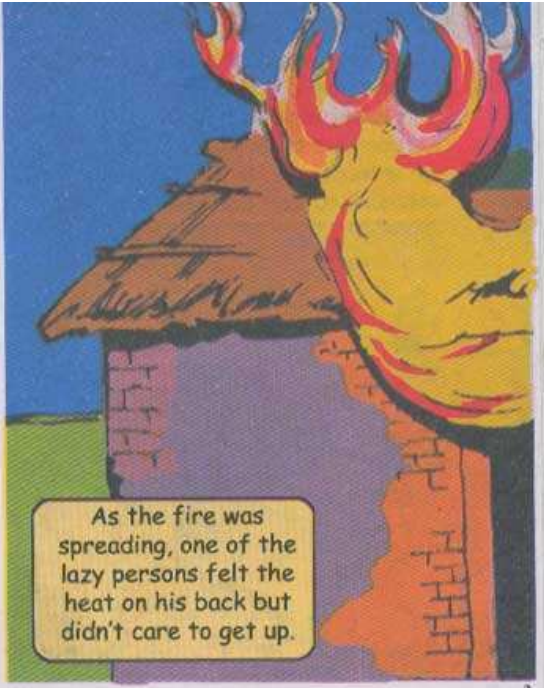
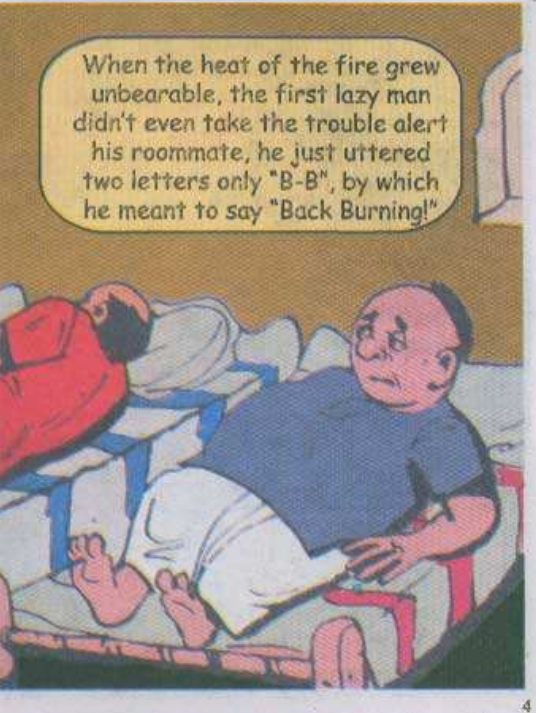


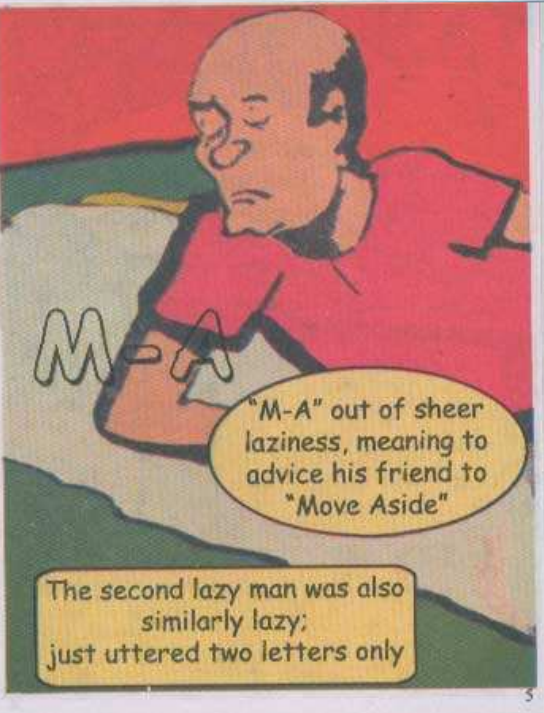
By chance on one winter's night the room somehow caught fire.



As the fire was spreading, one of the lazy persons felt the heat on his back but didn't care to get up.



When the heat of the fire grew unbearable, the first lazy man didn't even take the trouble alert his roommate, he just uttered two letters only "B-B", by which he meant to say "Back Burning!"



