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NOTES ON COMMUNICATION
FROM AN INTERESTED OBSERVER

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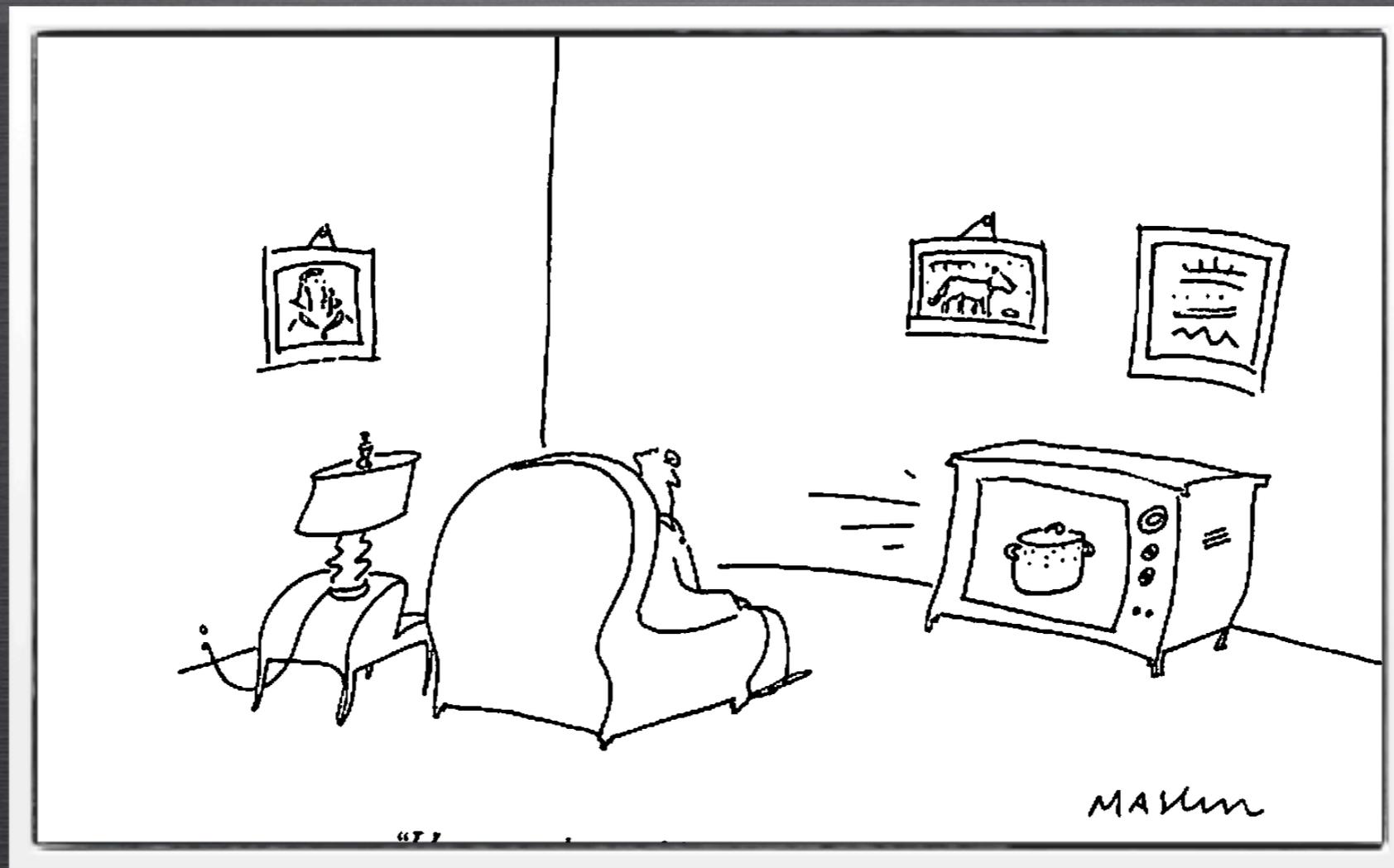
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“To Ease in Proceeding!”

