slow sweet smile. She makes very little progress and leaves her teachers in doubt as to whether she will ever overcome the original handicaps of foreign language and surroundings and be able to learn. Doris, the one Negro girl in the class, is an attractive person who stands out from the Chinese and Puerto Rican girls by her size, as well as by her famaliarity with English. She has a pleasant personality and an air of competence. Her placement in this division must indicate that her academic standing is not high enough for her to be in a faster group. But she seems to offer no special problems and must appear to Mr. Horne to be one of his easier charges.

Two of the Chinese boys, Dep Pang and David, are very different in temperament and talents. David, a serious student, is unhappy at being placed in the poorest section of his grade. As a newcomer from the Far East, he is quite proud of his knowledge of the Chinese language and resists somewhat resentfully the first attempts by a volunteer teacher to help him with English, especially her insistence (even though she herself is an Americanborn Chinese woman who can speak Chinese) that he should try to speak only English until he has mastered it. His ambition and pride, however, make it possible for him in a short time to pass a test in English comprehension and to be transferred to a higher division. Dep Pang, carefree and full of fun, is quite different. His knowledge of English is coming along, but he is still unable to express himself easily and seems to make up for his lack of fluency in language with his painting and drawing, where his sense of beauty and command of form give him great power of communication.

AN Inseparable foursome among the Chinese girls are King Shui, Suey Kun, Pui Lin, and Jin Jee. King Shui is shy and very reserved, Suey Kun delicate and shy but obviously intelligent. Jin Jee is bouncing, full of life, and eager to learn. Pui Lin is the leader of the group. She already understands English pretty well and can interpret for the others. She reads and writes Chinese and has made a good start with writtten English, though she has been in this country less than a year.

To all these varied personalities and some few others, Mr. Horne is expected to teach the sixth-grade curriculum. He is a man whose slight stature and quiet voice belie a commanding presence and a steady control of the volcanic potentialities of his class. He is one of the few teachers at the school who is not a native of New York. He comes from Louisiana, where he attended Louisiana State University and taught for a year
at Baton Rouge, after spending two and a halt years in the Navy on a destroyer in the Pacific. After working for four years for an oil company and an airline, he decided in 1956 to return to teaching. He was assigned for two years to a school on the West Side before coming to PS 2 when the building opened. He says that he finds both satisfactions and frustrations in his teaching job. And after watching the ebullience of his charges one begins to think that a day on a destroyer might be less exhausting.

N addition to providing the rudiments of academic learning, PS 2, like most schools, tries to offer its pupils standards of behavior and to develop in them a sense of responsibility and co-operation with others. At an assembly program I watched a fifth grader being shown how to run a movie projector; waiting one day for a Parents' Association meeting I saw one of the older boys, with no supervision from any teacher, preparing for the showing of a film to the group. Children are assigned to the principal's offices as monitors, carrying messages and doing small errands around the building. A pupil is given the job of turning on the public address system in the principal's office each morning for the opening ceremony of the day. All these are small but calculated techniques for giving children from deprived homes a feeling of competence and trustworthiness. To purists who consider the sole function of a school the teaching of academic subject matter, these activities may seem peripheral and unimportant, but they are one way in which schools concerned with "mass education" can contribute in making children from the poorest backgrounds feel that they are responsible members of society.

One service in the area, separate from the school, but run by the Board of Education, is an after-school recreation center located in a nearby school building. Here any child may come on any week day, without registering or paying a fee.

There are many other agencies besides schools which are trying to attack the social problems of the slum areas, and to which families can turn. These are the Educational Alliance, the Henry Street Settlement House (which has a psychiatric clinic), Hamilton Madison House (located in the Alfred E. Smith Housing Development), and LENA (Lower East Side Neighborhood Association) and the Two Bridges Council, both of which try to co-ordinate the work of the various groups. But the problem always remains that of getting the families who most need these services to use them. Mr. Zeichner,

PS 2 assistant principal and director of the recreation center, commented that the children and especially their parents will seldom go to anythin" which is more than three or four blocl from where they live.

