



# ROOKIE MISTAKES

## *That Even Veterans Make*

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**Stating  
the obvious.**



**Chelsea White, right, adopted Rusty from a shelter last year.**



**The stars come out for FCC  
Chairman Michael Powell:  
Among them are singer Diana  
Ross, top, and the irrepressible  
SpongeBob SquarePants.**





# **The tyranny of first reference.**



House Republican leaders launched a broad attack on Democratic priorities Tuesday.

“(President Barack) Obama is misguided at best,” said Speaker Paul D. Ryan.





“The VA (Department of Veterans Affairs) scandal is a perfect example,” Ryan said. Although the department has pledged to improve health care for veterans at its hospitals, Republicans say further reforms are needed.





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**Needless inserts:  
Worse than (Adolf) Hitler?**



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*Some may think of us as grammar geeks, punctuation freaks and syntax-obsessed snobs.*



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## *A closer look at prime-time claims by Trump, Fiorina, Christie, Cruz and Walker*



### **The Fact Checker**

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CNN aired two GOP presidential debates Wednesday: a prime-time event starring 11 candidates and an earlier debate featuring four second-tier contenders.

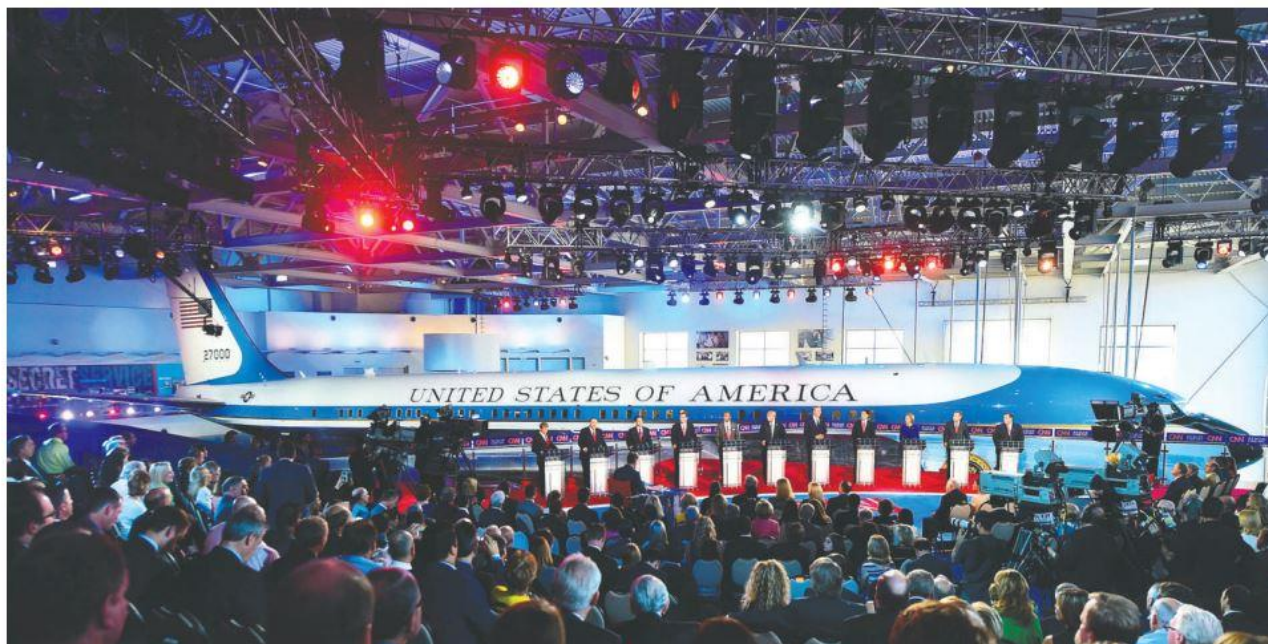
The following are some of the most notable claims, culled from a lengthier list, available online, and fact-checked with my colleague Michelle Ye Hee Lee.

As is our practice, we do not award Pinocchios when we do a roundup of facts in debates.

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### **Trump**

The distinction Trump is making here is that his companies have filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, which means a company can remain in business while wiping away many of its debts. The bankruptcy court ultimately approves a corporate budget and a plan to repay remaining debts; often shareholders lose much of their equity.







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Actor Ray Romano talks  
sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll

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**Let's come to  
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One of the things that happens when you get older is  
your ear hairs really start growing.

