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## Rewriting the Dating Script

In a dating culture where standards and expectations are gone, how does one find a real connection?

CATHERINE YANG

**C**lients come to Leila Tomasone with questions, failures, and just sheer confusion about their love lives.

“Dating—what does that word even mean?” asked Tomasone, a relationship coach and mother of two based in Virginia. As a matter of fact, dating hasn’t been around that long, she points out. Marriages used to be arranged, and courtship in modern history was a fairly transparent public affair. “Young men would call a young lady’s home and the family was there, and they’d pick up the phone and they’d want to know what’s up with this guy.”

The young ladies would go on these dates, but the expectations were typically that they were innocent (chaperoned even, going further back). “The standard for intimacy in a relationship was marriage,” Tomasone said. “It happened a lot faster, and it was understood that if a man took a young lady out for several dates, that ended up heading toward marriage or he was wasting her time.”

Those scripts, standards, and expectations are completely gone, but no new structure rose to replace it. Tomasone has talked to people who questioned what it even means to accept or ask someone out on a date, what obligations that entails, and whether their actions mirror their words. Foundational relationship questions, such as whether they were seeing other people, or where things were headed, were things people had no idea how to ask, or worse, just assumed.

Tomasone started giving her friends advice, and among her circle there was a positive ripple effect. Since then, she’s turned this skill into a coaching business.

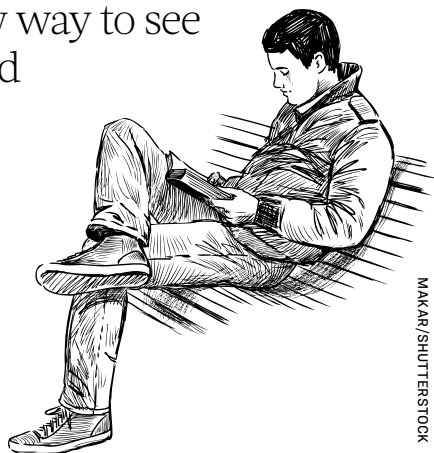
The truth is, Tomasone said, it started with her own relationship problems.

“It started out with my experience having a bad marriage and then having some bad relationships and just needing to get myself sorted out,” Tomasone said. It was “trial by fire,” but through her path of errors, she picked up the psychology of relationships, as well as resources, skills, and strategies, and realized so many other people needed the same.

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## Leisure, Screens, Work: Finding a Balance in Our Lives

Leisure not only removes us from duty, but also gives us a new way to see the world



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JEFF MINICK

A friend—I’ll call her Maggie—and I were recently talking by phone when the subject of leisure arose, along with questions such as: Once we’ve finished our work, which often seems unending, what do we do? And is there a difference between recreation and leisure? Spending an evening on social media, watching a televised football game, walking at sunset on a beach, carving out wooden toys for grandchildren: all offer a break from work, but are the benefits equivalent?

For Maggie, a wife, mother, and busy professional, cooking and baking pro-

vide a respite from the workplace. Her kitchen creations take her away from her computer screen and telephone, and bring her the satisfaction of creating tasty dishes with her own hands.

As for me, other than reading, which ranks just below breathing as one of life’s necessities, I have no real hobbies. I don’t draw or paint, I don’t collect coins or stamps, and I don’t take photographs of nature or spend my weekends hiking the many trails in my county.

After speaking with my friend, however, I realized that my favorite form of recreation is conversations with family or friends over a meal or a glass of wine. Unlike Maggie, who spends hours every

day in contact with others, I live a life of solitude, and it’s a pleasure to spend an evening with others, talking over politics or literature or just everyday stuff.

But the questions raised by Maggie remained, so I set out to explore what we mean by leisure and recreation, and their benefits.

**Digital Distraction**

Like so many people, I spend hours a day on the computer. Most of that time goes to writing articles, but I also browse certain websites for news and for topics for my articles, and answer emails.

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## HISTORY

# Remembering Warwick Charlton, Builder of Mayflower II

The Pilgrim expedition in 1620, ship and all, was financed privately, and so was Charlton's incredible replica

LAWRENCE W. REED

This month's 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims' landing in New England will prompt renewed interest in their story—the flight from religious persecution in England, the long interim in friendly Holland, the trans-Atlantic voyage aboard the famed Mayflower, the ill-fated experiment in communal socialism, the remarkable governing document known as the Mayflower Compact, and more.