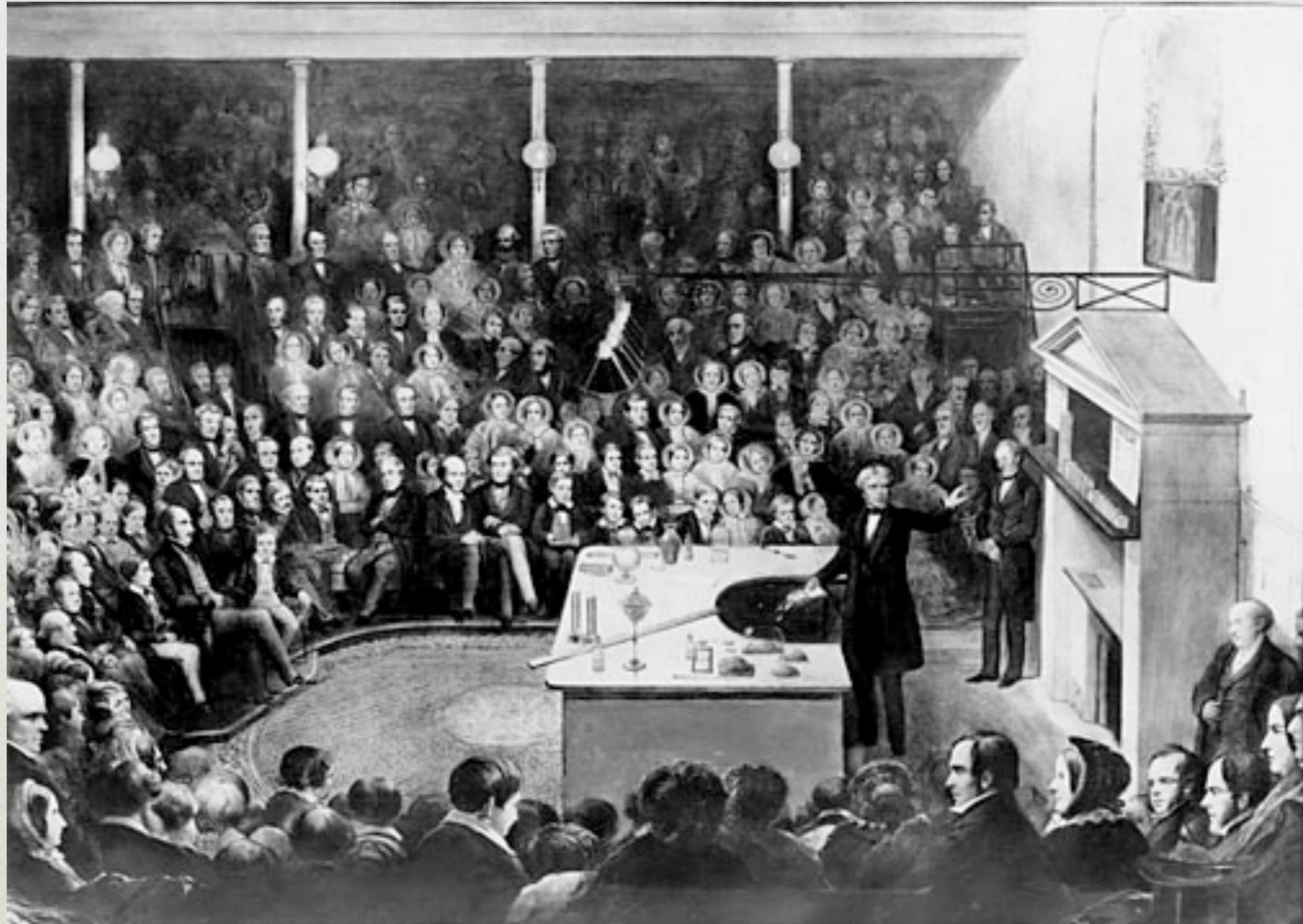
“Two *es* in *proceeding*.”



“I see here that the universe is now thought to be full of inexplicably dense clumps.”



“How much would you pay for all the secrets of the universe? Wait, don’t answer yet. You also get this six-quart covered combination spaghetti pot and clam steamer. Now how much would you pay?”

