

This is true today!

November 2, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News



From a clipping circulated on social media, supposedly from Thairath from 10 years ago. This is a daily column that shows contrasting quotations.

Title: Punching fist

Left: Thaksin said "I'd like to ask all parties to stop playing politics. We need to help push the country forward or there will be no place for politicians to play."

Right: Chuan said "It's ok to have no place for playing politics. However, for those using the wrong power and thinking that the country is their own, they must be careful or they will not have a country to live in."

Caption: A newspaper from 10 years ago is truth today.

Six Years Ago: Prem, Prem, Prem

November 2, 2015

Categories: Today in History



[Prem, Prem, Prem](#)

2 Years Ago: The astonishing scope of Thaksin's amnesty

November 2, 2015

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If there were any doubts about Thaksin's intentions after the release of an audio clip where he boasted he trusted the army chief (the purposely leaked audio clip [here](#) and [here](#)), they were put to rest by the early morning passage (4:25am) of the Pheu Thai's amnesty bill.

2013: [Thaksin foes converge on city](#)

...She distanced the government from the amnesty and said the government's job was to encourage dialogue and prevent any violence. Ms Yingluck said the bill's passage would be decided by the legislative branch and there was nothing the government nor the protesters could do about it...

Especially shocking was the extension of the time period for amnesty back to 2004 when Thaksin was prime minister. Other amnesty plans specified 2006 as the start of amnesty to cover the post-2006 coup period and the dissolution of political parties.

This new amnesty would cover Thaksin's actions when he was prime minister including the Tak Bai incident, the Krue Se massacre, and the extra judicial purge of drug suspects.

The amnesty finally brought the Pheu Thai's untenable populist initiatives, such as the rice pledging scheme, into focus. Its populist programs seemed only designed to funnel money to supporters to ensure government stability until such time as some sort of amnesty was obtained for Thaksin.

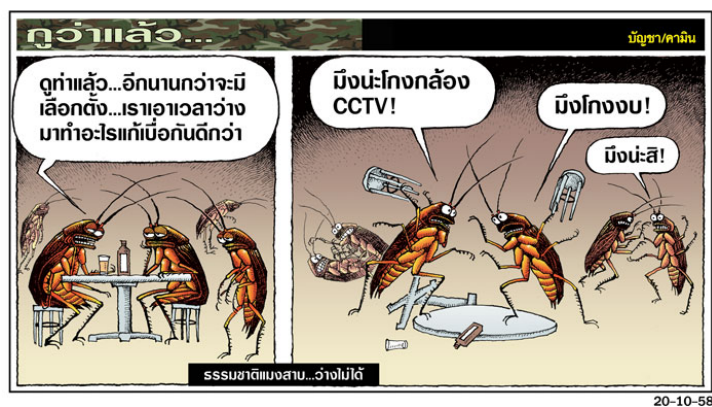
More: [Thaksin amnesty and the beginning of the end of the Yingluck government](#)

More: [Battle lines drawn over Thaksin amnesty](#)

The nature of cockroaches... always busy

November 2, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Manager



From Manager, October 19, 2015

Left: Look at it... I think it will take quite a time before an election... shall we do something while waiting for the new election?

Right: You cheated on CCTV!

You also cheated on the budget!

You did!

You did... !

Caption: The nature of cockroaches... always busy.

Remembering the Thaksin years: Sanan to the rescue

November 2, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, November 2, 2003
Title: Wait... arc welder... can fix it.

Even you don't believe it, you need to respect it...

November 3, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, October 20, 2015

Title: Mysterious thing... Even you don't believe it, you need to respect it...

On the men: NACC

Left of GT 200: UK court ordered the owner of the company to be jailed.

Right of the GT 200: A producer and seller of GT 200

Phi Nooring: It's a holy thing to be respected.

Mouse: Only good at bullying Poo .

Stuck in mud

November 3, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism



From Manager, October 20, 2015

Sign: Syria war

Barack Obama: Russia has made me get stuck in this heavy thick mud... Can you rescue me so that I can go mess around in Asia?

Caption: Will Thailand help this foreigner?

Who drafts the best constitution in the world?

November 4, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Komchadluek



From Komchadluek, October 20, 2015

Meechai: Magic mirror, please tell me... Who drafts the best constitution in the world?

Mirror with the face of PM Prayuth: Ome...

Remembering the Thaksin Years: Cut and reborn... ceaselessly...!

November 5, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia, Thai Police, The Thaksin Years



From Thairath, November 5, 2003

Cartoon title: Cut and reborn... ceaselessly...!

On the knife in Thaksin Shinawatra's hand: Corruption suppression

In hands of officer: Demanding money to dismiss cases

On papers in cut-off hands on the floor: Refraining from performing duties; Harassing people; Breaking the laws themselves; Bribes; Resuming roles of influential persons

12 Years Ago: Amnesty denounces ‘murder spree’ in Thai drug war

วันนี้เมื่อ 12 ปีที่แล้ว : การอภัยโทษประណามการฆาตกรรมอย่างเมามันในสงครามยาเสพติดไทย

November 5, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Amnesty denounces ‘murder spree’ in Thai war on drugs](#)

Kill the five tigers!

November 5, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons



From Manager, October 21, 2015

Top: Oh.. I didn't hunt these wild animals.

Bottom: Those five tigers, I hunted at the Government Lottery Office

Caption: Lt. Gen. Dang took it seriously

Don't pretend you are dead!

November 6, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons



From Naewna, October 21, 2015

PM Prayuth kicks the coffin and says: Don't pretend you are dead! I told you that I am not going to be reconciled with a cheater.

Thaksin: Oh... the coffin broken!!

Caption: Siamyuth Plangrich

Odd constitution

November 6, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, October 22, 2015

Title: Everyone wishes the success of this country.

Man inside the box holding sign: Odd constitution.

Inside the box (from left to right): Extend iniquity's power. Reconcile. Established Grand Coalition. Changing attitude.

On the box: Sorry for any inconvenience. We are in the process of reforming the country.

Outside the box (from left to right): International. Press. UN. Amnesty. Asean. EU. USA. Investors.

Mouse man: Friends feels weary.

Mouse: Road map to happiness.

Red-shirt guards jailed for M79 incident

November 6, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[Two red-shirt guards jailed for involving in firing M79 at PDRC rally](#), – The Nation, November 6, 2015

...Narongsak confessed to picking up the M79 grenade and launcher from Imperial Lat Phrao's car park, the court was told.

The court also heard that Narongsak drove Yongyut Boondee to fire the grenade. Yongyut was arrested last year and is facing trial in another case...

Weekly News Magazines, October 30-November 6, 2015

November 7, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Lokwanee, October 31, 2015

Main cover reads: Which one shall we wear?



From Manager Weekly, October 31-November 6, 2015

Main cover reads: Falling star

Top right: “Pijakana” on tour. Showing another side of ‘Namtan’ an actress who doesn’t just use her beauty

Bottom left: Gen. Paiboon Koomchaya

“If you don’t corruption, there is no need to be afraid.” “It’s the good governance of ThaiHealth.”