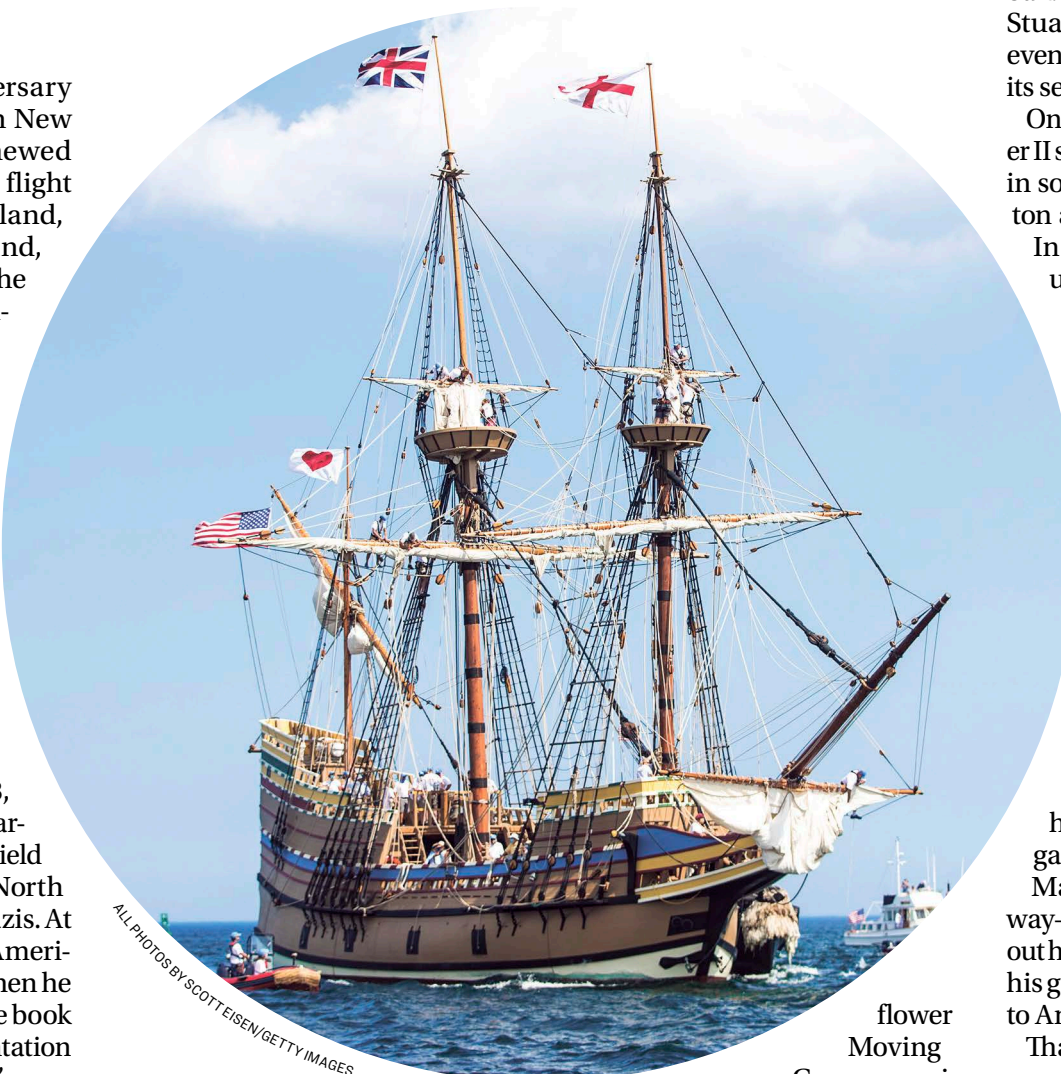
If you visit Plymouth, Massachusetts to see Pilgrim-related sites, you should not miss the Mayflower II, a full-size replica of the original vessel. Its much more recent story is almost as fascinating as that of its 17th-century counterpart and every bit the tribute to private initiative that the first one was. Enter a remarkable man named Warwick Charlton.

Born in London in March 1918, Charlton found himself working a quarter century later as a press officer for Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery in North Africa as Allied troops battled the Nazis. At war's end, Charlton was aboard an American troopship bound for England when he picked up and read the only available book on the boat. It was "Of Plymouth Plantation 1620-1647," by the Plymouth colony's governor, William Bradford. An idea popped into his head that quickly morphed into an obsession: Why not show appreciation for America's contribution to the war effort by presenting them with a facsimile of the Mayflower?

The Pilgrim expedition in 1620, ship and all, was financed privately, and so was Charlton's replica. It wasn't easy, as Douglas Martin noted in a New York Times story in 2002:

"Mr. Charlton had no money of his own but raised what would today be the equivalent of several million dollars. He fought on despite angry creditors, striking shipyard workers, jealous keepers of the Pilgrims' torch in Massachusetts and ingrates who suggested his motives were less than pure—meaning commercial. He loved the whole glorious mess."

For more than a decade as he held jobs in the publishing and broadcasting businesses, Charlton shook the bushes for donations. Almost everybody he talked to in Britain endorsed the idea but then didn't come through with a check. So he came up with creative stunts such as selling "treasure chests" of British products that would be opened when his dream ship anchored in America. He even convinced the May-



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(Top) The replica ship Mayflower II, surrounded by other boats, heads back to Plymouth Harbor after being rehabbed in Connecticut for the past three years in Plymouth, Mass., on Aug. 10, 2020. (Above) Crew members work to furl the sails on the replica ship Mayflower II.

