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The man of understanding finds
everything laughable.

愚人篇

Fool Stories





US Naval Communication

This is the transcript of an ACTUAL radio conversation of a US naval ship with Canadian authorities off the coast of Newfoundland in October, 1995.

Americans: Please divert your course 15 degrees to the North to avoid a collision.

Canadians: Recommend you divert YOUR course 15 degrees to the South to avoid a collision.

Americans: This is the Captain of a US Navy ship. I say again, divert YOUR course.

Canadians: No. I say again, you divert YOUR course.

Americans: THIS IS THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER USS LINCOLN, THE SECOND LARGEST SHIP IN THE UNITED STATES' ATLANTIC FLEET. WE ARE ACCOMPANIED BY THREE DESTROYERS, THREE CRUISERS AND NUMEROUS SUPPORT VESSELS. I DEMAND THAT YOU CHANGE YOUR COURSE 15 DEGREES NORTH, THAT'S ONE FIVE DEGREES NORTH, OR COUNTER-MEASURES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THIS SHIP.

Canadians: We are a lighthouse. Your call.





美国海军通讯记录

这是美国海军舰队和加拿大当局一段真实的无线电通话记录。发生在1995年10月的纽芬兰海岸。

美方：为避免碰撞，请将你方航向北移15度。

加拿大：为避免碰撞，请将你方航向南移15度。

美方：我是美国海军舰长。我再重复一遍，请贵方改变航向。

加拿大：我也再重复一遍，请改变贵方航向。

美方：这是美国林肯号航空母舰，也就是美国大西洋舰队的第二大战舰。我们有三艘驱逐舰、三艘巡洋舰、还有数量众多的补给船护航。我要求贵方必须将航向北移15度，即向北移15度，否则我方将采取措施保障本舰安全。

加拿大：我方是灯塔。请回话。



Five and Two

A college's student body is composed of the sons and daughters of the very rich who could not meet the academic requirements of any other college. Lo and behold, the college basketball team wins every game and dominates their league. All this success is due to one amazing player—a cross between Larry Bird and Michael Jordan. This kid is terrific. The player and the team become the center of nationwide media attention. The student body is thrilled. Now, the NCAA goes to the college and asks for proof of this player's academic eligibility. The college administration promises such documentation in a few days. The faculty works night and day coaching the student for the crucial test.

The day of the public examination arrives, and the entire student body is there to support their star player. A professor stands, and announces the first question, "How much is five and two?" The student frowns in deep concentration—he thinks, he sweats, he shakes with effort. At last he shouts the answer, "SEVEN." The entire student body rises, and as a single voice, they cry, "Give him another chance. Give him another chance."



一所大学的学生都是都来自非常有钱的家庭，凭他们的知识水平，进不了其他任何大学。但是您瞧，这个学校的篮球队却百战百胜，在联赛中称王称霸。球队的成功来源于一位令人惊讶的球员——他集拉里·伯德和迈克尔·乔丹为一身。这家伙太棒了。他和整个篮球队都成为全国媒体关注的焦点。全校的学生都为之疯狂。现在，全美大学生篮球联盟来到学校，要校方提供这名球员的学习成绩。校方答应几天以后提供。学校老师夜以继日地指导这位学生，就为了让他能通过这场重要的考试。

公开考试的日子到了，全体学生都来支持他们的这位球星。一位教授站在那儿，提了第一个问题：“5 加 2 等于几？”球星眉头紧锁，拼命思考——他一边想，一边汗流浹背，因为太投入了，浑身发抖。最后，他大声报出了答案：“7！”全体学生都站了起来，同声高呼：“再给他一次机会。再给他一次机会。”