Right: “Killing lady” stirs up the anger of “hermit Tu” – Digs a hole ‘big fish’ to join the conflict game.



From Matichon Weekly, October-November 6, 2015

Main cover reads: A person wearing white

Top right: Question on 100 million?

Treasure...network.. Pol.Major Aead Mhao Yong



From Nation Weekend, October 30, 2015
Main cover reads: Human's fate

Left: These are too small to read, but they refer to internal conflict among the Red Shirt leadership.

12 Years Ago: Five dancers bear their breasts after four million baht lottery win

November 8, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[Five dancers bear their breasts after their boss wins four million baht in the lottery.](#)

Two Years Ago: Understanding Thaksin's “Set Zero” Concept

November 8, 2015

Categories: Today in History



[Understanding Thaksin's “Set Zero” Concept](#)

[Thai editorial cartoon: The solution is easy—release all prisoners, let Thaksin return, and lynch Suthep](#)

[Bloomberg: “Welcome to the Republic of Thaksin”](#)

[Thai editorial cartoon: Why won't the Red Shirt families back amnesty?](#)

[Condemning independent Red Shirts who oppose Thaksin amnesty](#)

[Red Shirts stunned to be banned from pro-Red channel for opposing Thaksin amnesty](#)

[Thaksin explains that the amnesty bill is needed to “reset” the country after seven years of division](#)

[Many warned the prime minister not to push for amnesty](#)

Thailand's tallest man is dead

November 10, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[Thailand's tallest man is dead](#) – ThaiPBS, November 9, 2015

Thailand's tallest man who was measured at 2.69 metres high died peacefully this morning from illnesses at his home in Surin province...

And [this astonishing photo](#)

September 2015: [World's tallest-known man bedridden in Surin](#)

And a tallest woman: [Malee Duangdee – 6 feet 10 inches \(208.3 cm\)](#)

Guillotine

November 10, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, November 10, 2015

Title: It is a justice that still left for Thai people

Justice Bao: Open a dog's head guillotine.

Phi Nooring: Justice Bao

A mouse: 100% justice

3 years ago: Toad Left Out for the Good of the Government

November 11, 2015

Categories: Today in History



3 years ago: [Toad Left Out for the Good of the Government](#)

Also: 11 years ago: [The Thai Rak Thai government gives out gifts](#)

Who did Yingluck help?

November 12, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Manager



From Manager, November 12, 2015

Top, a man shouts: Khun Poo's rice pledging scheme... helps all of you to have a better life. Now, Khun Poo is in trouble... and needs your help.

Caption: Instead of announcing here...

Bottom caption: Title: You'd better announce here.

Bottom, a man shouts: Khun Poo's rice pledging scheme... helps all of you to have a better life. Now, Khun Poo is in trouble... and needs your help.

Signs from left to right: Chansongla residence , Rice trade company Siam Indica , Beverly Hills

Weekly News Magazines, November 6-13, 2015

November 14, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Lokwannee, November 9, 2015

Main cover reads: Honest – Why are you afraid of legal and disciplinary actions?



From Manager Weekly, November 7-13, 2015

Main cover reads: Ood's crying

Top-right: 'Hip-hop angel' a daughter of a legend rocker

Bottom: "Prawut" model – Resign to "end the problem"



From Matichon Weekly, November 6-12, 2015

Main cover reads: Destination Newin-Buriram It's not politics

Top right: A person who doesn't have connections. Thank you.



From Nation Weekend, November 6, 2015
Main cover reads: It's time for 'Daw Suu'

Headline on the top-left: 'Prawut' resigns
General-Colonel
Can't escape from Article 112

Five Years Ago: Chawalit Yongjaiyuth and the royal cousin

November 17, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News



[Chawalit Yongjaiyuth and the royal cousin](#)

Weekly News Magazines, November 13-20, 2015

November 18, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Nation Weekend, November 13, 2015

Main cover reads: Send support to 'Por Tridsadee'

Bleeding heart actor

Headline on the top left: Result of karma 'Yong' linked many officers to violating lèse majesté



From Lokwannee, November 14-20, 2015

Main cover reads: This world seems complicated. It is like a drama when it comes to the climax.



From Manager Weekly, November 14-20, 2015

The main cover reads: Por must wake up...

Top right: Picking a flower on Earth and you move the farthest star.

Bottom left having a fun party without drinking alcohol.

Inside the orange circle: Special

Bottom right: Cockroach is crying "Kanam" receives an order from Pom

support 'Chai Moo' 'Mark' fight aggressively

Pictures from left right: Suthep, known as Kamnan, Bangkok governor M.R. Sukhumbhan Paribatra, known as 'Khun Chai Moo,' and former PM Abhisit Vejjajiva whose nickname is 'Mark.'



From Matichon Weekly, November 13-19, 2015
Main cover reads: Iron flower in the hands of the people

Top right: 'Green cover' constitution
Version 'Myanmar'
Full of a succession of 'military's power'

3 Years Ago: As the President Arrived: Twitter Advice, Instagram Madness, and Thai TV

November 18, 2015
Categories: Today in History



#Yingluck should demand #Obama close #Guantanamo and end the War On Terror. #GWOT #WarOnTerror #Thailand

• bkkbase, [+] Sun 18 Nov 11:53 via TweetDeck



#Thailand #Cambodia #Myanmar PROTEST
OBAMA. SHAME HIM FOR #GAZA
#JAN25 #PrayForGaza

• Catherina_News, [+] Sun 18 Nov 12:12 via web



土井 香苗 @kanaedoi 5h

Cambodia: Obama Should Publicly Denounce Rights Abuses: Tweet Widget Facebook Like ... bit.ly/ZPaSAH

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Phil Robertson @Reaproy 59m

#Obama publicly press #Cambodia on human rights & demand progress from PM Hun Sen b/c impunity & abuses rampant still bit.ly/Q1Po0J

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RayBeckerman @RayBeckerman 1h

Obama should not visit Burma ~ #theprogressive bit.ly/ZOQZJX

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[As the President Arrived: Twitter Advice, Instagram Madness, and Thai TV](#)

Oh my!

November 18, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons – Arun



From Arun, October 31, 2015

Title: “Suu Kyi” – Rejecting the Muslim candidates in the election race.

