

When Alien Abductions



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Humor/Fiction—An anthology of short stories, many of which were inspired by actual reported alien encounters!

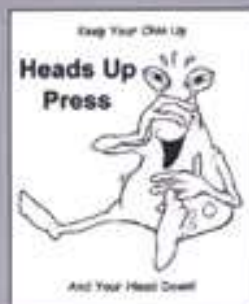
"The aliens have been abducting humans and experimenting on them for generations. Nobody knows why, and we seem powerless to stop them.

But the aliens are only human (?!) Despite their advanced technology every now and then, even for them, something goes wrong.

Some piece of alien equipment breaks. Their computer bluescreens. Some alien bureaucratic snafu fouls up everything.

And occasionally, whether by design or purely by accident, a human thwarts the plans of the aliens.

These are stories of botched alien-human encounters, especially those **When Alien Abductions Go Wrogn!**"

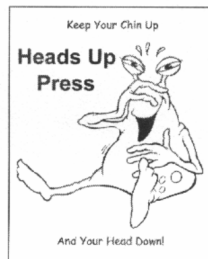


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Read how:

Two UFOs try to abduct the same human

Aliens weigh in on the human obesity epidemic

Amelia Earhart wasn't lost at sea, exactly

Two aliens fight over which one tortures the next human

A UFO accidentally enters a balloon contest

A policeman determines the proper procedure for arresting an illegal alien

The Titanic actually avoided the iceberg

Alien UFOs keep accidentally blowing themselves up

The big new particle accelerator is a smash

Bach accidentally wrote a triumphant musical celebration for the wrong thing

A man is tormented whether to strangle an alien intruder or give it the Heimlich maneuver

Aliens end up with egg on their faces and spleens and gall bladders (assuming aliens have spleens and gall bladders) after crashing their UFO into a picnic

The Mayans learned what will happen in 2012

And More!

Sample Story:

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SERPENDIPITY



THE SMALL SOUTHWESTERN CITY HAD A LARGE PROPORTION of retired people, and most weeknights were fairly quiet, reflected the Sergeant as he made his rounds in the black and white police patrol car. There was an occasional scuffle at a bar, or more often a fender bender somewhere, but usually nothing violent. Years had passed since the community's last homicide.

This night was typically quiet when a radio dispatch came in from the 911 center. The officer was to go to an address where a breaking and entering had been reported. "There was something about the perpetrator being an illegal alien," the dispatcher radioed, "but the caller didn't seem to be making a lot of sense about that part."

The homeowner who'd called was waiting outside for the police. He introduced himself to the policeman as Manuel, "Or Manny, as most people call me." They went inside into the living room where the Sergeant began taking the man's statement.

"First, Officer, I'd like to know if you are afraid of snakes," Manny asked. The officer's reply was a firm "No." to which the homeowner responded, "Good, because you'll probably meet Nancy."

Nancy was an eleven-foot-long Boa Constrictor the man had owned for years. So long as the snake was fed rodents and kept full, it was harmless. It spent most of its time in a terrarium Manny had built, where it could stay warm under a lamp and digest, while thinking whatever thoughts a snake thinks.

"She's presently coiled up in the bedroom," he tried to reassure the officer.

"Now the hard part," Manny thought. "Ok, about the break-in," he began, "do you believe in UFOs?"

"Why me?" thought the Sergeant.

"He's probably thinking 'Why me?'" thought Manny.

"I'm very serious," he said, "and no, I'm not crazy. This is directly related to the break-in. Let me explain."

Whereupon Manny explained that he had been the victim of abductions by aliens in UFOs, and they were in fact very real. He recalled partial memories of some of his abductions, and thinking that he was crazy, he had sought professional psychiatric help. After a full battery of psychological tests Manny was found to be normal, but suffering from what was described as post-traumatic stress.

Manny had placed a letter on the coffee table in preparation for this discussion, and he picked it up and handed it to the Sergeant saying, "Look, here—I even have a letter from my psychiatrist saying I'm not crazy!"

While the Sergeant glanced at the letter, Manny asked, "Do you have a letter from a medical practitioner stating that you are not crazy?"

The Sergeant stared at the man. Finally the policeman conceded the point, at least temporarily.

Manny continued, "The aliens usually come after dark, immobilize everyone in the house, and take me away and do all kinds of stuff to me I'd rather not discuss. They never actually speak. But somehow, I think by some kind of telepathy, they always make me know what they want me to do."

"Now, I don't have all the answers, so I don't know how this happened. But tonight, when they were here and I was lying on my bed—unable to move—something happened which caught

them by surprise. I guess their immobilization mechanism isn't so good on reptiles.

"And Nancy was out of her terrarium, as she often is on a warm night like tonight."

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If Boa Constrictors have evolved one trait over millions of years of evolution, it is patience. They can move with lightning speed to capture their prey, and then immediately wrap around it and squeeze. The hapless prey will usually struggle, which is Nature's way of giving it one last chance. After all, it's possible that the animal will somehow break free and escape.

But not likely.

As tough as it is, the snake must protect its eyes and other delicate facial features during the prey's struggle phase, since the snake would probably not be able to locate food in the future if it were injured in the face. So once the prey is bound up and the snake has started squeezing, it will patiently wait however long it takes for the prey to suffocate and stop moving, before the reptile loosens its grasp and begins to feed.

Normally, the struggle is over quickly. But the snake is strong and the snake is patient. If it doesn't think that it is safe to begin feeding, the snake can squeeze and squeeze for a very long time.

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"For the first time, Officer, the creatures left without abducting me. If you go into the bedroom now, you'll see why I reported to 911 that the intruding alien has been apprehended.

The Sergeant thought, "I was having such a quiet shift!" as he approached the bedroom. He entered the room and there stood a snake-bound alien.

It was one of the shorter "grays" like the Sergeant had seen in the tabloids, and apparently it was considered expendable by the rest of its spaceship crew because they had left it behind.



Every few seconds the creature would twitch, but it was unable to move or break free. It had a mechanism on a wristband on one wrist—perhaps a levitation control or some kind of escape device—but the snake had firmly pinned the alien's arms to its sides. There was no chance that the alien's feeble efforts to reach the mechanism's control buttons would succeed.

The Sergeant stared at the alien and blinked.

The snake flicked its tongue out and squeezed.

The alien stared at the Sergeant and twitched.

The Sergeant thought for a few moments, trying to decide the proper protocol for this situation. "They sure didn't cover this one at the Academy," he mused. He determined the proper course of action and, still staring at the alien, he began informing it:

"You have the Right to Remain Silent..."