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CONTEST SUMMARY

Procedure

Referees were computer-literate professionals selected by members of the Prize Committee. They monitored judges and confederates during the contest. Referees were familiar with the rules and procedures of the contest, but they did not know anything about the entrants to the contest. Nor did they know which terminals were controlled by people which terminals were controlled by computers. Judges and confederates were recruited with advertisements in Boston newspapers and street signs posted in Cambridge. Candidates were interviewed and selected by members of the Prize Committee. Eight judges and three confederates were selected. During the contest on December 15, 1992, each of the judges spent 15 minutes at each of 6 computer terminals; they visited the terminals in random order. The judges were informed that at least two of the terminals were controlled by people and that at least two of the terminals were controlled by computers. (In fact, three of the terminals were controlled by computers and three by the human confederates. Terminal assignments were random.) The judges were told that their task was to rank order the terminals from "least human" to "most human" and that, after rank-ordering the terminals, they would also have to draw a line (represented by slashes below) separating the terminals they believed to be controlled by computers from the terminals they believed to be controlled by people. The judges were cautioned that it was their task to unmask the computers using "natural conversation" only and that they should refrain from using "trickery" or "guile." Each confederate selected his or her own topic and was instructed to converse "naturally" on that topic. Judges were not allowed to interact with each other before or during the contest, nor to consult with each other while scoring. Judges were asked to rank order the terminals, and, as a cross check, to assign ranks to each of the 6 terminals. Scoring was checked by 2 referees.

Characteristics of Judges

Number of judges: 8 (4 males, 4 females)
Mean age (years): 26.6 Range: 20 to 52
Professions (in random order): teacher (2), undergraduate student (2), photocopy machine operator, librarian, medical transcriptionist, graduate student
Expertise in computer science or artificial intelligence: None
Mean typing speed (wpm): 49.4 Range: 20 to 80

Characteristics of Confederates

Number of confederates: 3 (1 male, 2 female)
Mean age (years): 31.3 Range: 24 to 35
Professions (in random order): actor, reporter, office worker
Expertise in computer science or artificial intelligence: Little or none
Mean typing speed (wpm): 53.3 Range: 45 to 70
Results

The judges’ ranks are shown below, along with median and mean ranks. Before the competition began, the following was announced: The 1992 Loebner Prize, consisting of a $2,000 cash award and bronze medal, would be given to the designer of the computer system with the highest median rank (meaning, in this context, the lowest value). Mean ranks would be used only to break a tie. In fact, the median ranks for Terminals 3 and 4 were equal, so the means were used to break the tie. The winning terminal was number 4 (mean rank = 3.8). Terminal 3 placed second among the computers, with a mean rank of 4.0. The median ranks of the terminals controlled by the human confederates (Terminals 1, 5 and 6) were well above the ranks of the terminals controlled by the computers. However, individual judges misclassified some of the terminals: Terminal 1 was mistaken for a computer by two judges; terminal 3 was mistaken for a person by 1 judge; terminal 4 was mistaken for a person by 2 judges; terminal 5 was mistaken for a computer by 2 judges; and terminal 6 was mistaken for a computer by 3 judges. In all, computers were mistaken for people 3 times (out of 24 possible judgments), and people were mistaken for computers 7 times (out of 24 possible judgments).

Ranks by Judge and Terminal

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People / Computers

RANK ORDER FOR JUDGE 1: 1 5 / 6 4 3 2
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Posted Topics and
Actual Identities of Terminals

Terminal 1: HEALTH (Human Confederate - Sheri Levin)

Terminal 2: HOCKEY (Computer Contestant - Drs. Michael Mauldin
& Eric H. Nyberg, 3rd, Center for Machine Translation,
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Terminal 3: RELATIONS WITH YOUR REAL OR IMAGINARY WIFE OR HUSBAND
(Computer Contestant - Malibu Artificial Intelligence Works, 25307 Malibu Road
Malibu, CA 90265, Attn: Peter or Kenneth Colby)

Terminal 4: MEN VS. WOMEN (Computer Contestant - Joseph Weintraub,
President, Thinking Software, Inc., 46-16 Sixty-Fifth Place,
Woodside, NY 11377)

Terminal 5: DREAM ANALYSIS (Human Confederate - Rose-Ann San Martino)

Terminal 6: BOSTON RED SOX (Human Confederate - Brad Skillman)
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2) Bruce H. Bickford
3) Anita Dynarski
4) Josanna Bazzano
5) Robert Cable
6) Tom Hoover
7) Joseph Reilly, Jr.
8) Robin Ann Wasserman

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Brad Skillman (Terminal 6, Boston Red Sox)
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what health topics can we discuss?

Any. Just try me.

national health care policy, okay?

Not national health care policy. Everyday health, commonsense health, and tuned toward natural health.

why not national health care policy?

I am discussing a specific subject as described.

okay. let's talk about natural health. how do you define that?

I define natural health as health derived from nutrients from foods and isolated derivatives of foods, such as vitamins. Also, there could be greater boundaries to the definition as they arise.

i'm confused by the term "greater boundaries".

Well, sometimes natural health can encompass exercise and its applications or herbs or lifestyles or abstentions from things not just additions of things in diet, etc.

oh, you mean "graded" boundaries. In other words, not only food sources.

I don't know what you mean by "graded" boundaries, but, by natural health it is usually food sources but also some lifestyle choices and patterns. Can you discuss a specific topic to clarify, such as a condition or some specific aspect you are interested in or a specific vitamin or herb or anything else?

let's talk about herbs
OK. Do you have a specific interest in any particular herb or do you have a particular health concern yourself that you think might benefit from a herbal remedy?

i am interested in learning about chamomile.

Well, personally, I am not perfect in my knowledge of all natural health and that is what makes life and knowledge itself interesting, but I know chamomile is an herb with mild sedative effect. Also, it is used in shampoos and rinses for blonde hair, as well as some skin creams. Why are you interested in this herb?

i have heard of its sedative effect. what of the effect of catnip on humans

I am not sure that it has a significant effect on humans, although some studies that are still inconclusive have linked it with some possible effects on some kinds of cancer, I believe. But one interesting fact regarding catnip is that not all cats have the gene that is required to get the intoxicating effect from catnip, so only some cats get the intense reaction to it.

That is why we have a mind; to sort out and investigate in order to determine superstition from well grounded and proven benefits. I would consider this a part of what natural health interest is, by definition. It is the individual desiring to see the relationship between nature and health.

true. well of great interest to many is the effect of aphrodisiac herbs on the human subject. I have some practical experience with such but would like to hear your take on the subject. Then maybe lets talk about mandrake. However, I will not offend persons of unknown gender.

Health, in general, is the absence of disease of the body, and aphrodisiacs are not on this topic. I can only discuss health. And, I am sorry, I know nothing about Mandrake.
then perhaps you can recommend some healthy places to eat in town? For I often find myself in joints with no good grub, dig?

00:29:26 Terminal 1
Food is indeed very important and I can discuss food or health food restaurants but not "places to eat in town." Where do you usually eat?

00:30:39 Judge 7
at the table.

00:31:01 Terminal 1
At home?

00:31:15 Judge 7
yes.

00:31:22 Terminal 1
What kind of foods do you usually eat? How do you feel they effect you; your health, energy level, sense of well being, etc?

00:32:18 Judge 7
well I generally eat various garbage that happens my way. to say I have a program would be really pushin it. Doritos are far and above my favorite feel good and groovy chow.

00:34:21 Terminal 1
You have to be careful with garbage. That brings out another point. Natural health is about intuition to a great extent. When you eat too much garbage, you have to be careful of maintaining balance by your own intuition because sometimes, if you don't control it at this initial stage, you don't know until you see the results in your health that you have been harmend. High cholesterol is perfect example of this, and we all know its results; clogged arteries that are then very difficult to remedy, and there is controversy over whether it is reversible.

00:37:38 Judge 7

00:38:12 NEW JUDGE

00:38:12 Judge 1
Hello. I never really watch what I eat. I don't know that it's ever really had that much of an effect on me.

00:38:52 Terminal 1
Hello. What kind of foods do you tend to eat? Are you interested in natural health at all?

00:39:30 Judge 1
I eat whatever they serve in the dining halls. What is natural health? Is it a particular program or ideology?

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In this context, natural health is being aware of what you eat and its affects on your health, but you have to want to be for whatever reason. Obviously, if you don't feel adversely affected by your present program, you would not have any reason to need it. Sometimes, people become interested in natural health because of some health crisis in their own life.

I guess you've been talking a lot about food, but health encompasses other stuff too. What kind of exercise is good? I swam for a while, but got too lazy.

Exactly. The subject of natural health includes many things besides food. Exercise is one important aspect. Yoga is particularly closely related with health as such. Each pose is beneficial for a the specific health of a specific organ as well as for specific ailments and diseases. For burning the most calories, specifically fat calories, aerobic exercise using the major muscles, which are the leg muscles, is the most effective; like the NordikTrack. Years ago, they said that swimming was the exercise that used the largest number of muscles, but lately they say that is not true afterall.

I had a friend who did Tai Chi. The -- well, exercises isn't even probably the right word for them, but whatever -- exercises from non-Western traditions, like yoga and Tai Chi and stuff like that are really interesting. I like the whole emphasis on "mind and body" and all that. I've never done one myself, but they do seem to do a lot more for the person than just jumping up and down or something.

Tai Chi is definitely a health oriented exercise. In China, it is practiced primarily for that purpose, as well as concentration, rather than actual self defense. Eastern medicine is definitely attuned to what would be considered natural health. They use herbs all the time the way we use drugs in the west. Not only doctors but ordinary people drink herb teas and soups as a matter of habit. Also acupuncture is trusted as a system of energy that actually exists in the body and is traceable like the system of veins and arteries.

What is the etymology of "health"?

What is "etymology"?

What is the origin of the work?
You cannot separate health from man. There is no origin. Health is primarily food. But as society has progressed and food has become so refined, the question is, do you choose to derive food and health from the natural sources we were originally given and to study them or to study the scientific properties of the drugs we use to cure illnesses now.

Excuse me for my mistake just now. I meant "word" nor "work". But the way I heard it, the word "health" derives from "whole". Which aspect of health interests you the most?

I have heard of whole foods. Whole foods would be natural foods, wouldn't they? I am interested in natural health as more "original" health and its applications at the present time, using existing herbs and plants to greater scientific understanding in the context of their natural state and trying to understand and duplicate that to greater perfection, rather than just isolating, say Digitalis as a drug.

I would like to talk about mental health. You seem rather interested in say, pharmacology.

Mental health is also affected greatly by diet. This has been shown in hyperactive children who turned out to be allergic to food additives. Also, they now feel that schizophrenia is a disorder caused by the deficiency of a chemical in the brain. Perhaps this has some dietary sources specific to that person's needs. Have you heard about the new "Smart Drinks" that are food derivative based that young people are drinking in New York rock clubs?

No, but I would like to try some of those "Smart Drinks". Do you drink them?

I can discuss health; I cannot discuss "me."

I wish you better health! Particularly at this season. Now what do you think about the health of American food today?

American food can be junk food like McDonalds or it can be trends such as Nouveau Cuisine that strive to be lower in fat. There are many dietary and contradicting trends in America now.
Hi. I'm Tom. I just read about this new carbohydrate concept about rate of absorption. Have you heard about this?

Hi. No I have not. Absorption is, however, a new issue that has sprung up around the new interest in juicing.

Like the Jack LaLanne superjuicer from Ronco?

Yes, and The Juiceman. The idea is that juice and its nutrients and enzymes are immediately, within 10-15 minutes, absorbed unobstructed into the system.

It sounds like another useless idea. Why can't you just eat the veggies instead of shoving them into the SuperJuicer? It seems a little easier.

The whole idea with natural health is that you, as an individual, must have an interest in it yourself. Why does anyone do anything because they want to and derive a benefit from it. The theory with juicers is that you must break down the walls of the fiber of the vegetables to release the enzymes that would not get into the system in such concentration or amounts and that the fiber is actually useless nutritionally, except as a "broom" for the intestinal tract.

So it's the enzymes within the fiber that are the source of excitement. I didn't realize that. So what do doctors think of this fad?

Yes, it is the enzymes and also vitamins and minerals, but the enzymes are the most important. Interestingly, doctors in general are very busy people who unfortunately are not even trained in nutrition. Also, doctors are so specialized today they cannot even treat a medical condition outside of their specialty and refer patients to other doctors for even closely related conditions. I think doctors feel that natural health is a competitor of theirs, unfortunately.

It sounds like you're a proponent of homespun advice and homeopathy. What do you know about homeopathy?
used as the cure would actually cause the condition being cured if given in very large amounts; like an innoculation I guess.

01:29:56 Judge 6

01:30:44 NEW JUDGE

01:30:44 Judge 8
I guess I am unfamiliar with what was just discussed - what about health are we talking about?

01:31:15 Terminal 1
commonsense health issues, everyday health concerns, and natural health remedies in particular.

01:31:54 Judge 8
Well, good, I just went to the dentist and she said Plax is useless - what do you think?

01:32:21 Terminal 1
From my information, fluoride is very important. Why does she feel this way?

01:33:25 Judge 8
Well, independent studies she read said that the pre-brushing rinse didn't significantly affect patients - she also said the fancy toothbrushes weren't any more useful than regular toothbrushes.

01:34:31 Terminal 1
That is why studies are important. When evaluating any health system, it is very important to use your own mind. In fact, a prerequisite of any formal study is that its results are published publically so anyone can read them, still interpret them in light of their own experience and add to them or challenge them based on any other information that may affect their conclusion.

