THE LAWS OF LISTING & NULLING

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Well, this is lecture number what? [*Nine*] Lecture number 9 and this is 2 October 1968 AD 16. We're concerned this evening with some very precise actions and so we will get straight along with it.

The Laws of Listing & Nulling are a common and ordinary garden variety subject of attack. There are more kooks have more cock-eyed variations and more advice on this subject than any other single thing, because of course it is the one subject that can ruin a pc, *bongo*! Now the Laws of Listing & Nulling are not something that you wonder about. You know them. You know them or you don't know them. And you know them *now*. And you can do them. Now I call to your attention that reading to you the Laws of Listing & Nulling is something like reading to you the directions on how to play a piano. Do I make my point?

You can all know where a middle C is. Now auditing is a relatively simple piano. But nevertheless it is something to be played. It is not something to know about. The maker of the piano never crosses the mind of a concert pianist. Where middle C is, is not something he looks down the keyboard. He isn't wondering what those black things are. [*laughter*] Now somebody can play a piano with one finger - *ta - ta - ta - ti - ta - to - ta*. And somebody can play Chopin. And the difference between these two fellows is: is one knows his business and the other maybe in his elementary school read a paper that said – "A piano is an instrument which has black and white keys." You get the difference?

Now it isn't that people can't read directions and then apply them. It's that they mis-estimate the amount of expertise required to actually apply them. So we get some student some place and he reads a bulletin and he knows all of these things. It is just exactly as he said "Where is the loud pedal?"; "The loud pedal is on the right."; "Where is the soft pedal?"; "The soft pedal is on the left." In the middle of playing the overture of 1812 he thinks now I want to make it go loud, the loud pedal is on the right - left, which was it, it's on the ... maybe it's the lever over to the side. Oh, I haven't put the top up. So then he has a stage-assistant who comes in and when he wants it to go loud he has him put the top up and when he wants it soft he puts the top down. You get the general idea. In playing the piano you want it to go loud, you stamp on the loud pedal, without wondering where the loud pedal is.

So it is one thing to know it in theory and it is another thing to apply it, but there is no peculiarity in something, on somebody who can know it in theory and then can't apply it. This isn't a strange being, it is simply a lazy being who has never mocked it up in his skull as to what was where, you understand? So he knows the words, "the Laws of Listing & *nilling* - no nulling, *nulling*." And what he doesn't know about that one line is, that these are all the Laws there are, there aren't any others, there aren't a bunch of hidden data, that haven't been included in this bulletin. These are it. This is all there is. So there is something to know about the title. So he isn't reading at all wondering what Laws of Listing & Nulling have been left out. He knows that's all there is.

Now the rest of it is drill; drill. You are making a List of "Who have you shot?" Of course that would be a very long List and wouldn't go to one item. But ... (*laughing*) ... "Who do

you feel most bad about shooting?" would go to one item and oddly enough the *unmock -* and *stop -* and *withdraw -* Lists do go to one item. There are certain things that are Lists that go to one item, and those are the standard Listing questions.

Now you start wandering off – you can List anything – but you start wandering off the standard Listing questions, that are the standard line questions, and you are liable to have a question which doesn't just go to one item. Now there is such a ... such a thing but it is processing question and actually the only reason you are writing it down is so you can clean it up. You get the idea? Now it looks like a List, but it's not a List, because it's not a standard question. You got the idea?

I'll give you an idea of what this is. You can say "What is wrong with my case?" Actually you could List this "What is wrong with my case?" That is, it looks like a List, it looks like a Listing question, and you think you could List it down to one reading item. Brother, I've got news for you. It isn't a proper Listing question. The Laws of Listing & Nulling apply to proper Listing questions. If you were to say "What is wrong with my case?" and then make a list and you said *bongo-bingo* and *togobok* and *ragbags* are unflat and auditor's missed on the *floggodick*. It could go something like this:

Bongo-bingo	long fall,
ragbags unflat	small fall .. ah .. ah ..
ruggerbo	long fall BD.

And you all of a sudden say, "Well, what is wrong with my case is *ruggerbo.*" BD. Well, maybe, maybe not, but all of a sudden it wouldn't work out. Why wouldn't it work out? Well it's not a proper Listing question in the first place and you have already by-passed the by-passed charge you have restimulated on the first two or three that read. So this is a "list" (quote) (unquote)?

It is simply an auditing question is all it is. It's an auditing question which is written down. So you can ask any auditing question, you can get a certain number of answers. Factually, if you ask an auditing question and then you make a write-down of the answers and then you took up everyone of the answers as you wrote it down, you get one of these "What is wrong with my case?"; "What is wrong with my case?" You see? *Tingerwops* fall, okay. *Tingerwops*, let's see, when did I run into *tingerwops*? See? Oh yeah, that was a *bluggulogs*. Good. Ah, and then you get down to *ragbags*. Wow! See? Oh yeah, well! *Uhum* 1960 *woff woff waggle waggle waffle waffle waffle* and yeah, what the hell do you know about that, there's a whole chain of these *ragbags*. Now, the earliest *ragbag* was in, oh let's see, 2000 numbers. Tough. Here let's get a date.

Order of magnitude.

Tens of years?
Hundreds of years?
Thousands of years?
Tens of thousands of years?
Hundreds of thousands of years?
Millions of years?
Tens of millions of years?
Hundreds of millions of years?
Billions of years?
Tens of billions of years?
Hundreds of billions of years?
Trillions of years? - **fall**.

> More than 5 trillion? - **fall**.
> More than ten trillion? - **no read**.
> Less than ten trillion? - **fall**.
> Ah ... 5 trillion? 6 trillion? 7 trillion? 7 trillion? 7 trillion? - **long fall**.
> All right, we're in the order of magnitude of 7 trillion 954 million 762 thousand 727.
> Good. And 2 months - **BD**.

Well, so that was the first *ragbag*. Now let's see, what the hell was that all about? And so forth. And so help me Pete, had a … had an ARC break in it. "They sent the laundry ashore and didn't get it back. Yeah. We landed this space wagon and I lost all of my clothes and the uniform was the badge, and after that they wouldn't believe I was the first mate. Oh yeah - I got that. *em ... poh ...* What the hell do you know!"

'*Ragbags*. Clean.' (*laughs*) Good. Now, wait a minute - F/N.

That's an auditing process by which you take up everything in the book. It's, you wrote the thing down with a question mark, but then it was a sort of a process. And then you got some items which followed the process. Do you follow? And then you handled each item and so on.

Now, if you don't do that process that way for some peculiar reason - not because I said so - you see it's an illegal Listing question, it's … it's not a Listing question, it's a .. it's a ... it's a process, an offbeat process - not because I said so, but because it just works this way. Now we get a question "Who or what is trying to unmock you?" (*laugh*) *Ba ba ba - ba ba - ba ba ba ba ba* -long fall BD! *Poom*! Okay. *Ba bow bow - ba bow bow - ba bow bow - ba bow bow - ba bow bow - ba bow bow* long fall BD - long fall BD - BD. Very good. Your item is "*Ba bow bow*." And that is because it is a question which makes a real List and it goes to one item. But there are tons of questions which don't go to one item. And you can dream up all kinds of them and I see them in old folders from way back when. Ah ... "Where are the roofs?" You see, or something.

