

# MARTIAN!

Martian reporter: Hello I'm from Mars. I'm from the Mars thought chronicle.

Human: (Shocked) What! You're what?

Martian reporter: I said I'm from Mars. You know the planet. You must have heard of it.

Human: Well yes of course. I just didn't know there was that kind of hospital around here. Do you want a hand to get home. I'm sure I can help you.

Martian reporter: No you don't understand earthling. I'm from Mars. I have been sent by the Mars Chronicle. The thought transference daily.

Human: Right...

Martian reporter: Yes you see we live a kind of very comfortable existence on Mars, very nice in fact...but it can be a tad boring. And we wondered if it might be worth our while to come to this chewed up golf ball of a planet for a change. And I've been sent to see if anything interesting has ever happened here.

Human: What here on earth?

Martian reporter: Well yes. Has anything interesting ever occurred here?

Human: Well let me see. Lots really. It's hard to know where to start. Well we've invented loads of things. Like ..the telephone.

Martian reporter: (Notes on hand held computer) Yes go on. What is this wonder?

Human: Well it's an instrument and you can talk to people everywhere even though they are a long way away and it was invented by Alexander Graham Bell. And you can hear people from down a long wire and it's ever so clear. You can talk to people in America and Africa and, of course, Durrington-though the line's a bit hazy and.....

Martian reporter: oh for goodness sake. We got rid of that when we went over to thought speak. No haven't you had anything really interesting that's happened?

Human: Well there is television...

Martian reporter:

Yes, go on.

Human: Well we can send pictures and sound to people's homes. And there's loads of channels. And there's cable and you can see repeats of Fawlty Towers twice a week. And now there's going to be digital and it's all going to be terribly exciting...

Martian reporter: Oh come on. We don't bother with such toys. Never have done since we invented in head sound and vision transmission. No I need something really exciting for the Mars Chronicle.

Human: Well how about...no. How about..? No... I know -the nuclear bomb.

Martian reporter: Yes...

Human: Well we have invented a bomb that will destroy thousand and thousands of people in seconds. Whole cities can be wiped out...

Martian reporter: Fireworks! No I can see it's hopeless. I'll have to go back without a story. Pity really. Well cheers.

Human: No wait a minute...there was one thing. Quite a few years ago now...um...God's son, you know, Jesus Christ sort of ..came to earth and..

Martian reporter: What! What! You mean he actually visited your planet. This is incredible!

Human: Well yes.. it was 2000 years ago and where just coming up to an anniversary...

Martian reporter: Recently then. I can see it now. Great headlines. God's son, Jesus Christ came to earth-Grand Reception Party.

Human: Well know.. it wasn't quite like that..

Martian reporter: Well fair enough. How about Earth the visited Planet. See how the earthlings arranged the greatest party ever.

Human: Well not exactly that either.

Martian reporter: Well I'm in the dark here. You'll have to give me details of what you did for Jesus Christ.

Human: We killed him.