Staff members of PS 2 feel that whatever they are accomplishing with this generation, they know that they are also working for the next; that in training these children they are trying to prepare them to be better parents for their children; that one has to take the long-range view and not be discouraged by some inevitable failures in the present. I construe this not as a sense of complacency, but rather as an understanding that children are a product of the society from which they come, and that a society or a segment of it cannot be remade overnight, and that to raise the educational accomplishments of children from the poorest level of our society requires a concentration of effort from many directions. After spending considerable time in the cheerful and hopeful atmosphere of PS 2, I have the impression that it is doing its part, in spite of those inevitable failures, to influence the children who pass through its doors; and I am looking forward with curiosity and pleasure, if I am around long enough, to making the acquaintance of that next generation, the children of Dep Pang, Serafir Jin Jee, José, King Shui, Pui Lin, and Fortunato.

## FRASER YOUNG'S

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Answer to Literary Crypt No. 997

Tact: The ability to describe others as they see themselves.
-Abraham Lincoln.

## Dictionary

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ottable loosening of authority is not grasp the nature of the English teacher's job.
Perhaps here we should ask what is good taste, or conversely, what could be considered as debasing the language? Pei gives a careful answer in saying that language is debased when it is less precise and effective as communication. Where can we look for an example of precise and effective communication? Would he consider some current journalism by Robert Coughlin in Life?

Who Khrushchev is, he himself has made all too evident: a rough-andtumble fellow ever ready to gouge an eye or put a knee in the groin, a rambunctious apostle of materialism, a master dissembler and propagandist with a flair for the unexpect-ed-an exciting, rude, somehow grotesquely charming, thoroughly alarming old ruffian.
-October 31, 1960, page 82
For effective communication that is also precise, can he better this advertisement: "BOAC jets you there."?

My taste approves of these samples -I find the language dynamic, persuasive, and charming. Another might,
course, feel that this is letting language run its course "like a disease." Or perhaps it is evidence of debasement. The point is, if these examples can be accepted as good, how did these writers do it? Do the samples conform to the prescriptive rules of Latinate grammar, or have they emerged from a free, confident use of language? To teach young people to use their language with confidence, it is well not to keep telling them how wrong their particular use is; to teach them to use it creatively they must be allowed to try everything out; to use it freely they must be freed from prescriptive injunctions. Pei admits the fact of language change, but inexplicably he wants to control change by keeping it static, making it conform to rules he and "the community" think are right.

The teacher, then, can base her objectives and methods on the findings of the linguistic scientist. He records the facts of the language; she teaches the facts as grammar, and she also teaches taste.

The matter of what makes language good or poor extends naturally into a further discussion of what language is
people. Pei believes language to be ..e tool of communication, that it therefore should be standardized for efficiency, and that "a standardized language is a good language." I wish to add that language is much, much
more than this, and that, in Pei's own words, "there is need for sound consideration of all [emphasis his] the facts."

In addition to being a more or less efficient instrument of semantic transfer, language is the individual's personal equipment by means of which he organizes the world around him into principles and concepts; it is his means of coping with external reality. He must be able to use this equipment with confidence, to use it freely so he can live and act freely. If you hedge in his language, you hedge in his development, because, as the psychologists point out, language behavior is not one among many, but an all pervasive activity. The world-everything-outside us comes to us in a confusion of limitless numbers of impressions provoking endless associations. One of the ways man tries to achieve order out of this chaos is through his language. It is with words that the infant labels objects in his environment. They serve him as handles with which he begins quickly to manipulate his environment. This gives him a hold. The young child who talks to his toys and then talks back for them is ordering his world, not trying to communicate anything. This verbalizing becomes internal and silent -except for teen-age telephone con-versations-but continues to be the process whereby the individual reduces reality to chunks he can manage.

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ND once he has it in words, the reality is more his to control as he wishes. An indication of whether or not a student fully understands, or knows, a particular concept is evidenced in his ability to verbalize it. As Gilbert Ryle suggests, if he knows it well, he has "practiced" the verbalization many times and can use it freely and quickly in any context. Language then is order and control, as well as communication.

If one accepts these facts established by psychologists about the nature of language, does it follow that standardizing it as Pei wishes is desirable? By "standardize," we will mean attempting to force language to conform to established forms-to be recorded in a large and widely read dictionary-and to restrain and discourage its free use.