I'll give you one that sounds exactly like it would be a Listing question. This will guarantee to wrap some pc around the telegraph pole. "What environment was dangerous?" So help me Pete it doesn't go to one item. Now you've got the worry that it is an offbeat question and it didn't List to one item, and you can't get it down to one item and the pc starts wrapping around the telegraph pole. That's because it's actually just a process. It's a sort of an out-of-ARC-process, so it is extremely limited. "What environment was dangerous?" And every read you got on the list you should have taken up. (*laugh*) If you ever - if you ever ran it as a process, see.

So there is a way of running a process to write it down. Now theoretically, theoretically, because you often see an F/N occur and a big BD - on any of the process questions, theoretically they should be a List, right? Well, I'm clearing this up with you because somebody is sooner or later going to come along and he's going to say: "Wait a minute - all processes are really Lists. The fellow who is answering a question on level 0 is really making a List. So therefore the right way to run level 0 is to go down the line to level 0 and find the reading item and give it to the pc." Now he finds the one pc in a thousand on whom this actually worked and he has had it. You understand, it is a process, it is not a Listing question. And the funny part of it is, the processes that come up the line don't work.

Now - ARC-question - the level 3 question, the big change, you know, the big change. It's just borderline to being an item. It's a one-item-List. A funny thing about it is because the unlimited nature of ARC, you can actually occasionally run it again. You'd better not, but you can actually occasionally run it again. Not the ARC-process with all the change

but you can find an earlier big change on the whole track. So you can run it sort of this lifetime and you can sort of run it on the whole track. This is not advised, I'm just telling you the behavior of things, see.

But you find the real change that is Listed on the List the pc makes, and you run the process just exactly the way it says in R3H - anybody is liable to call anything R3H these days, it was an exact process. I had somebody, not too long ago, actually rewrite an HCOB and send it to me on R3H. Boy, I said, now I have seen it all. And I find out that he was advising people to by-pass F/Ns doing this. Oh my god! The ARC-break registrar's proper action is Green Form. That's all an ARC-break registrar should ever do. Green Form. He should do Green Form - itsa similar - itsa earlier - it's all he ever ought to do. It doesn't mess up anything. You can run an … almost an unlimited number of them, because it is sort of a PT proposition, because you're just handling it with itsa and earlier similar itsa and you clean up more cases than you can shake a stick at.

The ARC-break registrar, however, thinks he can only run ARC-breaks. Well he misses the guy with the PTPs, he misses the guy with the missed withholds. And why do most people blow orgs? Because they had missed withholds. So that's idiocy. I've never gotten hold of the ARC-break registrars and told them this up to this time directly to their faces, so I am trusting you to do so.

Green Form! Green Form! Never do anything but a Green Form. And because you probably can't trust their Listing and so forth say: "Don't List anything". No List, no List - just Green Form. Yeah, he says, what if he strikes, he's connected to a suppressive group? Good - itsa similar incident, earlier itsa [*laughter*]. Oddly enough you'll find out it works, don't you see? It worked like a bomb.

Now, if his TRs are fairly smooth he won't kick in BPC. You actually can kick in by-passed charge of the pc, if the ... if a, if the TRs are out. *Fumble, bumble, stumble bum ... ah ... flumble, flumble* - let's see the laws of listing and nulling. I know ... I know ... I know this ... don't tell me ... don't, don't tell me pc ... ah don't tell me ... ah ... I should. Let's see ... I've got three listing ... don't tell me pc ... three reading items on the list ... and so on ... I should ... that means it's the first item? ... No, no that isn't right ... ah... it's a dead horse! ... No, no, no, no [*laughter*]. You're liable to kick in some other time when the pc has been stalled on the track in some fashion or another, which he is in most accidents and things. You know, waiting for the doctor or something of the sort. And here comes in some BPC, and this hidden factor flies in sideways because of the slowness and all-thumbs-ness of the auditor, see. Do you get it? It doesn't show up in the auditing report.

Oh it's very mysterious, this fellow for some reason or other ... he ... the thing didn't clear up. Now you know it didn't clear up because the session went on and on and it's a four hour and 95 minutes session, see. (*laugh*) And all he had to straighten out was did he have a PTP, not even of long duration, see. It's what you really wanted him to do, so you said check ARC-breaks and see if this pc has a PTP of long duration. You've noticed ... you've noticed that every time ... every time he comes into session he tells the examiner the same thing. It's all through the folder, which of course, if you know your business, the unchanging case has a PTP of long duration. The cases which don't change have a PTP of long duration. I mean, the one side of the coin is the other side of the coin. You understand?

Well, here's ... here's ... here's Mr Blitz in here again with his lumbosis. He says it hasn't been helped. Now you can say, "Oh let's see, what's the matter? Is he an ... ARC-break or is it *woff woff*". Is it some peculiar kind of case. Maybe he was an Eskimo in a former life

and these engrams are frozen. [*laughter*]. The datum which springs to view in this particular moment: he's still got his lumbosis. It is still worrying him. He's got a PTP of long duration and the other datum you know: it isn't the lumbosis for the excellent reason that he knows *that* and it hasn't resolved. So he hasn't as-ised it.

There could be another reason he hasn't as-ised it: he is out of valence and can't as-is anything, but then he would have to be out of valence with the present time problem. But it isn't really a present time problem. It's a problem that has been every present time for the last few thousand years. [*laughter*] So, it is a problem of long duration, that is what is wrong with this guy and he is always audited over top of it. Unchanging case is actually PTP. Every time he's audited he has a PTP. Ah ... you can actually fix up a case so it's unchanging by some auditor finding a PTP, that didn't exist. Insisting that the fellow has a PTP, because it always reads on PTP. And the fellow goes around wondering what his PTP is and his ... his problem is, is whether or not he has a problem. You see, that's a false read, that can be introduced on the case. So you always say "check for false reads, check for suppressed reads".

Now, getting down to cases here, then, there is a thing which is called a List and that proceeds from a thing which is called "a standard listing question" and there are very few of these. There's the Remedy A, the Remedy B, the three suppressive question ones and there is another one: "What are you trying to prevent?" Now there are several more that do end up in one item. And the ARC Level 3 grade ends up in one *time*. Not just one ARC break, but it ends up for sure in one time. Do you understand? Now you can fool with this ARC break all you want to and run it all over the track, but the fact of it is you're looking for the major change in the person's life - you ask for the major change in the person's life. Don't you see? Whatever the question says, what you want as an auditor, you want that *one* change.

Now you List for that. You find that thing accurately, you find the ARC break in it and the guy goes release. *Poom*! Very magical! Very magical! Now, service facsimile. Every now and then you come across the line and you can't rehab the service facsimile. You'd never re-List the service facsimile for the excellent reason that the pc can't remember it. Don't be an idiot. You've cared for this already. [*laughs*] It's erased. Why are you bugging him about it?

But the funny part of it is, is you actually could … could List for another service facsimile - not that he has another Service facsimile, but you can always get one out of a body thetan. So actually if the fellow had 500 body thetans you could get 500 service facsimiles. [*laughter*] You could probably do it 500 times before the pc kicked the bucket. [*laughter*] Most body thetans are above service fac … ah, below service facsimiles, so you ... the majority of them are ... so you would have a ball trying to get it. But the point I am making is, is you've Listed for this service facsimile, that is the principal one and so on and you let it go at that. Well now if you can't rehab it, somebody didn't get the right one.