"M-A" out of sheer laziness, meaning to advice his friend to "Move Aside"

The second lazy man was also similarly lazy; just uttered two letters only



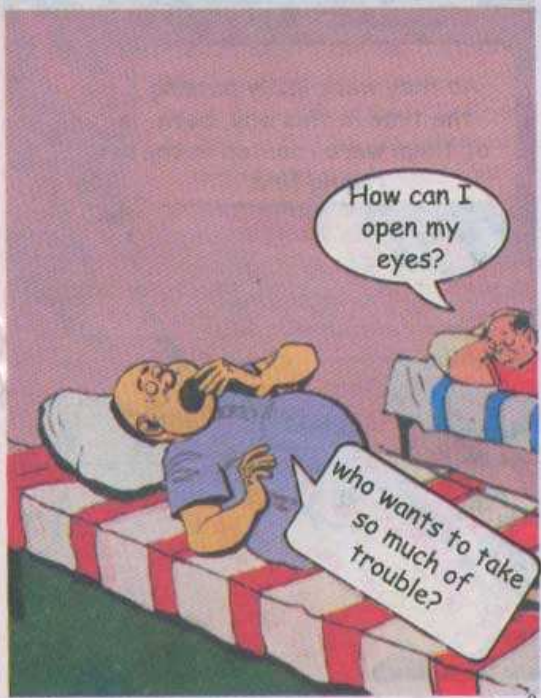
All this time the fire was getting bigger and bigger



Oh! How nice, we are feeling the warmth of sunshine!

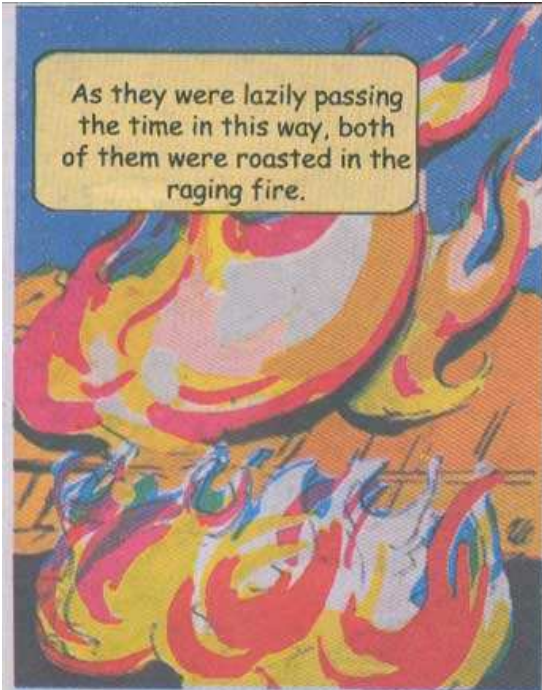


O! Brother could you please check how hot the sun is?



How can I open my eyes?

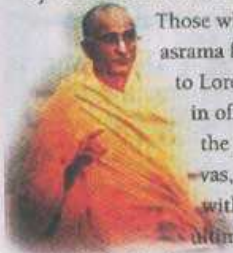
who wants to take so much of trouble?



As they were lazily passing the time in this way, both of them were roasted in the raging fire.

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Those who pretend to be residents of the asrama for the sake of practising service to Lord Sri Hari, but who became lazy in offering daily service to the Lord, the spiritual master, and the Vaisnavas, are also susceptible to be caught within the clutches of illusion and ultimately to meet with a similar end.

The lifestyle of one who has devoted himself to the service of the Lord should never be at any time lazy.



## A Lesson on Geometry



There was once a poor widow who, through great hardship, was struggling to bring up her only son.

My only hope for my future is my son; I should make such arrangement for a best tutor, so that he could study nicely.



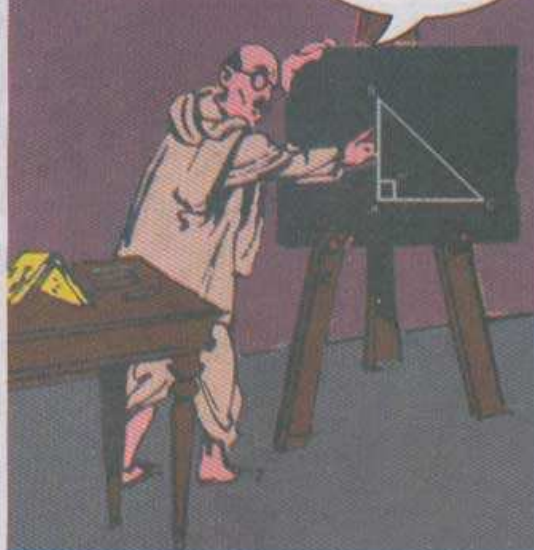
I appointed the tutor but have to pay the tuition fees so please kindly lend me some money.

