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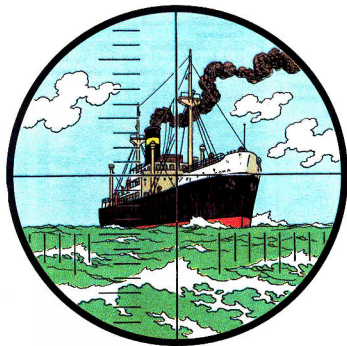


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One evening, at the cinema...



Did you enjoy the film, Captain?

Oh yes...so-so, so-so.



The chap who played the lead is a good actor... He looks like Alcazar; don't you think so?



... but the end was too improbable. The old uncle hasn't seen his nephew for twenty years... he starts thinking about him... the door opens, and hey-presto, who's there? The nephew!



It's as if I was thinking of... I don't know, someone or other...



For example, take General Alcazar, whom you mentioned just now. He completely vanished from our lives years ago...



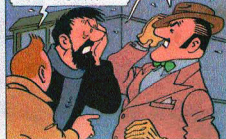
Well, d'you suppose, if I just think about him he'll pop up on the street corner, like that, bingo!?

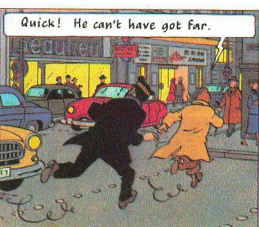
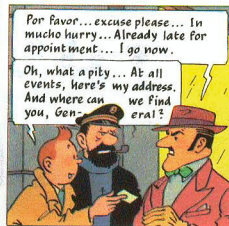
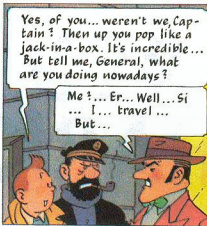
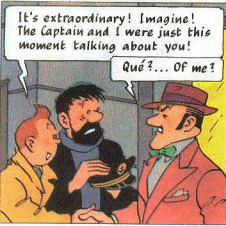


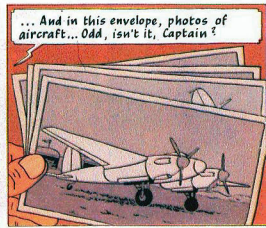
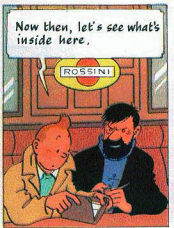
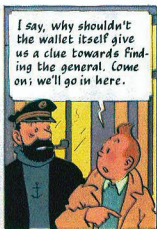
Look here, you misguided missile, you! Can't you watch where you're going?

It's GENERAL ALCAZAR!

Caramba!





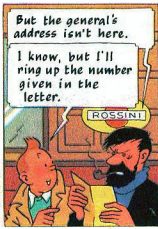


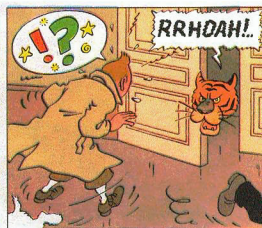
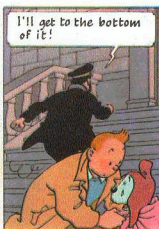
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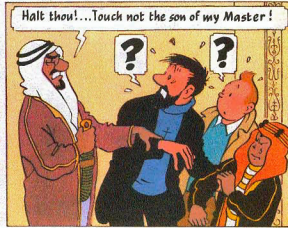
Dear Sir,

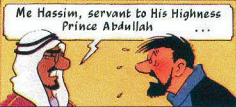
Please telephone PIC 8524 between 10. and 12.0 p.m. Ask for Mr. Debrett.

Regards,
J. D.M.C.







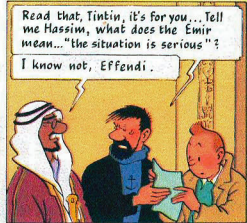


Me Hassim, servant to His Highness Prince Abdullah ...



