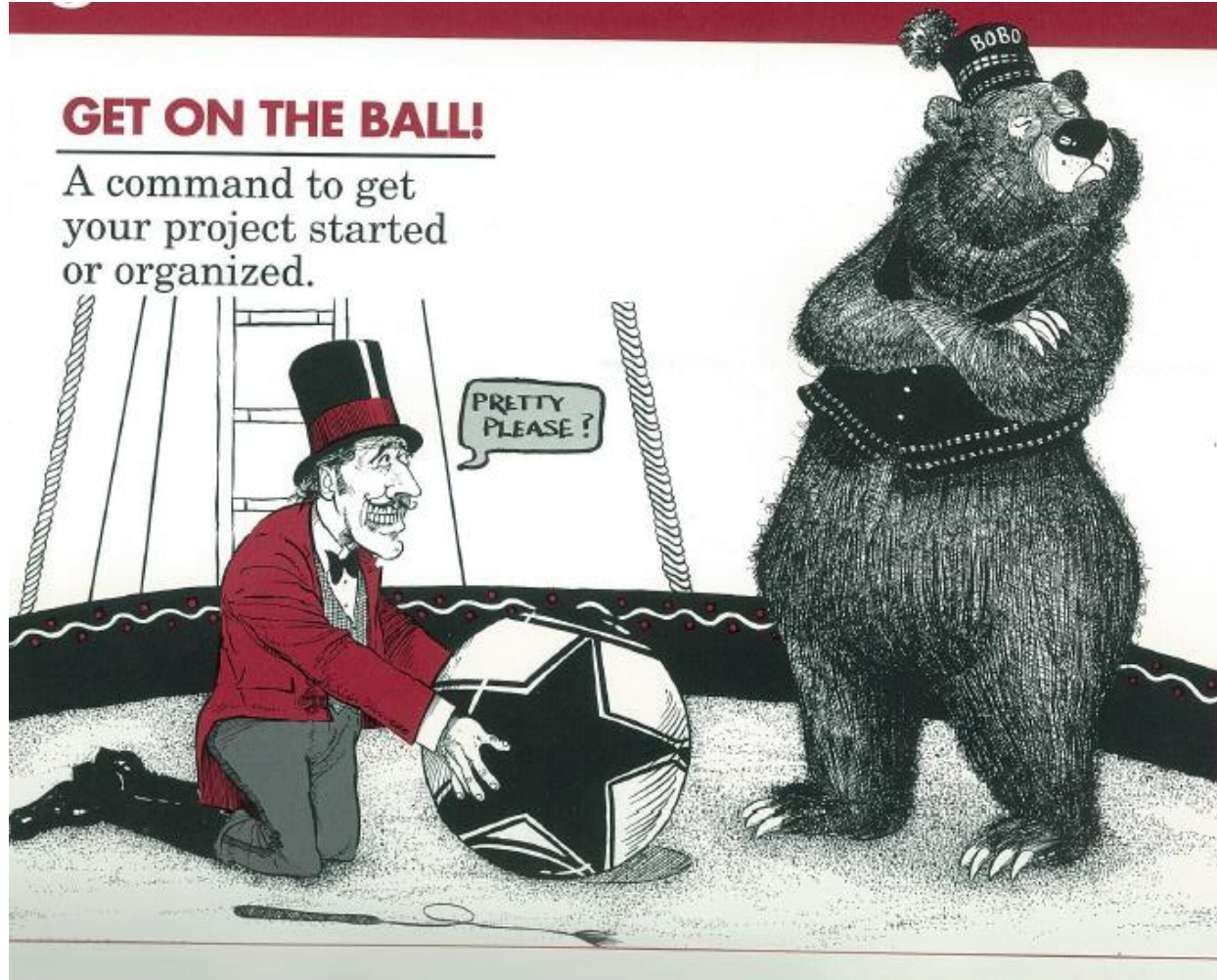
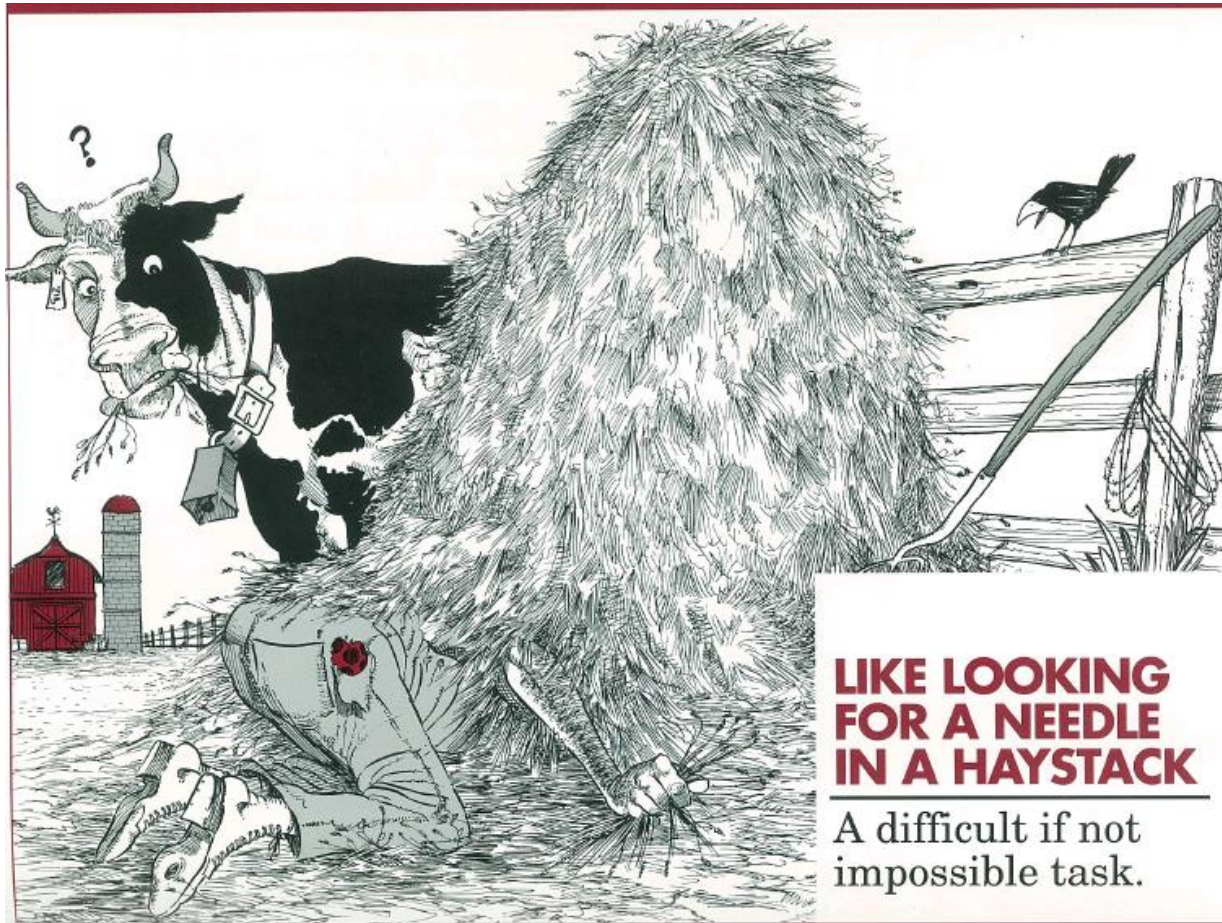


## GET ON THE BALL!

A command to get your project started or organized.