Remembering the Thaksin Years: Thai Models Should Be Modest

November 19, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia, The Thaksin Years



From Thairath, November 19, 2003

Cartoon title: Be more conscious and responsible to society

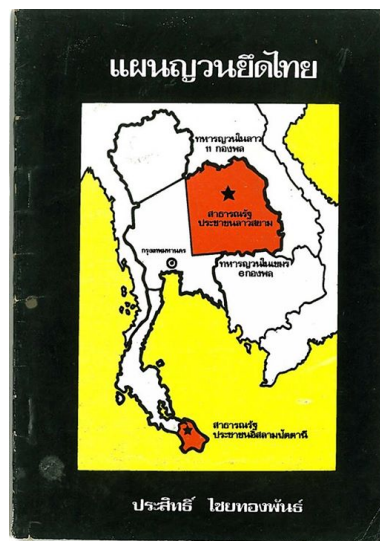
Sign on model reads: Symbol of model who want to go on international stage

Sign carried by band on the left reads: Cultural crisis

Vietnamese plan to occupy Thailand

November 19, 2015

Categories: History, October, 1976, Vietnam



Title: Vietnamese plan to occupy Thailand

On Laos' map: Vietnamese soldiers in Lao PDR 11 divisions

Orange color on the top of Thailand's map: the People's Republic of Siamese Laos

Orange color on the bottom of Thailand's map: the People's Republic of Islamic Pattani

On Cambodia's map: Vietnamese soldiers in Cambodia 6 divisions

Prasit Chaithongphan

2 Years Ago: Pheu Thai Party rejects Constitution Court authority

November 19, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Battle lines drawn: Pheu Thai Party formally rejects Constitution Court authority](#)

The Pheu Thai Party says it will not accept the Constitution Court's ruling on Wednesday on the proposed charter amendment to alter the make-up of the Senate, whichever way it goes...

From Sooklek: Putting on airs

November 20, 2015

Categories: Uncategorized



From the artist Sooklek, Thairath, circa 1986 during Prem Tinsulanonda's time as prime minister

Title: Out Doom Dooma Doom

Word close to a jewel Prem holds: Coalition government

Sentences close to the man: Finally, the new government is launched in a form of a coalition government...

8 Years Ago: The Triumph of Thailand's Rice Policy

November 20, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[The Triumph of Thailand's Rice Policy](#)

Is the U.S. frustrated with Thailand or does it understand?

November 21, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[US Voices Frustration Over Democracy Progress in Thailand](#) – AP, November 20, 2015

The United States has expressed deep frustration over the lack of democratic progress in Thailand after last year's military coup, saying a new constitution there won't pass the "smell test" unless civil society helps to draft it...

The Nation reports on a completely different reaction...

[Thai politics a complicated affair: Obama](#) – The Nation, November 20, 2015

US President Barack Obama said yesterday he realised that Thailand's internal politics were complicated, and that the US was ready to cooperate with the Kingdom in its bid to forge a stable democracy...

Amnesty Slams ‘Shameful’ Conspiracy Between China And Thailand

November 22, 2015

Categories: Refugees and Migrants

[Amnesty Slams ‘Shameful’ Conspiracy Between China And Thailand](#) – Forbes, November 20, 2015

...The group highlighted several cases, including Swedish national Gui Minhai who went missing in Thailand on 17 October and might have been removed to China, according to media reports and activists...

[UN rights office ‘deeply concerned’ about Thailand’s deportation of Chinese activists](#) – un.org, November 20, 2015

...Thailand, she said, should launch an effective review system for all cases before deportation, which to guarantee and avoid serious risks of torture or ill treatment. This current deportation came following the extradition of 109 ethnic Uighurs to China four months ago, which was of great concern to OHCHR...

Thailand's biggest airport bursting at the seams

November 22, 2015

Categories: Airports and Airlines

[Thailand's biggest airport bursting at the seams](#) – thejakartapost.com, November 21, 2015

...Demand for boarding gates is so intense that airlines are increasingly being forced to park their planes in remote bays and use buses to ferry their passengers there. This is delaying connections, say airline managers.

Maintenance crew are scurrying to keep up with the increased wear and tear on infrastructure like runways, and check-in queues are spilling over into public access areas during peak hours.

Harried airline operators made a startling call last month to ban new flights at the airport.

Mr Louis Moser, chairman of Thailand's Airline Operators Committee, told the Bangkok Post then that the "authorities should come to their senses"...

Odd

November 22, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Chai



From Thairath, November 22, 2015

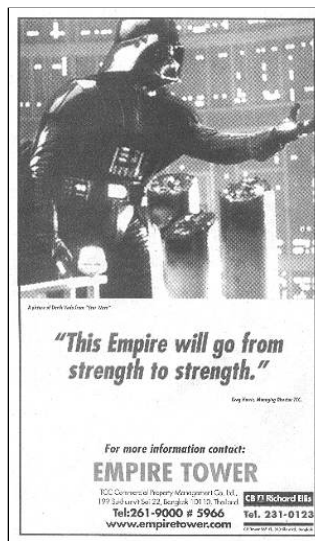
Left: We don't want this odd constitution.

Right: We don't want these odd politicians.

17 Years Ago: Darth Vader and Empire Tower ad

November 23, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News



[Darth Vader and Empire Tower ad](#)

8 Years Ago: Thai patriotism law seeks to halt cars for anthem

November 23, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[Thai patriotism law seeks to halt cars for anthem](#)

Tricky wolf

November 23, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons



From Naewna, November 5, 2015

Left: Tricky wolf from Aesop in the past

Right: Tricky wolf in a truth today

Lecturers protest against alleged military intimidation on campus

November 23, 2015

Categories: 2014 Coup

[Lecturers protest against alleged military intimidation on campus](#) – Thai PBS, November 22, 2015

...He disclosed that earlier on October 31 the lecturer's group issued a statement protesting against alleged military intimidation of free expressions on campus and alleged interference in university affairs. But, however, some of the lecturers were arrested and charged by the police of illegal assembly in defiance of the order of the National Council for Peace and Order.

... "Closing the eyes and ears of the people through intimidation or unjust powers will only lead to further conflicts," he said.

We need help from Article 44!

November 24, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons – Arun



From Arun, November 2015

On the sign: Poo's rice-pledging scheme

On the small robot: Article 44

7 Years Ago: Airport seized by Yellow Shirts

November 24, 2015

Categories: Today in History



[Airport seized by Yellow Shirts](#)

Three years ago: Pitak Siam wants to freeze the country!

