.
15600. The hanging fruit is never too heavy for the creeper to bear.
15601. The happier the time, the more quickly it passes.
15602. The happiest life ends before death.
15603. The happiness in your pocket, don't spend it all.
15604. The hard road turns the traveller into the same dust that he has to swallow.
15605. The harder you fall, the higher you bounce.
15606. The hardest person to wake up is the person who is already awake.
15607. The hardest step is over the threshold.
15608. The hardest work of all is to do nothing.
15609. The hare (rabbit) was offended with the mountain, but the mountain did not notice.

15610. The hare and the elephant don't travel well together.
15611. The hare jumps when you least expect it.
15612. The hare starts from where it is least expected.
15613. The hare that escaped had eight legs.
15614. The harp dispels care.
15615. The harvest of a whole year depends on what you sow in the springtime.
15616. The hasty and the tardy meet at the ferry.
15617. The hasty angler loses the fish.
15618. The hasty hand catches frogs for fish.
15619. The hasty man was never a traitor.
15620. The hat burns on the head of the thief.
15621. The hatred of knaves is to be preferred to their company.
15622. The have always returns to her form.
15623. The head and feet keep warm; the rest will take no harm.
15624. The head could not have got to where it is now if it did not give.
15625. The head of a monkey, the headdress of a prince.
15626. The head of the rooster that crows out of time will be cut off.
15627. The head of your neighbor is a kingdom and his heart a wood.
15628. The headache is mine and the cows are ours.
15629. The healthy die first.
15630. The healthy does not know how rich he is.
15631. The heap of yams you will reap depends upon the number of mounds you have plowed.
15632. The heart at rest sees a feast in everything.
15633. The heart does not lie.
15634. The heart does not think all the mouth says.
15635. The heart is a tree; it grows where it wants.
15636. The heart is but the beach beside the sea that is the world.
15637. The heart is half a prophet.
15638. The heart is like a goat that has to be tied up.
15639. The heart is like the astrologer who guesses at the truth.
15640. The heart is no traitor.
15641. The heart is not a knee that can be bent.
15642. The heart is small and embraces the whole wide world.
15643. The heart leads whither it goes.
15644. The heart of a fool is in his mouth and the mouth of the wise man is in his heart.
15645. The heart of a man may be compared to a sausage; no one can tell exactly what's inside.
15646. The heart of a servant that is not beaten is full of curses.
15647. The heart of a woman is as capricious as a drop of water on a lotus leaf.
15648. The heart of fools proclaims foolishness.
15649. The heart of the wise man lies quiet like limpid water.
15650. The heart that loves is always young.
15651. The heart that once truly loves never forgets.
15652. The heart that sighs does not have what it desires.
15653. The heart that truly loves never forgets.
15654. The hearth in our house is warmer than our neighbor's.
15655. The heaviest baggage for a traveler is an empty wallet.

15656. The heaviest rains fall on the house that leaks most.
15657. The heir’s tears are but a mask to disguise his joy.
15658. The hen flies not far unless the rooster flies with her.
15659. The hen is ill off when the egg teaches her how to cackle.
15660. The hen lays an egg, and the rooster feels the pain in his backside.
15661. The hen likes to lay in a nest where there are eggs already.
15662. The hen lives by pickings, as the lion by prey.
15663. The hen ought not to cackle in presence of the rooster.
15664. The hen pecks and wipes its beak.
15665. The hen tells the rooster to crow.
15666. The hen that cackles in the evening lays no eggs in the morning.
15667. The hen that stays at home picks up the crumbs.
15668. The hen’s eyes turn to where she has her eggs.
15669. The herb patience does not grow in every man’s garden.
15670. The herb that can’t be got is the one that heals.
15671. The hero appears only when the tiger is dead.
15672. The heron blames the water because he cannot swim.
15673. The higher a monkey climbs, the more he shows his behind.
15674. The higher flood hath always the lower ebb.
15675. The higher the ape goes, the more he shows his tail.
15676. The higher the bamboo, the more it can be bent.
15677. The higher the bell is hung, the shriller it sounds.
15678. The higher the monkey climbs, the more it is exposed to danger.
15679. The higher the mountain the lower the valley, the taller the tree the harder the fall.
15680. The highest spoke in fortune’s wheel may soon turn lowest.
15681. The highway is always shorter than the unknown side roads.
15682. The hindmost dog may catch the hare.
15683. The hole invites the thief.
15684. The hole is more honorable than the patch.
15685. The hollow of the ear is never full.
15686. The honest man enjoys the theft.
15687. The horizon will not disappear as you run towards it.
15688. The horn that came out last will pass the ear that came out first.
15689. The horse can die from too much barley.
15690. The horse may run quickly, but it can’t escape its own tail.
15691. The horse that arrives early gets good drinking water.
15692. The horse that draws best is the most whipped.
15693. The horse that you love draws more than four oxen.
15694. The horse thinks one thing and his rider another.
15695. The horse’s best allowance is his master’s eye.
15696. The horses of hope gallop, but the asses of experience go slowly.
15697. The horseshoe that clatters wants a nail.
15698. The hot sun melts away the snow; when anger comes, does wisdom go.
15699. The hour is passing.
15700. The house completed, possession defeated.
15701. The house does not rest upon the ground, but upon a woman.
15702. The house is our fathers and the strangers came to kick us out.
15703. The house of a person we love is never far.

15704. The house of danger is built upon the borders of safety.
15705. The house of the heart is never full.
15706. The house roof fights the rain, but he who is sheltered ignores it.
15707. The house sweeper's buttock is never at one direction.
15708. The house with an old grandparent harbors a jewel.
15709. The household with its own elder has indeed its own adornment.
15710. The human heart is difficult to gauge.
15711. The human heart is neither of stone nor wood.
15712. The human heart is never satisfied, just like the snake that wants to swallow an elephant.
15713. The human tongue is more poisonous than a bee's sting.
15714. The humble pay for the mistakes of their betters.
15715. The hunchback sees the hump of others, never his own.
15716. The hungry fowl wakes early.
15717. The hunt is like a dance for men, for the women the dance is the hunt.
15718. The hunter does not rub himself in oil and lie by the fire to sleep.
15719. The hunter in pursuit of an elephant does not stop to throw stones at birds.
15720. The hunter who always comes home with meat is a thief.
15721. The hurried she-cat has made blind kittens.
15722. The hurrying mouse falls into the milk.
15723. The hyena chasing two antelopes at the same time will go to bed hungry.
15724. The hyena does not forget where it has hidden its kill.
15725. The hyena of your own country does not break your bones.
15726. The idiot who has his eye on your wife is like a blood sucking fly.
15727. The ignorant is his own enemy.
15728. The ignorant praises his own ignorance.
15729. The ill year comes in swimming.
15730. The important thing isn't to win, but to fight well.
15731. The impotent man does not eat spicy foods.
15732. The inarticulate speak longest.
15733. The infinite is in the finite of every instant.
15734. The injurer never forgets.
15735. The ink of a scholar is worth as much as the martyr's blood.
15736. The innkeeper loves a drunkard, but not for a son-in-law.
15737. The innocent seldom find an uncomfortable pillow.
15738. The intemperate die young, and rarely enjoy old age.
15739. The Irish forgive their great men when they are safely buried.
15740. The Irish ignore anything they can't drink or punch.
15741. The iron never takes advice from the hammer.
15742. The itch that gives someone skill is difficult to scratch.
15743. The jail is closed day and night and always full; temples are always open and still empty.
15744. The jay bird doesn't rob his own nest.
15745. The jewel of the air is the sun; the jewel of the house is the child.
15746. The joker confesses.
15747. The journey is the reward.
15748. The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step.
15749. The joy of a poor man does not last long.

15750. The judge’s son goes into the courtroom without fear.
15751. The jungle is stronger than the elephant.
15752. The just man may sin with an open chest of gold before him.
15753. The just pays for the sinner.
15754. The kettle smuts the frying-pan.
15755. The key at the girdle keeps me good and my neighbor too.
15756. The key that is used grows bright.
15757. The key that opens is also the key that locks.
15758. The key to a healthy body is a good head.
15759. The key to all action lies in belief.
15760. The keys at the girdle, the dog in the larder.
15761. The kick of a mare never hurt a colt.
15762. The kind man feeds his cat before sitting down to dinner.
15763. The king cannot rule as he wishes.
15764. The king goes as far as he can, not so far as he would.
15765. The king inherits a country, the people only hard work.
15766. The king is from God, the law from the king.
15767. The king likes the treachery, but not the traitor.
15768. The king of the bees has no sting.
15769. The king of the dreamers lies in the hospital.
15770. The king’s ambassador is without sin.
15771. The king’s chaff is better than other folk’s corn.
15772. The kitchen is older than the mosque.
15773. The kite’s malady, its wings broken and its beak sound.
15774. The knee is closer than the calf.
15775. The knife of the family does not cut.
15776. The knife that has been lent never comes back alone.
15777. The knowledge of sin is the beginning of salvation.
15778. The knowledgeable can taste up to spoonful!
15779. The kumara does not speak of its own sweetness.
15780. The lack of gold only a headache.
15781. The laggard cow gets the sour grass.
15782. The lake is not on fire.
15783. The lambskin is not worth the currying.
15784. The lame man laughs at the blind.
15785. The lame man runs if he has to.
15786. The lamp is not burning for those asleep.
15787. The land a man knows is his mother.
15788. The land where the stones know you is worth more than the land where the people know you.
15789. The larger a man’s roof, the more snow it collects.
15790. The last drop makes the cup run over.
15791. The last of a number of little things which led to something major.
15792. The last one is bitten by the dogs.
15793. The last partridge to rise gets the most sticks thrown at it.
15794. The last pieces of lead are heaviest.
15795. The last shirt has no pockets.
15796. The last straw breaks the camel’s back.

15797. The late comer is ill lodged.
15798. The later in the evening, the more beautiful the people.
15799. The later the evening, the fairer the company.
15800. The laugh is always on the loser.
15801. The laughter of a child lights up the house.
15802. The laughter of someone pining for his beloved is like that of someone who is always crying.
15803. The law devised, its evasion contrived.
15804. The law does not concern itself about trifles.
15805. The law has a nose of wax.
15806. The law helps those who watch, not those who sleep.
15807. The law is a jealous mistress.
15808. The law is good, but people are not.
15809. The law is harsh, but it is the law.
15810. The law is three days older than the earth.
15811. The law of requital of injury by injury.
15812. The law says what the king pleases.
15813. The lawyer will extend the frontiers of a fight.
15814. The lawyer's pouch is a mouth of hell.
15815. The lazier a man is, the more he plans to do tomorrow.
15816. The lazy donkey always overloads himself.
15817. The lazy is the most eager if only given a drink.
15818. The lazy mouth, a sheer disaster.
15819. The lazy one is pregnant in the sowing season.
15820. The lazy one runs more, the stingy one loses more.
15821. The lazy one stands up between one armchair and another.
15822. The lazy one works twice.
15823. The lazy ox drinks dirty water.
15824. The lazy pig does not eat ripe pears.
15825. The lazy servant takes eight steps to avoid one.
15826. The lazy sweat when they eat and complain of the cold when they work.
15827. The lazybones must work twice.
15828. The leader follows in front.
15829. The lean dog is all fleas.
15830. The learned are apt to be taciturn.
15831. The least and weakest man can do some hurt.
15832. The leaves fall before the tree dies.
15833. The leech that does not let go even when it is filled dies on the dry land.
15834. The left hand doesn't know what the right hand is doing.
15835. The length of a frog can only be determined after it dies.
15836. The leopard cannot change its spots.
15837. The less educated will have greater burdens.
15838. The less power a man has, the more he likes to use it.
15839. The less said the sooner mended.
15840. The less souls, the more joy.
15841. The less soup, the more spoons.
15842. The less things change, the more they remain the same.
15843. The less you know, the more soundly you sleep.

15844. The letter enters with blood.
15845. The liar and the lame dog are quickly caught.
15846. The liar is sooner caught than the cripple.
15847. The liar will only be trusted once.
15848. The liar will travel the world over, but chooses not to go back home.
15849. The liar's house burned, but nobody believed it.
15850. The liar's mother is a virgin.
15851. The lid knows what is in the pot.
15852. The life of a guest is seven days.
15853. The life of an old man can be compared with the flame of a candle in a drought.
15854. The light heart lives long.
15855. The light is on but nobody is home.
15856. The light is painful to sore eyes.
15857. The lion and the lamb shall lie down together, but the lamb won't get much sleep.
15858. The lion basks in the rays of the giraffe's sun.
15859. The lion believes that everyone shares his state of mind.
15860. The lion does not turn around when a small dog barks.
15861. The lion who goes slowly/cautiously eats meat.
15862. The lion won't turn on a barking puppy.
15863. The lion's power lies in our fear of him.
15864. The list is worse than the cloth.
15865. The listener makes the backbiter.
15866. The little bird lays its eggs next to the wasps' nest.
15867. The little hand does not beat the big hand.
15868. The little hemlock is a sister to the big hemlock.
15869. The little opportunity given to a monkey to wear cloths does not guarantee it to join the dining table.
15870. The little stars will always shine while the great sun is often eclipsed.
15871. The living are denied a table; the dead get a whole coffin.
15872. The living who is absent is like a dead man.
15873. The lizard does not eat hot chilies for the frog to sweat.
15874. The locksmith is the guilty one, but the blacksmith hangs.
15875. The loftiest towers rise from the ground.
15876. The lone sheep is in danger of the wolf.
15877. The lonely person is at home everywhere.
15878. The long awaited Easter feast is over in one day.
15879. The longer the blind live, the more they see.
15880. The longer the night lasts, the more our dreams will be.
15881. The longer the way, the more tired the man.
15882. The longest day has an end.
15883. The longest road is the one that leads to your pocket.
15884. The longest way around is the shortest way home.
15885. The looking glass is the enemy of ugly women.
15886. The loquacity of fools is a lecture to the wise.
15887. The loss of one night's sleep is followed by ten days of inconvenience.
15888. The loss on the swings is won back on the merry-go-round.
15889. The loss which your neighbor does not know is no real loss.
15890. The lotus flower blooms in the mud.

15891. The loudest bark rids not a dog of his fleas.
15892. The love of evil is the root of all money.
15893. The love that you die from is too big.
15894. The loveliest faces are to be seen by moonlight, when one sees half with the eye and half with the fancy.
15895. The lover of a student does not always become the wife of a graduate.
15896. The lowest fence is the easiest to get across.
15897. The loyal man lives no longer than the traitor pleases.
15898. The luck is like glass, when it starts to shine, it breaks.
15899. The luck of idle men sits next to them.
15900. The luckiest dies in his cradle.
15901. The lucky fellow loses his wife; the unlucky fellow loses his horse.
15902. The lucky man has a daughter for his first-born.
15903. The mad dog bites its master.
15904. The madness of one makes many mad.
15905. The magistrate's son gets out of every scrape.
15906. The magpie cannot leave her hopping.
15907. The main road is an easy way, but everyone loves the side streets.
15908. The main thing is that we can smile at our duties, yes even at our suffering.
15909. The main thing is to be pretty and fair; bald spots are covered by the hair.
15910. The maker of laws must be severe; who executes them must be generous.
15911. The malady that is more incurable is folly.
15912. The malicious cow disturbs the whole herd.
15913. The man being carried does not realize how far away the town really is.
15914. The man blesses the place.
15915. The man deliberates, the woman decides.
15916. The man in the moon stole the wood.
15917. The man is a river, the woman a lake.
15918. The man is heaven and earth in miniature.
15919. The man is the flame, the woman the glow.
15920. The man loves with his head, the woman thinks with her heart.
15921. The man of many trades begs his bread on Sunday.
15922. The man of sense does not hang up his knowledge.
15923. The man of your own trade is your enemy.
15924. The man on his feet carries off the share of the man sitting down.
15925. The man that won't marry a woman with other admirers won't marry a woman at all.
15926. The man who builds his own throne rules over a desert.
15927. The man who comes with a tale about others has himself an ax to grind.
15928. The man who does not learn is like one walking in the night.
15929. The man, who fetches firewood infested with insects, invites lizards into his house.
15930. The man who gives little with a smile gives more than the man who gives much with a frown.
15931. The man who has eaten enough will never believe a hungry one.
15932. The man who has mounted an elephant will not fear the bark of a dog.
15933. The man who has nothing to do is always the busiest.
15934. The man who is afraid of asking is ashamed of learning.
15935. The man who is aware is worth two men.
15936. The man who is born in a stable is not a horse.

15937. The man, who is honored, has first honored himself.
15938. The man who is not destined to die will be cured by medicine.
15939. The man who lives only by hope will die with despair.
15940. The man who loves is easy of belief.
15941. The man who marries a beautiful woman and the farmer who grows corn by the roadside have the same problem.
15942. The man who never makes a mistake always takes orders from one who does.
15943. The man who remembers others, remembers also his creator.
15944. The man who says it cannot be done should not interrupt a man who is doing it.
15945. The man who stares at the clouds will not cut any hay.
15946. The man who strikes first admits that his ideas have given out.
15947. The man who takes legal action often loses an ox to win a cat.
15948. The man who wakes up and finds himself famous hasn't been asleep.
15949. The man whose conscience is clear will never fear a knock on the door at midnight.
15950. The man with no patience waits for daylight, and when it comes he'll be blind.
15951. The man with one wife is the boss of all bachelors.
15952. The man with the boots does not mind where he places his foot.
15953. The master derives from his art.
15954. The master has long arms, but they don't reach heaven.
15955. The master of all work is in its practice.
15956. The master of the people is their servant.
15957. The master turns the servant into a thief.
15958. The master's eye and foot are the best manure for the field.
15959. The maxims of men disclose their hearts.
15960. The meaning is best known to the speaker.
15961. The means were wanting, not the will.
15962. The meat is yours, the bones are mine.
15963. The mediator in a fight gets all the blows.
15964. The medicine that cures the tailor can kill the shoemaker.
15965. The medicine that hurts the most is generally the best healer.
15966. The memories of one's youth make for long, long thoughts.
15967. The memory of happiness makes misery woeful.
15968. The merchant that loses cannot laugh.
15969. The merchant, who gains not, loses.
15970. The mice have taken themselves off.
15971. The mice will never play with the kittens.
15972. The middle path is the safe path.
15973. The midwives fight, the truths are discovered.
15974. The mill does not grind with water that is past.
15975. The mill gains by gong, and not by standing still.
15976. The mill won't turn with carried water.
15977. The miller is never so drunk that he forgets to take his dues.
15978. The miller sees not every wave that flows.
15979. The mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small.
15980. The mills of the gods grind slowly but they grind finely.
15981. The millstone that lies under most also helps to grind.
15982. The mind is best taught with a sharp whip.
15983. The mind is for seeing, the heart is for hearing.

15984. The mind is the emperor of the body.
15985. The mind when unoccupied knows not what it wants.
15986. The miser and the pig are of no use till dead.
15987. The miser destroys what he collected.
15988. The miser does not own the gold; it is the gold that owns the miser.
15989. The miser is his own mother-in-law.
15990. The miser will stubbornly live poorly in order to die rich.
15991. The miser's bag is never full.
15992. The miserable got together with the hopeless.
15993. The misery is that you have to ruin your day with work.
15994. The misfortune of many is a consolation.
15995. The misfortune of the foolish is a warning to the wise.
15996. The misfortune that comes into town does not wear a turban.
15997. The misfortunes to which we are accustomed affect us less deeply.
15998. The mistakes of others are good teachers.
15999. The mistress is queen, the wife is the slave.
16000. The mob has many heads but no brains.
16001. The mocked may grow up to dignity, but the mocker will never outgrow his juvenile behavior.
16002. The money is burning a hole in my pocket.
16003. The money of the drunkard is eaten by the palm wine tapper.
16004. The money paid, the workman's arm is broken.
16005. The money you dream about will not pay your bills.
16006. The monk gets married to please his friend.
16007. The monk responds to the abbot's chants.
16008. The monk that begs for God's sake begs for two.
16009. The monk's habit is never so blessed that the devil can't hide in it.
16010. The monkey does not see his own hind backside; he sees his neighbor's.
16011. The monkey looks into the mirror and sees a gazelle.
16012. The monkey never complains that he has no comb.
16013. The monkey says there is nothing better than poverty to unlearn man of his conceit.
16014. The monkey who tries to see the hunter clearly collects bullets in its eyes.
16015. The monkey will never wash with the same water twice.
16016. The month loses its own, but not the year.
16017. The moon does not care if the dog barks at it.
16018. The moon gives us light but no heat.
16019. The moon grows darker as it gets nearer to the sun.
16020. The moon is made of green cheese.
16021. The moon is the crofter's sun.
16022. The moon is the son of young men.
16023. The moon moves slowly, but it gets across the town.
16024. The more a man exposes his nakedness the colder he is.
16025. The more a woman admires her face, the more she ruins her house.
16026. The more acquaintances you have, the less you know them.
16027. The more by law, the less by right.
16028. The more cowherds there are, the worse the cows are looked after.
16029. The more eggs, the thicker the soup.
16030. The more feathers a chicken has, the bigger it looks.

16031. The more fools, the more laughter.
16032. The more hair a dog has, the more fleas he will have.
16033. The more haste the worse speed.
16034. The more help in the cornfield the smaller the harvest.
16035. The more intimate the friendship the deadlier the enmity.
16036. The more knave, the better luck.
16037. The more light a torch gives the shorter it lasts.
16038. The more one drinks, the thirstier one gets.
16039. The more one has the more one wants.
16040. The more riches a fool hath, the greater fool he is.
16041. The more servants the worse service.
16042. The more shepherds the less care.
16043. The more shepherds there are, the worse the flocks are watched.
16044. The more shoots, the more leaves.
16045. The more sins you confess, the more books you will sell.
16046. The more sorrow one encounters, the more joy one can contain.
16047. The more the Billy goat stinks, the more the nanny goat loves him.
16048. The more the fox is cursed, the more prey he catches.
16049. The more the mother-in-law drinks the friendlier is her greeting.
16050. The more the well is used, the more water it yields.
16051. The more they have, the more they want.
16052. The more things change, the more they stay the same.
16053. The more we have, the more we want.
16054. The more you add, the worse it gets.
16055. The more you ask how much longer it will take, the longer the journey will seem.
16056. The more you court a clown the statelier he grows.
16057. The more you cry, the less you pee.
16058. The more you earn, the more you spend.
16059. The more you flatter a fool, the more seriously he plays his game.
16060. The more you get the more you want.
16061. The more you give in, the more you have to give in.
16062. The more you have, the more you want.
16063. The more you know the less will you sleep.
16064. The more you know, the luckier you get.
16065. The more you know, the more you know you don’t know.
16066. The more you listen the more you give yourself room for doubt.
16067. The morning hour has gold in its mouth.
16068. The morning is wiser than the evening.
16069. The morning shows how the day will be.
16070. The morning sun never lasts a day.
16071. The morning the sun brings gold in its mouth.
16072. The mortar always smells of garlic.
16073. The mosquito is small, but when he sings, your ears are full of him.
16074. The most beautiful fig may contain a worm.
16075. The most beautiful flowers flourish in the shade.
16076. The most beautiful roses grow on graves.
16077. The most beautiful things in the universe are the starry heavens above us and the feeling of duty within us.

16078. The most cautious passes for the most chaste.
16079. The most covered fire is always the most glowing.
16080. The most cunning are the first caught.
16081. The most dangerous food is a wedding cake.
16082. The most difficult master is the servant who became master.
16083. The most difficult mountain to cross is the threshold.
16084. The most disorderly students make the most pious preachers.
16085. The most extensive land is the human belly.
16086. The most faithful mirror is an old friend.
16087. The most famous creature in the ocean is the shark, but it is not the only fierce creature there.
16088. The most fragrant of flowers are eaten by the green-fly.
16089. The friendliest fortune trips up your heels.
16090. The most highly praised woman is the one about whom no one speaks.
16091. The most important thing in life is to be buried well.
16092. The most important thing is not to win, but to fight well.
16093. The most lasting monuments are doubtless paper-monuments.
16094. The most learned are not the wisest.
16095. The most noble dog can only bark.
16096. The most prudent yields to the strongest.
16097. The most stupid chicken always challenges the wildcat.
16098. The most useful holy war is the one fought against your own passions.
16099. The moth does most mischief to the finest garment.
16100. The mother of a monkey sees him as beautiful and graceful.
16101. The Mother of God appears to fools.
16102. The mother of idiots is always pregnant.
16103. The mother of mischief is no bigger than a midge's wing.
16104. The mother of someone who is killed can sleep; the mother of the murderer cannot.
16105. The mother reckons well, but the child reckons better.
16106. The mother, who spoils her child, fattens a serpent.
16107. The mother-in-law shows you her thighs without shame, you are the embarrassed one.
16108. The motherless child will suckle the grandmother.
16109. The mountain has brought forth a mouse.
16110. The mountain labored and brought forth a mouse.
16111. The mountain makes the horse suffer, anger makes oneself suffer.
16112. The mountaineer's mule carries wine and drinks water.
16113. The mountains are in labor, and bring forth a mouse.
16114. The mountains are never so far apart but the animals find one another.
16115. The mountains make the mist and the valleys must consume them.
16116. The mouse does not leave the cat's house with a bellyful.
16117. The mouse has but one hole is soon caught.
16118. The mouse is caught in the trap.
16119. The mouse is knowing, but the cat more knowing.
16120. The mouse is silent while laboring, but when the baby is conceived, she cries.
16121. The mouse may find a hole, be the room ever so full of cats.
16122. The mouse that hath but one hold is soon caught.
16123. The mouse that knows but one hole is soon caught by the cat.
16124. The mouth and the purse, shut.

16125. The mouth cannot taste sweet just by speaking sweetly.
16126. The mouth is the door of evil.
16127. The mouth lies, but the eyes tell the truth.
16128. The mouth of a canon is less dangerous than that of a scandalmonger.
16129. The mouth of a man is a terrible opening.
16130. The mouth of a woman takes no holiday.
16131. The mouth often utters that which the head must answer for.
16132. The mouth prays to Buddha, but the heart is full of evil.
16133. The mouth talks plenty which the heart does not say.
16134. The mouth that eats pepper is the one that the pepper influences.
16135. The mouth which eats does not talk.
16136. The mud of one country is the medicine of another.
16137. The mule and his driver do not think alike.
16138. The mule bedecked with gold still eats thistles.
16139. The mule does not know the worth of this tail till he has lost it.
16140. The mule has nothing to do with the pants.
16141. The mule knows well in whose face be brays.
16142. The mule loaded with gold still eats thistles.
16143. The mule long keeps a kick in reserve for its master.
16144. The mule of many owners is eaten by wolves.
16145. The mule that is common property is always the worst saddled.
16146. The mule that is hungry eats thistles.
16147. The mule well knows in whose house he brays.
16148. The mule went seeking for horns and lost his ears.
16149. The multitude is always wrong.
16150. The multitude is stronger than the king.
16151. The musician who is paid in advance does not play so well.
16152. The myrtle is always a myrtle, though it be among nettles.
16153. The nail supports the hoof, the hoof the horse, the horse the man, the man the world.
16154. The nail that sticks its head up is the one that gets hit.
16155. The naked don't fear robbery.
16156. The name 'peace' is sweet itself.
16157. The names of fools are always written on walls.
16158. The naming of one man amounts to the exclusion of another.
16159. The narrower the cage, the sweeter the liberty.
16160. The nearer the bone, the sweeter the meat.
16161. The nearer the inn, the longer the road.
16162. The nearer the minster the later to mass.
16163. The nearer to the synagogue, the farther from God.
16164. The needle dresses people but stays naked itself.
16165. The needle is small, but it sews expensive garments.
16166. The needle makes clothes but stays naked.
16167. The neighbor's chicken is a duck.
16168. The nest made, the bird dead.
16169. The net of heaven is large and wide, but it lets nothing through.
16170. The net of the sleeper catches fish.
16171. The new boat will find the old stones.
16172. The new is always liked, though the old is often better.

16173. The newborn baby yells; you die in silence.
16174. The next mile is the only one a person really has to make.
16175. The nicest woman is your own; the nicest harvest is your neighbors.
16176. The night is the king of the shadows.
16177. The night rinses what the day has soaped.
16178. The night walks the same road as the dream.
16179. The nightingale can't be fed by fables.
16180. The nightingale will run out of songs before a woman runs out of conversation.
16181. The nights are short for him who married late in life.
16182. The nimblest footman is a false tale.
16183. The noblemen's quarrels can be read on the backs of the peasants.
16184. The nobler the blood the less the pride.
16185. The nobler the tree, the more pliant the twig.
16186. The noblest vengeance is to forgive.
16187. The noise is so great one cannot hear God thunder.
16188. The noisy fowler catches no birds.
16189. The north wind does blow, and we shall have snow.
16190. The north wind has no corn and a poor man no friend.
16191. The nuts from a palm tree don't fall without dragging a few leaves with it.
16192. The oaths of one who loves a woman are not to be believed.
16193. The obliging fool is worse than an enemy.
16194. The obscure we see eventually. The completely apparent takes longer.
16195. The obstacle is the path.
16196. The ocean can't be crossed by swimming.
16197. The offender never pardons.
16198. The office teaches the man.
16199. The official who can't lie may as well be out of the world.
16200. The oft-moved stone gathers no moss.
16201. The old age of an eagle is better than the youth of a sparrow.
16202. The old branch breaks when it is bent.
16203. The old cask tastes of what the new cask held.
16204. The old cow forgets that she was once a calf.
16205. The old crocodile swallows a pebble when the year ends.
16206. The old dog barks while he is sitting down.
16207. The old dog doesn't bark without reason.
16208. The old feel the blows that were acquired when younger.
16209. The old forget, the young don't know.
16210. The old horse will not mistake the road.
16211. The old know and the young suspect.
16212. The old lady with cakes has already passed by.
16213. The old man has his death before his eyes; the young man behind his back.
16214. The old monkey gets the apple.
16215. The old one who is loved is like a winter flower.
16216. The old ones sing, the young ones pipe.
16217. The old ox plows a straight furrow.
16218. The old parrot does not mind the stick.
16219. The old pipe gives the sweetest smoke.
16220. The old saints are forgotten in the new.

16221. The older a fool, the worse he is.
16222. The older one grows the more one learns.
16223. The older the fiddle the sweeter the tune.
16224. The older the ginger, the more it bites.
16225. The older the goat the tighter the rope.
16226. The older the man, the weaker his mind.
16227. The older, the colder; the more avaricious, the more vicious.
16228. The oldest trees often bear the sweetest fruit.
16229. The one attacked by ravens is also attacked by crows.
16230. The one being carried does not realize how far away the town is.
16231. The one nearest to the enemy is the real leader.
16232. The one sent with the secret message isn't told its meaning.
16233. The one who asks is not poisoned by mushrooms.
16234. The one, who bids for much, often loses the whole deal.
16235. The one who can gets two.
16236. The one, who desires to be pretty, has to suffer.
16237. The one who did not accept advice built a house on the sand.
16238. The one, who digs a pit for others, often falls into it himself
16239. The one, who disqualifies, disqualifies based on his own fault.
16240. The one who does not dig does not eat.
16241. The one who does not make you happy when he arrives makes you happy when he leaves.
16242. The one who does not risk anything does not gain nor lose.
16243. The one who draws a cart is urged on.
16244. The one who first shuts up in an argument is from a good family.
16245. The one who gives thanks for the gift of yesterday will receive another gift tomorrow.
16246. The one who lays in shade in summer, whose bread becomes dark in winter.
16247. The one who loves does not hate.
16248. The one who loves you will also make you weep.
16249. The one who plants the tree is not the one who will enjoy its shade.
16250. The one who pleased everybody died before they were born.
16251. The one who pulls a cart is urged on.
16252. The one who rings the fire bell is safe.
16253. The one who sinks grips even a straw.
16254. The one who speaks truth would be expelled from nine villages.
16255. The one who teaches is the giver of eyes.
16256. The one who understands does not speak; the one who speaks does not understand.
16257. The one who wills is the one who can.
16258. The one who wins plays best.
16259. The one who works hard has everything he wants.
16260. The one, who steals and is not caught, has the same.
16261. The one with a running nose always wants to blow someone else's.
16262. The one with the need is indeed the one who goes to the bathroom.
16263. The one you love you punish.
16264. The only chaste woman is the one who has not been asked.
16265. The only difference between the cucumber and water is the moving of the teeth.
16266. The only disability in life is a bad attitude.
16267. The only free cheese is in the mouse trap.

16268. The only friendly cow is one which gives milk.
16269. The only good thing a miser does, is dying.
16270. The only hope of safety for the defeated is to relinquish all hope of safety.
16271. The only insurance against fire is to have two houses.
16272. The only real equality is in the cemetery.
16273. The only stupid question is the one that is not asked.
16274. The only sword that never rests is the tongue of a woman.
16275. The only thing that was missing at the rich man's funeral was mourners.
16276. The only thing we learn from new elections is we learned nothing from the old.
16277. The only thing you get from picking bottoms is a smelly finger.
16278. The only truly dead are those who have been forgotten.
16279. The only victory over love is flight.
16280. The only way to keep a secret is to say nothing.
16281. The only way to understand a woman is to love her.
16282. The open door invites the thief.
16283. The operation was a success but the patient died.
16284. The opportunity makes the thief.
16285. The opportunity of a lifetime is seldom so labeled.
16286. The other part should be heard as well.
16287. The other side also has another side.
16288. The owl does not praise the light, nor the wolf the dog.
16289. The owl has one note, the crow another.
16290. The owl is the wisest of all birds because the more it sees, the less it talks.
16291. The owl mocked the tit.
16292. The owl of ignorance lays the egg of pride.
16293. The owl sings to the nightingale.
16294. The owl thinks her children the fairest.
16295. The ox comes to the yoke at the call of his feeder.
16296. The ox that butted me tossed me into a good place.
16297. The ox when most weary is most surefooted.
16298. The ox will die but its harness remains.
16299. The ox without a bell is soon lost.
16300. The pain is sometimes preferable to the treatment.
16301. The pain of the little finger is felt by the whole body.
16302. The palace leads to fame, the market to fortune, and loneliness to wisdom.
16303. The palest ink is better than the best memory.
16304. The palm of your hand will not obscure the sun.
16305. The pan says to the pot: Keep off, or you'll smutch me.
16306. The panther and the sheep never hunt together.
16307. The pardon arrives after the man was hung.
16308. The pardon may be more severe than the penalty.
16309. The parrot utters one cry, the quail another.
16310. The parson christens his own child first.
16311. The passing hour is sometimes a mother, sometimes a stepmother.
16312. The path is made by walking.
16313. The path of duty lies in what is near at hand, but men look for it in what is remote.
16314. The path of duty lies in what is nearby, but men look for it in things far off.
16315. The patience of the hunter is always greater than that of the prey.

16316. The patient one always wins.
16317. The patient person eats the ripe fruit.
16318. The patient who names a doctor his heir makes a big mistake.
16319. The paunch warm, the foot sleepy.
16320. The pearls of a bride on her wedding day are the tears that will be shed later.
16321. The peasant sweats and the nobleman is always right.
16322. The peasant will not cross himself before it begins to thunder.
16323. The pebble in the brook secretly thinks itself a precious stone.
16324. The pen can kill a man; no knife is needed.
16325. The pen of the tongue should be dipped in the ink of the heart.
16326. The pen wounds deeper than an arrow.
16327. The penalty attaching to evil deeds should be thought of in time.
16328. The pencil of God has no eraser.
16329. The pensioner gets the wages of the death.
16330. The peony is beautiful, yet it is supported by a stalk.
16331. The people make the town.
16332. The people want to be deceived.
16333. The people's voice is God's voice.
16334. The person afraid of bad luck will never know good.
16335. The person that eats late will not eat spoiled food.
16336. The person who asks for little deserves nothing.
16337. The person who doesn't scatter the morning dew will not comb gray hairs.
16338. The person who gets stuck on petty happiness will not attain great happiness.
16339. The person who has been a slave from birth does not value rebellion.
16340. The person who has no opinion will seldom be wrong.
16341. The person who has not traveled widely thinks his or her mother is the best cook.
16342. The person who is tired will find time to sleep.
16343. The person who lives by hope will die by despair.
16344. The person who lives with cripples will soon learn to limp.
16345. The person who loves sorrow will always find something to moan about.
16346. The person who recognizes his major mistakes is on the road to wisdom.
16347. The person with burned fingers asks for tongs.
16348. The physician prescribes the medicine; the vulture waits for the body.
16349. The piece is kept for whoever is going to eat it.
16350. The pig prefers mud to clean water.
16351. The pig's tail will never make a good arrow.
16352. The pillar of the world is hope.
16353. The pillow is the best adviser.
16354. The pine stays green in winter, wisdom in hardship.
16355. The pious are in the care of the gods.
16356. The pipe is nearer than the wife.
16357. The pitcher goes so often to the well that it gets broken at last.
16358. The place honors not the man; it is the man who honors the place.
16359. The place of an uninvited guest is behind the door.
16360. The plagiarist turns the body inside-out and changes the bones.
16361. The plan executed, reason comes to our assistance!
16362. The plant God favors will grow even without rain.
16363. The plant often removed cannot thrive.

