

MAD's IDIOT OF THE ISSUE!

ARNIE KOGEN FAQs (Foolish, Asinine Questions we asked Arnie!)



Q: What is your favorite MAD article that you wrote?

A: "What Is A Blind Date?" (MAD #100).

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Q: Who are your influences?

A: Woody Allen, Steve Martin, Menudo.

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Q: If you could change one thing about yourself what would it be?

A: My inordinate fear of Gaucho food.

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Q: What is your favorite book?

A: *The History Of Luggage Tags*.

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Q: Boxers or briefs?

A: Neither: Heat-seeking spandex.

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Q: What actor should play you in a movie about your life?

A: Garry Shandling.

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Q: If you could have dinner with three living or dead people who would they be?

A: Franklin Roosevelt, Winston Churchill, Britney Spears.

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Q: Pick a MAD contributor and describe them in one word.

A: Nick Meglin – Cuddly!

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Q: Who is your favorite Stooge?

A: Moe.

Q: What was your favorite MAD trip?

A: Surinam (1967).

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Q: Where did you go to school?

A: P.S. 238, Lincoln High, NYU.

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Q: If you were on *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire*, who would be your phone-a-friend life line?

A: J.D. Salinger (try and find him).

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Q: If you were a porn star what would your name be?

A: Mr. Cavity Search.

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Q: What are the three funniest words in the English language?

A: Potrzebie, flugle, Calista Flockhart.

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Q: What is your second favorite cheese?

A: Cachet d' Entrechoux (sliced).

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Q: Finish this sentence:
It was so cold...

A: A pickpocket put his hands in my pocket and kept them there.

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Q: What TV shows have you written for and/or produced?

A: Carol Burnett, Newhart, Empty Nest, Mary Tyler Moore, The Tonight Show, Dean Martin, Academy Awards, Candid Camera, Mad TV.

Q: If you were on the *Survivor* island, what would you name your tribe?

A: The Fever Blisters.

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Q: What is your favorite holiday?

A: National Sonnet Week.

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Q: What is the worst gift you ever received?

A: A caulking gun.

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Q: Which *Sex In The City* babe would you have the best shot at and why?

A: Samantha. She heard about my caulking gun.

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Q: What is your favorite one-liner you wrote that was never used?

A: Hi. I have a veal shank in my pants. (written for Sir Laurence Olivier).

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Q: What's your favorite punchline?

A: He had a hat.

THE STATS:

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