November 24, 2015

Categories: Today in History



[Pitak Siam wants to freeze the country!](#)

13 Years Ago: New York Times and The Nation write about Trink

November 25, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[New York Times and The Nation write about Trink](#)

Four years ago: Yingluck gives up on first try to a win pardon for her fugitive brother

November 25, 2015

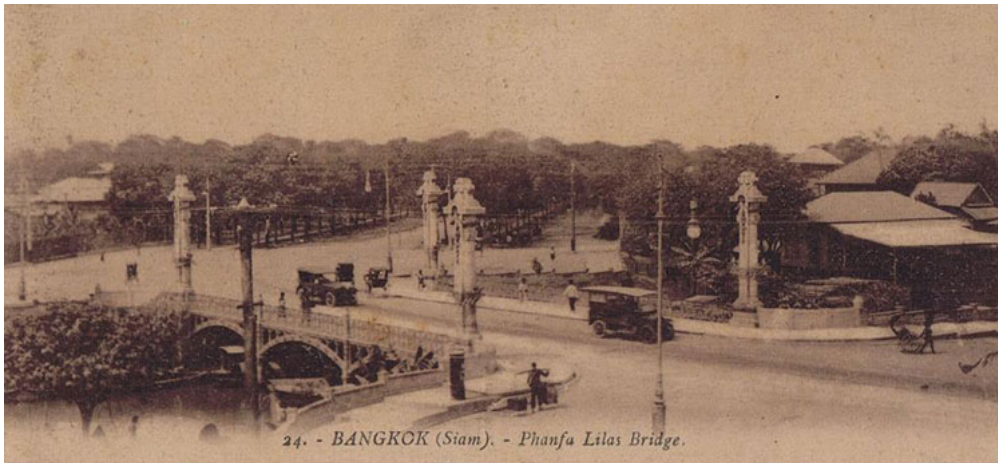
Categories: Today in History

[Yingluck gives up on first try to a win pardon for her fugitive brother](#)

The Phan Fa Bridge area in the past

November 25, 2015

Categories: History, Old photos and films



[The Phan Fa Bridge area in the past](#)

From 2011: Thai Army Alleged to Have Targeted Journalists in 2010 Protests

November 25, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Thai Army Alleged to Have Targeted Journalists in 2010 Protests](#)

Thank you, three times

November 25, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons



From Naewna, November 25, 2015

Caption: Thank you, three times kha....aaa

On the paper plane: Fake book. European parliament claiming. Invite Poo to talk show...

12 Years Ago: Thaksin says finance minister his likely successor

November 26, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Thaksin says finance minister his likely successor](#)

Remembering the Thaksin years: Thaksin Has the Will

November 26, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, November 26, 2003

Title: A person carrying the balance of survival

Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra is holding up two boxes. Left is the box “economic development.” The words on it read: speculation, exploitation of labor, corruption, selfish businessmen. At right is the “box of life” The words on it read: society, moral degradation, drug, crime and the poor.

Three years ago: President Obama's Audience with HM the King

November 26, 2015

Categories: Today in History



[Thai Newspaper Headlines from President Obama's Trip](#)

NYT: [A few details the President's Audience with HM the King](#)

[Official Photos of HM The King and President Obama](#)

[As the President Arrived: Twitter Advice, Instagram Madness, and Thai TV](#)

[Obama's visit will bolster support for Yingluck and show opposition the US stands with her government](#)

6 Years Ago: Writers who make up details about Thailand สองปีที่แล้ว : นักเขียนที่แต่งเรื่องเกี่ยวกับเมืองไทย

November 27, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Writers who make up details about Thailand](#)

Weekly news magazines, November 20-27, 2015

November 27, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Lokwanee, November 21-27, 2015

Main cover reads: Spirits of ancestors will cry out “Our grandson....”



From Manager Weekly, November 21-27, 2015

Main cover reads: Nong Mali fever

Top right: Scandal on ‘Rajabhakti’ Conflicts among two powers in the army

Bottom left: PTT is disappointed. The Court dismisses a lawsuit against ‘Rosana’
Disclose its 30 subsidiary companies that launder money. It’s a true story not a story imagined by the social .

Bottom right: Paris tragedy: IS+CIA+USA



From Matichon Weekly, November 20-26, 2015

Main cover reads: Not belong to the ‘NCPO’ – Not belong to the ‘junta’

Inside box on the right:

Paris is crying.

Syria is sad.

The world fills with sorrow.

‘Blooded mission’

ISIS: The West



From Nation Weekend, November 20, 2015
Main cover reads: Hot Rajabhakti

Top right:
'Paris' is crying
ISIS attacks the world
Smell the world war

Middle headline:
Love path of 'Por-Beau-Nong Mali'

Bottom headline:
Jitra Kornuntakiat
Curious 'Por' may not only in an unfortunate year.

Weekly news magazines, November 27-December 4, 2015

November 27, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Lokwanee, November 28-December 4, 2015

Main cover reads: Thailand is not the military's prison



From Manager Weekly, November 28- December 4, 2015

Main cover reads: So stressful... Eastern Tiger crisis

Top right: 'Por' Tridsadee 'fight' for a miracle

Bottom: Cockroach's crying esp.2!!! Kick out 'Chai Moo' impede 'Thaug' from doing big things



From Matichon Weekly, November 27-December 3, 2015

Main cover reads: Loy Krathong 'army color'

Inside a box on the right: Invitation 'fake'??? from EU, Thank you.



From Nation Weekend, November 27, 2015
Main cover reads: Tiger is roaring.
Left: Assassination Khon Kaen model 2. Red shirt's anarchist plot

All about Samak Sundaravej

November 28, 2015

Categories: Today in History



[All about Samak Sundaravej](#)

Six years ago: Beginnings of the second siege of Bangkok

November 28, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Beginnings of the second siege of Bangkok](#)

Chao Phraya River promenade project

December 3, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News



[Mixed response to river promenade plan](#) – The Nation, December 3, 2015

...Prakongsri Rumanakat, a representative of the Phibun Songkhram Bridge Community in Bangkok's Bang Sue District, said she supported the project because the riverside promenade would open access to the river for her community and be a recreation space for both locals and others.

"Currently, the community is cut off from the river by a high flood-prevention dike," she said. "I see the promenade will extend beyond the dike and provide public space for the people and an alternative pedestrian route for the community," Prakongsri said...

Can Anti-Bribery Rules Hurt Foreign Investment?

December 3, 2015

Categories: Crime

[Can Anti-Bribery Rules Hurt Foreign Investment?](#)

Anti-bribery enforcement in a country is followed by a 40% reduction in foreign fixed capital investments made by U.S. companies in that country, say Brad Graham of Grinnell College and Caleb Stroup of Davidson College. They collected data on enforcement actions initiated by the U.S. Department of Justice and found that U.S. firms are significantly less likely to acquire foreign firms in countries that have been previously targeted by Foreign Corrupt Practices Act enforcement. The authors suggest that this is consistent with the view that anti-bribery enforcement actions raise the cost of doing business for U.S. firms, rather than providing a way for firms to avoid a bribery arms race.

Coconut shell land

December 3, 2015

Categories: 2014 Coup, Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, November 3, 2015

Title: The city of the future

On the door: Coconut shell land

Phi Nooring: Building up by freezing the country

Mouse: Have you asked us yet?

What do you think when Thai PM said he will close the country?

December 3, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism, Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Chai



From Thairath, November 4, 2015

Left: What do you think when Thai PM said he will close the country?

Middle: Man with glasses: To close the country is good so the country will be peaceful.

Uncle Sam: So your country not peaceful right now?

Right: It always has foreign ambassadors intervening and telling the Thai PM to turn right and left.

Tearing up the winner's voices?

December 3, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, November 4, 2015

Title: Tearing up the winner's voices?

Meechai Ruchuphan says: Mixed allocated system, favor loser's voices.