16364. The pleasure of doing good is the only one that will not wear out.
16365. The pleasure of finding something is worth more than what you find.
16366. The pleasure of what we enjoy is lost by coveting more.
16367. The pleasures of love are enhanced by injuries.
16368. The pleasures of the mighty are the tears of the poor.
16369. The pleasures we enjoy are lost by coveting more.
16370. The plowshare only cuts deep where the ground is soft.
16371. The plumber's house always leaks.
16372. The point in question is yet undecided.
16373. The point of the needle must pass first.
16374. The poison is in the tail.
16375. The poison of asps is under their lips.
16376. The pool has dried up, and the fish is in trouble.
16377. The poor always smell.
16378. The poor and the stingy pay twice.
16379. The poor are excused from washing with soap.
16380. The poor are the silent of the land.
16381. The poor can only guess at what wealth is; the rich don't know what poverty means.
16382. The poor eat meat when they bite their tongues.
16383. The poor have no time to spare.
16384. The poor lack much, but the greedy more.
16385. The poor looks for food and the rich man for appetite.
16386. The poor man and the rich man do not play together.
16387. The poor man eats at double cost.
16388. The poor man has his crop destroyed by hail every year.
16389. The poor man seeks for food, the rich man for appetite.
16390. The poor man seeks only a crumb, then finds he still hungers.
16391. The poor man wants much, the miser everything.
16392. The poor man's budget is full of schemes.
16393. The poor man's corm always grows thin.
16394. The poor must dance as the rich pipe.
16395. The poor ones give their alms in a humble way; the rich man throws them down with contempt.
16396. The poor will be tilted for a long time, before he falls.
16397. The poor-houses are filled with the honest people.
16398. The poorer you are, the more devils you meet.
16399. The poorer, the more generous.
16400. The poorhouse is filled with honest people.
16401. The Pope and a peasant know more than the Pope alone.
16402. The portion that a man keeps for himself is usually not the smallest.
16403. The position in which we were before the war.
16404. The post of honor is the post of danger.
16405. The pot boils best on your own hearth.
16406. The pot goes so many times to the fountain that one day it will break.
16407. The pot reproaching the kettle, the side of both is black.
16408. The pot that boils too much loses its flavor.
16409. The potter sleeps soundly, for no one would steal clay.
16410. The Power fellow will have another day.

16411. The power of habit is great.
16412. The power of the crocodile is in the water.
16413. The power of the hoe stays on the farm.
16414. The powerful are never faithful.
16415. The praise of a thousand jesters counts for nothing against the reprimand of one wise man.
16416. The praise of fools is censure in disguise.
16417. The prayer of the innocent has no wings.
16418. The preacher must be like a chicken who always has an egg in reserve.
16419. The presence of the doctor is the beginning of the cure.
16420. The prettiest birds are in a cage.
16421. The prettiest flowers have the sharpest thorns.
16422. The prettiest girl in the world can only give what she has.
16423. The prettiest of shoes makes a sorry hat.
16424. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance.
16425. The pride of the poor does not endure.
16426. The priest does not eat rice every day.
16427. The priest errs at the altar.
16428. The priest to his book, the peasant to his plough.
16429. The priest's friend loses his faith, the doctor's his health, and the lawyer's his fortune.
16430. The prolonged visit of no guest is pleasant.
16431. The proof of the pudding is in the eating.
16432. The proportion of things thrill the eye.
16433. The prosperity of fools shall destroy them.
16434. The provoking pertinacity of a fly.
16435. The prudent embark when the sea is calm, the rash when it's stormy.
16436. The public improves the speaker's speech.
16437. The pumpkin gives birth and the fence has the trouble.
16438. The pumpkin vine never bears watermelons.
16439. The punishment of a liar is that he is never believed, even when he speaks the truth.
16440. The purpose sanctifies the means.
16441. The purse of loved ones is tied with a gossamer thread.
16442. The quail waits for the stick; the idle loiterer about a place waits for a kick from an old boot.
16443. The quarrel of lovers is the renewal of love.
16444. The quarrel of the sheep doesn't concern the goats.
16445. The quarrel that doesn't concern you is pleasant to hear about.
16446. The queen bee has no sting.
16447. The quiet are guilty.
16448. The quiet cat also drinks milk.
16449. The quoit attracts them more than philosophy.
16450. The rabbi drinks the wine and asks the others to be happy.
16451. The rabbit has different eyes from the owls.
16452. The rabble is not influenced by reason, but blind impulse.
16453. The race is not always to the swift.
16454. The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong.
16455. The rack can extort a false confession from the innocent.
16456. The ragged says to the naked: why don't you get dressed?

16457. The rainbow would be even more beautiful if the show was not for free.
16458. The rat betrayed by his own track perishes.
16459. The rat cannot call the cat to account.
16460. The rat does not leave the cat's house with a bellyful.
16461. The rattan basket criticizes the palm-leafed bag, yet both are full of holes.
16462. The raven always thinks that her young ones are the whitest.
16463. The raven chides blackness.
16464. The raven is fair when the rook is not by.
16465. The raven sees its chickens as falcons.
16466. The raven won't peck out the eye of another raven.
16467. The razor against the grindstone.
16468. The real capital of a man is a mirror worth two cents.
16469. The real hero doesn't say that he is one.
16470. The real nettle will sting early.
16471. The real owners of the land are not yet born.
16472. The real scholar is not afraid to ask questions of his pupil.
16473. The real unlucky one will sprain his thumb when he blows his nose.
16474. The real world is a special case.
16475. The rebellious dwell in a dry land.
16476. The receiver is as bad as the thief.
16477. The reception has more value than the invitation.
16478. The relationship between a daughter and her parents is enduring; the relationship with a son is attenuated after he marries.
16479. The remedy for dirt is soap and water.
16480. The remedy for injuries is not to remember them.
16481. The remedy for injuries is to forget them.
16482. The remedy for love is, land between.
16483. The remedy is worse than the disease.
16484. The remembrance of past pleasures adds to present sorrows.
16485. The repeated stroke will fell the oak.
16486. The reserve are engaged.
16487. The reserve doesn't weight your pocket.
16488. The resistance only makes him attack more ferociously.
16489. The rest of the world does not know what newlyweds know.
16490. The revenge of an idiot is without mercy.
16491. The revenge that is postponed is not forgotten.
16492. The reverse side also has a reverse side.
16493. The reward of a thing rightly done is to have done it.
16494. The reward of silence is certain.
16495. The rich are always complaining.
16496. The rich become deaf and the mighty blind.
16497. The rich eat kebab, the poor inhale smoke.
16498. The rich eat when they want, the poor when they can.
16499. The rich get richer, and the poor get babies.
16500. The rich have medicines the poor have health.
16501. The rich man doesn't pay, the debtor does.
16502. The rich man has more relations than he knows about.
16503. The rich man is the one who pays his debts.

16504. The rich man makes mistakes and the poor men get the blame.
16505. The rich man may wear old clothes.
16506. The rich man never dances badly.
16507. The rich man plans for tomorrow, the poor man for today.
16508. The rich man transgresses the law, and the poor man is punished.
16509. The rich man who is stingy is the worst pauper.
16510. The rich never have to seek out their relatives.
16511. The rich widow's tears soon dry.
16512. The rich worry over their money, the poor over their bread.
16513. The rich would have to eat money, but luckily the poor provide food.
16514. The richer they are, the needier they are.
16515. The riches that are in the heart cannot be stolen.
16516. The richest man carries nothing away with him but a shroud.
16517. The richest man, whatever his lot, is the one content with what he's got.
16518. The right answer to a fool is silence.
16519. The right balance depends on the weighed.
16520. The right hand is slave to the left.
16521. The right man comes at the right time.
16522. The right time to dine is: for the rich man, when he is hungry; and for the poor, when he has something to eat.
16523. The right to criticize comes from working.
16524. The righteous are bold as a lion.
16525. The righteous man sins before an open chest.
16526. The righteous pays for the sinner.
16527. The ripest fruit will not fall into your mouth.
16528. The river does not swell with clear water.
16529. The river is flat but the banks are steep.
16530. The river is my brother for it carries my canoe.
16531. The river may dry up but she keeps her name.
16532. The river passed the saint forgotten.
16533. The river won't bring a log every time.
16534. The river won't get dirty just by the leap of a dog.
16535. The river's reputation ends where the sea begins.
16536. The rivers flow to the ocean.
16537. The road doesn't tell the traveler what lies ahead.
16538. The road to a friend's house is never long.
16539. The road to hell is paved with good intentions.
16540. The road to success is lined with many tempting parking spaces.
16541. The rooster from the country doesn't crow in the city.
16542. The rooster goes to town for only four days and returns home a peacock.
16543. The rooster is bold on his own dunghill.
16544. The rooster often crows without a victory.
16545. The rope of a lie is short.
16546. The rope will break where it is thinnest.
16547. The rose comes from the thorns that were born of roses.
16548. The rose has thorns only for those who would gather it.
16549. The rose is a friend of the thorn.
16550. The roses fall, the thorns remain.

16551. The rough manners of the vulgar are contagious.
16552. The rowan will not carry two loads.
16553. The rubbish we speak is like froth on the water, actions are drops of gold.
16554. The ruin of a nation begins in the homes of its people.
16555. The ruling passion strong in death.
16556. The rumor fills the earth.
16557. The Russian knows the way, yet he asks for directions.
16558. The sack of longing has no bottom.
16559. The sack tears open with the insistence in filling it.
16560. The sacrifice of an ox will not bring us all we want.
16561. The safe one died of old age.
16562. The saint has no believers unless he works miracles.
16563. The saint is suspicious of too many sacrifices.
16564. The saint who works no cures has few pilgrims to his shrine.
16565. The saint's-day over, farewell the saint.
16566. The salary of a good servant is never too high.
16567. The salt cannot be cooked the past is overlooked.
16568. The salt of patience seasons everything.
16569. The same failings attach not to all.
16570. The same fire purifies gold and consumes straw.
16571. The same hammer that breaks the glass forges the steel.
16572. The same heat that melts wax bakes clay.
16573. The same kind of birds fly together.
16574. The same shoe does not fit every foot.
16575. The same song, but with a new melody.
16576. The same sun that melts wax is also capable of hardening clay.
16577. The sandal tree perfumes the axe that fells it.
16578. The sat one is not a friend of the hungry one.
16579. The sauna is a poor man's pharmacy.
16580. The savage ox grows tame on strange ground.
16581. The saving man becomes the free man.
16582. The scent of a rose will always stay on the hand of the giver.
16583. The schlemiel lands on his back and bruises his nose.
16584. The scholar builds the cities, the woman knocks them down.
16585. The scoffer's own house is often on fire.
16586. The scolding won't hang on one's collar.
16587. The scraping hen will get something; the crouching hen nothing.
16588. The sea becomes the shore, the shore becomes the sea.
16589. The sea breeze blows the pelican where he wants to go.
16590. The sea has an enormous thirst and an insatiable appetite.
16591. The seagull sees farthest who flies highest.
16592. The second blow makes the fray.
16593. The second thought is always the best.
16594. The second word makes the fray.
16595. The secret of life is not to do what you like, but to like what you do.
16596. The secret of patience is doing something else in the meantime.
16597. The secret of two no further will go; the secret of three a hundred will know.
16598. The seed of all evil is laziness.

16599. The seed waits for its garden or ground where it will be sown.
16600. The seeds of the day are best planted in the first hour.
16601. The seeking for one thing will find another.
16602. The servant of the devil does more than is asked for.
16603. The shade of a stick doesn't hide a person from the sun.
16604. The shadow for the substance.
16605. The shadow of a lord is a cap for a fool.
16606. The shadow of a man is better than that of a wall.
16607. The shadow should be the same length as the body.
16608. The shallower the brook, the more it babbles.
16609. The shame you can't lift away, you had better let lie.
16610. The sharper soon cheats the covetous man.
16611. The sharper the storm, the sooner it's over.
16612. The she-bear thinks her cubs pretty.
16613. The sheep drinks but it's the goat that gets drunk.
16614. The sheep has no choice when in the jaws of the wolf.
16615. The sheep on the mountain is higher than the bull on the plain.
16616. The sheep that bleat the most give the least milk.
16617. The sheep that is too tame is sucked by too many lambs.
16618. The sheik cannot fly, but his disciple lets him fly.
16619. The sheik's miracles are those of his own telling.
16620. The ship does not go without the boat.
16621. The ship that will not obey the helm will have to obey the rocks.
16622. The shoe knows if the stocking has a hole in it.
16623. The shoemaker's shoes have no heels.
16624. The shore will stop the ship.
16625. The shortest answer is doing.
16626. The shortest follies are the best.
16627. The shovel insults the poker.
16628. The show must go on.
16629. The shrimp that falls asleep is swept away by the current.
16630. The shroud has no pockets.
16631. The sick man is the garden of the physicians.
16632. The sick man is vexed with the flies on the wall.
16633. The sick man sleeps when the debtor cannot.
16634. The sickness of the body is the cure of the mind.
16635. The sieve says to the needle, 'you have a hole in your tail.'
16636. The sight of books removes sorrows from the heart.
16637. The silence of the people is a warning for the king.
16638. The silent dog is the first to bite.
16639. The silent guy is the best.
16640. The silver is become dross.
16641. The sin for which you repent is the father of virtue; but a virtue that you talk about, is the mother of sin.
16642. The sinning is the best part of repentance.
16643. The situation is hopeless, but not serious.
16644. The skilful spinster spins with the leg of a donkey.
16645. The skin is nearer than the shirt.

16646. The skin of a lion covering some mongrel beast.
16647. The skinnier the dog, the more fleas he has.
16648. The sky is not less blue because the blind man does not see it.
16649. The sky is open to those who have wings.
16650. The sky is the same color wherever you go.
16651. The sky's the limit.
16652. The slave must be content with the joys of his master.
16653. The sleeping cat at length awakes.
16654. The sleeping fox catches no poultry.
16655. The sleeping lobster is carried away in the stream.
16656. The slow horse reaches the mill.
16657. The slower you go, the farther you will be.
16658. The sly fox falls in the trap with both legs.
16659. The smaller the company, the better the share; the bigger the company, the merrier the play.
16660. The smaller the heart, the longer the tongue.
16661. The smaller the lizard the greater the hope of becoming a crocodile.
16662. The smaller the margin, the greater the turnover.
16663. The smallest pepper is hottest.
16664. The smallest thing outlives the human being.
16665. The smallness of elephant's eye made me realize, the ampler they are, and the more meager they are.
16666. The smile of a rose uplifts the nightingale.
16667. The smith's horse and the shoemakers children are worst shod.
16668. The smoke of my own house is better than another man's fire.
16669. The snail leaves its trail wherever it goes.
16670. The snail, to be rid of annoyances, bartered its eyes for horns.
16671. The snake and the crab don't sleep in the same hole.
16672. The snake bites the tamer first.
16673. The snake on the ground has caught the bird in the sky.
16674. The sober man's secret is the drunkard's speech.
16675. The soldier is well paid for doing mischief.
16676. The soldier's blood exalts the captain.
16677. The soldier's wife is always a widow.
16678. The soldiers fight, and the kings are heroes.
16679. The soldiers' blood, the general's reputation.
16680. The son of a fish is a little fish.
16681. The son of a mule brays twice a day.
16682. The son whose father works his field does not know that things are precious.
16683. The son-in-law's sack is never full.
16684. The song is the same, and she again is the one who sings.
16685. The song of a stranger-woman is answered after she has gone. The sooner begun, the sooner done.
16686. The sooner you get in, the sooner you get out.
16687. The sooty oven mocks the black chimney.
16688. The soul is not where it lives, but where it loves.
16689. The soul of a fool is always dancing on the tip of his tongue.
16690. The soul of an idiot is always dancing on the end of his tongue.

16691. The soul shines from the eyes.
16692. The soul will only be at rest when it stops hoping.
16693. The sound of a church bell at times has more effect than a sermon.
16694. The sound of drums sounds nicely from far away.
16695. The sound of the bell does not drive away rooks.
16696. The sound of the drum depends on the drummer.
16697. The sound of the drum is better from far.
16698. The soup makes the soldier.
16699. The soup would be none the worse for more meat.
16700. The sow has been greeted with music.
16701. The sow has gone through the shop.
16702. The sow prefers the mire.
16703. The sparrow flying behind the hawk thinks the hawk is fleeing.
16704. The speaker may well be a fool but the listener is wise.
16705. The spendthrift beats his money as if it were a carpet.
16706. The spider and the fly can't make a deal.
16707. The spider that knows what it will gain sits waiting patiently in its web.
16708. The praying mantis is never tired waiting all day.
16709. The spider's web lets the rat escape and catches the fly.
16710. The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.
16711. The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord.
16712. The spirit of women is made of quicksilver; their heart of wax.
16713. The spirit that keeps one going when one has no choice of what else to do must not be mistaken for valor.
16714. The splinter laughs at the broken pot.
16715. The spoken word perishes, the written words remain.
16716. The spoken word sometimes loses what silence has won.
16717. The spot will come out in the washing.
16718. The spouse of a woman is a man; the spouse of a man is his livelihood.
16719. The spring makes the stream flow.
16720. The squeaking wheel gets the grease.
16721. The stable wears out a horse more than the road.
16722. The stargazer's toe is often stubbed.
16723. The stars make no noise.
16724. The stars shine brightest when the moon is gone.
16725. The start of a journey should never be mistaken for success.
16726. The starving man will never burn his bread.
16727. The steed does not retain its speed forever.
16728. The stench of something rotting can't be hidden with incense.
16729. The steps at court are slippery.
16730. The stew mixed by many is ill-seasoned and worse cooked.
16731. The stew of cheap meat will be tasteless.
16732. The stew that boils much loses flavor.
16733. The stick in the hand kills the snake.
16734. The stick that breaks the window does not kill a dog.
16735. The sting of a reproach is the truth of it.
16736. The stingy one pays twice.
16737. The stitch is lost unless the thread be knotted.

16738. The stomach gets full before the eye.
16739. The stone that everybody spits upon will be wet at the last.
16740. The stone that is not in your way does not bother you.
16741. The stone will not move from its place, unless you cooperate.
16742. The stones of my native country are warmer than the ovens of Babylon.
16743. The stones of my river are as soft as a pillow.
16744. The store of rice in your attic is your enemy, it makes them who have none very jealous.
16745. The stranger has big eyes but he doesn't see anything.
16746. The strangers weep and leave; family members grieve.
16747. The straw that broke the camel's back.
16748. The streets are paved with gold.
16749. The streets of London are paved with gold.
16750. The strength of a fish is in the water.
16751. The strength of a nation is its knowledge.
16752. The strength of the heart comes from the soundness of the faith.
16753. The strength of the old is their ready counsel.
16754. The strictness of the teacher is better to bear than the prejudice of the father.
16755. The strings of the harp must be not too tight, and not too slack.
16756. The strong bull is overcome when it limps.
16757. The strong do not need clubs.
16758. The strong man's sport is the sickly man's death.
16759. The stronger the seam the worse the rent.
16760. The strongest among the disabled is the one who never forgets his disability.
16761. The strongest is always in the right.
16762. The strongest ox is only as strong as the old ox with a broken leg.
16763. The stubborn man is ruled by a fool.
16764. The stupid fear fortune, the wise endure it.
16765. The stupid head doesn't' leave feet in rest
16766. The style is the man himself.
16767. The success of a man is through the soles of his feet, that of a woman is from her legs.
16768. The summer comes and kisses the child; the winter comes and kills it.
16769. The sun also has its spots It is easy to be prudent in hindsight.
16770. The sun at home warms better than the sun away.
16771. The sun is still beautiful, though ready to set.
16772. The sun loses nothing by shining into a puddle.
16773. The sun never sets without fresh news.
16774. The sun passes over filth and is not defiled.
16775. The sun rises even if the cock does not crow.
16776. The sun rises for nothing.
16777. The sun shines for all the world.
16778. The sun will bring to light what lay under the snow.
16779. The sun will shine even into a pile of twigs.
16780. The sun will shine into our yard too.
16781. The sun will shine on those who stand before it shines on those who kneel under them.
16782. The sun won't stay behind the cloud.
16783. The sun-dial counts only the bright hours.

16784. The Sun, when it rises, is for everybody.
16785. The sunrise hour has gold in its mouth.
16786. The superior doctor prevents sickness.
16787. The inferior doctor treats actual sickness.
16788. The surface of the water is beautiful, but it is no good to sleep on.
16789. The swans will not sing till the jackdaws are quiet.
16790. The sweetest grapes hang highest.
16791. The swift are overtaken by the slow.
16792. The swindler readily cheats the covetous man.
16793. The swine do not know what heaven is.
16794. The sword and the ring according to the hand that bears them.
16795. The sword keeps the peace of the land.
16796. The tail is always the hardest part to flay.
16797. The tail of the dog never get straight even if you set a mold for it.
16798. The tailor ill-dressed, the shoemaker ill-shod.
16799. The tailor makes the man.
16800. The tale is marred in the telling.
16801. The talk of the day is the dream of the night.
16802. The talker talks and causes death in his family.
16803. The talker will lead the dog to the meat market.
16804. The talkers aren't strong; the strong don't talk.
16805. The talkers' sows, the listener reaps.
16806. The tall one wouldn't bend; the short one wouldn't stretch and the kiss was lost.
16807. The taller the bamboo grows, the lower it bends.
16808. The taller the house, the heavier the storm.
16809. The tallest blade of grass is the first to be cut by the scythe.
16810. The tallest tree is rooted in the ground.
16811. The tar of my country is better than the honey of others.
16812. The taste of cold water after drinking is a pleasure that the teetotaler will never know.
16813. The tavern is far, but I will walk carefully.
16814. The teacher has not taught, until the student has learned.
16815. The tears of an heir are laughter under a mask.
16816. The tears of strangers are only water.
16817. The tears of the adulteress are ever ready to be shed.
16818. The tears of the roasting meat kindle the fire even more.
16819. The teeth are not match for the nut.
16820. The teeth are smiling, but is the heart?
16821. The teeth often bite the tongue, still the two stay together.
16822. The teeth sometimes bite the tongue.
16823. The teeth that laugh are also those that bite.
16824. The tender surgeon makes the wound gangrene.
16825. The test of merit is success.
16826. The thief becomes the gallows well.
16827. The thief can lie, those he has stolen from cannot.
16828. The thief cannot find any tree that suits him for a gallows.
16829. The thief has a chicken's heart, he sleeps in fear.
16830. The thief has a feather on his head.
16831. The thief hates the moon.

16832. The thief is frightened even by a mouse.
16833. The thief is no danger to the beggar.
16834. The thief is sorry he is to be hanged, not that he is a thief.
16835. The thief makes perhaps one mistake; those he stole from made a hundred.
16836. The thief stole from the thief; God looked on and got astonished.
16837. The thief that is not caught is a king.
16838. The thief thinks everybody steals.
16839. The thief thinks that all are like himself.
16840. The thief who has no opportunity to steal thinks he is an honest man.
16841. The thief who isn't caught is an honest salesman.
16842. The thief's wife does not always laugh.
16843. The third person makes good company.
16844. The third time it will be final.
16845. The thirsty fig sits waiting patiently, waiting for the arrival of the rains.
16846. The thirteenth man brings death.
16847. The thorn comes into the world point foremost.
16848. The thoughtless person buries a well when he is thirsty.
16849. The thread breaks where it is thinnest.
16850. The threatener loses the opportunity of vengeance.
16851. The three most beautiful sights: a potato garden in bloom, a ship under sail, and a woman after the birth of a child.
16852. The threshold says nothing but what it hears of the hinge.
16853. The thrower of stones throws away the strength of his own arm.
16854. The tide will fetch away what the ebb brings.
16855. The tiger depends on the forest; the forest depends on the tiger.
16856. The tiger's son comes out painted.
16857. The tighter you squeeze, the less you have.
16858. The time to collect grapes only ends with the washing of baskets.
16859. The time to make friends is before you need them.
16860. The time wasted the saints cry for.
16861. The times are changed, and we are changed in them.
16862. The tip of a finger cannot be touched by itself.
16863. The tired mare goes willingly to grass.
16864. The tired ox plants his foot firmly.
16865. The tiredness of the body is the health of the soul.
16866. The title is one thing, the contents another.
16867. The toad likes water, but not when it's boiling.
16868. The toe of the star-gazer is often stubbed.
16869. The tongue always returns to the sore tooth.
16870. The tongue can paint what the eye can't see.
16871. The tongue ever turns to the aching tooth
16872. The tongue forgets more than the ear.
16873. The tongue goes to the aching tooth.
16874. The tongue has no bones, yet it breaks bones.
16875. The tongue is more to be feared than the sword.
16876. The tongue is not steel, yet it cuts.
16877. The tongue is safe; even among thirty teeth.
16878. The tongue is the worst piece of meat in the world.

16879. The tongue of a bad friend cuts more than a knife.
16880. The tongue of a woman is the sword that is never allowed to rust.
16881. The tongue of experience utters the most truth.
16882. The tongue of idle persons is never idle.
16883. The tongue of men is the whip of God.
16884. The tongue of the fool is always long.
16885. The tongue slumbers more than the foot.
16886. The tongue steals what is in the heart.
16887. The tongue that concedes will not wear out; obstinate teeth fall out.
16888. The tongue wounds more than a lance.
16889. The tools of war are weapons.
16890. The tooth often bites the tongue, and yet they keep together.
16891. The toothless man envies those who can eat well.
16892. The torment of envy is like a grain of sand in the eye.
16893. The torment of the grave is known only by the corpse.
16894. The town is new every day.
16895. The town that parleys is half surrendered.
16896. The trade of thick-headed Michael: eating, drinking, and idling.
16897. The treason approved, the traitor abhorred.
16898. The treason pleases, but the traitors are odious.
16899. The tree breaks that takes all the force of the wind.
16900. The tree can be recognized by its fruits.
16901. The tree casts its shadow on everything, even upon the woodcutter.
16902. The tree does not fall at the first stroke.
16903. The tree is felled.
16904. The tree is known by its fruit.
16905. The tree is not felled at one blow.
16906. The tree is not to be judged of by its bark.
16907. The tree is sure to be pruned before it reaches the skies.
16908. The tree makes shafts for axes.
16909. The tree must be bent while it is young.
16910. The tree of silence bears the fruit of peace.
16911. The tree that cannot shed its old leaves in the dry season cannot survive the period of drought.
16912. The tree that is not taller than you cannot shade you.
16913. The tree will not sway without a trace of wind.
16914. The trees with most leaves will not necessarily produce juicy fruit.
16915. The trouble never comes alone.
16916. The trouble of many - half of the consolation.
16917. The truly rich are those who enjoy what they have.
16918. The trumpet player dies, and his finger is still playing.
16919. The truth can be heard from the lips of a child.
16920. The truth comes forward in wine.
16921. The truth is a heavy burden that few care to carry.
16922. The truth is half a quarrel.
16923. The truth is in the wine.
16924. The truth is like gold: keep it locked up and you will find it exactly as you first put it away.

16925. The truth is often bitter.
16926. The truth is sometimes best left unsaid.
16927. The truth passes through fire and does not burn.
16928. The truth shall set you free.
16929. The truth shouldn't be silenced to spare someone.
16930. The truth will set you free.
16931. The Tsar has three hands but only one ear.
16932. The turd is proud that the river will carry it.
16933. The turtle lays thousands of eggs without anyone knowing, but when the hen lays an egg, the whole country is informed.
16934. The turtle underestimates the value of fast feet.
16935. The twig that falls in the water will never become a fish.
16936. The two make a pair.
16937. The tyrant is only the slave turned inside out.
16938. The udder of a neighbor's cow is always bigger.
16939. The ugliest life is better than the nicest death.
16940. The ugly woman is chaste by her own nature.
16941. The umbrella was made for rainy days; the white man uses it for the sun.
16942. The unbidden guest is ever a pest.
16943. The unexpected always happens.
16944. The unfaithful woman has remorse, the faithful one has regret.
16945. The unfortunate know who are their real friends.
16946. The unfortunate would be bitten by toothless dogs.
16947. The ungrateful son is like a wart on his father's face; to leave it there is unsightly, to cut it off is painful.
16948. The unknown does not tempt.
16949. The unknown is ever imagined.
16950. The unlucky finds bones in his/her tripe dinner!
16951. The unlucky will stay unlucky, even if they hang a.
16952. The unrighteous penny consumes the righteous dollar.
16953. The unscrupulous succeed every time.
16954. The upright never grow rich in a hurry.
16955. The urine of one dog will not pollute the ocean.
16956. The used key is always bright.
16957. The used plough shines, standing water stinks.
16958. The value is determined by the agreement of two people.
16959. The value of youth will be known in old age.
16960. The venom is in the tail.
16961. The very best is the enemy of the good.
16962. The very fact that we are looking for something usually stands in the way of our finding it.
16963. The very time I thought I was lost, my dungeon shook and my chains fell off.
16964. The vessel doesn't go if everyone rows in their own way.
16965. The village feeds the town.
16966. The village is burning and the granny is combing her hair.
16967. The village that one can see requires no guide.
16968. The villain that becomes rich knows neither friends nor family.
16969. The viper assumes the colors of his surroundings.

16970. The virtue of a woman does not go deep but her passion knows no limit.
16971. The virtue of parents is in itself a great legacy.
16972. The virtue of silence is a great piece of knowledge.
16973. The virtuous will be praised but not envied.
16974. The voice of a poor man does not carry very far.
16975. The voice of one crying in the wilderness.
16976. The voice of one man is the voice of no one.
16977. The voice of the people is louder than the boom of a canon.
16978. The voice of the people is the voice of God.
16979. The voice of the poor has no echo.
16980. The vulture embraced the chicken until its last breath.
16981. The vultures would not land at the village in which there is a wise old man.
16982. The wages of sin is death.
16983. The wagon must go whither the horses draw it.
16984. The wagon rests in winter, the sleigh in summer, the horse never.
16985. The wagtail hops and flaps its wings, but the male dove feeds and coos.
16986. The walking-stick reaches many lands, the word many more.
16987. The wallet of the timid man neither increases nor decreases.
16988. The walls have ears.
16989. The walls have mice, the mice have ears.
16990. The war horses are born on the frontiers.
16991. The war is lost for too much advice.
16992. The warnings of age are the weapons of youth.
16993. The watched chicken never lays.
16994. The water breaks out where it is not expected.
16995. The water can only flow thanks to the well
16996. The water carrier does not drink mud.
16997. The water doesn't move.
16998. The water from the river becomes salty when it reaches the ocean.
16999. The water in a coconut is an ocean to an ant.
17000. The water in which one drowns is always an ocean.
17001. The water of the river flows on without waiting for the thirsty man.
17002. The water runs while the miller sleeps.
17003. The water that a ship sails on is the same water that swallows it up.
17004. The water that bears the ship is the same that engulfs it.
17005. The water will find its way.
17006. The water you collect from the stream teaches you about its source.
17007. The way (the road) to hell is paved with good intentions.
17008. The way it came is the way it will go.
17009. The way of a slothful man is as a hedge of thorns.
17010. The way one eats is the way one works.
17011. The way the devil reads the bible.
17012. The way to a man's heart is through his stomach.
17013. The way to be safe is never to feel secure.
17014. The way you bring up a child is the way it grows.
17015. The way you make your bed, that's how you'll sleep.
17016. The way you yell into a forest, the way it echoes out.
17017. The weak can never forgive Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong.

17018. The weak warrior wearing sandals overcomes the brave with a thorn in his foot.
17019. The weakest go to the wall.
17020. The weakness of an enemy forms part of our own strength.
17021. The wearer best knows where the shoe pinches.
17022. The weather vane will not work without wind.
17023. The weather, fleecy clouds, and a made up woman don't last long.
17024. The wedding feast is not made with mushrooms only.
17025. The wedding lasts for two or three days, but the trouble stays longer.
17026. The weeping bride makes a laughing wife.
17027. The well fed one does not believe the hungry one.
17028. The well gives, but the bucket refuses.
17029. The well that is most often used gives the purest water.
17030. The well-being of the patient is the most important law.
17031. The well-fed man does not believe in hunger.
17032. The wet branch burns better than the dry stone.
17033. The wheel that squeaks loudest gets most of the fat.
17034. The wheel turns round.
17035. The while we keep a man waiting, he reflects on our shortcomings.
17036. The whip hits at the legs, not the guilt.
17037. The whisper of a pretty girl can be heard further than the roar of a lion.
17038. The whisperer's tongue is worse than serpent's venom.
17039. The white coat does not make the miller.
17040. The white flower has bloomed; it is time to sleep outside.
17041. The white man lives in the castle; when he dies, he lies in the ground.
17042. The white man never forgets Europe.
17043. The whole dignity of man lies in the power of thought.
17044. The whole is greater than the sum of the parts.
17045. The whole ocean is made up of single drops.
17046. The whole of Gaul is divided into three parts.
17047. The whole Soviet country is visible from the Kremlin.
17048. The wicked even hate vice in others.
17049. The wicked shun the light as the devil does the cross.
17050. The wicked work harder to preach hell than the righteous do to get to heaven.
17051. The widow is just as fiery as the horse that threw her.
17052. The wife carries the husband on her face; the husband carries the wife on his clothes.
17053. The wife cries before the wedding, the husband after.
17054. The wife is twice precious only; when led into the house, and when taken out.
17055. The wife of a careless man is almost a widow.
17056. The will cannot be compelled.
17057. The will gives the work its name.
17058. The will is taken for the deed.
17059. The will is the soul of the work.
17060. The will of the heart is to hug the mountain, but the arm is not long enough.
17061. The wind cannot be caught in a net.
17062. The wind changes every day, a woman every second.
17063. The wind does not always blow from the same quarter.
17064. The wind of a thousand chills.
17065. The wind sweeps the road clean.

17066. The wind will let us neither sail nor stay.
17067. The winds of heaven change suddenly; so do human fortunes.
17068. The windy day is not a day for scallops thatching.
17069. The wine has been poured and must be drunk.
17070. The wine is not known by the hoops.
17071. The wine-skin has its reasons for smelling of pitch.
17072. The winner has many friends, the loser has good friends.
17073. The winter does not leave without a backward glance.
17074. The wise do as much as they should, not as much as they can.
17075. The wise drunkard is a sober fool.
17076. The wise hand does not all that the tongue says.
17077. The wise man and the tortoise travel but never leave their home.
17078. The wise man asks questions of himself; the fool questions others.
17079. The wise man does not hang his knowledge on a hook.
17080. The wise man doesn't say what he does but he never does what can't be said.
17081. The wise man forgets insults as the ungrateful forget benefits.
17082. The wise man has long ears and a short tongue.
17083. The wise man is father of the fool.
17084. The wise man learns more from his enemies than a fool does from his friends.
17085. The wise man looks ahead.
17086. The fool attempts to fool himself and won't face facts.
17087. The wise man says 'I am looking for truth'; and the fool, 'I have found truth'.
17088. The wise man says what he knows; the fool doesn't know what he is saying.
17089. The wise man sits on the hole in his carpet.
17090. The wise man who does not put his knowledge into practice is like a bee that gives no honey.
17091. The wise man will be cheated only once.
17092. The wise man, even when he holds his tongue, says more than the fool when he speaks.
17093. The wise must be respected, even when the advice they give is not suitable.
17094. The wise person has long ears and a short tongue.
17095. The wise traveler leaves his heart at home.
17096. The wise understand; fools follow the reports of others.
17097. The wise with a wink, the fool with a kick.
17098. The wiser the man, the fewer his words.
17099. The wish is father to the thought.
17100. The wish is the father of the deed.
17101. The wit one wants spoils what one has.
17102. The witness of a rat is another rat.
17103. The wolf and the dog agree about the goat, which together they eat.
17104. The wolf and the fox are both in one story.
17105. The wolf bemoans the sheep, and then eats it.
17106. The wolf can always be hired very cheap as a shepherd.
17107. The wolf changes his coat, but not his disposition.
17108. The wolf commits no mischief at home.
17109. The wolf dies where the pack is.
17110. The wolf eats of what is counted.
17111. The wolf has a thick neck, because he does his job on his own.

