

# Cellphone snoop discovers her boyfriend is cheating

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been in a long-distance relationship with “Victor” for several years. Recently I began to suspect he was cheating. What raised my suspicion was that I suddenly couldn’t reach him on the weekends. Usually we would Skype – Sunday night for me, Monday morning for him.

Last February when I visited him, I snooped in his phone -- spare me the condemnation. I found an email he had written to an old girlfriend in which he suggested they plan their “next” rendezvous.

I plan on dumping him, but I don’t know how to go about it. I’ve always been bad at dumping people. Should I write him a letter and confess that I snooped? My first inclination is to disconnect completely and say nothing.

I’m afraid to confront him because he is obviously a good liar. I’m afraid if I do, he’ll make me doubt the evidence ... trust me, he’s that good! — **CHEATED ON IN L.A.**

**DEAR CHEATED ON:** Why any woman would stay with someone who is a practiced liar (“that good”) is beyond me. My advice is to disconnect from him and say nothing. It should be interesting to see how long it takes him to notice your absence.

When he does – which probably won’t be on a weekend – tell him the romance is



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over and reference the email he sent his former girlfriend. Expect him to go on the offensive and try to make you feel guilty for having checked his cellphone. Don’t buy it, and don’t relent. Just be glad you found out now.

**DEAR ABBY:** I don’t know if you have addressed the issue of women and breast augmentation from the standpoint of noticing the work done, but I am trying to find a way to say “I noticed” without being crude or tacky.

My wife works with a woman who recently had augmentation surgery, and we agree that the doctor did a very nice job. According to my wife, the woman is not shy about discussing her surgery. I have known her for years, and we’re on friendly terms. We talk often and exchange hugs.

How would I go about complimenting her on her new look? I don’t want to say the wrong thing. Or should I just say nothing? — **ENJOYS THE VIEW IN PHOENIX**

**DEAR ENJOYS THE VIEW:** All you need to say is, “You look GREAT!” and she’ll get the message. Trust me.

**DEAR ABBY:** Every time I talk to anyone, my husband says I give too many details. While I understand that men are different from women, he often bugs me when I talk to female friends or my mother-in-law. I don’t know what to do, because we women love to talk and share details. Please reassure me that I’m not an oddity. — **TALKIN’ UP A STORM**

**DEAR TALKIN’ UP A STORM:** You’re not an oddity, and your husband should not be eavesdropping on your conversations. He should be glad that you and his mother get along so well that you both enjoy sharing details, because it’s a sign of a healthy relationship. However, because he can’t resist “bugging” you, converse with your friends and his mother when you’re out of earshot.

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Instructions for play: Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

That’s all there is to it. There’s no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. It’s fun. It’s challenging. It’s addictive!

Solving time is typically from 10 to 30 minutes, depending on your skill and experience.

The solution for today’s puzzle will be published in Saturday’s paper. Or you can go to [www.sudoku.com](http://www.sudoku.com) to find the solution.

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## HELOISE’S KITCHENEERING BY HELOISE

### A Game Plan For Easter Eggs

Dear Readers: If you plan on hiding eggs this EASTER, here are some things to think about:

■ Do you want to use real eggs that you dye, or plastic ones?

■ If using plastic eggs, have each child pick a specific color that he or she should look for. Fill them with candy, a little note or a coupon for a special outing.

■ Keep real eggs refrigerated, because the safe time is only about two hours to hide and find all eggs at room temperature. (If they are NOT going to be eaten, longer is OK.)

■ Keep a count of the number of eggs you hide so you can count those collected and be sure you found them all. You don’t want to “find” eggs long after the actual hunt, especially the real ones!

— Heloise

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### Trail-Mix Bits

Dear Heloise: My kids are some very picky eaters. I wanted to expand their diet without hiding the new foods in familiar ones. To introduce seeds, nuts and dried fruits, I put dollops of Greek yogurt on a cookie tray and placed a nut/seed/dried fruit combination into each. I put them in the freezer for a few hours, and when the kids came home from school, they had some yummy and nutritious treats to eat. They ended up liking them more than I ever expected, and now we spend a night every weekend putting the treats together for the upcoming week. It’s been a great way to introduce new foods, help the kids learn about better food choices and show them there’s a delicious way to eat every food. — Theresa in Minnesota

### Two Hints

Dear Heloise: Here are two hints we thought your readers might find useful:

Whenever we bake potatoes, we always prepare two or three extra. If they are not needed during that meal, they are very easy to prepare the next day as twice-baked, fried or hash browns.

Also, we keep restaurant gift cards we’ve received, and discount coupons for our favorite dining-out spots, in an envelope in the glove compartment of our car. Whenever we’re out and decide to treat ourselves to dinner, we have the discount coupons with us. — Jerry and Ellen L. in Ohio

### Easy Clean

Dear Heloise: Here is a hint that has saved me a lot of aggravation when cleaning up after baking. Before I put shortening in a measuring cup, I line the cup with plastic wrap. The shortening comes out with ease, and the cup stays clean. — Linda D. in Tennessee

### Less Mess

Dear Heloise: Here is how I cut up fruit like pineapple, etc.: I place a cutting board in a cookie sheet (Heloise here: The cookie sheet/baking sheet should have sides), which prevents the juices from running all over the counter. — Albert L., via email

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

### ACROSS

- 1 Dagger handle  
5 Sense  
9 “You don’t say!”