Once after the boy was promoted to standard 7th, he was being taught Geometry by the teacher in English



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Let ABC be a triangle...



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Hearing this the mother rushed into the classroom and screamed at the teacher



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This boy is supposed to be advancing in his studies after being raised to class VII, but you are still teaching him ABC-he learned all this when he was an infant - and I am paying you 10 rupees a month! From today you are no longer required here. You are only fit for teaching in a primary school if all you can teach is ABC!

The widow's outburst was so violent that it left no scope for the teacher to argue and he was compelled to leave the place.

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The materialistic persons and common place so-called vaisnavites believe that they have relished the nectar of devotion. In fact, they can not even discover the source of transcendental mellows of devotion, Lord Kṛṣṇa.

In modern times, some people while listening to chanting and performing musical recitations of the compositions of such stalwarts like Candidas, Vidyapati and the like on the pastimes of Lord Sri Kṛṣṇa, believe that they have relished the transcendental mellows of love from Lord Sri Kṛṣṇa. In fact, they never reach the province of Lord Sri Kṛṣṇa's pastimes or His transcendental mellows.

Some awful religious renegade and turbulent heretic like Kalapahadh, the notorious iconoclast, may think that they can demolish and destroy Deities and temples of the Supreme Godhead, or some egotistic so-called preachers may boast of finding out quite a good number of faults and discrepancies in the holy scriptures like Srimad Bhagavatam and Srimad Bhagavad Gita!

Even Ravana, the great king of demons, intended to

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abduct Sita Devi with an idea of enjoying her. In fact, they could not even have a look at the object of their lust and desire, not to speak of touching them. Ravana simply deceived himself by abducting only the shadow-form of Sita Devi and failed in his attempt to enjoy her.

If anyone tears up a map of India in anger and jealousy, and thinks that he has destroyed the entire state of India, then it is nothing but his foolishness. Similarly, people who are inclined to go against Sri Hari and the spiritual masters including all Vaisnavas, under the illusory materialistic knowledge, simply expose themselves as the most foolish entities on this earth.

Sri Caitanyadeva has said:

aprakṛta vastu nahe prakṛta gocar /  
vede puranete ei kahe nirantar //

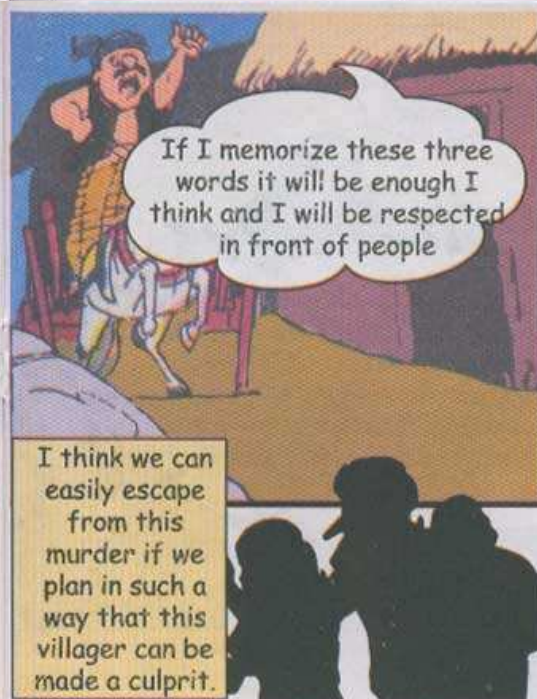
"Spiritual substance is never within the jurisdiction of the material conception. This is always the verdict of the Vedas and Puranas." (Cc.Madhya Lila 9.195)