On Meechai's shirt: CDC

On the paper: People elect the members of parliament

Phi Nooring: Building a way for an external PM

Mouse: The world's 1st system

Thaksin can help Aung San Suu Kyi

December 3, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Manager, Myanmar/Burma



From Thairath, November 10, 2015

Thaksin says to Aung San Suu Kyi: Madam Suu Kyi, you said you will be above the President? You can consult me.... I have an experience with this matter.

Beer in Thailand

December 3, 2015

Categories: Food and Drink

CNN: Thirst for change: [Thailand's rebel microbreweries](#)

...It's where Saiklao — friends call him P'Chit — founded Chit Beer, his open-air, riverside microbrewery and the de facto home base of a growing resistance to long-standing laws prohibiting Thai people from brewing and distributing their own beer. As outlined in the country's 1950 Liquors Act, those caught doing so face a nominal fine of 200 baht (about \$5.50) for brewing, and another 5,000 baht (\$140) and/or six months in jail for selling it...

Earlier: [Bangkok's delicious \(and illegal\) homebrew beer scene](#)

Amulet Market Gone, City to tackle Flower Market and Banglamphu next

December 3, 2015

Categories: Communities

[Amulet Market Gone, City Swivels to Flower Market and Banglamphu](#) – Khao Sod, December 1, 2015

Bangkok's world famous amulet market became a thing of legend yesterday, as city hall's campaign to reclaim public space pivoted to its next targets: a renowned flower market (Pak Khlong Talad) and the Banglamphu area near Khao San Road.

In its ongoing mission to carry out junta policy to reclaim public space, the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, or BMA, yesterday sent workers to clean the streets after 334 stalls were forced to leave the historic neighborhood near the Grand Palace where visitors and shoppers pored over pile after pile of sacred amulets. Street stalls are now absolutely banned in the area...

The U.S. puppetmaster

December 4, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism



From Komchadluek, November 11, 2015

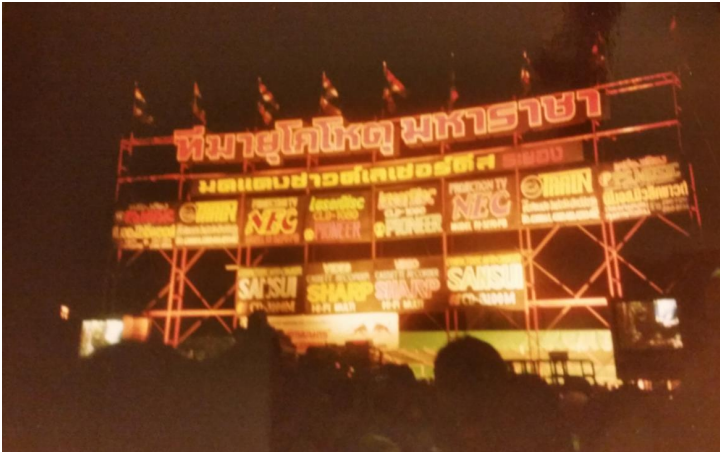
On the board: Election in Myanmar

Sanam Luang, 1990

December 5, 2015
Categories: HM The King's Birthday



On backdrop: Long live the King



On backdrop: Long live the King

Fighting ISIS

December 5, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism



From Komchadluek, November 18, 2015

Pray for who?

December 6, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Chai



From Thairath, November 16, 2015

Be careful!! The tree is falling.

December 7, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Chai



From Komchadluek, November 11, 2015

Uncle Sam: Be careful!! The tree is falling.

On the tree: Junta

12 Years Ago: The Nation on the defensive

วันนี้เมื่อ 11 ปีที่แล้ว การป้องกันเดอะเนชั่น

December 8, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[The Nation on the defensive](#)

...Members of the Cabinet and the TRT are always told to give us a call whenever they think we have reported something unfairly or inaccurately. The press cannot help but make mistakes at times. We do our very best to ensure accuracy, but we cannot censor stories or comments from individual members of Thai society as long as they are within legal boundaries...

What is happening in the Thai deep south?

December 8, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Manager, The Thai Deep South



From Manager, November 17, 2015

The people say: We, Thai people, in collaboration with other countries, send love for PRAY FOR PARIS...

The people's voice from Myanmar reflects to Thailand

December 8, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Thairath, November 13, 2015

Title: The people's voice from Myanmar reflects to Thailand

On the right: Better lives, Popularity, Faith, don't want the military , Democracy

Phi Nooring: Don't try to decrease the people's power

A mouse: People are instructors.

On Meechai's suit: CDC

A paper on the table: A weird constitution

On the table: Election' 60

12 Years Ago: When the Nation newspaper was locked in mortal combat with Thaksin

December 8, 2015

Categories: Today in History

The Nation, along with the combative *Manager*, were among the last two Thai newspapers to resist pressure from the Thai Rak Thai-led government to curtail unfavorable reporting. As advertising revenues dried up, the desperation started to show: [*The Nation on the defensive*](#)

Uncle Sam dictating the constitution

December 9, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism, Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Chai



From Thairath, November 18, 2015

Left, Uncle Sam: Thailand, you should amend the constitution to be a perfect one!

Middle, CDC chairperson Meechai: Ok, we will write the perfect constitution after your example...

Right: ...giving authority to the cops to treat black people like second class citizens.

Corruption at Ratchapakdi Park: Similar cartoon from Red and Yellow cartoonists

December 10, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Sia



From Manager, November 19, 2015

Soldier: Do not let the press... especially the NACC trespass on our sovereignty.

Sign: Military zone. Do not enter.



From Thairath, November 18, 2015

Caption: Take some money off the top, making it like a donation. Is this cheating? Is this corruption?

On the book: Thai anti-corruption – NACC

On the man's back: Justice.

On the paper he holds: Tackling only Pheu Thai Party and former PM Yingluck only!

Nooring: Unable to find the right answer in the book.

Mouse: Good people aren't cheating.

Revealed: Thailand's most senior human trafficking investigator to seek political asylum in Australia

December 10, 2015

Categories: Refugees and Migrants

[Revealed: Thailand's most senior human trafficking investigator to seek political asylum in Australia](#) – Guardian, December 10, 2016

...For a respected and high-profile police investigator to flee the country and make such serious allegations will be highly embarrassing for the Thai government. Human rights groups have consistently said that the south-east Asian nation has turned a blind eye to the abuse of trafficked people and that many officials are implicated in the trade. Thailand's military junta denies the claims.

Paween said he hoped Australia would grant him asylum.

"I worked in the trafficking area to help human beings who were in trouble," he said. "I wasn't thinking of a personal benefit but now it is me who is in trouble. I believe there should be some safe place for me, somewhere on this earth to help me."

...Asked who stopped the investigation, Paween said through an interpreter: "Influential people involved in human trafficking. There are some bad police and bad military who do these kind of things. Unfortunately, those bad police and bad military are the ones that have power..."

“You...ugly American you.. go home!!”

