

IF I'VE LEARNED ONE THING IN LIFE, IT'S THAT EVERYONE HAS HIS PRICE.



RAISE THE ANTE HIGH ENOUGH, AND THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS SCRUPLES! PEOPLE WILL DO ANYTHING IF THE PRICE IS RIGHT!



WHAT'S YOUR PRICE?



TWO BUCKS COLD CASH UP FRONT.

I DON'T KNOW WHICH IS WORSE... THAT EVERYONE HAS HIS PRICE, OR THAT THE PRICE IS ALWAYS SO LOW.



I'D MAKE MINE HIGHER, BUT IT'S HARD TO FIND BUYERS AS IT IS.

WHATCHA DOING?



DAD WANTS TO MOW THE LAWN, SO HE'S MAKING ME PICK UP STICKS.

HE SAID I MIGHT LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT THE SATISFACTION THAT COMES FROM A JOB WELL DONE.



AND DID YOU?

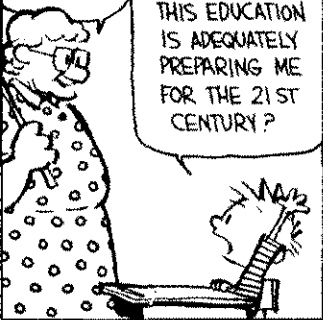


I SUPPOSE SO.

I THINK HE'S TRYING TO TELL ME THERE IS NONE.



YOU HAVE A QUESTION, CALVIN?

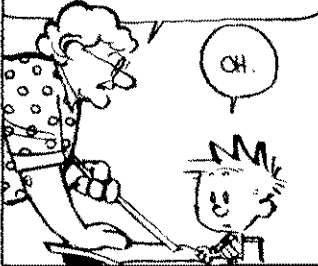


YES! WHAT ASSURANCE DO I HAVE THAT THIS EDUCATION IS ADEQUATELY PREPARING ME FOR THE 21ST CENTURY?

AM I GETTING THE SKILLS I'LL NEED TO EFFECTIVELY COMPETE IN A TOUGH, GLOBAL ECONOMY? I WANT A HIGH-PAYING JOB WHEN I GET OUT OF HERE! I WANT OPPORTUNITY!



IN THAT CASE, YOUNG MAN, I SUGGEST YOU START WORKING HARDER. WHAT YOU GET OUT OF SCHOOL DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT.

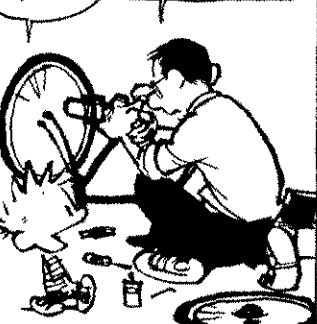


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THEN FORGET IT.

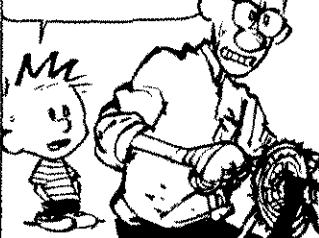


WHATCHA DOIN', DAD?



I'M BUSY TRYING TO FIX SOMETHING.

WHY BOTHER? ON THE RARE OCCASIONS WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM IS, YOU USUALLY MAKE IT WORSE AND HURT YOURSELF IN THE PROCESS!



I WISH I'D NOTICED THE BANDAGE ON HIS HAND BEFORE I SAID THAT.

