

storyville eight / easy

ORGANIZING A PARTY: Okay, the _____ will be there **by** six. I also **confirmed** the band, ordered the cake, filled out the place cards, **picked up** the cocktail napkins and I'm almost _____ **making** the centerpieces. It's all so much work, this party is just going to _____ me _-_.

WHEN WILL MY SON FIND OUT: I just keep _____ that **time** when Dad **made us try** baseball. I will never forget the **humiliation**. I mean, I can live **with playing** badly in front of my co-workers, it's my son I'm **worried about**. He's still **at** that age where he thinks his father can do anything. I know **some day he's going to have to** learn that I'm not perfect, I was just hoping it might be something less **humiliating** than **seeing me make a fool of myself at** a baseball game.

^{be} anybody's guess

^{be} nuts

brush up onst

cheat on^{sb}

done

fancy

in a row

get to dost

keg of beer

takest up

think back tost

treat^{sb} tost

wear^{sb} out

what is it with...?

ARE WOMEN CRAZY?: _____ women **these days**? I mean, you _____ a woman _-_ dinner at a _____ restaurant, and **by the end** of the night, she's **either** telling you you're the greatest thing **ever** or she's **dumping** a bouquet of flowers over your head. And **as for** which response you get, well, that's _____. So tell me, are all women _____, or just the ones I _____ my wife with?

FENCING PRACTICE: For weeks, **all** Annie did for excitement was **swim** in her pool. But now she's _____ fencing, and I've never seen her happier. She **stays up late into the evening**, working with her instructor. Manfred was the German champion three years _____. He doesn't speak **a word of** English, so Annie _____ her German **while practicing**.