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Maintaining Your Wardrobe

Since you have nice clothes, you need to care for them the right way. Here are some ideas to help extend the life of your wardrobe.

Clean Clothes Last Longer

I realize you may think this is a self-serving statement for us, but it's true. If you clean your clothes regularly after wearing, they will look fresh and keep that look longer. Ground in dirt and soil act as abrasives and will damage the fibers. Stains that are not promptly removed will set with age. So you can help your clothes last longer and look fresher by cleaning them sooner. If you need help getting to your dry cleaner on a regular basis, use our FREE pickup and delivery service.

Making Up with Your Clothes

Maybe a better phrase would be to apply makeup while NOT wearing your clothes ... I mean while not wearing your GOOD clothes. The same for hair spray – and your good smelling accents.

Keep 'Em Together

Matching items need to be cleaned together. This includes clothes as well as household items like comforters and pillow shams. Sometimes dyes fade when cleaned. This can lead to color variances when you're

matching pieces are not cleaned together.

Spills Happen

Don't let spills become a stain. Act quickly by blotting the spill or gently scraping the excess – never rub since rubbing could damage the fibers. Then treat the spill appropriately yourself – or get it to us ASAP. See our April 2022 newsletter at www.ChampionCleaners.com/past-newsletters about "The Secret to Stain Removal."

Don't Forget

Don't skip on cleaning those less often worn clothes like your evening wear, prom dresses, and wedding gowns. If these items are sitting in your closet, deal with them soon after wearing.

Put 'Em Away Clean

Changing seasons means working out of the other side of the closet. Before your change out your wardrobe, take care of last season's pieces. They will love you (and your will love them) when seasons change again.

Dim the Lights!

Did you know bright light can cause discoloration in your clothes? Did you know that light can damage fibers? It's true. The solution is to reduce exposure to direct sunlight and artificial light. Another bit of

advice is to save the paper garment covers we give to you with each order of cleaning and place over your best pieces, especially those pieces that are worn less often. This will protect the garment from ceiling light.

Hems, Seams, and Zippers

We will repair a loose hem or seam for no additional charge when you clean with us.

Need a zipper replaced? We can do that for you although we charge for that.

Ask Us

If you have any problems with your clothes (not your relationships, names for your first child, or why your biscuits didn't rise), PLEASE ask us. We love to help you and solve problems affecting your clothes. The more information you provide us, the more help we can be to you. That's why we ask if you have any stains when dropping off your clothes.

David

Any comments? Email me at David@ChampionCleaners.com



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

Crying over spilt milk



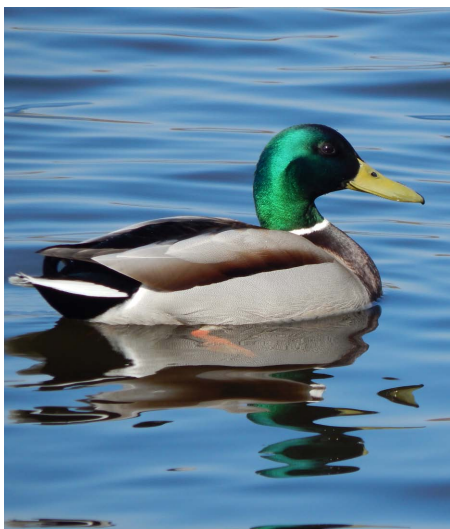
Meaning: Being upset over something that has already happened and cannot be changed. Usually this phrase is said as “it’s no use crying over spilt milk,” which means that getting upset over certain things, like spilled milk, is not going to fix it.

Origin: Not much is known about the origin of this phrase. The earliest that I could find the expression in writing is in a book called *Banking Under Difficulties* from 1888, and its wording is similar to what we see today. To give some context on the upcoming quote: a man had just been robbed of all his cash and by the looks of it, he was out and away from town. Quite the predicament to be in. However, despite the circumstances, the

man said: “It was no use, however, crying over spilt milk.”

The robbed man was in a difficult situation, but he realized that there really wasn’t much he could do about it at that time other than moving forward.

Apparently, though, this common saying goes back even further. It’s believed that James Howell, a historian and writer, used the phrase in one of his literary works in 1659, called *Paramoigraphy* (Proverbs). I don’t have access to the book to see the quote for myself, but supposedly it reads: “No weeping for shed milk.” This would mean that this idiom is at least over 350 years old.



Do one legged ducks swim in circles?

Meaning: If someone asks if an answer is correct, and it’s clearly obvious to everyone it is, then the retort is “do one legged ducks swim in circles?” “Is the sky blue?”

Origin: Don’t know where this first said, but I’ve got some more sayings that mean the same thing?

“No sh%t Sherlock.” “No kidding Dick Tracy.” “Is the Pope Catholic?” “Does a bear poop in the woods?” “Is a frog’s arse watertight?” “Does Dolly Parton sleep on her back?” “Does a toot make an echo?”

Flash in the pan

Meaning: A Project, person etc that enjoys only short lived success. Something which disappoints by failing to deliver anything of value, despite a showy beginning

Origin: This originally had a literal meaning, i.e. a real flash in a real pan. Muskets used to have small pans to hold the gunpowder charge. An attempt to fire the musket in which the gunpowder flared up without firing a bullet would be called a ‘flash in the pan’. The term is known since the late 17th century. Elkanah Settle, in *Reflections* on several of Mr. Dryden’s plays 1687, had this to say: “although the group had a number one hit, it was only a one hit wonder making them a flash in the pan.”



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Rules of Friendship



- ✔ Avoid toxic friendships where you always feel drained, depressed, and unhappy after spending time with a person.
- ✔ Be the friend you'd like to have. You're giving the gift of yourself.

- ✔ Listen. Really listen.
- ✔ Offer advice only after you've been asked.
- ✔ Try never to say, "I know exactly how you feel"...you really don't.
- ✔ Avoid "Crisis" Friends - the ones who are happy to help during a crisis but have no interest in hearing any good news.
- ✔ Learn to be with someone without having to do or say anything. This is potent.
- ✔ Make time for each other. Friendship should be a priority.
- ✔ Respect one another's opinions and position.

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- Purses, luggage and backpacks
- Ugg Boots
- Wash Dry & Fold
- Alterations

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2. We restore textile, electronics, art, and collectibles when by damaged by smoke, fire, water, and mold.
3. Home and office dry cleaning pickup and delivery
4. Wash Dry & Fold service - including Champion Hamper service



Free Beer on Tap

A woman said she thought she was in heaven when she turned on the kitchen tap to find a plentiful supply of beer.

Haldis Gundersen was planning to do the washing up when she made the unusual discovery at her apartment in Kristiansund, West Norway.

Meanwhile two flights below, workers in a bar faced the more disappointing realisation, water was flowing from their beer taps and not ale. Beer on Tap

A worker had connected a beer barrel to the apartment water pipe by mistake. 'I turned on the tap to clean some knives and forks, and beer came out', Ms Gundersen told Reuters news agency. 'We thought we were in heaven with free beer on tap.'

Time To Do This...

- ☒ Clean Garbage Disposal
- ☒ Have Air Conditioner Serviced
- ☒ Clean Glass on Windows and Doors
- ☒ Repair and Clean Window Screens
- ☒ Repair and Touch Up Siding and Trim
- ☒ Clean and Refinish Wood Deck
- ☒ Clean Outdoor Patio Furniture
- ☒ Maintain Lawn Mower