



Spring 2021 Bent Caption Contest Entries and Results

This photo from the Winter 1992 issue of *The Bent* was taken at the 86th Annual Convention at College Station, TX. In one of the earlier Engineering Futures Sessions, Lloyd C. Lyons, *TX D '89*, teaches the finer points of "Texan."

First Place - "Next time an even bigger challenge: 'Y'ALL (you all)." – Gary L. Garriott, *IN D '69*

Second Place - "It's not just a greeting, it's a lifestyle!" – R. Wayne Headrick, *AZ B '70*
"Howdy y'all, welcome to Texan 101 and if y'all are ready and rarin' to go then I'm fixin' to teach y'all some Texas slang before y'all might could have a pop quiz!" – Gene A. Cochran, *MO B '66*

Third Place - "A welcome greeting. Next sheet is how we dismiss someone, "Git". – Frank S. Vaden III, *TX D '56*

Fourth Place - "Sixth and final day of review in Journalism 301 following WHODY, WHATDY, WHENDY, WHEREDY, and WHYDY." – Lee A. Hunnell – non-member

___ 1. "If you are going to work for the Tennessee Valley Authority, you need to learn how to greet people."

___ 2. "No, my last name is not Doody."

2 3. "It's not just a greeting, it's a lifestyle!" -

1 4. "Next time an even bigger challenge: 'Y'ALL (you all)"

___ 5. "This recently declassified photo shows DARPA materials & processes engineer Lloyd C. Lyons demonstrating second generation "HOWDY" stealth technology on an F/A-18A elevon at the 1992 DoD Applied Technology Conference."

___ 6. "You can always spot a Yankee by the way they put the accent on the second syllable."

___ 7. "Times up, engineers, my last name is Doo' de."

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3 8." A welcome greeting. Next sheet is how we dismiss someone, "Git"

___ 9. "Speech class for engineers."

4 10. "Sixth and final day of review in Journalism 301 following WHODY, WHATDY, WHENDY, WHEREDY, and WHYDY."

___ 11. "Be sure that you practice this a few times, because knowing "Howdy" is the foundation for learning "Yee-ha!"

___ 12." I know Engineers are good at math, but this is how you pronounce this word. "

2 13." Howdy y'all, welcome to Texan 101 and if y'all are ready and rarin' to go then I'm fixin' to teach y'all some Texas slang before y'all might could have a pop quiz!"

___ 14. "My Aunt Minnie advised me to begin my talk with "Howdee!"

___ 15. "Oh! I forgot to put on my hat with the price tag. My Aunt Minnie will be disappointed."

___ 16. "Engineering Socialization 101, Day One, Lesson One!"

___ 17. "Human/Alien interactions were forever affected by the aliens learning initial greetings by a Texan Linguist"

___ 18. "Long before he became a celebrated cartoonist, Gary Larson unsuccessfully attempted humor in teaching engineering students."

___ 19. "The most uttered word by engineering students, as in "Howdy you do on that test?", "Howdy you get that answer?", etc.."

___ 20. "This comes right before "Y'all"."

___ 21. "Now turn to your neighbor and practice."

___ 22. "OK, memorize the Aggie password"

___ 23. "Remember, Mr. Doody goes by his first name

___ 24. "Really Buffalo Bob, any other ideas for a sidekick?"

___ 25. "Minnie Pearl really butchers this one "

___ 26. Minnie, note the pronunciation!"

___ 27. "Say kids, what time is it?"

___ 28. "That's Howdy, rhyming with paisley, like my tie." (Imagine the Music Man song lyrics - . . . With a capital "T" and that rhymes with "P" and that stands for Pool)

___ 29. "That's it for today. Tomorrow we'll study the phrase "ya'll."

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___ 30. "Welcome all to TX-101: Texan Lingo."

___ 31. "Use this greeting when you meet new customers!"

___ 32. "Professor Lyons introduces Natural Language Processing to a new group of Southern Region Computer Vision Systems."

___ 33. "Oh, so sorry Lloyd, the correct Final Jeopardy answer should have been "What is HOWDY"

___ 34. "Listen up: [Sign/Countersign](#); [Howdy/Doody](#)."

___ 35. "Now that you've mastered the single syllable 'Y'all', let's move on to a more challenging word"

___ 36. ""The two syllable 'Howdy' usually precedes the single syllable 'Y'all'.""

___ 37. "In next week's lesson we'll look at the word DOODY and see how these two words interact."

___ 38. "From the original Texan, meaning 'How all y'all fixin' to do?'"

___ 39. "We're going to watch the show on this 19" Curtis Mathis. . . the character's last name is Doody."

___ 40. "Having mastered the basics, let's move on to "All y'all."

___ 41. "The next damn fool who says 'Doody' is eatin' a load of buckshot."

___ 42. "Welcome California Tax Refugees."

___ 43. "That is really the way you say Mr. Doody's first name"

___ 44. "After committing to this font-size for his introductory page, Mr. Lyons was forced to special-order ten-foot-wide flip charts to accommodate bigger words like "Engineering" and "Futures."

___ 45. " During his entire ten minute overview of the state's brewing industry, he held in his arms a giant imaginary bottle of Ranger Creek Texas Bourbon. "

___ 46. ""How do you do" turned into "Howdy do," which became "Howdy." Class dismissed. Final on Wednesday."

___ 47. "Yes, I truly taught Minnie Pearl how to say this word! How-DEE!"

___ 48. "...And over my shoulder is a modern 1992 See-Are-Tee."

___49. " Hello, welcome to "How to Speak Texan 101."

___50. " y'all's fixen to learnt some Texan today."

___51. "And as we conclude this lecture I'd like to remind everyone that most of us Texans do NOT ride horses to school."

___52. "Minnie Pearl's grandson teaches grammar at the El Paso Immigration Detention Center."

___53. "To combat the socially-awkward engineer stereotype, the convention offered a session on the finer points of conversation."

___54. "Professor Lyons begins his first lecture on Trigonometry for Texans. "Good mornin' y'all! Today we're goin' to learn about sahn and coesahn."

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___55. "Remedial phonetics lesson for Alexa and Siri."

___56. "And this is Texas Sign Language for:'Texans Always Greet You From Their Big Heart

___57. "High Output With Distributed Yield, or HOWDY, is the design goal for the system and can be quantified by ...".

___58. "Now once you master "Howdy", the next lesson on "Yeehaw!" will come naturally!"