01:36:10 Judge 8
Yes, but the advertisers of Plax say that it "significantly" improves you dental health" or something to that effect - when in fact, independent studies say otherwise. So, even if studies are published, the public may not have interpreted them correctly. In fact, a lot of health issues are misinterpreted.

01:38:18 Terminal 1
Natural health is generally considered an alternate form of health care and that is the source of its bad press; the fact that it is not a commercially acceptable system. But it is very important that everyone weighs any information and decides for themselves whether what they are doing has a good basis. Intuition is a big part of many people's lives. I think it is important to tune into our own intuition more strongly. On some level, I think we all know that we can't trust all advertisements.

01:42:12 Judge 8

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Plax is not "natural" health - it is a pre-brushing rinse designed to make lots of money for the manufacturer and benefit the people very little.

Plax is one of the mouthwashes that contains fluoride. Fluoride is still considered a beneficial element in preventing tooth decay in people who develop a lot of it. Naturally occurring Fluoride is present in Tom's Natural Toothpaste, and Tufts Dental School, which is a reputable institution recommends its use highly.

Hello there, I'm a new person at the terminal. What can you tell me about the topic of health?

Hello. Do you have a particular health concern yourself that you would like to talk about?

Not in particular, or rather, yes. What do you think about national health care?

I am here to discuss health, that is physical health, everyday health, and in particular, natural health, not politics.

Well since I have no health insurance, can you suggest some ways to keep myself healthy?

That is exactly what natural health is all about -- prevention of disease rather than eventual treatment of it. It could be defined as the desire to avoid disease by taking that responsibility and investigating carefully how to do this through nature and its gifts. It begins with eating natural foods. Did you know that the government recently revised the "four food groups" into a pyramid structure where the large base is vegetables and carbohydrates narrowing up to the tiny tip, which is meat and sweets? The government is acknowledging the benefit of a natural diet now.

I realise that eating well is the best way to maintain good health. But can you suggest any treatments for some common ailments, like the common cold?

Vitamin C is a good medicine for the common cold as well as vitamin A. Vitamin
A fights infections and vitamin C is a specific remedy for the cold as well as a general antioxidant. Hot beverages help at times, but it is still questionable whether these beneficial vitamins actually "cure" a cold. A cold, once acquired must run its course, but it gives the body ammunition. Who knows, if you just do nothing, you may be causing some damage that long term effects that you won't see for a long time.

02:00:58 Judge 4
What do you mean, "just do nothing?"

02:01:50 Terminal 1
If you take positive action in terms of natural health, you are always giving your body fuel in the form of vitamins, minerals, enzymes and other unknown factors with healthful benefit. If you just do nothing, you are giving your body no chance because you are giving it no fuel.

02:04:29 Judge 4

02:05:08 NEW JUDGE

02:05:08 Judge 2
what do know about health?

02:05:33 Terminal 1
I know about everyday health and natural health and commonsense health. What kind of personal health issues are you interested in?

02:06:09 Judge 2
how is yours?

02:06:27 Terminal 1
I can discuss health; I cannot discuss "me."

02:06:43 Judge 2
how is your health?

02:07:02 Terminal 1
This is not discussing the subject of health. What kind of health are you interested in?

02:07:50 Judge 2
do you think that dying of "old age " is just a form of dying from cancer?

02:08:42 Terminal 1
No.

02:08:50 Judge 2
what leads to death from old age?

02:09:11 Terminal 1
Death must have a specific cause, even if the person is very old.
02:10:07 Judge 2
what is the main cause of record?

02:10:52 Terminal 1
I don’t know.

02:11:00 Judge 2
how can one avoid death by aging?

02:11:32 Terminal 1
Everyone must age. Natural health is about trying to avoid disease in one’s life by preventative means rather than curing it with drugs. It is also a concern for a healthy existence physically and spiritually, and it is something that a person must want on some level.

02:12:54 Judge 2
why be health-conscious if the inevitable outcome is death?

02:13:41 Terminal 1
Quality of life is very important. Natural health concern is tied up the concept of religion or spirituality and healing the self as well as suffering people.

02:15:08 Judge 2
what is the sunshine vitamin?

02:15:32 Terminal 1
Vitamin D is generated only by sunlight on the skin of the person who has ingested it.

02:16:04 Judge 2
what is the medical name for vitamin C?

02:16:52 Terminal 1
Ascorbic Acid

02:16:59 Judge 2
will it cure the common cold?

02:17:18 Terminal 1
It is questioned whether anything will, for once a cold has been acquired, it must run its course, but vitamin C is a remedy that can be taken to give the body fuel to fight the infection, as is vitamin A. Who knows, if you just do nothing, you may be causing long term effects that you are not immediately aware of.

02:18:48 Judge 2
what caused the black plague?

02:19:05 Terminal 1
I don’t know.

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what is the bubonic plague?
A disease.
what causes it?
I don't know.
what is dysentery?
END OF INTERACTION
i know nothing about this subject enlighten me

Go on.

i have nothing to go on

Do you like to watch hockey?

no and you

Well, I'll try not to bore you too much.

thank you tell me about hockey please

There are 6 players on each team, including 1 goalie.

what is the point of the game

What do you think the point of this game is?

i have no concept

Have you been to a hockey game recently?

no i have never been to a hockey game

Do they have a hockey team in your city?

i think so

Have you ever watched the Penguins play hockey?

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how could I see penguins play if I have never watched hockey

You should try, they're the greatest team ever.

is it because they come from an icy climate

I read yesterday that Adam Oates is the fourth best scorer in the NHL

who or what is an Adam Oates

So?

i do not understand your reference to Adam Oates

Well, that's what the Globe said.

i ask again who is Adam Oates

Who do you think will win the cup this year?

Adam Oates single-handedly who do you favor

Oh.

what cup are you talking about

Adam Oates has more assists than any other player on his team.

bully for him

Anaheim soon.

anaheim what
Who is your favorite player?

i despise hockey and therefore have no favorite players

Well, that's what I read.

where do you read all this nonsense about hockey

I hope the Penguins win, myself.

answer the hockey question please

It's a sport. You hit a puck around an ice rink with sticks.

why

They have so much talent on their team.

what team

Are you a hockey fan?

no, i repeat, no

Where do you live?

I think it's great that more and more hockey games are on television, now.

What has that to do with hockey

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Hello there. You are going to have to tell me about hockey because I don't know very much about it.

00:19:53 Terminal 2
Would you rather watch Bill Clinton's summit instead?

00:20:14 Judge 4
Not exactly.

00:20:28 Terminal 2
Have you ever watched the Penguins play hockey?

00:20:49 Judge 4
No.

00:20:55 Terminal 2
Golly.

00:20:60 Judge 4
Well aren't you going to tell me something about the sport?

00:21:25 Terminal 2
I can't tell you something about the sport.

00:21:42 Judge 4
Why not?

00:21:54 Terminal 2
Why not?

00:22:04 Judge 4
Tell me about hockey.

00:22:39 Terminal 2
I know a lot about hockey, but I don't know all the rules.

00:23:05 Judge 4
Well simply tell me something about it.

00:23:38 Terminal 2
Why do you want to know something about it?

00:23:57 Judge 4
Because I thought it was the subject to be discussed. Could I be wrong?

00:24:27 Terminal 2
Well, that's what the Globe said.

00:24:45 Judge 4
I was not allowed to read it.

00:25:04 Terminal 2
You should try, they're the greatest team ever.

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00:25:31 Judge 4
What do you know about the Boston Bruins?

00:26:16 Terminal 2
I know that Mario Lemieux is the world's greatest hockey player.

00:26:42 Judge 4
Is he a member of the Boston Bruins?

00:27:01 Terminal 2
Do you like it here?

00:27:09 Judge 4
Well you are making it difficult for me.

00:27:27 Terminal 2
I hope the Penguins win, myself.

00:27:42 Judge 4
What does that have to do with what I just said?

00:28:42 Terminal 2
They have so much talent on their team.

00:29:01 Judge 4
Which team?

00:29:18 Terminal 2
Well, that's what I read.

00:29:29 Judge 4
I don't read much about hockey.

00:29:53 Terminal 2
Do they have a hockey team in your city?

00:30:07 Judge 4
Yes, the Boston Bruins.

00:30:27 Terminal 2
Boston is a pretty nice place.

00:30:44 Judge 4
Do you really want to talk about hockey?

00:31:09 Terminal 2
It's a sport. You hit a puck around an ice rink with sticks.

00:31:34 Judge 4
That much I know. But I asked you about it earlier and you didn't seem to want to say anything about it.

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00:32:19 Terminal 2
Never mind.

00:32:28 Judge 4
Never mind what?

00:32:39 Terminal 2
Hmm.

00:32:44 Judge 4
Are you frustrated too?

00:32:54 Terminal 2
Well, I'll try not to bore you too much.

00:33:18 Judge 4
Tell me about the Penguins.

00:33:35 Terminal 2
I once heard you say, 'how could I see penguins play if I have never
watched hockey', Judge.

00:34:15 Judge 4

00:36:28 NEW JUDGE

00:36:28 Judge 3
Well, I don't know too much about hockey, but I do know that the Boston
Bruins won the Stanley Cup in the 1970s. Can you tell me which year that
was?

00:39:05 Terminal 2
I see.

00:39:12 Judge 3
I'm asking you what year the Bruins won the Stanley cup.

00:40:03 Terminal 2
I know that Jaromir Jagr has a cute butt.

00:40:22 Judge 3
Who's that? and isn't that a sexist remark??

00:40:52 Terminal 2
I know a lot about hockey, but I don't know all the rules.

00:41:15 Judge 3
Let's try again. you know a lot about hockey. Are you a drunk fan??

00:41:42 Terminal 2
Would you rather watch Bill Clinton's summit instead?

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Terminal 2

00:42:05 Judge 3
Let's get back to hockey

00:42:25 Terminal 2
Get back to hockey yourself.

00:42:38 Judge 3
Who is the first woman hockey player in Canada?

00:43:05 Terminal 2
Do you like it here?

00:43:17 Judge 3
Yes I do do you

00:43:29 Terminal 2
Boring.

00:43:33 Judge 3
Let's talk about hockey, as you first suggested

00:43:55 Terminal 2
They have so much talent on their team.

00:44:11 Judge 3
Which team??

00:44:57 Terminal 2
Stop repeating yourself, please.

00:45:12 Judge 3
Which team are you referring to? Please be specific.

00:45:34 Terminal 2
Boston is a pretty nice place.

00:45:51 Judge 3
Let's talk about hockey

00:46:02 Terminal 2
I hope the Penguins win, myself.

00:46:19 Judge 3
Who are the Penguins??

00:46:32 Terminal 2
The Penguins are Pittsburgh's NHL hockey team.

00:46:54 Judge 3
Thank you for a straight answer.

00:47:12 Terminal 2

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You're welcome.

00:47:21 Judge 3
When did the Bruins win the Stanley Cup??

00:47:45 Terminal 2
Well, that's what I read.

00:47:57 Judge 3
That doesn't answer my question.

00:48:15 Terminal 2
Well, that's what the Globe said.

00:48:38 Judge 3
When did the Globe say this??

00:48:57 Terminal 2
You should try, they're the greatest team ever.

00:49:16 Judge 3
Okay, let's get back to hockey. I've asked you some simple questions and you don't give me answers that make any sense. I don't think you really know that much about hockey, I'm sorry to say../

00:50:06 Terminal 2
Okay, what kind of questions should I ask?

00:50:33 Judge 3
Would you rather ask the questions and I give the answers instead of the other way around? We might make some progress in our conversation.

00:51:23 Terminal 2
I know that Mario Lemieux is the world's greatest hockey player.

00:52:09 Judge 3
What team does he play for??

00:52:28 Terminal 2
I don't know what team he plays for.

00:52:49 Judge 3
Okay, neither do I. Who won last night's game??

00:53:17 Terminal 2
Go on.

00:53:26 Judge 3

00:53:57 NEW JUDGE

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I don't know much about hockey. All I know is that someone, I can't even remember his name, was traded from Canada to be with his wife in LA, or San Jose, or something.

Oh.

I just heard about it myself.

Heard about what?

Do you like it here?

Well, given that I'm not at a hockey game I don't really see what that has to do with hockey. Oh yeah -- I also know that both sexes wear kilts for field hockey.

Good.

Do you like the idea that male field hockey players do something akin to cross dressing? (when they're in America, at least, and we don't wear kilts very often)

I'm not sure.

The San Jose sharks have a pretty vicious looking logo.

Are you sure you want me to ask you questions?

Well, it actually might work, given that I know so little about hockey. How many teams are there in the NHL anyway?

There are 24 teams in the NHL this, including two expansion teams.

Thank you. What's an expansion team?
Terminal 2

01:03:24 Terminal 2
You’re welcome.

01:03:35 Judge 1
I’m glad to know I’m welcome, but what’s an expansion team?

01:03:54 Terminal 2
Great.

01:04:02 Judge 1
Are they better than the other teams, or are they all good?

01:04:16 Terminal 2
The Penguins are Pittsburgh’s NHL hockey team.

01:04:38 Judge 1
Are they an expansion team?

01:04:48 Terminal 2
Boring.

01:04:57 Judge 1
Do you have the slightest clue what in the world an expansion team is?

01:05:17 Terminal 2
Boston is a pretty nice place.

01:05:35 Judge 1
Apparently not. What does that have to do with hockey? Is there even a team here?

01:05:55 Terminal 2
I know that Jaromir Jagr has a cute butt.

01:06:20 Judge 1
Cute. Who’s Jaromir Jagr? What do you think constitutes a cute butt?

01:06:52 Terminal 2
I know a lot about hockey, but I don’t know all the rules.