17112. The wolf is always left out of the reckoning.
17113. The wolf is always said to be bigger than he is.
17114. The wolf is always said to be more terrible than he is.
17115. The wolf is beaten not for being grey, but for having eaten a sheep.
17116. The wolf is not afraid of the dog, but he doesn't like the sound of his barking.
17117. The wolf is not always a wolf.
17118. The wolf is not as big as people make him.
17119. The wolf is well pleased with the kick of a sheep.
17120. The wolf loses his teeth but not his inclinations.
17121. The wolf loves the fog.
17122. The wolf never wants a pretext against the lamb.
17123. The wolf picks up the ass's fleas by moonlight.
17124. The wolf preys not in his own field.
17125. The wolf spared the mare, left a tail and mane.
17126. The wolf will die in his skin.
17127. The wolf will hire himself out very cheaply as a shepherd.
17128. The wolves are sated, and the sheep are intact.
17129. The woman cries before the wedding and the man after.
17130. The woman had no trouble, so she bought a piglet.
17131. The woman in finery, the house in filth, but the doorway swept.
17132. The woman is cold water that kills you; deep water that you drown in.
17133. The woman of a man without sorrows is almost a widow.
17134. The woman who deceives her husband makes her lover swear never to be unfaithful to her.
17135. The woman who does not covet the possessions of her husband is in love with another man.
17136. The woman who dresses well attracts the husband from another woman's door.
17137. The woman who loves her husband corrects his faults; the man that loves his wife exaggerates them.
17138. The woman who takes a wolf for a husband is always looking into the wood.
17139. The woman who tells her age is either too young to have anything to lose or too old to have anything to gain.
17140. The woman, beautiful above, ends in a fish tail.
17141. The wood has ears, the field has eyes.
17142. The wood is burnt, but the ashes are a nuisance.
17143. The wood is the poor man's coat.
17144. The word 'enough' does not exist for water, fire, and women.
17145. The word 'yes' brings trouble; the word 'no' leads to no evil.
17146. The word of a powerful man is the truth.
17147. The word of a woman is a bundle of water.
17148. The word of a woman is as a little feather on the water.
17149. The word of the elders becomes sweet the day after.
17150. The word of the king is the king of words.
17151. The word that is heard perishes, but the letter that is written remains.
17152. The words of tongue should have three gate keepers.
17153. The work praises the workman.
17154. The work will teach you how to do it.
17155. The workmanship surpassed the material.

17156. The world agrees in one word, time is golden.
17157. The world at large doesn't lead to hell nor does the monastery lead to heaven.
17158. The world belongs to the phlegmatic.
17159. The world could have been great if only people had been more useful.
17160. The world desires to be deceived; therefore it is.
17161. The world does not make promises to anybody.
17162. The world exists on three things: truth, justice, and peace.
17163. The world flatters the elephant and tramples on the ant.
17164. The world goes as it will and not as you or I would want it.
17165. The world has not made a promise to anybody.
17166. The world is a barrel, for all to draw from.
17167. The world is a big place but there is so little room in it.
17168. The world is a good teacher, but it charges a huge fee.
17169. The world is a ladder for some to go up and others down.
17170. The world is a pot, man but a spoon in it.
17171. The world is a rose; smell it and pass it on to your friends.
17172. The world is a round gulf, and he who cannot swim must go to the bottom.
17173. The world is a tavern and the way hereafter is our home.
17174. The world is a wheel and men are the felloes, and the devil prowling around spins.
17175. The world is for him who has patience.
17176. The world is governed with little brains.
17177. The world is in the hands of fools.
17178. The world is left to the young.
17179. The world is like a staircase; some go up, others go down.
17180. The world is like carrion; those who love and eat from it are dogs.
17181. The world is like that: one gives a melon; the other gets the stomach cramps.
17182. The world is nonsense: what looks beautiful in the morning looks ugly in the evening.
17183. The world is our house Keep it clean.
17184. The world is the traveler's inn.
17185. The world is wide to everyone.
17186. The world is your oyster.
17187. The world likes to be cheated.
17188. The world teaches you more than your supervisor.
17189. The world will not find rest by just saying 'Peace'.
17190. The world will surely teach one; if nothing else, than to walk slowly.
17191. The world would not make a racehorse of a donkey.
17192. The world's a stage; each plays his part, and takes his share.
17193. The worlds of the elders do not lock all the doors; they leave the right door open.
17194. The worse service, the better luck.
17195. The worse the carpenter the more the chips.
17196. The worse the dun, the worst the paymaster.
17197. The worse the passage the more welcome the port.
17198. The worse the wheel, the more it creaks.
17199. The worst ache is the present ache.
17200. The worst behaved students turn out to be the most pious preachers.
17201. The worst blind is the one who doesn't want to see.
17202. The worst clothed go to windward.
17203. The worst devil is the one who prays.

17204. The worst ewe dungs in the milking-pail.
17205. The worst good day is always better than the best bad day.
17206. The worst is not always certain but it's very likely.
17207. The worst jests are those that are true.
17208. The worst kind of dog is the one who does not want to bite.
17209. The worst kind of poverty is to have many debts.
17210. The worst life is better than the best death.
17211. The worst neighbor - is the closest relation.
17212. The worst of a lawsuit is that out of one there grow a hundred.
17213. The worst pig often gets the best pear.
17214. The worst way to miss someone is to be sitting right beside them knowing you can't have them.
17215. The worst wheel always creaks most.
17216. The worth of a thing is best known by the want.
17217. The worth of a thing is what it will bring.
17218. The wound heals, the scar remains.
17219. The wound of words is worse than the wound of swords.
17220. The wrath of brothers is fierce and devilish.
17221. The wrong doer is never without a pretext.
17222. The wrong-headed fool who refuses counsel, will come to grief.
17223. The wrongdoer forgets, but not the wronged.
17224. The Yangtse never runs backwards; man recaptures not his youth.
17225. The year has a wide mouth and a big belly.
17226. The young bird does not crow until it hears the old ones.
17227. The young cannot teach tradition to the old.
17228. The young goose is a good swimmer.
17229. The young laugh when the old fall.
17230. The young magpie that pulls feathers out of his mother thinks that he is showing gratitude in that way.
17231. The young may die, the old must die.
17232. The young pig must often suffer for what the old sow did.
17233. The young ravens are beaked like the old.
17234. The young rooster crows as he hears the old one.
17235. The young should be taught, the old should be honored.
17236. The younger brother the better gentleman.
17237. Their dogs don't hunt in couples.
17238. Their harms, our arms.
17239. Their mosquito won't bite me.
17240. There are kinds of lunacy, but only one kind of common sense.
17241. There are a thousand paths to every wrong.
17242. There are all honest men, but my cloak is not to be found.
17243. There are always more fish in the sea.
17244. There are bad things that come for the good.
17245. There are eyes that fall in love with bleared ones.
17246. There are figs and figs.
17247. There are finer fish in the sea than have ever been caught.
17248. There are five ways in which to become wise: be silent, listen, remember, grow older and study.

17249. There are good and bad everywhere.
17250. There are good dogs of all sizes.
17251. There are ills that happen for good.
17252. There are lees to every wine.
17253. There are many days in the year, and still more meals.
17254. There are many fathers, but only one mother.
17255. There are many languages on earth, but one in heaven.
17256. There are many lies but barely one truth.
17257. There are many paths to the top of the mountain, but the view is always the same.
17258. There are many people who can sing, but don't know the words.
17259. There are many preachers who don't hear themselves.
17260. There are many roads to Rome.
17261. There are many turns in the marriage tune.
17262. There are many ways of killing a pig other than by choking it with butter.
17263. There are many ways to leave this world but only one way to come into it.
17264. There are many who throw stones at a red apple.
17265. There are many witty men whose brains can't fill their bellies.
17266. There are many words that are like salted jam.
17267. There are men who walk through the woods and see no trees.
17268. There are more asses than carry sacks.
17269. There are more buyers than connoisseurs.
17270. There are more chains than mad dogs.
17271. There are more foolish buyers than foolish sellers.
17272. There are more hands than heads.
17273. There are more old tipplers than old doctors.
17274. There are more prostitutes in hiding than there are public ones.
17275. There are more thieves than gallows.
17276. There are more threatened than hurt.
17277. There are more tides than sailors.
17278. There are more ways of killing a dog than hanging it.
17279. There are more ways to the wood than one.
17280. There are no arguments against facts.
17281. There are no bad ships or winds, there are bad captains.
17282. There are no beautiful prisons or ugly loved ones.
17283. There are no better masters than poverty and wants.
17284. There are no birds in last year's nest.
17285. There are no cakes without work.
17286. There are no children nowadays.
17287. There are no endings: only new beginnings.
17288. There are no facts; only interpretations of facts.
17289. There are no fat chicken for little money.
17290. There are no foolish trades, there are only foolish people.
17291. There are no friends in tastes and colours.
17292. There are no greater promisers than those who have nothing to give.
17293. There are no miracles for those that have no faith in them.
17294. There are no national frontiers to learning.
17295. There are no old friendships in business.
17296. There are no roses without thorns.

17297. There are no shortcuts to the top of the palm tree.
17298. There are no small parts, only small actors.
17299. There are no virgins in a brothel.
17300. There are no women or horses without shortcomings.
17301. There are none so deaf as those who will not hear advice.
17302. There are not many who would announce their faults with a gong.
17303. There are old men of three years old and children of a hundred.
17304. There are only twenty-four hours in the day.
17305. There are only two things from which to choose: profit or loss.
17306. There are people who place a basket on your head to see what you carry.
17307. There are plenty more fish in the sea.
17308. There are simple remedies for sausages that are too long.
17309. There are so many things to say that are better left unsaid.
17310. There are some things I'd rather not say, so don't ask me!
17311. There are some who despise pride with a greater pride.
17312. There are some who see ill, and would like to see worse.
17313. There are some words that look like salted jam.
17314. There are such things as false truths and honest lies.
17315. There are thirty-six ways to flee, but to run away is the best.
17316. There are three faithful friends: an old wife, an old dog, and ready money.
17317. There are three friends in this world: courage, sense, and insight.
17318. There are toys for all ages.
17319. There are tricks in all trades.
17320. There are twenty-five uncaught sparrows for a penny.
17321. There are two great pleasures in gambling: that of winning and that of losing.
17322. There are two perfectly good men, one dead, and the other unborn.
17323. There are two sides to every question.
17324. There are two things a person should never be angry at, what they can help, and what they cannot.
17325. There belongs more than whistling to going to plough.
17326. There can be no judge without an accused.
17327. There can be no middle ground.
17328. There come as many calf-skins to market as ox-skins.
17329. There come just as many calf-skins as cow-skins to market.
17330. There goes more than one mule to market.
17331. There goes more to marriage than four bare legs in a bed.
17332. There has to be a first time for everything, even our most natural habits.
17333. There is a bad potato in every sack.
17334. There is a black sheep in every flock.
17335. There is a cause for all things.
17336. There is a deep sea between saying and doing.
17337. There is a fool at every feast.
17338. There is a good time coming.
17339. There is a great art in selling the wind.
17340. There is a great difference between the just and the unjust.
17341. There is a great uproar made about the debt of a poor man.
17342. There is a hole in the truth-teller's hat.
17343. There is a long way between the cup and the lips.

17344. There is a pinch of the madman in every great man.
17345. There is a place for everything, and everything in its place.
17346. There is a reason in roasting of an egg.
17347. There is a remedy for everything; it is called death.
17348. There is a season for all things.
17349. There is a skeleton in every house.
17350. There is a stitch loose with him.
17351. There is a thin line between love and hate.
17352. There is always a Pharaoh who does not know Joseph.
17353. There is always lots of time to die and to pay.
17354. There is always room at the top.
17355. There is always room for the person you love, even if the house is crowded.
17356. There is always something the matter with a bad child.
17357. There is an exception to every rule.
17358. There is an herb for every kind of sickness but not for death.
17359. There is bound to be a knot in a very long string.
17360. There is but an hour a day between a good housewife and a bad one.
17361. There is danger when a dog has once tasted flesh.
17362. There is enmity between to dig and to let dig.
17363. There is gold on those ragworts.
17364. There is gossip every day, but if no one listens anymore the gossip will die.
17365. There is help for everything, except death.
17366. There is honor among thieves.
17367. There is hope from the sea, but none from the grave.
17368. There is light at the end of the tunnel.
17369. There is little use building a fence around the garden to keep out the rabbits.
17370. There is little use in watching a bad woman.
17371. There is luck in leisure.
17372. There is luck in odd numbers.
17373. There is many a good tune played on an old fiddle.
17374. There is many a slip twixt cup and lip.
17375. There is measure in all things.
17376. There is more disputing about the shell than the kernel.
17377. There is more light than can be seen through the window.
17378. There is more than one way to get Wil to bed.
17379. There is more to be feared from the doctor than the disease.
17380. There is neither wisdom nor courage in an empty belly.
17381. There is never a fish without a bone, and no man without faults.
17382. There is never a great dunghill at a sportsman’s door.
17383. There is never enmity between the cook and the butler.
17384. There is never trust without loss.
17385. There is never wanting a dog to bark at you.
17386. There is no accounting for tastes.
17387. There is no appeal from time past.
17388. There is no arguing with a barrel of a gun.
17389. There is no bad food in a famine.
17390. There is no bad weather only bad clothing.
17391. There is no beast so savage but sports with its mate.

17392. There is no better friend than a burden.
17393. There is no better patch than one off the same cloth.
17394. There is no better sale than when you give a true friend what he needs.
17395. There is no better surgeon than one with many scars.
17396. There is no blindness but the blindness of the heart.
17397. There is no bush so small but casts its shadow.
17398. There is no chapel so small but has its saint.
17399. There is no choicer morsel than that which is stolen.
17400. There is no coat big enough to hide both poverty and drunkenness.
17401. There is no coincidence in getting married.
17402. There is no cure against a slanderer's bite.
17403. There is no cure that does not have its price.
17404. There is no day without its night.
17405. There is no departing from the words of the law.
17406. There is no difference between a wise man and a fool when they fall in love.
17407. There is no disinterested gift.
17408. There is no doctor on the day you die.
17409. There is no dog, be he ever so wicked, but wags his tail.
17410. There is no economy in going to bed early to save candles if the result is twins.
17411. There is no eel so small but it hopes to become a whale.
17412. There is no elephant that complains about the weight of its trunk No elephant is burdened by the weight of its tusks.
17413. There is no escape from heaven's web.
17414. There is no evil without goodness.
17415. There is no exemption for every rule.
17416. There is no fish in well-water; there is no leaf on dry wood.
17417. There is no fishing for trout in dry breeches.
17418. There is no flavour in a swallowed morsel.
17419. There is no flower that lasts ten days and no might last ten years.
17420. There is no flying without wings.
17421. There is no fool like a learned fool.
17422. There is no getting blood from a turnip.
17423. There is no god except God.
17424. There is no god like one's stomach; we must sacrifice to it every day.
17425. There is no going to heaven in a sedan.
17426. There is no good in preaching to the hungry.
17427. There is no greater fraud than a promise not kept.
17428. There is no greater misfortune than your own.
17429. There is no greater misfortune, than to not be able to endure misfortune.
17430. There is no hand to catch time.
17431. There is no happiness; there are only moments of happiness.
17432. There is no helping him who will not be advised.
17433. There is no honey without gall.
17434. There is no honor when there is nothing to eat.
17435. There is no household without domestic fight.
17436. There is no hunting but with old hounds.
17437. There is no ivory in the mouth of a dog.
17438. There is no joy without alloy.

17439. There is no law written for fools.
17440. There is no little enemy.
17441. There is no lock on the purse of a gambler.
17442. There is no lock, if the pick is of gold.
17443. There is no love like mothers, nor a place like homeland.
17444. There is no luck except where there is discipline.
17445. There is no making pancakes without breaking the eggs.
17446. There is no man nor thing without his defect, and often they have two or three of them.
17447. There is no medicine for a fool.
17448. There is no medicine to cure hatred.
17449. There is no misfortune that doesn't come because of good.
17450. There is no mother like the mother that bore us.
17451. There is no nail varnish that can make old hands look younger.
17452. There is no need for fish in an empty pond.
17453. There is no need like the lack of a friend.
17454. There is no need to bind up one's head before it is broken.
17455. There is no need to blow what does not burn you.
17456. There is no need to whip docile horses.
17457. There is no off switch on a tiger.
17458. There is no old bread that cannot find its cheese.
17459. There is no one luckier than he who thinks himself so.
17460. There is no one who became rich because he broke a holiday, and no one who became fat because he broke a fast.
17461. There is no other happiness but peace.
17462. There is no phrase that doesn't have a double meaning.
17463. There is no physician who can cure the disease of love.
17464. There is no pillow so soft as a clear conscience.
17465. There is no place like home.
17466. There is no point in combing where there is no hair.
17467. There is no point in offering a helping hand to someone who wants to drown.
17468. There is no point in showing the way to an old hare.
17469. There is no point of knowledge or wisdom if not dotted.
17470. There is no pot so bad but finds it cover.
17471. There is no pride like that of a beggar grown rich.
17472. There is no queue at the gate of Patience.
17473. There is no reason for war that reasonable men cannot resolve.
17474. There is no remedy against the bite of a secret slanderer.
17475. There is no remedy for death, but death itself is a remedy.
17476. There is no remedy for what will be and who will die.
17477. There is no repentance after death.
17478. There is no reply to the ignorant like keeping silence.
17479. There is no return, worse luck for could I return, I would foresee what has come into the country.
17480. There is no right way to do a wrong thing.
17481. There is no robber worse than a bad book.
17482. There is no room for two dragons in one pond.
17483. There is no rose without a thorn.

17484. There is no royal road to learning.
17485. There is no rule without an exception.
17486. There is no saint so petty but claims his own candle.
17487. There is no science without patience.
17488. There is no shame in not knowing; the shame lies in not finding out.
17489. There is no smooth way from the earth to the stars.
17490. There is no spite like that of a proud beggar.
17491. There is no strength without unity.
17492. There is no stripping a naked man.
17493. There is no such path, which has not been walked along before.
17494. There is no such thing as a pretty good omelet.
17495. There is no such thing as an insignificant enemy.
17496. There is no such thing as bad food when you are really hungry.
17497. There is no such thing as dirty clothes when it is cold.
17498. There is no such thing as free of charge.
17499. There is no such thing as tasty medicine.
17500. There is no such witness as a good measure of wine.
17501. There is no such word as ‘can’t’.
17502. There is no tax upon lying.
17503. There is no thief without a receiver.
17504. There is no time like the present.
17505. There is no truth in feet.
17506. There is no use in blowing a fire that burns well.
17507. There is no use in pissing into the wind.
17508. There is no virtue in a promise unless it be kept.
17509. There is no way to teach a machine wisdom after folly.
17510. There is no wheat without chaff.
17511. There is no wind that blows right for the sailor who doesn’t know where the harbor is.
17512. There is no winter for who has remained in his mother’s womb.
17513. There is no wise response to a foolish remark.
17514. There is no woman who sleeps so deeply that the sound of a guitar won’t bring her to the window.
17515. There is no worse apprentice than the one who doesn’t want to know.
17516. There is no worse devil than a farmer who wants to be a gentleman.
17517. There is no worse fruit than that which never ripens.
17518. There is none so deaf as he who will not hear.
17519. There is not a pair of ears for every Jew.
17520. There is not so much comfort in having children as there is sorrow in parting with them.
17521. There is not such a thing in the world as a sheep of many colours.
17522. There is nothing better than a rich wife and a generous mother-in-law.
17523. There is nothing certain, but the uncertain.
17524. There is nothing hidden between Heaven and Earth.
17525. There is nothing like deprivation to generate thanks for small mercies.
17526. There is nothing like leather.
17527. There is nothing lost by civility.
17528. There is nothing more telling than wit.
17529. There is nothing new under the sun.

17530. There is nothing new, but what has become antiquated.
17531. There is nothing noble in being superior to some other person. The true nobility is in being superior to your previous self.
17532. There is nothing permanent except change.
17533. There is nothing so bad but may be of some use.
17534. There is nothing so eloquent as the rattlesnake's tail.
17535. There is nothing so evil as the mind of a virtuous woman.
17536. There is nothing so intolerable as a fortunate fool.
17537. There is nothing so secret but it transpires.
17538. There is nothing so well done but may be mended.
17539. There is nothing to be gained by buying inferior goods.
17540. There is one born every minute.
17541. There is one fish in the pond, and ten anglers on the bank.
17542. There is one who kisses, and the other who offers a cheek.
17543. There is only eight years between success and failure in politics.
17544. There is only one thing harder than looking for a dewdrop in the dew, and that is fishing for a clam in the clam chowder.
17545. There is plenty of corn in Castile, but he who has none, starves.
17546. There is plenty of sound in an empty barrel.
17547. There is reason in the roasting of eggs.
17548. There is safety in numbers.
17549. There is some distance between Peter and Peter.
17550. There is something in the misfortune of our best friends which does not displease us.
17551. There is sunshine after every rainfall.
17552. There is truth even in rumor.
17553. There is, to be sure, no evil without something good.
17554. There isn't a rainy season without mosquitos.
17555. There isn't a sword that would cut off a golden hand.
17556. There lies a lion in every heart.
17557. There may be deep bottoms in still waters.
17558. There may be snow on the roof, but there's fire in the belly.
17559. There must be some moderation.
17560. There never came ill of good advisement.
17561. There never was a five-pound note but there was a ten-pound road for it.
17562. There never was a looking-glass that told a woman she was ugly.
17563. There never was an old slipper but there was an old stocking to match it.
17564. There often lies falsehood beneath a pretty skin.
17565. There once was a good mother-in-law but the wolf gobbled her up.
17566. There the hedge is lowest, men leap over.
17567. There used to be a wick lamp and a candle - now there exists.
17568. There was a time they loved an accordionist, and now the time has come where they love a tractor driver.
17569. There was already twenty in the family, so my grandmother had a baby.
17570. There was anguish before there was man.
17571. There were never fewer nobles than when all would be so.
17572. There were once three brothers: a lie, theft and the gallows.
17573. There will always be splatter when mortar is spread.
17574. There will be a day for the oppressor when he will be crushed like garlic.

17575. There will be bumps on the smoothest roads.
17576. There will be no bread from that flour.
17577. There will be sleeping enough in the grave.
17578. There will be trouble if the cobbler starts making pies.
17579. There will not be two deaths, but one is inevitable.
17580. There will surely be some noise, when two madmen come together.
17581. There would be no ill word if it were not ill taken.
17582. There wouldn't be such a thing as counterfeit gold if there were no real gold somewhere.
17583. There'll be a holiday in our street too.
17584. There's a black sheep in every flock.
17585. There's a crocodile in every big river.
17586. There's a limit to every act of mischief.
17587. There's a long way from saying to doing.
17588. There's a method in his madness.
17589. There's a piece of truth in every piece of gossip.
17590. There's a pinch of the madman in every great man.
17591. There's always a calm before a storm.
17592. There's cunning in a pointed chin.
17593. There's danger in delay.
17594. There's death in the pot.
17595. There's is no use crying when the crap is already in your pants.
17596. There's many a good man to be found under a shabby hat.
17597. These are just flowers; berries will come soon.
17598. They agree like cats and dogs.
17599. They are flies that are born of a wasp.
17600. They are fools whose sheep run away twice.
17601. They are good that are away.
17602. They are hand and glove.
17603. They are living hitting a cat and hitting a dog.
17604. They are most cheated who cheat themselves.
17605. They are not all cooks who carry long knives.
17606. They are not all friends who laugh with you.
17607. They are not all hunters who blow horns.
17608. They are not all men who wear trousers.
17609. They are not free who drag their chains behind them.
17610. They are rich who have friends.
17611. They are shaking their pride on each other.
17612. They are the gods themselves that white-wash the fruits of the pumpkins.
17613. They are two hands on one belly.
17614. They argue over the bananas but the banana plant belongs to someone else.
17615. They asked the female cat why her kittens were of different colors; she said she is embarrassed to say no.
17616. They asked the mule who his father was.
17617. They ate our food, and forgot our names.
17618. They attend a funeral robed in white, and a wedding in mourning.
17619. They blame their tools.
17620. They bow to you when borrowing; you bow to them when collecting.

17621. They brag most of their ancestors who are unworthy of them.
17622. They build houses but shall not inhabit them.
17623. They call their aunt only when her cucumbers are ripe.
17624. They call you ‘generous’ and make you lose your property, they call you ‘brave’ and make you lose your life.
17625. They can do least who boast loudest.
17626. They cease to be friends who dwell afar off.
17627. They choose lesser of two evils.
17628. They come into the courtroom in a suit and leave with no trousers.
17629. They condemn what they do not understand’ often quoted ‘People fear what they do not understand.
17630. They create a desolation and they call it peace.
17631. They don’t count the teeth of a gift horse.
17632. They don’t hit you in the nose for asking.
17633. They don’t swing fists when the fight is over.
17634. They don’t talk about ropes in the home of the hanged person.
17635. They fight with tweezers, not swords.
17636. They forgive the wine but they hang the bottle.
17637. They fought with varying success.
17638. They found no fault with time, save that he fled.
17639. They found no wrong with roses, so they said it is red!
17640. They give, to find a pretext for asking.
17641. They have a strong love bond; he with himself and she with herself.
17642. They have sowed the seed of the word ‘tomorrow’ and it has not germinated.
17643. They know not their own defects who search for the defects of others.
17644. They laugh till they cry.
17645. They laugh well who laugh last.
17646. They lived happily and ate partridge.
17647. They look at the greens, but steal the bacon.
17648. They love the old that do not know the new.
17649. They love too much who die for love.
17650. They made the garlic a bride, its smell did not come out for forty days.
17651. They make a camel out of a flea.
17652. They marry under bad auspices who marry in the month of May.
17653. They may whip me in the market-place, so it be not known at home.
17654. They must be strong legs that can support prosperous days.
17655. They must hunger in frost who spring-time have lost.
17656. They must hunger in winter that will not work in summer.
17657. They must stand high who would see their own destiny.
17658. They need much whom nothing will content.
17659. They play till they quarrel.
17660. They put the nightingale in a golden cage; it still craved for its country.
17661. They put up minds for sale on the market, everyone liked his own mind.
17662. They quarrel about an egg and let the hen fly.
17663. They say they milk chicken.
17664. They sowed the seed of an ‘if’ but it didn’t germinate.
17665. They talk of my drinking but never my thirst.
17666. They that dance must pay the fiddler.

17667. They that envy others are their inferiors.
17668. They that live longest, see most.
17669. They that smell least smell best.
17670. They that sow the wind shall reap the whirlwind.
17671. They that will not be counselled cannot be helped.
17672. They throw stones at the walnut trees, but not at the maple.
17673. They turn night into day.
17674. They two agreed like two cats in a gutter.
17675. They understand one another like thieves in a fair.
17676. They use a wedge to knock out a wedge.
17677. They wait three years for what was promised.
17678. They whip the cat, if our mistress does not spin.
17679. They who are often at the looking-glass seldom spin.
17680. They who are thirsty drink in silence.
17681. They who come from afar are prone to lie.
17682. They who dig the wells never drink from them.
17683. They, who do not wash well, do not bleach well.
17684. They who don't kill pigs must not expect black-puddings.
17685. They who drink beer think beer.
17686. They who fight with golden weapons are pretty sure to prove they are right.
17687. They who give have all things; they who withhold have nothing.
17688. They who shun the smoke often fall into the fire.
17689. They who sing through the summer must dance in the winter.
17690. They who want to sing will always find a song.
17691. They will be hushed by a good deed who laugh at a wise speech.
17692. They wrangle about an egg, and let the hens fly away.
17693. Thick wine is better than clear water.
17694. Thief knows thief, and wolf knows wolf.
17695. Thief thinks everyone steals.
17696. Thief who steals from a thief has one hundred years of pardon.
17697. Thieves don't like to see their comrades carrying the bags.
17698. Thieves dread a commotion.
17699. Thieves make good jailers.
17700. Thin mosquitoes bite the worse.
17701. Thing of beauty is a joy forever.
17702. Things are not always what they seem.
17703. Things are not as they are, but as they are regarded.
17704. Things are to be tried, an old lady cooked stones and they produced soup.
17705. Things aren't as they seem.
17706. Things beyond our reach are not worth our consideration.
17707. Things coming from afar are most esteemed.
17708. Things hardly attained are the longer retained.
17709. Things hatched in discord are not speedily terminated.
17710. Things never turn out the way you imagined.
17711. Things past cannot be recalled.
17712. Things refuse to be mismanaged long.
17713. Things that are useful to people go into the cooking pot.
17714. Things that are weak will break, as men do who think they are strong.

17715. Think before acting and whilst acting still think.
17716. Think of your own faults the first part of the night when you are awake, and of the faults of others the latter part of the night when you are asleep.
17717. Thirst comes from drinking.
17718. Thirst is the end of drinking and sorrow is the end of drunkenness.
17719. Thirsty men make good prophets.
17720. Thirteen nuns, fourteen children!
17721. Thirty-six plans of how to win the battle are not so good as one plan to withdraw from the fight.
17722. This baby from this lion.
17723. This grief will prove a blessing.
17724. This is better than the thing we never had.
17725. This is written with pitchfork on a flowing water.
17726. This, who burn his/her tongue when eating soup, will blow.
17727. This world is a harsh place, this world.
17728. Thistles and thorns prick sore, but evil tongues prick even more.
17729. Thorns themselves will not harm you, you hurt yourself on the thorns.
17730. Those above are going down, those below are going up.
17731. Those are wise that heed advice, but no one should heed dissuasive advice.
17732. Those born to be small shit never make it to turd.
17733. Those bosoms can be sold cheapest which are stolen ready-made.
17734. Those evil persons' eyes envied me, but God protected me.
17735. Those in a high position can be seen from far away.
17736. Those not ruled by the rudder will be ruled by the rocks.
17737. Those sitting above can easily spit on those below.
17738. Those that do you a very ill deed will never forgive you.
17739. Those that marry for money sell their liberty.
17740. Those that rule must hear and be deaf, must see and be blind.
17741. Those that will not hear must be made to feel.
17742. Those who accomplish great things pay attention to little ones.
17743. Those who are about to die greet you.
17744. Those who are absent are always wrong.
17745. Those who are at one regarding food are at one in life.
17746. Those who are born on top of the anthill take a short time to grow tall.
17747. Those who are carrying elephants home on their heads need not use their toes to dig up crickets on the way.
17748. Those who are conscious of their own iniquity, suspect others.
17749. Those who are discontent to remain in one place will not earn much.
17750. Those who are once found to be bad are presumed so forever.
17751. Those who argue with each other on the highway will often make up in the lane.
17752. Those who attack, though they die in the attempt.
17753. Those who can more owe more.
17754. Those who complain will attract more attention (for good or ill) than those who are content.
17755. Those who counsel do not pay.
17756. Those who derive fun watching lunatics, out to have one as a child or relation to know the pains of it.
17757. Those who despise money will eventually sponge on their friends.

17758. Those who dig an evil hole will fall into it.
17759. Those who dislike cats will be carried to the cemetery in the rain.
17760. Those who do a thing are consenting parties.
17761. Those who do not forgive cannot expect to be forgiven.
17762. Those who do not go to war roar like lions.
17763. Those who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it.
17764. Those who do not study are only cattle dressed up in men's clothes.
17765. Those who don't understand prayer, let them go to sea.
17766. Those who earn a lot are seldom tired; those who get tired seldom earn a lot.
17767. Those who envy die, but envy stays alive.
17768. Those who fight with silver spears are sure of their victory.
17769. Those who foretell the future lies, even if he tells the truth.
17770. Those who have airs will be laid low - those who abase themselves will be raised up.
17771. Those who have ears to hear, hear!
17772. Those who have free seats at a play hiss first.
17773. Those who have free seats at the play are the first to hiss.
17774. Those who have free tickets to the theater have the most criticism to make.
17775. Those who have more want even more.
17776. Those who hear not the music think the dancers mad.
17777. Those who inherit fortunes are frequently more of a problem than those who made them.
17778. Those who know many languages live as many lives as the languages they know.
17779. Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones.
17780. Those who live together cannot hide their behinds from each other.
17781. Those who lose dreaming are lost.
17782. Those who love you will make you weep; those who hate you will make you laugh.
17783. Those who marry want a home.
17784. Those who play at bowls must look out for rubbers.
17785. Those who play the game do not see as clearly as those who watch.
17786. Those who rescue are always crucified.
17787. Those who run with pigs smell like pigs.
17788. Those who shine in the second rank are eclipsed by the first.
17789. Those who sing send their troubles away.
17790. Those who sleep don't catch any fish.
17791. Those who sleep with dogs will rise with fleas.
17792. Those who study will know; those who save will have.
17793. Those who tickle themselves may laugh when they please.
17794. Those who wade in unknown waters will be sure to be drowned.
17795. Those who want to go, go themselves. Those who don't, send others instead.
17796. Those who wear pearls do not know how often the shark bites the leg of the diver.
17797. Those who wish to sing always find a song.
17798. Those whom God wills to destroy he first deprives of their senses.
17799. Those whom true love has held, it will go on holding.
17800. Those whose palm-kernels were cracked for them by a benevolent spirit should not forget to be humble.
17801. Those with the least understanding often complain about things the most.
17802. Thou are a bitter bird, said the raven to the starling.
17803. Thou hast a head and so hath a pin.

17804. Though a cage may be made of gold, it is still a cage.
17805. Though a lie be swift, truth overtakes it.
17806. Though a tree grow ever so high, the falling leaves return to the ground.
17807. Though all rivers flow into it, the sea never overflows.
17808. Though change be no robbery.
17809. Though God is almighty, he doesn't send rain from a clear sky.
17810. Though he is little, he can tipple.
17811. Though honey is sweet, do not lick it off a briar.
17812. Though living, dead for all useful purposes.
17813. Though malice may darken truth, it cannot put it out.
17814. Though my present be small, my love goes with it.
17815. Though near shore, you're still in the ocean.
17816. Though physician to others, yet himself full of sores.
17817. Though talking face to face, their hearts are a thousand miles apart.
17818. Though the blind man cannot see it, light remains light.
17819. Though the emperor be rich, he cannot buy one extra year.
17820. Though the fool waits, the day does not.
17821. Though the fox runs, the pullets have wings.
17822. Though the heron flied high the falcon kills it.
17823. Though the mastiff be gentle, yet bite him not by the lip.
17824. Though the palm tree in the jungle is big, who knows how big its yield will be?
17825. Though the snake be small, it is still wise to hit it with a big stick.
17826. Though the speaker be a fool, let the hearer be wise.
17827. Though the sun shines leave not your cloak at home.
17828. Though you are a prudent old man, do not despise counsel.
17829. Though you live near a forest, do not waste firewood.
17830. Though you seat the frog on a golden stool, he'll soon jump off it into the pool.
17831. Though you see me with this coat, I have another up the mountain.
17832. Though your bloodhound be gentle, don't bite him on the lip.
17833. Though your enemy is the size of an ant, look upon him as an elephant.
17834. Though your mastiff be gentle, do not bite his lip.
17835. Thought breaks the heart.
17836. Thought is free.
17837. Thought when sober, said when drunk.
17838. Thoughts and dreams are the foundation of our being.
17839. Thoughts are toll-free, but not hell-free.
17840. Thoughts follow the eyes.
17841. Thousands drink themselves to death before one dies of thirst.
17842. Thousands of men were murdered because of their beautiful wives.
17843. Three days of any guest is plenty.
17844. Three diseases without shame: love, itch, and thirst.
17845. Three glasses of wine end a hundred quarrels.
17846. Three hairs are quickly combed.
17847. Three kinds of people die poor: those who divorce, those who incur debts, and those who move around too much.
17848. Three know it, all know it.
17849. Three makes a company.
17850. Three may keep a secret, if two of them are dead.

17851. Three men helping one another will do as much as six men singly.
17852. Three or four daily will bring you to the bottom of the sack.
17853. Three strikes and you are out.
17854. Three things are good in small doses and bad in big ones: yeast, salt, and hesitation.
17855. Three things are not be trusted.
17856. Three things come into the house uninvited: debts, age, and death.
17857. Three things drive a man outdoors; smoke, a leaking roof and a scolding wife.
17858. Thrift is better than an annuity.
17859. Thrive by honesty or remain poor.
17860. Through being too knowing the fox lost his tail.
17861. Through dangers to distinction.
17862. Through hardships to the stars.
17863. Through not spending enough we spend too much.
17864. Through others I am somebody.
17865. Through talking things will be solved.
17866. Through yourself you know others.
17867. Throw a lucky man in the sea, and he will come up with a fish in his mouth.
17868. Throw dirt enough, and some will stick.
17869. Throw no stones at a sleeping dog.
17870. Throw not the child out with the bath.
17871. Throw out a sprat to catch a mackerel.
17872. Throw that bone to another dog.
17873. Throw the good to your left and right, and you'll find it when you'll need it.
17874. Throwing the hat at it.
17875. Throwing your cap at a bird is not the way to catch it.
17876. Thrust not thy finger in a fool's mouth.
17877. Thunder clouds do not always give rain.
17878. Thunder is not yet rain.
17879. Thundershowers and great men's favour are always partial.
17880. Tide and time wait for no man.
17881. Tie me hand and foot and throw me among my own people.
17882. Tie up the hen that eats at your place and lays eggs elsewhere.
17883. Time and hour run through the roughest day.
17884. Time and I against any two.
17885. Time and opportunity are in no man's sleeve.
17886. Time and place make the thief.
17887. Time and straw make medlars ripe.
17888. Time and the hour are not to be tied with a rope.
17889. Time and tide wait for no man.
17890. Time and words can't be recalled, even if it was only yesterday.
17891. Time betrays and hangs the thief.
17892. Time brings everything, to those who can wait for it.
17893. Time brings roses.
17894. Time builds castles, and time destroys them.
17895. Time chases love away and love chases the time away.
17896. Time covers and discovers everything.
17897. Time cures all things.
17898. Time cures the sick man, not the ointment.