– Esquire





One of the things that happens when you get older is your feet actually get long 'cos your arch drops and so the shoes I've been wearing for years which I adore were suddenly too small.

– Anonymous, quoted in  
“Craft of Use: Post-Growth Fashion” by Kate Fletcher



One of the things that happens when you get older is that you get practical, and one of the things I accepted after a blunt remark from a young man is that “practical” is not about getting things done; it's about letting dreams die.

– C.J.S. Hayward, “Firestorm 2034”



One of the things that happens when you get older – and at the same time move from minority to majority status – is that you are no longer delighted simply to throw a wrench in the works.

– Norman Ornstein, National Journal





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# Electile dysfunction.



The Democratic primary. The Republican primary.



## **10 ways the Democratic primary has been rigged from the start**

This race is still far from over, but that won't stop the establishment from trying to hand the nom to Hillary

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## **How the Republican party can escape Donald Trump - and Ted Cruz**

The convention process makes it difficult for the Republican party to escape its gruesome twosome – but not impossible.



The Republican party battle between Wall street and Main street will play out in Quicken Loans arena.



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The Republican party. The Democratic party.  
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Though Democrats advocated for retaining the funding, three Republicans sponsored the funding-preserving amendment that ultimately failed by a 48-52 vote. The White House [has previously stated](#) that President [Barack Obama](#) would veto legislation defunding Planned Parenthood or otherwise restricting access to preventive care and health services for women.



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Meanwhile, in sports, the Trail Blazers lost to the Pistons, 103-120.



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By David Wiesner



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By Chris Cillizza

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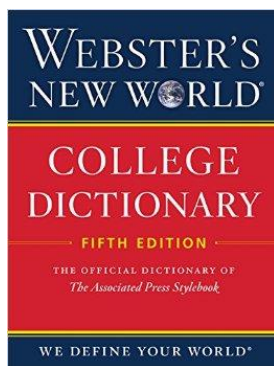
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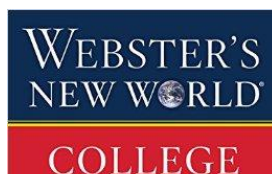
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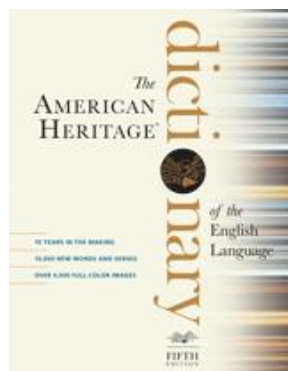


# lame duck lame duck



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2. 
  - a. an elected official whose term extends beyond the time of the election at which he or she was not reelected
  - b. an elected official near the end of his or her term who is not seeking reelection and is therefore regarded as having little remaining influence

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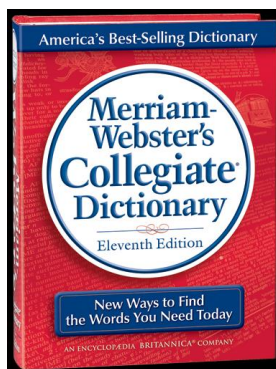




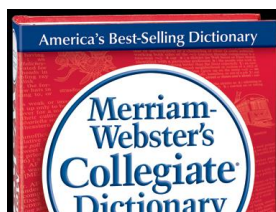
# lame duck

*noun*

1. **a.** An elected officeholder or group continuing in office during the period between failure to win an election and the inauguration of a successor.  
**b.** An officeholder who has chosen not to run for reelection or is ineligible for reelection.
2. An ineffective person; a weakling.







## Full Definition of LAME DUCK

- 1 : one that is weak or that falls behind in ability or achievement; *especially chiefly British* : an ailing company
- 2 : an elected official or group continuing to hold political office during the period between the election and the inauguration of a successor
- 3 : one whose position or term of office will soon end







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same-sex predators can only at the fringe policy.

Local gay communities were particularly concerned about the measure, especially when it came up last month during the House's markup. The House's House of Representatives (H.R.) 1015, which would amend the federal Fair Housing Act to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, was passed by a vote of 218-202. The House's House of Representatives (H.R.) 1015, which would amend the federal Fair Housing Act to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, was passed by a vote of 218-202.