Once in a while you are out of luck, you can't get the original List. Now what do you do? They didn't get the guy's service facsimile and so forth. Well you could do ... this is a very stunty stuff and isn't advised at all, but it's perfectly valid - to ask the guy what is his service facsimile, what the one found was, and you'll find out he usually remembers it. Now you ask him what the one found was, but you don't have the original List.

You can List in this peculiar fashion once in a blue moon and get away with it. What ... what were the items on the List you made? [*laughter*] But in order to do that, you'd have to get in suppress on the List because his right item was missed. What did you tell the

auditor you thought it was? On whatever the question is with the service facsimile - has anything been suppressed? Has anything been challenged? You know. Invalidated - we don't care what, as long as you clean up that question. "No, I don't know what service facsimile. I remember I got awfully nervous at that particular time. I ... I'm not sure about that ... I did yeah ... well ... we ... they found it alright, they found it. The service facsimile, I think, was to jump off tall - I don't know if it was tall blondes or tall buildings". [*laughter*] It was something like that." Didn't sound like it. He isn't sure, but already it won't rehab. And you say – did ... ah ... you know ... to find your service facsimile and so forth and etc ... ah you know ... to go release at that point.

Normal pattern. Nothing happens. "On that time was anything suppressed? Anything invalidated? Invalidation reads." "*Ah ... oh .. it did yeah.*". His service facsimile hasn't been found, it won't rehab. So now you can become the hassle. "Do you recall what somebody said it was?"

"Yeah.. ah.. so and so .. so and so. (*unclear mumbling*)" You say – "Well, all right." You could prepcheck the question and ask him if he remembered any of the items he thought it was at the time. The oddity is you may be able to get it. It's very risky handling a List where you haven't got the List that was Listed. A better approach entirely is to say:

"Mr Jinx, we have arrived at that point where you're going to be laid off auditing until we can recover your earlier folder which, as I understand, is in Australia. We will tell you when we get it." And then make somebody in Australia send him the earlier auditing folder. Or make Joe Blitz who is in Alaska mail in that damned service facsimile.

You don't necessarily want the whole folder, but you for sure want that List. It might have been some other squirrely things. If you think it was very squirrely, why you want it all sent in. And you want it now. In view of the fact that you are normally operating in an organization, those that I'm talking to at the moment are certainly working at an organization, you have communication lines where this can occur. It's the safer thing to try to obtain the List. Get the actual List and null it *now* with suppressed?

On *ba bow bow* has anything been suppressed?
On *ba ba bow bow* has anything been suppressed. That reads.
On *ba ba bow* has anything been suppressed? That one reads, you know.
On *catawump* has anything been suppressed? See? Pow!
On *doggerbo* has anything been suppressed? No read.
On *rupptittle* has any thing been suppressed? Long fall.
On the Listing question has anything been suppressed? Long fall.

What was it? "Oh yeah, well the guy didn't run any List on it. (unclear speech) As a matter of fact at that particular time and so forth ... ah ... *woggle woggle woggle woggle.*" Okay. Now you've unsuppressed these items, call them again. Bluey and blah. There are two reading items on the List. Ah ... but everything on the List isn't live so therefore you haven't by-passed the item. Now you get down here and you put a bar over to the left side of the List and you say List-extended date and you put the additional items on the List and one of them blows down. You re-null the List to make sure ... the whole List to make sure you haven't got anything reading and that is it.

Sometimes a pc even gets restive and unhappy because you List the whole List. Ah, there is a degree at which he is saying *wow wee*, that is it *wow wee*, when you don't null but you're taking a chance. You're taking a chance. You actually are. So you've got the fellow's service facsimile from the original List. That is the correct action.

Now once in a blue moon you have to do this other action, which I'm talking to you about. You get everything unsuppressed. Now you could even ask "Was there anything you hadn't told this auditor?" You see, the missed withhold. Ah, at that time were you ARC broken about anything?" And so on - you can pick it up, see. Pick it up. Pick it up. And every one … few of these you find out it suddenly rehabs. It was the right service facsimile and it did rehab, but it was Listed over out Ruds and the F/N declared on it was a false report, but it was the correct service facsimile. Do you get the complications that can occur here? Very complicated.

It all comes from this: now on one of the questions I just asked on an examination, I better repeat this, the way Standard Tech ceases to be Standard Tech is somebody has already done something non-standard. The way to get Standard Tech back in - he's missed some piece of Standard Tech - the way to get it in is you find out what piece of Standard Tech was missed and you remedy this. You got it? And the case will then fly, because there are only so many pieces to Standard Tech. See, wild things could have occurred. He could have been Listed standing on his head, or any damned thing could have occurred there, thousands of outnesses that could have occurred in the session, this is the one thing I've got to push home to you. There are thousands and millions - an infinity of possible errors in a session. Do you follow? The only error you are interested in are those errors which violate Standard Tech. You got it, you've got to get this point or you won't actually be able to repair anybody.

You look for the points of Standard Tech that have been violated - the session run over a PTP, the session run with a missed withhold. Do you get it? The ... the bird that walked in to the org and they started to do engrams on him and he couldn't run anything and ... (*unclear speech*) and so on. His TA was up and so on and they went ahead and ran grades and all this sort of thing, with the guy flubbed up madly way back down the track on points of release. There weren't any points of release ever rehab'ed on this case. They were running ARC SW without rehabs. The guy came in, ran ARC SW, you see and got some results for God's sake. The TA never really came down, but he got results and he had a cognition and he and so forth and that was pretty good and actually they marked it that they had an F/N, but for some reason or another the next time he came into session the TA was at 6 or something and then they're going to run Secondaries and in some peculiar way Secondaries are run. And this case is just doing a weird one. Well actually he walked in with a high TA. What the hell is somebody off the street doing with a high TA? Well, obviously he's been overrun. [*laugh*] I know, but he never had any auditing. He never even read a book. But he's been overrun.

What overran him? Well, I want to call to your attention that there it a lot of livingness going on. And also here and there on the whole track, here and there on the whole track they knew something dim about running engrams. They didn't know it well and they didn't know enough not to overrun it. Every point of these you find, you find overruns associated with them. There are various methods of getting rid of engrams. In space opera societies they had a sort of a clap-stick that came together with an awful crash, while showing the guy a photograph of the area he was injured in. And this was a signal to the thetan that he was supposed to chop it up, and wad it up in a ball, and throw it away. If you work this area over, and run that off, you find the original incident sitting there. That's quite fascinating.

But there was some effort from time to time to handle a thetan's pictures. Here and there on the track it's been known that a thetan had pictures. They didn't have any other technology to back it up, but they had that, and where these were run you get an overrun.

So this can happen: the pc comes in and ARC SW is great, Secondaries that seem to be alright and then engrams the TA went (*whistles*) [drums fingers] "Is it getting more solid?" "Are we on the wrong chain?" What the hell is this? It's an overrun on engrams.