"An initial budget estimate of £280,000 was soon doubled. Charlton begged rope builders, sailmakers and timber merchants for material in return for a chance to associate their name with the project. As soon as building commenced, he erected a barrier at the entrance to the shipyard with a notice that read: "Come and look round the hull of Mayflower II. Entrance fee: two shillings." By the time the ship set sail, 245,000 people had paid to watch the work in progress. In all, Charlton managed to persuade 200 industrial, commercial, and individual sponsors to help to finance the project."

Mere similarity to the original Mayflower was not sufficient for Charlton. Once he had raised enough money, which took a decade,

he aimed to construct a precise replica of the 183-ton ship. He insisted that the ship-builder use tools and materials identical to those of the 17th century, such as English oak. He even required the builder himself, Stuart Upham, to travel on the replica's eventual voyage to America and guarantee its seaworthiness.

On April 20, 1957, the completed Mayflower II set sail for Massachusetts from Brixham in southwest England. Aboard was Charlton and a crew of 33 dressed as Pilgrims.

In spite of a violent storm at sea and an unexpected slashing of the beer ration, the voyage consumed just 54 days—11 fewer than the first one. Upon arrival, the vessel and crew were greeted by a throng of 100,000 including two men who would soon be presidential competitors, Vice President Richard Nixon and Senator John F. Kennedy.

Recently restored for the upcoming 400th anniversary ceremonies, Mayflower II still resides today near famed Plymouth Rock where Warwick Charlton left it over six decades ago. He himself visited almost annually for many years, joining the line of tourists and quietly amusing himself as so many thought they were gazing upon the original.

Mayflower II was Warwick Charlton's way—privately, enthusiastically, and without harming any taxpayers—of proclaiming his gratitude to America. He gifted the ship to America for the nominal "fee" of \$1.00. Thank YOU, Mr. Charlton!

#### For additional information, see:

"The Pilgrims in Holland" by Robert A. Peterson

"Why the Pilgrims Abandoned Common Ownership for Private Property" by Lawrence W. Reed

"Who Paid for the Mayflower?" by Bhuv Srinivasan

"The Puritan Experiment in Common Ownership" by Gary North

"Our First Thanksgiving" by Sartell Prentice Jr.

"No Thanksgiving Without the Profit Motive" by Lawrence W. Reed

"Warwick Charlton, a Dreamer, Dies at 84" by Douglas Martin

"Warwick Charlton" (obituary in The Telegraph)

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## Detroit Dad Urges Men to Embrace Fatherhood



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(Far left) Phillips with his children. (Left and above) Phillips has organized events for parents and children to come together and share quality time.

MICHAEL WING

Growing up in Detroit without a dad is something Michael Phillips Jr. knows all too well.

When Phillips became a father himself, he found a way to break that cycle in his family. Now, he's sharing a message and starting a movement to urge more men to do the same.

Becoming a dad taught him an important lesson.

"When my daughter was born, I felt the love that I was missing," Phillips told Fox News in an interview.

At just 14 years old, his own father faded out of the picture. "When my mom left, my father he disappeared, he wasn't there for me any-

more," said Phillips.

Raised in a rough neighborhood in east Detroit—notoriously dubbed "the Red Zone"—Phillips lost three of his brothers and countless friends to violence. He said he sometimes stayed late hours at school just to stay safe.

As one of eight siblings in his family, life was a struggle. "Sometimes we did not eat because there was not anything to eat," he told the news outlet.

"I was really just living to survive," he said.

Many of his friends share the same experience of growing up in broken homes.

But after embracing becoming a dad himself, and the joys that it brings, Michael started a move-

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ment called "Father's First" last Father's Day, and he's encouraging more fathers to step up. He organizes events for parents and children to come together, connect, and share quality time.

The movement's second event took place in late August, dubbed "Kobe Day" after the late LA Laker and celebrated father Kobe Bryant.

"I was able to bring men together that didn't know each other, with their kids and their ladies, and we were able to talk, laugh and play," Phillips said.

The group now has over 300 members.

Phillips wants fathers—and mothers—to know that their lives matter to their kids.

"The Father's First movement is

to remind guys before you pick up that gun or before you pick up that liquor bottle or whatever you guys do, think about your kids first and live for them," he says.

And fathers no longer living in the home, Phillips believes, should know that their children are depending on them.

"Every day you get up, you're living for them," he told The Epoch Times. "So, when you go clock in at work, it's for your kid, so you're able to provide for them."

He adds: "People are having kids young, 17, 18, 16, and a young man is scared, and they leave."

"I'm here to let them know, you don't have to be scared or leave. Having a baby is a great thing, they're a gift from God."



