

# BIG DAY!

**Andy: Important day, today, Pete.**

**Pete: Oh yes, Andy. Very important.**

**Andy: Yes, important day.**

**Pete: Mmm.... why's that then?**

**Andy: What, why's it an important day?**

**Pete: Yes.. what's it..Independence Day in Burkino Faso?**

**Anniversary of the discovery of cling film?**

**Andy: No, none of that. It's an important day for me, isn't it?**

**Pete: Oh, right.. ...why's that, then, Andy?**

**Andy: Well it's my 100th one, isn't it?**

**Pete: Oh right. Your 100th. Yes..... your 100th what?**

**Andy: You know.. my 100th....**

**Pete: What birthday? I'm really surprised. You don't look a day over 75.**

**Andy: No my 100th...**

**Pete: Wedding anniversary? That makes your wife 123.**

**Andy: No! My 100th old lady.**

**Pete: Oh, right, yes, of course.. What you talking about, Andy?**

**Andy: You know, my 100th old lady. Today I helped my 100th**

**old lady**

**across the road. Well, that's to say, it might not always have been**

**different old ladies. I might have helped some of the same ones more than once..**

**Pete: Oh, yeah, I see. You could have helped 4 ladies 25 times..**

**Andy: Well it's possible..**

**Pete: Or 2 ladies 50 times each..**

**Andy: Quite possibly although I think I might....**

**Pete: Or 10 ladies 10 times..**

**Andy: All right! The point is..**

**Pete: Or 3 ladies 33.3 times...**

**Andy: Yes, yes, shut up (pause)..... anyway how do you help someone .3 of a time?**

**No don't worry. What I'm saying is..**

**Pete: Yes what you're saying is...**

**Andy: What I'm saying is that to date I have helped 100 old ladies across the road.**

**Pete: Right ... did they want to go?**

**Andy: Of course ... well some of them. And now I've reached my quota.**

**Pete.. Right What's that?**

**Andy: What, my quota?**

**Pete:** What, you mean like Shakespeare? Yes, 'cos he's full of quotas, isn't he.

I mean there's your "To be or not to be" ...

**Andy:** No not that..

**Pete:** Or your "Once more into the breach, dear friends.."

**Andy:** No, no. Not quote- quota...

**Pete:** Or "Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou, Romeo?"

**Andy:** No..quota! Quota! It's an amount. A requisite number.

**Pete:** Oh, your requisite..

**Andy:** I've reached my required amount of help to old ladies.

**Pete:** Oh, right. So you've now helped 100 old ladies and that's your...

**Andy:** Required number...

**Pete:** Right.. required number... your quot...

**Andy:** Quota. Right.

**Pete:** Of course.... required number for what?

**Andy:** Well to get into Heaven, of course. To gain entry to eternal life...

**Pete:** Yes, I see.

**Andy:** To have access to the throne of God. To inherit the Kingdom of God.

To live in Paradise..

**Pete:** Yeah, I get the point so you reckon that now you've helped 100 old ladies across the road, you'll be in the Book of life, as it were.

**Andy:** Exactly.

**Pete:** Of course, there might be just a tiny little problem...

**Andy:** Oh yes, and what might that be, pray?

**I've been working on this for some time, you know.**

**Pete.** How do you know that 100 is enough?