December 11, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism



From a marketing image circulate don social media: Damrong Puttan on the section “Talk with Damrong” of the Yok Tub Kao chao program PPTVHD Channel (28 January 2015).

“Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs came out to tell Thailand to stop martial law. I would like to speak as this is my country and I own this country ...Daniel Russel, you...ugly American you.. go home!!”

Weekly News Magazines, December 4-11, 2015

December 12, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Lokwanee, December 5-11, 2015

Main cover reads: Corruption... It is just all in your mind!



From Manager Weekly, December 5-11, 2015

Main cover reads: Didn't you say you won't leave me?

Left side: Mission of CIA to fight Article 112

Bottom left: Yala is fun. Be fooled again!!

Bottom right: Test 'Mark' Kill 'Chai Moo' If still 'don't dare' then be 'defeated'



From Matichon Weekly, December 4-10, 2015

Main cover reads: Do nothing 'wrong'? 'Afraid' of what?

Top right: From Kristie to Davies American (still) dangerous???



From Nation Weekend, December 4, 2015
Main cover reads: Lonely under the shadow of P.

Left: ‘Newin-Somyos’ shake ‘Banyee’ to complete the president of Thai football

First headline: Thepchai Yong
New American ambassador being in trouble sooner than expected

‘Poo’ has no right to be an MP don’t allow following the new constitution

Strong!! 5 tigers of NACC – A power to fight corruption- dismiss

The ambassador takes on lese majeste

December 12, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism, Editorial Cartoons - Komchadluek



From Komchadluek, December 3, 2015

8 Years Ago: Has Thaksin really quit politics?

December 13, 2015

Categories: Thai Politics

[Thaksin hasn't really quit politics!](#)

[Homicide time is approaching. Get ready to kill people innocently!](#)

Coconut Shell Land

December 14, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism



On the left: Pretending

In the middle: Coconut shell land

On the right: Nationalist, no freedom, election

Caption: Thailand today

Remembering the Thaksin years: Protecting Buddhism

December 16, 2015

Categories: The Thaksin Years



From Thairath, December 16, 2003

Caption: Evil... in the form of Buddhist followers

The Unusual Thai People

December 17, 2015

Categories: Culture and Society



Nisai Thai Thai

* Stick to Patronage.

Yes, I can do it. Boss, you did a good job. It suits you, boss.

In the speech box: prab prab

* Lazy, love being in a comfortable place.

Work as little as little. It's always enough...

Speech box: That means lazy...

* Love being dependents.

speech box: Mom, can you give me some buck?

– Not being on time.

speech box: just...only 30 minutes late ha...ha!!

* First, enjoy ourselves.

Not putting enough effort into work.

Speech box: work is so serious, let's drink!

* Do not like changes. No transfer.

Speech box: I'd like you to transfer to be a supervisor.

* Extravagant.

Living paycheck to paycheck. starting in 3...2..1..

* Unity is disaster.

Can't work as a team. Striving for fame.

Speech box: shi...!!

12 Years Ago: Purachai book ‘outrages’ TRT faithful

December 18, 2015

Categories: Today in History

[Purachai book ‘outrages’ TRT faithful](#)

Three options after the election in 2017

December 18, 2015
Categories: 2014 Coup



From an image circulated on social media (perhaps from a newspaper):

Title: 3 options after the election in 2017

Thaksin's regime absolutely wins.

- Wide voting gap from the opposition
- Dictatorship of the parliament
- Thaksin's regime pushes forward to its ultimate goal
- People who love the country will have to rally on the street and it leads to a number of them dying and injured
- Someone takes a lead to bring people out to the street for protest and plays politics outside the parliament

Thaksin's regime wins without an overwhelming margin.

- Small voting gap for the opposition
- Can use the parliament to impede Thaksin's power
- People who love the country may not need to rally on the streets and lose their lives again

Thaksin's regime loses the election

- Completely ends the problems
- No risk of civil war
- People who love the country don't need to rally on the streets again

Weekly News Magazines, December 11-18, 2015

December 18, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Manager Weekly, December 11-18, 2015

Main cover reads: Who are they...? Now they may be sitting and smiling. Shooting birds.

The quote: “Now, there may be someone and some groups sitting and smiling because what they try to do is like shooting a lot of birds” Udomdej Sitabutr, Deputy Defense Minister

Bottom left: Real life of ‘Kaimook The voice’ a girl of emergency rescue team with a strong heart.

Bottom right: Democrats fights each other. Aggressive fight against ‘Chai Moo’ – Disclosures from music to garbage truck and water tankers.



From Matichon Weekly, December 11-17, 2015

Main cover reads: ‘Light’ that can’t be reached.

Top right: British ambassador shows ‘elite’ joke. ‘Simple’ but ‘strong’



From Nation Weekend, December 11, 2015

Main cover reads: I know what you are thinking about

Left side: Rising star of the East ‘Maj Gen. Thammanoon Withee Great partner of ‘Big Moo.’

Supreme Patriarchs around the world join the last farewell to ‘Supreme Patriarch’

Isan’s Way Foundation for a sustainable Isan



From Lokwannee, December 12-18, 2015
Main cover reads: If it's not wrong... why do you have to hide it?

Remembering the Thaksin years: Thaksin Protects the Children

December 19, 2015

Categories: The Thaksin Years



From Thairath, December 19, 2015

Title: Must open war... to conquer the children's evils

Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra is protecting children from evil hands, on which is written: drugs, benefiting from cram schools, clubs and alcoholic beverage, failure of the education system, violence, harassment, brawl between vocational school students, labor abuse

Perspective of Escaping

December 20, 2015

Categories: Thai Police



From an image circulated on social media

#hashtag: assumption: chasing situation.

Left: From this angle : “If you do nothing wrong, why are you escaping?”

Right: From another angle. “If I stop, I may be charged with whatever the police plot to charge me with.

#hashtag: but escaping is not the right thing to do.

New York Times retracts claims about crime wave in Thailand

December 20, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[Data Contradicts New York Times on Crime Increase Under Junta](#) – KhaoSod, December 9, 2015

...According to “*Thai Economy and Spirits are Sagging*” by regional correspondent Thomas Fuller, “*obberies and other property crimes have risen more than 60 percent this year.*”

...The article was one of several recently redacted in local print editions of the International New York Times by its Bangkok-based publisher. It was held up by a number of commentators on social media as an example of the perils of censorship. The reported wave of crime was a striking detail, as it had not been widely reported elsewhere.

Fuller was traveling Wednesday and could not be reached by telephone. Responding by email, he referred questions about the story to the police statistics division, which published the data which is inconsistent with his report...

