

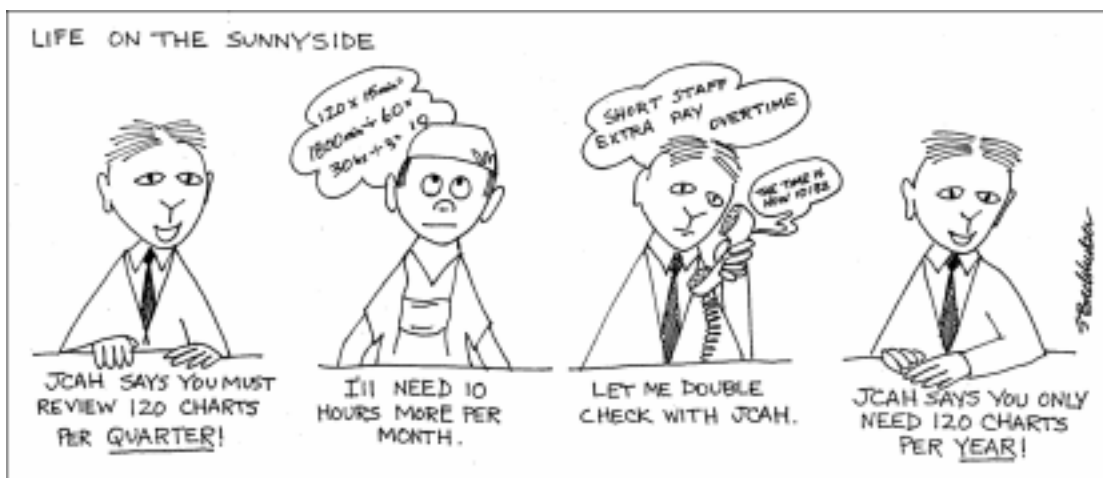


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Where Computers and Poetry Collide: *If They Wrote Error Messages in Haiku*

A crash reduces
your expensive computer
to a simple stone.
- James Lopez

A file that big?
It might be very useful.
But now it is gone.
- David J. Liszewski

First snow, then silence.
This thousand-dollar screen dies
so beautifully.
- Simon Firth

Yesterday it worked
Today it is not working
Windows is like that.
- Margaret Segall

Windows NT crashed.
I am the Blue Screen of Death.
No one hears your screams.
- Peter Rothman

The Tao that is seen
Is not the true Tao, until
You bring fresh toner.
- Bill Torcaso

Three things are certain:
Death, taxes, and lost data.
Guess which has occurred.
- David Dixon

The code was willing,
It considered your request,
But the chips were weak.
- Barry L. Brumitt

Stay the patient course
Of little worth is your ire
The network is down.
- David Ansel

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