You won't find it an overrun on any other part of Scientology, but you'll find it occasionally an overrun on engrams. But most frequently it's an overrun on drugs, and I would adventure to say that you occasionally have an overrun on life, just the subject of living, and you occasionally have the subject of an overrun of dying - he's died too many times. [*laughter*]

Well, each death is a release, what the hell. But you have to figure out what it is. What is it? What is it that's been overrun? Well, it could be a lot of things been overrun, so you better find out what's been overrun. Now "What has been overrun?" or "What has been gone … going on too long?" or "What have you done too often?" Any version of the question that would communicate is handled and it is not a List - it is a process. But you get a read on this item and then you do a standard rehab and then you ask - it didn't F/N - so you ask for another one, and you ask for the release on that. And it's a little bit better and the TA comes down. And then you ask for the next question, and it didn't read, and then you ask for the next question and it read, so you rehab that. And you keep this process up and if you do it well you all of a sudden will have … be sitting there looking at an F/N. Go ahead. Dead simple.

Now the fellow lives 50 or 100 years, later, and he's got a high TA, you could ask him again "What has been overrun?" If the question reads there will be one, two, three items that have been overrun, and you rehab each one and you've got it made. In other words all that is, is a method of finding areas to rehab and it's a process, not a List. Get the difference. Alright! Now, in sequence there are two key processes: 1. Valence. The Valence Shifter. The Valence Shifter: "What valence or identity would be safe?" All right. List to one item. *Bong*! Because you want to List it down to the bottom of the pile and *bongo*! Which is followed by a question "What can you confront?" which is a process. Now you can actually write down these *what-can-you-confronts* and sooner or later the guy's going to BD on something, and sooner or later some wiseacre is going to tell us that all processes should be Listed.

Now hear me, hear me good and clean, hear me … hear me very straight. ***If you List a question which is not a one item question and by-pass the reads on the items without handling them, you pack the case up.*** You'll pack the case up as neat as anything you ever packed up. So you ever see on an auditing report form, if you ever see on a worksheet "What has been overrun?" with item, item, blank, blank, item, you know reading, item - reading, item reading, BD. And you just see it there and you look back on the worksheet and you find none of them have been handled.

The weird part of it is the case will have a tendency then to be packed up. It is not something you do and correct because you're trying to be pedantic, trying to be the villain of the piece who says all the commas must be in the right place. No, that … you'll find that the case is now packed up. So somebody has got to go back over it again. That's why you must always teach your auditors always to mark the falls and BDs. Don't let them make a bunch of stuff without. And you know, I see, most of the worksheets I see these days, have no falls or BDs marked on them. There is no SF for small fall, F for fall, ah.. LF for long fall. You can't distinguish. Then doing C/S work is very difficult. And there's no trick to it, writing these things down.

Now you would just see horror of horrors: "What has been overrun?", some type of process of that particular character, which is really just a process and if you were to see that Listed with no falls after it, and the thing wasn't even nulled, [*drums fingers*] you're not really in trouble, you would actually put in on the Listing question "On *what has been overrun* has anything been suppressed, anything been invalidated?" put them in very lightly, you're going to get a lot of read out of it.

"Ah ... very good." Read the first question, "On this has anything been suppressed?" *Woof* fall. Good. Rehab it. In other words you have to unsuppress the list and get each one of them rehabbed. Get what the proper repair action is. This is one of the vicious ones that can come your way. It's already happened a couple of times.

You say "Use *what has been overrun*, list *what has been overrun* and handle each reading item as it reads". And the auditor comes along and he runs a little list. It is a list, being well trained, it's a list and he doesn't even mark the reads. And he's Listed it. He didn't do anything with it.

Now what I'm warning you of is liable to have packed up the case at that exact instant. You're going to have trouble with the case now. Wasn't rehabbed. Because every single one of those is a restimulated by-passed charge. It was listed; wasn't handled. Now on, sooner or later some auditor is going to make this list, he's going to find an item, it is going to blow down, it is going to go F/N and he's got it made. And from that he's going to move over into the thing that every process should be Listed.

So I make it loud and clear to you that there are two types of questions: one is simply a process and you write down the answers and it does look like a List, but it's not a List under the heading of Listing & Nulling. It's not a legitimate question. And under that heading can come any question that reads. An absolute infinity of questions. You can actually as a C/S dream them up. If they read, great. But that's how you'd have to do it. Each one of them has to be handled. Because they are not legitimate questions. Not legitimate Lists. An infinity of it.

Now you sometimes do this very lightly to find information from the case. Let's give you an example of where ... where you are trying actually, you are actually trying to find out why this fellow has an invisible field. He somehow or another, by some mystery, has wound up at about V or VI OT and he's got an invisible field. Well he can't see anything. You've got a blind thetan or something. [*laughter*] Now you can actually undertake this as an … as an action. It's merely an exploratory action. You can ask the auditor to list what it is. "Regarding this invisible field, what is it?" [*laughter*] Now you hold a pistol at the auditor's head on this, you say "Falls, small falls, long falls, BDs; for God's sake mark them down, boy, mark them down". It's an illegitimate list don't you see, but it's still alright. Now, it's handled like "What has been overrun?" It isn't *one* thing and it never will be one thing. It is always a composite.

Now you get into trouble this way by thinking in this framework: *the magic button*. I've lived in the atmosphere of this God damned non-existent magic button since 1950. There is *one thing* wrong with the org. There is *one thing* wrong with the case. Now what would you do as to all other considerations, look for this one magic thing. In 1950 it was the fellow who was supposed to be shot in the gluttonous maximus by a biochemical thing which made him at once Clear, and which we would by now be rehabbing like crazy so we could get on with it. [*laughter*]

I don't know if anybody here remembers those days, but there was a great deal of discussion in those days concerning the fact that there ought to be some chemical, which

one would load up into a syringe and the word One Shot Clear became current, but it was actually a sarcastic word. But people listened for this button and for quite a while I researched on this basis, so actually I've given time to this idea and I can absolutely assure you, completely and 100%, that there is no magic single button.

For instance the LRH Comm WW was looking through policy letters the other day, he said 'Something is wrong, something is wrong' and therefore it must be contained in policy. Well alright, undoubtedly true within limits. And so therefore I'm going to read all of these policy letters and applying it out and all of a sudden he found out that it says that an organization, which has undergone a period of interiorization, heavy traffic internal, heavy traffic internal will shortly after that go into a slump. Heavy internal traffic is followed by a slump. Naturally it's interiorized and isn't handling outside, so it goes into a slump. You probably remember the policy letter. Anyway he found this policy letter and he promptly started applying it and got people to promote and just dropped the idea of internal this and that and the other thing and he said let's just have at it and let's do this exteriorization action. And I'm sure they'll make it. 4 or 5 weeks from now we'll have them coming up the line. But he should ... he was looking for a magic button, a magic single button.

Well the reason he came down to looking for the magic single button which would resolve the case, at that particular instant, is because a great many buttons had been very neglected for a very [*long time. Now at any given … what ... what deludes you in this is at any given instant there is a magic button,*] (←this section is not on the available tape master) see, at any given instant there is a magic button, which when handled changes to another magic button. [*laughter*] You do that in putting in the rudiments. When you're putting in the rudiments the single magic button on the case - ARC break. The single magic button NOW is PTP. The single magic button would be missed withhold. Do you get the idea? And actually going up the Grades each Grade is the next magic button. They are magic buttons alright, but they are not just one button.