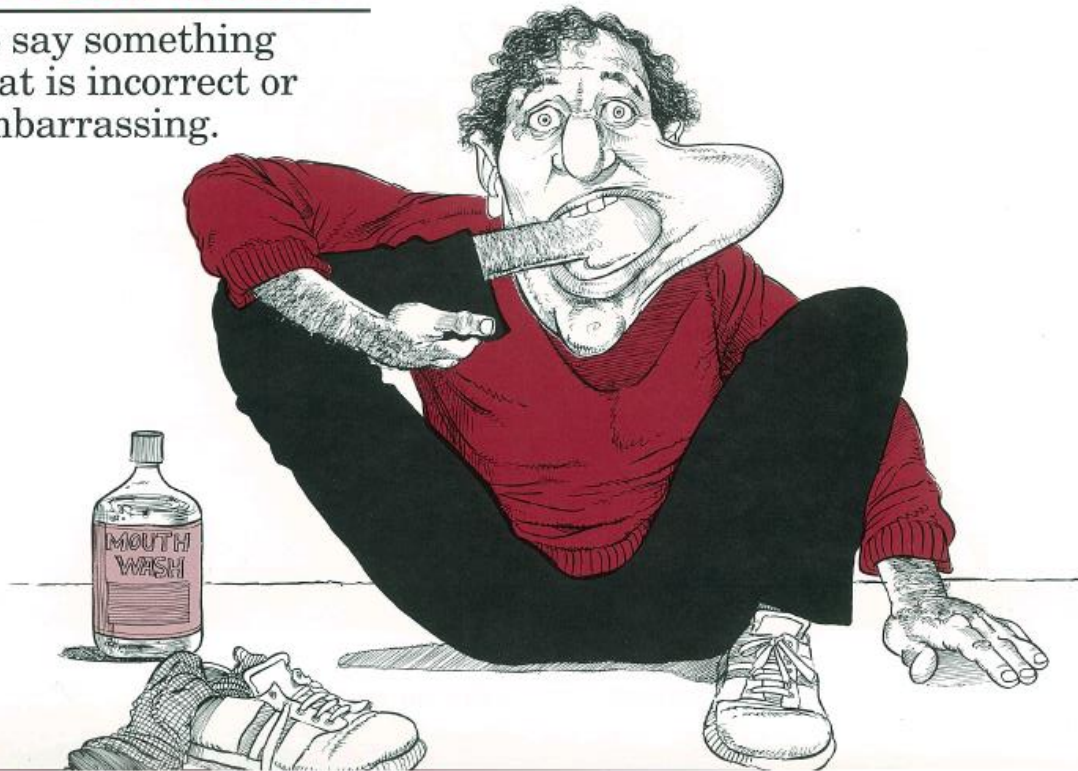


**LIKE LOOKING  
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IN A HAYSTACK**

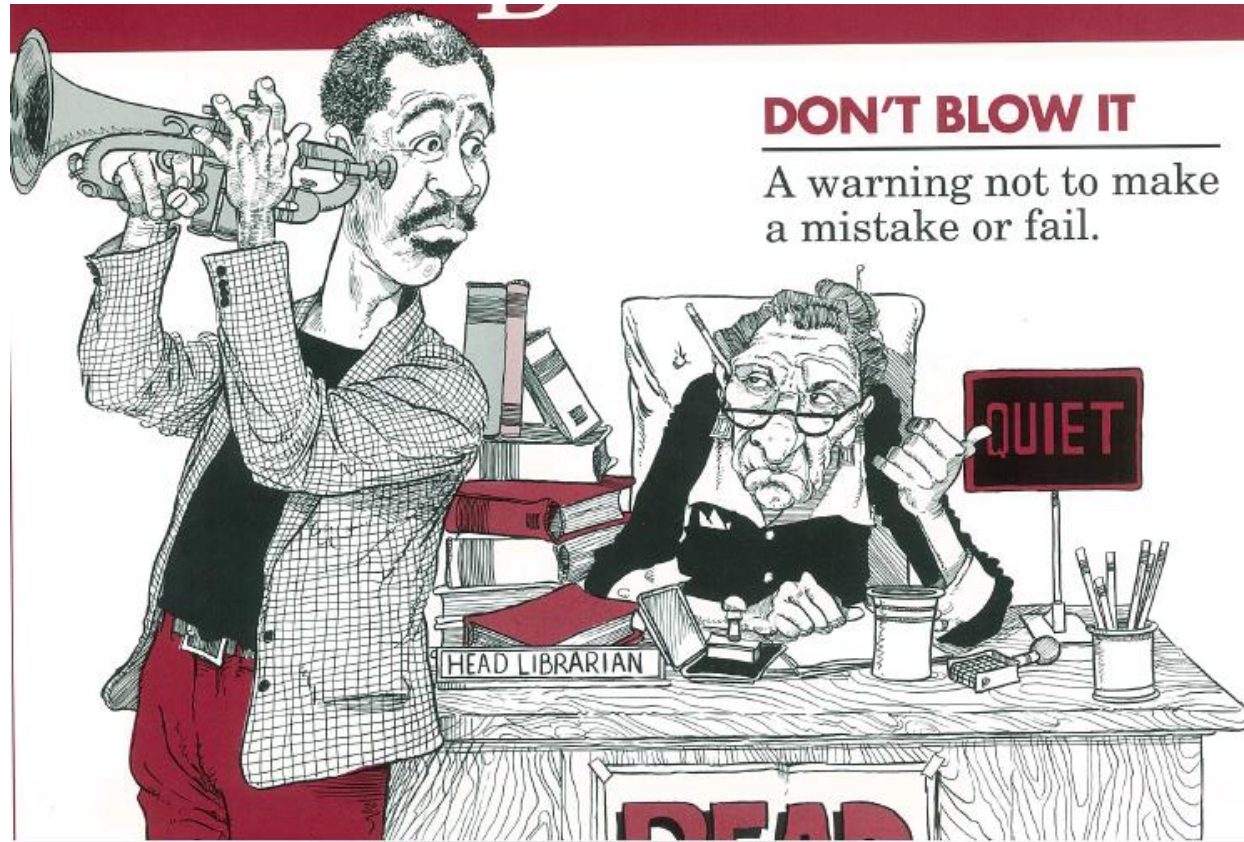
A difficult if not  
impossible task.

## **STICK YOUR FOOT IN YOUR MOUTH**

To say something  
that is incorrect or  
embarrassing.







## **DON'T BLOW IT**

A warning not to make  
a mistake or fail.

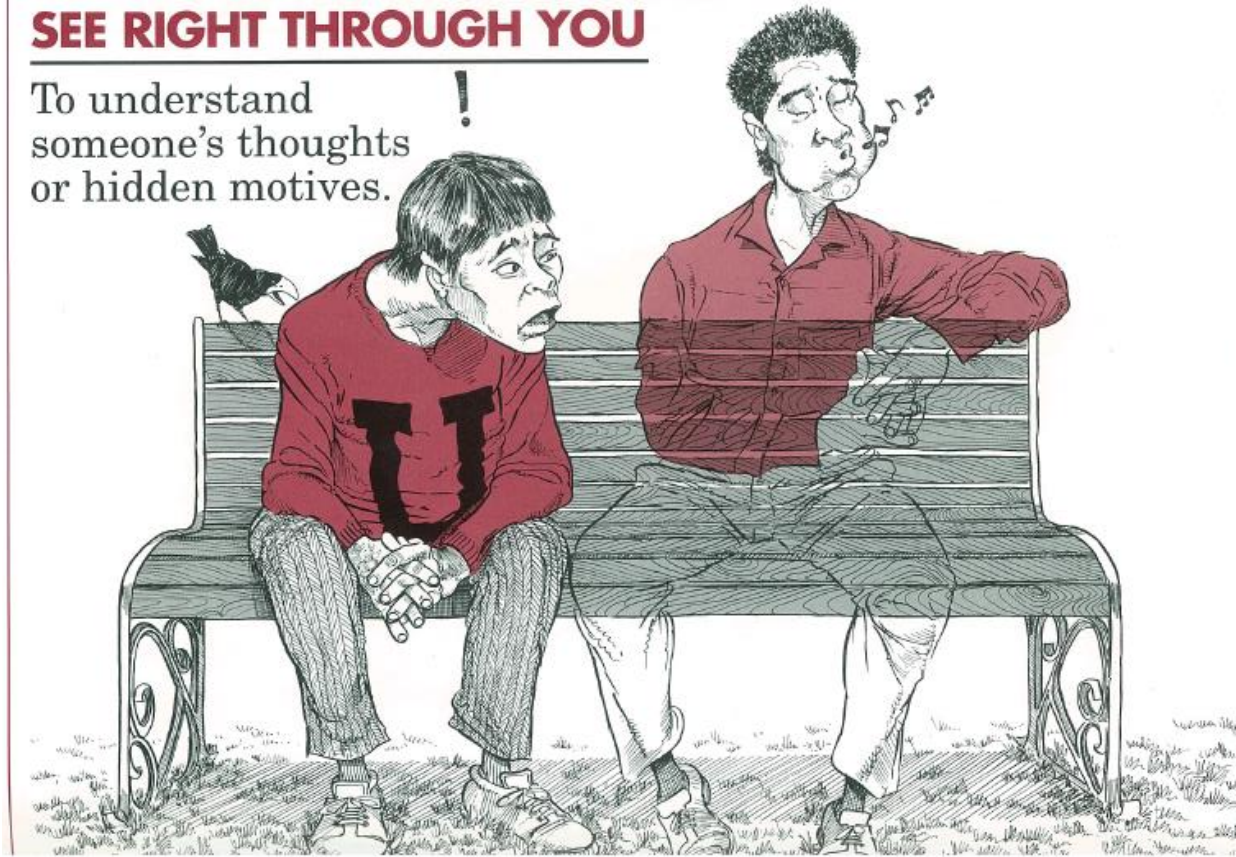
## **HIT THE ROAD**

To leave.



## SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOU

To understand  
someone's thoughts  
or hidden motives.





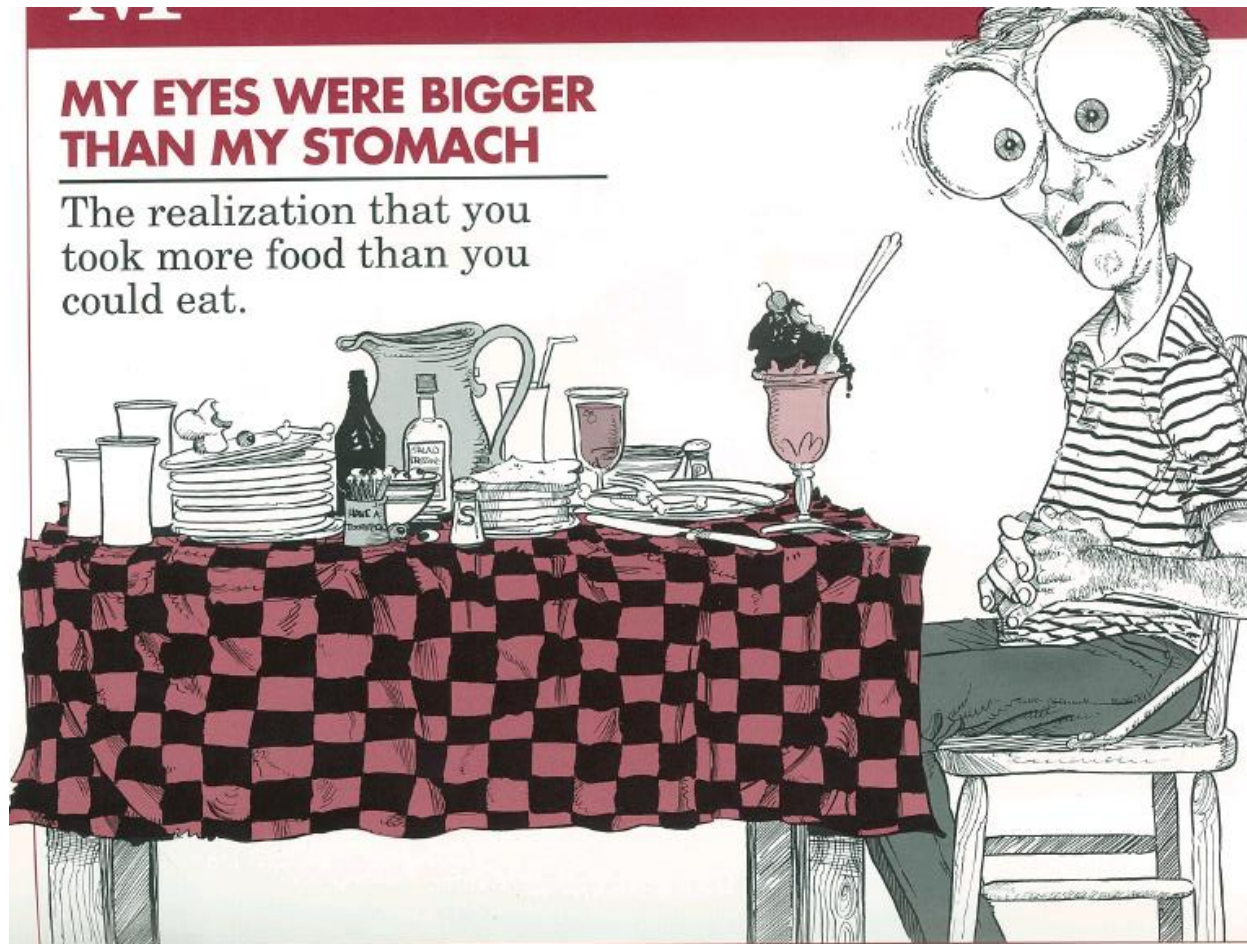
## **JUMP ON THE BANDWAGON**

To join in what everyone else is doing or thinking after it is clearly successful.