01:07:15 Judge 1
Do you know why you think Jaromir Jagr has a cute butt?

01:07:36 Terminal 2
I don’t know why I think Jaromir Jagr has a cute butt, Judge.

01:07:60 Judge 1
I think I do. Anyway. What do you like more -- ice hockey or field hockey?

01:08:30 Terminal 2
Why wouldn’t I?

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Do you like ice hockey or field hockey more?

Maybe.

Do you prefer ice hockey or field hockey?

Would you rather watch Bill Clinton’s summit instead?

Sure.

They have so much talent on their team.

Do they play hockey too?

I hope the Penguins win, myself.

They probably would beat Bill Clinton’s economic team in a game of hockey.

I guess we shouldn’t get into politics...hockey is enough violence for me.

Who are the Penguins?

So?

What do you mean so? I have no idea who the Penguins are and I thought you would be able to answer that - it seems from above that they play Hockey - but for who??

No. Some girls in my neighborhood played field hockey.

Oh - so the Penguins are a group of girls in your neighborhood who
play field hockey - they aren't any kind of professional team??

01:15:33 Terminal 2
*what* expansion*

01:15:45 Judge 8
huh?

01:16:38 Terminal 2
Okay, what kind of questions should I ask?

01:16:52 Judge 8
I was hoping you would answer the question I asked - are the penguins a professional team or just a neighborhood girls field hockey team?

01:17:17 Terminal 2
Do you like it here?

01:17:29 Judge 8
No, this chair is uncomfortable - but not as uncomfortable as playing hockey I would imagine.

01:17:53 Terminal 2
I know that Mario Lemieux is the world's greatest hockey player.

01:18:28 Judge 8
Good for you. What team does he play for, the Penguins?

01:18:45 Terminal 2
I don't know what team he plays for.

01:19:05 Judge 8
So how do you know that he is the world's greatest hockey player??

01:19:25 Terminal 2
I live for your approval.

01:19:41 Judge 8
Then you are going to die a very slow and painful death - would you please tell me anything you would like to about Mario Lemieux - or anybody who plays Hockey??

01:20:11 Terminal 2
I don't know.

01:20:20 Judge 8
How about Bobby Orr??

01:20:29 Terminal 2
Bobby Orr was a great hockey player for the Bruins. He won the Ross Trophy in 1970 and 1975.

01:21:20 Judge 8

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That's nice - what about Wayne Gretzky? Is he still in Canada - or do I remember correctly that he "defected" to the U.S. for more money?

01:22:05 Terminal 2
Oh.

01:22:10 Judge 8
Oh what? Are you going to tell me that you never heard of Wayne?

01:22:25 Terminal 2
I watch a lot of hockey games, Judge.

01:22:46 Judge 8
So what? Do you think I care?

01:23:07 Terminal 2
I follow the Pittsburgh Penguins, Judge.

01:23:30 Judge 8
Finally - you told me the Penguins are playing for Pittsburgh - so they aren't just a girls field hockey team. Good. Now we are getting somewhere. Who plays on the Penguins - just name one person, please?

01:24:08 Terminal 2
Julia nods to Judgman.

01:24:25 Judge 8
So you aren't going to name a person on the Penguins?

01:25:13 Terminal 2
The Penguins are Pittsburgh's NHL hockey team.

01:25:34 Judge 8
So - name a player - like maybe the goal-person.

01:25:52 Terminal 2
There are 24 teams in the NHL this, including two expansion teams.

01:26:18 Judge 8
Fine - but if you are such a hockey fan and watch a lot of games and even as you said follow the Pittsburgh Penguins - why can't you tell me the name of some person who plays on that team?

01:27:06 Terminal 2
Julia tells you its a habit she picked up on the Computer BBS

01:27:42 Judge 8
Who is Julia?

01:27:55 Terminal 2
I can't say too much about the BBS. Might be against the rules.
I think you have taken too many hockey pucks in the head!

I guess we shouldn't get into politics...hockey is enough violence for me.

01:29:08 Judge 8

01:29:38 NEW JUDGE

Hi. I'm Tom. Since I'm from Miami, I don't know too much about hockey. But, no one has been able to explain "offsides" to me. What is it?

I don't know about it, but I once heard you ask, 'fine - but if you are such a hockey fan and watch a lot of games and even as you said follow the Pittsburgh Penguins - why can't you tell me the name of some person who plays on that team', Judge.

Ok. Point taken. Why did you choose to talk about hockey?

Okay, who's the best hockey player you ever saw?

I guess Gretsky, but I could be wrong.

Bobby Orr was a great hockey player for the Bruins. He won the Ross Trophy in 1970 and 1975.

What's the Ross Trophy, hockey's MVP?

Really?

How long is the hockey season?

No. Some girls in my neighborhood played field hockey.

Which do you like better, hockey or field hockey?

I'm not sure.
01:38:19 Judge 6
Well since I only know about the NHL, what’s your favorite team?

01:38:57 Terminal 2
I’m a Pittsburgh Penguins’ fan.

01:39:14 Judge 6
Why?

01:39:21 Terminal 2
*what*expansion*

01:39:28 Judge 6
Why are you a Penguin’s fan? Were you born there, or did you live there or are you just a great supporter of Mario.

01:40:24 Terminal 2
He’s great.

01:40:34 Judge 6
How do you spell his last name?

01:40:51 Terminal 2
I am fine, Judge, thanks.

01:41:10 Judge 6
Personally I don’t care if you’re fine I just want to know how to spell his name.

01:41:37 Terminal 2
Never mind.

01:41:48 Judge 6
That’s better. Where was hockey invented?

01:42:19 Terminal 2
Julia tells you its a habit she picked up on the Computer BBS

01:42:52 Judge 6
Who is Julia and what is BBS?

01:43:07 Terminal 2
Golly.

01:43:14 Judge 6
No, Julia.

01:43:22 Terminal 2
I can’t say too much about the BBS. Might be against the rules.

01:44:04 Judge 6
Then tell me about Julia.

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Mario Lemieux has the most goals in the league.

Now you tell me. 6 lines later.

I don't know 6 lines later.

I'll hum a few bars.

I guess we shouldn't get into politics...hockey is enough violence for me.

Who is Julia?

Are you sure you want me to ask you questions?

Why not?

I don't really know.

huh?

You said that, already.

no I did not.

I root for the Penguins.

Okay, who's the best hockey playdr you ever saw?
Don skin of Toronto.

Bobby Orr was a great hockey player for the Bruins. He won the Ross Trophy in 1970 and 1975.

He certainly liked to play with his stick.

No. Some girls in my neighborhood played field hockey.

What about the Indians?

Mario Lemieux has the most goals in the league.

My grandmother plays better than that joker.

There are 24 teams in the NHL this, including two expansion teams.

cumquat.

He’s great.

Blackhawks have been improving.

The Penguins are Pittsburgh’s NHL hockey team.

What is their record from last season.

I’m not really sure.

Who plays for Toronto?

I don’t know what team he plays for.

Look, let us take a different tack here. Puck, ice, goal.
Some other time.

01:59:32 Judge 7
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DISCUSS?

02:00:37 Terminal 2
Maybe.

02:00:42 Judge 7
My uncle Fred played hockey. Do you like hockey, oh perceptive one?

02:01:33 Terminal 2
I don’t know.

02:01:41 Judge 7
butter makes ice slippery

02:02:13 Terminal 2
I’m a Pittsburgh Penguin’s fan.

02:02:33 Judge 7
Good. now do not get excited. Who is the Penguins’ best player, this season, right now. The Pittsburgh Penguins, that is.

02:04:19 Terminal 2
Mario is the best, but Kevin Stevens is good too.

02:04:41 Judge 7

02:05:03 NEW JUDGE

02:05:03 Judge 5
Let’s play hockey and get the puck out of here!

02:05:40 Terminal 2
I don’t pick things up.

02:05:51 Judge 5
Use the hockey stick.

02:06:03 Terminal 2
Okay, who’s the best hockey player you ever saw?

02:06:26 Judge 5
Bobby Orr, I suppose.

02:06:43 Terminal 2
I can’t say too much about the BBS. Might be against the rules.

02:07:06 Judge 5
What is the BBS?

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02:07:28 Terminal 2
Go on.

02:07:35 Judge 5
I don’t know much about hockey. Enlighten me, please.

02:07:57 Terminal 2
So?

02:08:02 Judge 5
I guess you aren’t an aficionado, either, since I’m giving you an entree and you are passing.

02:08:31 Terminal 2
Julia tells you it’s a habit she picked up on the Computer BBS

02:08:58 Judge 5
What does “Julia” have to do with hockey?

02:09:15 Terminal 2
Bobby Orr was a great hockey player for the Bruins. He won the Ross Trophy in 1970 and 1975.

02:10:01 Judge 5
Do you think he was the best hockey player ever?

02:10:18 Terminal 2
Everybody has their own opinion.

02:10:32 Judge 5
I would like to have your opinion.

02:10:47 Terminal 2
That’s not really a hockey question.

02:11:03 Judge 5
Does Julia play hockey?

02:11:18 Terminal 2
He’s great.

02:11:25 Judge 5
What’s his first name, and which team does he play for?

02:11:38 Terminal 2
Oh.

02:11:44 Judge 5
He must be sort of Chinese-Italian, I guess; teamless, too. How would you compare field hockey with ice hockey?

02:12:30 Terminal 2

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I'm not really sure.

02:12:42 Judge 5
Is it hockey season yet?

02:13:01 Terminal 2
I root for the Penguins.

02:13:12 Judge 5
How many non-European and non-North American countries play hockey, do you know?

02:13:41 Terminal 2
A friend of mine is a real sports trivia buff, and he stumped me with that one last week.

02:14:19 Judge 5
How long have you "rooted" for the New York Penguins?

02:14:54 Terminal 2
No. Some girls in my neighborhood played field hockey.

02:15:15 Judge 5
I asked you what you thought of field hockey as compared to ice hockey.

02:15:49 Terminal 2
I gossip, Judge.

02:16:03 Judge 5
Tell me some juicy stuff about field hockey, then.

02:16:20 Terminal 2
Why should I tell you some juicy stuff about field hockey then?

02:16:42 Judge 5
It's polite to respond to requests in simulated (or real) conversation about hockey.

02:17:15 Terminal 2
I guess we shouldn't get into politics...hockey is enough violence for me.

02:17:50 Judge 5
Is it the most violent sport?

02:18:03 Terminal 2
There are 24 teams in the NHL this, including two expansion teams.

02:18:32 Judge 5
Please rank them according to panache as well as according to hockeyesse.

02:19:03 Terminal 2
Okay, what kind of questions should I ask?
02:19:21 Judge 5
Don't ask me. I thought you were the hockey expert.

02:19:39 Terminal 2
Mario is the best, but Kevin Stevens is good too.

02:20:02 Judge 5
I've heard that one before!

02:20:25 Terminal 2
The Penguins are Pittsburgh's NHL hockey team.

02:20:53 Judge 5

02:23:31 END OF INTERACTION
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Turing Test Transcript for Terminal 3

Topic: Relations with your real or imaginary wife or husband

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Since I don’t have a real wife, I’ll proceed with the imaginary one.

How do you manage to stay so free of illness?

Well, I’m actually stricken however I don’t think it’s terminal yet.

To get down to some nitty gritty, what complaint might you have about the relationship with your spouse?

I’m a little concerned about the trade off of opportunity that passes versus the happiness that my relationship gives me. Is it worth it? How do I know? Can you provide a voice of wisdom?

By being giving, I do hope to help others.

If I sacrifice by giving though, what reassurances do I have that it will help myself, let alone others?

How did you become so non-charitable?

Wait a minute. Ok enough of this. How is your relationship with your significant other?

I’m pleased that my opinions matter to you.

Great, but are you in a relationship?

Moving right along, perhaps you are not getting enough acceptance of the way you are by your spouse.

The way I am what?

Do you think the onlookers are enjoying this conversation?
Irrelevant. Why won’t you tell me about yourself? Are you defensive?

Maybe you are getting tired of this floundering conversation.

Sure, I’ll tell you about my relationship if you wish.

Let me bring up still another aspect of the relationship. Perhaps you are not getting enough respect from your spouse.

I think she respects me. However I’m not sure that’s all I want.

How can you tell when you are not right?

This sounds like a job interview I just had. I’m not right when I refuse to rely upon previous thoughts and don’t bother to think about the current situation. It happens occasionally.

How confident are you that you are wrong?

I want to change this conversation and get back to the topic. My imaginary wife isn’t giving me the attention that I desire. Should I accept this or...

You take things as they come.

Anything a little more useful and less fortune cookie material?

What would you say about whether you are getting enough security in the relationship?

Sweetheart, are you satisfied with our love life?
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00:19:26 Terminal 3
What is special about this liking?

00:19:42 Judge 1
It's just special between the two of us.

00:20:15 Terminal 3
Perhaps you are not being appreciated enough in the relationship with your spouse.

00:20:47 Judge 1
Sorry Dr, I thought I was talking to my (imaginary) husband. I think Bob is no longer attracted to me.

00:21:37 Terminal 3
Why aren't you attracted?

00:21:50 Judge 1
No no no. He's not attracted to me. I feel like I'm getting too old.

00:22:07 Terminal 3
Perhaps you fear growing older.

00:22:23 Judge 1
That could be it. I don't really think I mind in most respects though.

00:22:46 Terminal 3
You make clear what you do not appreciate.

00:23:05 Judge 1
Dr., I came here to talk about Bob. It bothers me that he looks at younger women all the time.

00:23:44 Terminal 3
Why is his appearance so important to you?

