Wackie Wordies
by The Editors of Games

If our mail is any indication, the hottest new fad in the country is not roller disco, freaking, or Cheryl Tiegs. It's Wackie Wordies. During the past few months several hundred readers have sent us a set of Wackie Wordie rebus puzzles that's been circulating by hand and by mail.

Ever alert to catch the latest wave of national dementia before it crests, we at GAMES conducted a Wackie Wordies contest among our staff. The winning entries are presented below. The object is to discern a familiar phrase, saying, cliche, or name from each arrangement of letters and/or digits. For example, box 1a depicts the phrase "Just between you and me." Box 1b shows "Hitting below the belt." Don't groan—the best are yet to come.

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Among the winners:

1. Box 2: "Milk of a symphony" (milk of a cow)
2. Box 3: "O 10:00 TV" (10:00 TV show)
3. Box 4: "At the corner of the market" (corner of a street)
4. Box 5: "World the way YYY" (world the way we are)
5. Box 6: "Oholene tooth ooo circus 1 at 3:46 late never" (Oholene is the name of a town)
6. Box 7: "Let's gone a chance M.D. B.A. Ph.D. wheather world world world" (Let's go to a chance meeting)
7. Box 8: "Lines reading lines chicken y fireworks B.D. pace dance" (Lines reading lines)

Congratulations to all the winners!
Wacky Wordies

1a Just between you and me
1b Hitting below the belt
1c Head over heels in love
1d Shrinking violets
1e Bermuda Triangle
1f A mixed bag
2a Cry over spilt milk
2b Lying in wait
2c Unfinished Symphony
2d Pineapple upside-down cake
2e You’re under arrest
2f Split-second timing
3a Nothing on TV
3b Fly-by-night
3c Raise a big stink
3d Add insult to injury
3e Railroad crossing
3f A person after my own heart
4a At the point of no return
4b The inside dope
4c Long underwear
4d Ostrich with its head in the ground
4e Lucky break
4f Corner the market
5a World without end
5b Way behind the times
5c Word to the wise
5d Search high and low
5e Go off half-cocked
5f No two ways about it
6a Hole-in-one
6b Down-to-earth
6c Three-ring circus
6d One at a time
6e Better late than never
6f Get a word in edgewise
7a Let bygones be bygones
7b An outside chance
7c Three degrees below zero
7d A terrible spell of weather
7e World Series
7f Cut loose
8a Reading between the lines
8b Chicken Little
8c Fourth of July fireworks
8d London Bridge
8e Change of pace
8f Square dance contest