



## THE BUILDING CALLED AMERICA

*Restoring America's Foundation*  
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Once upon a time a group of people decided to build a new building. It would be an unusual building, the likes of which the world had never seen. They would call their beautiful new structure America. The builders knew the foundation must be exceptionally strong. The design called for three mighty pillars: faith, family and freedom. Each would undergird equally the weight of the building. So construction began

on the building called America.

The workers labored faithfully to insure the three pillars of faith, family and freedom were strong enough to withstand wind, rain and attacks of the enemy. For many the task consumed their whole life. However their children, catching their father's dream, continued to work on the building and to insure the strength of the three supporting pillars.

Generations passed, but each did its part to maintain the glorious building which had become the most treasured and admired structure in all the world. They gave of themselves freely. Some even sacrificed their very lives and fortunes to preserve its integrity. And they always made sure that the supporting pillars of faith, family and freedom were sound. They knew that the existence of the entire building rested upon the strength of the three pillars.

Years later some began to question the need to maintain all three pillars. They thought only two were necessary. So they began to ignore the pillar of faith. Due to neglect, the pillar of faith fell into disrepair and became weak. The weight of the building

called America shifted to the two remaining pillars of family and freedom.

Everyone noticed that the foundation underneath the building called America was sagging. They blamed many things, but seldom gave serious consideration to the deteriorating pillar of faith. Before long, because of the weakening of the pillar of faith, the pillar of family began to fail. The pillar of freedom began to crumble under the load.

Some people saw what was happening to the building and tried to restore the pillar of faith. Other scoffed at them, calling them old-fashioned and traditional. Many tried to prop up the building called America using a variety of techniques. But few were interested in strengthening the pillar of faith.

One day, to the surprise and sadness of the world, the building called America collapsed. A voice trapped beneath the crumbling structure was heard to cry out: "No building like America can ever stand except on the three equal pillars of faith, family and freedom." And with that the once magnificent building called America perished and disappeared into the rubble of history.

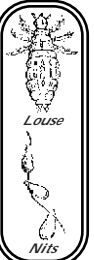


## Medicine For Children

### HEAD LICE ADVICE

Lice are spread by head-to-head contact, sharing hats, brushes, pillows and headrests. Lice do not jump or fly.

- WATCH FOR SIGNS - Frequent Head scratching could mean lice. Check all family for lice and nits at least once a week.
- COMBING IS THE BEST AND SAFEST TREATMENT - Use a heavy conditioner in hair and a lice comb to comb lice and nits out.
- IF YOU USE OVER-THE-COUNTER LICE SHAMPOOS - Follow directions exactly. Do not leave on longer than directions tell you. Do not use lice sprays on hair. These products contain pesticides and long-term safety has not been proven.
- WASH BEDDING AND RECENTLY WORN CLOTHING in hot water. Dry in hot dryer. Soak combs and brushes in hot water.
- VACUUM - upholstered furniture, rugs, stuffed animals and car seats to remove lice or fallen hairs with nits attached.
- RECHECK THE INFESTED PERSON EVERY DAY - 3-5 nits can mean live lice. After lice are gone check on a regular basis.
- IF YOUR CHILD HAS LICE - notify his/her school, childcare providers and playmates' parents so other kids can be checked. †



## Recommended TV



### DORA THE EXPLORER

On August 14 a brand new show premiered on Nick Jr. for preschoolers ages 2-5. Dora the Explorer is a play along, animated adventure series featuring a 7-year-old Latina heroine who lives inside a computer. Young Dora and her friend Boots have many adventures together as they teach children how to reason out problems, how to remember things (by repetition), how to ask for help when needed, and how to keep trying until they reach their goal. Along the way, Dora teaches kids how to speak the Spanish language. Dora continually asks the children to interact with her and help her find answers to questions. She needs their help to get from point a to point b, to select a certain object or a certain color to help them along their way. This show is lively and attractive with bright graphics and Latin style music provided by the Fiesta trio. Now I ask, is your preschooler up to Dora's challenge? 🍌



### More Wise Advice from Kids

- 1) No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.
- 2) When your Mom is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
- 3) If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
- 4) Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.
- 5) Reading what people write on desks can teach you a lot.
- 6) Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.
- 7) School lunches stick to the wall.
- 8) The best place to be when you're sad is Grandpa's lap.

### Wise Advice from Adults

- 1) Raising teenagers is like nailing Jell-O to a tree.
- 2) One reason to smile is that every seven minutes of every day, someone in an aerobics class pulls a hamstring.
- 3) Car sickness is the feeling you get when the monthly payment is due.
- 4) Families are like fudge mostly sweet, with a few nuts.
- 5) Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
- 6) Laughing helps. It's like jogging on the inside.
- 7) Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy.
- 8) My mind not only wanders; sometimes it leaves completely.
- 9) If you can remain calm, you just don't have all the facts.