## MY EYES WERE BIGGER THAN MY STOMACH

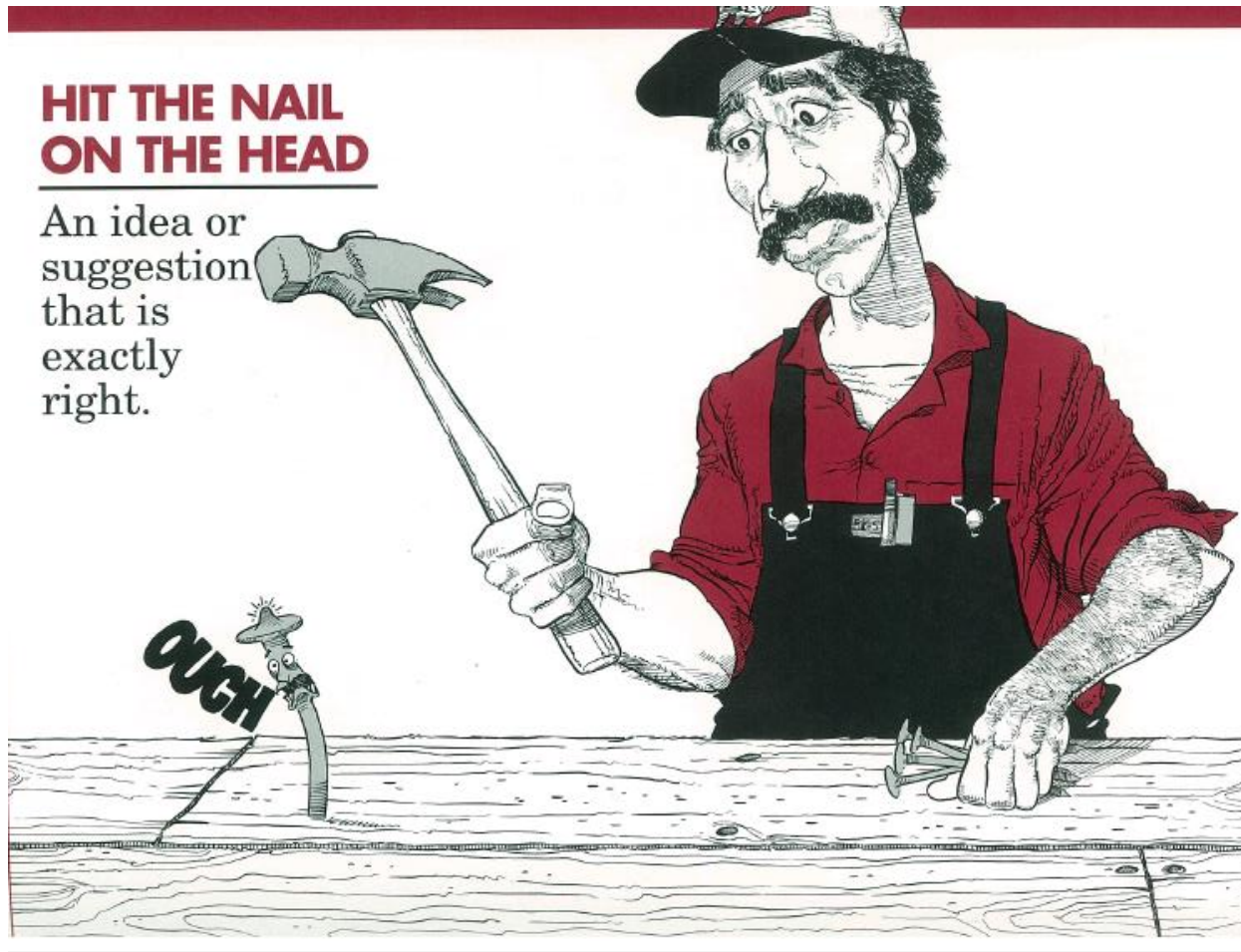
The realization that you  
took more food than you  
could eat.

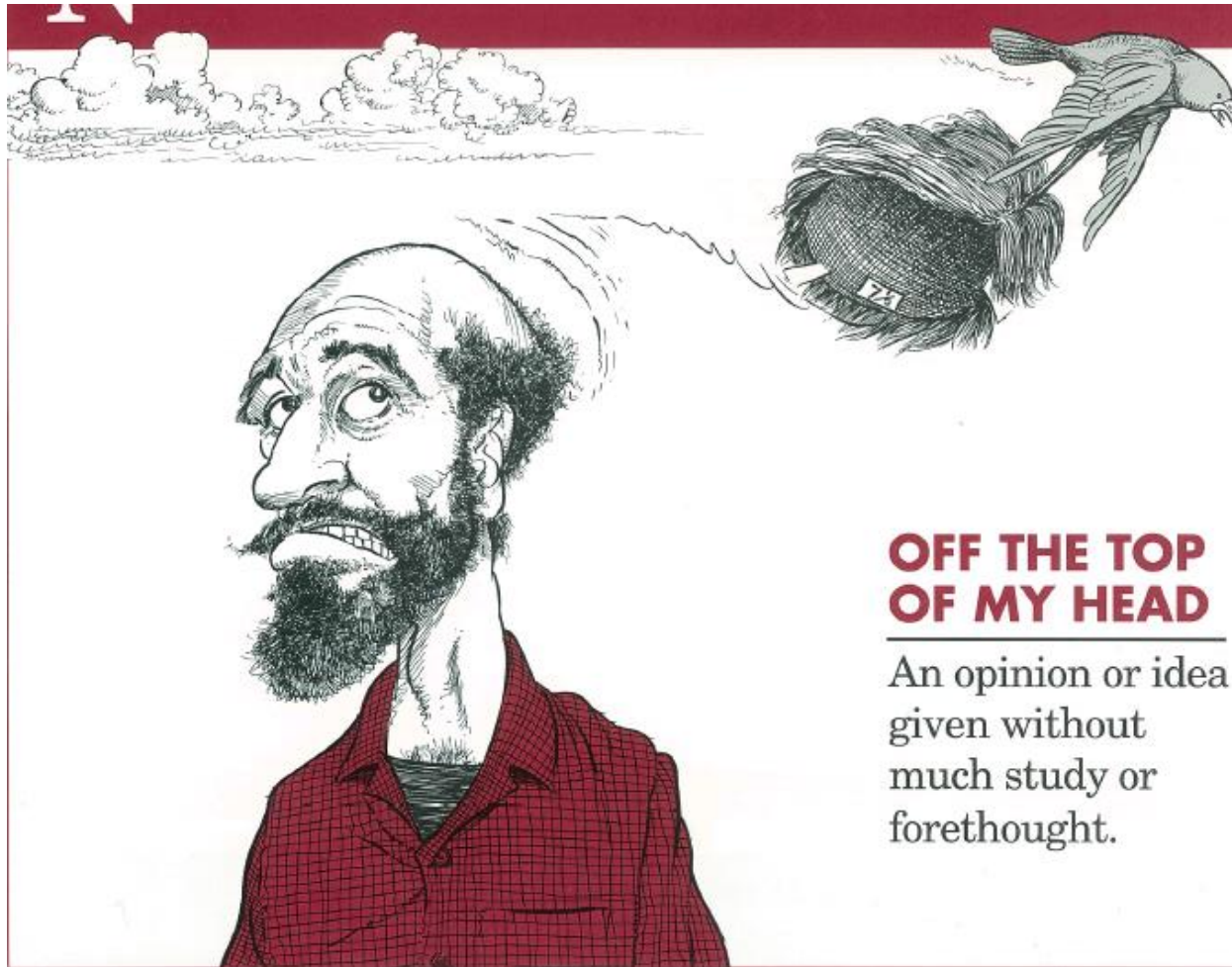




## HIT THE NAIL ON THE HEAD

An idea or  
suggestion  
that is  
exactly  
right.