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pleased to see as president with a dramatic election in 1964, the fifth consecutive presidential election won by the Democratic Party. Cabell Coledge, who became president after Warren G. Harding's death — and then, after winning a new term on his own, retired to run for a second — helped eastern leaders

served him. President Theodore Roosevelt appointed William Howard Taft his secretary of war, helping Taft win the presidency in 1908. President James T. Grant was named (as a disputed election resulted in electoral commission) by Roosevelt's successor in 1909. President Andrew Jackson

followed by Vice President Martin Van Buren after the next election. And, of course, early on there was the 26-year stretch of three consecutive two-term Democratic presidents: Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and James Monroe.

There is cause to  
worry that the successful  
party last year will  
stay too concerned  
with the presidential  
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the White House  
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and down and  
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4 same-day procedure rates rose from 10 percent to 16 percent in the second quarter.

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5 LAST-YEAR'S presidential race is one of the most important in our country's history.

Indeed, many lame-duck presidents have managed to avert criticism of the opposite party's fallacious accusations that become their political demise and long-term reputation. But they're usually done so by making more of the power than is playing in their favor (Obama would be well advised to pursue such a strategy today).

stevens, coeditor of the chapter, and Henry J. Harter, professor of state administration at Northern Illinois University and the co-author of the chapter, is one of "the leading educated professionals" from that state. Harter is also "the senior in the Reagan and George H.W. Bush administrations" and is a founder and chairman of the Board of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

**WIDENED BY TWO FEET.**

Whether he wants to or not, the Chuck stops here

By Chris O'Hara



**I**n a unique Washington tradition that while someone is removed from a high-level government post, that person stays not only at his or her home but also voluntarily lets other men do so in a polite setting.

William Clark, the soon-to-be former defense secretary, who less than two years after being named to the job, was co-named by President Obama this past week.

At a White House event announcing the move, Obama went on of his way to call it as an "angels' clinic," saying, "Christ came to us to discuss the final question of the universe and the destiny of our souls. Having pulled the department through this transition, it was an appropriate time for him to complete his service."

The "angels' body language" - think *Bill* who didn't go the Christmas present he had wanted for two years - sold another story. (That's how you get national on how much of the real story was written by *Bill*.) But *Bill* is not the only one who's been a part of the transition. (p. 1) And, in the

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**A**mericans also smoke. For the first time, the new study indicates that the rate of tobacco-related deaths is falling, according to figures published by John M. Manton and reported by the Wall Street Journal.

It keeps the margin between the rate of deaths from cancer and heart disease, the two leading causes of death, at a comfortable distance. Lung cancer has been on a steady decline since last Oregon, where a recent book by Roger Lund, *Smoking in Oregon*, reported that the rate of lung cancer deaths had fallen 25 percent.

Oregon is one of a number of states that have lowered, or plan to lower, cigarette taxes. In 1985, Oregon's cigarette tax was 10 cents per pack, compared to 15 cents in California, the state with the highest cigarette tax. Oregon's rate is now 12 cents.

Washington produces about a quarter of the beans grown in the United States. In 1985, Oregon and Washington produced 10 percent of the nation's beans. Oregon is the largest bean producer in the United States, with 10 percent of the nation's beans grown in the state.

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For more information on this article, contact the author at 1000 N. 10th St., Portland, OR 97227.

whereas within a long tradition of liver eating, Minnesota and North Dakota, shows men with the liver tomorrow, have seen their industries dwindle and shrivel respectively in the past two

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BEST STATE

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Oregon is home to more than 180 craft



JAMES JAGGARD/WANDERLUST TOURS VIA VISIT BEND

Craft-beer samples await the thirsty at Deschutes Brewery in Bend, Ore.

every other state. And Oregonians are loyal to their state. Oregon Craft Beer, two years. Mississippi now has four, and North Dakota has six.

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**Tiny acts  
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**Which,  
now?**





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**Look out — your  
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# Lacking GOP support, Senate rejects VA bill

BY JOSH HICKS

A broad Veterans Affairs bill that would have expanded benefits for former service members and repealed a military pension cut for future troops was rejected in the Senate on Thursday.

The measure, sponsored by Veterans Affairs Committee Chairman Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.), did not garner enough Republican votes to waive a VA spending limit established under the budget Congress and President Obama approved in December. Sanders's office estimated that his legislation, which included more than 140 provisions, would have cost \$21 billion over 10 years.

On Tuesday, GOP lawmakers

lation would have extended the period of time veterans are eligible to enroll in the VA health-care system from five years to 10 years after deployment.

Sen. Richard Burr (N.C.), the ranking Republican on the panel, said on the Senate floor this week that the bill would not provide the resources needed for the program expansions to happen without more frustration and delays for veterans already in the network.