And I bring you message from my Master.

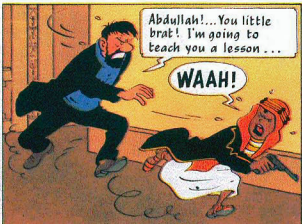
Most esteemed and well-beloved friend,
I entrust to you my son Abdullah, to improve his English. Here the situation is serious. Should any misfortune befall me I count on you, my friend, to care for Abdullah.
Emir Ben Kalish Zab



Read that, Tintin, it's for you... Tell me Hassim, what does the Emir mean... "the situation is serious" ?

I know not, Effendi.

What d'you make of it ? One thing's clear: we've got Abdullah on our hands. We'll have to bring the young scamp to heel.



Abdullah!... You little brat! I'm going to teach you a lesson ...

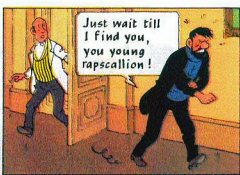
WAAH!



Halt thou!... Touch not the son of my Master!



Touch not! Touch not! You arabesque, you! D'you imagine I'm going to let that little pest raise Cain in my house ?



Just wait till I find you, you young rapscallion!



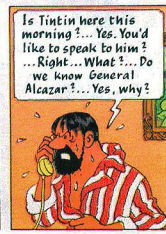
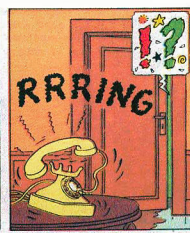
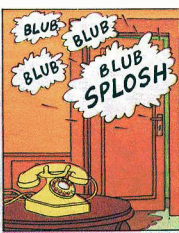
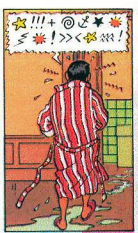
Oh sir!... Sir!... It's terrible, sir... All those foreign persons have settled themselves...

Later, Nestor ... tell me later.



... in the state-rooms!

The next morning...





You'll explain that to Tintin later? Good... What?... No, no trouble at all...



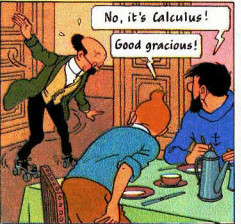
Ringin' up when I'm in the bath! I ask you!



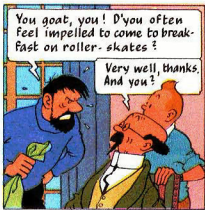
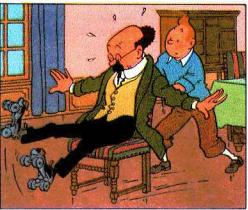
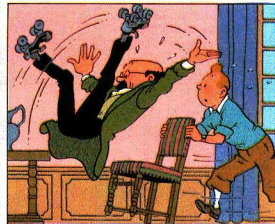
Half an hour later... Well, well! Thompson and Thompson?... And they want to talk to me about General Alcazar. Odd, isn't it? Yes... Talking of odd things... where's Abdullah this morning?



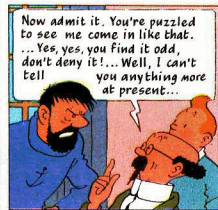
KHRRR KHRRR
Blistering barnacles, here he comes!



No, it's Calculus! Good gracious!



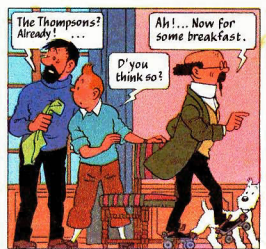
You goat, you! D'you often feel impelled to come to breakfast on roller-skates? Very well, thanks. And you?



Now admit it. You're puzzled to see me come in like that. ... Yes, yes, you find it odd, don't deny it!... Well, I can't tell you anything more at present...



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... but quite soon you'll see my reason for it.



The Thompsons? Already! ... Ah!... Now for some breakfast. D'you think so?