There is no button, there will never be a button. I can assure you there will never be a button, which pressed with great expertise will suddenly blow a person to OTVIII from insane asylum or wog. There is no such thing. And the reason there isn't such a thing is because awareness is a gradient. It's what he becomes aware of. Now maybe you could shorten this gradient down to an hour, but it would still be not one button. It would have to be a whole series of buttons in this hour, *ba ba ba ba ba ba ba ba ba ba*. Do you get it? And you'd have to know what button to push at any given instant in that hour in order to clean that thing up. Do you see? So the one button, to hell with it. You can say, well I know the button. Yes, yes, I know of a button. The guy is just mocking up his bank and if you could get that and work on that he could be convinced of that, why naturally then the whole bank would blow and he would be a Clear. Obvious. So there is one button.

Well, in the first place right above that there are a whole lot of body thetans who also have the same consideration, only unfortunately they have the consideration they are him when they are not, and unfortunately above that at VII he will discover that there is another whole row of aberration, as a matter of fact there are about 6 of them, quite in addition to pictures. (*laughs*) So you see even that doesn't turn out to be one button. He's Clear alright. Great. Great. He hasn't got any pictures. Fine. Now he goes up to III and he gets rid of all his body thetans. So he hasn't got any body thetans and so on. He can mock up pictures or not mock up pictures.

He's in beautiful condition. IV is all straightened out. He's all rehabbed and so forth and he suddenly begins to ask the question "Why am I not 9 feet tall yet? I was 9 feet tall on Thursday and I was only 2 inches tall on Friday. [*laughter*] Why is that?" Well, there are 6

or 7 more things that are wrong with him, and they're what contained in the upper line of VII and VIII. I'm not trying to make a mystery out of these things and say, oh well you find these things when you get to VII and VIII. There's things like postulates and there's things like interpersonal relationships, there's things like the interrelationship with life itself, there is on VIII there is "Who made this damned stuff?" [*laughter*] Who made it and also who didn't want him to? [*laughter*] Do you see there's things like this. Is somebody standing around holding it there and mocking ... keeping it mocked up? (*laughs*) You can get a lot of questions come up. The resolution of these questions, and so on, are all that's wrong with a thetan.

Now let's get back to where we started here. Do you have some idea now that the Listing & Nulling Laws apply to legitimate Listing questions? Now there possibly could be more legitimate Listing questions than the 7 or 8 which are already there. I don't say that some of these would not List to one item, but if they List to one item it's because you're asking for the most-est or the best-est or the biggest-est. Do you get it? "Who is the biggest water–melon?" [*laughter*] "What is the biggest planet you have ever been on?" One item question obviously because you asked for it. And that would determine it to that degree, but there are a little row of them, which don't have the biggest and most-est, they just come out to one item. And unless they come out to one item, cut the pc's throat, it'd be kinder.

Now the questions of VA, oddly enough, are so centrally located with regard to the pc's mind and beingness. What have you got? You've got persons, places and subjects. Wow! And the funny part of it is that you could probably carry them on and on, you could probably get some other reads, you could probably do this and that, and they are so centralized in the field of aberration that they ... actually you can count on the first BD being the item on the List. So that you can cut it short, but do you realize that that doesn't disobey the Laws of Listing & Nulling. On a centralized question like that, it's first BD is it on the List. Take it.

The weird point about it is when you go back to rehab VA, when you go back to rehab VA, providing the auditor marked the BD, which BD'd. You know he didn't do A, and … which BD'd really, but then wrote down B and put the BD after B. He could make some goofy error like this. But you go back and repair these VA's and it's very very peculiar, you will find out it's the first blowing down item.

Now you say, well that therefore must be a Law of all Listing. It doesn't happen to be a List of S&Ds; it doesn't have to apply to S&Ds. So it's still the one reading item on the list. So please differentiate, that in VA you are just being given a fast route which still follows the Laws of Listing. It isn't a special case. It just happens that VA follows the rules of Listing, all the rules of Listing occur on the first BD. *Bong*! That's all. It's peculiar. And you'll find on some S&Ds that is not true. So all I've given you, you see, in VA, it's this peculiarity, it's the first BD.

Now you can look on a VA list, and you can see that he took the second BD, and it inevitably will be a wrong item. So it's not correct, it's the second BD. You look on an S&D List and you'll find the third BD reading is the correct item. Insufficiently central to the intelligence of the being, you see. Now you've Listed over here on the fringes and he blew some charge here, and he blew some charge there, and he blew ... if you say, persons, places ... what the hell man! You're going right up against the substance of VII and VIII. *Bongo*! *Bongo*! Dead on! And the person says 'oh yeah' because he's sitting right there. It's just a peculiarity, so that is simply given to you in an effort to let you get it done in a

hurry. And no other significance than that, so don't lean on it all over the place and run up a big ridge.

Now where an individual is rehabbed on VA, you always carefully do the whole job, you null the whole List to see if it has to be extended in any way and *sa sa fah*. Why? The pc thought of something else when he was Listing. He didn't have the Listing question. He this; that. There is a goofy outness here, see. The pc was still thinking about something, all of a sudden something else attracted his attention and he thought "oh well, what the hell, I mean we've got to get this session through with here ... I've got to meet my wife, or something you know". Attention came off the session, he got a BD, something goofy like this. There is no way you can prevent this except by being an auditor.

What the hell are you doing auditing so "up to"? Well, what were you doing auditing a pc who had to meet his wife? I've never audited a pc who had to go out and meet his wife at 4 o'clock. Oh no, not me! "Now I want to put in the Reality-factor here ... we gonna run *waffle, waffle, waffle, waffle*. I'm going to run a resistive case list on you ..." That's a hell of a gag. Boy that's real corn. Didn't this auditor ever hear about the fact that he had to be in ARC with the pc?

One of the reasons the fellow runs the resistive case list, he can run a resistive case list on somebody who is just momentarily hung up and find out what it is, he still falls in these categories. The guy was sick on Thursday, must do an assessment on the thing. Well it says he is physically ill. That's it. So, the net result, the net result, when the guy gets the R-factor he's liable to tell you something like, *yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, alright* ... You know, funny attitude, this guy must be in a hell of a rush ... ask the guy, "You rushed on anything?"

