



Crop Circles

“You won’t believe what happened last night!” Farmer John says. “I was sittin’ at home watching the ball game, trying to calm down Betsy and Daisy—they were both barkin’ to raise the dead for hours, even before the storm came in. Then the power went out, and I saw multiple lightning strikes all over my property—eight times in as many minutes! I know ‘cause I was watching the **clock**! Well, I ran out there and found all these crazy circles burned into my corn fields. I couldn’t make any sense of them at first, but as I walked through them, waving my arms around, I realized I had to do some **math**—*multiply* the crossings, *add* the links, and so on. And then I figured out what these aliens were trying to tell me...”