As an English teacher, this assignment to hold the line and maintain the status quo would fall in my lap, and I would resign. To freeze my student's use of language by restriction and inhibition would be to try to freeze his development, and this I would not do. He needs to grow, to move about with increasing confidence, to develop more courage to try more new ideas, in short to go forward. If he is stuck, if he thinks in clichés, this ingrained habit of using the same words in the same
connotation acts as a window shade that shuts off the denotaton of the words, and he is thereby limited. A student who is allowed to remain in a word-using rut is dealing with empty symbols. Therefore, if we want active, searching, inquiring minds capable of coping with new problems as they arise, we should train them to constantly use new words in new ways. I want to teach students to think straight: to read accurately and make statements clearly; to be able to verbalize their environment: to say or write an opinion, an idea, a concept so they gain control of it; to have confidence in their own words because this is themselves. I want to lead them to ever higher levels of abstractions through increasing skill in manipulating their language, as in using grammar stylistically, in using metaphor, and in the development of individual style. I believe this type of linguistic training will lead to forceful, effective people who are able to cope with problems of life as they find them. I believe that one's ability to cope with problems requiring decisions that lead to action is in proportion to his ability to formulate apprehensions into words. In its written form this is English composition and the domain of the English teacher.

Each person has something that is uniquely his own, of which his dialect is the expression. He will learn to respect and value himself when his teachers respect and value him in the form of the words he uses, oral or written. A young person must have this self-respect to grow confident and stable. A composition is a tentative publication of the student's effort to organize the chaotic collection of impressions in his mind. It has to be valued as being a more or less successful effort than a previous one; it is simply inappropriate to apply standards of right and wrong.

In pursuing her age-old trade of bending the twig, the English teacher becomes a guardian of American English by keeping the way open for change, adaptation, and new additions. Because of this flexibility, English is the useful tool that it is, spoken by rapidly increasing numbers of the earth's population. With the advent of Telstar, a recent issue of Newsweek reported one writer who thinks English may well become the one international language. Far from presiding over a terminal "whimper" then, the linguistic and behavioral scientists with their colleagues in colleges and schools are showing the way to a more precise understanding of a great national asset and to a reinvigorating use of it. This is probably the greatest thing that has happened to English since Shakespeare put the free talk of common people into an art form.

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY with 5-10 years of top level experience wanted by leading financial-industrial figure. Must have excellent technical skills. Real vocabulary, grammar and punctuation facility required (salt shaker dispenser of commas not acceptable). Background or work experience in economics/finance essential. Should be "takecharge" girl, but pleasant-mannered, attractive and personable. Unusual, immediate opportunity, plus scope for further advancement. Outstanding midtown Park Avenue offices. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opening for a career-minded person who really is an executive secretary, not just a good stenographer who would like a larger salary. If you meet the above qualifications, send us a complete resume, including your present compensation. Box 266 ,
Floor, 425 Park Avenue, New York 22, N.Y.

COLLEGE GRADUATE: Interesting, individualized work, Liberal Arts background, free to travel when neces sary. Interviews in New York City. Salary plus benefits. Box Z-789.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN-Are you qualified? Minimum 3 to 4 years directly related experience in a technical library (metallurgy or allied field) plus degree in Chemistry, plus the ability to handle abstracting and coding of technical information, literature and patent searches, preparation of monthly technical bulletin, bibliographies (Library Science degree and familiarity with foreign language helpful) will qualify you for an exceptional, professional career opportunity as part of a stimulating, select library group, small in size, big in opportunity and reputation. Good starting salary commensurate with experience. Profit-sharing, informative exchanges, growth potential and liberal company benefits. Modern headquarters in Rockefeller Center, Please send resume including education and salary require
ments to: Box 508,1501 Broadway, New York 36 .

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, also a House Mother needed by small residential school for emotionally disturbed and retarded children in Geneva, New York. Salary commensurate with training and experience. Box Z-972.
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## HOUSES AVAILABLE

## For Sale

TANGLEWOOD $51 / 2$ miles. Rustic cottage, 5 rooms. $\$ 7,500$. Also $11 / 2$ acre plots. View, swimming. Leif Johnson, Dean Hill, Richmond, Massachusetts.