### DOWN

- 1 A soprano may hit it  
2 Brass and bronze  
3 Chevy Chase film role  
4 Sched. place-holder  
5 Plum-meted  
6 Car part  
7 Made blank  
8 Deceive  
10 Los Angeles suburb  
25 Radiated

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### ACROSS

- 1 Burn a bit  
5 Russia neighbor  
10 Doozy  
11 Less modest  
12 French articles  
13 Decorative  
14 Sandwich choice  
16 Miniature hourglass  
20 Flowery shrub  
23 Seine water  
24 Fish features  
25 “Did you grow up in —?”  
27 Rock’s Brian  
28 Make a bust  
29 Brainiacs  
32 Soda fountain order  
36 Mocking work  
39 Not active  
40 Oozes  
41 Conks out  
42 Authentic  
43 Make printing plates

### DOWN

- 1 Detective’s find  
2 Put on the wall  
3 “Break —!”  
4 Philosopher Bertrand  
5 Jeweler’s unit  
6 Delhi tongue  
7 “Not — million years!”  
8 Volleyball need  
9 Verb for you  
11 Europe’s longest river  
15 A long time  
17 Brunch or dinner  
18 Tombstone lawman  
19 Little one  
20 Writer James  
21 Lively quality  
22 Sleep like —  
25 “Back in Black” band  
26 Commuter’s trip  
28 Wise ones  
30 Spyri heroine  
31 Wading bird  
33 Do magazine work  
34 Oscar winner Guinness  
35 Fit together  
36 Salt, to Simone  
37 Reduce drastically  
38 Gentle pull

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Daily Cryptoquote – Here’s how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R  
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L’s, X for the two O’s, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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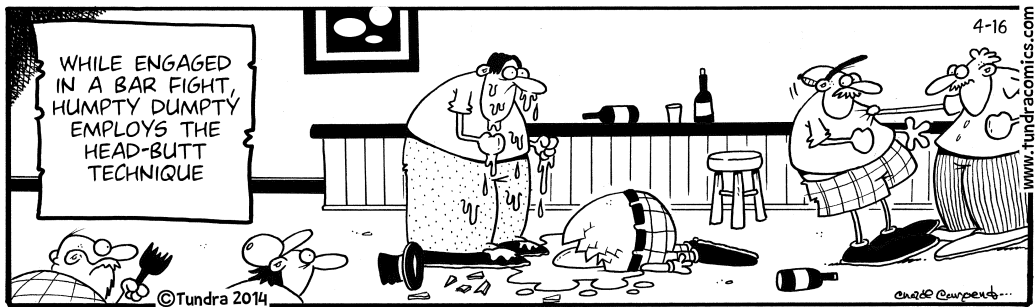
### CRYPTOQUOTE

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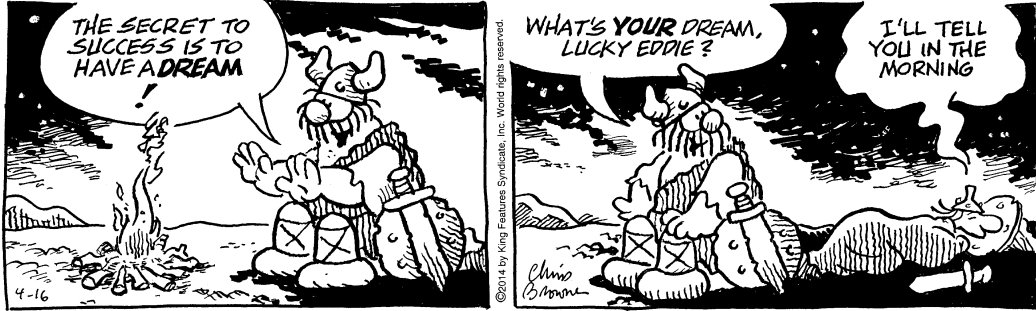
Previous Cryptoquote: I FANTASIZE AND IDEALIZE MYSELF AS BUGS BUNNY, BUT I KNOW DEEP DOWN I’M DAFFY DUCK. – Patton Oswalt

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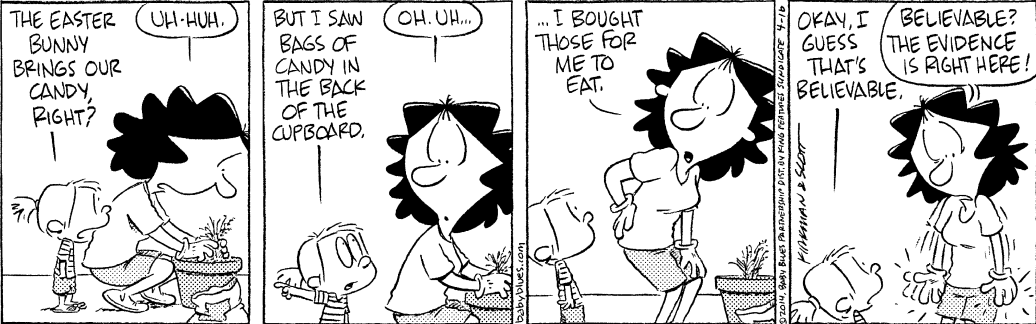
### Hagar the Horrible



### Peanuts



### Baby Blues



### Dilbert

