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## Grandma Walked Into A Bar

**Dear Dave:** We are selling our home and the home inspector has asked for some silly repairs, including a so-called 'Impact Bar' in front of the furnace in the garage. We have never had a problem driving into the garage, even our aging grandmother who still drives a little bit and lives with us. Now the bar is in, there is less space and, while we are trying to work around it, it was not funny when Grandma stubbed her toe on one of the concrete anchors holding it in place. Don't you think home inspections are getting out of hand?

**Answer:** It's not the home inspections that are getting out of hand but buyer expectations when they read the report. What is strictly code and what is practical are 2 different things. I am sorry about your Grandma but it does bring to mind something I read that may cheer you all up – It's called "Grammar walks into a Bar".

### Grammar walks into a Bar

*Three intransitive verbs walk into a bar. They sit. They drink. They leave.*

*A dangling modifier walks into a bar. After finishing a drink, the bartender asks it to leave.*

*A question mark walks into a bar?*

*Two quotation marks "walk into" a bar.*

*A gerund and an infinitive walk into a bar, drinking a drink.*

*The bar was walked into by the passive voice.*

*The past, the present, and the future walked into a bar. It was tense.*

*A synonym ambles into a pub.*

*A hyperbole totally ripped into this bar and destroyed everything.*

*A run on sentence walks into a bar it is thirsty.*

*A group of homophones wok inn two a bar.*

*The past continuous was walking into a bar, but left when it saw I was there.*

*The pluperfect grandmother had walked into a bar, and had stubbed her toe.*

*That the pluperfect subjunctive might have walked into a bar was open to debate.*

*Dave*

*Windsor*