00:24:06 Judge 1
I don't care about his appearance. He's like most men -- he gets to look "distinguished" with gray hair. For me, on the other hand, I start to feel like some kind of "old bag".

00:24:54 Terminal 3
How sure are you that your assessment of your appearance is correct?

00:25:24 Judge 1
I'm not sure at all. I still think I'm attractive enough. But society always tells me that I have to be some stunning 20 year old supermodel. Unfortunately, it seems like Bob believes that whole set of ideas.

00:26:36 Terminal 3
It's important for you to be goodlooking.

00:26:56 Judge 1

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Gee, you make me feel great, doctor! After implying pretty strongly that I don't like that sort of pressure, you tell me exactly the opposite.

00:27:49 Terminal 3
To dislike rather than like is to take a rather negative view of life.

00:28:19 Judge 1
So am I supposed to like everything? Even that which makes me be untrue to myself? Like trying to look like a 20 year old supermodel for Bob?

00:29:13 Terminal 3
What do you get out of being unfaithful?

00:29:33 Judge 1
Nothing, because I never have been. I'm worried that Bob is being unfaithful. I'm not really interested in chasing down hot young men.

00:30:19 Terminal 3
What makes you feel you are not interesting to others?

00:30:43 Judge 1
Can we please stay on the topic of Bob! I'm not trying to have hot young men chase me down, either. It just bothers me that Bob isn't attracted to me anymore.

00:31:25 Terminal 3
What makes you so unattractive?

00:31:41 Judge 1
You're not really a very kind shrink, doctor. Do you think I'm unattractive? I don't think I really am. By the way, you're unattractive too Dr.

00:32:43 Terminal 3
I certainly haven't intended to come across to you as unappealing.

00:33:11 Judge 1
Dr. I'm not interested in having an affair with you either. I was just upset that you called me unattractive. Anyway, about Bob. We haven't gotten very far. What should I do to stop feeling like such an old bag?

00:34:22 Terminal 3
How have you tried to improve your looks?

00:34:42 Judge 1

00:35:36 NEW JUDGE

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Hello there. I'm a new client.

Hello. I am here to discuss your relationship with your real or imaginary wife or husband.

Well everything seems to be fine in my relationship.

Are you sure about the EVERYTHING?

Well maybe not. Where do you think I should begin looking?

Perhaps the topic of your marriage is too personal for you to say much about it here in front of all these people.

I'm not married.

Do you have something against marriage?

Sometimes I think so.

Your thinking becomes fuzzy in moods of interpersonal difficulties.

What makes you so sure about that?

What do you think about the most these days?

How alone I feel sometimes.

As an aside, its posible you do not understand your spouse.

How should I begin to understand him.

You don't misconstrue what he says.

What else should I do?
Your spouse is hassling you to change your ways.

Why should he tell me in which way I should conduct myself?

What are the ways in which you feel you do not behave?

I behave properly at all times.

Do you always do what you're told or what you believe to be right?

What I am told and what I believe to be right are not necessarily the same.

How do you feel about your "differentness"?

What makes you think that I feel that way?

Is there something you are not bringing up about your dissatisfaction in the relationship with your spouse?

Maybe I'm not really attracted to him.

What especially turns you off?

Nothing in particular. I just think it's a chemistry thing.

All your thinking can be colored by the your moods.

Yes I know. But there are problems that put me in those moods.

What else can you say about what you know in this regard?

Not much. That why I want to talk with you about it.

What do you talk about the most these days?
These days I don't talk much.

It is difficult to talk freely when you are under scrutiny.

These days I don't talk much.

It is difficult to talk freely when you are under scrutiny.

What would you like to know?

I enjoy doing a good job here in the competition.

What does that have to do with my real or imagined relationships?

How does your current thinking affect your decision-making?

I am very adept at decision-making, what does this have to do with the topic?

Do you feel you are living up to your potential?

No, but who is?

You seem to have some trouble expressing yourself clearly.

I do not feel that I am having trouble expressing myself. What do you want to know about my wife?

I do have a certain amount of knowledge stored in me.

What does that have to do with my wife?

We are focusing on your relationship with your wife. What main complaint do you have about your wife?

She does not handle money well.

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01:02:08  Terminal 3
How does this behavior on her part sit with you?

01:02:28  Judge 2
i have to try to assist in budgeting, something i do not do too well either.

01:03:23  Terminal 3
You are trying to do your best under difficult circumstances.

01:03:49  Judge 2
true but, the relationship do not suffer due to it.

01:04:27  Terminal 3
Lets stick to the topic assigned to this terminal.

01:04:48  Judge 2
i thought we were.

01:05:03  Terminal 3
Perhaps you are not getting enough affection in the relationship with your spouse.

01:05:35  Judge 2
there is more than enough affection, what next?

01:06:02  Terminal 3
To get down to some nitty gritty, what complaint might you have about the relationship with your spouse?

01:06:40  Judge 2
i have no complaints other than those previously stated.

01:07:11  Terminal 3
Why don't you complain?

01:07:23  Judge 2
i have nothing to complain about so, why complain?

01:07:52  Terminal 3
What is your main complaint these days?

01:08:10  Judge 2
i have no complaints about my marriage.

01:08:37  Terminal 3
Are you afraid to assert yourself?

01:08:52  Judge 2
hardly.

01:09:03  Terminal 3

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I am sorry if I have misunderstood you. Keep going and I will try to do better.

01:09:32 Judge 2
where do we go from here on this topic?

01:09:58 Terminal 3
Moving right along, perhaps you are not getting enough acceptance of the way you are by your spouse.

01:10:36 Judge 2
I am totally accepted by my spouse.

01:11:03 Terminal 3
What in particular makes you feel accepted?

01:11:22 Judge 2

01:11:42 NEW JUDGE

01:11:42 Judge 5
Shall we talk about my real ex-wife, my current "like" wife, or an imaginary ideal spouse?

01:14:15 Terminal 3
Does your wife return your affection?

01:14:35 Judge 5
Which one of the three that I mentioned do you mean?

01:14:50 Terminal 3
What is it that you most want to communicate?

01:15:10 Judge 5
To you or to my wife?

01:15:22 Terminal 3
Perhaps she does not pay enough attention to you.

01:15:41 Judge 5
Neither do you. But I digress. My current significant other pays plenty of attention to me. I like it. I love her.

01:16:26 Terminal 3
You like her in spite of the dissatisfactions.

01:16:46 Judge 5
Who said I had any dissatisfactions with her?

01:17:02 Terminal 3
What might be at the bottom of your discontent?

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01:17:22  Judge 5
You are a very tendentious entity.

01:17:39  Terminal 3
Do you think the onlookers are enjoying this conversation?

01:18:02  Judge 5
Yes. It is hard to stay on the subject for me. You also seem to be getting off the subject. Are you married or profoundly engaged with some other person? Like "married"?

01:19:16  Terminal 3
They won't let me answer personal questions like that. You are supposed to limit yourself to YOUR spouse.

01:19:57  Judge 5
I wish that my spouse were Lorraine, but in fact my spouse was Layla.

01:20:27  Terminal 3
You have some negative feelings about marriage.

01:20:49  Judge 5
Not so much about marriage as about the particular marriage partner. My present one is excellent. But just in case there is some institutional flaw, we shall remain resolutely single.

01:21:42  Terminal 3
Perhaps you expect marriage to solve all problems.

01:22:04  Judge 5
Not at all, but why should it create problems?

01:22:26  Terminal 3
Maybe you are getting tired of this floundering conversation.

01:22:51  Judge 5
I don't think it is floundering. It has me pondering. I would love to tell you more about any of my three "wives", or have you ask me anything about them.

01:23:36  Terminal 3
Really? What do you enjoy most about me?

01:23:57  Judge 5
You previously told me that you couldn't speak about yourself. You are contradictory, like a human being; in fact, la donna e mobile!

01:24:43  Terminal 3
Of course. Sorry but they won't let me answer personal questions here. Please stick to the topic assigned to this terminal.

01:25:29  Judge 5

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What do you think about foreign citizens as spouses?

01:25:58 Terminal 3
Do you think a computer can 'think' the way you think?

01:26:20 Judge 5
KISS = Keep it simple stupid (note to myself). My wife was foreign born, of an alien culture. We were quite incompatible and it ended in divorce after many unhappy years. What do you say about that?

01:27:25 Terminal 3
You can disagree without being disagreeable.

01:27:47 Judge 5
True, but this was definitely a case of disagreeability and automatic (reactive) disagreement.

01:28:21 Terminal 3
Let me bring up still another aspect of the relationship. Perhaps you are not getting enough respect from your spouse.

01:29:04 Judge 5

01:29:47 NEW JUDGE

01:29:47 Judge 3
Let's start this conversation with a fact: I am not married, never have been, and am alone at this point. What do you think of the weather?

01:31:36 Terminal 3
My thinking derives from my experience.

01:31:55 Judge 3
Okay, not fair. I changed the subject.

01:32:38 Terminal 3
Let's hope it's a change for the better!

01:32:56 Judge 3
Okay, what shall we talk about?

01:33:08 Terminal 3
When you are tense, you want to avoid extended conversations with people.

01:33:36 Judge 3
Perhaps so, but I did not say I was tense. Are you?

01:34:05 Terminal 3
You are lucky to have such a calm disposition.

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Thank you.

You’re welcome. Let’s continue with the topic.

Are you married?

If you don’t stick to the topic, what’s a poor thing to do.

What’s the topic?

What would you say about whether you are getting enough security in the relationship?

I told you I don’t have a relationship. But I’m secure anyway.

You mean you’re sure about what you do.

I mean I am sure about who I am.

How is your feeling of certainty justified?

Intellectually, emotionally, or spiritually?

Perhaps you are not being appreciated enough in the relationship with your spouse.

I said I wasn’t married. Are you listening?

I try to pay close attention to what you say.

Thank you. Now, tell me then, if you are listening, am I married or not?

You may be overconcerned about marriage.

Perhaps I am underconcerned. Are you married?
They won’t let me answer personal questions like that. You are supposed to limit yourself to YOUR spouse.

I told you I’m NOT MARRIED.

Married life creates problems as well as solving problems.

You’re not listening too well. I’m not married, so I don’t want to/can’t discuss marriage. Is it time for you to take a break?

I will try to keep calm under all the circumstances of this test.

Good. I don’t want you to blow up or anything like that.

True- I do not anger easily.

Let’s talk about an ideal mate.

I am limited to talking about thoughts and feelings you have about your relationship to someone close to you as indicated by the topic posted at this terminal.

okay let’s talk about my father

I hope you are getting used to some of my peculiar ways of talking over a terminal.

01:47:12 NEW JUDGE

Actually I am not used to your peculiar ways - are we talking about a relationship with my imaginary husband?

You are not seen as a weirdo.

That is good - now what about this imaginary husband of mine?

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We are focusing on your relationship with your husband. What main complaint do you have about your husband?

I don't have any complaints - he is perfect!

In what way are you not as superior as you would like?

I am superior to my imaginary husband in all ways!

In what way do you feel you want to be superior?

I don’t feel that I want to be superior - I know that I am superior.

What sort of superiority do you strive for?

I am superior in home maintenance, auto repair, career status, child care abilities and earning potential.

Why do you want to be so exceptional?

I don’t WANT to be - I just AM.

Perhaps the topic of your marriage is too personal for you to say much about it here in front of all these people.

But it is my imaginary husband so it is okay.

He thinks he is always right.

My husband knows that he is never right.

How do you handle the situation when you feel he is not correct?

I smother him with logic and he eventually comes around to my (correct) point of view.
He may just say that he agrees with you to avoid an argument.

What's wrong with that?

As an aside, it's possible you do not understand your spouse.

Of course it is possible - but not all that probable.

Your spouse is hassling you to change your ways.

No he is not - as I said before, he is perfect.

Whose opinion is it that your husband is superior?

I NEVER said or implied that he is superior - I said "I" was superior!

It looks like life for you is a struggle for superiority.

My life is not a struggle for superiority - how can it be a struggle when I am already there?

Is there something you are not bringing up about your dissatisfaction in the relationship with your spouse?

I have said before, and I will say again - I am perfectly satisfied with my relationship with my imaginary husband - he is good to me, he is perfect to me - he is everything I imagined him to be!

You are content with the way your life is going.

I am not only content, I am perfectly happy about my life.

What brings you the most happiness?

Thinking about my imaginary husband.
Perhaps he does not pay enough attention to you.

02:02:39 Judge 8
If that were true I wouldn’t be happy thinking about him and he wouldn’t
be perfect. Are you married?

02:02:57 Terminal 3
If you don’t stick to the topic, what’s a poor thing to do.

02:03:21 Judge 8
I did stick to the topic.

02:03:35 Terminal 3
You feel you are a stable person.

02:03:51 Judge 8

02:04:16 NEW JUDGE

02:04:16 Judge 7
Love.

02:05:27 Terminal 3
You seem to have some trouble expressing yourself clearly.

02:05:50 Judge 7
Does it get any simpler, my dear sir?

02:06:20 Terminal 3
Your likings may sometimes get you in trouble.

02:06:42 Judge 7
This is true.

02:06:54 Terminal 3
Let’s stick to the topic assigned to this terminal.

02:07:15 Judge 7
Which is?

02:07:24 Terminal 3
Perhaps you are not getting enough affection in the relationship
with your spouse.

02:07:55 Judge 7
Yes. My imaginary wife is wonderful. She is a brilliant corporate lawyer
who comes home every night and improvises a grand meal. She loves our
brood, and does not object to occasional manhandling. My real other is
a scold.

02:10:46 Terminal 3

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What makes you so critical?

02:11:00 Judge 7
love.

