

Let's face it: English is a crazy language...

There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger;  
neither apple nor pine in pineapple.

And while no one knows what is in a hotdog,  
you can be pretty sure it isn't canine.

English muffins were not invented in England, nor French fries in France.  
Sweetmeats are candies, while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat.

We take English for granted.  
But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square.

And a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.  
And why is it that writers write,  
but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce, and hammers don't ham?

If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth, beeth?  
One goose, 2 geese. So, one moose, 2 meese?  
Is cheese the plural of choose?  
One mouse, 2 mice.  
One louse, 2 lice.  
One house, 2 hice ?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught?  
If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Why do people recite at a play, and play at a recital?  
Ship by truck or car and send cargo by ship?  
Have noses that run and feet that smell?  
Park on driveways and drive on parkways?  
How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same,  
while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?  
How can the weather be hot as Hell one day and cold as Hell another?

When a house burns up, it burns down.  
You fill in a form by filling it out  
and an alarm clock goes off by going on.

You get in and out of a car, yet you get on and off a bus.

When the stars are out, they are visible,  
but when the lights are out, they are invisible.  
And why, when I wind up my watch, I start it,  
but when I wind up this essay, I end it?

English is a silly language...  
it doesn't know if it is coming or going !!

## **Money is not everything**

Money can buy house  
but not home.

Money can buy bed  
but not sleep.

Money can buy clock  
but not time.

Money can buy book  
but not knowledge.

Money can buy food  
but not appetite.

Money can buy position  
but not respect.

Money can buy blood  
but not life.

Money can buy medicine  
but not health.

Money can buy sex  
but not love.

Money can buy insurance  
but not safety.

1. A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. On my desk, I have a work station...GO FIGURE!
2. If Fed Ex and UPS were to merge, would they call it Fed UP?
3. I believe five out of four people have trouble with fractions.
4. If quitters never win, and winners never quit, what fool came up with, "Quit while you're ahead?"
5. Do Lipton employees take coffee breaks?
6. What hair color do they put on the driver's licenses of bald men?
7. I was thinking that women should put pictures of missing husbands on beer cans.
8. I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older, then it dawned on me...they were cramming for their finals.
9. I thought about how mothers feed their babies with little tiny spoons and forks, so I wonder what Chinese mothers use. Perhaps toothpicks?
10. Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do...write to these men? Why don't they just put their pictures on the postage stamps so the mailmen could look for them while they delivered the mail?
11. Never agree to plastic surgery if the doctor's office is full of portraits by Picasso.
12. How much deeper would oceans be if sponges didn't live there?
13. Why not modern Latin: VENI, VEDI, VISA - I came, I saw, I shopped.
14. If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the OTHERS here for?
15. STRESSED spelled backwards is DESSERTS.
16. You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive.
17. Clones are people two.
18. If a man says something in the woods and there are no women there, is he still wrong?
19. Go ahead and take risks....just be sure that everything will turnout OK.
20. Strange! No one ever says "It's only a game," when their team is winning.
21. As I said before, I never repeat myself!
22. If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.
23. Ever wonder what the speed of lightning would be if it didn't zig-zag?
24. Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.
25. Think "honk" if you're telepathic.
26. Last night I played a blank tape at full blast. The mime next door went nuts.
27. If a person with multiple personalities threatens suicide, is that considered a hostage situation?
28. If a cow laughed, would milk come out her nose?
29. Whatever happened to preparations A through G?
30. If olive oil comes from olives, where does baby oil come from?
31. I went for a walk last night and my kids asked me how long I'd be gone. I said, "The whole time."
32. So what's the speed of dark?
33. How come you don't ever hear about grunted employees? And who has been missing them anyhow?
34. After eating, do amphibians need to wait an hour before getting OUT of the water?
35. Why don't they just make mouse-flavored cat food?
36. If you're sending someone some Styrofoam, what do you pack it in?
37. I just got skylights put in my place. The people who live above me are furious.
38. Why do they sterilize needles for lethal injections?
39. Is it true that cannibals don't eat clowns because they taste funny?
40. If it's tourist season, why can't we shoot them?
41. Isn't Disney World a people trap operated by a mouse?

42. Whose cruel idea was it for the word "lisp" to have an "s" in it?
43. Since light travels faster than sound, isn't that why some people appear bright until you hear them speak?
44. How come abbreviated is such a long word?
45. If it's zero degrees outside today and it's supposed to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold is it going to be?
46. Why do you press harder on a remote-control when you know the battery is dead?
47. Since Americans throw rice at weddings, do Asians throw hamburgers?
48. Why are they called buildings, when they're already finished? Shouldn't they be called built?

## **20 SAYINGS WE'D LIKE TO SEE ON THOSE OFFICE INSPIRATIONAL POSTERS**

1. Rome did not create a great empire by having meetings...they did it by killing all those who opposed them.
2. If you can stay calm, while all around you is chaos...then you probably haven't completely understood the seriousness of the situation.
3. Doing a job RIGHT the first time gets the job done. Doing the job WRONG fourteen times gives you job security.
4. Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
5. Artificial Intelligence is no match for Natural Stupidity.
6. A person who smiles in the face of adversity... probably has a scapegoat.
7. Plagiarism saves time.
8. If at first you don't succeed, try management.
9. Never put off until tomorrow what you can avoid altogether.
10. TEAMWORK... means never having to take all the blame yourself.
11. The beatings will continue until morale improves.
12. Never underestimate the power of very stupid people in large groups.
13. We waste time, so you don't have to.
14. Hang in there, retirement is only thirty years away!
15. Go the extra mile. It makes your boss look like an incompetent slacker.
16. A snooze button is a poor substitute for no alarm clock at all.
17. When the going gets tough, the tough take a coffee break.
18. INDECISION is the key to FLEXIBILITY.
19. Succeed in spite of management.
20. Aim Low, Reach Your Goals, Avoid Disappointment.