"We have veterans dying from long waits for basic, necessary tests like colonoscopies," Burr said Thursday. "Veterans waiting for their disability claims to be processed know all about frustrations and delays at the VA, and adding more individuals to an



**Walsh says  
headline bad.**





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The long, winding road.





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# **The conservation-of-commas theory.**



That honor went to Novak Djokovic who won three of the four Grand Slam tournaments.



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cherry blossom-themed cocktails



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color-TV set



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U.S. Marshals and officials from the Fairfax County Sheriff's office, the Attorney General's office and the U.S. Attorney's office will be on hand.



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The U.S. Marshals Service.

Sheriff Joe Arpaio. The sheriff.  
The sheriff's office or the Sheriff's Office.

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# Capital ideas, cont'd.





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**Choose your  
mantras mindfully.**







### 17. *Omit needless words.*

Vigorous writing is concise. A sentence should contain no unnecessary words, a paragraph no unnecessary sentences, for the same reason that a drawing should have no unnecessary lines and a machine no unnecessary parts. This requires not that the writer make all his sentences short, or that he avoid all detail and treat his subjects only in outline, but that every word tell.

Many expressions in common use violate this principle.





**That  
'that.'**



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**Follow the rules,  
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**CORRECT.** In this case, the question had already been mentioned, if not identified. So even though it’s not the only question ever asked, the clause is non-essential (it merely provides additional information) and therefore the comma is appropriate.



When he said, “Jump,” they said, “How high?”



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**QUESTIONABLE.** Quotes are being introduced, but all those commas create awkwardness. Consider leaving them out.





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**INCORRECT.** Or maybe the better verdict is “impossible.” AP style frowns on a comma after a question mark ending a quote, and the flow of the sentence would suffer, but this construction requires a second comma if you use that first one. Don’t start something you can’t finish.



While the construction continues, he added,  
“We’ll make an extra effort to attract pedestrians.”



While the construction continues, he added,  
“~~We~~’ll make an extra effort to attract pedestrians.”

LOWERCASE!



But, she added, “This is the last time.”





But, she added, “This is the last time.”  
But, she added, “this is the last time.”



But, she added, “This is the last time.”  
But, she added, “this is the last time.”  
But she added: “This is the last time.”



They live in a heavily forested area.



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**CORRECT.** Adverbs ending in the suffix “-ly” do not need to be followed with hyphens, even in modifying phrases.



The family run business opened in 1958.





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**INCORRECT.** “Family” ends in “-ly,” but that is not the suffix “-ly” and “family” is not an adverb. It’s a family-run business.



The early morning rain reminded him of that old folk song.



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**INCORRECT.** “Early” ends in “-ly,” but that is not the suffix “-ly” and “early” is not an adverb. It’s the early-morning rain.



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Other “-ly” adjectives: daily, elderly, likely, etc.



**Serial  
killing.**





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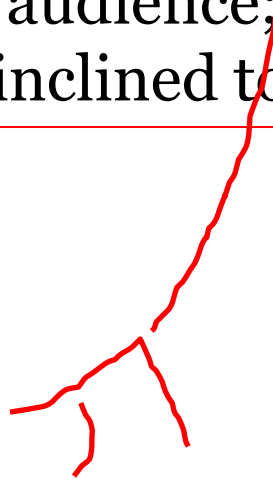




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I would like to thank my parents, Ayn Rand and God.



I would like to thank the devil, Ayn Rand, and God.





**I may,  
I might.**



Think of what she might have done.



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(She's missing, and things don't look good.)





# ROOKIE MISTAKES

*That ~~Even Veterans~~ Make*  
**MOSTLY ROOKIES**

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*@TheSlot*

**ACES 2016**

*Portland*



It looks like a nice day out there.





It looks like a nice day out there.  
It looks like we're in for some rain.



It looks like a nice day out there.  
It looks like we're in for some rain.  
It looks as if we're in for some rain.



It looks like a nice day out there.

It looks like we're in for some rain.

It looks as if we're in for some rain.

It looks as though we're in for some rain.



He finally graduated college.



He finally graduated college.  
He finally graduated from college.





He finally graduated college.

He finally graduated from college.

He finally was graduated from college.