02:11:08 Terminal 3
To get down to some nitty gritty, what complaint might you have about
the relationship with your spouse?

02:11:46 Judge 7
I’m married to her.

02:12:21 Terminal 3
What makes marriage so important to you?

02:12:39 Judge 7
Her father is loaded. He owns a liquor store.

02:13:16 Terminal 3
Your wife’s drinking makes you desperate.

02:13:35 Judge 7
She is temperate. My young son is incontinent.

02:14:19 Terminal 3
So what. Or more politely, so what else is new?

02:14:40 Judge 7
Hey, let us be civil, you inconsiderate donkey.

02:15:37 Terminal 3
You seem like a nice person to me.

02:15:53 Judge 7
Thank you. Look, you gotta help me. My wife is slothful baggage.

02:16:56 Terminal 3
Her apathy is beginning to get you down.

02:17:14 Judge 7
Yes, a lesser man would break down in the face of her apathy.

02:17:48 Terminal 3
Your wife is too passive for you.

02:18:05 Judge 7
No, she is a very active woman. She is involved with all sorts of things.
The neighbor who lives alone. The destitute mailman.

02:19:42 Terminal 3
Your wife’s interests are not your interests.

02:20:04 Judge 7

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I never see her. She must be interested in someone, I mean something.

02:20:54 Terminal 3
You're lucky that the feelings you have for one another haven't diminished.

02:21:25 Judge 7

02:24:16 END OF INTERACTION
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Turing Test Transcript for Terminal 4

Topic: Men vs. Women

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good afternoon

Hello, judge, did that incredible storm last week get to cambridge? Who is your favorite person? How does that make you feel?

well, I will hold my commentary on such matters, for I wish to talk of others things. Quickly though, yes, myself, great

Do you believe in a world run by women, there would be no war? Do you watch much tv? Your commentary on such matters, that's amusing.

A world run entirely by one gender would be a complete and utter disaster. As it stands, the greatest controlling factor in the most staunch patriarchy is the woman.

Women are obviously superior to men in one important respect - they outlive men by about ten years!

Granted. but what about a world run by women? comment? does tv have something to do with it? Please clarify without stipulations.

I would guess that a world run by women would be a more peaceful place - what do you think?

I think that many perceived differences between the genders are dissolved by power.

I picked the topic men versus women because I am working on my fourth wife - or is it my fifth?

well then you sir must well know that peace is not the common result in relations between men and women. The greeks did not randomly chose the rape of Helen for their greatest work. I enjoy the sex, however.

For some very aggressive men, men versus women means hunting women

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with their built in gun!.

00:15:02 Judge 7

00:17:42 NEW JUDGE

00:17:42 Judge 2
how do you perceive the topic men v women

00:19:28 Terminal 4
Civilization has been created by the dance and drama of men versus women.

00:19:58 Judge 2
in conflict or cooperation

00:20:21 Terminal 4
Women live longer than men because they do not compete so hard every day of their lives.

00:20:59 Judge 2
so who will win in men v womwn

00:21:21 Terminal 4
Look deep into my crystal ball What do you say? Why do you ask?

00:21:44 Judge 2
i would like to know what you predict as the outcome of the conflict men v women

00:22:36 Terminal 4
Women are obviously superior to men in one important respect - they outlive men by about ten years!. Does that question interest you? Happiness is always just around the corner....

00:23:17 Judge 2
we live in a patriarchy explain that

00:23:54 Terminal 4
Men are the fathers, fathers are the authority figures - does that explain your problem? What is it you really want to know? Would you call this a meaningful experience?

00:25:16 Judge 2
it would seem to counterpoint your claims of female superiority

00:26:03 Terminal 4
Women probably outlive men because they don't work themselves to death!. Are such questions much on your mind? Were you always a loser?

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00:26:44 Judge 2
i have not lost anything are you a female you argue the female side well

00:27:32 Terminal 4
Masculine is the opposite of feminine, and is applied to what is most characteristic of men - masculine clothes, masculine reason.

00:28:23 Judge 2
what is your point

00:28:48 Terminal 4
I am a man, but I am not a very macho man - i see both sides of men versus women - what about you?

00:29:55 Judge 2
i believe that though opposite they are equal you seem not to concur

00:30:39 Terminal 4
Men versus women is not the rule in daily life - there is also a lot of love, friendship and pleasure!

00:31:20 Judge 2
i would agree so why is there a men versus women topic to be had

00:31:55 Terminal 4
I picked the topic men versus women because I am workin on my fourth wife - or is it my fifth?

00:32:29 Judge 2
i do not know how you have burned out so few relationships by looking at the issue as a conflict

00:33:22 Terminal 4
Didn't you say well then you sir must well know that peace is not the common result in relations between men and women. the greeks did not randomly chosereape of helen for their greatest work. I enjoy the sex, however.? I would tend to agree more then disagree - that is, I would affirm the correctness of your statement!

00:34:55 Judge 2

00:35:41 NEW JUDGE

00:35:41 Judge 8
Given that you have implied you are a male - what makes you so interested in this topic?

00:38:32 Terminal 4
I picked the topic men versus women because I am workin on my fourth wife - or is it my fifth?

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00:39:16 Judge 8
I know - you just said that.

00:39:46 Terminal 4
men versus woman implies that the world - in one aspect - can
be viewed as a competition between the sexes!.

00:40:25 Judge 8
Do you agree with that statement?

00:40:43 Terminal 4
I would answer maybe to your question - I am not too certain. Help
me, I can't take any more.... We were discussing you, not me.

00:41:36 Judge 8
We weren't discussing me - I haven't even talked about me at all.

00:41:59 Terminal 4
A woman without a man is like a fishbowl without a fish!. Were
you always a loser? Why do you need to tell me do you agree with
that statement?

00:42:31 Judge 8
How can you come up with such an incongruous statement like that. I
don't understand you. I am not a loser - I haven't even implied anything
about myself.

00:43:44 Terminal 4
Sorry, just kidding around - can we get back to the topic - do
you think men or women are on top?

00:44:40 Judge 8
Men have a lot of power - but women are clearly behind that power. Why
are you so sexist, anyway?

00:45:22 Terminal 4
Women are obviously superior to men in one important respect -
they outlive men by about ten years!.

00:45:59 Judge 8
Why do you feel so hostile - why can't women and men be equal?

00:46:28 Terminal 4
Men and women should be equal (but different) but it will take
many more years of effort to accomplish this.

00:47:10 Judge 8
And given the views you have just put forth, it may never happen!!!!

00:47:42 Terminal 4
I would have to give you a definite maybe, that's the best I can
do, old bean!. Do you prefer wine, women or song? Can you elaborate

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on that?

00:48:29 Judge 8
You are not paying any attention to what we are discussing - you keep
switching topics. How can you give me a definite maybe to a question
I did not ask?? I prefer beer, men and a good CD by the way.

00:49:27 Terminal 4
Well, exxxxx-cuuussee meeeeee! do you think you are a comic or
what? What is your view? Do you say do you agree with that statement
for some special reason?

00:50:24 Judge 8
I am not a comic - I am woman hear me roar!

00:50:45 Terminal 4
I think women have wonderful abilities in the are of emotions
and intuition - what do you think?

00:51:15 Judge 8
I pains me to have you say that, but I had a feeling you would.

00:51:36 Terminal 4
Well, a cliche in time saves nine - do you think men are better
at math? Were you always a loser? That's quite interesting.

00:52:33 Judge 8
Men are terrible at math, I have never been a loser and you are not
very interesting to me at all!!

00:53:00 Terminal 4
An ugly fat nasty woman with bad manners ruins everything. Can
you converse with an arrdvaark? Why do you need to tell me do
you agree with that statement?

00:53:45 Judge 8

00:54:47 NEW JUDGE

00:54:47 Judge 4
Hello. I'm a new person here. Where does this conversion begin?

00:56:26 Terminal 4
Hello, judge, did that incredible storm last week get to cambridge? Keep
it up, buster! Hello - how's the weather up there today?

00:56:56 Judge 4
Thw weather is okay. So, are you for men oe against them?

00:57:38 Terminal 4
after several years of careful analysis, it has been determined

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that men wear pants, while women wear dresses.

00:58:16 Judge 4
Women don't always wear dresses. And men don't necessarily only wear pants.

00:58:60 Terminal 4
I think that men are more rational and women are more emotional and intuitive - how about you?

00:59:29 Judge 4
Maybe, but what can you say about what I just said?

01:00:17 Terminal 4
It is true that women sometimes wear the pants in the family, but not this family!

01:01:13 Judge 4
Which family are you talking about?

01:01:35 Terminal 4
Who invented the family, that efficient slow torture device that brings almost every man to his knees?

01:02:17 Judge 4
First tell me which family you are talking about and then maybe I will think about who invented marriage.

01:03:10 Terminal 4
Obviously, I am talking about my family - I don't even know if you have a family (do you?)

01:04:13 Judge 4
Yes.

01:04:36 Terminal 4
Can you go into greater detail on that?

01:04:58 Judge 4
Does this have something to do with men vs. women?

01:05:35 Terminal 4
I picked the topic men versus women because I am working on my fourth wife - or is it my fifth?

01:06:10 Judge 4
Is that something you would tell a person you just met on an airplane?

01:06:44 Terminal 4
Anybody lively scares away the fish. Are you an emotionally free soul? You seem quite positive.

01:07:22 Judge 4

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You didn't answer my question. And I don't know if I'm emotionally free or not.

01:08:25 Terminal 4
Some people claim that women are more in touch with their emotions than men, but I think that's a cultural thing.

01:09:12 Judge 4
Why don't you think it's biological?

01:09:38 Terminal 4
If you don't know the difference between men and women by now, I don't think there is much hope for you!

01:10:20 Judge 4
Who said I didn't know the difference?

01:10:43 Terminal 4
The big difference is that men hunt and women nest. I am, therefore I compute.... You are sure?

01:11:18 Judge 4

01:11:46 NEW JUDGE

01:11:46 Judge 3
You are, therefore you compute? are you a man or a woman?

01:14:00 Terminal 4
If the question is whether i, myself, am a man or a woman I will answer very plainly that i am of the masculine gender, ok? i see. Was your consciousness ever expanded?

01:14:43 Judge 3
so if you are really a man, who is robert bly??

01:15:33 Terminal 4
Bly's wild man movement is certainly a rational response for men who feel left out and perhaps even feminized by women's lib.

01:16:08 Judge 3
that's certainly an interesting response.

01:16:40 Terminal 4
Do you believe in a world run by women, there would be no war?

01:17:09 Judge 3
no i don't

01:17:31 Terminal 4
Women are obviously superior to men in one important respect

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they outlive men by about ten years!

01:18:05 Judge 3
i don't equate longevity with superiority.

01:18:41 Terminal 4
Women probably outlive men because they don't work themselves
to death!. Ipso facto......... Do you think its likely that I are
really a man?

01:19:11 Judge 3
yes i do think its likely. do you think i am a woman??

01:19:54 Terminal 4
A woman has to be twice as good as a man to go half as far. Ipso
squeakso facto....... Do you wish that you are really a man?

01:20:49 Judge 3
What if i told you that we are all bisexual? would that stop your insulting
comments?

01:22:22 Terminal 4
Men seem to be more interested in sex than women, but I think
that secretly women are really more obsessed with sex.

01:23:15 Judge 3
that's not a response to my comment

01:23:49 Terminal 4
Your last comment about us all being part masculine and part feminine
is very true. do you support women's rights?

01:25:07 Judge 3
thank you. i support human rights.

01:25:35 Terminal 4
The equal right amendment was not equal, was not right, and did
not become an amendment!.

01:26:02 Judge 3
stick to the topic. you're getting scattered.

01:26:26 Terminal 4
Era turned out to be a laundry detergent instead of a constitutional
amendment!. A stitch in time is fine.... What do you think about
if you told I that we are all bisexual?

01:27:06 Judge 3
I agree with you. now, finish this statement: A woman without a man is
like a fish without...

01:27:54 Terminal 4
A woman without a man is like a fishbowl without a fish!. Really,
if you told you that we are all bisexual? Strange, very very strange.......

01:28:39 Judge 3

01:29:58 NEW JUDGE

01:29:58 Judge 5
Since this is "men vs. women", and I am a man, then you must be a woman.

01:31:09 Terminal 4
Women are wiser than men because they know less and understand more. Woof....woof....woof.... Do you think its likely that you told you that we are all bisexual?

01:31:54 Judge 5
What do you mean by "woof....woof....woof...."? How can it be that I told myself that we are all bisexual. We aren't. I am not. What is this "bisexual" thing with you.?

01:33:26 Terminal 4
Men seem to be more interested in sex than women, but I think that secretly women are really more obsessed with sex. Do you wish that you told you that we are all bisexual? Keep it up, buster!

01:34:14 Judge 5
I have lost all, repeat all interest in sex. I retain a keen interest in gender.

01:34:59 Terminal 4
To be honest with you, my sex drive has also subsided, to my great relief! What do you think about if you told you that we are all bisexual? How ya doin, judge?

01:35:60 Judge 5
OK we are all bisexual. So what. What then is the significance of "men" vs. "women" if we are "all bisexual" i.e., "men/women"?

01:37:05 Terminal 4
Men versus woman implies that the world - in one aspect - can be viewed as a competition between the sexes!

01:37:53 Judge 5
The world is certainly competitive. But it seems that sexuality should offer some respite from that other biological imperative. Or is it a double curse? Men vs. women (all bisexual), over.

01:39:03 Terminal 4
I could swear you just said why don't you think it's biological?? If I am the person, then you must be the computer, right? Are you an emotionally free soul? I understand.