December 17, 2015: [New York Times retracts the claim and publishes a correction](#)

[Thai Economy and Spirits Are Sagging](#) – New York times, November 29, 2015

The lost territories: Franco-Thai relations after WWII

December 21, 2015

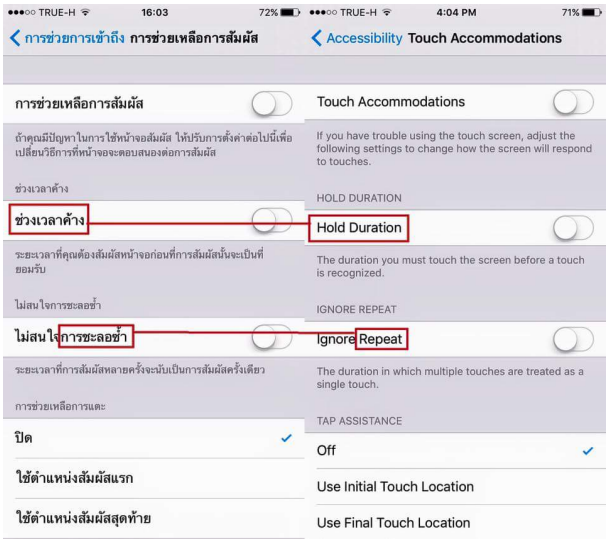
Categories: History

[The lost territories: Franco-Thai relations after WWII](#)

Kreme notes: *Interesting if asinine account of the postwar return of Thailand's "lost territories" to French Indochina.*

Funny translations

December 22, 2015
Categories: Language



This image, circulated on social media, ridicules literal translation from English that are funny. For example the word “repeat” is translated as “to redo...slow down.” “Hold duration” is translated as “undone period.” Such translations are common in Thai-language software. Typically the Thai reader can understand the actual meaning from the context and simply ignores the odd translation.

Weekly News Magazines, December 18-26, 2015

December 26, 2015

Categories: Thai Newspapers and Magazines



From Lokwannee, December 19-26, 2015

Main cover reads: Click Like... Get thrown in prison!!!?



From Manager Weekly, December 19-25, 2015

Main cover reads: Prospective political party leader 3 billion baht

On the ID card of ML Sukumpun Boripat"

Occupation: Bangkok Governor, Prospective political party leader

Income: Selling piano and garbage tracks

Motto: Don't mis-estimate me. If you're afraid of flood, you should stay in the mountains.

Address: Big tunnel

Favorite drink: Red wine

Emergency contact person: Suthep Thaugsuban

Top right: Showing respect to farewell the Supreme Patriarch



From Matichon Weekly, December 18-24, 2015

Main cover reads: ...must be polite, not arrogant or pretentious and in the democratic period, it shall be suitable and in compliance with the people.



From Nation Weekend, December 18, 2015
Main cover reads: The Supreme Patriarch of the country

12 Years Ago: Thai Rak Thai vows 2004 is a “golden year” for Thailand to move up on par with Singapore, Korea and Taiwan

December 27, 2015

Categories: Today in History

12 Years Ago: [Thai Rak Thai vows 2004 is a “golden year” for Thailand to move up on par with Singapore, Korea and Taiwan](#)

The Race to Save Thailand's Seafood Export Industry

December 27, 2015

Categories: 2Bangkok News

[The Race to Save Thailand's Seafood Export Industry](#) – aseantoday.com, December 2015

For the past eight months Thailand's military junta has been in a desperate race against time to reign in matters left neglected by successive previous administrations. These have included human trafficking, aviation industry safety procedures, and a fishing industry that had been allowed to operate with little or no oversight, irrespective of international agreements or treaties...

Thailand Won't Fit Through the Democracy Hoop

December 27, 2015

Categories: Anti-Americanism, Editorial Cartoons - Komchadluek



From Komchadluek, December 1, 2015

Democracy.

10 Years Ago: As TRT falters, Chalerm sees an opportunity

December 28, 2015

Categories: Chalerm Yubamrung, Today in History

[As TRT falters, Chalerm sees an opportunity.](#)

As the Thai Rak Thai Party faces a period of political turbulence, veteran politician Chalerm Yoobamrung has seized the moment to raise the banner of his New Alternative Party.

In his own words, Chalerm portrays his party as a new choice for voters and politicians who are dissatisfied with the polar politics of government versus opposition...

Khon Kaen Model

December 28, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons - Thairath - Chai



From Thairath, December 2, 2015

Left: The US ambassador needs to hear this, the military government persecutes people just because my husband doesn't like this military government.

Man: What does your husband do?

Middle: Modeling agency business.

Man: What is the name of your agency, ma'am?

Right: Khon Kaen Model

MICT Teaches Thais How to Be Happy

December 29, 2015

Categories: Culture and Society

Below is another cartoon from the LINE account of the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology.

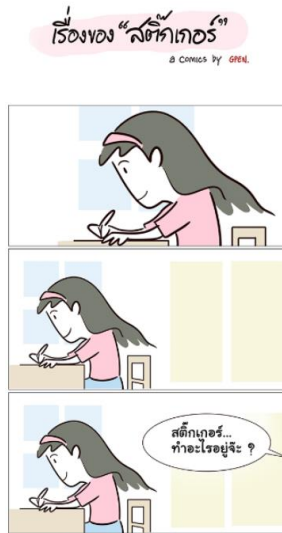
Earlier cartoons

From MICT: [One day, Thailand will have discipline like Japanese people](#)

From MICT: [Thai students learn about democracy](#)

From MICT: [Why do we have to love Thai culture?](#)

[MICT booklet explaining Thai internet laws](#)



Title: Story of “Sticker”

3rd box: Sticker, What are you doing?

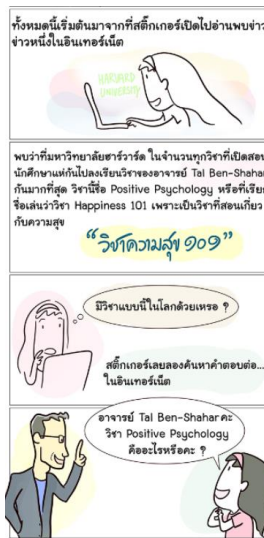


2nd box: Khawdam... Hello.

3rd box: Sticker is writing a memo about the good things I met today.

4th box: Sticker: This helps me concentrate and learn to realize when I’m happy. Don’t be confused. Do you want to know what is it, Khawdam? If you want to know, I will tell you.

Khawdam: Yes, I really want to know.



1st box: All of this started from when Sticker found news on the internet.

2nd box: It is said at Harvard University, the class which students take the most is Professor Tal Ben-Shahar’s Positive Psychology class also known as “Happiness 101” because it teaches happiness.

“Happiness 101”

3rd box: Sticker: Are there any classes like this on earth?

Caption: Sticker searched more on the internet to find out the answer.

4th: Prof. Tal Ben-Shahar, what is “Positive Psychology” like?



1st box: It is a new psychological class which focuses on studying the positive side of humans. We change from questioning what doesn’t work to what does work. The study starts from this...

Psychologist: Making people feel better that we can cure other illnesses inside us.

2nd box: Sticker: Then, how this class is different from a HOW-TO book?