AUTHENTIC COLONIAL- 8 rooms, 2 baths; architect owned; professional office in barn. 15 acres; 4,000 christmas trees. $11 / 2$ miles from town. Owner, Box 301, Exeter, N.H. $\$ 16,000$. Two-story house for couple. 50 miles
northwest NYC. Hot water heating, modern kitchnorthwest NYC. Hot water heating, modern kitchen, bath, electricity. 2 acres partly landscaped,
organic vegetable garden, orchard. Telephone $914:$ organic vegetable ga
$469-4306$. Box Z-978.

## For Sale or Rent

RESTORED CONNECTICUT MILLHOUSE with dramatic waterfall, modern conveniences and applicances, 3 bedrooms. Brochure: Quinlan, DeVoe Realty, New Milford, Connecticut.

## For Rent-Furnished

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS-Private house on Tortola, twenty acres. 2 bedrooms, bath, living-studio room, kitchen, loggia, terrace. Cook-servant and caretaker. Box. Z-661.

DELIGHTFUL LIVING in Arizona's mild winter (or all year) at CAVE CREEK RANCH, secluded in exceptionally beautiful Cave Creek Canyon, Chiricahua Mountains near Douglas. 5 modern cottages: comortable, insulated, completely equipped inspiring for photographers, birders, retirees. Write Cave
Creek Ranch, Portal, Arizona.

## APARTMENTS TO SHARE

WANTED: GAL TO SHARE luxurious 5-room garden apartment, Summit, New Jersey. Convenient to Lackawanna and bus. Reasonable. Box Z-681.

WANTED: Business lady share delightful 3-room apartment. References. FOrdham 4-1427, Bronx, NYC.

## APARTMENT WANTED

## Unfurnished

MANHATTAN OB/GYN RESIDENT seeks comfortable but inexpensive dwelling. Box Z-963.

## ROOM AVAILABLE

CENTRAL PARK WEST, NYC. Sunny room, all comforts, private home. Professional or student preferred. Monument 3-2431.

## CAMPS

VENI, VIDI: next year my boy (girl) will enjoy
an "ideal" camp. Write and visit now! Also offer an "ideal"' camp. Write and visit now! Also offer
year-round boarding of children, and haven for year-round boarding of children, and haven for
chamber musicians, creative people. Appel Farm Art \& Music Center, Elmer, N.J.

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THE HERMITAGE, A Country Inn. Beautifully situated on four (4) acres of landscaped lawns with a superb view of the Deerfield River Valley. Catering to a few discriminating guests who love gourmet food and peace and quiet. Individually decorated rooms. American and

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By Doris Nash Wortman
DEFINITIONS
A. Fellowship; society.
B. Surpass; outwit.
C. Basic piece of defensive
armor.
D. Business of transporting
passengers or goods.
E. Sculptured form of orna-
mentation imitating a
prickly plont.
F. Chronic ill health.
G. Hurtfully.
H. Metallic device for forc-
ing a round-backed book
into flat seat while the
front edges are being
trimmed.
A. Two words following
Omar's "What, without
asking."
J. Part of a famous phrase
in marxist doctrines. (3
wds.).
K. In accordance with law;
permitted.
L. Individual of one of the
native races of this con-
tinent.
M. The loose skin at the

## DIRECTIONS

To solve this puzzle you must guess twenty-oda of which the defminons column beaded DEFINI. TIONS. Alongside each definition, there is a row of dasbes-one for eack letter in the required word. When you bave guessed a word, write it on the dasbes, and also write each letter in the correspondingly numbered square of the puzzle diagram. When the squares are all filled in, you will find that you bate completed a quotation from some published woun, the letters in the diagram bave no meandiagram bave no mean-
ing. Black squares indicate ends of words: if there is no black square at the right side of the at the right side of the word carries over to the next line $\dot{W} \dot{D} \dot{S}$ are filled in, their initial are filled in, their initial letters spell the name of
the autbor and the title of the piece from which the quotation bas been taken. Of great belp to the solver are this actostic feature and the relative shapes of words in the diagram as they develop. Authority for spellings © efinitions is Web. Druonary, Second Edition.