(Above) The baroque library hall of the Klementinum in Prague's Old Town, Czech Republic. (Below) The Mirror Chapel at the Klementinum.

LARGER THAN LIFE: ART THAT INSPIRES US THROUGH THE AGES

## THE KLEMENTINUM

A library of breathtaking beauty

Touted by many as the "most beautiful library in the world," the Klementinum in the Czech Republic is a bonafide work of art. Nestled in the historical center of Prague, the baroque architectural masterpiece has inspired awe since the early 18th century. Its ornate interior must be seen to be believed.

The library was originally an 11th-century chapel but eventually expanded and became a Jesuit university in 1556. Empress Maria Theresa recognized its official status as an observatory, library, and university in 1777.

According to the Klementinum's official website, the library holds more than 20,000 books, most of which are foreign theological tomes. It became known as the country's national library in 1781 when Klementinum director Karel Rafael Ungar put together a collection of literature for the people of the Czech Republic.

Some books, almost 300 years old, have been lovingly preserved since the inauguration of the library; these volumes are identifiable by their white painted spines.

The library's iconic interior boasts breathtaking colorful ceiling frescoes by the artist Jan Hiebl. The murals comprise portraits of Jesuit saints, patrons of the university, and various allegorical motifs pertaining to education and learning.

The Klementinum is so widely renowned

for its beauty that the library was even mentioned in a novel by the Argentine writer Jorge Luis Borges, "The Secret Miracle." In the book, the protagonist dreams of the library and its librarians looking for God between the pages of the books.

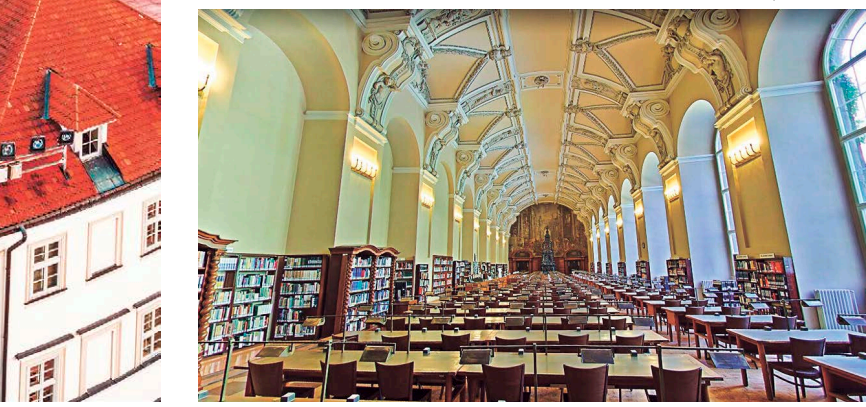
Besides its collection of 20,000 books, the library is home to a vast collection of astronomical globes and numerous theological tomes rescued from former monasteries. A portrait of Emperor Joseph II in the main hall pays homage to the man who orchestrated the shipment of these books to the Klementinum.

This year, some of the library's books are being digitized and will eventually appear in a digital library on Google Books. But while the library's collection is moving with the times, the building's interior is still celebrated for its original 18th-century splendor.

A brand-new Czech National Library building was proposed by the architect Jan Kaplický and his firm, Future Systems, in 2007. However, the design was widely criticized by the public, who referred to the modernist structure as the "blob" or "octopus," according to the Prague Post.

Then-President Václav Klaus also dismissed the design as being "inappropriate for Prague," while then-Mayor Pavel Bém felt it would diminish the beauty of the city skyline.

In 2005, the beloved library was honored with the UNESCO "Memory of the World" prize. As the crown jewel of Prague's rich architecture, the Klementinum will be lovingly preserved for future generations.



(Above) The entrance to the Klementinum. (Bottom right) The general reading room at the Klementinum. (Above right) Detail, the Mirror Chapel.

## FAMILY

# Taking Care of Mom

A conversation with parenting coach Deborah Ann Davis

## BARBARA DANZA

During this unpredictable year, a great deal of anxiety and pressure has fallen on the shoulders of mothers everywhere. Lock-down measures have disrupted family life in ways that impact every family member's well-being, and more often than not, it's Mom who shoulders the responsibility of holding it all together.

For advice, I asked Deborah Ann Davis, a parenting coach and the author of "How to Get Your Happy On: An Awesome Mom Handbook."

**The Epoch Times:** This year many curve balls have been thrown at mothers everywhere. How do you think they are doing?  
**Deborah Ann Davis:** Motherhood is an isolating experience already, which intensifies the overwhelm many moms feel. That puts many moms behind an eight ball, even before our world was slammed by the pandemic. Moms are staggering under the impact of their own worries about the pandemic, keeping their children safe, ensuring their kids' education, running the household, etc. The more help moms have, the better they can handle what life throws at them, but too many moms are doing it all on their own.