You teach us to learn to question...

Prof. Tal Ben-Shahar: It’s totally different because we study based on the information tested by scientific method. For example...

3rd box: In 2002, Robert Emmons tested by dividing volunteers into two groups. For the first group, he asked them to write the positive things that happened during the day while another group was to write things that made them mad during the day.

4th box: They wrote it every night before going to bed.



1st box: After the end of the test, it found that the emotional level measured by scientific method had been changed and was obviously different. It concluded that in the first group, the happiness rate increased while the second group had more stress and depression.

3rd box: Prof. Tal Ben-Shahar: We always test to find out the answer. Our class is a scientific class—not a HOW-TO book.

Sticker: Prof., could you please tell me what the Happiness 101 class is about? What do you teach? I want to study in your class.



Sure, First, we tested and found out that valuing 'money and prestige bringing a happiness' isn't always correct. It has only some impact.



The real happiness is based on...

thinking

how you see the world

living your life

Khawdam: Top bubble: Oh... it's a good way of thinking.

Middle bubble: I think it's an interesting principle for living. I've never think about this.

Sticker: Yes, Khawdam. When I read it for the first time, I really liked it. See, there are many good things for us to read on the internet.



1st box: And do you know, Khawdam? I think we'll find real happiness when we have consciousness... to know when we are happy.

Below bubble: Don't be confused.

2nd box: I have to have consciousness to know what we're thinking, what we're doing, knowing when we are happy. It's very easy and then we'll be happy.



1st box: Then, what else did Prof. Tal Ben-Shahar teach you? I want to hear.

2nd box: He taught in his Happiness 101 class that... if you want to have endless happiness, we must do this:

3rd box: 1. Try to accept 'being human.' We can be sad or there are many bad things make us cry. No one will be happy forever.

Sticker: This is very interest. Accepting the sadness will help us be happy.



Try to make your life easy
Red bubble: Homework

When you're working, try not to do many things at the same time...
Try to spent time (a lot of time) with people you love

Man: I have to take care of my patient. I will ask him to go exercise.



1st box: The result is like receiving a prescription for stress reduction from the doctor, but it has no side-effects.

Prof. Tal Ben-Shahar: Like you are receiving Prozac 20+ Ritalin drugs without side effects.

2nd box: 5. Try to meditate

The easiest way is to... take a long-deep breath three times every time you're thinking about.

Try to appreciate all good things around us

There is a psychological study on patients who have serious illnesses and will survive for only 3-6 months and found that more than half of them said this was the first time in their lives that felt alive.

Woman: Knowing that we're going to die makes us appreciate things more.



1st box: Because the rest of their time helps them to appreciate on what is going to be gone We don't need to wait for anything. Just write small little things which make us happy each day to learn to know happiness.

On book: Notebook for good things every day

Sticker: Number 6, this is the most important which I'm doing now when you talked to me.

2nd box: Prof. Tal Ben-Shahar taught us to write whatever makes us feel happy in it each day. Write it every day before going to bed.



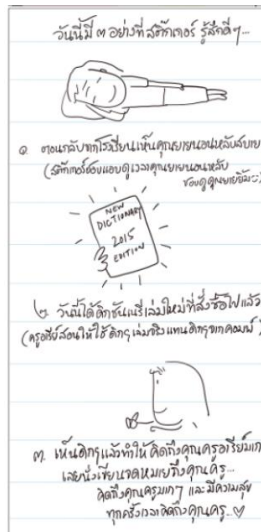
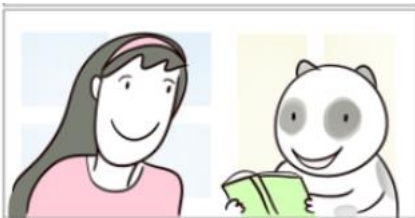
1st box: What did you write today, Sticker?

2nd box: I'm too shy . There is nothing special because Prof. said that we can write whatever makes us happy even it's a small thing.

You'll be the only one who can read it... I'm too shy.

3rd box: Prof. emphasizes that it can be everything that makes us happy. No need to be the big one. Try to feel the happiness, have consciousness, perceive good things around us.

4th box: Today, Sticker has three things that make her feel good.



Today, there are three things make Sticker feel happy...

When I came back home after school, I saw grandma slept well.
(Sticker likes to watch grandma when she's sleeping. Likes to see when she smiles.)

Today, I got a new dictionary which I just ordered.
(Teacher Aree taught us to use a dictionary book rather than a dictionary from a computer.)

When I saw the dictionary, it made me miss teacher Aree a lot. So, I wrote a letter to her. I really miss teacher Aree and I feel happy every time I think of her.

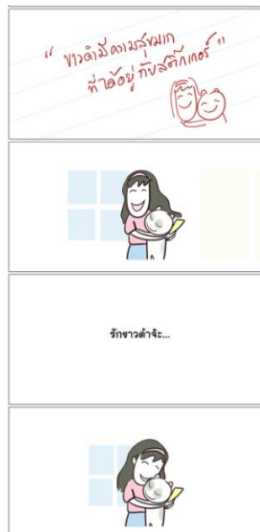


1st box: After reading it, I also feel happy. Thank you, Sticker, for sharing.

2nd box: Khamdam, you should try to write it.
I give you this book for writing.

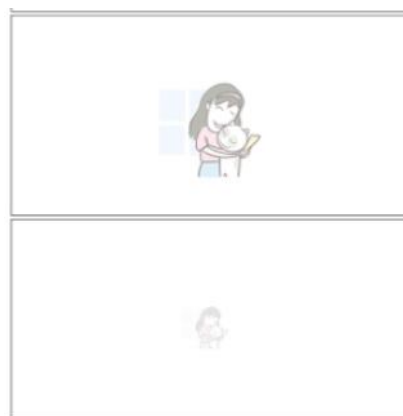
3rd box: Yes. I will start today.

4th box: What are you writing?



1st box: “Khamdam is really happy to be with Sticker.”

3rd box: Love Khamdam, too.



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The end of the story of Sticker, episode 9 “Happiness class”

How to hide Rajabhkti Park? Editorial cartoons from Thai newspapers

December 30, 2015

Categories: Editorial Cartoons



From Thairath, December 3, 2015

Caption: Sorry for the inconvenience. Do not enter before we approve.

Sign: This area is transparent, no corruption, but do not allow investigations.

Left, on paper: UDDs Tour Rajabhkti Park.

Mouse man: Do by themselves, investigate themselves, make a conclusion themselves.

Mouse: Only commission fees.



From Manager, December 8, 2015

Defence Minister Prawit Wongsuwan: Mr. David ... Could you come to our Rajabhkti Park and show your magic in hiding the Park for someday?

David Copperfield: What day do you want me to hide it?

Defence Minister Prawit Wongsuwan: The days that the UDD comes!

Caption: Needing David Copperfield to work this job.



From Manager, December 10, 2015

In the flashlight's light: Transparent Thailand