"*Oh yes, yes, I have to meet my wife at 4 o'clock.*"
"Good. Well before we start this session actually I want you to get out on the telephone and call her."
"*Oh I'm sorry we can't, she's driving around in the car now.*"
"Good. Alright, I'll tell you what, at the risk of upsetting you, and so forth ... ah ... we're going to have this session this evening. Be back here this evening."
"*Why, why? It's perfectly alright with me. I can suppress this while you're auditing.*"
[*laughter*]

This is all part of making the pc fly, you see. You actually could have spent time, [*robotically→*] "Have you had food?"; "Have you had sleep?"; "Do you have to go any place … ?" and so forth, except this is so God-damned pianola and play it by dropping the penny in the machine and so forth that it is a damned bore, as they are currently saying. As they'll be saying something else in the future sometime, it is a drag. [*laughter*]

It's a waste of time. Ah ... therefore, therefore you immediately assume that your pc is in one of two conditions to be audited, which is he's set up to be audited or he ain't. [*laughter*] And of the "he ain't" there are two categories, the ones the auditor can repair and the ones he can't. Well, I'm very sorry I'm in an awful rush. I have an appointment with a physician to have my leg sawed off at 4 o'clock. [*laughter*]

Actually there is something an auditor can do about that - you can say "Go and call him up and cancel it, *huh*." "*Why should I do that*?" "Well, one of the reasons is, I'm auditing you. Mixed practices." [*laughter*]

So therefore a process can be written down and look like a List and there is a thing called a List, which you then List. Now as we look into this with more intimacy we find that:

[**One**]: "The definition of a complete List is a List which has only one reading item on the list." Oh yes, you know all about that. Of course the other items that just tick, no they wouldn't do. Many exceptions to this rule. Ah ... the ... ah the List which we null with out-ruds has long falls on various items. **There aren't any exceptions to it. None**! None! None! That is a List and this is brought forward for this remarkable reason: That the auditors in 1962, in '63, used to come around and ask me all the time, how many items should be on the List. How many items should be on the List. Should lists be four items? What is a full List? Should it be two items? Three items? Four items? Twenty items? You have to give it some sort of a figure. They're asking me some balderdash question like how long is a rope? And it's as long as there is a complete item on it.

Now I have seen some pretty damned long Lists. I have seen a List go two or three pages before the item fell out of the hamper. That sounds incredible and it is almost un ... incredible. It happens damned rarely, but it does happen. So you see some auditor he says, "Well let's see I've gotten down to the bottom of the first page and somebody is liable to be very upset indeed if I go on Listing page after page. I've been shot for it in the past and I don't have any item yet, so it must be a dead horse." Listen, did the question read? The List won't dead-horse. No Listing question which read will ever dead-horse, because the only reason a dead horse dead-horses is the Listing question did not read. [*laughter*]

If the question read, you get an item. And I've actually seen very recently a folder in which there was a reading Listing question and then after Listing half a page the auditor decided it must be a dead horse because all the items up to that point did not now read. Two or three of them had read. What was he doing? He was auditing one of these wide things. Do you know that the pc's attention, goes way out, and comes way in, and goes way out, and comes way in, cyclically.

There's certain test research processes you can run and he starts talking about this, see. He'll say: "the table, the chair, the clock there, the bureau, the glass of water, the room, the wall, that dock over there, America, that star, the sea, the Galaxy, yes yes yes the Galaxy, the star, that other star, the planet, the moon, that range of Hills, the … the town there, the floor."

You can watch his … watch his answers, they go out and they go in; he's buttered around the place. Do you follow? And if he is really dead in and he wasn't really ripe to recognize there was anything like this, and the List is being Listed just a little bit soon on his case, shall we say ... ah, it read; it's going to be a long List. And you read it and you null it and if the question read then one of two things is true; the items are suppressed, which is easy to do because you null it with suppress, or the List is incomplete. And I actually have four little questions that you can ask, and you have them on a bulletin write-up. It's most usually the first item on the list. On a long list that's always the figure.

The candidate that has been by-passed is the first item. That's most frequent. The second item comes in a little bit behind the first item. And the List is incomplete or the List is suppressed. There's certain various positive things that are wrong with Lists. You can take these Laws of Listing and make a list out of the Laws of Listing for assessment and go down the case with each one and you would eventually find every damned reason.

One assumes that Standard Tech is in before he does the Laws of Listing, so you would have to put on that something like "Was it Listed with out-Ruds?" to make a complete assessment form, I would just check on that. To make an assessment form on this you'd have to put "Was it Listed over out-Ruds?" and you'd have to … for the uninitiated you'd

have to list the Ruds that could have been out while the Listing was going on, or which were now out, and then you would have a total which was more or less an L1 anyhow.

But these Laws of Listing could be added up. Do you see how you could do that? You can take any of the materials of Standard Tech and list them up and ask questions of it and work them this way and work them that way, because what you are doing. It's the difference between a mechanic using a screw driver and a pair of pliers. You know, he uses a screw driver and he uses a pair of pliers. Well he sure can use them in numerous ways. Got the Laws of Listing, there are probably a dozen ways you could use these lists. All right, complete List, that's all there is about a complete List, because that's what it is. But remember by the word List here we mean from an authentic reading Listing question.

TWO: "The TA rising means the List is being overlisted. It's too long." Inevitable and invariable. A rising TA inevitably means that something has been gone too long and so on. Sometimes with a suppressive, and so on, you will see a TA rise. You'll see a suppressive - TA rise. And you say *aha*, that's a variation from the Laws of Listing, because, look at that, it's been a stuck high TA and it has come down like mad when we all of a sudden got this suppressive. *Hoh hoh, hoh hoh, hoh hoh*. I'm not trying to make myself right. He was simply an overrun. [*laughs*] He *was* an overrun. He was around far too long. [*laughter*]

One of the … the actions of suppressing are incomplete cycle of action and overrun on a cycle of action. To handle the handled is also very suppressive. You got a floor all clean, somebody comes along, tells you to clean up the floor. A Suppressive cleans cleans. It's one of the characteristics.

It doesn't make somebody who cleans a clean a suppressive, but he invariably does this. He's got ... the house is all painted, it's all finished, just getting ready to put away the paint brushes. The suppressive comes along and says look at that, you'd better get to work on that, hasn't been painted well enough. Go on and paint the house. He will also come along with only one wall half painted and say you will have to rake the garden now. But different suppressives err in the overrun or over in the incomplete.

So you've found a suppressive that was overrunning something. Also you will find the subject of his suppression is an overrun. It is not a violation of this, but once in a while you'll find an S & D is the reason of a high TA, once in a while. And then you see very mysterious, but of course it's quite obvious that the person needs an S & D, he's sick, PTS and so forth. And you just happen to give him an S & D and you happen to see the TA blow down, you wouldn't necessarily always order an S & D because somebody's TA was high, do you follow? It doesn't work.

Now, a TA rising while you're doing a list, it means it's overlisted. And boy you can catch that right now, right now, right now, right now. It was the second item, it starts to rise on the third item. You can catch it right now, just like that. *Pow*! *Pow*! Because you see a rising TA is first signaled by a needle going from right to left, instead of left to right. Now it is true that there is a little bump that a person can go across, a little bump he can go across, and you said *jinx* and you had a surge, and then you said *brown* and it sort of rises a little bit. You know the needle goes … returns to position, and then it says *balderdash* and goes *bbblumsp*. You got it. So it isn't the first tiny little bit of motion of the needle. It's when that thing is going up the pc starts to think. There are other things that go along with it, he comm lags, he *bllleeeeeers*, the needle starts going over to the left, and you've already ... you have a forecast of the fact that you are just about to overlist. This is forecasted.

Now if you did this, if you did this, if you nulled the first three items, and it was starting to apparently rise on the fourth and it did the first three items. And then having done the first three items it looked like it was rising, you went back and nulled the first three items, you got in suppress on the first item and on the second item, and you still didn't have an item you'd go on Listing. Do you understand? And if the TA now really started up like a surge you would go back and examine that first item again. Do you see? He's done something.