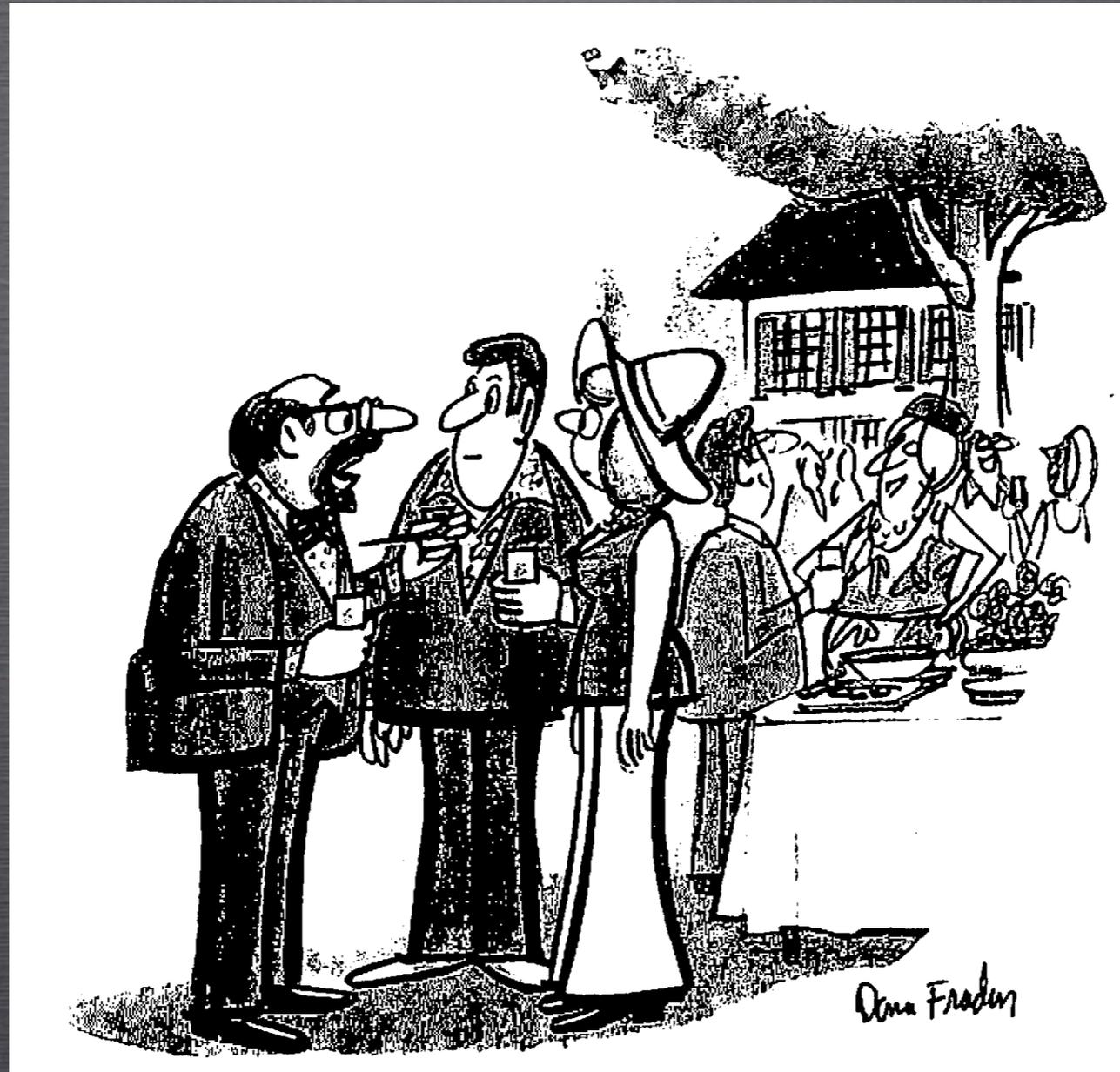




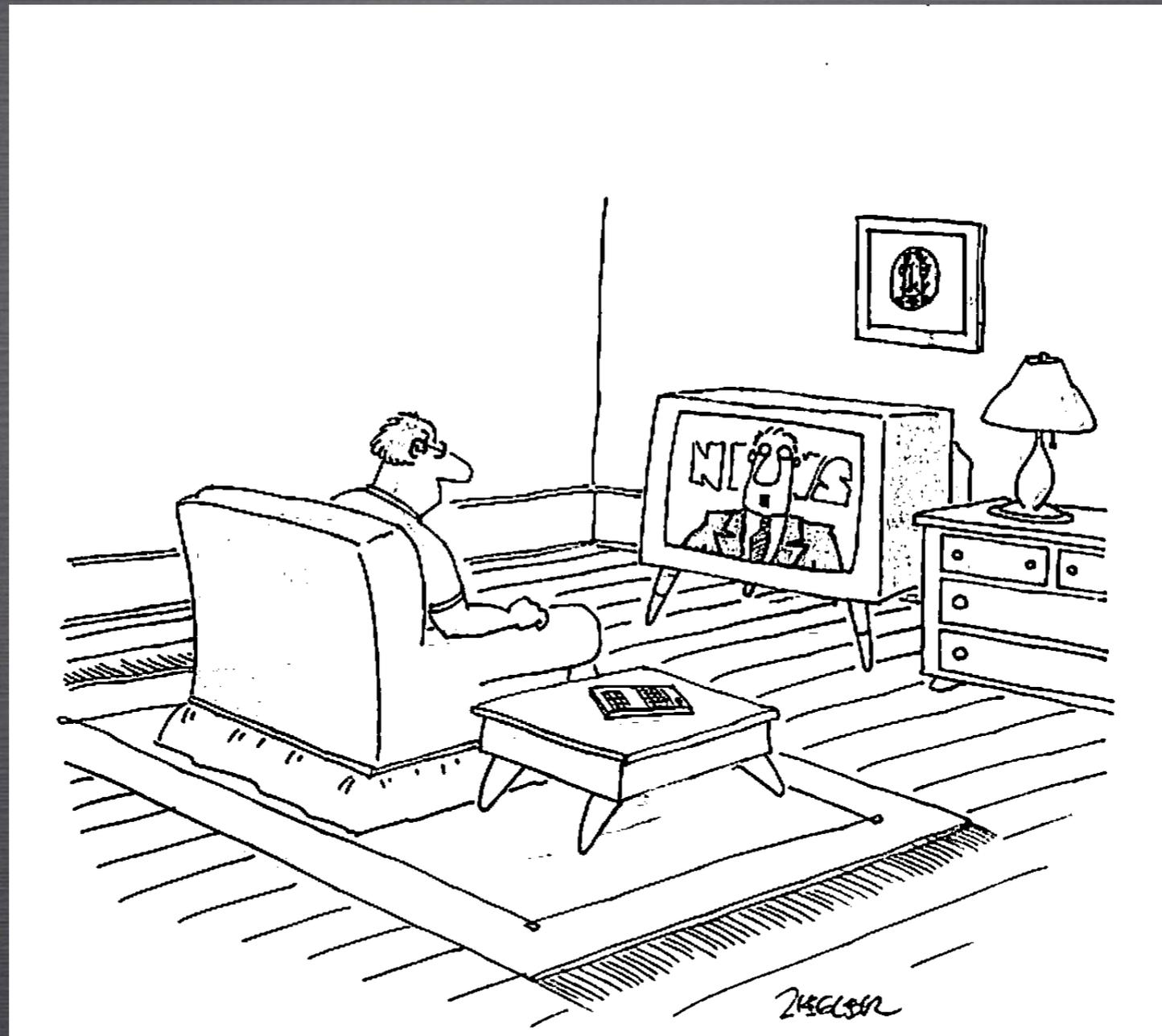
“I need someone well versed in the art of torture—
do you know PowerPoint?”



