

I'm not quite old enough yet to be called Grandpa

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affects their personality. And even their life. John Wayne's original first name, for example, was Marion. Enough said.

Weird names are okay, I think, because they're memorable. Frank Zappa named his kids Moon Unit, Dweezil, Ahmet and Diva Muffin.

Okay, maybe not that weird, but there are plenty of nice sounding unique names that I think people like having, such as... Bobbi.

The birth certificate for Dweezil Zappa says Ian. When Dweezil was older, he demanded that his name be changed legally to Dweezil because he liked it more. See? People like having unique names.

The next name issue is what to be called. I cringe every time I think of myself as a grandfather, and frankly I'm much too young to be saddled with that label.

In fact, my father was older than I am right now when I was born. He's called Grumpy by the grandchildren, which is kind of funny and cute.

You know the regular grandfather names — Grandpa, Grand Dad, Gramps, Grampy, etc. I might like those when I'm 60, but that's 15 years away. There aren't a lot of new variations coming out, so I'm going to make my own, and modernize it.

We don't really like reminders that we're get-

ting old, even if we get them all the time. Anything extra we can eliminate is just fine by me. And there's that stigma of being a grandfather.

It just gives you excuses not to act young. I might be thinking, hey, I can't do that, I'm a grandfather. I'm not sure what it is I wouldn't do as a grandfather that I do now, but there's no point taking any chances.

I called my ex-wife to see what she wanted to be called. She wasn't too sure, but she did feel anything with grand in it was too old sounding. She has a friend who's called Ya-Ya, which she thought was okay. The male grandparent equivalent of that would be No-No. I don't think so.

I was thinking of G-Man. You know, Grandfather Man. Or it can be shortened to G. "What up, G?" my granddaughter would say.

When I told my ex that I was going with G-Man, she changed what she wanted to be called to Queen-G, a takeoff on Queen Bee. Not bad. Sporty, modern, imaginative. Just right for today's grandparent.

Although, I'm not sure we're thinking of the poor kid. When somebody asks about her grandparents, she'll be confused and will have to deny having knowledge of such a thing. "Well," she might say, "I don't know about grandparents, but I've got a Queen-G and a G-Man."

That's right, kid. And don't you forget it.

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Some experts suggest that women tend to be better listeners than men. In fact, many husbands are notorious for being poor listeners. Perhaps you are familiar with the scene of a husband reading the newspaper while his wife is trying to talk. His response is "Yes, dear. Uh, huh. Mmmm, is that so?" But he's not really listening. Suddenly, his wife pulls down the newspaper and asks, "Have you heard a word I've said?!"

Two men were talking one day. One of them said, "My wife talks to herself a lot." His friend answered, "Mine does too, but she doesn't know it. She thinks I'm listening."

Poor listening, however, is not just attributed to men. Sometimes, all of us listen poorly - as a group of passengers on an air plane when the flight attendant is making the required safety announcement, Patricia Goldman, the former vice chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, tells a story about a flight attendant who, frustrated by passenger inattentiveness during her talk, changed the wording and said, "When the mask drops down in front of you, place into over your navel and continue to breathe normally." Not a single passenger noticed.

I read about a middle-aged woman who suffered with a hearing problem. One day, she and her husband were driving from New Brunswick to Ontario. They were pulled over by an OPP officer who asked

if the husband knew how fast he was driving? The wife asked, "What did he say?" The husband replied, "HE ASKED IF I KNEW THAT I WAS SPEEDING." Looking at the driver's license, the officer said, "I see you're not from around here." The husband said, "No, we are from Moncton." The wife again asked, "What did you say?" The husband told her, "I SAID WE ARE FROM MONCTON." The officer then commented, "You know, the meanest woman I ever met was from Moncton." The wife again asked, "What did he say?" The husband replied, "HE SAYS HE THINKS HE KNOWS YOU!"

Jesus said, "he who has ears to hear, let him hear." It is possible to hear with our physical ears and not to hear with our ears of spiritual understanding. Often, our ears can become clogged by the wax of worry, stress or anxiety so that we fail to hear what the Spirit is trying to communicate.

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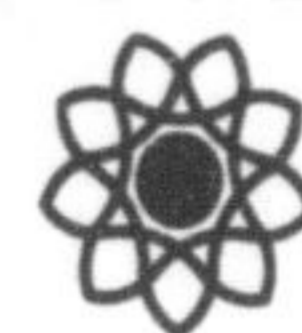
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