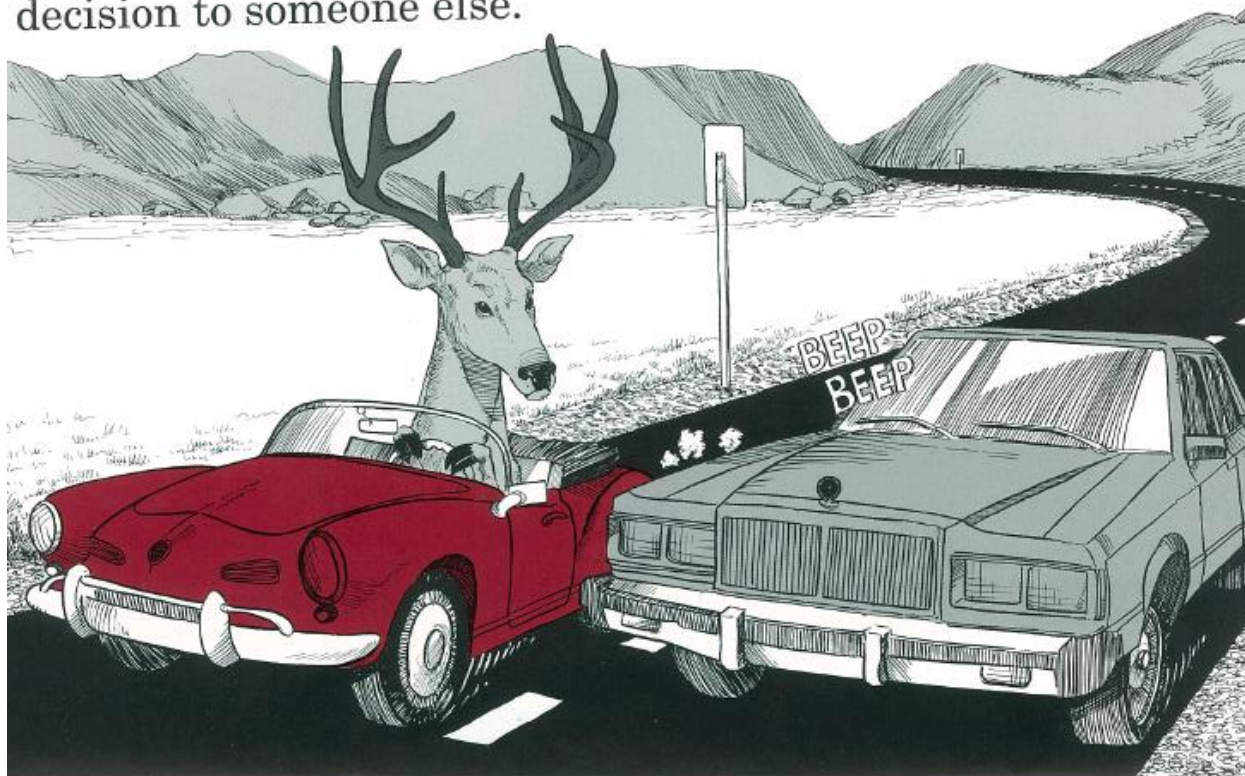


## **OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD**

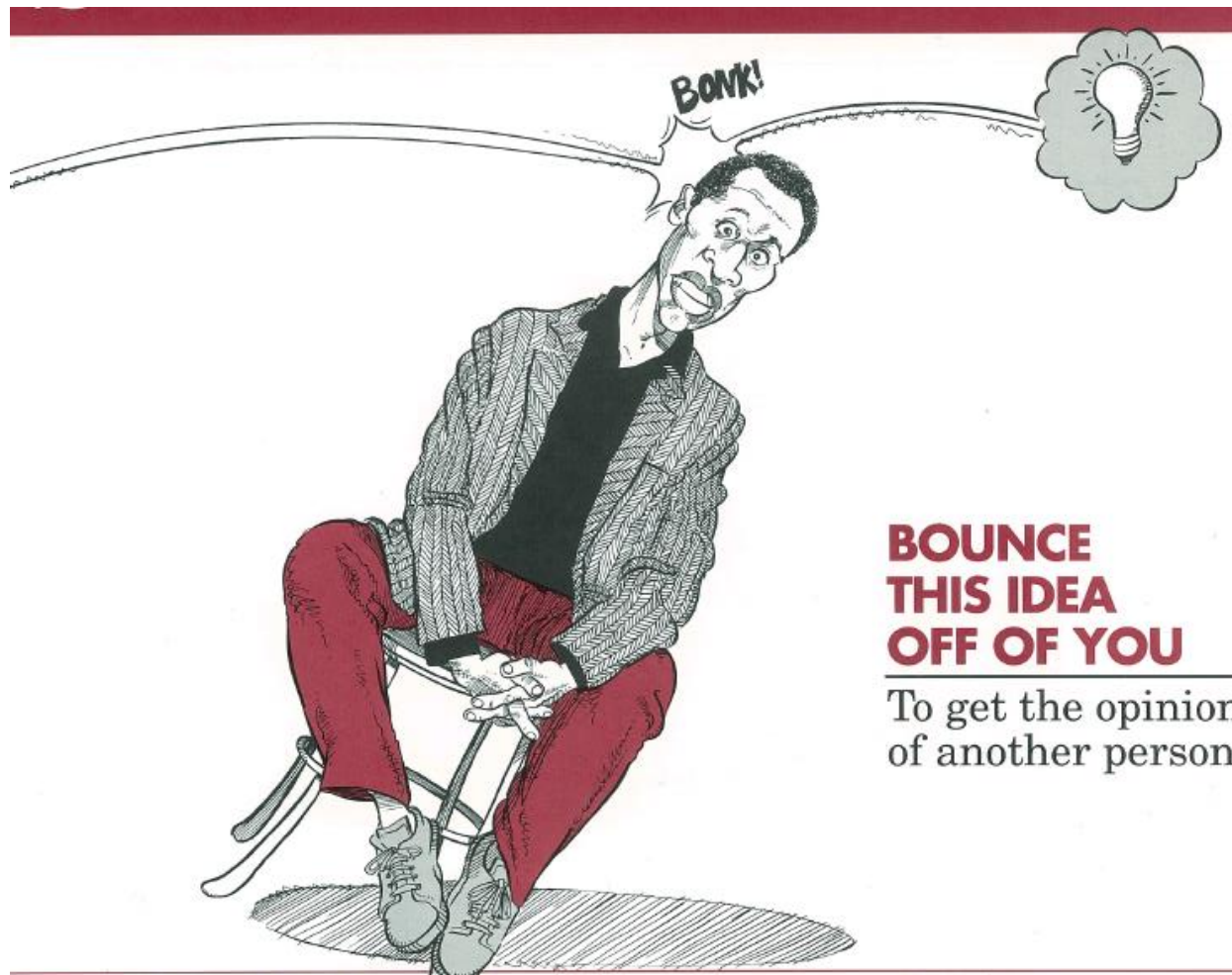
An opinion or idea  
given without  
much study or  
forethought.

## PASS THE BUCK

To give a responsibility or decision to someone else.

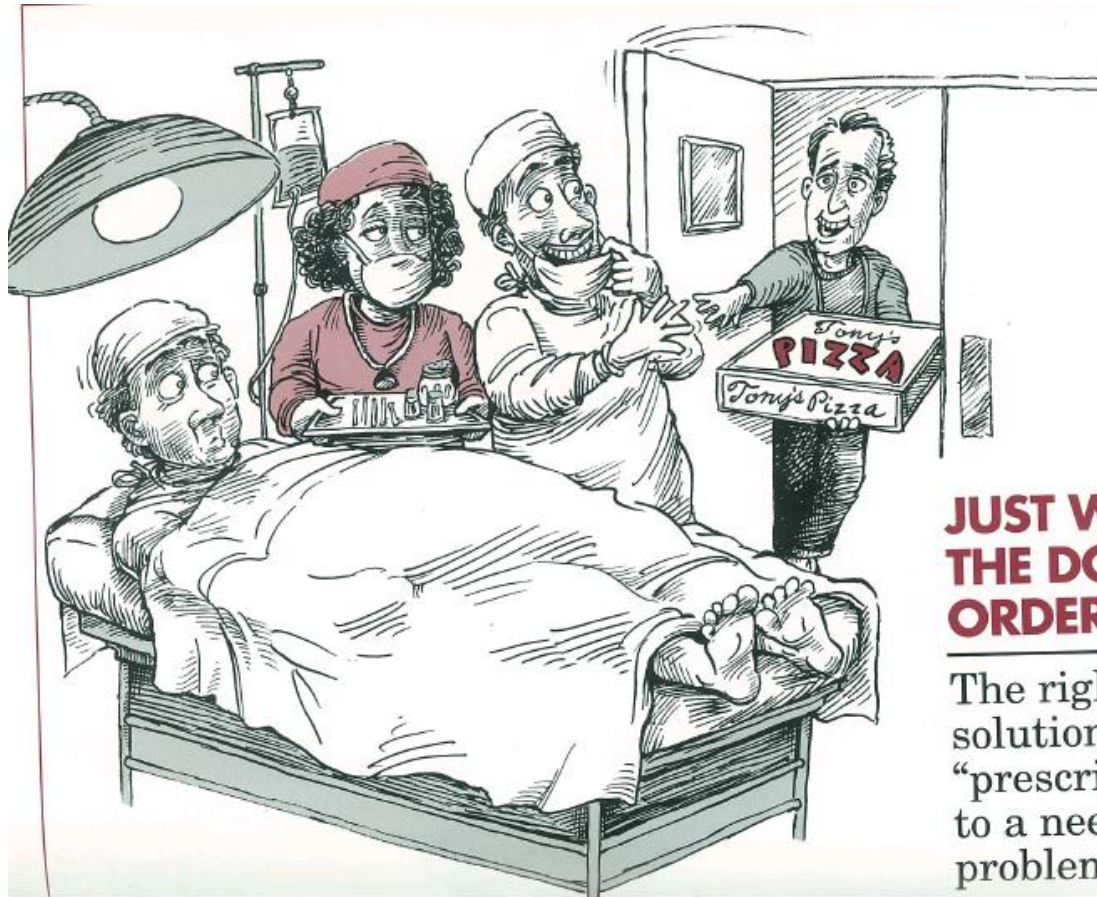






**BOUNCE  
THIS IDEA  
OFF OF YOU**

To get the opinion  
of another person.

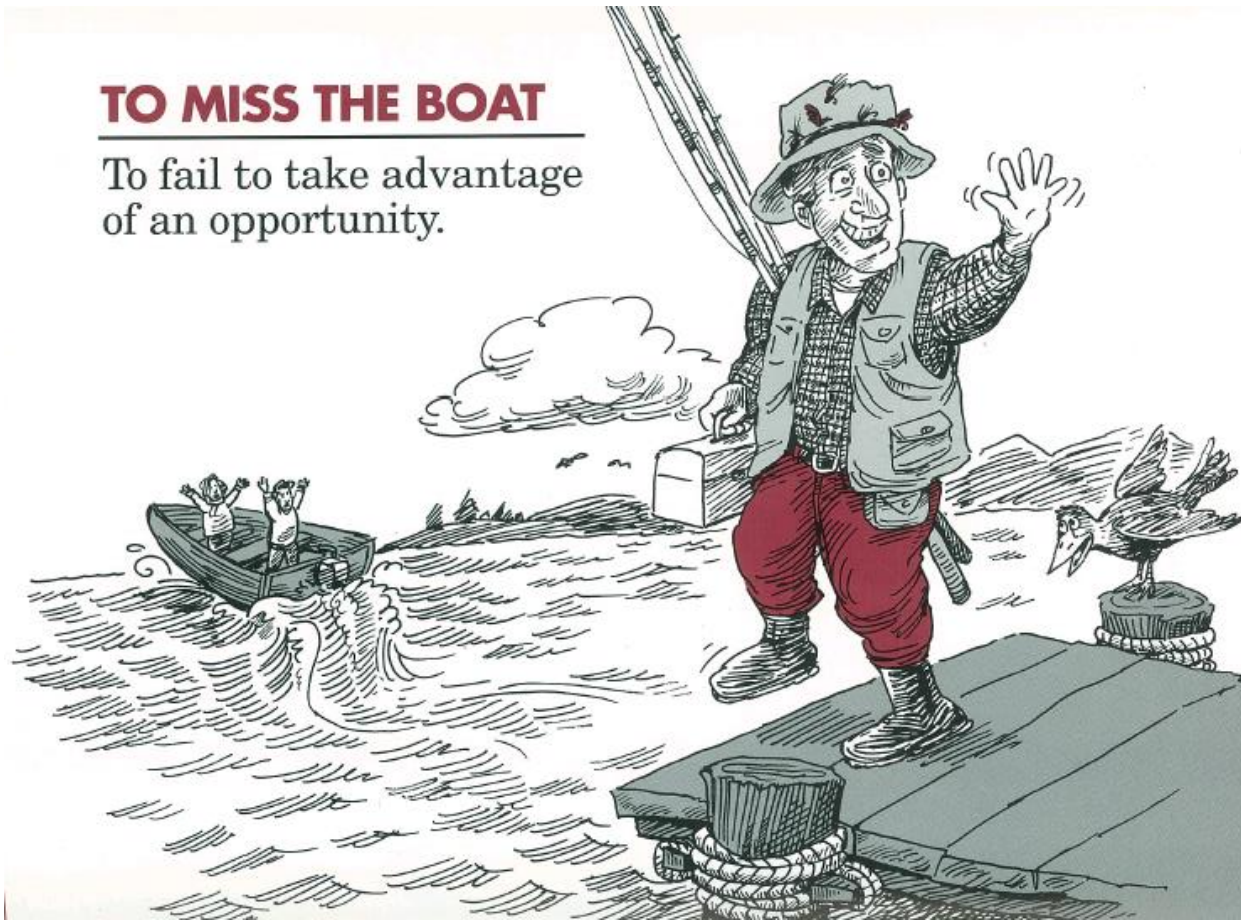


## **JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED**

The right  
solution or  
“prescription”  
to a need or  
problem.

