

The Last Man Standing Club Skit #9

The Interview

Kevin Lee

Performers x 2

Roger Dumbkins/Narrator

Binks the Reporter

Props

Chairs x 2

Narrator

“It’s the year 2020. Fiddle Castro is the last remaining Communist, and Roger Dumbkins is the last remaining Atheist. So they’ve formed a club, called the Last-Man-Standing-Club, where they meet on Saturday nights to swig gin, and swap stories about the good-old-days”

(Dumbkins and Binks are sitting together.)

Binks “So....Mister Dumbkins....Thank you for allowing me this Interview.”

Dumb “That’s quite alright Old Chap.”

Binks “A few questions...How do you see Science itself?...I mean what is the place of Scientific thought in this modern world?”

Dumb “Scientific Theories are what holds the very essence of life together.....Science moulded the modern world.”

Binks “Really?”

Dumb “Yes...Because Science has given so much to mankind.”

Binks “Such as?”

Dumb “Well....Gravity for one....It took Science to prove that Gravity even exists...So without Science we wouldn’t have Gravity and we’d all be floating all over the show as if we were living on the Moon....So life as we know it would not be possible without Science!.....And Gravity is only the tip of the iceberg.”

Bink “Is that a fact?”

Dumb “Yes....So every person on Earth owes their very *existence* to Science....they are indebted to us...”

Binks “Not quite sure if I agree with that one....But tell me....How do these Theories originate?”

Dumb “Logic and Deduction.....Look at it like *this*....Logic tells me that A happens because of B....That’s the basis for my Theory...”

Binks “Yes?”

Dumb “So, my Theory is born...Then I look at *all* the Evidence to support it.....And deduct anything that contrary to my Theory.....And *discard* it.”

Binks “But, shouldn’t you be looking for Evidence that proves *how* it happens?”

Dumb “*How* is *never* a relevant question.”

Binks “Why not?”

Dumb “Because the Theory’s right....Even if *all* the evidence is against it....so *how* doesn’t come into the Equation.”

Banks “Umm?”

Dumb “The Theory is true...Until *proven* false.”

Binks “Guilty until proven innocent?”

Dumb “That’s an unfair comparison.”

Binks “I still don’t understand this?....So, the Theory is *true*...Even if *all* the *Evidence* is against it?”

Dumb “Yes....it shows we just haven’t put the puzzle together properly yet..”

Binks “But....Isn’t that a bit like saying ‘I found a Ten Dollar note in my front yard.....It wasn’t *put* there by anyone....It was there because I went looking for it....So...The harder I look...The more I will find....And if don’t look at all....There won’t be any there?”

Dumb “Hmm...That’s very clever!....Ah...Excuse me for a minute please..I’m just going outside to have a look around.” (He leaves then returns again.)

Dumb “There weren’t any there...But hmmm...Look Old Chap?..Would you mind terribly if I delve a little further into your Theory?”

Binks “My Theory?”

Dumb “Yes....On the Origin of Ten Dollar notes?”

Binks “Is that a Theory?”

Dumb "It is now.."

Binks "But you can't prove it's true?"

Dumb "Yes I can!...Ten Dollar notes are the evidence....If there weren't any Ten Dollar notes....the Theory would be false."

Binks "But?....Isn't that like saying..Um...?"

Dumb "Another theory?....There's a Scientist inside you yet Man!"

Binks "Um.....So the Ten Dollar notes are there....?"

Dumb "Because the Theory 's true!"

Binks "Hmm?"

Dumb "Look Old Chap...Do you fancy a pie and a few gins?...We can nip down to the Old-boys-club and I'll introduce you to the Know-Nothings there..."

Binks "Yes...I'd like that."

Dumb "Follow me..Old Chap."

(They leave.)

End

Narrator " Things don't happen because they are proven true. They are proven true because they happen. You can't decide something will happen without having evidence for it. You have evidence for it because it is happening. The reason why we have ten dollar notes is because they are printed, not because we want to have them. We know Creation happened, because there is a record of it in Genesis, and we see the evidence of it around us, as it was written. Evolution is a 'theory', which means it is what someone surmised about the origin of life, and the living. But the more we learn about the fossil record, genetics, and mutations etc., the more it is proven false, even though it is 'touted' as true, without having any evidence for it."

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