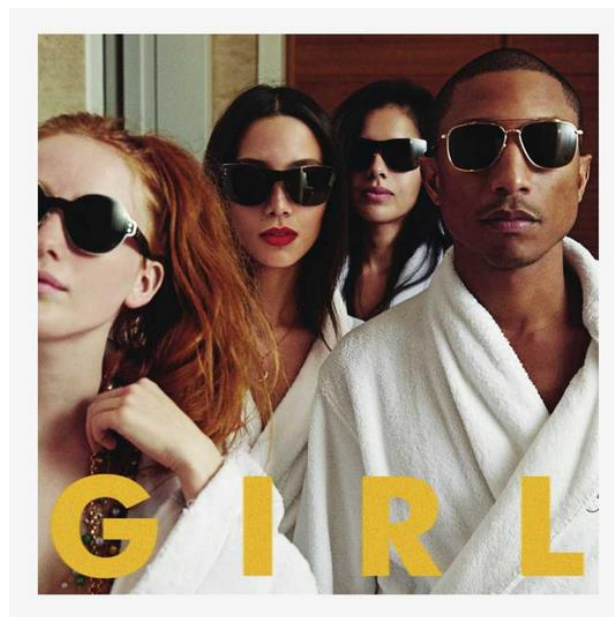
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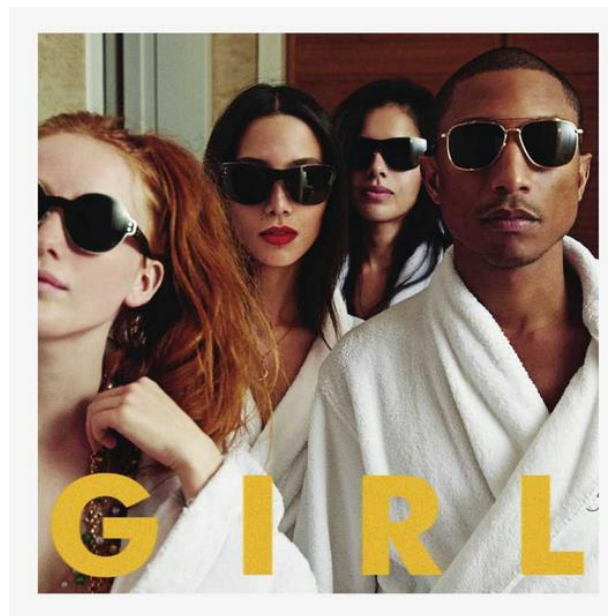
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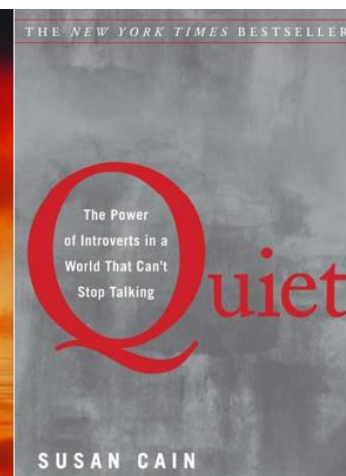
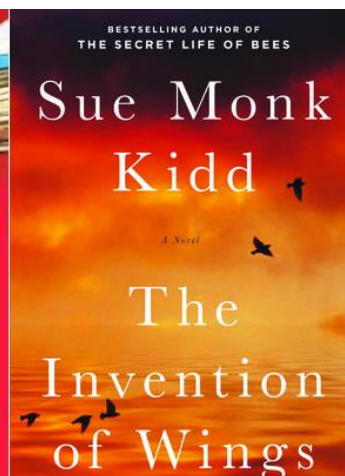
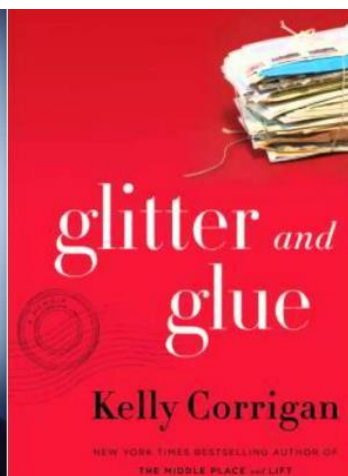
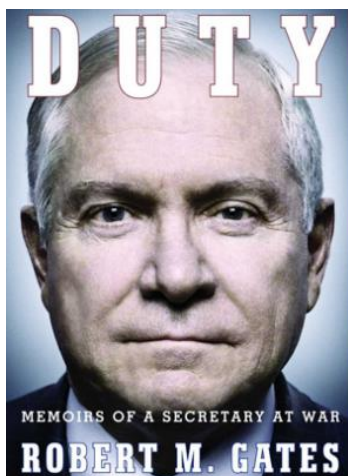
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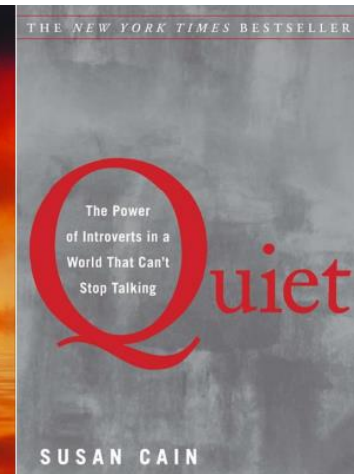
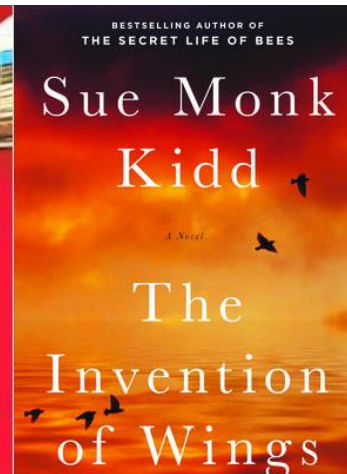
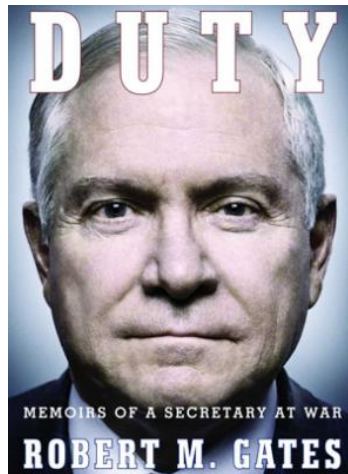