## **TO MISS THE BOAT**

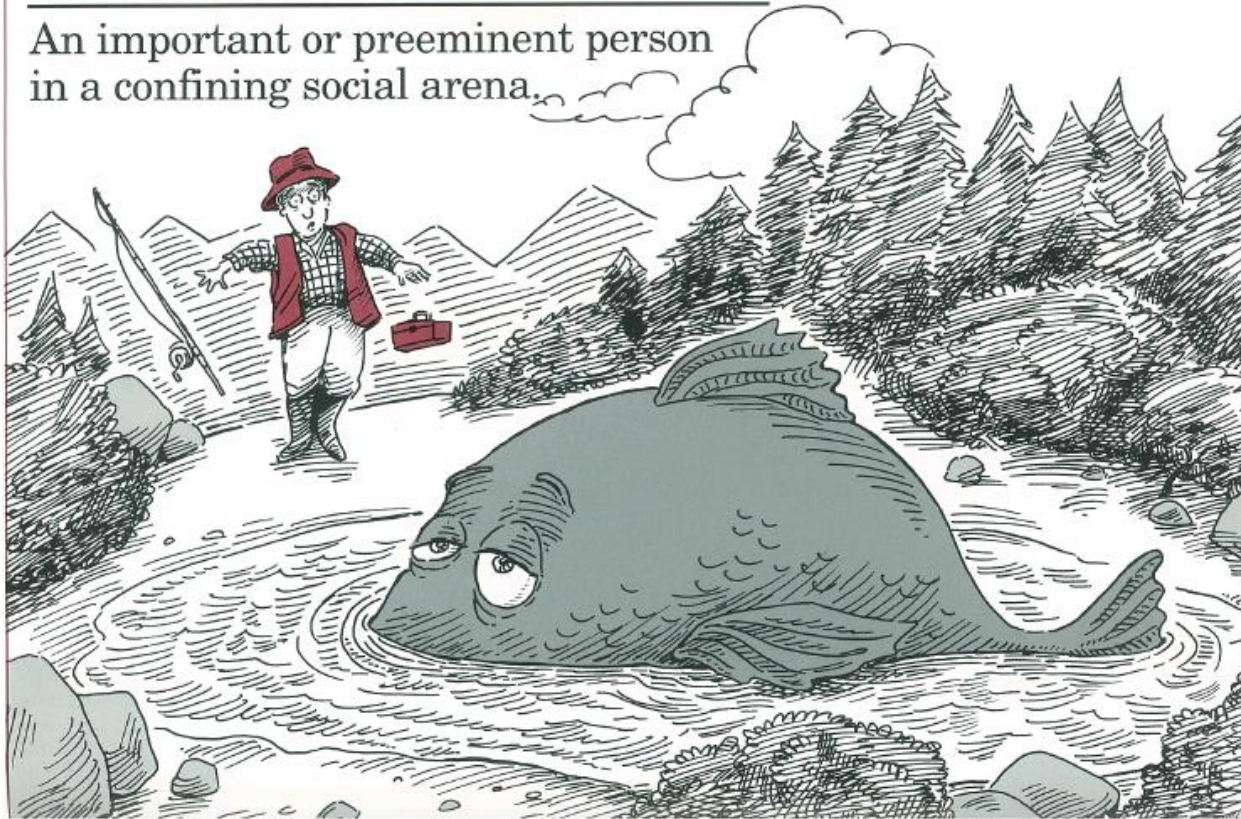
To fail to take advantage  
of an opportunity.

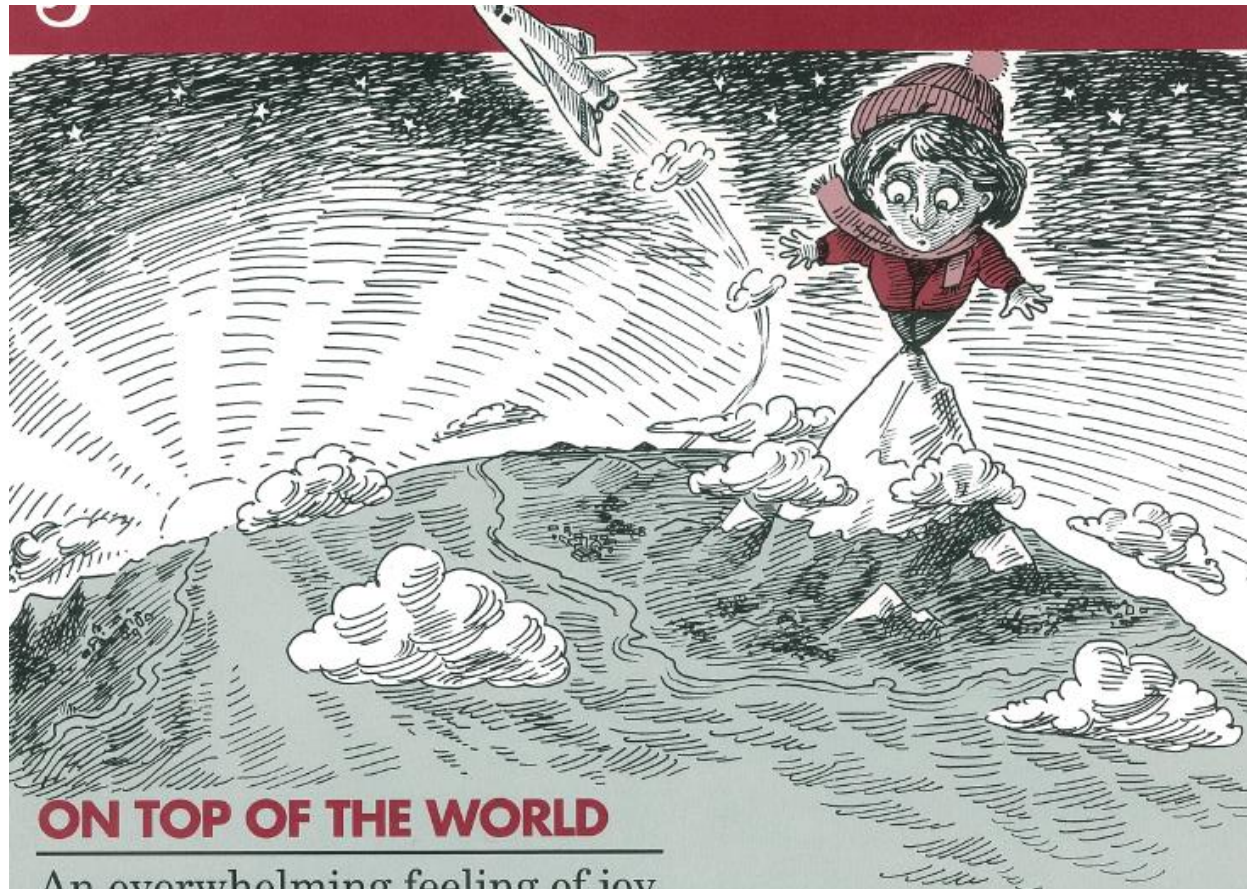




## **A BIG FISH IN A SMALL POND**

An important or preeminent person  
in a confining social arena.





## **ON TOP OF THE WORLD**

An overwhelming feeling of joy, confidence, or security.

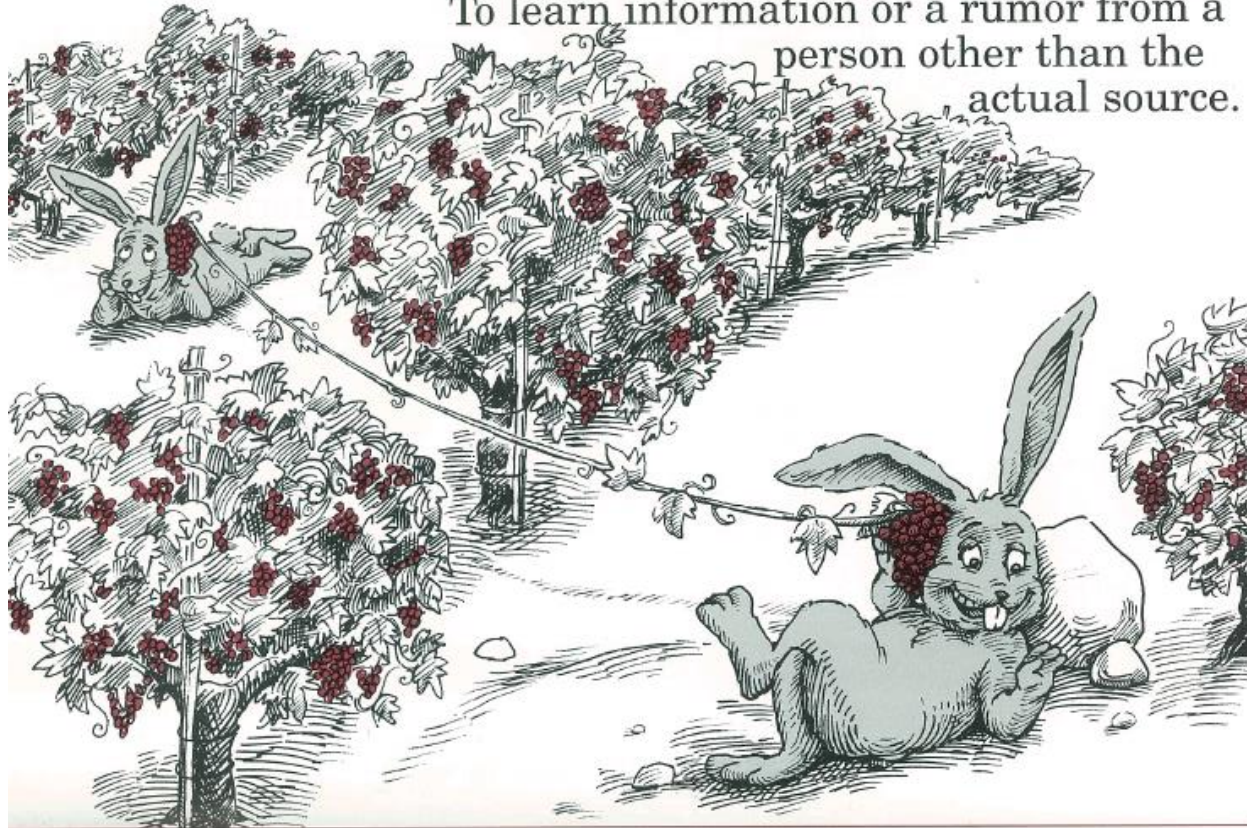


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## TO HEAR THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

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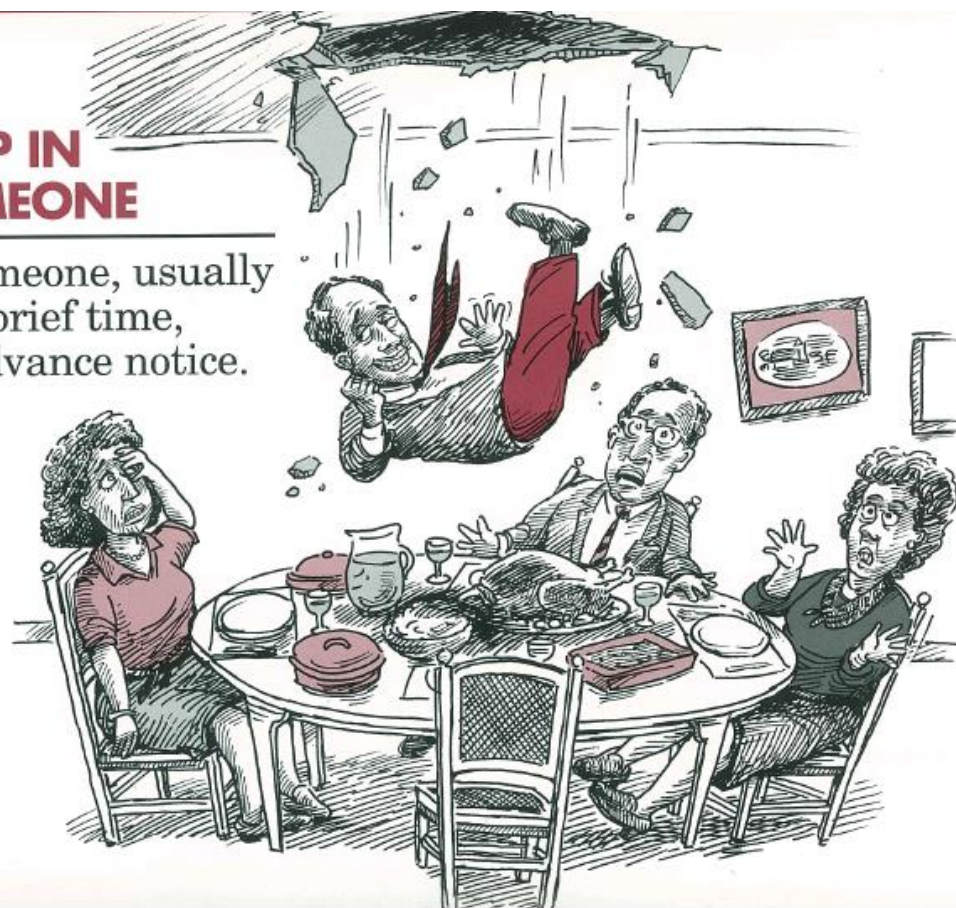
To learn information or a rumor from a person other than the actual source.

