

Ask the

# Master of Science



Dear Master of Science,  
I'm not sure that I understand all the economic moves that the Treasury and the Fed have made in the last few weeks. I mean, have they adequately taken into account inflationary pressures of flooding the banking system with all that money? And don't get me started on the dangers to long term incentives for saving. But they must know what they're doing right? I worry sometimes.

-Keyne West

Dear Key West,  
I don't think they're flooding the system with money, I mean there's no way that the government can just print money out of thin air. I mean... wait a minute I just looked this up! They can just print money! Holy cacophony! This blows my mind. Why don't they just print us all a million dollars! The Fed could use a lesson in the science of numbers!

But now that I think about it I'll bet the cost of making a dollar bill is like, a dollar, so it's just not worth it. So, that's why we're paying 700 billion dollars, it's the cost of printing all that money to give to the banks. Once again, science explains all without evening leaving the couch.

Dear Master Scientist,  
How come we don't all have jet packs? Wasn't that supposed to happen already?

-Grounded Indefinitely

Dear Grounded Indefinitely,  
I once patented a jet pack design that was propelled by sticks of dynamite. So, I guess it would really be more of an explosion pack. Just think, in only three explosions you could be at work or the beach. It gets two hundred feet per stick.

That patent was the best \$30,000 grand I ever spent. The government and oil companies have silenced it for now, but the day will come when my E-Pack (Explosion Pack™) will soar over their stunned and besooted faces (besooted from my E-Pack™).

If you're interested in buying this patent, send me an email to my regular question email. Please add "Interested in E-Pack™" to the subject line so it doesn't filter immediately into the trash folder.

Dear Master of Science,  
Why is it that that the jerk who is always sucking up to the boss gets the promotion. I'm a good worker, I work overtime, I do others' work for them. So why do I always get passed up? What is the scientific reason for people's behavior in this department, Accounts Receivable?

-Bob

Bobert,  
The sorts of people who use tactics of flattery and servilence, always tend to settle at the top of the career ladder. In science we call this Brownoseian Motion. I suggest you adopt these practices. When I fill a position in my lab I weed out the smarties, independent thinkers and workhorses for the flatterers, jokesters and flim-flamers. They make me laugh, and feel good about myself. I mean, my lab scientists don't need to be rocket scientists or anything y'know? I tell them to pull the lever and they pull the lever and tell a joke or ask me if I've been working out (and I have). That's what I want and that's how the science world works. Get with it.

Correction to Trapped in Tulsa,  
I meant cut the green wire. My bad.

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