17899. Time destroys all things.
17900. Time discloses the truth.
17901. Time enough to rest when dead.
17902. Time flies when you are among friends.
17903. Time gained, much gained.
17904. Time gives good advice.
17905. Time goes, death comes.
17906. Time has a forelock, but is bald behind.
17907. Time has no respect for beauty.
17908. Time has strong teeth.
17909. Time heals all wounds.
17910. Time is a river of passing events, a rushing torrent.
17911. Time is an inaudible file.
17912. Time is anger's medicine.
17913. Time is God's and ours.
17914. Time is not tied to a post, like a horse to the manger.
17915. Time is the best adviser.
17916. Tis a hard winter when one wolf eats another.
17917. Tis a long day a day without bread.
17918. Tis a silly sheep that confesses to the wolf.
17919. Tis a wise child that knows its own father.
17920. Tis altogether vain to learn wisdom, and yet live foolishly.
17921. Tis as necessary to him as gold weights are to a beggar.
17922. Tis best woo where a man can see the smoke.
17923. Tis better to have loved and lost than to have never loved at all.
17924. Tis day still, while the sun shines.
17925. Tis easier to hurt than heal.
17926. Tis either a hare or a brake-bush.
17927. Tis everywhere the same as here.
17928. Tis folly to love fetters, though they be of gold.
17929. Tis good feasting in other men's houses.
17930. Tis hard to hold a conger by the tail.
17931. Tis his turn to-day, it will be mine tomorrow.
17932. Tis money that begets money.
17933. Tis never too late to mend.
17934. Tis not for everyone to catch a salmon.
17935. Tis one beggar's woe to see another by the door go.
17936. Tis possible if true.
17937. Tis sweet at certain times to drop the sage.
17938. Tis the last straw that breaks the camel's back.
17939. Tis the mind ennobles, not the blood.
17940. Tis too late to spare when the cask is bare.
17941. Tis well that wicked cows have short horns.
17942. Tis wisdom sometimes to seem a fool.
17943. Titmouse boasted to put sea on fire.
17944. To a bold man fortune holds out her hand.
17945. To a crazy ship every wind is contrary.
17946. To a dead king, a king crowned.

17947. To a depraved taste sweet is bitter.
17948. To a dog a bone has more value than a pearl.
17949. To a friend’s house the road is never long.
17950. To a good rider, right or left makes no difference.
17951. To a hard knot a hard wedge.
17952. To a hasty demand a leisure reply.
17953. To a hasty question a leisurely answer.
17954. To a man wine is like water is to the boat; it can carry him or guzzle him up.
17955. To a physician a sick man is a garden.
17956. To a quick ear half a word.
17957. To a quick question give a slow answer.
17958. To a rogue a rogue and a half.
17959. To a skinny dog, all are fleas.
17960. To a son-in-law and a hog you need show the way but once.
17961. To a starving man bread is sweeter than honey.
17962. To a weaving that has begun, God sends threads
17963. To a willing person one cannot do injustice.
17964. To a woman and a magpie tell your secrets in the marketplace.
17965. To a young heart everything is sport.
17966. To act in anger is like tying up a ship in a storm.
17967. To act sincerely with the insincere is dangerous.
17968. To add fuel (oil) to the fire (flames).
17969. To advise is easier than to help.
17970. To advise is not to compel.
17971. To an optimist every weed is a flower; to a pessimist every flower is a weed.
17972. To angle with a silver hook.
17973. To appear beautiful you must suffer.
17974. To arrive on the downwind side of the lake.
17975. To ask a favor from a miser is like trying to make a hole in water.
17976. To ask is a temporary shame; not to ask, an eternal one.
17977. To ask is no sin and to be refused is no calamity.
17978. To bait and to grease does not retard a journey.
17979. To be a fool at the right time is an art.
17980. To be a hero, hang on for a minute longer.
17981. To be able to curse once a day improves happiness and lengthens life.
17982. To be born with a silver spoon in one’s mouth.
17983. To be denied water and fire in the sense of ‘banished’.
17984. To be drunk every day is also a regular life.
17985. To be for one day entirely at leisure is to be for one day an immortal.
17986. To be guaranteed food and to dress firm.
17987. To be head over ears in debt.
17988. To be human is easy; to be a human being is difficult.
17989. To be in love and act wisely is scarcely granted to a god.
17990. To be in one’s birthday suit.
17991. ‘To be is to be perceived’, the doctrine of the Idealists, said by.
17992. To be loved, be loveable.
17993. To be lucky you need a little wit.
17994. To be poor is not a sin, it’s better to avoid it anyway.

17995. To be praised is to be ruined.
17996. To be rich is not everything, but it certainly helps.
17997. To be slow in giving ant to refuse, are alike.
17998. To be uncertain is to be uncomfortable, but to be certain is to be ridiculous.
17999. To be up to the ears in love.
18000. To be willing is to be able.
18001. To be wise behind the hand.
18002. To be without learning, is to be without eyes.
18003. To be worn out is to be renewed.
18004. To beards with money cavaliers pay respect
18005. To beat about the bush.
18006. To beg of the miser is to dig a trench in the sea.
18007. To begin is easy, to persist is art.
18008. To believe a business impossible is the way to make it so.
18009. To believe everything is too much, to believe nothing is not enough.
18010. To believe in certainty, we must begin by doubting.
18011. To believe in one's dreams is to spend all of one's life asleep.
18012. To believe is easier than investigation.
18013. To believe with certainty, we must begin by doubting.
18014. To bend a bamboo, start when it is a shoot.
18015. To big ships, big storms.
18016. To bring grist to somebody's mill.
18017. To build a fire under oneself.
18018. To burn the candle at both ends.
18019. To call war the soil of courage and virtue is like calling debauchery the soil of love.
18020. To cast prudence to the winds.
18021. To catch rats the cats take off their gloves.
18022. To censure princes is perilous, and to praise them is lying.
18023. To change and change for the better are two different things.
18024. To change one's habits smacks of death.
18025. To change one's mind is rather a sign of prudence than ignorance.
18026. To circumstances and custom the law must yield.
18027. To claim is not to prove.
18028. To climb a tree to catch a fish is talking much and doing nothing.
18029. To come away none the wiser.
18030. To come off cheap.
18031. To come off with a whole skin.
18032. To come off with flying colours.
18033. To come out with clean hands.
18034. To compare is not to prove.
18035. To conceal disease is fatal.
18036. To condemn by a cutting laugh comes easily to all.
18037. To contradict means sometimes to knock at the door to see if anyone is at home.
18038. To cook a hare before catching him.
18039. To criticize is easy, to do is difficult.
18040. To cry with one eye and laugh with the other.
18041. To cut into another's man's ear is like cutting into a felt hat.
18042. To cut one's throat with a feather.

18043. To ‘dance according to someone’s pipe,’ or ‘Jump through these hoops’.
18044. To dare is to lose your foothold for a moment, to not dare is to lose yourself.
18045. To deceive a diplomat speak the truth, he has no experience with it.
18046. To deceive oneself is very easy.
18047. To defend a wrong, is to wrong do anew.
18048. To deny everything is to confess everything.
18049. To deny God’s existence is like jumping with your eyes closed.
18050. To die free is better than to live as a slave.
18051. To die is to stop living but to stop living is something entirely different than dying.
18052. To die like a sheep is indeed a civilized death.
18053. To do good for ten years is not enough; do bad things for one day and it is too much.
18054. To do things wrong with best intentions is better than acting to the letter of the law with evil intentions.
18055. To everyone his own is not too much.
18056. To everyone who doth ask, but not everything he doth ask.
18057. To every saint his candle.
18058. To everything there is a season.
18059. To fall is not painful for those who fly low.
18060. To fall off a good horse is at least worthwhile.
18061. To fall out of the frying-pan into the fire.
18062. To feed the ambition in your heart is like carrying a tiger under your arm.
18063. To fight with one’s own shadow.
18064. To find out about the road ahead, ask those coming back.
18065. To follow everyone is wrong; to follow no one is worse.
18066. To forget a wrong is the best revenge.
18067. To forget is the same as to throw away.
18068. To forget one’s ancestors is to be a brook without a source, a tree without a root.
18069. To friend and foe alike I tell them how bad she is, so that I don’t have to share her with anyone.
18070. To get eggs there must be some cackling.
18071. To get on with your neighbours - you must go with one eye open and the other not closed.
18072. To get out of bed on the wrong side.
18073. To get the chicks one must coax the hen.
18074. To get the lid on the nose.
18075. To get to know a friend, you must share an inheritance with him.
18076. To give a lark to catch a kite.
18077. To give birth to a hedgehog against the lie of its spines.
18078. To give counsel to a fool is like throwing water on a goose.
18079. To give jewels to a donkey is as stupid as giving a eunuch to a woman.
18080. To give quickly is to give doubly.
18081. To give tardily is to refuse.
18082. To give too much when little is asked is a form of refusal.
18083. To go as fast as a friar that is invited to dinner.
18084. To go beyond is as bad as to fall short.
18085. To God’s council-chamber there is no key.
18086. To good eating belongs good drinking.
18087. To grow rich one has only to turn his back on God.

18088. To hang the sail-covers to the wind.
18089. To hang your sickle on another man's corn.
18090. To have 'heard say' is half a lie.
18091. To have a corpse in the basement.
18092. To have a finger in the pie.
18093. To have a lot of irons in the fire.
18094. To have a woman is bad; to lose her is worse.
18095. To have beautiful servant girls is a threat to good marriages.
18096. To have been silent never does harm, but to have spoken does.
18097. To have bigger eyes than the stomach.
18098. To have enough to chop into the milk.
18099. To have eye one on the cat and another on the frying-pan.
18100. To have five drachmas in the hand is better than ten drachmas on paper.
18101. To have luck needs little wit.
18102. To have no enemies is equivalent to wealth.
18103. To have no wants, is money.
18104. To have nothing is not poverty.
18105. To have rats in the attic.
18106. To have saved one human life is worth more than to build a pagoda with seven stories.
18107. To have the fulfilled life, you must question the unanswerable and learn nothing.
18108. To have two eyes can be cause for pride; but to have one eye is better than to have none.
18109. To heal the sick through knowledge.
18110. To heaven for the music but to hell for a good conversation.
18111. To high places by narrow roads.
18112. To him that hath much, shall much be given?
18113. To him that watches, everything is revealed.
18114. To him who can take what thou hast, give what he asks.
18115. To him who gives you a capon you may spare a leg and a wing.
18116. To him who gives you a pig you may well give a rasher.
18117. To him who is determined it remains only to act.
18118. To him who watches, everything reveals itself.
18119. To hit the nail on the head.
18120. To hold your jacket in front of the dog.
18121. To keep a new friend, never break with the old.
18122. To keep under the hat.
18123. To kick against the pricks.
18124. To kill two birds with one stone.
18125. To know a man well one must have eaten a bushel of salt with him.
18126. To know all is to forgive all.
18127. To know and know that you know, not to know and know that you don't know, that is to know.
18128. To know and to act are one and the same.
18129. To know everything is to know nothing.
18130. To know is easier than to do.
18131. To know nothing is the happiest life.
18132. To know on which side one's bread is buttered.

18133. To know that candles are expensive is of no value to the blind man.
18134. To know the law and do the right are two things.
18135. To know the road ahead ask those coming back.
18136. To know what to ask is already to know half.
18137. To lather an ass's head is only wasting soap.
18138. To lay by for a rainy day.
18139. To lazy pigs the ground is always frozen.
18140. To lead is not to run roughshod over people.
18141. To learn a language is to have one more window from which to look at the world.
18142. To learn a lesson is a far better reward than to receive a gift.
18143. To learn about other people is science, to learn to know yourself is intelligence.
18144. To learn what is good, a thousand days are not sufficient; to learn what is evil, an hour is too long.
18145. To leave a place is to die a little.
18146. To leave is to die a little.
18147. To lie about a far country is easy.
18148. To lie and eat fish demand a lot of skill.
18149. To lie is easy, to repair the damage, difficult.
18150. To light a fire with a fire.
18151. To listen to a lie is harder than to tell it.
18152. To live for the day.
18153. To live from hand to mouth.
18154. To live in fear is a life half-lived.
18155. To live in peace one must be blind, deaf, and mute.
18156. To live long is to suffer long.
18157. To live long, eat like a cat, drink like a dog.
18158. To live with wolves, you have to howl like a wolf.
18159. To loan is to buy troubles.
18160. To lock the stable-door after the horse is stolen.
18161. To long for everything: sorrow; to accept everything: joy.
18162. To look for a needle in a haystack.
18163. To love and be wise is impossible.
18164. To love and to be wise are two different things.
18165. To love is to choose.
18166. To love someone who does not love you, is like shaking a tree to make the dew drops fall.
18167. To love the law is to lose money.
18168. To mad words deaf ears.
18169. To make a donkey out of a mosquito.
18170. To make error is human; pushing the same error is dumb.
18171. To make a mountain out of a molehill.
18172. To make a poor man poorer is not easy.
18173. To make an elephant out of a mosquito.
18174. To make both ends meet.
18175. To make good conversation there are a thousand subjects, but there are still those who cannot meet a cripple without talking about feet.
18176. To make preparations does not spoil the trip.
18177. To make the bill without the bartender.

18178. To make the cart go you must grease the wheels.
18179. To make the cup run over.
18180. To marry one is a duty; twice a folly; thrice is madness.
18181. To measure another man's foot by one's own last.
18182. To measure other people's corn by one's own bushel.
18183. To mock your elders is to wreck the house where you have to stay tonight.
18184. To neglect one's ancestors would bring ill-fortune and failure in life.
18185. To not admire anything' you shouldn't let yourself be taken away by anything.
18186. To not paint the devil on the wall.
18187. To obtain that which is just we must ask that which is unjust.
18188. To offer friendship to one who is looking for love is like giving bread to someone dying of thirst.
18189. To one who has a pie in the oven you may give a bit of your cake.
18190. To one who knows no better, a small garden is a forest.
18191. To open a shop is easy; to keep it open is an art.
18192. To pay one back in one's own coin.
18193. To pick up in a clumsy way is stealing; to steal in a skillful way is to pick up.
18194. To place yourself under an obligation is to sell your liberty.
18195. To preserve friendship one must build walls.
18196. To pretend to satisfy one's desires with worldly goods is like using straw to put out a fire.
18197. To prevent is better than to cure.
18198. To promise and give nothing is comfort for a fool.
18199. To promise is easy, to keep is troublesome.
18200. To promise much means giving little.
18201. To protect an individual is to protect society.
18202. To pull the chestnuts out of the fire for somebody.
18203. To punish a student, use a shoe lace.
18204. To put (set) the cart before the horse.
18205. To put a spoke in somebody's wheel.
18206. To put off till doomsday.
18207. To put something in a new jacket.
18208. To put the horse behind the cart.
18209. To quarrel with a drunk is to wrong a man who is not even there.
18210. To quarrel with a man of good speech is better than to converse with a man who does not speak well.
18211. To question a wise man is the beginning of wisdom.
18212. To quote lies is also lying.
18213. To rebel in season is not to rebel.
18214. To receive a favor is to sell one's liberty.
18215. To relax the mind is to lose it.
18216. To remain young while growing old is the highest blessing.
18217. To resist with hand and tooth.
18218. To rob a robber is not robbing.
18219. To rob one's belly to cover one's back.
18220. To rule the mountains is to rule the river.
18221. To rule yourself is the ultimate power.
18222. To save one man is like saving the world.

18223. To see a friend no road is too long.
18224. To see it rain is better than to be in it.
18225. To sell a horn as if it was a candle.
18226. To sell honey to one who keeps hives.
18227. To serve a prince is like sleeping with a tiger.
18228. To serve our elders is a duty, our equals it is polite, but serving the young is humiliating.
18229. To set fire to a church is not so bad as to speak ill of a virgin.
18230. To set fire to the wood, you need the help of the wind.
18231. To set the wolf to keep the sheep.
18232. To shoot a mosquito with a cannon.
18233. To silence another, first be silent yourself.
18234. To sin in secret is more pleasant than having pleasure in the open.
18235. To sing before breakfast is to weep before supper.
18236. To sing to the deaf, to talk with the dumb, and to dance for the blind are three foolish things.
18237. To speak ill of anyone is to speak ill of yourself.
18238. To speak is silver, to keep silent is gold.
18239. To speak kindly does not hurt the tongue.
18240. To spend much and gain little is the sure road to ruin.
18241. To spend the night in anger is better than to spend it repenting.
18242. To spread the news is to multiply it.
18243. To squeeze an eel too hard is the way to lose it.
18244. To stick to somebody like a leech.
18245. To stop drinking, study a drunkard when you are sober.
18246. To strain at a gnat and swallow a camel.
18247. To struggle is life and life is a struggle.
18248. To stumble is not to fall.
18249. To swim and swim more, and be drowned on shore.
18250. To take ambition from a soldier is to rob him of his spurs.
18251. To take counsel of one's pillow.
18252. To talk without thinking is to shoot without aiming.
18253. To teach well, we need not say all that we know, Successful teachers are effective in spite of the psychological theories they suffer under.
18254. To tell a woman what she cannot do is to tell her what she can.
18255. To tell tales out of school.
18256. To tell the truth is dangerous; to listen to it is boring.
18257. To tell the truth while laughing.
18258. To thank god is better than to thank your mother-in-law.
18259. To the ant, a few drops of dew is a flood.
18260. To the bold man fortune gives her hand.
18261. To the devil with so many masters, said the toad to the harrow.
18262. To the good listener, half a word is enough.
18263. To the grateful man give more than he asks.
18264. To the jaundiced all things seem yellow.
18265. To the lean pig a fat acorn.
18266. To the looker-on no work is too hard.
18267. To the patient man will come all the riches of the world.

18268. To the pure all things are pure.
18269. To the starving man the beauty of Fujiyama has no meaning.
18270. To the victor go the spoils.
18271. To the world wisdom is folly; to the wise the world is foolish.
18272. To those that understand well half a word is enough.
18273. To threaten the brave with death is like promising water to a duck
18274. To throw a stone in one's own garden.
18275. To throw dust in somebody's eyes.
18276. To throw straws against the wind.
18277. To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive.
18278. To treat somebody with a dose of his own medicine.
18279. To trouble me is better than to forget me.
18280. To try and fail is not laziness.
18281. To understand your parents' love, bear your own children.
18282. To use a steam-hammer to crack nuts.
18283. To violate the law is the same crime in the emperor as in the subject.
18284. To wait and be patient soothes many a pang.
18285. To wait for luck is the same as waiting for death.
18286. To want the last from the pot.
18287. To want to forget something is to remember it.
18288. To wash one's dirty linen in public.
18289. To watch us dance is to hear our hearts speak.
18290. To wear one's heart upon one's sleeve.
18291. To weep over an onion.
18292. To where you go, do the things you see.
18293. To who goes about with open mouth, either a fly gets in or a silly thing gets out.
18294. To who sells kids and has no female goats, they're likely to come from somewhere.
18295. To whom is given a lot will be asked for a lot.
18296. To whom is he any good, if he is no good to himself?
18297. To whom you tell your secret you surrender your freedom.
18298. To win a war quickly takes long preparation.
18299. To withhold truth is to bury gold.
18300. To work with the left hand.
18301. To you your religion and to me my religion.
18302. To your son give a good name and a trade.
18303. Today for money, tomorrow for nothing.
18304. Today in finery, tomorrow in filth.
18305. Today stately and brave, tomorrow in the grave.
18306. Tomorrow is the pupil of today.
18307. Tomorrow we will credit it, not today.
18308. Tomorrow will be another day.
18309. Tomorrow's remedy will not ward off the evil of today.
18310. Tomorrow is often the busiest day of the week.
18311. Tomorrow is the busiest day of the year.
18312. Tomorrow is the day that idlers get busy.
18313. Tomorrow never comes.
18314. Tomorrow your horse may be lame.
18315. Tomorrow, tomorrow, just not today, all the lazy people say.

18316. Tongue may muddle up and say the truth.
18317. Too aim is not enough, you must hit!
18318. Too humble is half proud.
18319. Too keen an edge does not cut; too fine a point does not pierce.
18320. Too large a morsel chokes the child.
18321. Too late, do I take up the shield after the wound?
18322. Too late the bird cries out when it is caught.
18323. Too late to grieve when the chance is past.
18324. Too little and too much spoils everything.
18325. Too many arguments destroyed marriage negotiations.
18326. Too many calls confuse the dog.
18327. Too many candles will burn down the church.
18328. Too many captains will sink the ship.
18329. Too many chiefs and not enough Indians.
18330. Too many cooks over salt the porridge.
18331. Too many doctors caused the boy's death.
18332. Too many doctors too few medicines.
18333. Too many hands will row the boat up a mountain.
18334. Too many irons in the fire.
18335. Too many sacks are the death of the ass.
18336. Too many vine leaves and too few grapes.
18337. Too many words are the poverty of mankind.
18338. Too many words blacken your ears.
18339. Too much bed makes a dull head.
18340. Too much breaks the bag.
18341. Too much care does more harm than good.
18342. Too much care may be as bad as downright negligence.
18343. Too much consulting confounds.
18344. Too much discussion leads to a quarrel.
18345. Too much discussion will lead to a row.
18346. Too much familiarity breeds contempt.
18347. Too much hurry, and get there tomorrow; take time, get there today.
18348. Too much is worse than too little.
18349. Too much knowledge makes the head bald.
18350. Too much of a good thing is good for nothing.
18351. Too much of a thing nauseates.
18352. Too much politeness conceals deceit.
18353. Too much prosperity makes most men fools.
18354. Too much prudishness makes the lover sick.
18355. Too much pudding will choke a dog.
18356. Too much scratching pains, too much talking plagues.
18357. Too much spirit shows a lack of it.
18358. Too much sympathy with the unfortunate makes you unhappy.
18359. Too much water drowned the miller.
18360. Too much wine will make a sane man mad.
18361. Too often do we waste time chasing a gust of wind or grasping at shadows.
18362. Too swift arrives as tardy as too slow.
18363. Tortoise you are suffering in your shell.

18364. Touch a galled horse and he'll wince.
18365. Tough times don't last but tough people do.
18366. Towards evening the lazy person begins to get busy.
18367. Trade knows neither friends nor kindred.
18368. Transactions in Hell also depend upon money.
18369. Transgressions should never be forgiven a third time.
18370. Trapped between a rock and a hard place.
18371. Travel and you will see them, sit and they will come to you.
18372. Travel broadens the mind.
18373. Travel east or travel west, a man's own house is still the best.
18374. Travelers from afar can lie with impunity.
18375. Treachery and slander are long lived.
18376. Treachery lurks in honeyed words.
18377. Treachery returns.
18378. Tread on a worm and it will turn.
18379. Tread on thorns with your shoes on.
18380. Treat everything of this world as mere vanity.
18381. Treat me as a rabbi, but watch over me as a thief.
18382. Treat others as you would want to be treated yourself.
18383. Treat the days well and they will treat you well.
18384. Treat the small in the way you would want to be treated by the big.
18385. Treat thoughts as guests and wishes as children.
18386. Treat your guest as a guest for two days - then on the third day give him a hoe.
18387. Treat your superior as a father, your equal as a brother, and your inferior as a son.
18388. Tree would bend when it bears fruit.
18389. Trees bend when they are young.
18390. Trees do not grow into the sky.
18391. Trees often transplanted seldom prosper.
18392. Trick against trick.
18393. Trickery comes back to its master.
18394. Trifles often lead to serious results.
18395. Trifling at an end, now let us go to the point.
18396. Tripe broth, you make much of yourself.
18397. Trouble doesn't knock.
18398. Trouble is here, so open the gates.
18399. Trouble is the beginning of disaster.
18400. Trouble is to man what rust is to iron.
18401. Trouble never comes alone.
18402. Trouble shared is trouble halved.
18403. Trouble will rain on those who are already wet.
18404. Troubles come in packs.
18405. Troy is a thing of the past.
18406. True blue will never stain.
18407. True coral needs no painter's brush.
18408. True friends are tested in adversity.
18409. True friendship does not freeze in the winter.
18410. True happiness lies in giving it to others.
18411. True jokes never please.

18412. True love never grows old.
18413. True love suffers no concealment.
18414. True love waits.
18415. True nobility is invulnerable.
18416. True poverty does not come from God.
18417. True words end; lies extend.
18418. Trust but take care whom.
18419. Trust everybody, but thyself most.
18420. Trust in Allah, but tie up your camel.
18421. Trust not a new friend or an old enemy.
18422. Trust not a sword in the hands of a boy.
18423. Trust not a woman, even when dead, she may feign death.
18424. Trust not still water nor a silent man.
18425. Trust not the praise of a friend, nor the contempt of an enemy.
18426. Trust not to God but upon good security.
18427. Trust not to tow with firebrands, not a woman with men.
18428. Trust not your all in one ship.
18429. Trust not your gossip to a priest who has been a friar.
18430. Trust not your money to one whose eyes are bent on the ground.
18431. Trust was a good man; Trust-not was a better.
18432. Trust well rides away with the horse.
18433. Trust your best friend as you would your worst enemy.
18434. Trusting in wealth is like looking for feathers on turtles.
18435. Trusting men is like trusting that a strainer can keep.
18436. Trusting men trusts the water in a sieve.
18437. Trusting too much to others has been the ruin of many.
18438. Truth and folly dwell in the wine-cask.
18439. Truth and oil always come to the surface.
18440. Truth becomes lost in the turmoil of arguments.
18441. Truth came to market but could not be sold; however, we buy lies with ready cash.
18442. Truth comes out of the mouths of babes and sucklings.
18443. Truth conquers all things.
18444. Truth creeps not into corners.
18445. Truth does not need many words.
18446. Truth fears nothing but concealment.
18447. Truth finds no asylum.
18448. Truth gives a short answer, lies go round about.
18449. Truth has but one color, a lie has many.
18450. Truth is great and will prevail.
18451. Truth is in wine, that is, wine will bring out truth.
18452. Truth is lost with too much debating.
18453. Truth is more valuable if it takes you a few years to find it.
18454. Truth is stranger than fiction.
18455. Truth is the club that knocks down and kills everybody.
18456. Truth is the daughter of time.
18457. Truth is the first casualty of war.
18458. Truth is the safest lie.
18459. Truth is twelve years old.

18460. Truth is violated by a lie or by silence.
18461. Truth is what women do not tell.
18462. Truth lies at the bottom of a well.
18463. Truth makes the devil blush.
18464. Truth makes the tongue smart.
18465. Truth may be suppressed, but not strangled.
18466. Truth may walk through the world unarmed.
18467. Truth must be seasoned to make it palatable.
18468. Truth never dies, but lives a wretched life.
18469. Truth reaches the market and becomes unsaleable, but falsehood is always in demand.
18470. Truth sees, also reality and illusion.
18471. Truth seldom finds a home.
18472. Truth should be in love, and love in truth.
18473. Truth should not always be revealed.
18474. Truth speaks by the toddler's mouth; 'from the mouth of babes.
18475. Truth will not make you fat but you won't choke on a lie.
18476. Truth will take you everywhere - even to jail.
18477. Truth, like oil, always comes to the surface.
18478. Truth's best ornament is nakedness.
18479. Truth's cloak is often lined with lies.
18480. Truth's violinist is always beaten with his own bow.
18481. Truthful words are seldom pleasant.
18482. Truths and roses have thorns about them.
18483. Try and trust will move mountains.
18484. Try not to become a man of success but a man of value.
18485. Try not to get hold of a leopard's tail, but if you do, don't let go.
18486. Try out your shoes on your feet, gauge people against their misfortune.
18487. Try the ice before you venture on it.
18488. Try this bracelet: if it fits you wear it; but if it hurts you, throw it away no matter how much it sparkles.
18489. Try to be in good company, even when you are alone.
18490. Try to deserve the reputation you enjoy.
18491. Try to reason about love, and you will lose your reason.
18492. Trying is the first step towards failing.
18493. Trying is worth more than studying.
18494. Tumbleweed entered the mouth of the lying camel.
18495. Tumbleweed will not enter into the mouth of the lying camel.
18496. Tunic overturned, luck right.
18497. Turkey was also thinking but ended up in the soup.
18498. Turkeys, parrots, and hares don't know what gratitude is.
18499. Turn your face to the sun and the shadows fall behind you.
18500. Turn your tongue seven times before speaking.
18501. Turn yourself into a sheep and the wolves will eat you.
18502. Turnabout is fair play.
18503. Turning the water at its own mill.
18504. Twelve highlanders and a bagpipe make a rebellion.
18505. Twenty chickens and a rooster eat so much like a horse!
18506. Twixt the spoon and the lip, the morsel may slip.

18507. Two are fighting, the third wins.
18508. Two are the masters of one.
18509. Two barrels of tears will not heal a bruise.
18510. Two bears don’t live in one lair.
18511. Two bears in one cave will not end up well.
18512. Two birds disputed about a kernel, when a third swooped down and carried it off.
18513. Two birds of prey do not keep each other company.
18514. Two boys are half a boy, and three boys are no boy at all.
18515. Two can play at that game.
18516. Two cannot fall out if one does not choose.
18517. Two captains will sink the ship.
18518. Two cats will not live together in one sack.
18519. Two coins in a purse make more noise than a hundred.
18520. Two communists lead three hundred unaffiliated.
18521. Two crocodiles cannot agree.
18522. Two dogs can kill a lion.
18523. Two dogs fight for a bone and a third runs away with it.
18524. Two dogs seldom agree over one bone.
18525. Two dogs strive for a bone and the third one runs off with it.
18526. Two experts never agree.
18527. Two eyes can see more than one.
18528. Two eyes, two ears, only one mouth.
18529. Two false men to one traitor.
18530. Two farmers each claimed to own a certain cow. While one pulled on its head and the other pulled on its tail, the cow was milked by the lawyer.
18531. Two flavors confuse the palate.
18532. Two footsteps do not make a path.
18533. Two good talkers are not worth one good listener.
18534. Two great talkers never go far together.
18535. Two happy days are seldom brothers.
18536. Two hard flints never grind well.
18537. Two heads are better than one.
18538. Two idiots, one thought.
18539. Two in distress makes sorrow the less.
18540. Two is an army against one.
18541. Two is company, but three is a crowd.
18542. Two is good; one alone cannot wash his back.
18543. Two leaps per chasm is fatal.
18544. Two lightning flashes cannot come from one cloud.
18545. Two lovers in the rain have no need of an umbrella.
18546. Two make an army against one.
18547. Two may lie so as to hang a third.
18548. Two men may meet, but never two mountains.
18549. Two men quarreling do not share the same seat on a canoe.
18550. Two of a trade can never agree.
18551. Two of a trade never agree.
18552. Two raindrops do not make a pool.
18553. Two rations are served to whom does not want any.

18554. Two roosters in one yard do not agree.
18555. Two scorpions living in the same hole will get along better than two sisters in the same house.
18556. Two shorten the road.
18557. Two Sir Positives can scarce meet without a skirmish.
18558. Two small antelopes can beat a big one.
18559. Two smells of cooking meat break the hyena's legs.
18560. Two sparrows on the same ear of corn are not long friends.
18561. Two steps forward to advance, a step back to check.
18562. Two thirds of the work is the semblance.
18563. Two watermelons cannot be held under one arm.
18564. Two weaklings conquered the fort.
18565. Two women and a goose make a market.
18566. Two wrongs don't make a right.
18567. Two-thirds of help is to give courage.
18568. Two's company, three's a crowd.

U PROVERBS

18569. Ugliness is the only guardian angel a woman has.
18570. Ugliness with a good character is better than beauty.
18571. Ugly is as ugly does.
18572. Unable to keep yourself, you are keeping dogs.
18573. Unanimity is the strongest fortress.
18574. Unbending the bow does not heal the wound.
18575. Unbridled gratification produces unbridled desire.
18576. Under a bad cloak there is a good tippler.
18577. Under a gold sheath, a leaden knife.
18578. Under a good cloak may be a bad man.
18579. Under a powerful general there are no feeble soldiers.
18580. Under a ragged coat lies wisdom.
18581. Under a shabby cloak may be a smart drinker.
18582. Under a tattered cloak you will generally find a good drinker.
18583. Under capitalism man exploits man; under socialism the reverse is true.
18584. Under every stone sleeps a scorpion.
18585. Under fair words beware of fraud.
18586. Under his bowl there is a little bowl.
18587. Under my cloak I command the king.
18588. Under the sackcloth there is something hidden.
18589. Under white ashes there is glowing coal.
18590. Underneath every bush you'll find a mud rabbit ready to bolt.
18591. Undeserved praise is mockery disguised.
18592. Undeserved punishment is better than that which is deserved.
18593. Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown.
18594. Uneaten soup and burned mouth.
18595. Unemployment does not guarantee leisure.
18596. Unequalled in the smallest matters.
18597. Unfortunate is the man who has no fingernails to scratch his head with.
18598. Unfortunates learn from their own mistakes, and the lucky ones learn from others' mistakes.
18599. Unhappiness can be a bridge to happiness.
18600. United strength is stronger.
18601. United we stand, divided we fall.
18602. Unity is the real thing.
18603. Unjustly obtained wealth is as snow sprinkled with hot water.
18604. Unlaid eggs are uncertain chickens.
18605. Unlawful riches do not bring plenitude.
18606. Unless a man is simple, he cannot recognize God, the Simple One.
18607. Unless a serpent devour a serpent. it will not become a dragon.
18608. Unless hell is full, no lawyer will ever be saved.
18609. Unless the thunder strikes, a man won't cross himself.
18610. Unless what we do is useful, glory is vain.
18611. Unless you call out, who will open the door?
18612. Unless you enter the tiger's den you cannot take the cubs.
18613. Unlucky in gambling, lucky in love.

18614. Unplowed fields make hollow bellies; unread books make hollow minds.
18615. Unprepared to prepare, be prepared to be unprepared.
18616. Unspoken words are the flowers of silence.
18617. Unstringing the bow does not cure the wound.
18618. Until a child is one year old it is incapable of sin.
18619. Until death there is no knowing what may befall.
18620. Until lions have their historians, tales of the hunt shall always glorify the hunters.
18621. Until spring comes, nightingales do not sing.
18622. Until the female dog raises her tail, the dogs don't smell her.
18623. Until the lions have their historians, tales of the hunt shall always glorify the hunter.
18624. Until you are without what to need or want, you cannot appreciate it.
18625. Until you have smoked out the bees, you can't eat the honey.
18626. Until your fortieth it is better to eat than to drink; afterwards it is vice versa.
18627. Unused iron is ruined by rust.
18628. Unwanted excuse implies/means manifest accusation.
18629. Unwilling service earns no thanks.
18630. Unworthy offspring brag the most of their worthy descent.
18631. Unwrapping a gift wraps up enmity.
18632. Up a creek without a paddle.
18633. Upbraiding makes a benefit an injury.
18634. Upon a slight pretext the wolf takes the sheep.
18635. Upon an egg the hen lays an egg.
18636. Upon it the nail that sticks up gets hammered down.
18637. Urge people to work, not to eat.
18638. Use it up, make do, or do without.
18639. Use it up, wear it out, and make do with, or do without.
18640. Use medicine as well as prayers.
18641. Use not coercive measures against those in authority.
18642. Use power to curb power.
18643. Use soft words and hard arguments.
18644. Use your ears to listen, use your eyes to see, but use your mouth to shut up.
18645. Use your enemy's hand to catch a snake.
18646. Use your wit as a shield, not as a dagger.
18647. Used in response to what is considered to be a question with an extremely obvious answer.
18648. Useful trees are cut down first.
18649. Useless wisdom is double foolishness.
18650. Use the bride's mule to do a favor to the groom.

V PROVERBS

18651. Vainglory bears no grain.
18652. Vainglory blossoms, and bears no fruit.
18653. Valour acquires strength by union.
18654. Valour even in an enemy is worthy of praise.
18655. Value the nearer the bone, the sweeter the meat.
18656. Vanity blossoms but bears no fruit.
18657. Vanity has no greater foe than vanity.
18658. Vanity is also an education.
18659. Vanity of vanities and everything is vanity.
18660. Variety is the spice of life.
18661. Various are the roads to fame.
18662. Velvet paws hide sharp claws.
18663. Vengeance is mine, thus sayeth the Lord.
18664. Vengeance is slow, but stern.
18665. Venture a small fish to catch a great one.
18666. Venture all; see what fate brings.
18667. Venture not to defend what your judgment doubts of.
18668. Verbal fraud is worse than monetary fraud.
18669. Very good corn grows in little fields.
18670. Very hard times in the wood when the wolves eat each other.
18671. Vetches seem bitter to the full-cropped pigeon.
18672. Vice hides under a cloak of virtue.
18673. Vice is learnt without a schoolmaster.
18674. Vice is most dangerous when it puts on the garb of virtue.
18675. Vice is nourished by concealment.
18676. Vice is often clothed in virtue's habit.
18677. Vice often rides triumphantly in the coach of virtue.
18678. Vices are learned without a master.
18679. Vices creep into our hearts under the name of virtue.
18680. Vicious as a tigress can be, she never eats her own cubs.
18681. Victims of the same disease have a lot to talk about.
18682. Victory has fathers and defeat is an orphan.
18683. Victory has hundred fathers and defeat is an orphan.
18684. Victory is not gained by idleness.
18685. Victory makes you into an emperor, defeat into a rebel.
18686. Vile let him be who deems himself vile.
18687. Vinegar that costs nothing is sweeter than honey.
18688. Vinegar that is too sour even taints the glass it's kept in.
18689. Viper produces viper.
18690. Virginity can be lost in one night.
18691. Virginity is noted only in its absence.
18692. Virtue and valour rejoice in being put to the test.
18693. Virtue becomes a wife; beauty becomes a concubine.
18694. Virtue carries an empty purse.
18695. Virtue comes not from chance but long study.
18696. Virtue consists of action.