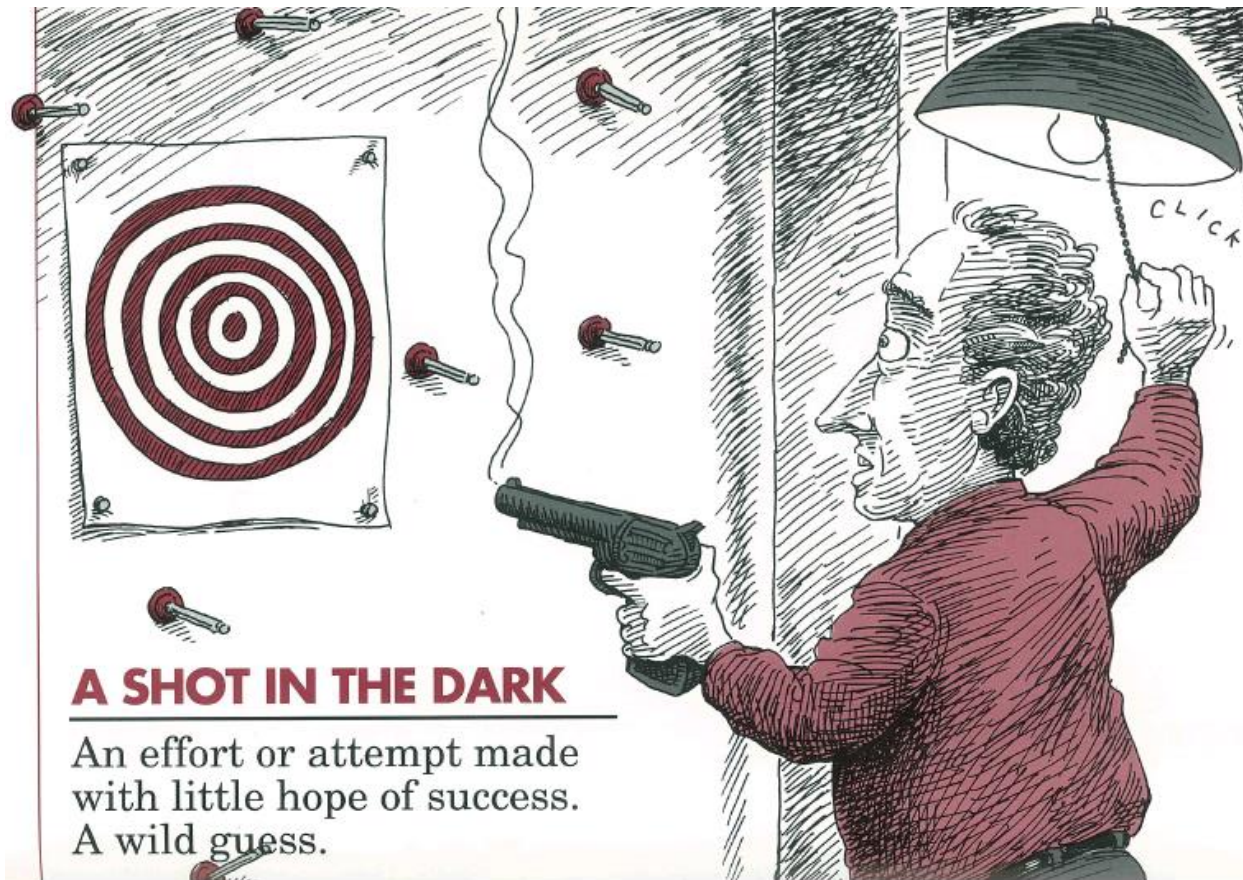




## TO DROP IN ON SOMEONE

To visit someone, usually only for a brief time, without advance notice.





### **A SHOT IN THE DARK**

An effort or attempt made  
with little hope of success.  
A wild guess.

## **TO BREAK THE ICE**

To do something, often fun or humorous, to make people feel more comfortable or at ease with one another.





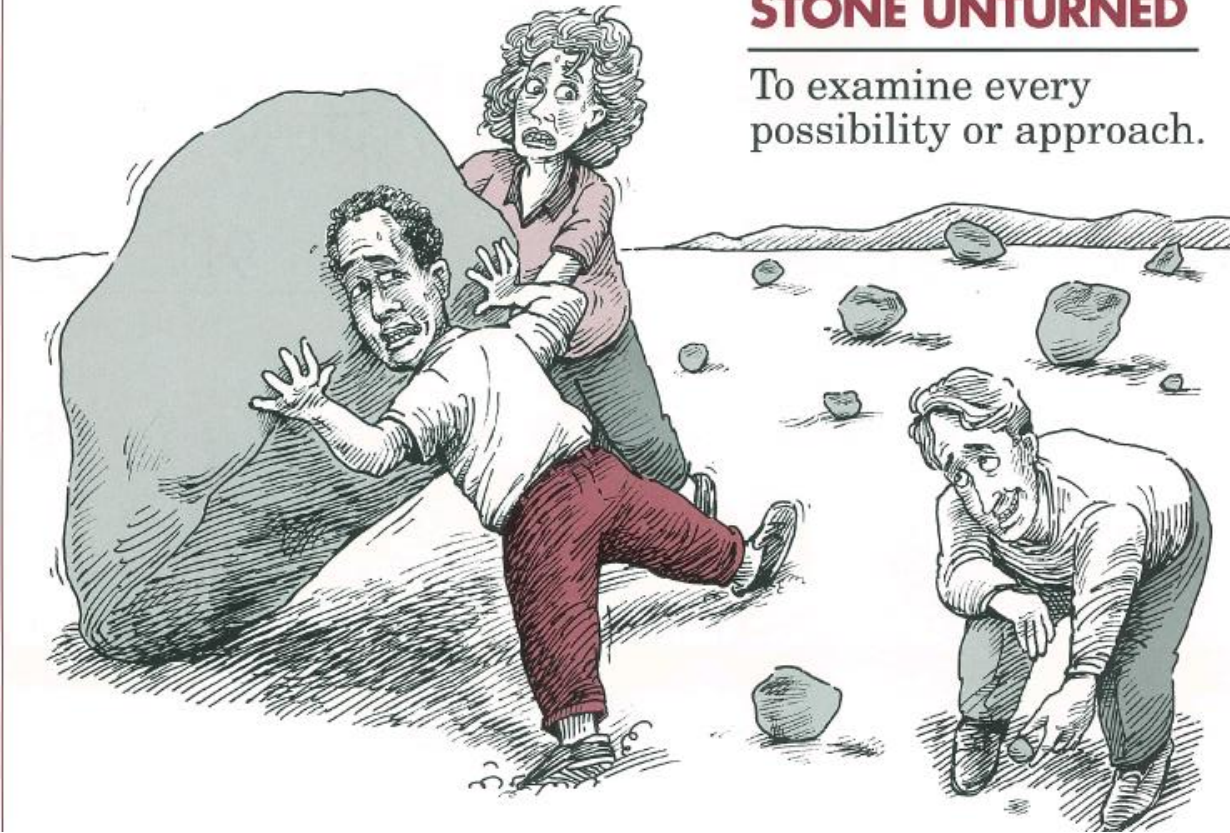


## TO OPEN A CAN OF WORMS

To create several more problems while trying to solve just one.

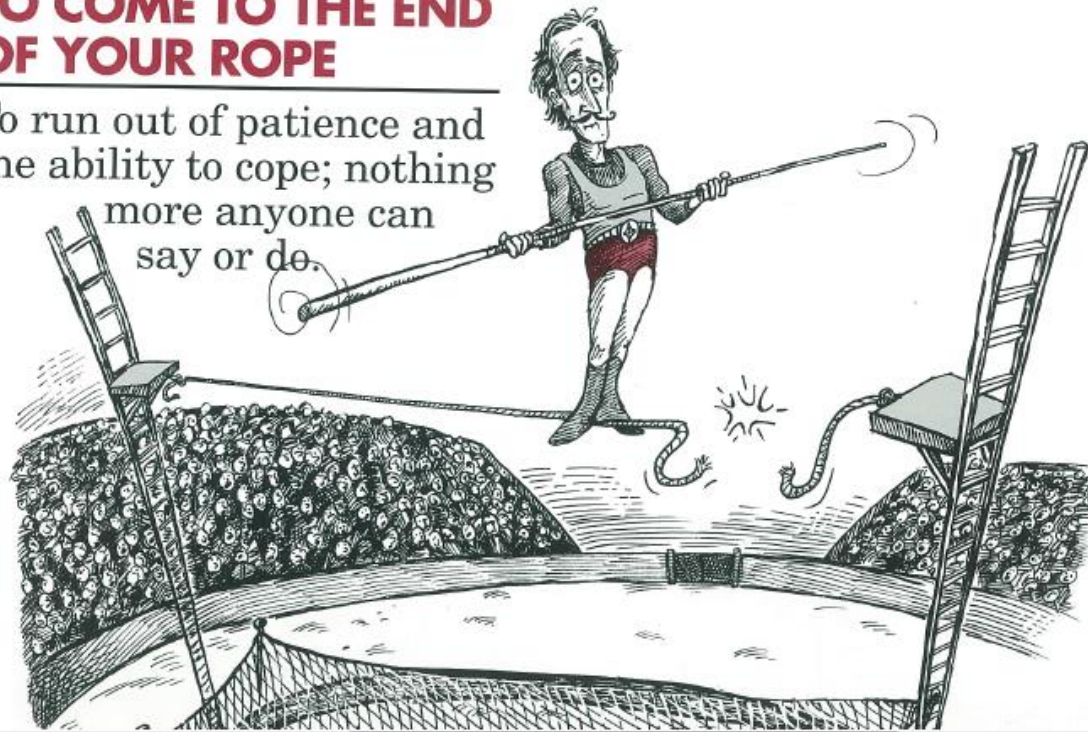
## **TO LEAVE NO STONE UNTURNED**

To examine every  
possibility or approach.



## TO COME TO THE END OF YOUR ROPE

To run out of patience and  
the ability to cope; nothing  
more anyone can  
say or do.







**PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE YOUR MOUTH IS**

## TO LET THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG

To inadvertently  
inform someone of  
something that is  
supposed to be  
a secret.

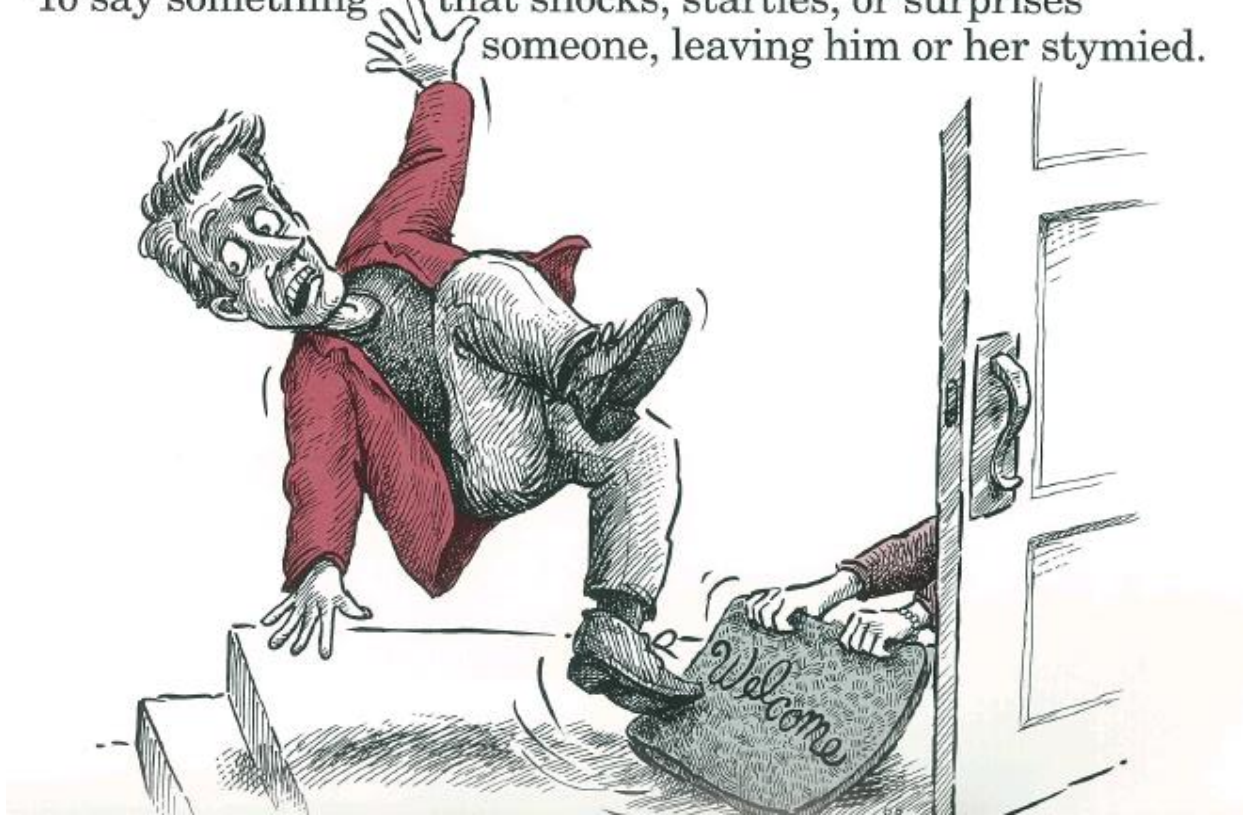




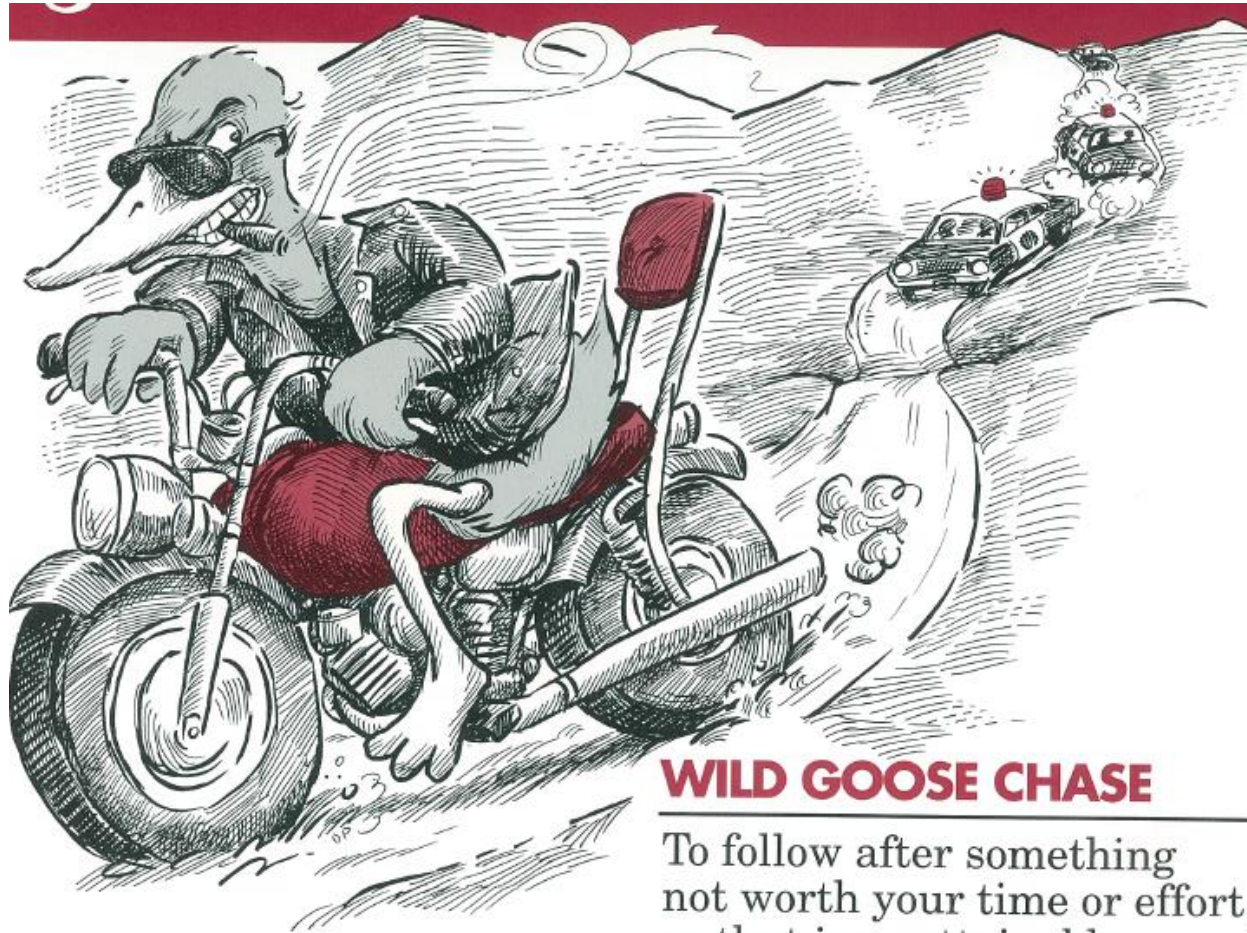
## **TO PULL THE RUG OUT FROM SOMEONE**

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To say something that shocks, startles, or surprises someone, leaving him or her stymied.







## **WILD GOOSE CHASE**

To follow after something not worth your time or effort, or that is unattainable.

## **TO BEND OVER BACKWARDS**

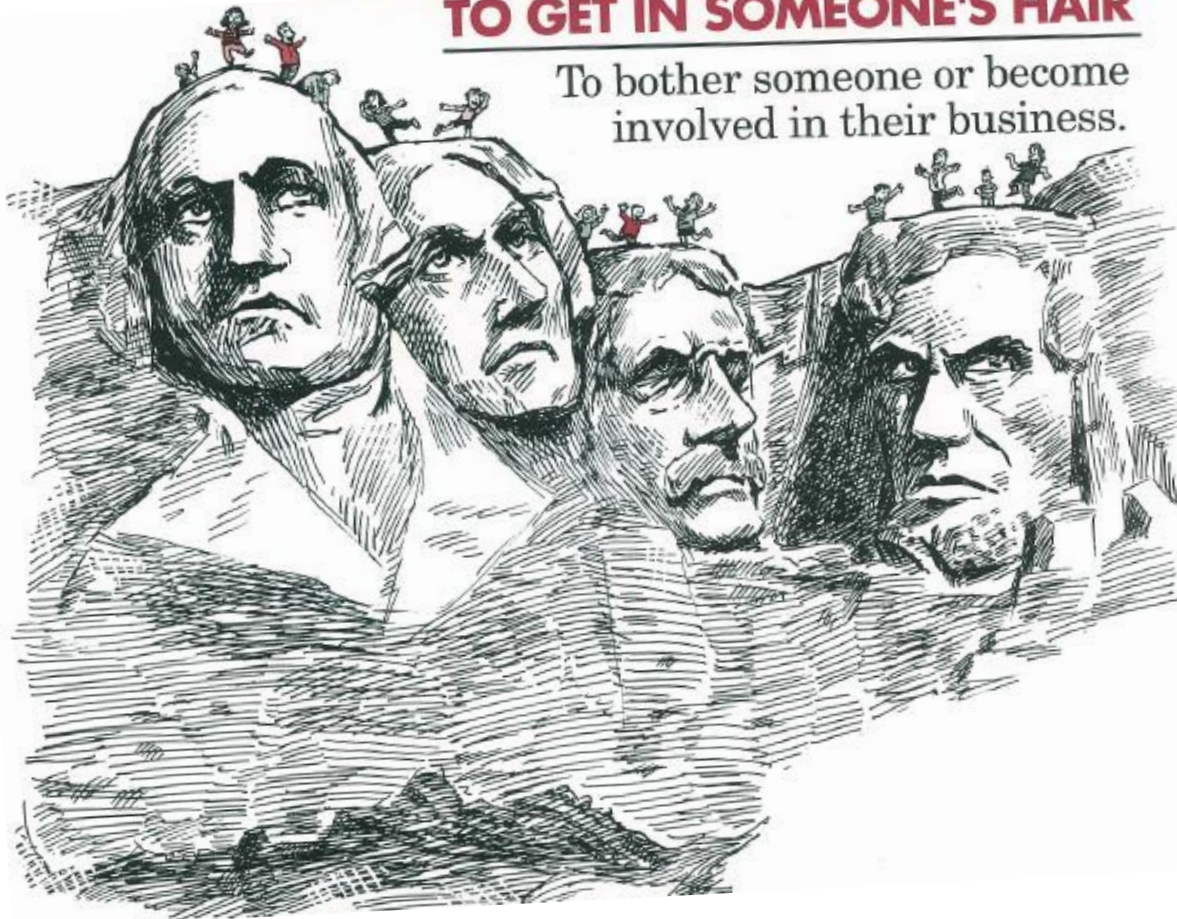
To try very hard to provide a helpful response.