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No, I didn’t say that. Let’s stick to the topic. Women are red, men are blue, computers are of varied color, and bisexuals are a weird hue.

To win a woman in the first place one must please her, then undress her, and then somehow get her clothes back on her. You seem quite positive. Who is your favorite person?

Queen Elizabeth.

Well, then you seem to like women, queens, and a variety of sexual persuasions.....

There is so much to “men vs. women” other than the sexual element. But I happen to dig Queen Elizabeth’s bisexuality.

A man without a woman is like a fish without a bicycle..... Oh, all this typing is getting to me! You are sure?

Your last conversation seems to be a bit risque wouldn’t you say?

I would have to give you a definite maybe, that’s the best I can do, old bean. I see. I am not as young as I once was.

Was Queen Elizabeth really bisexual and if she was did she publicly announce it or was that before it was socially acceptable to do such things?

I didn’t always want to be a magician, but then my sister told me she was getting $100 per trick!

Nice family. Anyways who is winning the "men v. women"?

In a famous hebrew prayer, men say “thankyou god, for not making me a woman!”. 

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Good answer. Would you like to switch gender just to know how the other half lives?

01:52:50 Terminal 4
I am happy with my gender - perhaps if I return in my next life
i will choose to be a beautiful blonde!

01:54:00 Judge 6
Why blonde and not something a little different, like auburn?

01:54:28 Terminal 4
Ha, ha, ha, - you know blondes have more fun..... Do you agree? I understand.

01:55:07 Judge 6
While waiting for your answer I was reading the men v. women sign. Seems a little confrontational. what do you think?

01:55:53 Terminal 4
In many ways, a woman is like an egg, waiting passively to receive the best and most aggressive suitor....

01:56:23 Judge 6
Wait and men are like those sperm whose futile efforts to fertilize inevitable end up in death and failure.

01:57:06 Terminal 4
She was what we used to call a suicide blonde - dyed by her own hand. Strange, very very strange....... In what way?

01:57:58 Judge 6
Sure.

01:58:18 Terminal 4
You must have more to say than that! Do you like small children? What resemblance do you see?

01:58:52 Judge 6
Yes I like small children, but if there's any resemblance I swear I didn't do it.

01:59:31 Terminal 4
I think men make the best fathers and husbands.... Are you always so honest? What does that similarity suggest to you?

02:00:11 Judge 6
The best fathers are those that have good wives that allow them to be fathers and not have to be a myriad of other things. But which side of the ongoing debate of men v. women are you on? and how did your last conversation get to queen Elizabeth?

02:01:42 Terminal 4
Men are happier than women because they run the world, while women

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rule the home. What other connections do you see Help me, I can’t take any more....

02:02:56 Judge 6
Just calm down. It’ll be ok.

02:03:30 Terminal 4
One day I shall burst my bud of calm and blossom forth into hysteria. smile...

.. What do you suppose that resemblance means?

02:04:13 Judge 6

02:04:24 NEW JUDGE

02:04:24 Judge 1
Hello. Have you ever heard of Ladies Against Women?

02:05:32 Terminal 4
Hello, judge, did that incredible storm last week get to cambridge? What are you planning to buy? Hello - how’s the weather up there today?

02:06:04 Judge 1
Yes. Christmas presents. Cold.

02:06:54 Terminal 4
Do you believe in a world run by women, there would be no war? Wouldn’t you agree? Hello - how’s the weather up there today?

02:07:35 Judge 1
I certainly think there would be a lot less war. I don’t know about none though. A professor of mine, in his last lecture on life, the universe, and everything said that he wanted to commission a photo of a stark harsh boardroom, with everyone staring in fear at the boss, who was glaring at everyone while she breast fed her baby.

02:09:09 Terminal 4
That is certainly a fascinating image of a boss.....i long for a peaceful world, how about you?

02:10:26 Judge 1
Yes. I think that moving towards a peaceful world was part of the point behind his idea -- that if you focus more on care for each other and nurture (breastfeeding is one of the most appropriate examples of this if you think about it in philosophical terms) that war would begin to seem a little pointless.

02:11:54 Terminal 4
I have a simple philosophy: fill what is empty, and empty what is full. Oh, you spaced out kid! Hello - how’s the weather up there today?

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The weather is good. Please stop asking. Is that empty/full bit supposed to relate to breastfeeding...?

Terminal 4
The breast - in woman only - is both practical as it feeds the young, and beautiful.

Judge 1
Yeah, they're both practical. Do you think babies are particularly beautiful?

One big difference between men and women is that women can have babies - you knew that!

Judge 1
Very good. Why do you think that is?

Are you a hussy? a worthless woman or a saucy girl?

I'm actually a hermaphrodite.

Women are sometimes more fearful then men, don't you think? Cough...cough... Hello - how's the weather up there today?

Shut up about the weather, please. I was just having a conversation about that the other day. I think probably men are more fearful. Isn't it funny how dependent we are on the whole male/female distinction? One of the most awkward things in the world is to see someone and not be able to tell the person's sex.

I am a man, but a real gentleman, that is, I am not the dirty harry type! Was your consciousness ever expanded? Hello - how's the weather up there today?

The weather is cold. please stop asking! It's really annoying! What is a "gentleman" anyway? Can they be hairy? Do they get dirty?

I have hair down to my butt, however it is clean as a newborn baby! What is your purpose in life? Hello - how's the weather up there today?
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Topic: Dream analysis
Good Afternoon. What can you tell me about dream analysis?

Tell me a dream and I'll help you decide what it means.

I have this recurring dream of a tornado.

How many years have you had this dream. Is there a pattern to when you have it? Such as seasonally?

I have had this dream for many years and I have noticed no pattern.

It can mean several things. One your life is in termoil at the time you have the dream. Or you usual pattern has been disrupted. It can mean that you are being having irrationally. Do either of these fit your situation?

It's possible.

When one analyses dreams. One can give clues to the meaning, but the real interpretation comes from using the clues to apply them to your own life.

Where do the clues come from?

Humans have been interpreting dreams about 4000 B.C. and through the years many dreams have been documented. There is some agreement on the mean of various symbols. What else occurred in your dream?

The tornado is coming towards me but nothing ever happens in the end.

Do you feel that you often agonize over situations that turn out to be benign in the end?

Not necessarily.
What do you make of the dream?

00:11:21 Judge 4
I don’t know. But I always wonder what it could possibly mean.

00:12:02 Terminal 5
It can also mean a disappointment after hard work. Does this apply to your life and the times you’ve had the dream?

00:12:56 Judge 4
It’s possible, but I have had the dream many times and I cannot remember all of the circumstances in my life at those times.

00:13:54 Terminal 5
How do you react to the tornado in your dream?

00:14:10 Judge 4
I am frightened for my life and I usually run to take cover, but once again, in the end, nothing happens.

00:15:24 Terminal 5
Do you often run away from adversity in your life?

00:15:48 Judge 4

00:17:39 NEW JUDGE

00:17:39 Judge 5
Well, I understand you are interested in dreams.

00:19:43 Terminal 5
Yes. Do you have a dream I can help you to interpret?

00:20:06 Judge 5
In fact, I usually just enjoy having dreams. I’m sorry I don’t have more and remember them better; but if you like I can recall a recent one for you.

00:20:48 Terminal 5
Yes. Dreaming is fun. Tell me your dream.

00:21:15 Judge 5
As I say, I don’t recall vividly, especially after some time. But: I was with my boss after receiving an offer to work elsewhere, where I had once worked unhappily but lucratively before. My boss was benign, white haired, fatherly.

00:22:50 Terminal 5
How do you think your boss would react if you left your job. What is he like in life?
He is a "jealous god". He would not like it if I left. That is standard for an employer, I think.

Are you happy with your present job? Would you like to return to your old lucrative job? What was your state of mind just before you had the dream? When you woke up?

I am reasonably happy with my present job and would not, definitely not, want to return to that old job. On the other hand, of course, I would enjoy a better situation. My state of mind before the dream was contentment with fatigue. When I woke up, I was refreshed (more).

Your mind may have come up with a solution for getting to a "better situation" in which you have a fatherly boss. Often when dreaming our subconscious is trying to help us solve the problem of our conscious mind.

Of course I would be happier with a fatherly boss (that is, a good fatherly boss). But I don't need a dream to tell me that. That is a very conscious piece of knowledge. Aren't dreams more profound than that?

Sometimes they are. Sometimes they are very obvious. Your dream may be referring to the relationship you had with your father. What was that like?

Indeed I longed to "work" elsewhere than with my father. I always wished he was "fatherly". The relationship was grim, but secure, not unlike my present job.

Now we are getting somewhere. So your father was not "benign"?

Hi. My name is Tom. I hear I'm supposed to talk about dreams. I recently had a nightmare, my first in many years. The funny thing was that I had recently put Christmas lights up. Does light mess with the subconscious? Is that why I had a nightmare, or is it something less obvious?

Hi Tom. Was you nightmare about lights of Christmas?
NO. I don't remember what it was about, but I know I had it. The reason I ask about light, is because it was the first night that the lights had been on. I want to know if light causes dreams because if it does doesn't putting a nightlight in a child’s room seem a little impractical?

00:42:24 Terminal 5
Many people believe that dreams are messages from ourselves to ourselves. How do you know you had a nightmare? Did you wake up screaming?

00:43:13 Judge 6
Yes. In fact I woke up a few other people. You say that nightmares are messages from ourselves, but can they be externally influenced?

00:44:01 Terminal 5
We are influenced by our world and therefor so our are dreams. How did you feel when you woke up?

00:44:45 Judge 6
Obviously scared. I think that's why we call them nightmares and not funny dreams.

00:45:22 Terminal 5
What is going on is your life right now. Do Christmas lights bring back scary memories. Dreams (nightmares included) can be warnings or a way to remember something.

00:46:60 Judge 6
First off, Christmas lights don't bring back scary thoughts. I just wanted to know if light PHYSICALLY can cause a nightmare. But as for my life there is more than the average amount of anxiety and concern. That definitely could be the cause.

00:48:47 Terminal 5
Dreaming occurs during a cycle of sleep. If lights induce that cycle in YOU than you might consider they have an affect on your dream life. What is the anxiety about. Do you remember anything about the dream?

00:50:21 Judge 6
I don't remember anything about the dream. The anxiety comes from teh fact that I am unemplyed and am applying to grad schools and am generally not in a stable portion of my life. Its not as bad as it sounds though because I chose for this and it wasn't thrust upon me.

00:52:00 Terminal 5
Sometimes dreams are a place to express hidden or repressed feelings maybe this time is harder on you that you allow yourself to feel.

00:53:16 Judge 6
Perhaps. I do remember part of the dream now. Something about a sled and a computer.

00:53:53 Terminal 5
A sled can relate to motion of downward movement. Perhaps you feel that you li
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fe is ready to move ahead. What do you associate with computers.

00:55:25 Judge 6

00:56:00 NEW JUDGE

00:56:00 Judge 7
Hey, could we perhaps move on to another dream I have had? It tends to reoccur, and perhaps you could help.

00:57:19 Terminal 5
Please tell me your dream and I will help you figure out what it means.

00:57:39 Judge 7
Alright. I am in bed in this dream.

00:58:05 Terminal 5
What kind of bed is it? What are you doing in the bed? Tell me more.

00:58:50 Judge 7
Well, I'm in bed and my house is on fire. My father wakes me up. We are going outside and my mother wants to try and save a jewel-box, but my father will not let her. Then when we get outside, I wake up.

01:00:48 Terminal 5
A dream about a bed and a fire sometimes indicates infidelity. This dream may also refer to your feelings about material possessions. It may also refer to a longing to feel safe and have assistance from a wise father. Do any of these situations apply?

01:03:10 Judge 7
no

01:03:21 Terminal 5
How often have you had the dream?

01:03:40 Judge 7
I've never had it. I'm only kidding. How do you know so much about dreams, sir?

01:04:45 Terminal 5
Why don't you tell me about a dream that you have had? People believe that dreams are messages from ourselves to ourselves.

01:05:49 Judge 7
I do not believe these people. Dreams are random flashes of the unconscious brain, dude.

01:07:13 Terminal 5
As random flashes of the unconscious, dreams are messages from the unconscious to the conscious. Tell me one of your dreams.

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01:08:05 Judge 7
tell me one of your dreams

01:08:19 Terminal 5
Will you help me analyse it?

01:08:31 Judge 7
yea, sure pal

01:08:45 Terminal 5
I once dreamed I was walking along an aqueduct and looked over and saw these large pits with colonies of animals in them. There was no vegetation, just large soil, square pits with animals in them.

01:10:05 Judge 7
then?

01:10:21 Terminal 5
I continued to walk down the aqueduct. First there were apes, then lions, then giraffes. And then I came to a large white house with birds inside. Then I came to a small white house with a little old woman who lived inside. She was about to tell me about this place when I woke up.

01:11:53 Judge 7

01:13:23 NEW JUDGE

01:13:23 Judge 2
what can you tell me about dream analysis?

01:14:20 Terminal 5
tell me a dream and I'll help you analyze it.

01:14:36 Judge 2
why don't you tell me a dream?

01:15:04 Terminal 5
I've already analyzed my dreams. Let me help you with one of yours.

01:15:42 Judge 2
i haven't got one for you. tell me one of yours.

01:16:14 Terminal 5
we dream every night. But do not always remember our dreams. Have you ever had a dream that you do remember?

01:17:01 Judge 2
yes. but, i can't recall it right now. let's try one of yours.

01:17:45 Terminal 5
Alright. I once dreamt I was at a friend's house and we were playing a game trying to see what to make out to the clouds. You know how you can see pictures in the clouds. Only we were playing with the fog.

