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**CONFRONTING**

by

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This begins a series of training processes aimed at raising the communication level.

In subsequent issues I'll give you others, so don't fail to do this one in the next two weeks.

This is taken from the new Student Manual.

## CONFRONTING

### Training O.

Name: Confronting Preclear.

Commands: None

Position: Student and coach sit facing each other a comfortable distance apart - about five feet.

Purpose: To train student to confront a preclear with auditing only or with nothing.

Training Stress: Have student and coach sit facing each other, neither making any conversation or effort to be interesting. Have them sit and look at each other and say and do nothing for some hours. Student must not speak, fidget, giggle or be embarrassed or anaten. Coach may speak only if student goes anaten (dope off). Student is confronting the body, thetan and bank of preclear.

History: Developed by L. Ron Hubbard in Washington in March 1957 to train students to confront preclears in the absence of social tricks or conversation and to overcome obsessive compulsions to be "interesting".

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We used to say, the way out is the way through.

Now we say,

If you can't stand it, Confront it.

And that, I think you'll find, is much more satisfactory.

### Definition of a Scientology Clear

A Scientology Clear would be able to confront the physical universe, other bodies, his own body, other minds, his own mind and other beings - without trimmings.

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Do it for at least 25 hours and you'll never have trouble with a preclear.

No systems allowed. Both feet flat on the floor. No twitches, no squirms, no talk.

If you have difficulty, feel the floor and your chair back as you sit. That adds confronting the universe.

Confronting isn't just looking - so don't try to confront with your eyeballs only.

Do it and may you never be the same again.

Nothing like Training O to raise Communication level.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "L. Ron Hubbard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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## A FUNERAL ORATION FOR HOMO SAPIENS

by  
Tom Esterbrook

From treetop stepped  
Into  
The Bravery of Cave  
Who feared you, Man?  
The Animals that  
Fattened on your Child?  
Not they?  
The lice that ate your armpits  
and your pelf?  
Not they?  
Big toothed Man  
Whose teeth  
Would scarcely scratch  
A fang,  
Who feared you then?  
Not they, the animals of Earth.

But eons later, Man,  
You snowed them sure.  
For there they lie  
The species that once sneered.  
They're dead  
The pigeon and the fawn, the otter and the swan,  
You showed them, Man.

With fire, plunder and the  
Sword  
You showed them, Man,  
And now they're dead  
Sorry  
Doubtless  
That they sneered.

And you,  
Grown big in weapons  
Small in sense,  
Where are you, Man?  
Under the clouds  
of H Bomb pitted Earth  
You sleep.  
Where are you now, O Man?

And they, the ones you showed  
In your brief bow  
Into Eternity,  
They sleep.  
Ah, peaceful now the Earth  
With none to mourn  
or Sigh  
For your demise.  
How Quiet here,  
This grave called

Earth,

But doubtless you knew best.

You showed them sure.

Unfortunate it is

You showed yourself

As Well.

Was it worth it, Man?

Amen.

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# 1984?

In the July 15, 1957 issue of NEWSWEEK, that lamentable publication which raved against Diabetics, gave a long, serious review of a new compelling, epoch-shaking master volume called "Beyond Laughter" by Psychiatrist (Cell 9) Dr. Martin Grotjahn (287 dark pages, McGraw-Hill, \$6.00 too much). The review seriously says, "... laughter ... may carry the portent of danger. It may, in fact be a SIGNIFICANT SIGN OF CHARACTER DETERIORATION OR APPROACHING CRITICAL STAGES OF NEUROSIS ..."

Don't laugh. This is serious.

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### CORRECTION

Ability Magazine, Issue 50; Page 2, Fifth paragraph.

"Their skills were above and beyond certification and their degrees were anything from H. D. A. to D. Scn."

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