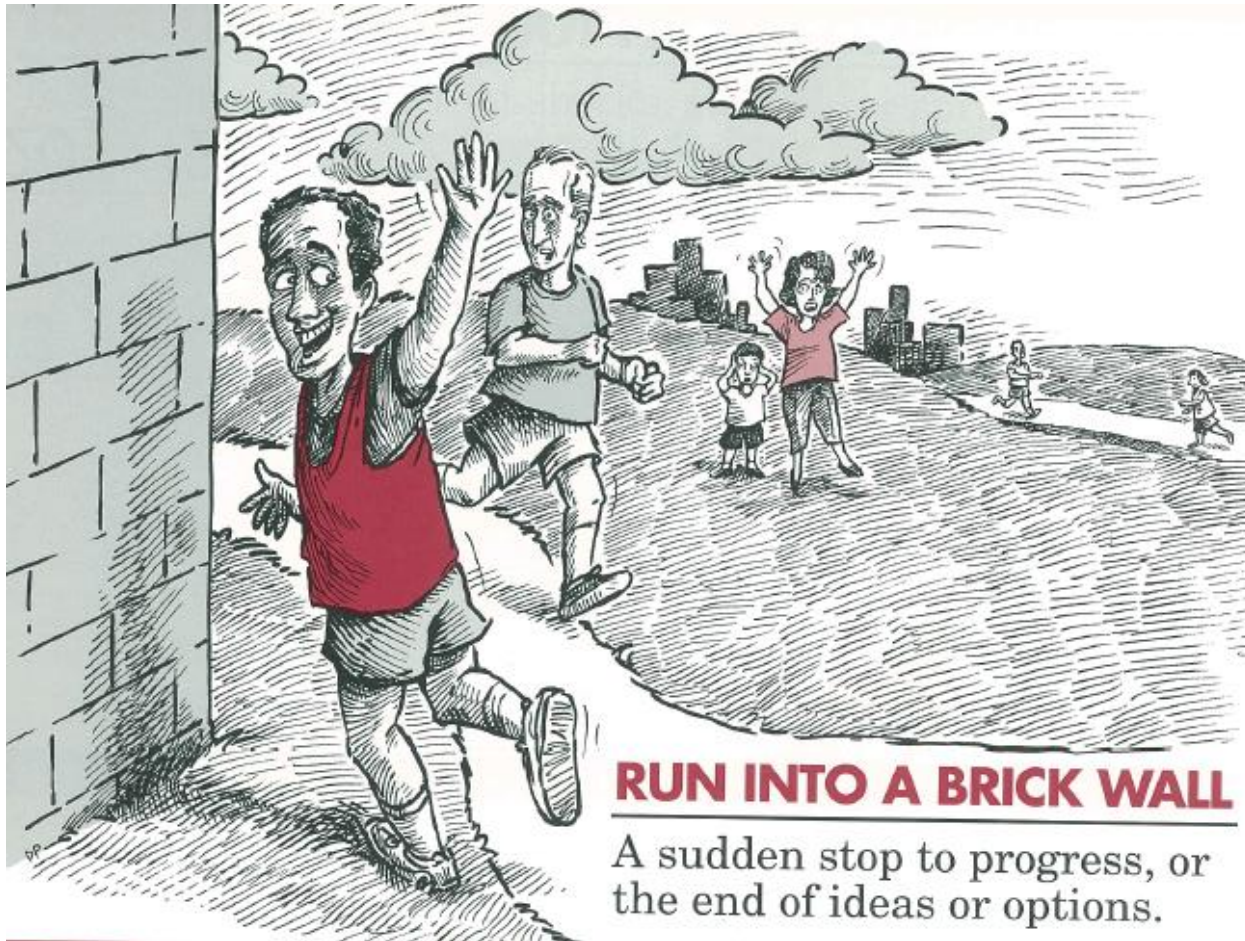


## **TO GET IN SOMEONE'S HAIR**

To bother someone or become  
involved in their business.

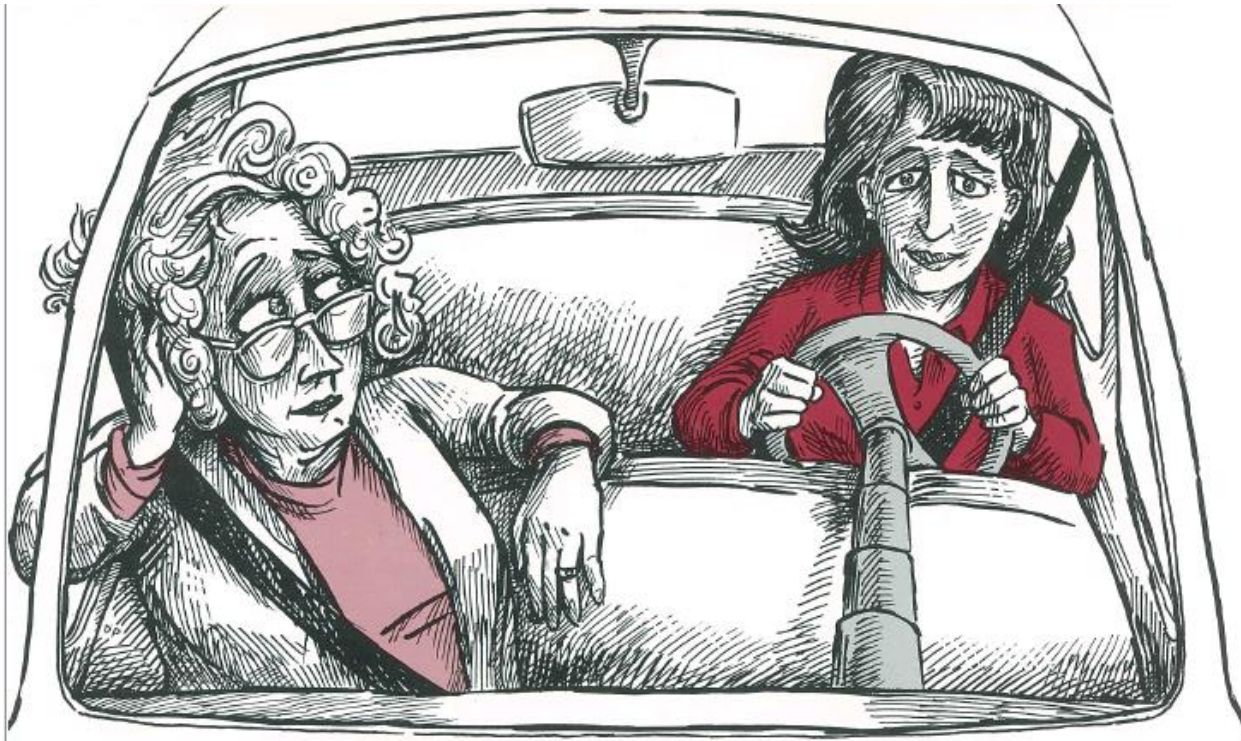






## **RUN INTO A BRICK WALL**

A sudden stop to progress, or  
the end of ideas or options.



### **A BACK SEAT DRIVER**

Unsolicited advice from a passenger in a car, annoying the driver.





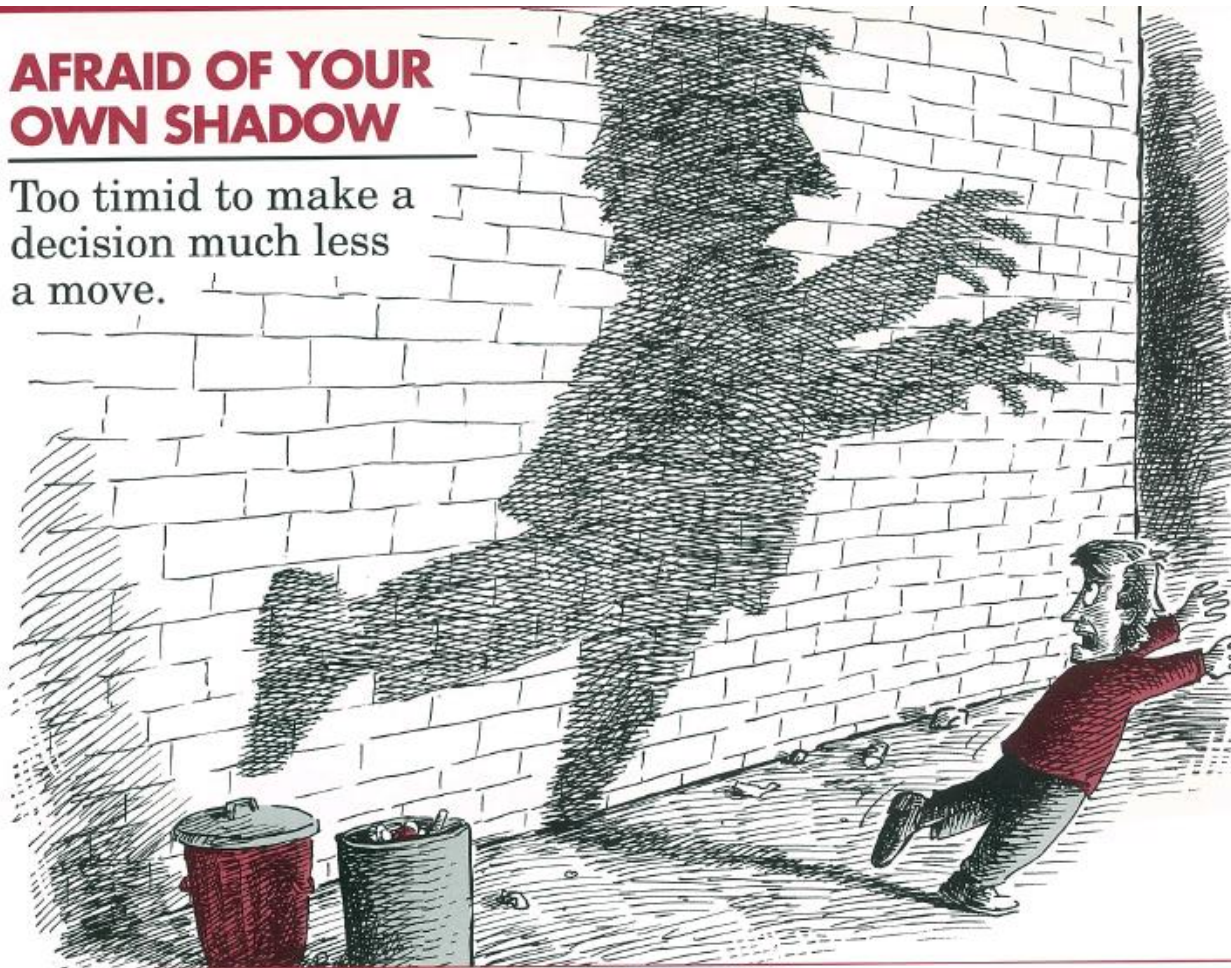
## **TO SWEEP SOMETHING UNDER THE CARPET**

To try to avoid or  
hide something and  
quickly move on.



## AFRAID OF YOUR OWN SHADOW

Too timid to make a  
decision much less  
a move.



## IN THE SAME BOAT

For good or bad, better or worse, everyone is in the same situation.