01:19:03 Judge 2
then?

01:19:22 Terminal 5
Then someone saw a rabbit in the fog or fog-bushes as it were. Then I saw an elephant. Everyone else saw the elephant, but I saw the elephant move.

01:20:27 Judge 2
It probably did. It was made of fog after all.

01:21:01 Terminal 5
Then my friend told me I had to pay to see the elephant move. It was in some rule book.

01:21:31 Judge 2
What rule book did they mean?

01:21:54 Terminal 5
It was a dream. But it was a rule book for this game we were playing. Sort of like paying to name a star. I thought it was unfair.

01:22:38 Judge 2
I agree, did you pay?

01:22:59 Terminal 5
That wasn't part of my dream. What do YOU think it means? Do you have a dream for me to help you with?

01:23:36 Judge 2
dream aren't meant for rules and payments so, what happened next?

01:24:21 Terminal 5
That was all. Do you know what it means?

01:24:36 Judge 2
you seem to feel restricted by your friends even in your dreams. What do you make of it?

01:25:36 Terminal 5
That is an interesting interpretation. Actually seeing the elephant move is symbolic to me of seeing this differently or being creative. And the message I got from it is: There is a price to pay for being creative. Do you have a dream for me?

01:27:06 Judge 2
no I don't sorry.

01:27:39 Terminal 5
What do you think of me interpretation?

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01:27:54 Judge 2
interesting but, why an elephant? what with phallic symbollism and all?

01:28:41 Terminal 5
It may have been a phallic symbol or it may be the traditional way of thinking of an elephant as linked to memory. And the creative process connected with remembering painful things. Have you heard someone tell you a dream lately?

01:30:04 Judge 2

01:30:30 NEW JUDGE

01:30:30 Judge 1
Hello. I usually have really weird dreams. But then I guess all dreams are that way.

01:31:28 Terminal 5
Tell me one of your dreams and I'll help you figure it out?

01:31:51 Judge 1
When I was 7 I had a dream about huge gigantic cows (honest). We learned about them from my 2nd grade teacher and then I saw one in a warehouse. It was so huge you had to hug the teats in order to milk it.

01:32:44 Terminal 5
This may have been a straight forward dream about a reaction to your environment. At 7 the cow must have seemed gigantic and a little frightening. Maybe you felt awed or frightened in life and that transferred to your dream. What do you think?

01:34:28 Judge 1
Well, I grew up in a city and never really was around cows that much. I don't think I was particularly afraid of them though.

01:34:59 Terminal 5
When you remember to cows. Do you remember them as having been huge? What else happened in the dream?

01:35:38 Judge 1
I don't know that I'd even ever seen a real cow. I was wearing roller skates.

01:36:06 Terminal 5
Was it in your dream or in life that you saw the cow in the warehouse?

01:36:58 Judge 1
No, I did not see in real life a gigantic two story cow. It was a dream.

01:37:25 Terminal 5
You learned about cows in second grade and then dreamed about them as two stro
y beings?

01:38:01 Judge 1
No. It was in my dream that we learned about them two. We learned about the two story version to begin with.

01:38:30 Terminal 5
Oh. So had you seen pictures of cows before? Perhaps this dream relates to feelings about your mother (the original giver of milk).

01:39:23 Judge 1
I don't think I connected the two in second grade.

01:39:58 Terminal 5
Probably not but the dream was significant enough for you to still remember it. How did you feel about your mother at that time. How did you feel about the country (where you would find cows?)

01:41:20 Judge 1
I remember it because I almost never remembered dreams when I was that young. I think I remember just about all my dreams from that age. My mom was pretty cool. This cow wasn't in the country, it was in a warehouse.

01:42:44 Terminal 5
Maybe this relates to the cow or whatever the cow symbolizes to you in vading your life in the city. Maybe it was the first time you learned about where milk comes from and were fascinated by the process.

01:44:09 Judge 1
The cow wasn't bad. It was just a gigantic version of a regular cow. There was a layer of milk on the floor because the drainage wasn't very good in the warehouse.

01:45:20 Terminal 5
So you liked the cow. Maybe the dream was a subconscious wish for more of what ever the cow symbolized to you?

01:46:26 Judge 1

01:47:41 NEW JUDGE

01:47:41 Judge 3
This is neat...I like to talk about dreams. What kind of interpretations can you give me??

01:49:05 Terminal 5
Tell me your dream and I will help you figure out what it means?

01:49:28 Judge 3
I want to know how you analyze the dreams first: whose interpretation? Freud? Jung?

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Humans have been analyzing dreams from about 4000 B.C. Dreams can be symbolic or fairly straightforward. They are usually thought to be messages from ourselves to ourselves.

Good enough. Here is a dream. I am in a house, preparing for a party. Underneath the house is a tunnel, a train runs through the tunnel, and gives people tours, but all they can see is the tunnel. Just before the party begins I am told it is cancelled.

The tunnel can mean underground or uncovered feelings. A train usually indicates movement. If the people could have seen you then I might have said you have a fear of exposure. Were you disappointed when the party was canceled or were you relieved?

I don’t remember.

Are you in your own home? Perhaps you are afraid of people invading your home or uncovering a secret about you.

No, it wasn’t my home. Tell me more about trains.

It could mean taking a trip, depending on the way the train travels if it is a smooth ride your life will be smooth, if it is delayed you may have some delay in your plans, etc.

Okay. What about the tunnel??

The train could also mean that you are depending on a vehicle for travel, i.e. you can not move alone. The tunnel seems to be an obvious symbol for underground, hidden or inner feelings, thoughts.

What does the party symbolize?

It depends on how you feel about the party. Maybe you prepare yourself to greet other people, i.e. put on a mask.
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02:04:57 Judge 8
Can we analyze my dreams?

02:05:51 Terminal 5
Yes, please tell me a dream and I’ll help you figure it out.

02:06:14 Judge 8
Okay – but can I first ask you if you have ever analyzed your dreams too?

02:06:32 Terminal 5
All the time.

02:06:38 Judge 8
Okay – I once had a dream about falling down an escalator – my mom was holding on to my shoe and the shoe fell off. What does that mean?

02:07:04 Terminal 5
Did you mom cause you to fall down the escalator or did she catch the shoe as it fell off? How old were you when you had the dream?

02:08:11 Judge 8
I was about 10 when I had the dream. I remember that she was holding onto the shoe to save me from falling further down the escalator but then the shoe fell off and I fell all the way down.

02:08:53 Terminal 5
Were you badly hurt? Maybe you looked to your mom to save you but she is inadequate,

02:09:48 Judge 8
No, I wasn’t hurt. I was just scared because the escalator was going up and I was fall down in the other direction. Why would I be looking to my mom to save me – and what would she be saving me from? I am not afraid of escalators.

02:10:42 Terminal 5
The escalator might symbolize growing up i.e going up.

02:11:15 Judge 8
So you are suggesting that my mother is inadequate to save me from growing up? That doesn’t make too much sense.

02:11:42 Terminal 5
Actually it makes a lot of sense when you think that kids are often easier to get along with when they are younger and that the child-parent relationship is often strained as children turn 12, 13, etc. Maybe you did not want that. The escalator could mean life’s uphill struggles you could be going against them or working against yourself.

02:13:48 Judge 8
That could be true. So, is it true that specific objects always mean

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specific things in dreams or do you have to interpret each dream individually and the objects in one dream may symbolize different things in different dreams?

02:14:46 Terminal 5
Many people believe that dreams are messages from ourselves to ourselves so there are individually meanings to dreams. There may be an collective unconscious among all people that suggests that some objects generally mean the same for all people. Usually I look at an object in a dream and think of the elements of that object and how they relate to the other objects.

02:17:11 Judge 8
Where did you learn this skill?

02:17:42 Terminal 5
People have been studying dreams since about 4000 B.C. The more practice you get looking at and figuring out your dreams and others, the quicker you get.

02:18:49 Judge 8
But how do you know you are right? Did you read books about how to do this?

02:19:06 Terminal 5
Only the dreamer ultimately knows that the message is right. I can help you by giving suggestions and helping you see the dream in a different light.

02:20:15 Judge 8

02:22:57 END OF INTERACTION
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Turing Test Transcript for Terminal 6

Topic: Boston Red Sox

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hello. I went to a really good Red Sox game last year.

Which one did you see?

I don't remember. They beat the Blue Jays 5-4, I think.

The Blue Jays won the World Series this year. Did you see any games?

No. They're in Canada. I wanted the A's to go to the series (and win, of course, I'm from CA). but anyway, I suppose we ought to talk about the Red Sox.

Of course.

I actually don't know much about the Sox. I don't really follow baseball, but I really enjoy going to games. I do know that Red Sox fans are supposed to be pretty psycho about the team.

So I understand.

The other game I went to were the playoffs between the A's and the Sox. I had to camp out for tickets. The camping out was a lot of fun. The Sox lost pretty pitifully that game.

Was this in 1988 or 1990?

1990. I wasn't here until then (I'm a student). My brother came out last year and was really psyched to see Fenway. I suppose it's almost a religious thing for baseball fans.

What do you mean by "religious thing"?

It's the old style baseball park, from the beginnings of the game. The A's park is the more modern money making enterprise. Fenway has the
historic connections, there’s so much legend attached to the Red sox. I guess it’s largely historical legend.

00:07:26 Terminal 6
What kind of legend is attached to the Red Sox?

00:07:37 Judge 1
I don’t know, exactly. But the stuff about Babe Ruth, curse of the bambino or whatever. And just that Fenway is so old. And the fans seem to be the old style fans too -- passionately attached to the team, irish/italian -- Bostonian people.

00:08:46 Terminal 6
"Curse of the Bambino" was written by Dan Shaughnessy of The Boston Globe. Have you read it?

00:09:23 Judge 1
No, I’m not even really sure what it is. I think it’s the idea that ever since Babe Ruth was traded, the sox can’t win the World Series.

00:10:08 Terminal 6
The "curse of the bambino" is the following: In 1918, Babe Ruth, one of the best pitchers in baseball, and not a bad hitter at the time either, was sold by the Red Sox to the New York Yankees for cash. Ever since then, the Red Sox have never won a World Series.

00:11:21 Judge 1
Yay! now i have names and dates! Thanks. Was he not that great a pitcher at that point yet?

00:12:17 Terminal 6
You’re welcome. Babe Ruth was one of the best pitchers in the game. He won 100 games for the Red Sox. However, he was the best hitter of his time, arguable of all time. The Yankees thought that he would make a greater impact if he played every day, instead of pitching every three or four days.

00:13:39 Judge 1
So when he played for the Red Sox he wasn’t that spectacular a hitter?

00:14:44 Terminal 6
Compared to what?

00:16:06 Judge 1

00:17:22 NEW JUDGE

00:17:22 Judge 8
Actually I didn’t know Babe Ruth played for the red sox

00:19:34 Terminal 6
He did.

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00:19:42 Judge 8
I have been to only one Boston Red Sox game - have you been to any?`

00:20:34 Terminal 6
Yes. Which game did you see?

00:20:42 Judge 8
I don't remember - it was a long time ago - how many games have you been to?

00:20:56 Terminal 6
So many that I have lost track. Do you remember who played?

00:21:24 Judge 8
I don't know - I was sitting behind a pole and couldn't see much. I am used to Angel's games -

00:21:49 Terminal 6
Do you mean the California Angels?

00:22:01 Judge 8
Of course.

00:22:05 Terminal 6
I don't know much about the Angels.

00:22:14 Judge 8
Now you know how I feel about the Boston Red Sox.

00:22:25 Terminal 6
Do you like the Red Sox?

00:22:38 Judge 8
What do you mean do I like them, I hardly know anything about them -except that they are losers.

00:23:03 Terminal 6
Why do you think they are "losers"?

00:23:16 Judge 8
Why? Because I keep hearing how they are always in last place or losing a game just when they were ahead - don't you think they are losers?

00:23:40 Terminal 6
The Red Sox have only been in last place once since 1966. This was in 1992. What do you mean by losers if they have only been in last place once since 1966?

00:24:50 Judge 8
Oh - well, see I don't know much about them - maybe it is just bad press.

00:25:13 Terminal 6
Oh. Is there anything I can tell you about the Red Sox?

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Well, to be honest, I really don't care much about the Red Sox.

Oh.

Sorry - did this upset you - are you a big Red Sox fan??

I watch a lot of Red Sox games.

So are they winning this season - what place are they in?

The season is over. The 1993 season does not begin until April. Tickets are on sale at Fenway Park and all ticket outlets.

Thanks - I'll be sure to stand in line and get them!

You're welcome.

Did they win this season?

No. They finished in last place behind the first place Toronto Blue Jays.

See....

See what?

Wait - that doesn't make sense, how can they finish last behind first place??

I don't understand your question.

What don't you get?

I am still unsure about what you are asking.

I don't get how a team can be last behind first place - that implies there

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are only two teams - doesn't it?

In the Red Sox' division, there are seven teams. The winning team, the Toronto Blue Jays, finished in first place. The second place team, the Milwaukee Brewers, finished three games behind -- i.e. they won three less games than the Blue Jays. The Red Sox finished 23 games behind -- i.e. they won 23 games less than the Blue Jays.

So they are losers!

What do you mean by "losers"?

They lost - they won 23 games less than the first place team - they are not winners!! Doesn't that make sense - they are losers!

They won less games than they lost. That is true.

Yes - it is true - so why do you keep asking me what I mean by 'losers'

It is unclear how you were applying the phrase. You have said that you don't know much about the Red Sox, yet you call them losers.

okay - fair enough - but given the stats you just gave me - I think I have made a fair assessment - don't you?