18697. Virtue flourishes in misfortune.
18698. Virtue is better than wealth.
18699. Virtue is in the moderate, not the extreme position.
18700. Virtue is its own reward.
18701. Virtue is not knowing but doing.
18702. Virtue never dies.
18703. Virtue never dwells alone, it always has neighbors.
18704. Virtue never goes far without the company of idleness.
18705. Virtue our leader, fortune our companion.
18706. Virtue practiced to be seen is not real virtue; vice which fears to be seen is real vice.
18707. Virtue stands in the middle.
18708. Virtue subdues power.
18709. Virtue which parleys is near a surrender.
18710. Virtue would not go far, if a little vanity walked not with it.
18711. Virtue, which parleys, is near a surrender.
18712. Virtue: climbing a hill; vice: running down.
18713. Virtuous for ten years is still not enough; evil for one day is too much already.
18714. Vision with action is a daydream; action without vision is a nightmare.
18715. Vision without action is a daydream.
18716. Visit infrequently and you will get closer.
18717. Visit rarely and you will be more loved.
18718. Visit your aunt, but not every day of the year.
18719. Visiting is good, but home is better.
18720. Visitors' footfalls are like medicine; they heal the sick.
18721. Visits always give pleasure - if not the arrival, the departure.
18722. Vixen resolved not to steal chicken.
18723. Vodka is the aunt of wine.
18724. Voice of one, voice of none.
18725. Voluntary work is better than slavery.
18726. Volunteer is worth twenty pressed men.
18727. Vows made in storms are forgotten in calms.

W PROVERBS

18728. Wait for a month before you praise a horse, and for a year before you praise a woman.
18729. Wait for the night before saying that the day has been beautiful.
18730. Wait until it is night before saying it has been a fine day.
18731. Wait until the tree has fallen before you jump over it.
18732. Wait, is a hard word to the hungry.
18733. Waiting for a rabbit to hit upon a tree and be killed in order to catch it.
18734. Waking up earlier won't make the sun rise any quicker.
18735. Walk like the cat around hot porridge.
18736. Walk on your own lands.
18737. Walk safe and slow to go far and well.
18738. Walk softly but carry a big stick.
18739. Walk straight and you will not fall.
18740. Walk straight, my son - as the old crab said to the young crab.
18741. Walk the walk and talk the talk.
18742. Walk till the blood appears on the cheek, but not the seat on the brow.
18743. Walk with your slippers until you can find your shoes.
18744. Walls are the notebooks of fools.
18745. Walls have ears and little pots too.
18746. Walls have ears, paper sliding doors have eyes.
18747. Walls have mice and mice have ears.
18748. Walls sink and dunghills rise.
18749. Walnuts and pears, you plant for your heirs.
18750. Want a thing long enough and you don't.
18751. Want all lose all.
18752. Want and necessity break faith and oaths.
18753. Want is the mother of industry.
18754. Want of variety leads to satiety.
18755. Wanting to eat a crisp bake with someone.
18756. War appears pleasant to those who have never experienced it.
18757. War does not long for one man.
18758. War gives no opportunity for repeating a mistake.
18759. War has no eyes.
18760. War is a disaster for winner and loser alike.
18761. War is much too serious a matter to be entrusted to the military.
18762. War is pleasant to those who have not tried it.
18763. War is sweet to him who does not go to it.
18764. War is to a man what bed is to a woman.
18765. War makes robbers, and peace hangs them.
18766. War will feed on itself.
18767. War with all the world, and peace with England.
18768. Warm a frozen snake and it will be the first to bite you.
18769. Warm food, warm friendships.
18770. Warm water never forgets that it was once cold.
18771. Warmth is great while coldness licks the back of the neck.
18772. Wars are caused by women and priests.
18773. Was, flax, and tin; much in and little in.

18774. Wash a dog, comb a dog, still a dog remains a dog.
18775. Wash your dirty linen at home.
18776. Wash your hands in the flowing Ganges.
18777. Wash your hands often, your feet seldom, and your head never.
18778. Waste makes want.
18779. Wasting is a bad habit, saving is a sure income.
18780. Wasting time is stealing from oneself.
18781. Watch out for a bad woman and never trust a good one.
18782. Watch out for the dog that doesn't bark and the man who says nothing.
18783. Watch out for the unexpected mushroom.
18784. Watch the faces of those who bow low.
18785. Watched pot never boils.
18786. Watching women is labour in vain.
18787. Water after does not quench a fire at hand.
18788. Water always finds a way out.
18789. Water and milk do not mix.
18790. Water and words are easy to pour but impossible to recover.
18791. Water beneath the bridge.
18792. Water can do without fishes, fishes cannot do without water.
18793. Water can float a boat or sink it.
18794. Water does not run under a lying stone.
18795. Water does not stick to the mountain, and vengeance does not stick to a big heart.
18796. Water does not trickle out of his hand.
18797. Water flows, but rocks remain.
18798. Water for oxen, wine for kings.
18799. Water from far away is no good for a fire close by.
18800. Water gives, water takes away.
18801. Water has seeped under her skin.
18802. Water in the mouth before eating; water in the eyes when the bill comes.
18803. Water is in the jug, yet we're wandering around with parched lips.
18804. Water is muddy at the fountainhead.
18805. Water is past his head.
18806. Water is the oldest salve.
18807. Water is the strongest drink; it drives mills.
18808. Water never loses its way.
18809. Water on the leaf of a yam plant.
18810. Water past will not turn the mill.
18811. Water quenches the thirst but does not teach you how to sing.
18812. Water teaches us to weep, wine teaches us to sing.
18813. Water that has been begged for does not quench the thirst Let it be a bite of a cockroach and fly with the wind.
18814. Water that has reached its level does not flow.
18815. Water that is being 'chopped' will not be cut.
18816. Water washes everything.
18817. Water will always take the form of the vase it fills.
18818. Water you are not going to drink let it run.
18819. Water, smoke, and a vicious woman, drive men out of the house.
18820. Waves will rise on silent water.

18821. Way to a man’s heart is through his stomach.
18822. We admire what we do not understand.
18823. We all end up in a single bed sooner or later.
18824. We all have a little of physician and madman.
18825. We all have something of a doctor, a poet and a fool.
18826. We all like lamb; each has a different way of cooking it.
18827. We all refer to that of which we know most.
18828. We all see the same sun, but we don’t eat the same meal.
18829. We all start out as children.
18830. We all will die, but our tombs will differ.
18831. We are all a long time dead.
18832. We are all Adam’s children, but silk makes the difference.
18833. We are all equal before death.
18834. We are all made of the same clay, but not from the same mold.
18835. We are all on this earth; we can’t get off so get on.
18836. We are as the king, only not as rich.
18837. We are both carriers, and shall meet on the road.
18838. We are both queens, so who will hang out the laundry?
18839. We are glad to have what we have.
18840. We are no more than candles burning in the wind.
18841. We are not born for ourselves alone.
18842. We are not disposed to study much after heavy meals.
18843. We are not roasting, and already we are basting.
18844. We are people because of our people.
18845. We are the authors of our own disasters.
18846. We are too busy mopping the floor to turn off the faucet.
18847. We are usually the best men when in the worst health.
18848. We are what our thinking makes us.
18849. We beat the sack and mean the miller.
18850. We became gravediggers but nobody dies anymore.
18851. We become wiser as we grow older.
18852. We benefit by affliction.
18853. We can accustom ourselves to anything.
18854. We can enjoy nothing without someone to share the pleasure.
18855. We cannot choose who our relatives should be, even though we may come to like some better than others.
18856. We can study until old age and still not finish.
18857. We can’t always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.
18858. We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails.
18859. We come and cry and that is life, we cry and go and that is death.
18860. We conquer and are conquered in our turn.
18861. We covet not that of the existence of which we are ignorant.
18862. We decide our affairs, and then we rest them with God.
18863. We desire to bequeath two things to our children; the first one is roots, the other one is wings.
18864. We do in haste what we repent at leisure.
18865. We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors we borrow it from our children.

18866. We do not know what is good until we have lost it.
18867. We do not use our bare feet to search for hidden thorns which we have seen in day time.
18868. We do not walk on our legs, but on our will.
18869. We don't kill a pig every day.
18870. We easily believe that which we hope for.
18871. We easily give advice to others.
18872. We expiate in old age the follies of our youth.
18873. We find much ingratitude, and create more.
18874. We forget even incense in easy times; come hard times, we embrace the Buddha's feet.
18875. We forgive the bad it is for our health due to how good it tastes.
18876. We give to the rich, and take from the poor.
18877. We gladly feast on those who would subdue us.
18878. We hang little thieves, and let great ones escape.
18879. We hate delays by others, but sometimes it makes us wise.
18880. We hate the man whom we have wronged.
18881. We hate whom we have injured.
18882. We have all been fools in our time.
18883. We have fallen off the horse, but we have not fallen from nobility.
18884. We have never seen the earth show her teeth.
18885. We have no son, and yet are giving him a name.
18886. We have not inherited this land from our ancestors; rather we have borrowed it from our children.
18887. We have not saddled and yet we are riding.
18888. We have nothing to fear but fear itself.
18889. We have quite enough to do weeding our own garden.
18890. We invited the bald man to keep us company; he uncovered his.
18891. We judge of the present from the past. The boy and the wolf.
18892. We keep an eye on the scorpion and the serpent, but we do not watch out for the millipede.
18893. We knock in jest, and it is opened in earnest.
18894. We know not what is good until we have lost it.
18895. We know the body but not the heart.
18896. We know the true worth of a thing when we have lost it.
18897. We know the worth of a thing when we have lost it.
18898. We know what we have, but not what we shall get.
18899. We learn little from victory, much from defeat.
18900. We learn not for school but for life.
18901. We lessen our wants by lessening our desires.
18902. We let him in, and now he shows us the door.
18903. We let him in, he brought his donkey along.
18904. We live more by fashion than common sense.
18905. We lose the certain things, while we seek the uncertain ones.
18906. We make big promises to avoid little presents.
18907. We may give advice, but we cannot give conduct.
18908. We miss people when we are separated from them.
18909. We must convince by reason, not prescribe by tradition.

18910. We must eat a peck of dirt before we die.
18911. We must eat and drink though every tree were a gallows.
18912. We must have reasons for speech but we need none for silence.
18913. We must learn to walk before we can run.
18914. We must live as we can, not as we would wish.
18915. We must not expect everything, everywhere, and from everybody.
18916. We must sow even after a bad harvest.
18917. We must suffer much, or die young.
18918. We must take the bad with the good.
18919. We need not friends if Providence smiles on us.
18920. We never know the value of water till the well is dry.
18921. We never profit by the gifts of the wicked.
18922. We often need someone smaller than ourselves.
18923. We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean, but the ocean would be less without that drop.
18924. We pay when old for the excesses of youth.
18925. We perish by permitted things.
18926. We praised the bride, and she was found pregnant.
18927. We receive nothing with so much reluctance as advice.
18928. We shall never be younger.
18929. We shall see what we shall see.
18930. We shall see, as the blind man said.
18931. We should eat to live, not live to eat.
18932. We should put out fire while it is still small.
18933. We should trust more to our eyesight than to our ears.
18934. We sifted our flour and hung up our sifter.
18935. We soon believe what we desire.
18936. We sow the wind, and reap the whirlwind.
18937. We start as fools and become wise through experience.
18938. We start to die when we are born, and the end depends on the beginning.
18939. We tell them it is a bull, they say milk it.
18940. We tend to be perfect. That's why when we make mistakes we are hard on ourselves.
18941. We traded in shrouds; people stopped dying.
18942. We trust what we see rather than what we hear.
18943. We used to live and spill tears, now we live and build happiness.
18944. We were born to die anyhow.
18945. We will be grateful to flowers only if they have born fruits.
18946. We will be known by the tracks we leave behind.
18947. We will fly that hawk when his pinions are grown.
18948. We will ride that colt when he is grown to wear a saddle
18949. We will stay longer dead than poor.
18950. We won the war, but lost peace.
18951. We'll cross that bridge when we come to it.
18952. We'll never know the worth of water till the well go dry.
18953. We're alive for the lack of shroud.
18954. We're all in the same boat.
18955. We're fools whether we dance or not, so we might as well dance.
18956. We're in the same boat.

18957. We've arrived, and to prove it we're here.
18958. We've qualified for the world cup, go and compete.
18959. Weaklings never forgive their enemies.
18960. Wealth belongs to the person who enjoys it and not to the one who keeps it.
18961. Wealth can give legs to the cripple, beauty to the ugly, and sympathy to tears.
18962. Wealth conquered Rome after Rome had conquered the world.
18963. Wealth diminishes with usage; learning increases with use.
18964. Wealth gets in the way of wisdom.
18965. Wealth is both an enemy and a friend.
18966. Wealth is but dung, useful only when spread about.
18967. Wealth is like hair in the nose: it hurts to be separated whether from a little or from a lot.
18968. Wealth is not his who makes it, but his who enjoys it.
18969. Wealth is nothing without health.
18970. Wealth is protected and poverty is assisted by concord.
18971. Wealth lightens not the heart and care of man.
18972. Wealth not acquired by our own labour, but inherited.
18973. Wealth, like an index, reveals the character of men.
18974. Weapons, women, and locks must be guarded at all times.
18975. Weather, husbands, and sons come as you take them.
18976. Weather, wind, women, and fortune change like the moon.
18977. Weave in faith and God will find the thread.
18978. Weaving a net is better than praying for fish at the edge of the water.
18979. Wedding brings another.
18980. Wedlock is a padlock.
18981. Wedlock rides in the saddle and repentance on the crupper.
18982. Weeds last the season.
18983. Weeds never die out.
18984. Weeds want no sowing.
18985. Weeping does not help at the marketplace.
18986. Weeping makes the heart grow lighter.
18987. Weeping washes the face.
18988. Weeping will follow a long delight.
18989. Weight and measure save a man toil.
18990. Weighty work must be done with few words.
18991. Welcome is the best cheer.
18992. Welcome, misfortune, if you come alone.
18993. Well done is better than well said.
18994. Well-fed but ill taught.
18995. Well started is half won.
18996. Well water is not an enemy of spring water.
18997. Well-being through harmony.
18998. Well-done outlives death.
18999. Well-married is when you have no mother-in-law and no sister-in-law.
19000. Well-regulated charity begins with one's self.
19001. Went in one ear and out the other.
19002. Went to get wool, but returned sheared.
19003. Went to the government's treasury.

19004. Were a woman rules the house; the devil is serving-man.
19005. Were everyone to sweep in front of his own house, every street would be clean.
19006. Were fools silent they would pass for wise.
19007. Were if not for ‘if’ and ‘but,’ we should all be rich forever.
19008. Were it a wolf it would spring at your throat.
19009. Were it not for hope the heart would break.
19010. Were the sky to fall, not an earthen pot would be left whole.
19011. Wet kisses are the messengers of the heart.
19012. We’re fools whether we dance or not, so we might as well dance.
19013. What a cow eats a calf drinks.
19014. What a fool can spoil, ten wise men cannot repair.
19015. What a fool does in the end, the wise do in the beginning.
19016. What a man does by the agency of another is his own act.
19017. What a man suffers is the punishment of his tongue.
19018. What a man thinks up for himself, his worst enemy couldn’t wish for him.
19019. What a monk thinks he dares to do.
19020. What a neighbor gets is not lost.
19021. What a prostitute earns she calls presents from her husband’s friends.
19022. What a story these old walls could tell.
19023. What a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive.
19024. What a woman wills God wills.
19025. What affects the nose must also affect the eyes that must weep for it.
19026. What an elder sees sitting; the young can’t see standing.
19027. What belongs to the ravens is never drowned.
19028. What blossoms beautifully, withers fast.
19029. What breaks in a moment may take years to mend.
19030. What burns, cures and what is tight, holds.
19031. What can a beautician do for a stern face?
19032. What can you do with a good cow that gives a lot of milk and then kicks the bucket over?
19033. What can you expect from a pig but a grunt?
19034. What cannot be cured must be endured.
19035. What children hear their parents say by the fireside, they repeat in the highway.
19036. What Christ does not take the exchequer takes.
19037. What comes from The Ever Living One will go to him.
19038. What comes from the fife goes back to the drum.
19039. What comes from the heart goes to the heart.
19040. What comes out of one mouth goes into a hundred others.
19041. What comes out of the mouth has lost its master.
19042. What comes seldom comes sharp.
19043. What comes singing, leaves whistling.
19044. What costs little is little esteemed.
19045. What costs nothing is worth nothing.
19046. What does a donkey know about the life of a nightingale?
19047. What does not happen in a year may happen in a moment.
19048. What does not kill me makes me stronger.
19049. What does not kill fattens.
19050. What does one hand have? Two hands make a sound.

19051. What does the blind man know of the beauty of the tulip?
19052. What does the moon care if the dogs bay at her?
19053. What does the tortoise care for flies?
19054. What doesn't have any remedy is no longer a problem.
19055. What doesn't kill fattens.
19056. What else would the cat's son do, except kill a mouse?
19057. What everybody says must be true.
19058. What eyes don't see, heart doesn't hurt.
19059. What fell off the cart is as good as gone.
19060. What fills the eye fills the heart.
19061. What flares up fast, extinguishes soon.
19062. What force cannot do ingenuity may.
19063. What forgets is the axe, but the tree that has been axed will never forget.
19064. What goes around comes around.
19065. What goes into the stomach is not lasting.
19066. What goes up must come down.
19067. What good is a golden gallows if they are going to hang you?
19068. What good is giving sugar to the dead?
19069. What good is honor when you're starving?
19070. What good serve candle and glasses, if the owl does not want to see?
19071. What greater crime than loss of time?
19072. What grows makes no noise.
19073. What happens in the family is not for outsiders.
19074. What harm is there in a good word? It costs nothing.
19075. What has been blown away cannot be found again.
19076. What has been is gone.
19077. What has benefited one has destroyed others.
19078. What has horns must not be hid in a sack.
19079. What has horns will gore.
19080. What has not been may be.
19081. What has this to do with the matter?
19082. What have you learned young, you'll find useful when you are old.
19083. What I believe in is all that is mine.
19084. What I do against my will cannot be said to be my own act.
19085. What I do not know will not keep me warm.
19086. What I see with my eyes I can guess with my fingers.
19087. What I wished for happened not. What God willed happened to a dot.
19088. What in the heart that on the tongue.
19089. What is a big shot except a little shot that kept on shooting?
19090. What is acquired easily is lost easily.
19091. What is another's always pines for its master?
19092. What is bad for one is good for another.
19093. What is born crooked, late on never gets straightened.
19094. What is bought is cheaper than a gift.
19095. What is bred in the bone will not go out of the flesh.
19096. What is brought by the wind will be carried away by the wind.
19097. What is cheap is costly.
19098. What is cooked home is eaten home.

19099. What is done by night appears by day.
19100. What is done is done for this time.
19101. What is earned with hard labor is eaten with pleasure.
19102. What is enough was never little.
19103. What is given by the land should return to the land.
19104. What is good is not necessarily beautiful.
19105. What is good to know is difficult to learn.
19106. What is got by begging is dearly bought.
19107. What is got over the devil's back is spent under his belly.
19108. What is hidden in snow is revealed at thaw.
19109. What is impossible to change is best to forget.
19110. What is in the marrow is hard to take out of the bone.
19111. What is in the stomach carries what is in the head.
19112. What is in use, wants no excuse.
19113. What is inflated too much will break into fragments.
19114. What is learned in the cradle is carried to the grave.
19115. What is learned in youth is carved in stone.
19116. What is learnt in the cradle lasts to the grave.
19117. What is long spoken of happens at last.
19118. What is lost in the fire must be sought in the ashes.
19119. What is medicine to some is bitter poison to others.
19120. What is mine is my own; my brother Juan's is his and mine.
19121. What is much desired is not believed when it comes.
19122. What is new cannot be true.
19123. What is new is always fine.
19124. What is new is pleasing and what is old is satisfying.
19125. What is no sin is no shame.
19126. What is not in the documents does not exist.
19127. What is not taken by the church is taken by the exchequer.
19128. What is not urgent must be done quickly in order to take care of the urgent things calmly.
19129. What is not yours always chirps for its master.
19130. What is now top of the mast will be firewood soon.
19131. What is old for one may be new for another.
19132. What is ours comes to our hands.
19133. What is past is prologue.
19134. What is permitted us we least desire.
19135. What is play to the cat is death to the mouse.
19136. What is right for the one is reasonable for the other.
19137. What is said is said, and no sponge can wipe it out.
19138. What is said over the dead lion's body could not be said to him alive.
19139. What is salt to tasteless food, what is a word to a foolish head?
19140. What is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander.
19141. What is seldom is wonderful.
19142. What is sensible today may be derangement at another time.
19143. What is sport to the boy is the death of the bird.
19144. What is sweet in the mouth is not always good in the stomach.
19145. What is sweet never tastes sour.

19146. What is taken for oneself is usually not a small piece.
19147. What is the use of a big wide world when your shoes are too small?
19148. What is the use of running when we are not on the right road?
19149. What is the world to a man when his wife is a widow.
19150. What is there that love will not achieve?
19151. What is to be can't be avoided.
19152. What is told in the ear of a man is often heard a hundred miles away.
19153. What is too high, that let fly.
19154. What is too much is not good even with bread.
19155. What is true by lamplight is not always true by sunlight.
19156. What is true is no more sure than the probable.
19157. What is unclearly said is unclearly thought.
19158. What is useful cannot be base.
19159. What is viler than to be laughed at?
19160. What is whispered in your ear is often heard a hundred miles off.
19161. What is worth doing at alt is worth doing well.
19162. What is worth receiving is worth returning.
19163. What is worthwhile must needs be difficult.
19164. What isn't yet can still become.
19165. What itches in the daughter's skirt, itches also in her mother's.
19166. What keeps out the cold keeps out the heat.
19167. What lay hidden under the snow cometh to light at last.
19168. What limit is there in love?
19169. What lowers itself is ready to fall.
19170. What makes us discontented with our condition is the absurdly exaggerated idea we have of the happiness of others.
19171. What makes you happy makes you rich.
19172. What makes you tired makes you stronger.
19173. What man can do, God can undo.
19174. What man has made, man can destroy.
19175. What matter if I suffer, if only my neighbor suffers too.
19176. What may be done at any time will be done at no time.
19177. What men usually ask for when they pray to God is that two and two may not make four.
19178. What more sacred, what more strongly guarded by every holy feeling, than a man's own home?
19179. What much is worth comes from the earth.
19180. What must be must be.
19181. What my neighbour eats does my stomach no good.
19182. What nectar can be drunk with the ears? Good advice.
19183. What need has a blind man of a looking glass?
19184. What nourishes me, destroys me.
19185. What once was up now is down and what once was down now is up.
19186. What one desires is always better than what one has.
19187. What one fool can ensnare, not a thousand sages can fix.
19188. What one hopes for is always better than what one has.
19189. What one is accustomed to in youth, one does in old age.
19190. What one knows it is useful sometimes to forget.

19191. What one learns while young, one masters when old.
19192. What one learns without joy, one forgets without grief.
19193. What one trains frequently, will become part of his character.
19194. What one's head lacks one has to have in one's legs.
19195. What people in distress most wish for, they most readily believe.
19196. What percolates out of the jug is what's inside it.
19197. What reaches the mother's heart will only reach the father's knees.
19198. What ripens fast does not last.
19199. What shall I say when it is better to say nothing?
19200. What should a cow do with a nutmeg?
19201. What signifies the barking of a dog that don't bite?
19202. What smarts teaches.
19203. What soap is for the body, tears are for the soul.
19204. What soberness conceals, drunkenness reveals.
19205. What starts with a needle usually ends with a silver bowl.
19206. What the child says, he has heard at home.
19207. What the child sees, the child does. What the child does, the child is.
19208. What the colt learns in youth his continues in old age.
19209. What the family talks about in the evening, the child says in the morning.
19210. What the farmer does not know he doesn't eat.
19211. What the fool does at last the wise man does at first.
19212. What the gods make, the planet can find use for.
19213. What the heart doesn't see, the eye will not see either.
19214. What the heart is full of, the mouth overflows with.
19215. What the heart thinks the tongue speaks
19216. What the law will compel you to do, do of your own free will
19217. What the old ones sing, the young ones whistle.
19218. What the peasant doesn't know, he doesn't eat.
19219. What the people believe is true.
19220. What the poor man says is not listened to.
19221. What the she-wolf does (or brings forth) pleases the he-wolf.
19222. What the sober man has in his heart, the drunkard has on his lips.
19223. What the soldier said isn't evidence.
19224. What the thief stole has always been called expensive.
19225. What the wolf does pleases his mate.
19226. What the wolf mourns is food for the fox.
19227. What the young one begs for, the grown-up throws away.
19228. What three know will soon be known to thirty.
19229. What three men know then the whole world knows.
19230. What use is wisdom when folly reigns?
19231. What was found without effort will be lost without effort.
19232. What was hard to endure is sweet to recall
19233. What was is no more, what if is just if.
19234. What was written by a pen, cannot be taken out with an axe.
19235. What water gives, water takes away.
19236. What we do willingly is easy.
19237. What we own, we don't safe keep properly; when we lose it, we cry.
19238. What we possess is always beautiful.

19239. What we want in hay we make up in straw.
19240. What whiskey will not cure, there is no cure for.
19241. What will not performance achieve?
19242. What wise men suppose is worth more than the certainties of fools.
19243. What you can’t get is just what suits you.
19244. What you can’t have, abuse.
19245. What you cannot avoid, welcome.
19246. What you cannot see during the day, you will not see at night.
19247. What you dislike for yourself do not like for me.
19248. What you do in black hair you will eat in white hair.
19249. What you do not know does not hurt you.
19250. What you do yourself is well done.
19251. What you do, do quickly.
19252. What you don’t know can’t hurt you.
19253. What you don’t know is bigger than you.
19254. What you don’t know, you will not recognize.
19255. What you don’t see with your eyes, don’t invent with your mouth.
19256. What you give away you keep.
19257. What you give to others bears fruit for yourself.
19258. What you give you get, ten times over.
19259. What you go looking for, you will find.
19260. What you have, hold.
19261. What you keep rots; what you give flourishes.
19262. What you know, I already forgot.
19263. What you learn to your cost you remember long.
19264. What you leave behind, you will find in front of you.
19265. What you lend to a friend, an enemy sues for.
19266. What you lose at the swings you take back at the merry-go-round.
19267. What you lose in the fire, you will find in the ashes.
19268. What you lose on the swings you gain on the roundabouts.
19269. What you love is always beautiful.
19270. What you plant, that you will harvest.
19271. What you save is, later, like something found.
19272. What you say is what you will be judged by.
19273. What you say when you’re drunk should have been thought about beforehand.
19274. What you see in yourself is what you see in the world.
19275. What you see is what you get.
19276. What you spend, you have.
19277. What you think of yourself is much more important than what others think of you.
19278. What you’ve never had you never miss.
19279. What youth learns, age does not forget.
19280. What! give the lettuce in charge to the geese!
19281. What! keep a dog and bark myself?
19282. What! you a hare, and ask for hare-pie!
19283. What’s a fart for someone who is soiled?
19284. What’s bred in the bone will come out in the flesh.
19285. What’s everybody’s business is nobody’s business.
19286. What’s everybody’s work is nobody’s work.

19287. What's good for the goose is good for the gander.
19288. What's good is often forgotten; what's bad is often hidden.
19289. What's left over from the thief is spent on the fortune-teller.
19290. What's of no use is too dear at a gift.
19291. What's on sobers mind, is on drunk's tongue.
19292. What's right for one is fair for the other.
19293. What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander.
19294. What's sport to you is death to us Fable of Boys and Frogs.
19295. What's the good of a sun-dial in the shade?
19296. What's the use of consulting a dead man's horoscope?
19297. What's the use of putting honey in an ass's mouth.
19298. What's to me today, tomorrow to you.
19299. What's too hard for a man must be worth looking into.
19300. Whatever a fool does, he does it wrong.
19301. Whatever accomplishment you boast of in the world, there is someone better than you.
19302. Whatever I disliked happened to me.
19303. Whatever is in the heart will come up to the tongue.
19304. Whatever is to be a nettle, burns early?
19305. Whatever is written on the forehead is always seen.
19306. Whatever it is, I fear the girls, even those giving kisses.
19307. Whatever man had done, man may do.
19308. Whatever the eye sees, the heart won't forget.
19309. Whatever the heart thinks, the mouth will speak.
19310. Whatever the thoughts of the dervish, so are his formulas.
19311. Whatever the wind brings he takes away with him.
19312. Whatever way you take there is a league of bad road.
19313. Whatever you do, do with all your might.
19314. Whatever you do, may you do it prudently, and look to the end!
19315. Whatever you eat will rot, whatever you give will blossom into a rose.
19316. Whatever you learn, you learn it for yourself.
19317. Whatever you teach a stupid person, he will forget.
19318. Whatever you undertake let it be proportioned to your powers.
19319. Whatever your uncle gives you, take.
19320. When a bald man dies the mourners give him curly hair as a present.
19321. When a beautiful woman does not steal, she takes you.
19322. When a blind man carries a lame man, both go forward.
19323. When a Bugler gets rich he builds himself another house.
19324. When a camel is at the foot of a mountain only then judge his height.
19325. When a cat wants to eat her kittens, she says they look like mice.
19326. When a child goes to the bush, it should look for snails and not for the tortoise.
19327. When a dead tree falls, the woodpeckers profit from his death.
19328. When a divorced man marries a divorced woman, there are four people in that marital bed.
19329. When a dog bites you, do not bite back.
19330. When a dog has money, he buys cheese.
19331. When a donkey speaks, the others lower their ears.
19332. When a door opens not to your knock, consider your reputation.

19333. When a dove begins to associate with crows its feathers remain white but its heart grows black.
19334. When a face is sullen it remains there to be seen on its owner.
19335. When a father gives to his son, both laugh; when a son gives to his father, both cry.
19336. When a finger is pointing at the moon, the fool looks at the finger.
19337. When a fire starts from the shrine, no precaution can be possible.
19338. When a fish rots, the head stinks first.
19339. When a fool has the cow by the horns, the wise man can milk it.
19340. When a fool is cursed, he thinks he is being praised.
19341. When a fowl gets to a new town, it stands on one leg until it knows that it is a town where people stand on their two legs.
19342. When a fox is in his hole, the smoke fetches him out.
19343. When a fox preaches, take care of your geese.
19344. When a friend asks, there is no tomorrow.
19345. When a girl has beauty without brains, it's her private parts that suffer the most.
19346. When a girl in the teahouse smiles at you, look the other way.
19347. When a girl is born all four walls weep.
19348. When a girl is born it is like having six thieves invade the house.
19349. When a goose dances, and a fool versifies, there is sport.
19350. When a Greek shakes your hand, count your fingers after.
19351. When a habit begins to cost money, it's called a hobby.
19352. When a heart is on fire, sparks always fly out of the mouth.
19353. When a hen is brooding, another hen cannot sit on her eggs.
19354. When a hundred men call a wise man a fool, then he becomes a fool.
19355. When a king has good counselors, his reign is peaceful.
19356. When a king is about to lose his power his orders burn more intensely than fire.
19357. When a king makes a mistake, all the people suffer.
19358. When a king reigns, it is thanks to the people when a river sings; it is thanks to the stones.
19359. When a king's palace burns down, the re-built palace is more beautiful.
19360. When a large vessel has opened a way it is easy for a small one to follow.
19361. When a liar speaks the truth, he is sick.
19362. When a lion doesn't get meat it eats grass.
19363. When a lion is old, he becomes the plaything of jackals.
19364. When a man begins to reason, he ceases to feel.
19365. When a man dies his feet get bigger.
19366. When a man finds no peace within himself, it is useless to look for it elsewhere.
19367. When a man finds that he was wrong to have refused to eat, he should leave his anger and play a harp to call for harmony.
19368. When a man is crazy about a woman only she can cure him.
19369. When a man is down, everybody runs over him.
19370. When a man is in a hurry, the devil is happy.
19371. When a man is not a lover in his twenties, not strong in his thirties, not rich in his forties and not wise in his fifties he will never be so.
19372. When a man is not liked, whatever he doth is amiss.
19373. When a man is not used to breeches the seams gall him.
19374. When a man is rich, he begins to save.
19375. When a man is wealthy he may wear an old cloth.

19376. When a man loses his prestige, he does not regain it by going to where he is not known.
19377. When a man repeats a promise again and again, he means to fail you.
19378. When a man says he does not mind, then he really does.
19379. When a man stops thinking he stops feeling.
19380. When a man's coat is threadbare, it is easy to pick a hole in it.
19381. When a man's friend marries, all is over between them.
19382. When a merchant talks about sheep he means the hide.
19383. When a miller fights with a chimney sweep, the miller gets black and the chimney sweep gets white.
19384. When a miser dies, the heirs feel as happy as when they kill a pig.
19385. When a mother calls her child bastard, you can take her word for it.
19386. When a mouse makes fun of a cat, there is a hole.
19387. When a needle falls into a deep well, many people will look into the well, but few will be ready to go down after it.
19388. When a neighbor gets divorced everyone thinks of his own wife.
19389. When a palm-branch reaches its height, it gives way for a fresh one to grow.
19390. When a peasant gets rich, he knows neither relations nor friends.
19391. When a person regrets endlessly, he gets to pay more for what he regrets.
19392. When a poor man eats a chicken, one or the other is sick.
19393. When a prostitute repents she becomes a matchmaker.
19394. When a proud man hears another praised, he feels himself injured.
19395. When a rich man falls they say it was an accident; when a poor man falls they say that he was drunk.
19396. When a ripe fruit sees an honest man, it drops.
19397. When a single hair has fallen from your head, you are not yet bald.
19398. When a slave mounts a camel he wants to ride on both humps.
19399. When a son gives to his father, they both weep.
19400. When a stepmother moves in, the father becomes a stepfather.
19401. When a strong man sends a message, he sends it with a weak man.
19402. When a thief finds nothing to steal he will steal a dagger made of sand.
19403. When a thing is done advice comes too late.
19404. When a tree is falling, every one cries, down with it.
19405. When a twig grows hard it is difficult to twist it. Every beginning is weak.
19406. When a woman has got off a wagon, horses have an easier time.
19407. When a woman has ten children, there is nothing that happens in the night that she does not know about.
19408. When a woman is not singing, she is not working much either.
19409. When a woman knows no more how to answer, she must be dried up.
19410. When a woman laughs an experienced man will know how much it will cost him.
19411. When a woman prepares a dish which others find unpalatable, she says that she prepared it to suit her own taste.
19412. When a woman talks to you, smile but do not listen.
19413. When all candles be out, all cats be gray.
19414. When all fruit fails, welcome haws.
19415. When all men say you are an ass, it is high time to bray.
19416. When all other sins are old, greed still stays young.
19417. When all sins grow old covetousness is young.

19418. When all you have is a hammer, everything looks like a nail.
19419. When ambition ends, happiness begins.
19420. When among the crows, caw as the crows do.
19421. When an ant gets wings, it loses its head.
19422. When an elephant falls, meat is sure to be surplus for those who follow the hunter.
19423. When an old man cannot drink, prepare his grave.
19424. When Anger and Revenge get married, their daughter is called Cruelty.
19425. When anger blinds the eyes, truth disappears.
19426. When at a loss how to go on, cough.
19427. When big bells ring, little ones are not heard.
19428. When blind leads the blind, both fall into the ditch.
19429. When bribery enters through the door, faith goes out through the chimney.
19430. When building a house, don't measure the timbers in the forest.
19431. When bulls fight, woe to the frogs.
19432. When cat and mouse agree, the farmer has no chance.
19433. When children stand quiet, they have done some harm.
19434. When Christ was along, the devil tempted him.
19435. When coins rattle, philosophers are silent.
19436. When Dame Fortune calls, offer her a chair.
19437. When danger approaches, sing to it.
19438. When David grew old he sang pious psalms.
19439. When death comes, the rich man has no money and the poor man no debt.
19440. When death is there, dying is over.
19441. When deeds speak, words are nothing.
19442. When difficulties are overcome they begin blessing.
19443. When dirt comes to honour it know not what to be.
19444. When distress is the greatest, help is the nearest.
19445. When do we have a day of fast? When there is no bread and ham in the larder.
19446. When drink enters, wisdom departs.
19447. When eating a fruit, think of the person who planted the tree.
19448. When elephant steps on a trap, no more trap.
19449. When escaping a wolf, one will run into a bear.
19450. When every man gets his own the devil gets nothing.
19451. When everyone minds his own business the work is done.
19452. When everybody says you are drunk, go to sleep.
19453. When fate strikes physicians are useless.
19454. When fate throws a dagger at you, there are only two ways to catch it: by the blade or by the handle.
19455. When February comes, hobnail your shoes.
19456. When fire and water are at war, it is the fire that loses.
19457. When fire is applied to a stone it cracks.
19458. When flatterers meet the devil goes to dinner.
19459. When flies swarm in March, sheep come to their death.
19460. When fools go to market the huckster gets money.
19461. When force is imposed, the law is a joke.
19462. When fortune calls, offer her a chair.
19463. When fortune deserts us, our friends are nowhere.
19464. When fortune knocks, open the door.