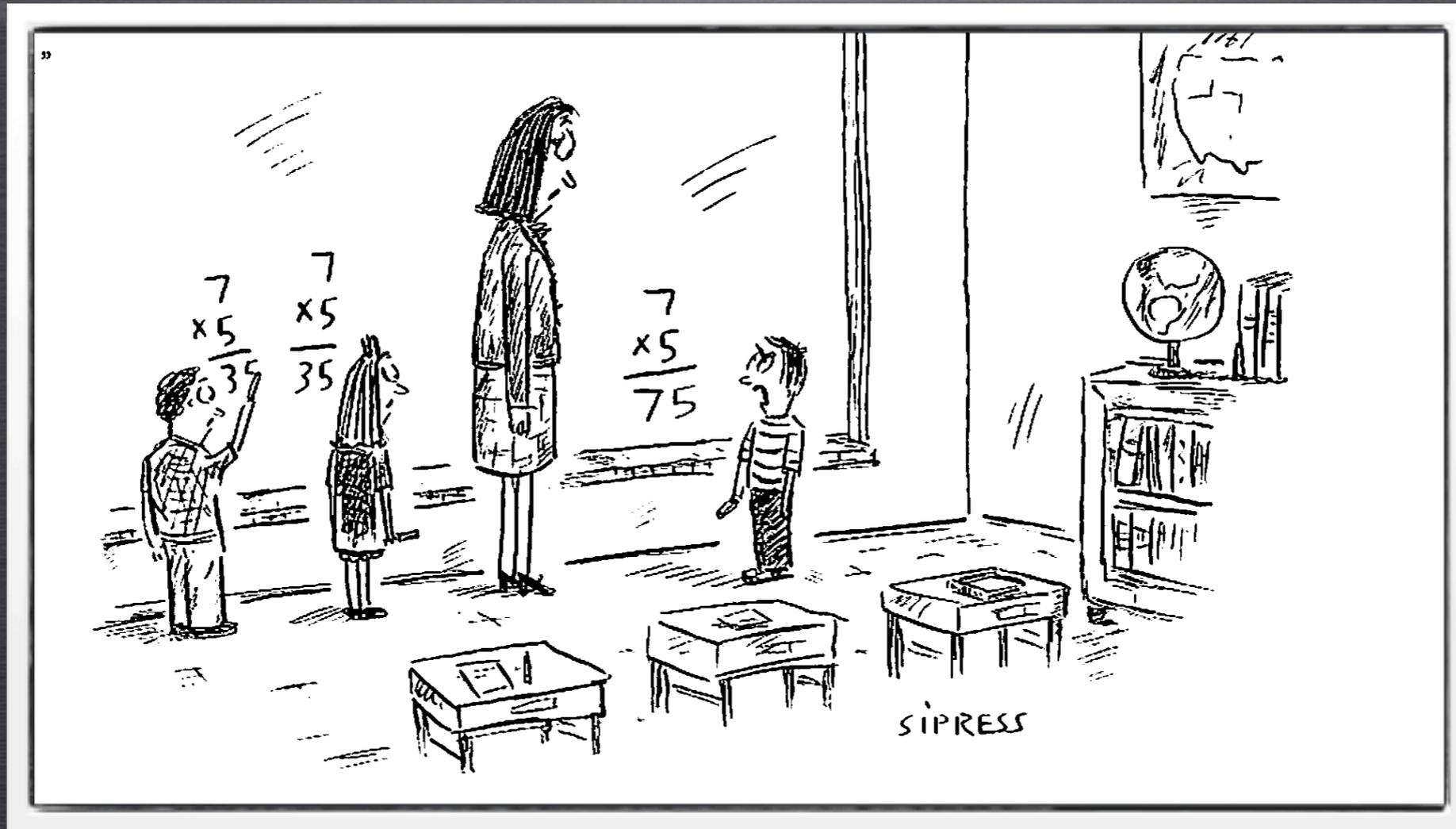
“I believe that has some significance to our problem.”



“I can’t put it into layman’s language for you.
I don’t know any layman’s language.”



“Scientists confirmed today that everything we know about the structure of the universe is wrongedy-wrong-wrong.”



“It may be wrong, but it’s how I feel.”



“What’s the opposite of ‘Eureka!’?”