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## WORDS

$\overline{55} \overline{204} \overline{171} \overline{155} \overline{123} \overline{59} \overline{183}$
$\overline{189} \overline{142} \overline{66} \quad \overline{25} \overline{177} \overline{134} \overline{75} \overline{91}$
$\overline{154} \overline{144} \overline{36} \quad \overline{136} \overline{108} \overline{125}$
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\overline{44} & \overline{6} & \overline{180} & \overline{30} & \overline{96} & \overline{97} & \overline{81}\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\overline{100} & \overline{61} & \overline{51} & \overline{21} & \overline{13} & \overline{162} & \overline{45} & \overline{68}\end{array}$
$\overline{76} \overline{175} \overline{135} \quad \overline{60} \overline{109} \overline{8} \quad \overline{84} \quad \overline{28} \quad \overline{202} \overline{164}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\overline{161} & \overline{80} & \overline{187} & \overline{146} & \overline{129} & \overline{74} & \overline{112} & \overline{56} & \overline{206}\end{array}$
$\overline{197} \overline{149} \overline{198} \overline{87} \overline{101} \overline{83} \overline{11}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}191 & \overline{86} & \overline{88} & \overline{99} & \overline{92} & \overline{196} & \overline{200} & \overline{130} & \overline{185} & \overline{52} \\ \overline{120}\end{array}$ $\overline{47} \overline{22}$
$\overline{24} \overline{174} \overline{31} \overline{179} \overline{16} \overline{42} \overline{139} \overline{65} \overline{143} \overline{4}$
$\overline{50} \overline{201} \overline{121} \overline{95} \overline{34}$
$\overline{118} \overline{169} \overline{104} \overline{205} \overline{160} \overline{181} \overline{94}$
$\overline{43} \quad \overline{106} \quad \overline{147} \quad \overline{163} \quad \overline{48} \quad \overline{151}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\overline{203} & \overline{103} & \overline{7} & \overline{111} & \overline{39} & \overline{182} & \overline{78} & \overline{195} & \overline{173}\end{array}$

## DEFINITIONS

O. Ghost story from Kipling's after "The")
P. Coriferous tree which turns yellow in winter.
Q. Member of a Mohammedan dynasty ruling at Seville, 1023-91.
R. More lacking in the neces sities of life.
S. From that place.
T. Quick; busy; energetic.
U. Member of political faction in Italy 12 th 15 th cents, which upheld the centhority of the German emperors.
V. Leading and title role in English interlude, 15th cent.
W. Object of purely rational apprehension; Kant's
X. Hebrew prophet who continued the work of Elijah.
Y. Before the storm ( 2 wds .).
2. Followed by "influence" territories defined by interrational law as under
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nation not the official

## WORDS

$\overline{194} \overline{122} \overline{186} \overline{140} \overline{79} \overline{82} \overline{41} \overline{167} \overline{54} \overline{158} \quad \overline{23}$ $\overline{46} \overline{133} \overline{107} \overline{128}$
$\overline{38} \overline{93} \overline{1} \overline{17}$

| $\overline{157}$ | $\overline{172}$ | $\overline{137}$ | $\overline{5}$ | $\overline{132}$ | $\overline{192}$ |
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| 166 | $\overline{67}$ | $\overline{148}$ | $\overline{73}$ | $\overline{2}$ | $\overline{168}$ |
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| 33 |  |  |  |  |  |

$\overline{98} \overline{19} \overline{170} \overline{9} \overline{110}$
$\overline{165} \quad \overline{70} \quad \overline{53} \quad \overline{153} \overline{10} \quad \overline{159}$
$\overline{184} \quad \overline{27} \quad \overline{58} \quad \overline{102} \overline{127} \overline{62} \overline{131} \overline{113} \overline{37} \overline{138}$
$\overrightarrow{90} \overline{77} \overline{188} \overline{119} \overline{117} \overline{64} \overline{20} \overline{12}$
$\overline{105} \overline{69} \overline{49} \overline{141} \overline{57} \overline{72} \overline{150} \overline{199}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}18 & \overline{1} 16 & \overline{63} & \overline{85} & \overline{126} & \overline{40}\end{array}$

| $\overline{178}$ | $\overline{152}$ | $\overline{14}$ | $\overline{176}$ | $\overline{35}$ | $\overline{156}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 144 |  |  |  |  |  |

$\overline{145} \overline{115} \quad \overline{89} \quad \overline{32} \overline{124} \overline{29} \overline{193} \quad \overline{71} \quad \overline{190}$


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