We had an example, we had a person of another nationality and he was given an S & D and he put the item on the List, which by the way some sessions later came up, but he put the item on the List and then he thought "oh my God, that's not socially acceptable" and he (*bang*). And boy, nobody could persuade him to let that item read again.

In America such an item would be mother, do you see? You wouldn't dare put, a lot, a lot of areas wouldn't dare put the word "mother" on the list. In Italy it would be "priest". You know, father Giuseppe [*laughter*]. "Has anything been unmocked?" Oh well, yes. "Who or what has tried to unmock you?" See? You're asking, anything tried to unmock you? Right away this is what communicates you know. He's asking himself has anything been unmocked, anything unmocking me, father Giuseppe, *oh boy*, father Giuseppe. *Ha ha*! Oh no! [*laughter*] Can't get it to read.

When you do give it to him, he is now in the middle of guilt. He'll give the manifestation of you having found the wrong item, but only visually. The way to really get him in trouble is to continue it a little bit further, and really give him a wrong item. You let him struggle with that one, very often you give the pc a wrong item, he struggles with it. But you can give him a right item which he struggles with. It's whether or not it obeys the rules of Listing. It obeys the rules of Listing, that's his item. "Father Giuseppe." That's it, *pooh*. "Oh no, oh no, oh no, yes, yes. I guess it is." [*laughter*] He'll come right straight through it, you see. Alright!

Number Three: "A List can be underlisted in which case nothing can be found on nulling." The question read. The question read, you Listed the List. Nothing is suppressed, two or three items read as you Listed it - incomplete List. Nothing read, so extend it. You put a little bar over here and mark "extended". Don't ever you or let your auditors get into a position or habit of extending a List without marking a bar over to the left of the list saying "ext". And if you ever extend a later List, later extend an early List is what I mean, why say "ext" with the current date so somebody knows it's been repaired.

Now, [**Four**]: "If after a session the TA is still high or goes up a wrong item has been found." And that can happen between the session and the environ … and the examiner. He left the session having done a Remedy B. He left the session and his TA was at 2 and he arrives at the examiner with his TA at 4.75, to give you an extreme example. You don't have to ask any questions about it whatsoever, you just say wrong item, back to session. Only you say examine the List. Now remember that it is always wisest when you have a direct evidence of an incorrect List to get the List corrected before you *hangle-bongle* around with Ruds, because it *is* the out rud.

So, this can happen a couple of days later, only it doesn't show up as a high TA, it shows up as his face went solid. "Yeah, I have some pressure on my face", or something of this character. [*mumbling→*] "*I fearfar yeahay* … all right after the session. I was sure it was ..." And your correct action is then go back and have the list corrected. It's a wrong item, wrong item, wrong item. Another evidence, particularly on VA, he got in ethics trouble within a very short time afterwards, 48 hours, something like that, he finds himself in ethics. Ah, the ... he finds himself in the hands of the medical officer.

Now, you might run into some firefight like I ran into one time, whereby the galley was busy feeding badly in an unsanitary area and a whole bunch of crew members came down epidemically at the same time I was getting some auditing accomplished with those guys and [*laughter*] and now we had to disentangle what this was all about. Were they being super suppressed? All of a sudden had a mad team walked in on the scene? What had happened? What had happened? Well all that had happened was somebody had fed them rotten meat (*laugh*), but it sure made one wonder.

Now the funny part of it is the guy who had fed them the rotten meat had had three wrong items on Power just 48 hours before he knowingly fed them rotten meat. [*laughter*] Now you say I was looking all over the place to find the wrong items - well I found the wrong items, I found the guy. [*laughter*] That's how far it can go.

Now [**Five**] "If the pc says it is a wrong item, it is a wrong item." Now the trouble with that is, is this father Giuseppe thing that I just said. - So the pc is saying "Ah, I don't think that is my item. I don't think that is my item. I don't think that is my item." All the rules of Listing say it is his item. What are you going to do? Interesting question - what are you going to do? Alright, we'll leave it at that. [*laughter*] I'm not going to solve all your problems for you [*laughter*]. But this is true. If he says it is a wrong item, it is a wrong item. In the first place he is going to go around worrying about the catholic church to such a degree that he's going to spin-in if you give him father Giuseppe. I will solve it for you, there is nothing to it actually. Ah, you ask him, just discuss this item with me. "I'm not trying to force it on you, you don't have to have this item, no you just don't have to have this item, anything been suppressed and so forth on it, invalidated and so forth." "*Oh I sure invalidated it. Oh wow.*" [*laughter*]

Now where do you put those auditing reports normally? [*laughter*] He's landed up with a problem hasn't he? But if you force the item on him against that sort of thing, and so forth, as far as it's concerned it's a wrong item, he'll come around to it being a right item, if you just acknowledge it. You say, "it says here that father Giuseppe is your item." "*No no it couldn't possibly be.*" "All right thank you very much." Now do you say, "It is too your item?" [*laughter*]

And **Six**: "The question must be checked and must read as a question before it is Listed. An item Listed from an unreading question would give you a *dead-horse*." And that's all you always Listed. But let me tell you something, it could be a false read or a suppressed read. Now a person who is being suppressed, suppresses the suppressed. Do you see, he is suppressing suppressed because he is dramatizing being suppressed. And "suppressed" reads when you say lightly with a gay heart, ah .. "Is it withdrawn from?" "Is it stop?" "Or, is it unmocked?" Most of the time you'll get away with it. But the reason this guy is PTS, he is upset, he is sick, ah … he is *this*, he is *that*.

There is every reason in the world to believe this guy is PTS, and remember that the whole subject can be this. W.S.U. will normally shine outside of the question and you normally can get your read on it. And it says "U". So you say "Who or what …", and you can check it, "… is trying to unmock you?" Some guys who are a bit, a bit *dooolh* – only react to "Who is trying to unmock you?" It's a current situation. Ah … "Who or what has tried to unmock you?" If it ... " attempted to unmock you?" - that sense of the question does not reach them. So you have to test the question, get a suppress in on it, and you suddenly see it reading. Make sure it isn't a false read. In other words you handle this. It's got to be a handle-able thing, but even aft… if even after you handle it, it still doesn't read, and then you knuckle-headedly go List it … Boy you want to have your own head examined, because it'll give you a dead-horse every time. A dead-horse proceeds from a

non-reading question, and that is the reason for a dead horse, and an auditor who does not check the Listing question before he Lists it is a knuckle-head.

Now, [**Seven**] "If the item is on the List and nothing read on nulling, the item is suppressed or invalidated." Yes, so true, so true.

Now one of the cures for that comes in number **Eight**. "On a suppressed List it must be nulled with Suppressed. On *balderdash* has anything been suppressed?" And then you don't say the item, because of course the read on suppression transfers to *suppress*, so if the item is going to read it'll read on suppress anyhow, and now you've cleaned up suppress so you know the thing is going to read. Now an invalidated item reads on "invalidate". A suppressed item reads on "suppressed".

And the odd part of it is that it reads the exact amount on suppress or invalidated that it reads itself. On the item the reads transfers. And so the exact right item is going to read on the List. "On *ragbags* has anything been suppressed?" - *boom*. You should try it out a few times, just to see what the hell happens. And all of a sudden you'll totally relax, you say *ragbags*, it'll read the same read exactly that you just got on suppressed. Exactly. Same length. Same everything. It's one of the miraculous little things.

