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Driven mad - The Diary, Monday, 28 February 2011

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A LANARK reader driving his family to visit relatives in Devon couldn't believe it when one of his youngsters asked soon into the journey the inevitable: "Are we nearly there yet?"

He tried to nip this line of questioning in the bud by telling his kids that they wouldn't reach their destination until after it was dark. His hopes of a question-free journey were dashed when his youngster asked shortly afterwards: "Is is nearly dark yet?"

Changed perspective

A READER spots that recruitment company Eden Scott is advertising for a "change manager" in Glasgow's banking sector, paying £500 a day.

Without reading the job description too closely, our reader wonders: "How difficult can it be, putting coins into these wee plastic bags?"

Missed again

BOAT names continued. Morning Mist is of course a favourite boat name. Jack Bisset however wonders how much the owner of a boat on Loch Lomond enjoyed going to the pub of an evening as he had named his craft Morning Missed.

Pasty-facer

GREGGS, the fast-food chain much favoured by Glaswegians, has been told to change the name of its big selling Cornish Pasties as under EU law the name can now only refer to such delicacies made in Cornwall. Greggs is asking customers what to rename them, with the favourite being "the pasty formerly known as Cornish". However, as many people dispute the Greggs offering is anything like the real thing, we prefer the suggestion "Cornish Pastiche".

Not so handy

OUR driving test stories will soon come to an emergency stop, but not before Ian Barnett tells us: "In the sixties I recall the instructor telling me about another pupil who had no indicators on his car, and hand signals were used. For right

turns you stuck your right arm out the window to indicate right. For left turns you rotated your right arm out the window in an anti clockwise direction.

"The guy in question was asked to turn left at the next junction. He stuck out his left hand and whacked the examiner in the face."

Simples

WITH the Royal Wedding just two months away, firms are keen to grab publicity no matter how tenuous the connection.

Most opportunistic so far is the St Andrew's Aquarium with a press release headed "Kate, Wills and the Pitter Patter of Tiny Feet". Goodness, is the royal bride pegggers?

No, it's just that the aquarium has named a couple of their meerkats Kate and Wills as it was a "regular haunt" of the couple when they were students, and thus their excuse for the tiny feet headline.

And not like the free-time activities of any students we know either.

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