

The Bad Pun Completion Quiz, XXXXVI, KEY

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Instructions: Complete each pun/joke below given the clues in the text preceding or following the blank.

1. If a large northern deer with broad, flattened antlers had thick whiskers growing from his upper lip, would that be a moose-tache? [mustache/moose-tache; Indian pronunciation [running joke on Big Bang]; who was President Bull Moose? TR]
2. If Tonto hires his former associate to work at his bank, would the latter be a loan arranger? [Lone Ranger/loan arranger, Hi, o, silver!]
3. If a friendly yeti gains a lot of weight in his hairy midsection, would he just be the abdominal snowman? [abdominal/abominable]
4. If the rules of solitaire were changed to allow more than one colorful, large-billed tropical bird to play, would we say toucan play that game? [toucan, two can]
5. If a Jewish prophet parts the Red Sea by moving a higher concentration of molecules to a lower one through a permeable membrane, is he Os Moses? [osmosis, Moses]
6. If one of a teens' molars starts to smart, is it a wisdom tooth? [wisdom; they often are impacted; they erupt when we're wise? Adolescence? No wiser than we were at 6-7; 17-21 is usual time]
7. If a cow fails to produce milk for her calf, is that an udder failure? [udder, utter]
8. If Industrial Rock's latest hit is especially loud, is it classified in the Dewey Decibel System? [decibel, decimal]
9. If an urban dwarf, who teaches music, is a stickler for the tempo, is he a metronome? [metronome/gnome]
10. If the OCD detective Adrian Monk tells a new doctor he's CDO, is he compulsive? [CDO, OCD, and yes, he is; he alphabetized his disorder]
11. If Raja's new wife hasn't read the *Kama Sutra*, might that put her in an awkward position? [sexual position; the Hindu sex book]
12. If Grandma's Christmas sweaters are always too small, are we a tight-knit family? [Tight-knit, close]
13. If a swarm of black flies steals the honey pot, should we call the SWAT team? [SWAT, special weapons and tactics]
14. If a flock of free-range chickens is confined to the back yard, is the front yard impeccable? [impeccable]
15. If Abe had gone to the Kennedy Tavern before going to the theater, would he have been shown to the John Wilkes Booth? [booth]
16. If German bombing in WWII had been confined to the west of England, would that have caused Welsh-schmertz? [Welsh/Wales *Weltschmerz*—German pain of the world]
17. If Kermit the frog is on the "no-fly list," is he denied an in-flight snack or escorted out by security? [fly]
18. If James Dean had forgotten his Santa costume *and* the only sentence he had in the new Warner Brothers film, would he have been he a rebel without a Claus or a clause? [Claus/clause &]
19. Farm sign: The walk across the pasture is free, but the bull will charge. [charge]
20. If Sam and Ella opened a greasy spoon, would you feel comfortable dining there? [Ella]