It's the wildest thing I ever saw in my life, when I saw it. The exact read with the same hitch, the same level, the same *waaah* it's exact. And you can transfer it off to suppress, transfer ... suppress it and now *suppress* will read, you can clean it up, suppress it again, read it under the suppress once more, the suppress now reads, you clean it up, bring it back, make the item read again - it's the wildest thing you ever saw in your life. So it is one of the methods of identifying the item. Is it the item that was suppressed? Does it read like the suppressed read? So then you'd say "On balderdash has anything been suppressed?" Well you know it's going to be it so you do it, but to hell with it.

Supposing you wanted to check this thing out you say *balderdash*. Did it read the same as suppressed? One of the ways of checking it. Very cute, it's identical, identical read.

Now, [**Nine**] "On an item that is suppressed or invalidated the read will transfer exactly from the item to the button and when the button is gotten in the item will again read." Just as I told you. Every once in a while you see some auditor say "On balderdash has anything been suppressed?" All right, thank you very much. That's your item. When you are nulling you just say "On balderdash has anything been suppressed?" - read. When you've got the item, say the item and then the su ... its read will come off. Otherwise its read will stay on it. You've got to say the item again.

On *balderdash* has anything been suppressed?

On *ragbags* has anything been suppressed?

On ... *bong*.

Balderdash is the only reading item on the list. You say, "Good. Balderdash." There is your read. All right, you say, "your item is Balderdash".

Now [**Ten**] "An item from an overlisted list is often suppressed." The damnedest thing you ever saw in your life. If you see an 89 page list that some knucklehead has done in Keokuk, for Christ's sake know that the item is probably the first or second item on the list. [*laughter*]

[**Eleven**] "On occasion when you pass the item in nulling, all subsequent items will read to a point where everything on the List will then read. In this case take the first read, take the first which read on the first nulling."

So this … this idea of slant [/], slant, slant, slant or X, X, X, X, come off of it. Don't do that! ***Don't do that***! It's SF; F; LFBD. Say what the read was! So as you're coming down the line you read the first item on the list …

    tingerwumps, *ah*
    balderdash,
    topcat,

Oh wait a minute! What the hell is this?

    tingerwumps, that was a LF
    balderdash, a SF
    chipwumps, F
    catnip, F
    dog-robber, F.

What the hell's going on here? Well what's going on here is you're carrying the read of the first item right on down into the list. And if you keep doing this you're going to be in a hell of a mess. And in fact I don't know of a good method of separating out this awful mess.

Now [**Twelve**]: "An underlisted and overlisted list will ARC break the pc, and he may refuse to be audited until the List is corrected and may become furious with the auditor and will remain so until it is corrected." He'll also become sad, he'll also give any other manifestation of an ARC break. Overlisted and underlisted: so an incorrect List is something, is the first thing you correct when straightening up the case.

[**Thirteen**] "Listing & Nulling or any auditing at all beyond an ARC break without handling the ARC break, such as correcting the list or otherwise locating it, will put the pc into a 'sad effect'." And that is so true. It's just what it says, because it is the same as an ARC break. A long-duration ARC break that is audited over the top of, will bring about a sad effect.

Fourteen: "A pc whose attention is on something else won't List easily. You List & Null only with the rudiments in on the pc." That's where you would put it, doing a Listing you'd have to expand that question as I was inferring. You would have to say, you know "While you were being Listed with …?", you know, " … did you have a PTP? a MWH?"

[**Fifteen**] Ah.. "An auditor whose TRs are out has difficulty in Listing & Nulling and in finding items." Oh so true. Now if you wanted to send every .. every item to the examiner to be checked to make sure it was the right item, it would simply be stating this: "Every auditor I have has out-TRs."; "We are not sure that the person went release on the process he was run on." The analogous statement is: "None of our auditors have their TRs in."

When TRs are out, things go release and do various weird kooky things, that they shouldn't. But when we say "TRs are out", God! It's got to be awfully damned bad. It's something that you would break down and cry over. The auditor is sitting there eating candy and the pc is looking out the window, more or less self auditing, and the auditor is reading a newspaper between questions. It'd really be corny, see, for this to happen.

[**Sixteen**] "Listing & Nulling errors in presence of Auditor's Code violations can unstabilize a pc." Believe me, you take a pc who is … not been fed, or something like this, or has not had enough sleep, etc and you insist on Listing and you carry the List over, and it's already difficult to audit, and you shouldn't be Listing at that time anyhow, can

unstabilize a guy. He, he can feel like he is absolutely spinning, for a day, two days, three days, four days, *woof*!

[**Seventeen**] "Now the lack of a specific Listing question or an incorrect nonstandard listing question, which doesn't really call for an item, will give you more than one item reading on a List." So sometimes you see a List which has lots of items reading on it. For Christ's sake go back and look at the Listing question. And it could say. "Are tractors necessary?" [*laughter*] Don't get so obsessed that you think only one thing will read on that List - everything under God's green earth will read on it.

[**Eighteen**] "You cease Listing & Nulling actions when a floating needle appears." And that is perfectly true. You cease Listing & Nulling actions when a floating needle appears. *You don't cease auditing*. Do you get the nuance of that? [*laughter*] It means what it sayeth.[†]

Now, [**Nineteen**] "Always give the pc his item and circle it plainly on the List." But you say wait, wait, wait a minute! That's auditing past Listing and ... Boy, you'd better. His F/N will pack right up. Pc going around "What was my item? What was my item? What was my item?" See the bank frees before the pc speaks, so it probably went F/N before he gave you the item. You see, he thought *ragbags*, F/N, and then he says *ragbags* and you write it down. *Woof*! See, there it is. Sometimes when you are Nulling (*snaps fingers*) you get your F/N. Now if you just sit there blankly, the pc is going to go into mystery. So you always give the pc his item.

And number **Twenty**: "Listing & Nulling are highly precise auditing actions and if not done exactly by the Laws will … may bring about a down tone and slow gain case, but if done correctly, exactly by the Laws and with good auditing in general will produce the highest gains attainable.

NOTE: there are no variations or exceptions to the above. It does not alter VA power procedure."

People think sometimes this alters it or they're different. I'm just ... I already told you why. And ethics should be put in where these Laws are violated. An auditor who isn't convinced of something, you should list him on some question, insist it goes to one item, particularly if the question doesn't read. "What tractors are sick?" [*laughter*] Run it to 89 pages and insist there is an item on it. That's too gruesome. I know you can't confront it. I wouldn't be able to confront it either. I'm sure you will all do these Laws correctly and I'm sure … use a blackjack on those …

People regard these laws of Listing & Nulling far too lightly, far far far too lightly. They are very important, and with the Auditor's Code are the most important errors that can be made as far as case effects are concerned. So they are not to be regarded lightly. You don't List a List and then don't null it. You don't muck about with Listing & Nulling. You don't let an auditor List & Null for you as case supervisor that you are very doubtful of. You got it? You make him itsa or something.

Got it? [*yes*]   Help you out a little bit? [*yes*]

All right. Thank you very much. [*applause*]

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[†] Old English verb for "say", typically found in the Bible. Translate it here by "says".