



Dear Master of Science,
For Physics we made two snowmen and for a science experiment put a coat on one of them. We recorded how long it took the coated guy to melt. But he never did! What did we do wrong?

-Physics 101, Team 5

Dear Team 5,
Hmm, I'm not sure where you went wrong. I'd have to know more about your data collection methods and experimental parameters. Was the coat unzipped? That may have let out all the heat.

Most likely though, someone in your team falsified the data. I think you can go a head and mark that the snowman melted in about half an hour. That's what would have happened if one or more members of your team hadn't sabotaged the experiment. Let the finger pointing begin.

Hey Master of Guidance,
I've been studying Dr. Hartfjord's experiments and theories on the quantum behavior of silicon atoms in strong electromagnetic fields. What do you think of his theories?

-Quantum Bleep

Dear Ziggy,
You know, I've been working on science for a long time. Longer than you can even begin to comprehend. I've seen all the pros and the cons, the grant gimps, the Nobel junkies, the fellowship whores. I've seen theories arrive like hometown champion parades only to disappear like last night's drunken hookup. I've been around, you know?

During this crucible of a career, I've developed a short cut to the truth. Sure, you can go to the library, look at journal articles, talk to the experts, corroborate results by experimentation. You could do that, if you had a lot of time and money. But who has that time and money nowadays, am I right? You don't need all that, all you need is to take stock of the person, size 'em up, and make a call. I met Dr. Hartfjord once at a conference. I asked him a series of rapid fire science questions, and he was quite short with me. Well, that's all the evidence I need to dismiss his theories and any future ones he may develop. At the end of the day, the gut is usually a better

scientist than the practice of science. Weird, but true.

Dear Master of Science,
Why is the sky blue? Is it because of the rays bouncing off the air?

-Timmy

Dear Timmy,
Before there was only an endless sea of clouds in the nothingness and the Two Great Lightnings danced and played amongst them. They imagined worlds and told each other stories of them as they danced and played.

One became sad and looked longingly through the clouds and into the nothingness. The Lightning left, but as a gift to the other fashioned a kaleidoscope with which to see into the nothingness. The Kaleidoscope was made from all the things the two had said to one another over eternity.

As the Lighting watches for its compainion, it throws light through the Kaleidoscope. This light from the Lightning, waiting for its other, becomes the world. The lights shine and turn into the sun the stars, the earth, its creatures. We are the play of light shining out from the kaleidoscope.

At the bottom of the kaleidoscope was a stone raindrop. And as the kaleidoscope turns the stone raindrop light prisms the blue of the sky. That is why the sky is blue.

And the great lighting continually looks for an image of its companion, but never sees it. If the lighting ever sees its companion coming out of the nothingness, what will happen no one can say.

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