**The Epoch Times:** It's important for every family that Mom takes care of herself. What simple ways can Mom ensure that she's not neglecting her own needs as she aims to meet the needs of the rest of the family?

**Ms. Davis:** Delegate. Have the kids help with chores, which will remove some clutter off Mom's plate. There may be a training period she'll have to endure, but in the long run, doing chores together strengthens family bonds. Together you can figure out laundry, menu selection, grocery lists, meal prep, dusting, bed-making, pet care, ironing, cleaning up after meals, etc. It's not rocket science, and they're going to have to learn how to do it at some point anyway.

Then, Mom can use that time she freed up for some quality "me time." Take a walk. Take a bath. Take a nap. Take a pause for the cause. Not only will you be staving off burnout; but you'll also be modeling the behavior your kiddos need to embrace so they can live sane, healthy lives.

**The Epoch Times:** Your book "How to Get Your Happy On" sounds like just the thing many mothers could use right now. What inspired you to write this book?  
**Ms. Davis:** 2019 was a nightmare for our little family. My husband needed surgery because he lost the use of his arm, our insurance wouldn't pay for it, we struggled without his salary be-

cause he couldn't work, I was sick for six weeks and was afraid of getting him sick by taking care of him, my publisher folded, a dog bit me (it was a little dog), and on and on and on. I could feel my resiliency draining, so I knew I had to do something to bring myself back. I started practicing what the research was preaching, and I felt my buoyancy returning.

Suddenly things started to turn around. Our daughter created a Go-FundMe page and used it to reach out to friends and family to raise money for my honey's surgery. We raised enough for the down payment and were able to schedule a very successful operation. The outpouring of love and generosity was a true testament to the positive and supportive way we have moved through life helping those around us.

I wanted all these wonderful people to benefit from what I had learned, so I wrote "How to Get Your Happy On" and tried to send each one of them a copy. I was so thankful, I decided to make it free for the rest of the year, but once the pandemic hit, I made sure anyone who needed it could get a free copy from my website.

**The Epoch Times:** What simple steps can mothers use to increase their overall happiness during these times?

**Ms. Davis:** Tip #1: Take care of your body. Eat healthily, stay active every day, and drink water. Every choice we make for our bodies has an automatic mini power boost associated with it.

Tip #2: Count your blessings. List three good things about you, your day, your surroundings, your family, your job, etc. Take note of the good in the people and things around you. Be thankful for every detail.

Tip #3: Stay in the moment. Instead of worrying about the future, or obsessing over something in the past, focus on what you can do today, what you can enjoy today, or what you can listen to today. Center yourself. Meditate. Do a hobby or a puzzle. Spend time with your family. Whatever it is, focus on that moment.

Tip #4: Get in touch with someone. Reconnect with an old friend, call a relative, snuggle up with a loved one and watch a movie, compliment a colleague, joke with the bank teller waiting on you, make a date with your best friend, get a drink with someone special. Pick anybody and make the most of your time with them!

**The Epoch Times:** What final advice would you give a mom who wants to inject more joy and happiness into life?  
**Ms. Davis:** Scientific research shows you can deliberately generate happy hormones, even when you don't feel happy. Going through the motions improves your mood. If you don't believe me, just pretend to do what I tell you, and it will still help you. Try these:  
"Sigh of Relief": Take a deep breath, and exhale it hard, like a sigh of relief. The sensation of relief will be there. Look



**"The more help moms have, the better they can handle what life throws at them."**

Deborah Ann Davis

for it. Mines in my belly, right under my solar plexus.

"Look to the Sky": Without moving your head, cast your eyes upward for a moment, and then relax. This one is subtle, but I feel my positive sensation inside the center of my upper chest, around my thymus gland area.

"Fake Smile": When you smile, the movement of your jaw and facial muscles generates a slew of happy hormones. It turns out that if you "fake smile," your body can't tell the difference, and generates all those happy hormones anyway. So stretch your lips like you're grinning ear to ear, and let the hormones flow! These I feel in my belly.

Teach these strategies to your kids so they will have tools to de-escalate themselves. Besides, a fake grin in the middle of an argument interrupts its negative momentum and can turn things around. Less negativity will leave more space for joy and happiness.

Have the kids help out with chores. These are things they will eventually have to learn to do on their own.

## HOMESCHOOLING

# It's Never Too Late to Homeschool

## BARBARA DANZA

As the school year presses on and parents juggle all that 2020 has thrown at them, many are finding their children floundering. Virtual learning or a "hybrid" model of schooling isn't working for everyone. While teachers are no doubt doing the best they can within the school system, in many cases, their education is suffering greatly.

Rather than wait for the government to make a change in its policies or for the school district to change its strategy, parents should remember that they always have the option to homeschool. Homeschooling is not simply an option at the beginning of the school year or between semesters or seasons, but at any time, at the parents' discretion.