19465. When fortune turns against you, even jelly breaks your teeth.
19466. When friends ask, there is no tomorrow.
19467. When friendship goes with love it must play the second fiddle.
19468. When glory comes memory departs.
19469. When gnats swarm in January, the peasant becomes a beggar.
19470. When god brings death, the devil brings heirs.
19471. When God gives a child, he also gives the clothing.
19472. When God gives light he gives it for all.
19473. When God is on our side there is no cause for despair.
19474. When God pleases, it rains in fair weather.
19475. When God punishes a land, he deprives it leaders of wisdom.
19476. When God sends flour the devil carries off the sack.
19477. When God shuts one door, He opens another.
19478. When God throws the dice are loaded.
19479. When God wants to please a poor man, He lets him lose his donkey and then helps him find it again.
19480. When god wants to punish an idiot, he teaches them a few words of Hebrew.
19481. When God will not, the saints cannot.
19482. When God wishes a man well, He gives him insight into his faults.
19483. When going to an eating house, go to one that is filled with customers.
19484. When gold speaks every tongue is silent.
19485. When good cheer is lacking, our friends will be packing.
19486. When good fortune knocks you have to open the door yourself.
19487. When goods increase the body decreases.
19488. When Greek meets Greek, then comes the tug of war.
19489. When guns speak it is too late to argue.
19490. When had comes, have is too late.
19491. When hard work goes out of the door, poverty comes in at the window.
19492. When he looked under the saddle he lost his horse.
19493. When he mounts his horse he forgets God; when he dismounts, he forgets his horse.
19494. When he was fifteen the devil was a good looking boy.
19495. When his head is broken he puts on his helmet.
19496. When hitting the horn of a single cow, the horns of a thousand cows hurt.
19497. When hunger gets inside you, nothing else can.
19498. When hunger is appeased we can preach the merits of fasting.
19499. When husband and wife live in harmony, they can dry up the ocean without a bucket.
19500. When I am dead the world can be an ocean or a dried up ditch.
19501. When I drown, the whole world drowns.
19502. When I eat your bread, I sing your song.
19503. When I had money everyone called me brother.
19504. When I have money in my purse, I have food in my mouth.
19505. When I think of the other's misfortunes, I forget mine.
19506. When I was born I wept, and every day brings a reason why.
19507. When I'm dead, everybody's dead, and the pig too.
19508. When ill-luck sleeps, let no one wake her.
19509. When in charge, ponder. When in trouble, delegate. When in doubt, mumble.
19510. When in distress the cut tastes without bread.
19511. When in doubt who will win, be neutral.

19512. When in good health we easily give good advice to the sick.
19513. When in need, you shall know a friend.
19514. When in Rome, do as the Romans do.
19515. When it becomes perfect, soon fades.
19516. When it blows, the trees shake.
19517. When it is God's will to plague a man, a mouse can bite him to death.
19518. When it is the turn of a man to become the head of a village, he does not need to diviner to tell him that he is destined to rule.
19519. When it pours upon the parson, it drops upon the clerk.
19520. When it rains in August, it rains honey and wine.
19521. When it rains in February, it will be temperate all the year.
19522. When it rains manna from heaven, the poor one does not have a spoon.
19523. When it rains on the priest, it dripples on the sacristan.
19524. When it rains one doesn't roof the cottage, and at fair weather it doesn't drip anyway.
19525. When it rains porridge the beggar has no spoon.
19526. When it sees money, the flute will play itself.
19527. When it thunders the thief becomes honest.
19528. When it's raining and the sun shines, then a Turk is born.
19529. When it's warm the pea loses its pod.
19530. When it's time has come, the prey goes to the hunter.
19531. When joy is in the parlor, sorrow is in the passage.
19532. When life gives you lemons, make lemonade.
19533. When love is not madness, it is not love.
19534. When luck joins in the game, cleverness scores double.
19535. When Madame drops her cup of tea it makes no noise.
19536. When masters are fighting, their servants' forelocks are creaking.
19537. When men are friendly the water is sweet.
19538. When men speak of the future, the gods laugh.
19539. When men take wives they stop fearing hell.
19540. When misers die, children open up their coffers.
19541. When misfortune sleeps, let no one wake her.
19542. When mistrust enters, love departs.
19543. When money is not a servant it is a master.
19544. When money is stolen you can only beat the dog.
19545. When money is taken freedom is forsaken.
19546. When money is talking, the rest of the world shuts up.
19547. When money speaks the truth is silent.
19548. When mosquitoes work, they bite and then they sing.
19549. When mother cow is cropping grass, her young one watches her mouth.
19550. When my child and I have eaten, then clear the table.
19551. When need is greatest, help is nearest.
19552. When night falls the face of the wolf lights up.
19553. When old horses get warm, they are not easily held in.
19554. When one chief falls, another rises.
19555. When one foot stumbles, the other is near falling.
19556. When one goose drinks, all drink.
19557. When one has not what one likes, one must like what one has.
19558. When one is dead, it is for a long while.

19559. When one is in love, a cliff becomes a meadow.
19560. When one is in trouble, one remembers God.
19561. When one is prepared, difficulties do not come.
19562. When one is taking a chicken from its roost, the hen is bound to attack with at least its claws.
19563. When one must, one can.
19564. When one sheep is over the dam, the rest follow.
19565. When one shuts one eye, one does not hear everything.
19566. When one wave leaves, another succeeds.
19567. When one will not, two cannot quarrel.
19568. When our daughter is married sons-in-law are plenty.
19569. When our enemy flies, build him a golden bridge.
19570. When people only talk about things they understand then a great silence will descend upon the world.
19571. When pleasure interferes with business, give up business.
19572. When poor, liberal; when rich, stingy.
19573. When poverty comes in at the door, love flies out at the window.
19574. When prices drop, buy.
19575. When prosperity smiles, beware of its guiles.
19576. When ravens are seen flying low, it is cold for the sake of a prick.
19577. When rogues fallout, honest men come by their own.
19578. When rogues go in procession the devil carries the cross.
19579. When sabots begin to flower.
19580. When scoundrels argue, the truth is revealed.
19581. When sheep get angry they are worse than wolves.
19582. When shepherds quarrel, the wolf has a winning game.
19583. When silent men speak they speak to the purpose.
19584. When somebody goes to war, he not only beats, but also is beaten.
19585. When someone falls everybody steps on him.
19586. When someone gives you a drop of water, reward him with a never ending source.
19587. When someone is going downhill everyone likes to give them a kick.
19588. When someone offends you, you haven't given him enough love.
19589. When something has been denied of you, you can still do it once.
19590. When sorrow is asleep wake it not.
19591. When spiders' webs unite, they can tie up a lion.
19592. When ten thousand soldiers lie rotting, the general's reputation is enhanced.
19593. When the affected lady is doing well she eats her peas with a pin.
19594. When the alms is too large, even a saint will be suspicious.
19595. When the angels present themselves, the devils abscond.
19596. When the apple is ripe it will fall.
19597. When the ass is too happy he begins dancing on the ice.
19598. When the axe came to the forest, the trees said: 'The handle is one of us'.
19599. When the baobab tree has fallen, the goats start climbing on it.
19600. When the battle is over you make your appearance.
19601. When the bed breaks, there is the ground to lie on.
19602. When the bee comes to your house, let her have beer; you may want to visit the bee's house someday.
19603. When the bee sucks, it makes honey, when the spider, poison.

19604. When the beer goes in the wits go out.
19605. When the belly is full the mind is amongst the maids.
19606. When the big bells ring, the little bells are not heard.
19607. When the big fish fight the shrimps must lie low.
19608. When the big tree falls, the goat eats its leaves.
19609. When the blind man carries the banner, woe to those who follow.
19610. When the blind man carries the lame man, both go forward.
19611. When the boat reaches mid-stream, it is too late to stop the leak.
19612. When the boss is out, is a holiday at the shop.
19613. When the bush is on fire, the antelope ceases to fear the hunter's bullet.
19614. When the cage is ready the bird is flown.
19615. When the calf is drowned they cover the well.
19616. When the cart breaks down, advice abounds.
19617. When the cart rolled over, there are many roads.
19618. When the cat and the mouse agree the farmer doesn't stand a chance.
19619. When the cat and the mouse agree, the grocer is ruined.
19620. When the cat gets too old, the mice are not afraid any more.
19621. When the cat's stomach is full, the rat's back is bitter.
19622. When the character of a man is not clear to you, look at his friends.
19623. When the child falls the mother weeps; when the mother falls the child laughs.
19624. When the child is christened you will have godfathers enough.
19625. When the cook and the steward fall out, we hear who stole the butter.
19626. When the cord is tightest it is nearest snapping.
19627. When the crocodile says that the river crossing is deep you must believe it.
19628. When the cup is full, carry it even.
19629. When the curry is tasty, the rice is hard.
19630. When the danger has passed, the saints are soon forgotten.
19631. When the daughter dies, the son-in-law is dead as well.
19632. When the deal is done, discuss it no more; it is difficult to collect dispersed water.
19633. When the devil finds the door shut he goes away.
19634. When the devil goes to mass he hides his tail.
19635. When the devil grows old he turns himself hermit.
19636. When the devil grows poor he becomes a tax collector.
19637. When the devil is old he turns hermit.
19638. When the devil reigns today God will be master tomorrow.
19639. When the devil says his paternosters he means to cheat you.
19640. When the dog eats, he doesn't bark, or his food will run away.
19641. When the dog is awake, the shepherd may sleep.
19642. When the dog is down, everyone is ready to bite him.
19643. When the dog is drowning every one brings him water.
19644. When the door is low one must stoop.
19645. When the drink is in, the sense is out.
19646. When the ducks are quacking the frogs take it as a warning.
19647. When the ear does not hear the eye will see better.
19648. When the earth is hot, the worm stays in the ground.
19649. When the elderly ones in a house travel, the younger ones quickly grow in experience.
19650. When the elephant is slain all the tribes gather together to eat of it.
19651. When the elephants fight it is the grass that suffers.

19652. When the father has eaten too much salt in his lifetime, then his son thereafter will have a great thirst.
19653. When the fields yield not, the saints have not.
19654. When the figs are ripe all the birds want to eat.
19655. When the flatterer pipes, the devil dances.
19656. When the food is cooked there is no need to wait before eating it.
19657. When the fool has made up his mind the market is over.
19658. When the fool knows when to be silent, he would be sitting among the wise.
19659. When the fox licks his paw let the farmer look after his geese.
19660. When the fox preaches to the goose her neck is in danger.
19661. When the fox preaches, take care of yourselves, hens.
19662. When the game is most thriving it is time to leave off.
19663. When the giver comes, the gate opens by itself.
19664. When the goat goes to church, he does not stop till he gets to the altar.
19665. When the going gets tough, the tough get going.
19666. When the goose trusts the fox then woe to her neck.
19667. When the gorse is out of bloom, kissing's out of fashion.
19668. When the government has no ears to listen with, then she has no head for governing.
19669. When the guest is in most favour, he will do well to quit.
19670. When the hand ceases to scatter, the heart ceases to pray.
19671. When the head aches, all the members suffer with it.
19672. When the head does not work, the legs suffer.
19673. When the healthy dog fights with a mad dog, it is the ears of the healthy one that are bitten off.
19674. When the heart acts the body is its slave.
19675. When the heart is at ease, the body is healthy.
19676. When the heart is full the tongue will speak.
19677. When the heat has passed, you forget about the shade of trees.
19678. When the helm is gone the ship will soon be wrecked.
19679. When the hen had laid an egg she cackles.
19680. When the horse dies, dismount.
19681. When the husband earns well the wife spins well.
19682. When the hyena drinks, the dog can only look on.
19683. When the iron is hot, then is the time to strike.
19684. When the jest is at its best, it will be well to let it rest.
19685. When the judge's mule dies, everyone goes to the funeral; when the judge himself dies, no one does.
19686. When the king reigns it is thanks to the people; when a river sings it's thanks to the stones.
19687. When the kitchen maids are together the roast burns.
19688. When the laborer is praised, his cutlass begins to cut more keenly.
19689. When the lamps in the house are lit it is like the flowering of lotus on the lake.
19690. When the leopard is away, his cubs are eaten.
19691. When the light is crooked, the shadow is crooked.
19692. When the liquor was gone the fun was gone.
19693. When the man is away, the monkey eats his corn and goes into his hut.
19694. When the manger is empty the horses fight.
19695. When the mantis hunts the locust, he forgets the shrike that's hunting him.

19696. When the master has a cold the servants sneeze.
19697. When the master is absent, the frogs hop into the house.
19698. When the master is away, the frogs hop in.
19699. When the master of the house tells a lie, then offer him a chair.
19700. When the measure is full, it runs over.
19701. When the mice laugh at the cat, there is a hole nearby.
19702. When the miller is also the mayor, there are two thieves in one pair of trousers.
19703. When the monkey can't reach the ripe banana with his hand, he says it is not sweet.
19704. When the moon is not full, the stars shine more brightly.
19705. When the moon is shining the cripple becomes hungry for a walk.
19706. When the mother dies the father becomes an uncle.
19707. When the mother goat breaks into the yam store her kid watches her.
19708. When the mouse has had enough the meal is bitter.
19709. When the mouse has had its fill, the meal turns bitter.
19710. When the mouse is full, the flour tastes bitter.
19711. When the mouse laughs at the cat there is a hole nearby.
19712. When the mouth stumbles, it is worse than when the foot does.
19713. When the mule is too happy he begins dancing on the ice.
19714. When the music changes, so does the dance.
19715. When the next house is on fire, it is high time to look to your own.
19716. When the Nile knows a secret the desert will soon know it too.
19717. When the oak is before the ash, then you will only get a splash; when the ash is before the oak, then you may expect a soak.
19718. When the ox just stumbles, they all sharpen their knives.
19719. When the pain has passed one forgets the medicine.
19720. When the pear is ripe, it falls.
19721. When the pig has had a bellyful it upsets the trough.
19722. When the pinch comes, you remember the old shoe.
19723. When the pirate prays, there is great danger.
19724. When the poor man is buried, the large bell of the parish is silent.
19725. When the poor man sets a trap only his dog gets caught.
19726. When the powerful sit, they are none the weaker.
19727. When the prior plays cards, what will the monks do?
19728. When the rabbit has escaped, comes advice.
19729. When the rain falls in the valley, the hill gets angry.
19730. When the right hand washes the left hand and the left hand washes the right hand, both hands become clean.
19731. When the rooks are silent the swans begin to sing.
19732. When the rooster is drunk, he forgets about the hawk.
19733. When the root is worthless, so is the tree.
19734. When the roots of a tree begin to decay, it spreads death to the branches.
19735. When the sack is full, it pricks up its ears.
19736. When the sad woman started to be happy, she could not.
19737. When the sculptor is dead his statues ask him for a soul.
19738. When the sea hits the rock it's the clam that gets screwed.
19739. When the sea is calm, every ship has a good captain.
19740. When the sea turned into honey, the beggar lost his spoon.
19741. When the shepherd comes home in peace, the milk is sweet.

19742. When the shepherd strays, the sheep stray.
19743. When the ship has sunk everyone knows how she might have been saved.
19744. When the sky falls down, the earth shall melt.
19745. When the snake is in the house, one need not discuss the matter at length.
19746. When the snake is old, the frog will tease him.
19747. When the soul hungers, even bitter things taste sweet.
19748. When the sow is satisfied she throws the trough away.
19749. When the Spaniard sings he is either stupid or without money.
19750. When the spleen increases, the body diminishes.
19751. When the steersmen are many the ship will sink.
19752. When the stomach is full the heart is glad.
19753. When the sun is highest it casts the least shadow.
19754. When the sun rises, it rises for everyone.
19755. When the sword of rebellion is drawn, the sheath should be thrown away.
19756. When the tale of bricks is doubled, then comes Moses.
19757. When the teeth fall off, the nose is sure to collapse.
19758. When the thief has stolen from a thief, God laughs in heaven.
19759. When the tide of misfortune moves over you, even jelly will break your teeth.
19760. When the tiger kills, the jackal profits.
19761. When the time comes for you to live, there aren't enough years.
19762. When the time comes, even a rat becomes a tiger.
19763. When the tree dies, the grass underneath withers.
19764. When the tree falls everyone runs to cut the branches.
19765. When the tree falls, any child can climb it.
19766. When the vine entwines your roof, it is time to cut it down.
19767. When the wagon is tilting everybody gives it a shove.
19768. When the war is over, then comes help.
19769. When the water falls the stone becomes visible.
19770. When the water level decreases, the ice will crack.
19771. When the white man wins, it is a battle.
19772. When the will is prompt the legs are nimble.
19773. When the will is ready the feet are light.
19774. When the wind is in the east, it is neither good for man nor beast.
19775. When the wind serves, all aid.
19776. When the wine goes in the wit goes out.
19777. When the wine is free even the judge drinks it.
19778. When the wine is in the man, the wit is in the can.
19779. When the wine is in, the wit is out.
19780. When the wine runs to waste in the cellar, he mends the cask.
19781. When the wise man gets angry, he stops being wise.
19782. When the wolf grows old the crows ride him.
19783. When the wolf invites you in, you had better take your dog.
19784. When the wolf's ears appear, his body is not far off.
19785. When the woman wants something God quakes.
19786. When the word is in the mouth you must caress the sheath.
19787. When the word is out, it belongs to another.
19788. When the wound is healed the pain is forgotten.
19789. When there are two fires in one room, only one will smoke.

19790. When there are two in a lawsuit only a third will profit from it.
19791. When there is a war between fire and water, fire loses.
19792. When there is killing weather, the dogs grow fat, when there is.
19793. When there is little bread at table put plenty on your plate.
19794. When there is no enemy it is safe to fight.
19795. When there is no wind every man is a pilot.
19796. When there is nothing, the church loses.
19797. When there is real danger, the dogs don't bark.
19798. When there is room in the heart there is room in the house.
19799. When there's a will, there's a way.
19800. When they gave the donkey flowers to smell, he ate them.
19801. When they give you the calf, be ready with the halter.
19802. When they offer you a ring, hold out your finger.
19803. When things are at the worst they begin to mend.
19804. When things go well it is easy to advice.
19805. When three know it, all know it.
19806. When three men march together, one of them must be the boss.
19807. When three people call you an ass, put on a bridle.
19808. When three people know, the whole world knows.
19809. When three people say you are drunk, go to sleep.
19810. When three wise men say you are an ass, bray.
19811. When three women gather, it becomes noisy.
19812. When traveling do not calculate the distance, at dinner don't think of how much.
19813. When two are in love, only one needs to eat.
19814. When two divorced people marry, four people get into bed.
19815. When two do the same, it isn't the same.
19816. When two dogs fight for a bone, the third runs away with it.
19817. When two friends have a common bank account, one sings and the other weeps.
19818. When two friends part they have to lock up each other's secrets and throw away the key.
19819. When two jars collide, one breaks.
19820. When two men quarrel, the one who yields first displays the nobler character.
19821. When two paupers get married it is the beginning of a generation of beggars.
19822. When two people fight in the water, they both get wet.
19823. When two poor men help each other, God laughs.
19824. When two quarrel, both are to blame.
19825. When violence comes into the house, law and justice leave through the chimney.
19826. When Want comes in at the door, Love flies out at the window.
19827. When war begins the devil makes hell bigger.
19828. When water remains in one place, it spoils.
19829. When we are at our happiest, then it is best to leave and go home.
19830. When we can't find peace in ourselves it is vain to look for it elsewhere.
19831. When we cannot get what we love, we must love what is within our reach.
19832. When we don't have what we like, we must like what we have.
19833. When we have nothing to worry about we are not doing much, and not doing much may supply us with plenty of future worries.
19834. When we least expect it, the hare darts out of the ditch.
19835. When we lie, we renounce peace.

19836. When we sing everybody hears us, when we sigh nobody hears us.
19837. When we take one step toward to God, he takes seven steps toward us.
19838. When we think to catch we are sometimes caught.
19839. When what you want doesn't happen, learn to want what does.
19840. When will the goat be strong enough to kill a leopard?
19841. When willows bear grapes.
19842. When wine enters modesty departs.
19843. When wine is in wit is out.
19844. When wise men play mad pranks they do it with a vengeance.
19845. When with dwarfs, do not talk about pygmies.
19846. When woman reigns the devil governs.
19847. When wood breaks it can be repaired, but ivory breaks forever.
19848. When wood is chopped, woodchips will fly.
19849. When you are an anvil, bear; when you are a hammer, strike.
19850. When you are asleep, your luck works out for you.
19851. When you are at home, even the walls help you.
19852. When you are crossing over a river you might be eaten by crocodiles, but don't let yourself get bitten by the little fish.
19853. When you are eating with the devil, you must use a long spoon.
19854. When you are given, take it, when you are beaten, run away.
19855. When you are in a hurry, the horse holds back.
19856. When you are in a pack of hounds, you either bark or wag your tail.
19857. When you are in difficulty, go to the house of your friend, not your sister's,
19858. When you are looking for a country with no tombstones you will find yourself in the land of cannibals.
19859. When you are looking upwards you see no frontiers.
19860. When you are on the road speak not ill of your enemy.
19861. When you are polite, the others think they are wearing flowers.
19862. When you are rich you suffer in a more comfortable way.
19863. When you are right no one remembers; when you are wrong no one forgets.
19864. When you are sick you promise a goat, but when you are well again make do with a chicken.
19865. When you are snapping at boneless meat, remember gnawing on a bone.
19866. When you are talking about marriage, think about your mother.
19867. When you are thirsty, it's too late to think of digging the well.
19868. When you are very angry, don't go to a lawyer; when you are very hungry, don't be a poet.
19869. When you are waiting for something good, you can never wait too long.
19870. When you are well off keep as you are.
19871. When you bargain with a fox, beware of tricks.
19872. When you befriend a chief remember that he sits on a rope.
19873. When you begin to understand the situation, you know you must have been ill-informed.
19874. When you bump into someone, begging your pardon doesn't put it right.
19875. When you buy beef, you buy bones; when you buy land, you buy rocks.
19876. When you can avoid it, never seek strife.
19877. When you can't find peace within yourself, it's useless to seek it elsewhere.
19878. When you can't get meat, chickens and bacon are good.

19879. When you cease to strive to understand, then you will know without understanding.
19880. When you chop off a snake's head all you are left with is a piece of rope.
19881. When you come back from a trip bring something for the family, even if it is only a stone.
19882. When you cook a guinea fowl, the partridge gets a headache.
19883. When you die, your sister's tears will dry as time goes on, your widow's tears will end in another's arms, but your mother will mourn you until the day she dies.
19884. When you die, your trumpeter will be buried.
19885. When you do good, you get good.
19886. When you do something wholeheartedly, you are not in need of helpers.
19887. When you don't wait for it tomorrow still comes.
19888. When you drink milk under the palm tree, people will say that it is palm wine.
19889. When you drink the water, remember the spring.
19890. When you eat new bread, don't drink water.
19891. When you fall into a pit, either you get out or die.
19892. When you follow the path of your father, you learn to walk like him.
19893. When you get older you keep warm with the wood you gathered as a youth.
19894. When you go to a donkey's house, don't talk about ears.
19895. When you go to a strange house knock at the door.
19896. When you go to bed with a clear head, you will not get up with a headache.
19897. When you go to buy, use your eyes, not your ears.
19898. When you go to dance, take heed whom you take by the hand.
19899. When you go, the road is rough; when you return, smooth.
19900. When you grow up you will forget it happened.
19901. When you have a good government the grass will grow over your troubles.
19902. When you have a lot to do, start with a meal.
19903. When you have a mule for a friend, expect nothing but kicks.
19904. When you have children yourself, you begin to understand what you owe your parents.
19905. When you have diarrhea, green guava doesn't help.
19906. When you have done the job, you may take a walk boldly.
19907. When you have left a country, you have left everyone.
19908. When you have no choice, mobilize the spirit of courage.
19909. When you have no companion, look to your walking stick.
19910. When you have not what you like, you must like what you have.
19911. When you have only two dollars left in the world, buy a loaf of bread with one, and a rose with the other.
19912. When you have read a book for the first time, you get to know a friend; read it for a second time and you meet an old friend.
19913. When you have seen one, you have seen them all.
19914. When you have spoken the word, it reigns over you When it is unspoken you reign over it.
19915. When you have three daughters, you sleep with the door open.
19916. When you know who his friend is, you know who he is.
19917. When you lie on roses while young, you'll lie on thorns while you're old.
19918. When you live next to the cemetery you cannot weep for everyone.
19919. When you make a pan you also make a cover for it.

19920. When you meet a man, you judge him by his clothes; when you leave, you judge him by his heart.
19921. When you mention the person with one eye, the one with the eye problem reacts.
19922. When you pick up the stick, the robber dog knows.
19923. When you point your finger at someone, look where the other fingers point.
19924. When you put your nose into the water your cheeks get wet as well.
19925. When you reject gifts from heaven you will be rewarded in hell.
19926. When you say one thing, the clever person understands three.
19927. When you see a palm tree, the palm tree has seen you.
19928. When you see a turtle on top of a fence post, you know he had some help.
19929. When you see gossamer flying, be sure the air is drying.
19930. When you see the wolf, do not look for his track.
19931. When you shoot a zebra in the black stripe, the white dies too; shoot it in the white and the black dies too.
19932. When you shoot an arrow of truth, dip its point in honey.
19933. When you show the moon to a child, it sees only your finger.
19934. When you spit against the wind you get a dirty beard.
19935. When you sweep the stairs, you start at the top.
19936. When you take a knife away from a child, give him a piece of wood instead.
19937. When you talk about future happenings the devil starts to laugh.
19938. When you talk about the sun, you will see her beams.
19939. When you tell the truth, have one foot in the stirrup.
19940. When you throw dirt, you lose ground.
19941. When you treat someone like a wild cat, he will steal your chickens.
19942. When you wait for tomorrow it never comes. When you don't wait for it tomorrow still comes.
19943. When you want to test the depths of a stream, don't use both feet.
19944. When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced Live your life in a manner so that when you die the world cries and you rejoice.
19945. When you will, they won't, when you won't, they will.
19946. When you're dying of thirst it's too late to dig a well.
19947. When you're out of luck in the coffin making business, no one dies.
19948. When you're speaking about the trolls, they're standing in the entrance hall listening.
19949. When you're thirsty it's too late to think about digging a well.
19950. When you've heard it you must see it; when you've seen it make a judgement with your heart.
19951. When your devil was born, mine was going to school.
19952. When your enemies attack, bathe in their blood.
19953. When your enemy falls down, pick him up.
19954. When your fortune improves, the columns of your house appear to be crooked.
19955. When your luck deserts you, even cold food burns.
19956. When your neighbor is wrong you point a finger, but when you are wrong you hide.
19957. When your neighbor walks through your orchard, the polite thing to do is to ignore it.
19958. When your neighbor's horse falls into a pit, you should not rejoice at it, for your own child may fall into it too.
19959. When your own funeral is approaching, you don't pick and choose your grave diggers.
19960. When your son grows up, treat him as a brother.

19961. When your wine is finished, conversation ends; when your money has been spent, you lose your friends.
19962. When you're speaking about the trolls, they're standing in the entrance hall listening. Nothing is so good that it can't be made better.
19963. When you're thirsty it's too late to think about digging a well.
19964. Whenever I work hard for other people, I always sleep on an empty stomach.
19965. Whenever the water rises, the boat will rise too.
19966. Whenever there is profit to be made then think of honesty.
19967. Whenever women say good-bye they always hang around for a while.
19968. Where a horse of a Turk passes the grass will not grow again.
19969. Where a man feels pain he lays his hand.
19970. Where a man never goes, there his head will never be washed.
19971. Where a woman rules, stream run uphill.
19972. Where all adulterers to wear grey coats, the cloth would be dear.
19973. Where art is displayed truth does not appear.
19974. Where bees are, there is honey.
19975. Where blood has been shed the tree of forgiveness cannot grow.
19976. Where conceit and ignorance sit, grass will not grow again.
19977. Where error gets to, correction cannot reach.
19978. Where everyone goes, the grass never grows.
19979. Where force prevails, right perishes.
19980. Where force rules, justice does not exist.
19981. Where freedom is, there shall my country be.
19982. Where friars abound, keep your eyes open.
19983. Where friends, there riches.
19984. Where ghosts walk, there is loving or thieving.
19985. Where God bestows an office, he provides brains to fill it.
19986. Where God builds a church, the devil builds a chapel.
19987. Where God cooks, there is no smoke.
19988. Where God gives hard bread, He also gives sharp teeth.
19989. Where God has his church, the devil will have his chapel
19990. Where God has sown it shall flourish.
19991. Where God sends babies he sends penny loaves.
19992. Where a horse with its hoof, there goes a crayfish with its pincer.
19993. Where gold avails, argument fails.
19994. Where gold chinks, arguments are of no avail.
19995. Where gold speaks every tongue is silent.
19996. Where I make a living, there is my home.
19997. Where ignorance is bliss, it is folly to be wise.
19998. Where is there a tree not shaken by the wind?
19999. Where it is customary the cow is brought to bed.
20000. Where law lacks, honor should eke it out.
20001. Where life is exhausted, death comes.
20002. Where love is there the eye is.
20003. Where love sets the table food tastes at its best.
20004. Where luck is wanting, diligence is useless.
20005. Where man is not, nature is barren.
20006. Where many roosters are crowing it's dawn.

20007. Where might is master, justice is servant.
20008. Where might is the master, justice is the servant.
20009. Where misfortune befalls injuries follow.
20010. Where money and counsel are wanting, it is best not to make war.
20011. Where money, there friends.
20012. Where Nature stops folly begins.
20013. Where necessity speaks it demands.
20014. Where old age is evil, youth can learn no good.
20015. Where one feels good, there is one's country.
20016. Where one is wise two are happy.
20017. Where people are promising much to you, bring a small bag. Where philosophy ends medicine begins.
20018. Where power reigns there is no room for reason.
20019. Where profit is, loss is hiding nearby.
20020. Where remedies are needed, sighing avails not.
20021. Where rich people can make honest money, poor people have to steal.
20022. Where right has no power, there power likes to be.
20023. Where shall a man have a worse friend than he brings from home.
20024. Where shall the ladle be if not in the cauldron?
20025. Where the army goes there is no grass.
20026. Where the bee sucks honey the spider sucks poison.
20027. Where the best wine grows, the worst is drunk.
20028. Where the bird was hatched it haunts.
20029. Where the body wants to rest, there the legs must carry it.
20030. Where the camel is sold for a cent, the mule is worthless.
20031. Where the cattle are, there the wolf shall die.
20032. Where the cattle stand together, the lion lies down hungry.
20033. Where the devil can't go himself, he sends an old woman.
20034. Where the devil can't go, he'll send a woman.
20035. Where the devil cannot put his head he puts his tail.
20036. Where the dike is lowest the water first runs out.
20037. Where the girls are there are no spider's webs.
20038. Where the goat is tied she must browse.
20039. Where the goat leaps, leaps that which sucks her.
20040. Where the heart is past hope, the face is past shame.
20041. Where the heart loves, there the legs walk.
20042. Where the heart would go, there follows the foot.
20043. Where the hedge is low everyone will cross it.
20044. Where the hedge is lowest men jump over.
20045. Where the honey, there the bees.
20046. Where the hostess is beautiful the wine is tasty.
20047. Where the law is uncertain there is no law.
20048. Where the lion's skin falls short, borrow of the fox.
20049. Where the love is, thither turns the eye.
20050. Where the needle goes, the thread follows.
20051. Where the Pope is, there is Rome.
20052. Where the pupil is willing; the teachers will appear.
20053. Where the river is deepest it makes the least noise.

20054. Where the rooster is the hen does not crow.
20055. Where the sea goes let the sands go.
20056. Where the soil is rich, you will find roots.
20057. Where the sun shines, there is also shade.
20058. Where the thread is weakest it breaks.
20059. Where the tongue slips, it speaks the truth.
20060. Where the wasp has passed the fly sticks fast.
20061. Where the wolf gets one lamb he looks for another.
20062. Where the woman goes the devil follows.
20063. Where there are birds, there is water.
20064. Where there are geese there is dirt, and where there are women there is talking.
20065. Where there are many midwives, children will be feeble.
20066. Where there are no dogs the fox is a king.
20067. Where there are no laws, they can't be broken.
20068. Where there are no sheep, they call the goat princess.
20069. Where there are no swamps there are no frogs.
20070. Where there are no tigers, a wildcat is very self-important.
20071. Where there are six cooks, there is nothing to eat.
20072. Where there are stones the brook babbles.
20073. Where there are too many workmen, there is little work.
20074. Where there are weapons, there will be wars.
20075. Where there is a bone, there are dogs.
20076. Where there is a glut of words, there is a dearth of intelligence.
20077. Where there is a goal there is a path.
20078. Where there is a rooster the chicken will not crow.
20079. Where there is a sea there are pirates.
20080. Where there is a will, there is a way.
20081. Where there is action, there is waste.
20082. Where there is activity, there is fertility.
20083. Where there is butter there are flies.
20084. Where there is carcass, the vultures will gather.
20085. Where there is content there is abundance.
20086. Where there is doubt, there is freedom.
20087. Where there is equality there never can be perfect love.
20088. Where there is fish, there is water.
20089. Where there is great love there is great pain.
20090. Where there is harmony, there is victory.
20091. Where there is laughter happiness likes to be.
20092. Where there is least heart there is most tongue.
20093. Where there is life there is hope.
20094. Where there is little bread, cut first.
20095. Where there is love, there is happiness.
20096. Where there is love, there is pain.
20097. Where there is muck there is brass.
20098. Where there is negotiation, there is hope for agreement.
20099. Where there is no bridge the smallest plank is of great value.
20100. Where there is no fear, there is no pity.
20101. Where there is no jealousy there is no love.

20102. Where there is no shame, there is no honor.
20103. Where there is no vision, people perish.
20104. Where there is no wealth there is no poverty.
20105. Where there is no wife, there is no home.
20106. Where there is no wine, we need medicine.
20107. Where there is no wit within, no wit will come out.
20108. Where there is nothing the king loses his rights.
20109. Where there is nothing to gain, there is a lot to lose.
20110. Where there is nothing, the Emperor loses his right.
20111. Where there is purpose there is no failure.
20112. Where there is room for two there is room for three.
20113. Where there is sea there will always be pirates.
20114. Where there is shame, there is virtue.
20115. Where there is sunshine, there is also shade.
20116. Where there is wealth, friends abound.
20117. Where there no fools, there would be no wise men.
20118. Where there's a carcass, there will be vultures.
20119. Where there's a rooster, hens don't crow.
20120. Where there's a will there's a way.
20121. Where there's a will to condemn there is also evidence.
20122. Where water is the boss there the land must obey.
20123. Where will is right, law is banished.
20124. Where wine appears the doctor disappears.
20125. Where wood is being chopped, shavings fly.
20126. Where you are not, there is happiness.
20127. Where you cannot climb over, you must creep under.
20128. Where you lose nothing, you always win something.
20129. Where you lost your cloak, seek it.
20130. Where you saw wood, there the sawdust will fall.
20131. Where you smart there I will hit you.
20132. Where you tell your secret you surrender your freedom.
20133. Where you think there is bacon, there are not even hooks for it.
20134. Where you were a page, be not an esquire.
20135. Where you were born is less important than how you live.
20136. Where you will sit when you are old shows where you stood in youth.
20137. Wherein have I erred? What have I done?
20138. Wherever man goes to dwell his character goes with him.
20139. Wherever something stands, another thing stands beside it.
20140. Wherever the head goes, the tail will follow.
20141. Wherever you go, you can't get rid of yourself.
20142. Wherever you may be, do as you see done.
20143. Wherever you wander, there's no place like home.
20144. Wherries must not put out to sea.
20145. Whether it will go into clay or charcoal.
20146. Whether you boil snow or pound it you can have but water of it.
20147. Whether you ignore a pig, or worship that pig from afar, to the pig it's all the same.
20148. Whether you think you can, or you think you can't, you're right.
20149. Whichever way you turn you have your end in the back.

