The Sam & Jesse Radio Show

Week 29, Episode 4: A Canary’s Heart Beats 1,000 Times a Minute

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| 00:00 | Jesse | A canary’s heart beats 1000 times a minute. |
| 00:04 |  | [music] |
| 00:12 | Narrator | It’s time now for another day in the life of Sam and Jesse. Gum Springs, Arkansas. |
| 00:30 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 00:40 | Jesse | [door slams] Hey, Mr. Buddy, what do you know? |
| 00:42 | Mr. Buddy | Well, I know that a canary’s heart beats at the rate of 1000 times a minute. |
| 00:46 | Jesse | Oh no, Mr. Buddy, tha-that’s just an expression. Kind of a greetin’, you know, like when you ask anybody, what do you know? |
| 00:53 | Mr. Buddy | Oh. Oh, I thought you wanted some information. That just happened to be on my mind. |
| 00:57 | Jesse | Mr. Buddy, you seem to think about more strange things than anybody I ever know’d. Now, now, don't get me wrong, they're all interesting things just different. Ar-are all college professors like you? |
| 01:10 | Mr. Buddy | Well- I-I don't think I'm different. It's just that I like to think about interesting things, you know, I never think about boring things, you know, like politics, or the weather, how I feel…. |
| 01:20 | Jesse | How you feel? I-Is that boring? |
| 01:22 | Mr. Buddy | Well, yeah, it's a boring greeting, you know, like you said, you know, like, people will say, “How you feeling?” And everybody says, “Fine.” I'd love to hear somebody someday say, “Oh, I feel terrible. I think I'm coming down with a terminal case of halitosis or something.” |
| 01:37 | Jesse | Well, when people ask you how you feel, they-they don't really want to know. |
| 01:42 | Mr. Buddy | They don't? |
| 01:43 | Jesse | Oh, I don't think so. They- that's just something to say, you know, like “What's happening?” The answers always, “Nothing.” |
| 01:49 | Mr. Buddy | Well, you're probably right. You know, I always answer the question. That may be part of my problem, and I wasn't aware of. Hey, say, there comes Sam. Let's try it out on him. |
| 01:57 | Jesse | Uh, try what? |
| 01:59 | Mr. Buddy | Well, I'll ask him how he feels. |
| 02:00 | Jesse | Ain't no need. It's like I told you, everybody says “fine.” |
| 02:03 | Mr. Buddy | [door slams] Hey, Sam. How do you feel today? |
| 02:06 | Sam | Oh, hey, Mr. buddy. Now, now that's good of you to ask. I-I really feel rotten. Y-you ever had a paper cut on your finger and a hole in your sock at the same time? I think I'm coming down with a case of prickly heat and yesterday I- [overlap] |
| 02:21 | Jesse | [overlap] Sam. |
| 02:23 | Sam | Yeah? |
| 02:24 | Jesse | You just made a fool out of me. |
| 02:25 | Sam | When? I-I done what? |
| 02:27 | Jesse | Oh, never mind. |
| 02:29 | Sam | Well, now, it's good to see you Mr. Buddy. What do you know these days? |
| 02:32 | Mr. Buddy | Well, I know that a canary’s heart beats at the rate of 1000 beats a minute. |
| 02:37 | Sam | I didn’t know that. |
| 02:38 | Jesse | Oh, me. |
| 02:39 |  | [music] |
| 02:47 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 02:51 | Sam | [overlap] Wasn’t that interestin’? What Mr. Buddy said about a canary’s heartbeat? Now, how’d he know that? |
| 02:56 | Jesse | Oh, I don’t know. He’s a walkin’ encyclopedia. Stuff is interestin’, but-but things just ain’t important to know. |
| 03:03 | Sam | A thousand beats a minute. Now, that’s hard to believe. Nobody could count to a thousand in a minute. They couldn’t check that. Jesse, I wonder what’d happen if a canary got real excited. |
| 03:15 | Jesse | I-I think they’d explode. |
| 03:17 |  | [music] |