If you've been thinking of taking the leap

to bring your children home, there has never been a better year to give it a try.

First-time homeschoolers tend to get caught up in comparing their children's progress to that of their school-aged peers—a habit that veteran homeschoolers learn to happily let go. It's only natural, of course. If you're worried that your children will "fall behind" if you homeschool, realize that the bar (sadly) has been lowered this year. Students, especially those in elementary school who thrive on playing and in-person instruction, likely won't progress at the same rate they would have if school were fully in session. What's more, if you give homeschooling a solid chance, you'll likely find that your children learn astoundingly more than they would ever have in school

and in significantly less time.

Homeschooling seems like a scary prospect to many parents—it's going against the grain and taking on a huge responsibility. They feel unfit to teach, unprepared to give up their personal freedom and unable to ensure that they won't totally mess up their kids. It's not for the faint of heart.

But perhaps you've been thinking that your children need better than what they're receiving, and that it may even be fun to step out on this adventure together. Let me reassure you. I know how magical homeschooling can be; it's only as difficult as you choose to make it, and you may someday look back on it as the best parenting decision you've ever made.

**Resources**  
There are many resources to inform and inspire your decision.

Borrow some books from the library. I recommend starting with Julie Bogart's "The Brave Learner: Finding Everyday Magic in Homeschool, Learning, and Life" and Sarah Mackenzie's "The Read-Aloud Family: Making Meaningful and Lasting

Connections With Your Kids."

Do an internet search for popular methods of teaching at home, like Charlotte Mason, classical education, and unschooling. Homeschooling expert Pam Barnhill put together a helpful list of methods (Pam-Barnhill.com/guide-to-homeschool-methods/) featuring these and more, along with links and resources for further research.

Search Pinterest, YouTube, and Instagram for examples of homeschooling families living the homeschooling life. A few of my favorite homeschool hashtags are: #hyggehomeschool, #poetryteatime, #readaloudfamily, and #natureschooling.

For an extra boost of confidence and perspective, think about school for a minute or two. Consider the famous TED talk by the late Sir Ken Robinson, "Do Schools Kill Creativity?"; the TEDx talk by marketing expert Seth Godin, "Stop Stealing Dreams"; any of the eye-opening talks by New York City and State Teacher of the Year John Taylor Gatto (YouTube.com/user/JohnTaylorGatto); and an Epoch Times "American Thought Leaders" interview with education expert Alex Newman (bit.ly/3kxoi2n).

Ask yourself what you want for your children and your family, and if homeschooling might just be a better way for your children to learn new things, build upon their strengths, explore their interests, tighten family bonds, and enjoy their days.

# FOR KIDS ONLY

THE EPOCH TIMES



## To My Sister

by William Wordsworth

My sister! ('tis a wish of mine)  
Now that our morning meal is done,  
Make haste, your morning task resign;  
Come forth and feel the sun.

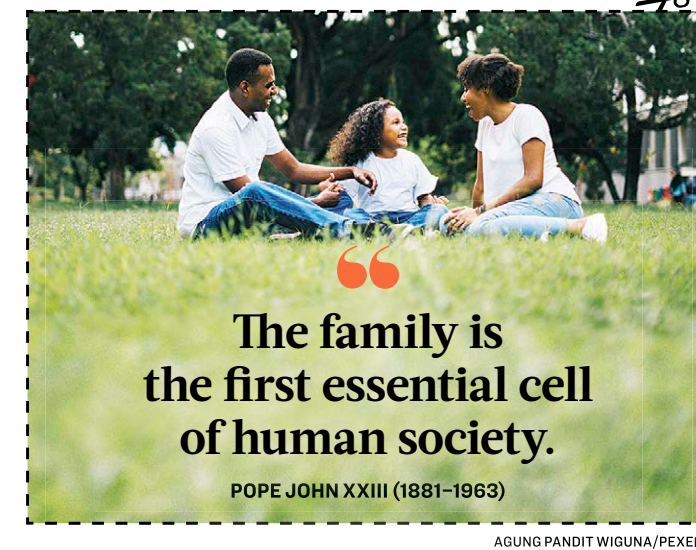
Edward will come with you—and pray,  
Put on with speed your woodland dress;  
And bring no book: for this one day  
We'll give to idleness.

## WHY DID THE PONY GET SENT TO HIS ROOM?



HE WOULD'NT STOP HORISING AROUND.

ALEX POISON/SHUTTERSTOCK



## The family is the first essential cell of human society.

POPE JOHN XXIII (1881-1963)

GUSTAVO FRINGO/PEXELS

AGING PANDIT WIGUNA/PEXELS

By Aidan Danza, age 14

# THE NORTHERN CARDINAL



**T**he northern cardinal is a bird superstar—a favorite of many people.

It has achieved a goal that I imagine every bird species aspires to—seven states acknowledge the cardinal as their state bird, more than any other bird!