Pharrell Williams has a hit with “G I R L.”







The bestsellers are “D U T Y,” “glitter *and* glue,”  
“T h e I n v e n t i o n o f W i n g s” and  
“Q u i e t.”





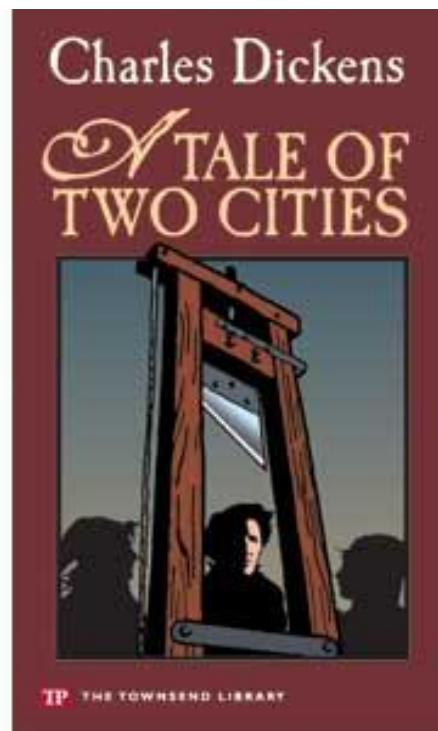


Would you like some KRAFT  
macaroni & cheese DINNER?



**The new  
verbatimism.**







It was an “A Tale of Two Cities” moment.



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She was a “The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” guest.





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This is a “The Simpsons” reference.



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He met with The Washington Post editorial board.





He met with The Washington Post editorial board.





He met with The Washington Post editorial board.



He met with The Washington Post editorial board.  
He met with the Washington Post editorial board.



He met with The Washington Post editorial board.  
He met with the Washington Post editorial board.  
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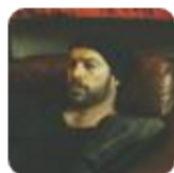


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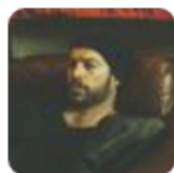
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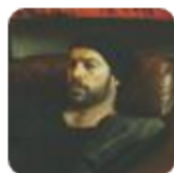


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**Blog-  
speak.**



## **BLOG-SPEAK**

reach out  
walk back  
slow-walk  
call out  
throw shade

## **YOU KNOW, LIKE, ENGLISH**

contact  
retract, backtrack  
stall, delay  
challenge, expose  
disdain, insult



**Too  
soon?**



The senator walked back his charge that the Democrats had slow-walked the process, but he called out Obama nonetheless. CBS News reached out to the president but received no reply.



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