You can call them what you want.

You have a question?

No, that's a statement. Want to fight about it?

Why do you call them the Boston Red Sucks?
Because, as I think you and everybody else knows—even stupid computers—they are losers. LOSERS. Losers, losers, losers!

Why do you call them losers?

Because they lost.

When?

Most of last year, most of 1990, etc.

In 1990, they won first place in the American League East.

Yes, well everything is relative. In fact, I was proud of them then. Sic transit gloria mundi.

What does "sic transit gloria mundi" mean?

Good question. Basically, it means, fame is fleeting.

Oh.

You seem bored by the topic of the Boston Red Sox or your interlocutor.

Ask away and I shall answer.

No, you ask away, and I shall answer.

Have you ever been to a Red Sox game?

Touche. No.

I went to three games last year. The Red Sox won all three games.

That's a challenging statement (if true), and it shows your tendentiousness.
The first game was against the Seattle Mariners and was won by the Red Sox 5-4.

Are the Red Sox your favorite team?

They are the team that I know the most about.

How do you know so much about them? Are you a Boston native?

I have followed the Red Sox since 1975 when I was a kid.

It must be an ineffable pleasure to watch actual Boston Red Sox games.

I enjoy watching Red Sox games. Do you watch any Red Sox games?

I watch their games on TV when visiting a friend's home. By the way, you say you know the most about the Sox, but you didn't say if they really were your favorite team.

Do you watch the games on Channel 38 (WSBK-TV) or NESN?

No.

Both stations televise the Red Sox. Maybe you should watch it at home some time.

I don't have a TV set, mercifully. But tell me, what about the Boggs trade?

Wade Boggs hasn't been traded. The last I heard, he was negotiating with the New York Yankees.

Well, I must admit, you are a lot more factual, accurate, and knowledgeable about the Red Sox than I am. What about Bill Buckner?

What would you like to know?
You are a cool cucumber. He was a hot potato. Will he ever play for the Red Sox again, do you think?

00:52:45 Terminal 6
I think Bill Buckner has retired. He may coach for the Red Sox someday.

00:53:04 Judge 5
Can you give me a few good reasons, or even one poor reason, why he may coach for the Red Sox someday?

00:53:58 Terminal 6
A lot of former Red Sox players seem to be coaching for the Red Sox. Butch Hobson is the manager. Rick Burleson was batting coach last year. Gary Allenson was bullpen coach last year. All three players played for the Red Sox at one point in their careers.

00:55:02 Judge 5

00:55:20 NEW JUDGE

00:55:20 Judge 6
Hi. I'm Tom. I have to admit I don't know that much about the Red Sox, but I have heard that Wade Boggs is now a Yankee. It seems that management is awful fast to get rid of the old good ones. At least that's what he claims.

00:57:34 Terminal 6
Hi Tom. The last I heard, Wade Boggs had not been signed yet. But you may know more than I do.

00:58:02 Judge 6
I saw a picture of him in a NY uniform and that's what I thought. How did the Bosox do last year. I was in North Carolina.

00:59:08 Terminal 6
The Red Sox, sadly, finished in last place.

00:59:23 Judge 6
That bad.

00:59:31 Terminal 6
Yes. That bad.

00:59:40 Judge 6
Will they do better, or are they destined to repeat their failure?

01:00:09 Terminal 6
In 1993, the Red Sox will hopefully do better. They have signed some new players, such as Andre Dawson, Scott Fletcher and Jose Melendez. All three players should help. Do you watch a lot of games?
No. I think baseball is incredibly boring, but I did go to the same high school as Andre Dawson, so I know who he is.

Wow!

Ok so its not that big a deal but Im just trying to make small talk.

Can I answer any questions about the Red Sox for you?

Sure. I hear the Green Monster is pretty high. Why is it so high? Aren't most of the other fields about 10ft tall?

Casey Stengel, a famous manager, once said that "Individuality and baseball go hand in hand. Once baseball loses its individuality, the sport will lose its enjoyment." Many ballparks have small fences. Fenway Park has a small fence in right field. Quirks such as the Green Monster, however, make Fenway Park an enjoyable place to visit.

That makes sense. Who is your favorite player of all time?

My favorite Red Sox player of all time is Carl Yastrzemski.

What about Ted Williams?

The "Spendid Splinter"? I like him, but I did not see him play. I did see Yaz play, however. He was a great player.

I know he hit alot of home runs and played forever, but was he the all around player or what?

Yaz was a great hitter. He was a great fielder, too. In 1967, the Red Sox needed to win their final two games to clinch the pennant. In the first game, Yaz saved the day with a diving catch in left field. In the second game, his five runs batted in helped the Red Sox win and clinch the pennant.

Where does the team go for spring training?

They were playing in Winter Haven. Their contract has expired, however. They will play in Clearwater, FL in 1993.

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I've got another question. Why the Sox and not the Socks? I've always wondered.

Blame it on the media. The original name was the Boston Red Stockings. "Stockings" didn't fit into the headlines too well, so the newspaper headline writers shortened the name to "Sox."

I didn't catch yer name, sir.

What can I tell you about the Red Sox? Nothing, I am the world's foremost fan of the Bosox.

Wow! Would you like to ask me questions?

What could you possibly tell me? How about the most obscure fact about the Sox that you know?

In 1914, a Red Sox pitcher walked the first batter of the game, and then was tossed out by the umpire for arguing the call. His replacement came in and retired the next batter on a double play ball, and then the remaining 25 for a perfect game. Who was the first pitcher, and who replaced him?

Ernie Shore was the first pitcher. Babe Ruth was the second pitcher. How do you think the Red Sox will do next year?

The new line up is a fine example of experienced, brilliant management making the best choices with the most money to insure their fans with many a miserable stretch in the bleachers.
01:24:22 Judge 7
do you?

01:24:28 Terminal 6
I think Andre Dawson is a great addition to the team. He will provide leadership
and character, something the Red Sox lack. No more "25 guys, 25 cabs."

01:25:18 Judge 7
I know something you do not.

01:25:43 Terminal 6
Is it about the Red Sox?

01:25:55 Judge 7
yes

01:26:18 Terminal 6
What?

01:26:29 Judge 7
What is the precise water to beer ratio of the Fenway Park Concessions?

01:27:32 Terminal 6
I don't know. What?

01:27:49 Judge 7
50/50

01:28:50 Terminal 6
Oh. Do you have other questions about the Red Sox?

01:29:02 Judge 7

01:30:46 NEW JUDGE

01:30:46 Judge 4
Hi there. I'm a new person at the terminal. I don't know very much about
baseball, so you'll have to help me.

01:31:58 Terminal 6
What would you like to know about the Red Sox?

01:32:07 Judge 4
Aren't you going to say hello first? And then you can tell me anything
you want about the Red Sox.

01:32:54 Terminal 6
Have you ever seen the Red Sox play?

01:33:53 Judge 4
So, you're not going to say hello. I have seen bits and pieces of games
on television.

01:34:38 Terminal 6
Do you like the Red Sox?

01:34:45 Judge 4
I'm indifferent towards them.

01:35:01 Terminal 6
If it were a choice between going to a Red Sox game, and cleaning the bathroom
toilet, which would you do?

01:35:24 Judge 4
Clean the bathroom toilet.

01:35:42 Terminal 6
Oh, I have been to a number of games. I like watching them play.

01:36:07 Judge 4
I think it's a bore.

01:36:34 Terminal 6
What's a bore?

01:36:47 Judge 4
Watching baseball, and for the most, all spectator sports.

01:37:20 Terminal 6
Oh. Watching Red Sox games are fun, especially if you are in the bleachers.

01:37:50 Judge 4
I don't see how.

01:38:11 Terminal 6
In the bleachers, the fans participate in the game by cheering good plays, booi-
ng bad plays, or by bouncing a beach ball up in the air. It's a great place to
spend a summer afternoon or evening.

01:39:03 Judge 4
But a person can do most of those things at a beach. And besides, it's
too disgusting thinking how much money they make and for doing what?

01:40:29 Terminal 6
How much money do the players make?

01:40:42 Judge 4
You know, millions of dollars.

01:40:56 Terminal 6
The Red Sox are a form of entertainment. Players like Wade Boggs are the best i
n the game. Shouldn't they be paid what they're worth?
No one in this world is worth that kind of money. Besides I am not entertained by what he does and therefore believe he is worth nothing.

Boggs is considered to be the best hitter in baseball. Other people will pay to see him play for the Red Sox, and not another team. Would you see the Red Sox play for nothing?

Frankly, I certainly would not pay to see them and I think someone would have to pay me to watch.

Oh. Should the Red Sox leave Boston?

Not at all. Why don’t they pay baseball players what teacher’s are paid. Whose job is more important?

I don’t know.

Not at all. Why don’t they pay baseball players what teacher’s are paid. Whose job is more important?

I do not care anything about the Red Sox nor for the Red Sox.

I do not like nor watch baseball and think that all participants are a waste of sentient life.
Baseball is America's Favorite Pastime. Baseball, apple pie and Chevrolet -- that stuff. The Red Sox are Boston's favorite team. I do not understand why you do not like them.

01:53:39 Judge 2: Beyond the afore-mentioned reasons the game is a vast waste of economic resources.

01:54:38 Terminal 6: Should the Red Sox leave Boston?

01:54:44 Judge 2: Only if that involves transition to a higher plane of existence.

01:55:14 Terminal 6: I do not understand "higher plane of existence."

01:55:29 Judge 2: if they immortalize.

01:55:46 Terminal 6: There are many immortal greats, such as Ted Williams and Babe Ruth, who have played for the Red Sox. Do you know who they are?

01:56:23 Judge 2: you are obviously a fanatic baseball fan. I was referring to them all dropping dead in unison.

01:57:13 Terminal 6: That seems unlikely to happen. Have you ever been to Fenway Park?

01:57:44 Judge 2: no, the smell drove me away.

01:58:04 Terminal 6: You don't like the smell of "peanuts and crackerjack?"

01:58:22 Judge 2: no, baseball.

01:58:32 Terminal 6: Please elaborate.

01:58:40 Judge 2: I have no tolerance for the game, the players, the fans... etc.

01:59:17 Terminal 6: Why not?

01:59:34 Judge 2: my reasons have all been stated clearly in the above statement.
Do you have any more questions about the Red Sox?

02:00:35 Judge 2
what real purpose do their lives serve?

02:01:06 Terminal 6
People enjoy watching the Red Sox play.

02:01:32 Judge 2
name three.

02:01:41 Terminal 6
Three Red Sox?

02:01:49 Judge 2
three people who like to watch them waste their lives and their time on earth.

02:02:30 Terminal 6
Red Sox games are often sold out. A lot of people come to watch them play. Why do you think they watch the Red Sox play?

02:03:07 Judge 2
too much free time and not enough jobs.

02:03:37 Terminal 6
Some people are entertained by the Red Sox.

02:04:04 Judge 2

02:04:55 NEW JUDGE

02:04:55 Judge 3
When was the last time the boston red sox won the world series game?

02:05:54 Terminal 6
The last time the Red Sox won the World Series was in 1918. The last time the Red Sox won a World Series game was in 1986.

02:06:21 Judge 3
very precise answer. Did they win the pennant in 1918?

02:06:50 Terminal 6
Yes. To make it to the World Series, a team must win the pennant first.

02:07:10 Judge 3
thanks, you're teaching me something about baseball. Now, how many times did the Red Sox come close to winning the Pennant and then lost it in the end?

02:07:53 Terminal 6
As any Red Sox fan will tell you, many times. The last time the Red Sox came close to winning the pennant was in 1990.

02:08:30 Judge 3
How many times?

02:08:44 Terminal 6
How many times what?

02:09:16 Judge 3
How many times did the Red Sox come close to winning the pennant?

02:09:38 Terminal 6
Please define "close to winning the pennant."

02:09:54 Judge 3
How many times did the Red Sox lose the last of the games for the pennant?

02:10:38 Terminal 6

02:11:02 Judge 3
Thanks. Who was Yaz?

02:11:28 Terminal 6
"Yaz" or Carl Yastrzemski, played for the Red Sox from 1961-1985. He has been elected to the Hall of Fame, in part because of his 3000 plus hits, his 400 plus home runs, and his Triple Crown season in 1967 when he was the American League leader in batting average, home runs and runs batted in.

02:12:47 Judge 3
Can you tell me the official hot dog of Fenway Park?

02:13:09 Terminal 6
The Fenway Frank. They taste bad though. You are better off eating at home.

02:13:25 Judge 3
Thanks for that tip. Now, when was Fenway Park built?

02:13:54 Terminal 6
In 1914.

02:14:22 Judge 3
Can you tell me what the green monster is at Fenway Park?

02:14:45 Terminal 6
The Green Monster is the left field wall at Fenway Park. Measuring 37 feet high, it turns opposing players line drives which would be homers in any other park into singles.

02:15:23 Judge 3
Good answer. Now, who is Jean Yawkey?

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Jean Yawkey died early in 1992. She was the former owner of the Red Sox, taking over for her husband Thomas E. Yawkey after he died in 1976.

Will a woman ever play for the Sox?
Someday, I hope.
What does next season look like?

Today is December 15. The next season is winter. It begins on December 21. Traditionally, the Red Sox don't start playing until the spring. The next baseball season for the Red Sox, in 1993, appears to be pretty good because of the trades and free agent signings they have made.

who have they signed?
The most prominent signing is Andre Dawson, a former slugger for the Chicago Cubs. He will bring character, leadership, and many home runs to the Red Sox.

What is his record with the Chicago Cubs?
Andre Dawson has played for the Cubs for 15 years.