20150. While a person gets they can never lose.
20151. While avoiding the smoke I have fallen into the flame.
20152. While between two stools, my tail goes to the ground.
20153. While doctors consult, the patient dies.
20154. While the cat's away the mice will play.
20155. While the doctors consult, the patient dies.
20156. While the dogs yelp, the hare flies to the wood.
20157. While the grass grows the horse starves.
20158. While the great bells are ringing no one hears the little ones.
20159. While the horse starves, the grass grows.
20160. While the pot boils, friendship blooms.
20161. While the sheep bleats it loses its mouthful.
20162. While the stick comes and goes the back is at rest.
20163. While the sun is still up, let people work that the earth may live.
20164. While there is life there is hope.
20165. While two men argue, the third one rejoices.
20166. While we consider when to begin, it becomes too late.
20167. While we discuss matters, the opportunity passes by.
20168. While we would catch we are caught.
20169. While wrangling over a quarter of pig, you can lose a flock of sheep.
20170. While yearning for excess we lose the necessities.
20171. While you were chirping with vernal giddiness, didn't you think of brumal harshness?
20172. Whilst doing one learns.
20173. Whilst kicking and biting, love develops.
20174. Whilst standing he holds one opinion, whilst sitting another.
20175. Whip the saddle and give the mule something to think about it.
20176. Whistling for the worth of a thing is what it will bring.
20177. White flowers are not to be found in a coal sack.
20178. White hands are no offence.
20179. White meal is not got out of a coal-sack.
20180. Whither shall the ox go, where he will not have to plough?
20181. Who accepts from another sells his freedom.
20182. Who accepts nothing has nothing to return.
20183. Who accepts, sells himself.
20184. Who answers for another pays.
20185. Who are ready to believe, are easy to deceive.
20186. Who arrives in the darkness departs as night falls.
20187. Who asks at once for a lot, returns home with an empty bag?
20188. Who avoids small sins, does not fall into great ones.
20189. Who bathes his hands in blood will have to wash them with tears.
20190. Who begins amiss ends amiss.
20191. Who begins too much accomplishes little.
20192. Who blackens others, does not whiten himself.
20193. Who blows his nose too hard makes it bleed.
20194. Who bows to might loses his right?
20195. Who breaks old pays new?
20196. Who builds on the mob builds on sand.
20197. Who builds upon the people, builds upon sand.

20198. Who burned himself with hot milk blows on ice cream?
20199. Who buys wants a hundred eyes, who sells need have but one.
20200. Who came back from the grave and told the story?
20201. Who came in late, finds a bad accommodation?
20202. Who can commands; who must, obeys?
20203. Who can do big can do small.
20204. Who can master his thirst can master his health.
20205. Who can say with certainty that one will live to see the morrow?
20206. Who can't pretend cannot govern.
20207. Who can't ride horseback goes on foot?
20208. Who can't stand any more puts down the load?
20209. Who can't swim sinks?
20210. Who cannot beat the horse let him beat the saddle.
20211. Who cannot sing, may whistle.
20212. Who cannot yet walk, cannot climb a ladder.
20213. Who cares about every little feather should not make the bed.
20214. Who cares if a crow is male or female?
20215. Who ceases to be a friend never was one.
20216. Who chooses will always have desires.
20217. Who cleans up the dirt washes away happiness.
20218. Who comes out similar to his own didn't degenerate.
20219. Who comes seldom, is welcome.
20220. Who complains first it who threw the plum.
20221. Who contests his form, he mocks his Creator.
20222. Who could live without hope?
20223. Who dances at the wedding, weeps at the funeral?
20224. Who demands justice, must administer justice.
20225. Who depends on another man's table often dines late.
20226. Who digs a hole for another, falls in it himself.
20227. Who disdains wants to buy.
20228. Who does all he may never does well?
20229. Who does not beat his own child will later beat his own breast.
20230. Who does not go with you, go with him.
20231. Who does not know one thing knows another.
20232. Who does not punish evil, invites it.
20233. Who does not thank for a little will not thank for a lot.
20234. Who does not wish to be like the wolf let him not wear its skin.
20235. Who doesn't feel isn't a good people's son.
20236. Who doesn't have enough supper is restless all night.
20237. Who doesn't have in his head has in his feet.
20238. Who doesn't have nails doesn't play the guitar.
20239. Who doesn't honor the Rappen isn't worth the Franken.
20240. Who doesn't keep faith with God won't keep it with men.
20241. Who doesn't know a thing has no doubts.
20242. Who doesn't quit gets game?
20243. Who doesn't take a chance won't nibble.
20244. Who doesn't want to be a wolf shouldn't wear its hide.
20245. Who doesn't work doesn't eat.

20246. Who don’t keep faith with God won’t keep it with man.
20247. Who dresses other undresses them in the marketplace.
20248. Who drinks till bottom, lives without mind?
20249. Who eats capon, capon comes to him.
20250. Who eats his fowl alone, must saddle his horse alone.
20251. Who eats it won’t know the bitterness of the onion, but who chops it does.
20252. Whoever does not respect confidence will never find happiness in their path.
20253. Whoever suggested that rats should become chiefs?
20254. Who excuses himself accuses himself.
20255. Who faints not, achieves.
20256. Who falls in the water will hold on to the foam to save himself.
20257. Who falls in water doesn’t drown - but who falls badly will.
20258. Who falls into the sea will take hold even of a snake.
20259. Who falls short in the head, must be long in the heels.
20260. Who fears no shame comes to no honor.
20261. Who feels snotty, let him blow his nose.
20262. Who finds a faithful friend, finds a treasure.
20263. Who follows his head follows the head of an ass.
20264. Who frequents the kitchen smells of smoke.
20265. Who gets into shortcuts gets into trouble.
20266. Who gets too picky ends up with the worst?
20267. Who gives in need, gives double.
20268. Who gives the bread lays down the authority.
20269. Who gives the money will play the flute.
20270. Who gives to me, teaches me to give.
20271. Who gives to the poor lends to God.
20272. Who gives what he has can’t be asked to give more.
20273. Who gives, teaches a return.
20274. Who glows not burns not.
20275. Who God does not teach, man cannot.
20276. Who goes a beast to Rome, a beast returns.
20277. Who goes a borrowing, goes a sorrowing.
20278. Who goes and returns makes a journey.
20279. Who goes around with pigs eats bran.
20280. Who goes fasting to bed will sleep but lightly.
20281. Who goes himself is in earnest, who sends is indifferent.
20282. Who goes near soot smells of soot, and who goes near musk smells of musk.
20283. Who goes out to sea loses his place, who goes out to the river loses the ship, who goes to the wind loses his sit.
20284. Who goes out to sea loses his place.
20285. Who goes softly goes safely, and he that goes safely goes far.
20286. Who goes to Rome a beast returns a beast.
20287. Who gossips to you will gossip about you.
20288. Who handstands, sees the world straighter.
20289. Who has a bad wife, his hell begins on earth.
20290. Who has a cloak always gets away.
20291. Who has a head won’t want for a hat.
20292. Who has a mouth doesn’t order to blow.

20293. Who has a tongue in his head can go all the world over.
20294. Who has a trade may go anywhere.
20295. Who has a mule has fear.
20296. Who has but one eye must take good care of it.
20297. Who has corns doesn't get himself into tight/crowded places.
20298. Who has deceived thee so oft as thyself?
20299. Who has ever seen tomorrow?
20300. Who has honey on his tongue has poison in his mind.
20301. Who has love in his heart has spurs in his sides.
20302. Who has many servants has many thieves.
20303. Who has never been burned in the sun won't know the value of shadow.
20304. Who has never done thinking never begins doing.
20305. Who has never tasted bitter, knows not what is sweet.
20306. Who has no bread to spare should not keep a dog.
20307. Who has no children does not know what love is.
20308. Who has no cloth doesn't set up tents.
20309. Who has no courage must have legs.
20310. Who has no dog hunts with a cat?
20311. Who has no head should have legs.
20312. Who has no intention to pray has no ears for the call to prayer?
20313. Who has no money has no bad habits.
20314. Who has no money in his purse must have honey in his mouth.
20315. Who has no plagues makes himself some.
20316. Who has no shame all the world is his own.
20317. Who has no thirst has no business at the foundation.
20318. Who has not been, will be; who has been, will not be forgotten.
20319. Who has not had a taste longs to do so, but for whom has tasted then the longing is a hundred times more.
20320. Who has patience may get fat thrushes at a farthing apiece.
20321. Who has patience sees his revenge.
20322. Who has plenty of pepper may pepper his beans.
20323. Who has power in his hands has no need to lie; he uses violence.
20324. Who has something is something.
20325. Who has sons has problems.
20326. Who has time yet waits for time, comes to a time of repentance.
20327. Who hath little shame the world is all his own.
20328. Who hath no courage must have legs.
20329. Who he isn't busy acts like a judge.
20330. Who hears but one bell hears but one sound.
20331. Who hears music feels his solitude.
20332. Who hears wrong, replies wrong.
20333. Who heeds not little things, will be troubled about lesser ones.
20334. Who herds with wolves, must howl with wolves.
20335. Who honors not age, is unworthy of it.
20336. Who is always sad, does not even have fun when drunk.
20337. Who is blind, dumb and deaf will live a peaceful life of a hundred years.
20338. Who is born a chicken loves scratching.
20339. Who is ell seated should not budge.

20340. Who is far from the eye will also be far from the heart.
20341. Who is forced to go to church will not pray.
20342. Who is friends to everybody is a friend of nobody.
20343. Who is in a hurry should get going by foot.
20344. Who is in fear of every leaf must not go into the wood.
20345. Who is in the rain is supposed to get wet.
20346. Who is in the right fears, who is in the wrong hopes?
20347. Who is inferior and is ashamed of it proves that he really is inferior.
20348. Who is known as an early riser may sleep longer.
20349. Who is mighty? One who makes an enemy into a friend?
20350. Who is narrow minded cannot be bighearted.
20351. Who is not (listening to) obeying their parents, is listening to dogs skin.
20352. Who is not ashamed of his sins, sins double?
20353. Who is not satisfied with himself will grow; who is not sure of his own correctness will learn many things.
20354. Who is over nice, loses many a slice.
20355. Who is raised without discipline, he will die without honor.
20356. Who is righteous overmuch is a morsel for the Old one.
20357. Who is silent, when he ought to and might have spoken, is seen to agree.
20358. Who is so deaf or so blind as he that willfully will neither hear nor see?
20359. Who is tender in everything is a fool in everything.
20360. Who is the happiest person in the world? An unfaithful husband.
20361. Who is the rich person? The one who is happy with what he has.
20362. Who is timid in the woods boasts at home.
20363. Who is tired of happy days, let him take a wife.
20364. Who is to bell the cat?
20365. Who is to carry the cat to the water?
20366. Who is well seated, let him not budge.
20367. Who is your enemy? A man of your own trade.
20368. Who judges others, condemns himself.
20369. Who keeps company with a wolf will learn to howl.
20370. Who kisses the feet of his mother, kisses the step of Paradise.
20371. Who knows most believes least.
20372. Who knows most, knows least.
20373. Who knows not how to dissemble knows not how to reign.
20374. Who knows not how to flatter knows not how to talk.
20375. Who knows not how to pray let him go sail the sea.
20376. Who knows not the game, let him not play.
20377. Who knows nothing doubts nothing.
20378. Who knows the language is at home everywhere.
20379. Who laughs at others' ills, has his own behind the door.
20380. Who laughs at you also cries for you.
20381. Who leaves no traces in the field, will be put to shame at harvest.
20382. Who leaves the old street for the new one, knows what he left but not what he'll find.
20383. Who lends doesn't improve.
20384. Who lends to a friend loses doubly.
20385. Who lies down with dogs gets up with fleas.
20386. Who lies for you will lie against you.

20387. Who lies with the blind gets up cross-eyed.
20388. Who listens hears about himself.
20389. Who lives in a quiet house has plenty.
20390. Who lives in exile finds that spring has no charm.
20391. Who lives on the score has shame evermore.
20392. Who lives well dies well.
20393. Who looks for something will find it.
20394. Who looks not before finds himself behind?
20395. Who loses honor can lose nothing else.
20396. Who loves a rose will endure its thorns.
20397. Who loves cats has a beautiful wife.
20398. Who loves me loves my dog.
20399. Who loves the tree loves the branch.
20400. Who loves the ugly finds it beautiful.
20401. Who loves to roam may lose his home.
20402. Who loves ugliness will not encounter beauty.
20403. Who loves well is slow to forget.
20404. Who makes a promise owes something.
20405. Who makes friends of all, keeps none.
20406. Who makes himself a ewe, the wolf eats him.
20407. Who makes his bed on the morrow; goes all day without sorrow.
20408. Who makes no promises, has none to perform.
20409. Who mocks his chains will not be free.
20410. Who is more busy than they who have least to do?
20411. Who most swears lies the most.
20412. Who moves, picks up, who stands still, dries up.
20413. Who never ate honey, when eating it, soils himself.
20414. Who never built a house thinks that the walls grow out of the ground.
20415. Who offends writes on sand, who is offended on marble.
20416. Who often changes, damages.
20417. Who owes nothing has nothing to fear.
20418. Who owns the bank owns the fish.
20419. Who paints me before blackens me behind.
20420. Who pays beforehand is served behindhand.
20421. Who pays in advance is badly served.
20422. Who pays soon borrows when he will.
20423. Who pays the piper calls the tune.
20424. Who plays with fire gets burnt.
20425. Who preaches in the desert loses his sermon.
20426. Who promises a lot, gives a little?
20427. Who promises too much doesn’t honor his promises.
20428. Who proves too much proves nothing.
20429. Who punishes one threatens a hundred.
20430. Who readily borrows, readily lies.
20431. Who receives, should thank; who gives, should be silent.
20432. Who reckons without his host must reckon again.
20433. Who reminds old events, insults, will be deprived of his eye.
20434. Who rides a tiger cannot dismount.

20435. Who rides slow, must saddle betimes.
20436. Who rises late must trot all day.
20437. Who runs for pleasure never gets tired.
20438. Who runs is followed.
20439. Who sacrifice for servants will receive the gift of loyalty.
20440. Who saves, saves for the cat.
20441. Who says little has little to answer for.
20442. Who says the oasis in the desert is happy because of its hidden spring of water?
20443. Who searches always finds; if not a nail, a tack.
20444. Who seeks a faultless friend remains friendless.
20445. Who seeks a quarrel will find it near at hand.
20446. Who seeks adventures finds blows.
20447. Who sees faces doesn't see hearts.
20448. Who serves the public serves a fickle master.
20449. Who serves well and says nothing makes claim enough.
20450. Who serves well asks enough.
20451. Who sieves too much keeps the rubbish.
20452. Who sits down is a cripple.
20453. Who sits on your shoulders will try to climb on your head.
20454. Who spends more than they have, shows lack of wisdom.
20455. Who splits and distributes but doesn't keep the best share for himself is either dumb. or has no craft.
20456. Who stands bail for someone is being teased by the devil.
20457. Who steals a calf, steals a cow.
20458. Who steals for others is hanged for himself.
20459. Who stumbles without falling makes a bigger step.
20460. Who suffers from diarrhea, is not afraid of the dark.
20461. Who swims doesn't drown.
20462. Who takes a lion at a distance fears a mole present.
20463. Who takes the child by the hand, takes the mother by the heart.
20464. Who talks a lot at the table will leave it hungry.
20465. Who teaches me for a day is my father for a lifetime.
20466. Who the daughter would win, with mamma must begin.
20467. Who thinks doesn't marry; who marries does not think.
20468. Who throws a stone above him may have it fall on his own head.
20469. Who travels for love finds a thousand miles not longer than one.
20470. Who troubles others has no rest himself.
20471. Who undertakes many things at once seldom does anything well.
20472. Who undertakes too much, succeeds but little.
20473. Who ventures nothing has no luck.
20474. Who ventures to lend, loses money and friend.
20475. Who wagers nothing, he wins nothing.
20476. Who waits for the shoes of a dead man will go barefoot all his life.
20477. Who waits too long despairs.
20478. Who waits, always achieves.
20479. Who walks in the rain gets wet.
20480. Who wants all, loses all.
20481. Who wants fire; let him look for it in the ashes.

20482. Who wants heat, must endure the smoke.
20483. Who wants not, has already.
20484. Who wants something does it himself, those who don't have it done.
20485. Who wants to beat a dog, soon finds a stick.
20486. Who wants to climb to the highest will fall to the lowest.
20487. Who wants to go, goes; who wants to stay, stays.
20488. Who wants to know it wants to say it.
20489. Who wants yoghurt in winter must carry a cow in his pocket.
20490. Who was born to be a donkey never makes it to horse.
20491. Who wasn't out in the sea, didn't pray to God.
20492. Who watches not catches not.
20493. Who went away fast comes back fast.
20494. Who will bell the cat?
20495. Who will not be ruled by the rudder must be ruled by the rock.
20496. Who will not feed the cats, must feed the mice and rats.
20497. Who will not when he can, can't when he will.
20498. Who will watch the watchers themselves?' or 'Who will guard the guardians themselves?
20499. Who wills the end, wills the means.
20500. Who wishes to travel far spares his steed.
20501. Who wives for a dower, resigns his own power.
20502. Who won't be ruled by the rudder must be ruled by the rock.
20503. Who would avoid all strife, should be a bachelor.
20504. Who would be young in age, must in youth be sage.
20505. Who would have many friends let him test but few.
20506. Who would make money must begin by spending it.
20507. Who would not have feet set on his neck, let him not stoop.
20508. Who would win, must learn to bear.
20509. Who would wish to be valued must make himself scarce.
20510. Who wouldn't lick his fingers when they have been dipped in honey?
20511. Who writes love letters grows thin; who carries them, fat.
20512. Who's born as donkey can't die as horse.
20513. Who's the man that was never fooled by a woman.
20514. Whoever becomes lazy, s/he won't become green.
20515. Whoever blames your fault is helping you to be wise.
20516. Whoever brings finds the door open for him.
20517. Whoever buys a house must examine the beams; whoever wants a wife must look at her mother.
20518. Whoever can walk on water is probably made of straw.
20519. Whoever cares to learn will always find a teacher.
20520. Whoever crossed the river at the fordable point, knows how deep the river is.
20521. Whoever depends on his wife's earnings will not succeed.
20522. Whoever desires is always poor.
20523. Whoever does not help himself cannot help others.
20524. Whoever does not respect you, insults you.
20525. Whoever does something is responsible for it.
20526. Whoever drinks on credit gets drunk more quickly?
20527. Whoever eats a pancake never counts the holes in it.

20528. Whoever falls sick of folly, is long in getting cured.
20529. Whoever feeds the wolf in the winter will be eaten by him in the spring.
20530. Whoever gossips about his relatives has no luck and no blessing.
20531. Whoever gossips to you will gossip about you.
20532. Whoever has a tail of straw should not hesitate near the fire.
20533. Whoever has no children has no light in his eyes.
20534. Whoever has only one garment does not wash it when it rains.
20535. Whoever has walked with truth generates life.
20536. Whoever I love is the most beautiful.
20537. Whoever invented work must not have had anything to do.
20538. Whoever is ashamed to sleep with his wife will never have children.
20539. Whoever keeps his door locked all the time longs for it to be broken down.
20540. Whoever knew you when you were small will not respect you when you're big.
20541. Whoever leans close to a good tree is blanketed by good shade.
20542. Whoever leaves his home loses his prestige.
20543. Whoever lets himself be led by the heart will never lose his way.
20544. Whoever lives within himself is burning with love.
20545. Whoever plows with a team of donkeys must have patience.
20546. Whoever rubs himself with garlic will not smell of cloves.
20547. Whoever sees something good must tell it to others.
20548. Whoever stays awake longest must blow out the candle.
20549. Whoever tastes from the head of a poppy will not expect anything from love.
20550. Whoever tears his clothes must mend them himself.
20551. Whoever tells the truth is chased out of nine villages.
20552. Whoever wants honey must breed bees.
20553. Whoever wants to hurt never misses his target.
20554. Whoever writes a book should be ready to accept criticism.
20555. Whole is greater than the sum of the parts.
20556. Whom a serpent has bitten a lizard alarms.
20557. Whom God loves, his female dog litters pigs.
20558. Whom God wishes to destroy, he first makes mad.
20559. Whom Jupiter wishes to destroy, he first makes mad.
20560. Whom the gods hated, they made them pedagogues.
20561. Whom the gods love die young.
20562. Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad.
20563. Whom thy care to tamper pots in an abandoned house.
20564. Whom we love best, to them we can say least.
20565. Whore or thief young or old, welcome so you've got the gold.
20566. Whoredom and thieving are never long concealed.
20567. Whose end of tongue is sharp, the edge of his head must be hard.
20568. Whose life is as lightning, his words are as thunder.
20569. Whoso is tired of happy days let him take a wife.
20570. Whoso is well let him keep so.
20571. Why buy a cow if you can get the milk for free.
20572. Why hide from God what the saints already know?
20573. Why jump in the water before the ship turns over.
20574. Why keep a dog and bark yourself?
20575. Why kill time when one can employ it?

20576. Why marry, when your neighbor's wife is ready to go to bed with you?
20577. Why should I shave when God doesn't?
20578. Why should the devil have all the best tunes?
20579. Why the racket, if there's no fight?
20580. Why wear out your great coat in summer?
20581. Why would a man without a bow look for arrows?
20582. Why would a pool with no water need so many frogs?
20583. Why would you use poison if you can kill with honey
20584. Wicked cows have short horns.
20585. Wickedness and malice only require an opportunity.
20586. Wickedness with beauty is the devil's hook baited.
20587. Wide will wear, but tight will tear.
20588. Widows comfort themselves when they remarry, widowers take revenge.
20589. Widows weep but they look for another husband.
20590. Will laugh well who will laugh the last.
20591. Willful waste makes woeful want.
20592. Willing exile is exile nonetheless.
20593. Willing is a good man, but Able is a better one.
20594. Willing or not, the donkey will go to the fair.
20595. Willows are weak, yet serve to bind bigger wood.
20596. Win a bet of your friend, and drink it on the spot.
20597. Win a cat and lose a cow, the consequence of litigation.
20598. Win a game of your friend, and drink the money on the spot.
20599. Win by persuasion not by force.
20600. Win your lawsuit and lose your money.
20601. Wind and fortune are not lasting.
20602. Wind and good luck are seldom lasting.
20603. Windmills are not driven by bellows.
20604. Windy March and rainy April make May jolly and gracious.
20605. Wine and music delight the heart.
20606. Wine and women make fools of everybody.
20607. Wine bears no blame, only the drunkard.
20608. Wine brings forth the truth.
20609. Wine comes in, words come out.
20610. Wine from a pot is better than water from a well.
20611. Wine gladdened the heart of man.
20612. Wine hath drowned more men than the sea.
20613. Wine in the bottle does not quench thirst.
20614. Wine is given to bring mirth not drunkenness.
20615. Wine is good for men when it's women who drink it.
20616. Wine is one thing, drunkenness another.
20617. Wine is the mirror of the mind.
20618. Wine is water adulterated by foolish talk.
20619. Wine makes secrets float to the surface.
20620. Wine mars beauty and destroys the freshness of youth.
20621. Wine on beer, I recommend to you beer on wine, leave alone.
20622. Wine poured out is not wine swallowed.
20623. Wine that isn't paid for is drunk twice.

20624. Wine tops the list of all medicines.
20625. Wine will not keep in a foul vessel.
20626. Wink at small faults, for you have great ones yourself.
20627. Winning isn't everything. It's the only thing.
20628. Winnowing is with the wind, wedding is with the people.
20629. Winter comes fast on the lazy.
20630. Winter either bites with its teeth or lashes with its tail.
20631. Winter finds out what summer lays up.
20632. Winter is summer's heir.
20633. Winter never rots in the sky.
20634. Winter will ask you what you did during the summer.
20635. Wipe the nose of your neighbor's son and let him marry your daughter.
20636. Wipe your eye with your elbow.
20637. Wisdom and virtue are like the two wheels of a cart.
20638. Wisdom comes even from a small anthill.
20639. Wisdom consists of ten parts, nine parts of silence and one part with few words.
20640. Wisdom has long ears and short tongue.
20641. Wisdom in the man, patience in the wife, brings peace to the house and a happy life.
20642. Wisdom is a good purchase, though we pay dear for it.
20643. Wisdom is born; stupidity is learned.
20644. Wisdom is easy to carry but difficult to gather.
20645. Wisdom is in the head, not in the beard.
20646. Wisdom is like a baobab tree: a single person's arms cannot embrace it.
20647. Wisdom is like fire. People take it from others.
20648. Wisdom is lost in a fat man's body.
20649. Wisdom is more precious than rubies.
20650. Wisdom is not like money to be tied up and hidden.
20651. Wisdom is the least burdensome travelling pack.
20652. Wisdom rides upon the ruins of folly.
20653. Wise care keeps what it has gained.
20654. Wise enemy is better than a foolish friend.
20655. Wise lads and old fools were never good for anything.
20656. Wise man does not urinate towards the wind.
20657. Wise men are never in a hurry.
20658. Wise men change their minds, fools never.
20659. Wise men do not quarrel with each other.
20660. Wise men don't fall from the sky.
20661. Wise men don't need advice Fools won't take it.
20662. Wise men learn at another's expense.
20663. Wise men philosophize as the fools live on.
20664. Wise men sue for offices, and blockheads get them.
20665. Wise men talk about ideas, intellectuals about facts, and the ordinary man talks about what he eats.
20666. Wise people can't answer the most foolish questions.
20667. Wise people listen to advice.
20668. Wise rats run from a falling house.
20669. Wishes are the echo of a lazy will.
20670. Wishes never filled the bag.

20671. Wishing does not make a poor man rich.
20672. Wit is folly unless a wise man hath the keeping of it.
20673. Wit without discretion is a sword in the hand of a fool.
20674. Wit is never bought till it's paid for.
20675. Witch doctors do not sell their potions to each other.
20676. With a bottle and a girl one does not count the hours.
20677. With a foolish woman, let the hands move and the mouth stay shut.
20678. With a friend behind you, you have a safe bridge.
20679. With a friendly word you get farther than with a club.
20680. With a frog in the well you don't talk about the ocean.
20681. With a full belly it is easy to talk about fasting.
20682. With a good name one may easily sin.
20683. With a good son-in-law you gain a son, with a bad one you lose your daughter, too.
20684. With a little wrong a man comes by his right.
20685. With a piece of bread in your hand you'll find paradise under a pine tree.
20686. With a soft tongue (speech) you can even pull a snake out of its nest.
20687. With a staircase before you, you look for a rope to go down by.
20688. With a stout heart, a mouse can lift an elephant.
20689. With a sweet tongue of kindness, you can drag an elephant by a hair.
20690. With a walking-stick you reach many lands; you reach many more with words.
20691. With an old husband's hide one buys a young one.
20692. With bread and wine you can walk your road.
20693. With enough 'ifs' we could put Paris in a bottle.
20694. With fortune on your side you can sow salt and harvest grass.
20695. With fowls, the pedigree; with men, breeding.
20696. With friends like these, who needs enemies!
20697. With great men one must allow five to be an even number.
20698. With great responsibility comes great power.
20699. With hard work, you can get fire out of a stone.
20700. With his own weapon do I stab him?
20701. With honesty you will get the furthest.
20702. With honor and store, what would you more.
20703. With houses and gold, men are rarely bold.
20704. With its voice even the crow laughs.
20705. With law must the land be built?
20706. With lies you may go ahead in the world, but you can never go back.
20707. With man comes the quarrel.
20708. With money in your pocket, you are wise, and you are handsome, and you sing well too.
20709. With money one gets, with a horse one goes.
20710. With money one may command devils; without it, one cannot even summon a man.
20711. With money you can make the dead speak; without it you can't even keep the deaf quiet.
20712. With nice appearance people want to be deceived.
20713. With one ear he hears, and with the other he dismisses.
20714. With one foot in the grave.
20715. With one stump you can't make a good fire.
20716. With patience and time the mulberry leaf becomes a silk gown.

20717. With right and wrong, by any means necessary.
20718. With seven nurses the child loses its eye.
20719. With so many roosters crowing, the sun never comes up.
20720. With someone holding nothing but trumps it is impossible to play cards.
20721. With such friends, one doesn't need enemies anymore.
20722. With talking the cheese ship won't move.
20723. With tender words you have less luck with a woman than with jewels.
20724. With the first wife is matrimony, the second company, the third heresy.
20725. With the fox one must play the fox.
20726. With the good we become good.
20727. With the Gospel men may become heretics.
20728. With the hat in the hand one gets through all the land.
20729. With the help of an If, you might put Paris into a bottle.
20730. With the idle it is always holy day time.
20731. With the intellect of another you won't get very far.
20732. With the money for it one is allowed even to have a fight inside the church.
20733. With the skin of the dog its bite is cured.
20734. With the thought at the Holy Virgin, with the hand in someone's pocket.
20735. With time and patience the leaf of the mulberry becomes satin.
20736. With time and straw meddlers ripen.
20737. Within the four seas all man are brethren.
20738. Without a cat, mice feel free.
20739. Without a fertilizer, there couldn't be any plants.
20740. Without a shepherd, sheep are not a flock.
20741. Without bread and wine even love will pine.
20742. Without business, debauchery.
20743. Without debt without care.
20744. Without divine assistance we can achieve nothing.
20745. Without eating and drinking the hero is no good.
20746. Without effort, you can't even pull a fish out of the pond.
20747. Without father - half orphan, without mother - complete orphan.
20748. Without favor, art is like a windmill without wind.
20749. Without fingers the hand would be a spoon.
20750. Without fools there would be no wisdom.
20751. Without gold even the daylight is dark.
20752. Without grace beauty is an unabated hook.
20753. Without history, no life.
20754. Without human companions, paradise itself would be an undesirable place.
20755. Without knowing a person we must not hate him.
20756. Without knowing a way thoroughly at day time, never attempt to pass it at night.
20757. Without knowledge, without sin.
20758. Without learning, without eyes.
20759. Without life there is nothing.
20760. Without love everything is in vain.
20761. Without men in the neighborhood all the women are chaste.
20762. Without money one cannot go anywhere, not even to church.
20763. Without money, all efforts are in vain.
20764. Without perseverance talent is a barren bed.

20765. Without retaliation, evils would one day become extinct from the world.
20766. Without rice, even the cleverest housewife cannot cook.
20767. Without salt the feast is spoiled.
20768. Without seeing the mountain, do not tuck up your skirt, without seeing the water; do not take off your boots.
20769. Without sowing a single wheat, you would not harvest thousand ones.
20770. Without suffering, there is no learning.
20771. Without sun I am silent.
20772. Without the companionship even paradise would be boring.
20773. Without the shepherd, sheep are not a flock.
20774. Without war there can be no peace.
20775. Without wind, the ears of the grass do not move.
20776. Without women there is no day and no night.
20777. Without work there won't be any bread in your mouth.
20778. Wives and oxen from your own land.
20779. Woe be to an evil eye.
20780. Woe be to him whose advocate becomes his accuser.
20781. Woe is he who claims to have found happiness.
20782. Woe to him who sits upon a branch.
20783. Woe to the high spirited bride whose mother-in-law is still alive.
20784. Woe to the house where the hen crows and the rooster is still.
20785. Woe to the mule that sees not her master.
20786. Wolves are often hidden under sheep's clothing.
20787. Wolves do not eat each other.
20788. Woman has a great power on man.
20789. Woman is always a changeable and capricious thing.
20790. Woman is fickle, man beware!
20791. Woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke.
20792. Woman is the root of both good and evil.
20793. Woman was born three days earlier than the devil.
20794. Woman without man is like a field without seed.
20795. Woman's beauty, the forest echo, and rainbows, soon pass away.
20796. Woman's hair is long, and mind is short.
20797. Woman's place is in the home.
20798. Woman, wind, and luck soon change.
20799. Women always speak the truth, but not the whole truth.
20800. Women and calendars are good only for a year.
20801. Women and cats in the house, men and dogs in the street.
20802. Women and children first.
20803. Women and fools never forgive.
20804. Women and glass are always in danger.
20805. Women and hens are lost by too much gadding.
20806. Women and maidens must be praised, whether truly or falsely.
20807. Women and melons are at their best when they are really ripe.
20808. Women and wine rid a man of his common sense.
20809. Women are always better the following year.
20810. Women are as beautiful as flowers when they are forty years old.
20811. Women are as changeable as the sea.

20812. Women are as fickle as April weather.
20813. Women are as wavering as the wind.
20814. Women are just like cats, they always land on their feet.
20815. Women are like wasps in their anger.
20816. Women are necessary evils.
20817. Women are never at a loss for words.
20818. Women are supernumerary when present, and missed when absent.
20819. Women are watches that keep bad time.
20820. Women believe the strangest of lies as long as they are wrapped up in praise.
20821. Women can keep only one secret, their own.
20822. Women do not drink liquor, but it disappears when they are present.
20823. Women have long skirts and short minds.
20824. Women have no chief.
20825. Women in state affairs are like monkeys in glass-houses.
20826. Women know a point more than the devil.
20827. Women naturally deceive, weep and spin.
20828. Women need men like a fish needs a bicycle.
20829. Women never praise without gossiping.
20830. Women only keep quiet about their age.
20831. Women prefer to be beautiful rather than good.
20832. Women rouge that they may not blush.
20833. Women when injured are generally not easily appeased.
20834. Women who are often at the looking-glass seldom spin.
20835. Women's jars breed men's wars.
20836. Women's quarrels cause the men's wars.
20837. Women's tears are a fountain of craft.
20838. Women, asses, and nuts, require strong hands.
20839. Women, melons, and cheese are bought by the weight.
20840. Women, money, and wine have their balm and their harm.
20841. Women, priests, and poultry, never have enough.
20842. Women, wind, and fortune, soon change.
20843. Wonder is the beginning of wisdom.
20844. Wonders will never cease.
20845. Woo the widow whilst she is in weeds.
20846. Wood already touched by fire is not hard to set alight.
20847. Wood may remain ten years in the water, but it will never become a crocodile.
20848. Wood that is on top of the woodpile laughs at the wood in the fire.
20849. Woods have ears and fields have eyes.
20850. Woolen clothing keeps the skin healthy.
20851. Word by word the big books are made.
20852. Word to the wise is enough.
20853. Words are but dwarfs, examples are giants.
20854. Words are but sands; it is money that buys lands.
20855. Words are like newly hatched eggs: they already have wings.
20856. Words are mere bubbles of water; deeds are drops of gold.
20857. Words are silvery and silence is golden.
20858. Words are sweet but they can never replace food.
20859. Words are wasted on a starving man.

20860. Words butter not parsnips.
20861. Words die and men keep on living.
20862. Words from the heart reach the heart; words from the mouth reach the ear.
20863. Words go further than bullets.
20864. Words have no wings but they can fly a thousand miles.
20865. Words in mouth, no load upon head.
20866. Words instruct; illustrations lead.
20867. Words may either conceal character or reveal it.
20868. Words must be weighed, not counted.
20869. Words of snow, which fell last year.
20870. Words often do more than blows.
20871. Words once spoken cannot be wiped out with a sponge.
20872. Words pay no debts.
20873. Words should be weighed, not counted.
20874. Words show the wit of a man, but actions his meaning.
20875. Words that come from the heart stay warm three winters long.
20876. Words will not pollute the soup.
20877. Work a mouse may help a lion.
20878. Work improves the harvest better than the field itself.
20879. Work is good provided you do not forget to live.
20880. Work is half of health.
20881. Work is the medicine for poverty.
20882. Work is the source of all good.
20883. Work is twice done by the man in a hurry.
20884. Work is unlike wolf; it won't run to the woods.
20885. Work like a slave and eat like a gentleman.
20886. Work made in a hurry does not pay.
20887. Work makes the workman.
20888. Work makes you into a hunchback and then rich.
20889. Work my slave and I'll work with you.
20890. Work on your reputation until it is established; then it will work for you.
20891. Work paid for in advance has feet of lead.
20892. Work paid beforehand was never well served.
20893. Work relieves us from three great evils; boredom, vice, and want.
20894. Work to get warm? It's better to die of cold.
20895. Work will not run out by working.
20896. Working and painting are better from a distance.
20897. Working hard or hardly working?
20898. Working on the land is better than praying in the desert.
20899. Workmen are easier found than masters.
20900. Works have a stronger voice than words.
20901. World Wartime mantra encouraging people to avoid talking about things which could have been overheard by spies.
20902. Worldly good is ebb and flood.
20903. Worldly prosperity is like writing on water.
20904. Worm has seen itself among snakes and says where we snakes go.
20905. Worms don't like the robin's song.
20906. Wormy beans will have blind buyers.