The northern cardinal is a fairly large songbird, with a medium-long tail, and a thick red bill. It's a very common visitor to bird feeders in the eastern United States, but inconspicuous almost everywhere else. Cardinals love backyards, and they also have quite an affinity for dense areas, such as overgrown fields, thickets, dense trees, and hedgerows.

When a female cardinal wants to build a nest, she looks at possible nest sites, much like you would do if you move out of your current home. The cardinals seem to talk to each other as they look at sites. The male will bring the material to the female after she chooses one, and she will crush the twigs until they can bend. She will use herself as a mold for her nest, bending the twigs around her and pushing down with her feet.

A cardinal will lay 2 to 5 eggs in her nest and raise 1 or 2 families every year. The cardinal can behave very humanlike, and they will show off by singing and preening from a high branch. Cardinals will stay in pairs during the breeding season, but form flocks of dozens of cardinals in the winter. Cardinals seem to have a distinct pecking order. The young cardinals are at the bottom, moving away from the feeding station to let older ones feed, and older females will let the older males feed.



TAL PHOTOS BY SHUTTERSTOCK

# AMAZING ESCAPES!



**ENTER THE MAZE FROM THE TRUNK AND EXIT AT THE TOP.**  
You must alternate passing through the black and white dots. You can retrace your path but you must not back up along a path.

**USE THE FOUR NUMBERS IN THE CORNERS, AND THE OPERANDS (+, -, AND X)** to build an equation to get the solution in the middle. There may be more than one "unique" solution but, there may also be "equivalent" solutions. For example:  $6 + (7 \times 3) + 1 = 28$  and  $1 + (7 \times 3) + 6 = 28$

Easy puzzle 1

|         |    |
|---------|----|
| 6       | 10 |
| 77      |    |
| 1       | 7  |
| + - × ÷ |    |

Solution For Easy 1  
 $1 + 01 = (1 + 9)$   
 $1 + 9 = 10$

Medium puzzle 1

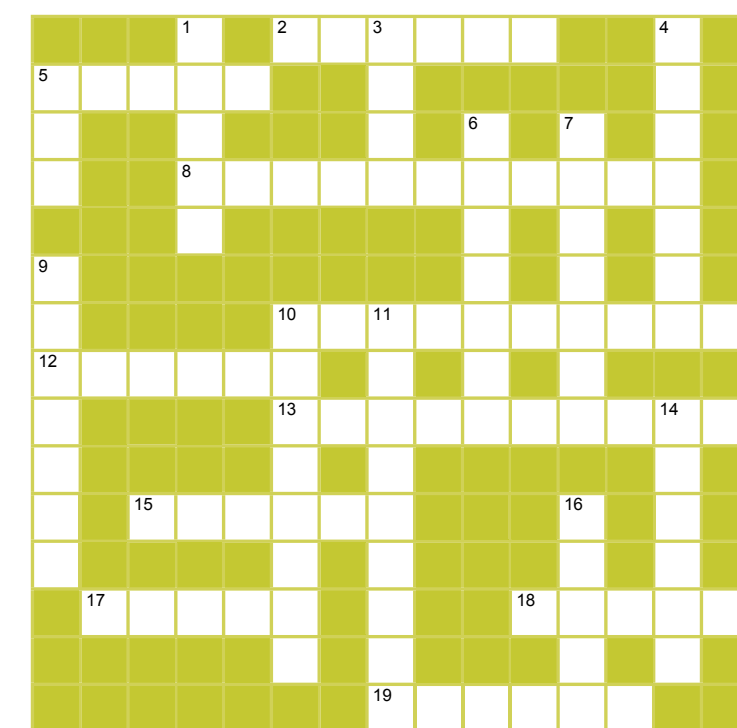
|         |    |
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| 5       | 20 |
| 27      |    |
| 2       | 9  |
| + - × ÷ |    |

Solution for Medium 1  
 $5 + 2 = (8 - 02)$   
 $02 - 2 = 5 + 6$

Hard puzzle 1

|         |    |
|---------|----|
| 8       | 31 |
| 92      |    |
| 6       | 17 |
| + - × ÷ |    |

