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Let 'Em Climb The Trees



I bet you know what it feels like to climb a tree. But do your kids or grandkids know about this simple pleasure if life?

You're up there with the birds and squirrels. It's a different view, a different breeze than safely on the ground. You dream about flying or jumping from limb to limb. Climbing give you a different perspective on living - and a whole lot more.

Of course, it can be a little scary, especially the first time. You can get hurt, too. But you'll get over it.

It seems to me that we don't let our kids climb trees much anymore. Do we keep our kids so close to us because we are afraid they will get hurt? We need to protect our kids but we don't need to take the decisions away from them.

If we let them climb the trees, by themselves, there's a lot for them to gain.

Kids will learn how high they can climb, and they will try to climb high. They will learn how to feel the strength of the limbs. They will learn how they got themselves into trouble. And then they will learn how to get themselves out of trouble. They will learn how far they can push themselves. Sometimes they will learn the hard way. But they will certainly learn.

They will learn confidence. They will learn how to look up and how to figure out the next few steps. They will learn to pause and take in the view from a completely different perspective. They will keep alert. They will keep their eyes open.

And then they will figure out when it's time to back down.

Another good thing about climbing trees is the next time they try it, they will go even higher. And they will get there quicker than the last time.

Up in a tree is good place to think, to reflect, to pray.

There is so much more to learn from climbing trees than when they are humped over a phone or a game console. All they get from that is lost time and others' perspectives on things. They will become myopic because they are looking down at their devices about a foot from their eyes.

Let 'em climb the trees where they can learn about life in the real world rather than the make-believe world of digital games. They will learn to make decisions on their own.

And they will look up and enjoy the world.

David



“Did You Know Where This Saying Came From...”

Goody Two Shoes

Meaning: Often used to describe a very honest person or someone who does good things.

Origin: This phrase is believed to have derived from a book published in 1765 with the title *The History of Little Goody Two-Shoes*, however, apparently the expression goes back even further.

According to Wikipedia, the story in the book follows “a poor orphan girl named Margery Meanwell, who goes through life with only one shoe.” Eventually, Margery is given a full pair of shoes by some rich person and she rejoices greatly over this. She’s so happy that she tells everyone about her two shoes, eventually earning her the nickname of Goody Two-Shoes.

While the fable *The History of Little Goody Two-Shoes* may have popularized the phrase, the origins actually seem to be much older. As reported by World Wide Words, among a few other places, this idiom was apparently used in 1670 by an English poet named Charles

Cotton. In a poem called *Voyage to Ireland* in *Burlesque*, he wrote: “Mistress mayoress complained that the pottage was cold; ‘And all long of your fiddle-faddle,’ quoth she. ‘Why, then, Goody Two-shoes, what if it be? Hold you, if you can, your tittle-tattle,’ quoth he.”



Go For Broke

Meaning: To risk it all, even if it means losing everything; going all out. This phrase is used in situations where a person is taking a big risk.

Origin: When someone says they are ‘broke,’ that usually means they have little to no money available. So when a person ‘goes for broke,’ it means they are going to take a risk, a risk that may leave them ‘broke,’ without any money. How did this expression come to be?

Well, this phrase is believed to have originated from gambling, where people bet their money in hopes of winning more. Wikitionary claims that the idiom comes from “Hawaiian Pidgin craps slang,” where the participating players would wager everything on a single roll of the dice. Thus, the players were ‘going for broke’ in the sense that they were putting everything on the line, win or lose, based on that one roll. Yes, they would be broke if they lost.



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WILL BE PROVIDED ON
TUESDAY/THURSDAY

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THE LEGEND OF ST. NICHOLAS

The legend of Santa Claus can be traced back hundreds of years to a monk named St. Nicholas. It is believed that Nicholas was born sometime around 280 A.D. in Patara, near Myra in modern-day Turkey. Much admired for his piety and kindness, St. Nicholas became the subject of many legends. It is said that he gave away all of his inherited wealth and traveled the countryside helping the poor and sick. One of the best known of the St. Nicholas stories is that he saved three poor sisters from being sold into slavery or prostitution by their father by

providing them with a dowry so that they could be married. Over the course of many years, Nicholas's popularity spread and he became known as the protector of children and sailors. His feast day is celebrated on the anniversary of his death, December 6. This was traditionally considered a lucky day to make large purchases or to get married. By the Renaissance, St. Nicholas was the most popular saint in Europe. Even after the Protestant Reformation, when the veneration of saints began to be discouraged, St. Nicholas maintained a positive reputation, especially in Holland.





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Beside the normal stuff, we also clean:

- Wedding Gowns
- Area Rug Cleaning
- Suedes and Leathers
- Purses, luggage and backpacks
- Ugg Boots
- Wash Dry & Fold

And we do...

1. We are a Certified Wedding Gown Specialist
2. We are part of the Certified Restoration Drycleaning Network (CRDN) - We handle textile and electronics restoration due to damage from smoke, fire, water and mold.
3. Home and office dry cleaning pickup and delivery
4. Wash Dry & Fold service - including Champion Hamper service

Santa's Top 10 Christmas Jokes

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| 10 How much did Santa pay for his sleigh?
<i>Nothing, it was on the house.</i> | 5 What do you call Frosty the Snowman in May?
<i>A puddle</i> |
| 9 What kind of music do elves like best?
<i>"Wrap" music!</i> | 4 Why are elves so depressed?
<i>Because they have low elf esteem.</i> |
| 8 What's a good holiday tip?
<i>Never catch snowflakes with your tongue until all the birds have gone south for the winter.</i> | 3 What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus?
<i>Claustrophobic</i> |
| 7 What happens if you accidentally eat a Christmas decoration??
<i>You get "Tinsel"-itis!</i> | 2 What do you call Santa's helpers?
<i>Subordinate Clauses.</i> |
| 6 Why does Scrooge love Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer?
<i>Because every buck is dear to him.</i> | 1 What does Rudolph want for Christmas?
<i>A pony sleigh station!</i> |



Holiday To-Do List...

- ☒ Holiday To-Do List
- ☒ Update any holiday mailing list.
- ☒ Buy stamps, cards and wrapping supplies.
- ☒ Put all activities on a calendar.
- ☒ Make a list of gift recipients.
- ☒ Start your decorating.
- ☒ Do any online shopping. Order gifts now so you have lots of time to wrap them once they arrive.
- ☒ Make sure to schedule some down time - enjoy the season with family and friends.
- ☒ Send any holiday cards and make sure any out of town presents are mailed.
- ☒ Know what you'll be cooking and what family members will bring.
- ☒ Relax & enjoy this time with your family and friends!