

Re: Swelling while on a cruise

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In article <jason-0506062056280001@xx>, Jason Johnson <jason@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

In article <2006Jun5.210604.28073@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, bae@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

In article <jason-0506061518330001@xx>, Jason Johnson <jason@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

In article <2006Jun5.173704.22948@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, bae@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

Jason, imagine that you are in an unfamiliar city, and can't find an address you urgently need to get to. You ask someone on the street for advice.

Which result would you prefer:

- (1) The person gives you detailed instructions that turn out to be so wrong that you end up much farther away from your destination than when you started.
- (2) The person says "I'm sorry, I don't know where that is. You'll have to find a map or someone who does know."

I would choose number 2--that's why I told the poster to go to their doctor to find out the cause of the edema.

No, what you did was more like (1) followed by "or you could look at a map." Bad advice is **worse** than no advice.

I answered your question so please answer my question. In the majority of your newsgroup posts, do you try to help people or do you criticize posters?

I try to help people, just as I'm trying to help you understand why so many knowledgeable people object to your efforts to do so.

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Bad advice, even if motivated by a sincere desire to help someone, is *worse* than no advice.

I feel sorry for people that visit newsgroup just to criticize posters.

I'm trying to explain things to you, to help you and advise you. This is not criticism.

I have lots of respect for the members of newsgroups that try to help people even if they sometimes make mistakes.

If you keep track of who posts what, you should have plenty of respect for the people who you say are criticizing you, and take their good advice.

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