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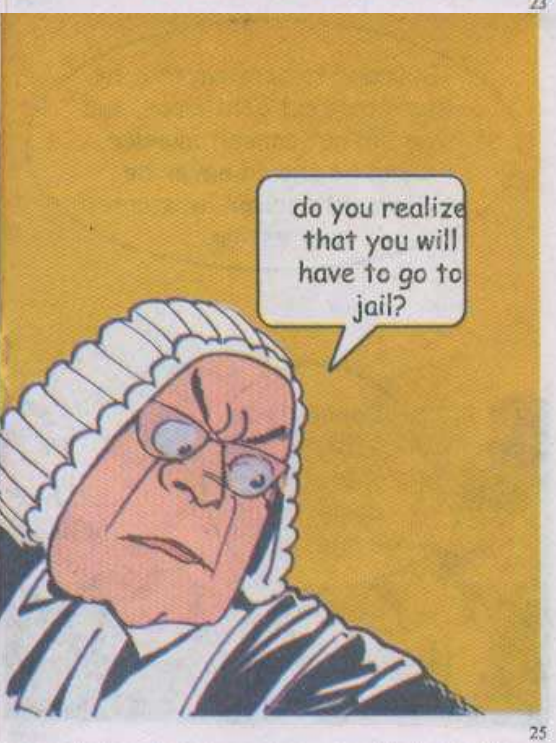
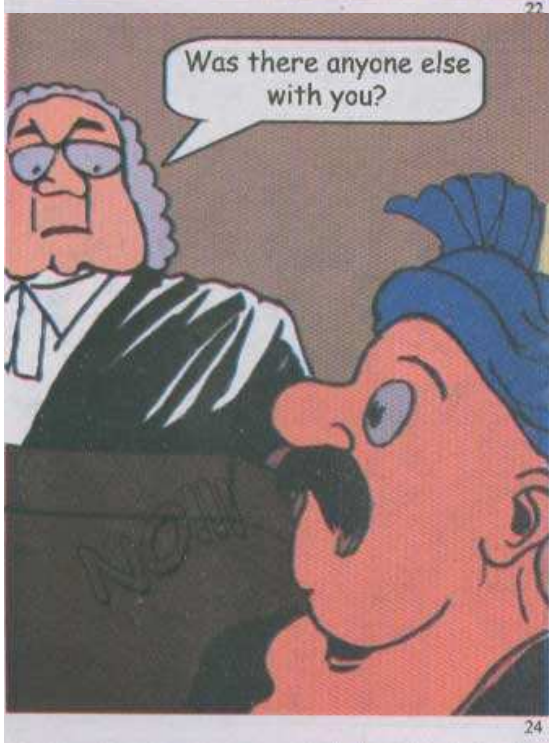
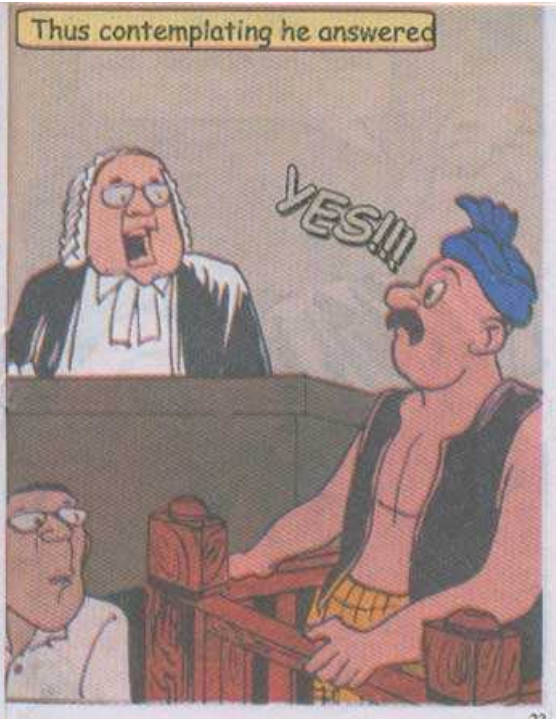
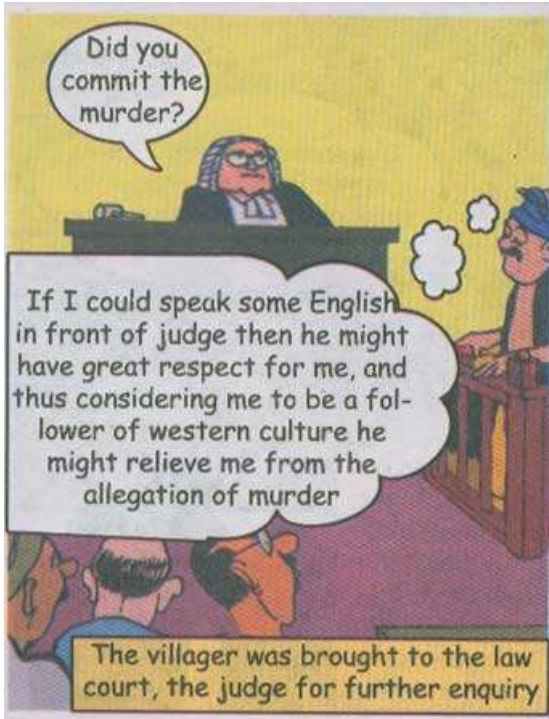
## "Yes, No, Very Good"