20907. Worries go better with soup than without.
20908. Worry often gives a small thing a big shadow.
20909. Worrying never did anyone any good.
20910. Worse is the fear of war than war itself.
20911. Worship the creator not his creation.
20912. Worthless is the advice of fools.
20913. Would I know where I will fall down, I'd lay some straw at that spot ahead of time.
20914. Would you be strong, conquer yourself.
20915. Would you have potatoes grow by the pot-side?
20916. Would you know your daughter? See her in company.
20917. Would you shear a donkey for wool!
20918. Would you take water to the frog?
20919. Wounds from the knife are healed, but not those from the tongue.
20920. Wounds pain most when grown cool.
20921. Wrap yourself together in a carpet and roll together with your kinsmen.
20922. Wrath begins in madness and ends in repentance.
20923. Wrath often consumes what god gives husbands.
20924. Wrinkles are the gravestones of love.
20925. Write down the advice of him who loves you, though you like it not at present.
20926. Write injuries in sand, kindnesses in marble.
20927. Wrongdoers and assenting parties are equally punishable.

X PROVERBS

20928. Xenophobia is the distant cousin of patriotism.
20929. Xmas comes only once in a year.
20930. Xmas is enjoyable only if it comes once in a year.
20931. Xmas is Xmas because of Christ.
20932. XML is the lazy refuge of cowards who fear writing parsers.

Y PROVERBS

20933. Year of snow fruit will grow.
20934. Years and sins are always more than owned.
20935. Years know more than books.
20936. Yellow gold is plentiful compared to white-haired friends.
20937. Yesterday a cowherd, to-day a cavalier.
20938. Yesterday is but a dream, tomorrow but a vision.
20939. Yesterday, today, and tomorrow, these are the three days of man.
20940. Yesterday's drunkenness will not quench today's thirst.
20941. Yesterday's flowers are today's dreams.
20942. Yet the cart is still there.
20943. Yield to divine power.
20944. Yielding is sometimes the best way of succeeding.
20945. Yielding stays war.
20946. You a master, I a master, who is to milk this cow?
20947. You haven't seen nothing yet.
20948. You always admire what you really don't understand.
20949. You always fall down in the direction of where you bend over.
20950. You always find something in the last place you look.
20951. You always knock yourself on the tenderest places.
20952. You always win by not saying the things you don't have to say.
20953. You anoint the dead man with salve.
20954. You are always closest to yourself.
20955. You are as handy as a pocket.
20956. You are as many times a human as many languages you know.
20957. You are bad if you are good only to yourself.
20958. You are but sowing in the sand.
20959. You are comparing a rose to an anemone.
20960. You are either a hammer or anvil.
20961. You are learning all your life and you die stupid.
20962. You are like a tree, giving your shade to the outside.
20963. You are more shifting than a potter's wheel.
20964. You are my guide, my lord, and my master.
20965. You are needlessly alarmed.
20966. You are never better served than by yourself.
20967. You are never too old to learn.
20968. You are not a fully-fledged sailor unless you have sailed under full sail. Two captains sink a ship.
20969. You are not a man until you have plowed a field.
20970. You are not great just because you say you are.
20971. You are only worth as much as you have.
20972. You are permitted in time of great danger to walk with the devil until you have crossed the bridge.
20973. You are permitted in times of great danger to walk with the devil until you have crossed the bridge.
20974. You are playful in childhood, you are lustful in youth, you are feeble in old age, so when will you be worshipful before God?

20975. You are responsible for you.
20976. You are still a slave if only your limbs are free.
20977. You are the only master of food that you haven't yet eaten.
20978. You are ushered in according to your dress; shown out according to your brains.
20979. You are worth as many people as the languages that you speak.
20980. You are worth as much as your purse.
20981. You aside, may God give your children some intelligence.
20982. You ask the path when the high road is before your eyes.
20983. You attack a horned animal.
20984. You become like that which you own.
20985. You bring your own evil deeds to light.
20986. You burn incense before the god and then topple him.
20987. You buy land, you buy stones; you buy meat, you buy bones.
20988. You buy yourself an enemy when you lend man money.
20989. You cackle in our place but you lay your eggs at someone else's place.
20990. You can accompany a friend for a thousand miles but at some time you must take your leave.
20991. You can always buy her back later.
20992. You can always find good elements in the misfortune that strikes you.
20993. You can be cautious about the future but not the past.
20994. You can bend an alder-tree if you do it gradually.
20995. You can best shoot an eagle with an arrow made from its own feathers.
20996. You can better drink from a small well with soft water than from the salty sea.
20997. You can burn down a house, but can you hide the smoke?
20998. You can buy them but they don't stay bought.
20999. You can cage a bird but you can't make it sing.
21000. You can catch a cricket in your hand but its song is all over the field.
21001. You can choose your friends but you can't choose your family.
21002. You can chop a man's head off, but you can't keep him quiet.
21003. You can close the city gates but not the mouths of men.
21004. You can conquer the whole world with words, but not withdrawn swords.
21005. You can count the apples on a tree but you can't count the trees from one apple.
21006. You can do anything with children if you only play with them.
21007. You can do nothing about governments and winter.
21008. You can eat and drink with your family but not count and measure.
21009. You can get glad in the same shoes you got mad in.
21010. You can give a piece of advice, but not good luck along with that.
21011. You can hardly make a friend in a year, but you can easily offend one in an hour.
21012. You can hate the dog, but do not tell him that his teeth are dirty.
21013. You can have no more of the fox than his skin.
21014. You can have too much of a good thing.
21015. You can judge a bird from its feathers and a person from their friends.
21016. You can judge a man by the company he keeps.
21017. You can lead a horse to the water, but you can't make him drink.
21018. You can live with tea and cold rice but not with cold words.
21019. You can lock your door from a thief, but not from a damned liar.
21020. You can make a mule cross the river but you can't make him drink the water.
21021. You can make the dream bigger than the night.

21022. You can measure the depth of the sea but what about a man's heart?
21023. You can mirror something from other people; you can only give out that which is your own.
21024. You can never be happy at the expense of the happiness of others.
21025. You can never consider that as your own which can be changed.
21026. You can never enter the same river twice.
21027. You cannot tell a hungry child that you gave him food yesterday.
21028. You can often find in rivers what you cannot find in oceans.
21029. You can only be honest if you are well fed.
21030. You can only know the fleas in the bed you have slept in.
21031. You can only lean against that which resists.
21032. You can only take out of a bag that was already in it.
21033. You can outdistance that which is running after you, but not what is running inside you.
21034. You can proclaim the truth also in a friendly way.
21035. You can run away from the rain but not from the dew.
21036. You can say anything to a man with a full stomach.
21037. You can see heaven through the eye of the needle.
21038. You can sell the devil if he is well cooked.
21039. You can stop a bird from flying over you, but you can't stop it building a nest.
21040. You can take a horse to the water but you cannot make him drink.
21041. You can talk easily without waiting for something or someone.
21042. You can tell a fearless in times of trouble.
21043. You can tell a lion from where he dwells.
21044. You can tell a man by his friends.
21045. You can tell a ripe corn by its look.
21046. You can throw a cat whoever you want; it always falls on its feet.
21047. You can wash your body but not your soul.
21048. You can worship a sardine's head if you believe in it.
21049. You can't be in two places at once.
21050. You can't bind a cloud even with copper chains.
21051. You can't blame the ax for the noise made by the chicken you are about to slaughter.
21052. You can't buy an inch of time with an inch of gold.
21053. You can't buy heaven with money.
21054. You can't catch a cub without going into the tiger's den.
21055. You can't change the wind, but you can adjust your sails.
21056. You can't chew with somebody else's teeth.
21057. You can't claim heaven as your own if you are just going to sit under it.
21058. You can't clap with one hand only.
21059. You can't complain about the sea if you suffer a shipwreck for the second time.
21060. You can't dance on one leg.
21061. You can't drive straight on a twisting lane.
21062. You can't escape death and guests.
21063. You can't expect both ends of a sugar cane to be as sweet.
21064. You can't fare well, but you must cry roast meat.
21065. You can't fill your belly painting pictures of bread.
21066. You can't fit a round peg in a square hole.
21067. You can't flee your lot nor share it with another.

21068. You can’t forbid living beautifully.
21069. You can’t force anyone to love you or to lend you money.
21070. You can’t get at the precious sago without first breaking the bark.
21071. You can’t get blood out of a stone.
21072. You can’t get rice by pounding bran.
21073. You can’t get something for anything; you might as well expect to get paid to take it.
21074. You can’t have both money and sheep.
21075. You can’t have meat without the bone
21076. You can’t have more bed-bugs than a blanket-full.
21077. You can’t have two faces under one hat.
21078. You can’t have your cake and eat it too.
21079. You can’t heal stubbornness.
21080. You can’t hold with the hare and run with the hounds.
21081. You can’t jump from one tree to another but you can from one man to another.
21082. You can’t keep a word of thanks in your pocket.
21083. You can’t kill a dog just to save a cat’s tail.
21084. You can’t load a small boat with heavy cargo.
21085. You can’t look at the stars while you are walking if you have a stone in your shoe.
21086. You can’t look into a bottle with both eyes at the same time.
21087. You can’t make a good shaft of a pig’s tail.
21088. You can’t make a silk purse out of a sow’s ear.
21089. You can’t make an omelet without breaking eggs.
21090. You can’t make cheesecakes out of snow.
21091. You can’t make pancakes without breaking eggs.
21092. You can’t make the horn of a pig’s tail.
21093. You can’t measure the whole world with your own yardstick.
21094. You can’t move faster than your shadow.
21095. You can’t pick up two melons with one hand.
21096. You can’t run with the hare and hunt with the hounds.
21097. You can’t scare a monkey with a dead baboon.
21098. You can’t see the forest for the trees’ mean.
21099. You can’t see the whole sky through a bamboo pole.
21100. You can’t sew buttons on your neighbor’s mouth.
21101. You can’t squeeze blood from a rock.
21102. You can’t steal second base with your foot on first.
21103. You can’t stop a pig from wallowing in the mud.
21104. You can’t straighten a snake by putting it in a bamboo cane.
21105. You can’t take blood from a stone.
21106. You can’t take it with you.
21107. You can’t take the milk back from the coffee.
21108. You can’t teach an old dog how to gnaw a bone.
21109. You can’t throw a handkerchief over somebody’s mouth.
21110. You can’t trust that a job will be done properly unless you do it yourself.
21111. You can’t unscramble scrambled eggs.
21112. You can’t use your hand to force the sun to set.
21113. You can’t wake a person who is pretending to be asleep.
21114. You can’t win them all.
21115. You can’t drive straight on a twisting lane.

21116. You can’t escape death and guests.
21117. You can’t keep a word of thanks in your pocket.
21118. You can’t load a small boat with heavy cargo.
21119. You can’t teach old dogs to sit.
21120. You cannot always get what you want.
21121. You cannot applaud with one hand.
21122. You cannot ask more of an ox than a steak.
21123. You cannot avoid what lies in ambush for you.
21124. You cannot be lost on a road that is straight.
21125. You cannot be too late to change.
21126. You cannot be very smart if you have never done anything foolish.
21127. You cannot break a wall with your forehead.
21128. You cannot break through a wall with your forehead.
21129. You cannot breathe through another man’s nose.
21130. You cannot build a house for last year’s summer.
21131. You cannot build a wall with one stone.
21132. You cannot buy wisdom abroad if there is none at home.
21133. You cannot carry two watermelons in one hand.
21134. You cannot catch a fox with a bait.
21135. You cannot catch old birds with chaff.
21136. You cannot catch skunks with mice.
21137. You cannot clap with one hand.
21138. You cannot clear fog with a fan.
21139. You cannot climb a tree with one hand.
21140. You cannot climb to the mountain top without crushing some weeds with your feet.
21141. You cannot compare the living with the dead.
21142. You cannot convince a monkey that honey is sweeter than the banana.
21143. You cannot cook one half of the chicken and leave the other lay eggs.
21144. You cannot cook two meals in the same pot.
21145. You cannot cook your eggs with the wind.
21146. You cannot cover up the sun with a sieve.
21147. You cannot cross a river without getting wet.
21148. You cannot damage a wrecked whip.
21149. You cannot dance well on only one leg.
21150. You cannot draw blood from a turnip.
21151. You cannot drink and whistle at the same time.
21152. You cannot drive straight on a twisting lane.
21153. You cannot eat nuts without breaking some shells.
21154. You cannot eat your cake and have it.
21155. You cannot escape from destiny.
21156. You cannot flay the same ox twice.
21157. You cannot fly with wings made of butter.
21158. You cannot force water uphill.
21159. You cannot forge a good sword from bad iron.
21160. You cannot get a quart into a pint pot.
21161. You cannot get blood out of a stone.
21162. You cannot get into Paradise without a guide.
21163. You cannot get oil out of a wall.

21164. You cannot hang a man for what he thinks.
21165. You cannot hang everything on one nail.
21166. You cannot have all you wish for.
21167. You cannot have peace longer than your neighbor chooses.
21168. You cannot have the bacon and the pig at the same time.
21169. You cannot have your cake and eat it too.
21170. You cannot hide an awl in a sack.
21171. You cannot hit the point of a needle with a fist.
21172. You cannot hold your head high with your hand out.
21173. You cannot judge a tree by its bark.
21174. You cannot kill an elephant with bullets of wax.
21175. You cannot know the bedbugs of a bed that you have not lain on.
21176. You cannot lose what you never had.
21177. You cannot make a beautiful plumage out of a pig's tail.
21178. You cannot make a good archbishop out of a rogue.
21179. You cannot make a good hunting-horn of a pig's tail.
21180. You cannot make a hawk of a buzzard.
21181. You cannot make a mule drink if he is not thirsty.
21182. You cannot make a sieve of an ass's tail.
21183. You cannot make a silk purse from a sow's ear.
21184. You cannot make an omelet without breaking eggs.
21185. You cannot make bricks without straw.
21186. You cannot make the mule drink when he is not thirsty.
21187. You cannot name a child that is not born.
21188. You cannot pick up salt with dry fingers.
21189. You cannot please everybody.
21190. You cannot prevent the birds of sorrow from flying over your head, but you can prevent them from building nests in your hair.
21191. You cannot produce one human being without uniting two bodies.
21192. You cannot propel yourself forward by patting yourself on the back.
21193. You cannot pull a fish out of the pond without work.
21194. You cannot pull hard with a broken rope.
21195. You cannot put a fire out with spit.
21196. You cannot put an old head on young shoulders.
21197. You cannot reason with a hungry belly; it has no ears.
21198. You cannot ride two horses with one ass.
21199. You cannot ring the bell and walk in the procession.
21200. You cannot roast corn with two eyes.
21201. You cannot run with the hare and hunt with the hounds.
21202. You cannot sail as you would, but as the wind blows.
21203. You cannot satisfy the whole world and your father.
21204. You cannot sell your loss.
21205. You cannot separate water by beating it with a fork.
21206. You cannot shave a man's head in his absence.
21207. You cannot shear the sheep closer than the skin.
21208. You cannot shift an old tree without it dying.
21209. You cannot stop a prostitute, not even with a hundred horses.
21210. You cannot strike a face that is smiling.

21211. You cannot swallow hot milk, nor can you throw it away.
21212. You cannot take a cow from a man who has none.
21213. You cannot take a shirt from a naked man.
21214. You cannot take hawks without climbing some cliffs.
21215. You cannot throw a word out of a song.
21216. You cannot tickle a hungry person.
21217. You cannot tie up a dog with a chain of sausages.
21218. You cannot turn blood into the water.
21219. You cannot wage war without the sound of gunpowder.
21220. You cannot wash charcoal white.
21221. You cannot win them all.
21222. You cannot worship an unknown saint.
21223. You cannot write down a meaningful silence.
21224. You catch a liar faster than you catch a limping person.
21225. You catch more flies with honey than with vinegar.
21226. You catch the mice with bacon.
21227. You come with a cat and call it a rabbit.
21228. You compare the bee to the grasshopper!
21229. You compare the tortoise to the hare.
21230. You cooked it, so eat it yourself.
21231. You could even hew sticks on (his) head.
21232. You count the sand.
21233. You dance better with a full belly than with a new dress.
21234. You do well and what you get back is evil.
21235. You do not always have to believe what you see.
21236. You do not beat a drum with one finger.
21237. You do not fall because you are weak; you fall because you think you are strong.
21238. You do not fatten pigs with pure water.
21239. You do not look for a black sheep at night.
21240. You do not need a big stick to break a rooster's head.
21241. You do not pasture the goats where the leopard hunts.
21242. You do not teach the paths of the forest to an old gorilla.
21243. You don't always miss the bus. Sometimes, it misses you.
21244. You don't get a headache from what other people have drunk.
21245. You don't get something for anything.
21246. You don't get what you deserve, you get what you negotiate.
21247. You don't go into a tavern to say your prayers.
21248. You don't go to heaven in a carriage.
21249. You don't have the right to provoke me.
21250. You don't have to be different to be good. You have to be good to be different.
21251. You don't have to be faster than the bear, just faster than the slowest guy running from the bear.
21252. You don't have to cut a tree down to get at the fruit.
21253. You don't have to die: heaven and hell are in this world too.
21254. You don't have to kill the chicken to get eggs.
21255. You don't have to know much to read, but you do to cook.
21256. You don't have to put out the fire when all is burnt out.
21257. You don't kill a gypsy by cutting him in ten pieces; you only make ten more gypsies.

21258. You don’t know a man before he takes a woman.
21259. You don’t learn anything from buying, but you do from selling.
21260. You don’t milk a cow with your hands in your pockets.
21261. You don’t need a candle to look for a fool.
21262. You don’t need a light to see someone you know intimately at night.
21263. You don’t need a teacher of wickedness.
21264. You don’t need intelligence to have luck, but you do need luck to have intelligence.
21265. You don’t need to open your mouth at noon to cough in the evening.
21266. You don’t put a wooden pot on the fire twice.
21267. You don’t put robbers to work in a bank.
21268. You don’t really see the world if you only look through your own window.
21269. You don’t refuse your mother’s breast for fear of scabies.
21270. You don’t satisfy your hunger by watching others work.
21271. You don’t shit where you eat.
21272. You don’t show a fool a job half done.
21273. You don’t steal a bitter eggplant.
21274. You don’t strike the iron while it’s cold.
21275. You don’t throw the casket in the fire just because you have lost the key.
21276. You don’t wash the blood away with the blood but with water.
21277. You don’t miss the cow until the stall is empty.
21278. You don’t need a light to see someone you know intimately at night.
21279. You drown at the shore like the gypsy.
21280. You easily forget the eyes that don’t see you anymore.
21281. You easily lend bread to the one who has flour.
21282. You eat an egg, but you don’t understand how painful it was for the chicken.
21283. You fail to see the forest because of all the trees.
21284. You find everything when you are spring cleaning.
21285. You flirt with a widow, but do you know how her husband died?
21286. You fool the silly with porridge and cakes.
21287. You get on business, but he keeps telling you about a white goat.
21288. You get out of life what you put into it.
21289. You get to really know your friend when trouble comes.
21290. You get used to everything, even hell.
21291. You get what you pay for.
21292. You give hay to the dog and bones to the ass.
21293. You give the wolf the wet her to keep.
21294. You give them a hand and they take your elbow.
21295. You go out for wool but come back shorn.
21296. You harp perpetually on the same string.
21297. You have a lot of friends if you have money; otherwise, there are only strangers.
21298. You have broken my head and now you bring plaster.
21299. You have come too late for the feast.
21300. You have either to suffer a lot or die young.
21301. You have got your feet out of the mire.
21302. You have hit the nail on the head.
21303. You have left the sheep with the wolf for safe custody.
21304. You have little power over what’s not yours.
21305. You have many strings to your bow.

21306. You have married a beauty? So much the worse for you.
21307. You have spoilt the wine by adding water to it.
21308. You have summer and you have winter, why, then, be in a hurry?
21309. You have to be born in order to pasture.
21310. You have to be rich to be able to live like a poor man.
21311. You have to believe in gods to see them.
21312. You have to bow a few times before you can stand upright.
21313. You have to correct your mouth according to your lunch pack.
21314. You have to dig deep to bury your daddy.
21315. You have to give time some time.
21316. You have to put a young girl into an old man.
21317. You have to separate the chaff from the wheat.
21318. You have to suffer a lot or die young.
21319. You have to take it as it happens, but you should try to make it happen the way you want to take it.
21320. You have to take the good with the bad.
21321. You have to work for what you want in life or else you get nothing.
21322. You have two ears, but you never hear words twice.
21323. You hear little from the drummer that is paid in advance.
21324. You heard the ring, but don't know where.
21325. You inherit from the dead, not from the sick.
21326. You jump up, but you come down all the same.
21327. You keep making that face and it'll stay that way.
21328. You kick against the goad.
21329. You know a bird from the way he flies.
21330. You know a man by the sweat of his brow and the strength of his word.
21331. You know a person by his nickname.
21332. You know not what the evening may bring with it.
21333. You know the tree by its fruit.
21334. You know what to say, but not what you will be told.
21335. You know where you are coming from, but not where you are going.
21336. You know who the good seamen are when the storm comes.
21337. You know who you love, but you can't know who loves you.
21338. You know you teach. You do not know, you learn.
21339. You learn a lot about a man by his behavior when hungry.
21340. You learn to limp if you live with cripples.
21341. You let the cat out of the bag.
21342. You look for the horse you ride on.
21343. You look prettier when you're quiet.
21344. You made this mess yourself, and now you must eat it all up.
21345. You made your bed, now lie in it.
21346. You make a mountain of a mole-hill.
21347. You make a road by walking on it.
21348. You make an elephant of a mouse.
21349. You may always find an opportunity in your sleeve if you like.
21350. You may as well be hung for a sheep as a lamb.
21351. You may as well give a good beating as a bad one.
21352. You may boast to strangers, but tell the truth to your own people.

21353. You may call me even a pot, just don't put me into the oven.
21354. You may call that your own which no one can take from you.
21355. You may find the worst enemy or best friend in yourself.
21356. You may forget with whom you laughed, but you will never forget with whom you wept.
21357. You may gain by fair words that may fail you by angry ones.
21358. You may get something off a bone, but nothing off a stone.
21359. You may hide the fire, but what about the smoke?
21360. You may judge a man by his countenance.
21361. You may keep yourself safe from fire, but not from a bad man.
21362. You may know the lion by his claw.
21363. You may laugh at a friend's roof; don't laugh at his sleeping accommodation.
21364. You may lie, but not too much.
21365. You may light another's candle at your own without loss.
21366. You may lock up the rooster, but the sun will still rise.
21367. You may never die before death arrives.
21368. You may poke a man's fire after you've known him for seven years.
21369. You may shut your doors against a thief, but not against a liar.
21370. You may speak with your gold and make other tongues silent.
21371. You may take a horse to the water, but you can't make him drink.
21372. You may well have caught a bird, but have you a fire to roast it on?
21373. You may well have two legs but you still can't climb two trees at the same time.
21374. You might die yourself, but you must save the friend.
21375. You must answer the devil in his own language.
21376. You must attend to your business with the vendor in the market, and not to the noise of the market.
21377. You must be fully prepared to lose a great deal in order to make a great deal.
21378. You must be strong to pull a rope against a stronger.
21379. You must chop down the tree that gives too much or too little shade.
21380. You must contrive to bake with the flour you have.
21381. You must crack the nuts before you can eat the kernel.
21382. You must crawl before walking.
21383. You must cut your coat according to your cloth.
21384. You must decide where you are going in the evening if you intend to leave early in the morning.
21385. You must grease the wheels if you would have the car run.
21386. You must have crossed the river before you may tell the crocodile he has bad breath.
21387. You must have slept with jean to know how he snores.
21388. You must have the good luck to catch hares with a drum.
21389. You must howl with wolves if you wish to be one of their herd.
21390. You must judge a man by the work of his hands.
21391. You must keep quiet or say only things that improve the silence.
21392. You must kill the spider to get rid of the cobweb.
21393. You must learn to crawl before you can walk.
21394. You must live with a person to know a person If you want to know me come and live with me.
21395. You must marry a widow while she is still mourning.
21396. You must never confuse your feelings with your duties.

21397. You must not enthrone ignorance just because there is much of it.
21398. You must not expect old heads upon young shoulders.
21399. You must not throw stones into your neighbor's garden.
21400. You must rave with the insane unless you would be left alone.
21401. You must scale the mountains if you would view the plain.
21402. You must take the chance to forge whilst the iron is hot.
21403. You must take the fat with the lean.
21404. You must tolerate that which you cannot change.
21405. You name it, this imp has done it.
21406. You need a sharp ax for a tough bough.
21407. You need not find a shelter for an old ox.
21408. You need sharp axes for knotty trees.
21409. You need to bait the hook to catch the fish.
21410. You need to watch further than the length of your nose.
21411. You need your wits about you the most when you are dealing with an idiot.
21412. You never are so easily mistaken as when you think you know the way.
21413. You never get a headache from winning.
21414. You never get clean flour from a coal sack.
21415. You never get tired of working for yourself.
21416. You never know how a cow catches a rabbit.
21417. You never know what you can do until you try.
21418. You never know what you have till it's gone.
21419. You never lose a false coin.
21420. You never meet your mother-in-law on the day that you are well dressed.
21421. You never really know your friends from your enemies until the ice breaks.
21422. You notice what I drink, and not the thirst I feel.
21423. You often meet your destiny on the road you take to avoid it.
21424. You only appreciate your father the day you become a father yourself.
21425. You only hear three voices in this world: the babbling of the stream, Jewish law, and money.
21426. You only know saints by their miracles.
21427. You only lend to rich people.
21428. You only own that which you have earned.
21429. You only will know what something is really worth when you lose it forever.
21430. You pay top dollar, but you get a front seat!
21431. You pays your money and you takes your choice.
21432. You play with edged tools.
21433. You pull chestnuts from the fire with a cat's paws.
21434. You reap the crop of another.
21435. You recognize the truth by its sound.
21436. You reproach your daughter, but you mean your daughter-in-law.
21437. You rest the way you have made your bed.
21438. You sail in the same boat. You are in the same danger.
21439. You sell more herrings on the market than the sole.
21440. You set the trap when the rat has gone.
21441. You shake a man's hand, you don't shake his heart.
21442. You shake in vain the branch that bears no fruit.
21443. You shake man's hand, you no shake his heart.

21444. You should always prefer wind to water.
21445. You should forge while the iron is hot.
21446. You should have done it on the wedding night, you fool!
21447. You should kiss the hand that you can't bend.
21448. You should know a man seven years before you stir his fire.
21449. You should make a new bucket whilst you still have the old one.
21450. You should not call in a cat to settle the argument of two birds.
21451. You should not paint the devil on the wall.
21452. You should not scorn that which you get for free.
21453. You shouldn't eat valium before going out.
21454. You shouldn't look at a lion as it is being rained on.
21455. You shouldn't saw off the branch you're sitting on.
21456. You sometimes forget the harm that was done to you, but never the harm you have done to others.
21457. You stick in the same mire.
21458. You surrender your freedom where you deposit your secret.
21459. You talk sweet like the bulbul bird.
21460. You think you are strong like the corn plant, yet the bean vine is already choking you.
21461. You tie the horse at the will of the master.
21462. You travel on until you return home; you live on until you return to earth.
21463. You trust the guard to a naked or unarmed man.
21464. You try to trap him, he traps you instead!
21465. You use a lantern at noonday.
21466. You used to be a baker, though now you wear gloves.
21467. You want better bread than wheaten.
21468. You want no one to know it? Then don't do it.
21469. You war against heaven.
21470. You warm up something for ten days and it goes cold in one.
21471. You who is building in someone else's property, you who.
21472. You will be named after a wise man if you keep your mouth shut.
21473. You will break the bow if you keep it always bent.
21474. You will catch no birds with a club.
21475. You will come under my tooth.
21476. You will eventually have to face the consequences of your actions towards others as people tend to behave towards you as you have behaved towards others.
21477. You will get no nourishment from the flesh of a woman.
21478. You will hate a beautiful song if you sing it often.
21479. You will learn by teaching.
21480. You will mix what is sacred with what is profane.
21481. You will never be punished for making people die of laughter.
21482. You will never drown where you always take a bath.
21483. You will never know a man until you do business with him.
21484. You will never learn enough looking for only the good things in life; you will always be a pupil.
21485. You will not be beaten when you think before acting.
21486. You will not be loved if you care for none but yourself.
21487. You will not dare mistreat the face you see in the morning.
21488. You will not see many with green eyes.

21489. You will often see a high collar above an empty stomach.
21490. You will reap whatever you sow.
21491. You will see something as surely as a pig will see the sky.
21492. You win some, you lose some.
21493. You won't catch trout without wetting your feet.
21494. You won't gain knowledge by drinking ink.
21495. You won't get much fat from a dry bone.
21496. You won't get sick if you have plenty of work.
21497. You won't help shoots grow by pulling them up higher.
21498. You won't see a good drunk in a teahouse.
21499. You won't survive life.
21500. You would do better to be someone's victim rather than someone's certainty.
21501. You would frighten a lion with a mask!
21502. You would weave a rope of sand.
21503. You'll always miss percentage of the shots you don't take.
21504. You'll catch a liar before you'll catch a cripple.
21505. You'll never plow a field by turning it over in your mind.
21506. You'll repent if you marry, and repent if you don't.
21507. You're a son, you'll be a father, as you'll do so you'll get.
21508. You're not as stupid as you look.
21509. You've got to do your growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was.
21510. You've got to separate the wheat from the chaff.
21511. You've got to stare the cat down out of the tree.
21512. You've made your bed and you must lie in/on it.
21513. You've got to do your growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was.
21514. Young bamboo trees are easy to bend.
21515. Young cats will mouse, young apes will louse.
21516. Young dogs have sharp teeth.
21517. Young folks think old folks to be fools but old folks know young folks are fools.
21518. Young people must be taught, old ones are honored.
21519. Young people talk of what they are doing; old people of what they have done; and fools of what they have a mind to do.
21520. Young people tell what they are doing, old people what they have done, and fools what they wish to do.
21521. Young pigs grunt as old pigs grunted before them.
21522. Young twigs may be bent, but not old trees.
21523. Your beauty is what you have.
21524. Your belly is not a book.
21525. Your best mirror is someone more beautiful than you.
21526. Your close neighbor is better than your faraway brother.
21527. Your cracked jug seems better to me than my sound one.
21528. Your dog wishes you a long life.
21529. Your elbow is close, yet you can't bite it.
21530. Your enemy makes you wiser.
21531. Your eye on the ball and your head in the game.
21532. Your fingers can't be of the same length.
21533. Your five-year-old son is your instructor; at ten your slave; at fifteen your equal and after that either friend or foe.

21534. Your friend chooses pebbles for you and your enemy counts your faults.
21535. Your friend has a friend and the friend of your friend has another friend Learn how to keep quiet.
21536. Your friend lends and your enemy asks for payment.
21537. Your friend will swallow your mistakes; your enemy will present them on a plate.
21538. Your friendship is your needs answered.
21539. Your hand is never the worse for doing its own work.
21540. Your head is not only for putting a hat on.
21541. Your health comes first; you can always hang yourself later.
21542. Your hometown is like a small fatherland.
21543. Your neighbor's apples are the sweetest.
21544. Your own friend, and your father's friend, forsake not.
21545. Your own mouth is the one closest to you.
21546. Your own rags are better than another's gown.
21547. Your own wealth is flowers and wine; the other men are but weeds.
21548. Your pot broken seems better than my whole one.
21549. Your secret is your blood, when you shed it you die.
21550. Your son can be a prince, your daughter will be a mother.
21551. Your soul to God, your body to dust, your property to your relatives, because thus it has been found written.
21552. Your spluttering insults do not reach the umbrella of my indifference.
21553. Your tongue is like a horse, if you take care of it, it takes care of you; if you treat it badly, it treats you badly.
21554. Your wife and your wheelbarrow - lend them to no one.
21555. Your wife's eyes are in your purse.
21556. Your windmill dwindles into nutcrackers.
21557. Your years will remain the same whether you laugh or cry.
21558. Youth and white paper take any impression.
21559. Youth does not mind where it sets its foot.
21560. Youth has a small head.
21561. Youth is a bird, escapes my capture.
21562. Youth is a kind of illness cured only by the passing years.
21563. Youth is beauty, even in cattle.
21564. Youth is wasted on the young.
21565. Youth lives on hope, old age on remembrance.
21566. Youth may stray afar yet return at last.
21567. Youth must be served.
21568. Youth sheds many a skin.

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21569. Zeal is fit only for wise men but is found mostly in fools.
21570. Zeal is like fire: it needs both feeding and watching.
21571. Zeal without knowledge is a runaway horse.
21572. Zeal without knowledge is fire without light.
21573. Zeal without knowledge is the sister of folly.
21574. Zebras have black and white in them and get along.

EPILOGUE

The proverbs in this book are the fruits of hard labour. Special thanks, once again, to all the people who helped me collect the treasure in this mini library of proverbs. I also utilized some written sources to compile this collection of sayings. I appreciate every assistance I received in translating some of the expressions into English or improving existing translations. One of the things that make this book unique is the sheer number of proverbs it contains and the various world regions from which the proverbs hail. This paremiography represents all the continents in the world. The wisdom of many major tribes and less known ones is presented in this collection. Keeping this paremiography clean was important to me; therefore, I decided not to include dozens of proverbs from various world regions that I considered inappropriate.

Proverbs have long enhanced interpersonal communications when used appropriately and in context. Using the right adage in the wrong context is akin to self-defeat. As the Somali proverb says, *maahmaah xumo*, *marin xun bay kaa riddaa* (an out of context proverb leads to destruction.) The sayings in this book are informative, amusing, and full of wisdom. Many of the sayings in this collection are from cultures where communication without a single proverb is considered lacking and devoid of depth. It is not uncommon in these cultures for people to use at least a few proverbs every time they talk more than a few minutes. It is my sincere wish that this one book library of immense sagacity becomes a global heritage.

Many of the proverbs in this book address issues of ethics and behaviour. Many religious texts contain a sizable number of proverbs; the Book of Proverbs in the Hebrew Bible is an excellent example in this regard. Other proverbs are coined to teach religious values. An Afghani proverb of Dari origin says, "you are playful in childhood, you are lustful in youth, you are feeble in old age, so when will you be worshipful before God?"

The most reliable school for wisdom is proverbs. No one who uses, studies, or analyses proverbs lacks wisdom. Proverbs assist people in becoming lifelong learners. The Chinese proverb, "Learn till old, live till old, and there is still three-tenths not learned," illustrates the fact that no matter how old we are, there is still more learning or studying left to do in the libraries that reside in human wisdom. I conclude my epilogue with the Greek proverb, "a library is a repository of medicine for the mind.

BOOK REVIEW COMMENTS

This book of proverbs offers four benefits: continuous education, new wisdom, effective communication, and inspiration. Thus, proverbs illuminate and aid conversations. These proverbs offered me comfort while reading them.

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This collection of proverbs is a great source of inspiration for life; they show that people all over the world can relate and that they all have the same life struggles and joys. I truly enjoyed reading them.

Abdullahi Salhan
Former Somali Airlines Pilot

Indeed, this collection of proverbs from around the world can help us share the richness of all peoples worldwide. There is not only an economic richness but also a cultural, spiritual, and wisdom richness. I thank Aweis for helping us draw from this richness as brothers and sisters who share their common patrimony.

Giorgio Bertin, O.F.M.
Bishop of Djibouti and Apostolic
Administrator of Mogadishu, Somalia

I have heard a lot of proverbs as an American pilot who has been living in Africa for 40 years and flying airplanes for thirty years in this mesmerizing continent. I have seen that we have many similar proverbs after seven years of working as a colleague with Somalis. Many proverbs came from Solomon's wise reed pen. I see a similar wisdom in Aweis' gathering and sharing proverbs from around the world.

Dennis Dyvig
Educator and Former Pilot

Proverbs transcend time and space. The perfect gift for anyone who cares about language and culture.

Faisa Loyaan
Executive Director
Creative Alternatives Now (CAN)

The author provides the reader a treasure house of wisdom born out of humankind's shared personal experiences. This book contains 21,576 proverbs that have been collected from many cultures across the globe. This is one of the largest collections, if not the most extensive compilation, of sayings, ever assembled. This book is a significant resource for writers, speakers, and anyone else interested in learning from men and women from various global experiences. The insights that can be gained by meditating on these proverbs are well worth the investment in this valuable work. My congratulations to Aweis for a significant contribution to the underdeveloped discipline of paremiography, a subfield of paremiology.

Dr. Howie F. Shute
Missiologist

Aweis gathered from around the world concise proverbs marked by powerful expressions. A wealth of wisdom is the allotment of the reader who heeds the proverbs' message in this book. Proverbs are birthed from one's experience; they illuminate the unknown and make them known. Aweis placed precious pearls at our disposal; let us utilize the wisdom contained in this book.

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The paremiologist presents 21,576 proverbs from around the world. This treasure trove of wisdom is a significant resource for writers, speakers, and all lovers of wisdom. I congratulate Aweis on the substantial contribution to the well of human sagacity.

Jigna Patel
Entrepreneur and Radio Presenter
Nairobi, Kenya

This collection of proverbs reminds us that our saws are the mirror that reflects the values of our community. Our maxims represent the unique lenses through which we see the world. This collection of proverbs from around the world is as intellectually stimulating as Plato's Academy.

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