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If fifty million people say a foolish thing, it is still a foolish thing.

~Anatole France

The Greatest Mountain

By Kiri Kennedy ~ Daily Bull

The trek up such a mountain as this requires months, if not years, of preparation. I'm doing it with only a couple of hours of prep. Perhaps I will go down in history as one of the best climbers to ever conquer this dangerous and deadly mountain. I have climbed this beast before, but never in the fall.

I select the few items I take with me carefully, for I know there aren't many natural resources along the way. A tent is a necessity since the rainy season is almost upon us. Water and food are also necessities.

Why would I risk my life to climb this mountain, you ask? At the top is a grand temple...the healers reside there, even during the harsh winter. There are two great springs that people flock to, and there is the sacred altar of ice. Twice a year,

...see Trekking on back



Eddie Izzard finished running 1,110 miles for charity. And I thought MEEM to Walker was bad...



Flame Wars

By Benjamin Loucks ~ Daily Bull

Flame wars have always been on the internets. For those of you not familiar with what internets are, they are a series of tubes, which occasionally get clogged by the car traffic which goes back and forth carrying messages between people. Though more tubes have been added as time has passed, in the hopes of causing fewer crashes in the tubes, car traffic has only increased proportionately - which has led to MORE fiery crashes. Which, in turn, leads to tube rage, and thus flame wars.

Through careful examination of the internets, I have found that various tubes tend to be clogged more than others. These tubes lead to large discussion areas called 'forums' in which the primary purpose seems to be to tell other people that they are wrong and insult their masculinity, intelligence or sexual orientation as proof of this. Apparently this tends to go back and forth ad infinitum, neither side really making any real headway. When insults do not work (and they never do!), it usually comes down to each side throwing flaming implements of destruction at each other. It appears both sides of any argument, no matter what the content, are surprisingly fire-retardant however.

Although it may seem like good fun to fling flaming boulders, torches, arrows and napalm-coated muffins at other people, there are a few things you should know before you engage in such pyromaniacal tendencies. First off, wear fireproof clothing. The Pyro is a good class to go with because of his (her?) natural tendency towards things like flamethrowers and flare guns, not to mention he wears a suit which doesn't light on fire. The Pyro is the king of flame wars.

Second off, go after the people who are most susceptible to being lit up by your harsh, scalding words. Other classes such as the Heavy (internet tough guy), Scout (need a dispenser here!) and Spy (flame-war combatant disguised as a 'holier-than-thou' guy) tend to be very vulnerable to the flames of wrath and will attempt to counteract with their own - but since you're wearing a fire-proof suit you'll be completely safe from their failing attempts.

Third, remember to use restraint occasionally - it would be quite terrible if the unbridled fiery doom you unleash were to melt the tubes that make up the internet! Then there could be no way to

...see Up in Flames on back

The Steaming Pile

Straight from you-know-where!
Awesome Ways to Get to Class

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| David Hasselhoff | Somersaults |
| Slackline | Sky dive on top of the building |
| Cowboy | Warp Pipe |
| Unicycle | Yoshi |
| Unicorn | Inside Kirby |
| Segway | Wormhole |
| Ostrich | Mystery Machine |
| Rickshaw | Fart jet pack |
| Ant Army | Stilts |
| Zeppelin | Pogo stick |
| Slingshot | Massive game of hopscotch |
| The Batmobile | Escalator |
| Handwalking | Highway to Hell |
| Teleporting | Moving Walkway |
| Astral projection | Monorail cat |
| Through the Rapture | Moon boots |
| Velociraptor | Hoverround |
| Belly of the Great White Whale | Epic Flying Mount |
| Magic Carpet | Chuck Norris (roundhouse kicked) |
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...Up in Flames from front

drive your point home anymore. And that would be sad.

Once you learn the basics of flaming others on a backwater forum you can graduate from being a low-life flamer to being an outright troll. It's like a Pokemon evolution, only much cooler. And none of those stupid evolution stones or trade details to worry about.

Trolls are advanced flamers, causing heat spikes anywhere they can for the sheer enjoyment of it. Trolls work in groups or alone, depending on their target. There are rumors of secret forums meant to gather trolls together to coordinate their efforts towards others, but this is most likely a lie - besides, all good trolls know not to talk about any such place even if it did exist.

In the end, one of the keys to being a good flamer/troll is to pick a good target, learn to withstand a little of the fire shot back at you, and make sure to melt your enemies into a crisp. Now if you'll excuse me, I have some quickened delayed fireballs I have to go cast at a few kobolds. Stupid kobolds, always stealing my internets. 🐉

...Trekking! from front

huge ceremonies are held there to shake off the demons of our lives. The reward is far greater than the risk, and that is why I go. I step out of my temporary residence and glance up at my challenge. God only knows if

I will survive this trip. The weather is good, and I begin my ascent.

Day 1: I am quite lucky: the weather has held long enough for me to set up my camp. I have been denied fire by the priests that watch over this land. I found it amusing, but as night sets in, I grumble more and more about the chill. I only hope these sporadic showers don't wash my tent away; the cliff behind me is high, and a fall from the edge would end tragically.

Day 2: The climb today was completely miserable. The rain fell as cold, hard drops and slowed my progress greatly. Other, more skilled climbers passed me by today, looking at my large pack with confusion. They only carry a light pack and make the climb several times a week with ease. I set up camp at the minor temple a day's climb from the top.

Day 3: I face my final test tomorrow: the Cliffs of Agony. Cheesy name, but

Sunshine's Searcher - Dog Breeds

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they earned it well. I made camp at the base of the cliffs and paid a short visit to the healers that live there. The rest of their small group resides above the cliffs. To my surprise, the healers are amazed that it has taken me three days to climb the mountain. They said that most climbers take the mountain in a matter of minutes. I must become as strong as they.

Day 4: I have made it to the temple! The sacred alter is sadly closed, as they are modifying the viewing area. However, the two great springs are open and I now head to gaze upon their serene depths. The guard—a woman, to my surprise—seems to be bored as she says...

"Welcome to the SDC. Do you have a Tech ID?"

My climb is well worth it, I believe. 🐉



CANDY GUESSES!

from Nathan 'Invincible' Miller ~ Bossman



Hey, thanks to everyone who came out and grabbed some of the free candy we gave away at our K-Day booth. It was lots of fun doling it out. We'd also like to thank all the people who submitted their sentences for the Random Article that we will run shortly.

And for those cool enough to have guessed the weight of the \$120.78 of candy we got... a lot of you need to brush up on your guesstimation skills. 7.8 pounds of candy? Come now, you can buy that much for a fraction of the cost. And whoever guessed 'a shit ton worth,' that is not a valid number. Thanks for trying, though.

The right answer for how much candy we bought was **48.69 lbs.** There were some close guesses, but most were pretty far off, mainly on the low side. Here are the winners:

- 3rd Place: Julianna Daavettila, 51 lbs. (2.31 off)**
- 2nd Place: Brian Thompson, 47 lbs. (1.69 off)**
- 1st Place: Max Nestorowich, 50 lbs. (1.31 off)**

Yey for Max! He was wearing his vintage WMTU shirt, which no doubt aided him in his quest for glory. Congrats to him! Honorable mention goes to Krissy Guzak, who had 3rd place in the bag until I realized 47 was closer to the answer than 52. Feel free to curse my hindsight, Krissy.

Ironically, the average guess happened to be **48.63 lbs.**, a mere jolly rancher away. Maybe if everyone had worked together, they'd all be winners. Next time!