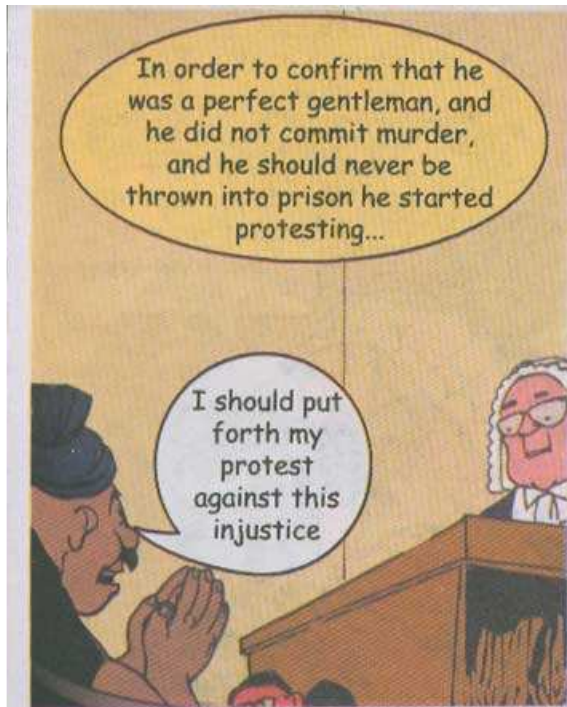


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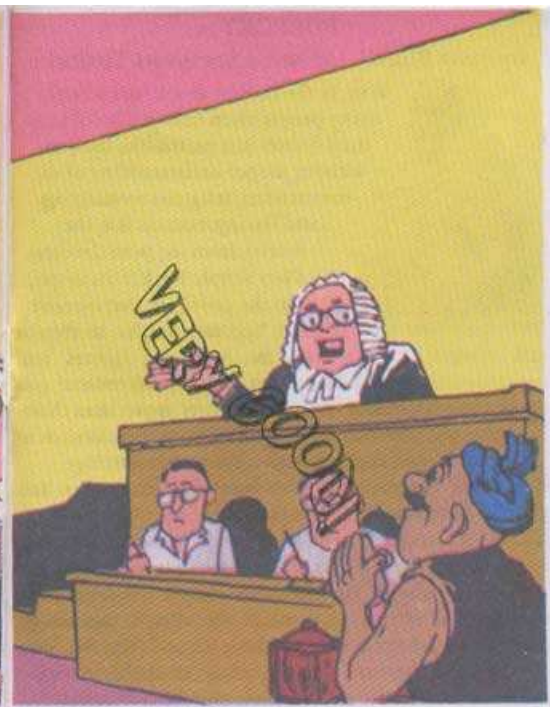


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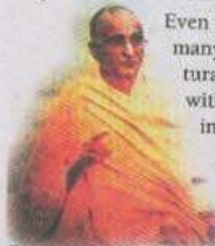
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Even in the field of devotional service, many people often deliver a lot of scriptural quotes in a parrot-like fashion, without proper understanding of the instructions, religious terminology and the injunctions that they receive from the pure devotees. They simply hanker for respect from the people in that manner.

But eventually their position becomes similar to that of this villager. In the case the scriptural quotes and authoritative injunctions are not properly assimilated and digested, the righteous community never appreciates them. It is also not possible to be released from the clutches of 'maya' or illusion through such a parrot-like verbiage. It is often observed in public meetings, assemblies and popular mundane literature that many so-called "men-of-letters of modern civilisation deliver such ludicrous verbosity on the subjects of devotion, devotees, and the Supreme Godhead. Pure devotees simply consider those deliberations similar to those of the villager mentioned above, who did not realize anything beyond 'Yes, No, Very good. Those persons are ultimately destined to suffer imprisonment under the merciless clutches of 'maya'.

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