Solution for Hard 1  
 $8 + 9 = (1 - 18)$

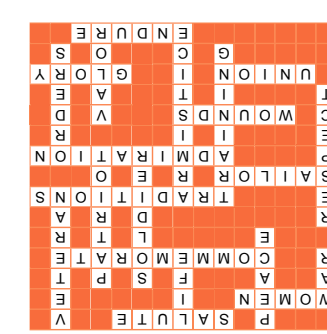


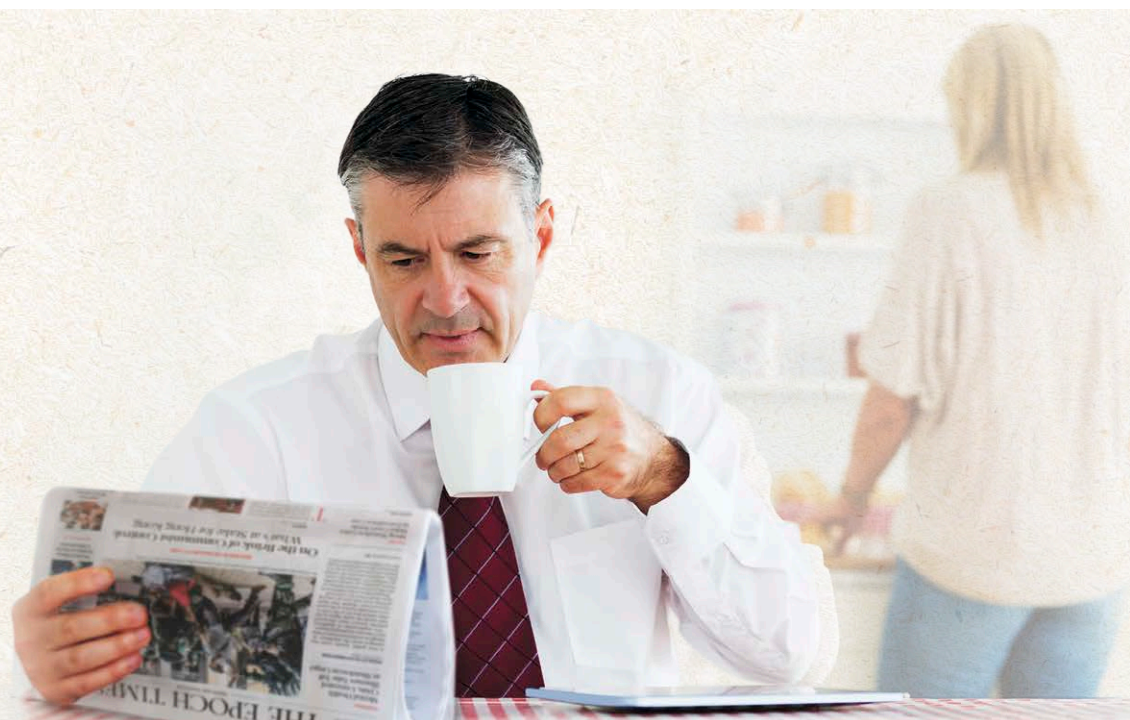
## Down

- Tranquility (5)
- \_\_\_\_\_, liberty and the pursuit of happiness (4)
- Former soldier or sailor (7)
- Military engagement with another country (3)
- Army man (as opposed to a Navy man) (7)
- One who acts in the best interest of their country (7)
- What we offer our veterans (7)
- Apprenticeship (8)
- High point of 1918 (9)
- Military personnel follow them (6)
- Courage in the face of danger (5)

## Across

- Respectful military greeting (6)
- WWII WAVES and WAAFS (5)
- Remember by taking an action (11)
- Customs (10)
- Jack-tar (6)
- What our veterans have earned (10)
- Source of battle scars (6)
- Our 50 States (5)
- Old \_\_\_\_\_ (5)
- Stick out (6)





# Honest Journalism Is Always ‘Essential’

**G**reetings, Epoch VIP, and welcome to your print edition of The Epoch Times! This might be your first time actually meeting us in person, which is great! Not that our online edition isn't just as good, but there's nothing quite like the feel of a good old-fashioned newspaper in your hands over a cup of coffee—at least, in our opinion.

And don't worry; while we do have many opinions of our own, we do our best to put them in our editorial and op-ed sections where opinions belong. Our news reporting is reserved for facts that we can prove with credible sources, so that we can deliver you an accurate, unbiased, and comprehensive picture of what's going on in the world today. We're believers in the idea that news reporting

should inspire people of all different opinions to think independently and speak up, instead of being silenced in favor of a majority narrative. That's why our job stops after we give you the facts: your reactions, emotions, and opinions are all your own. Maybe a report on injustice might sadden you, perhaps it might make you angry, perhaps you might want to do your own research and then decide. Maybe one of our lifestyle articles might make you laugh, or it might make you nostalgic. Maybe one of our mind and body articles will get you to think about life in a way you didn't before.

We don't know what your reaction will be, but what we do hope is that the paper in your hands inspires you to have an open, honest conversation—with your friends and family, with society, or even with us.

Tell us if you agree, let us know if you disagree, write a letter to our editors; we'd love to hear from you. For we believe that freedom of expression is the fire that forges a society's best ideas, and that principle is also what drives the kind of classic American journalism we want to restore to the limelight.

So let's bring back news that's accountable to its readers. Let's bring back the dialogue that comes with getting the paper in the morning. Let us know if we're putting our money where our mouth is, because we want to prove that "truth and tradition" isn't just a motto.

With you on our side, we hope to get even better at living out that motto every day.

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