

Dachshunds

*Road Rally from Hell
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ROAD RALLY 2014

"Gone to the Dogs"

*Listen, my puppies, and you shall hear
Of a journey you've come to know and revere
Your family's strapped you to the car's top
And driven cross country with nary a stop*

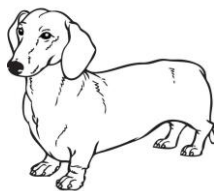
*But finally they've pulled by the side of the road
To look for a bush and lighten their load
They've taken you down from roof to the ground
To mark all the trees and sniff all around*

*Whoa! Now they've returned to the car with relief
Their pit stop complete yet tragically brief
The auto speeds off with hardly a care
Forgetting completely you're not even there*

*Now what will you do, Oh Man's Best Friend?
Ripped from your pack, this tear you must mend
No time for howling, no time to lick crotch
Time is now ticking like fleas on a watch*

*They say you can't teach an old dog new tricks
But you will show them just how to get kicks
With nose to the ground and tail in the air
Back to your dog house, you'll figure out where*

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Now, git along little doggies
No time to idle or lag
The hunt is on to get you home
Your first hint is in the bag 😊

Leave, you must from the Palms Motel
There's only one way to go
Soon look over an overlook
U turn will reverse your flow

Take care in what you eat, dear pups
You may get an itchy ass
And butt **skid more** than you wish to
On the carpet or the grass

One way to turn so turn that way
Or risk a swat on the butt
Remember your a Dachshund
And not a mangy mutt

In a few blocks you'll make a turn
On a street named for a king
A liberal slant, if you will
Free at last! you will sing

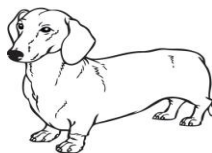
Soon you'll come upon the Space Age
"Right On!" you'll howl at the moon
Get on board Columbia now
Your landing will be quite soon

The land of ports is quite humane
No dogs were harmed in this clue
Rain or shine, shelter's near by
And maybe a toy to chew

The Center is off to the side
There is some Learning to do
You're a very smart Animal
Medical degrees for you

Be discrete when entering here
You must let sleeping dogs lie
Or risk getting spayed or neutered
The dog catcher is near by

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Onward! Columbia!
To the west you are bound
Stop chasing your tail
Put you nose to the ground

Now pick up your own scent
Retrace from where you came
One hundred minus one
A king by any other name

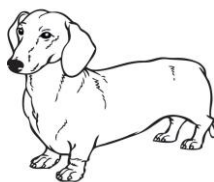
Press on for a street to turn
It only goes one way
No time for bed nor **cott**
To circle 'round today

It's a dog eat dog world
So beware of a mutt
At the mother of all hydrants
Don't let them sniff your butt

Green's a common color
So do not draw a blank
Look above and beyond trees
Or else your search will tank

The time to park is now
Scratch belly and shake a leg
Get your treat no matter how
Even if you have to beg

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Mush! Oh, mighty dog team
Back to the sled you run
And pull with all your strength
In your pursuit of fun

Again find your own scent
Follow it to king's road
Southbound's the direction
To steer your heavy load

Back down the boulevard
For nearly seven miles
Resolve will be tested
In these Rally trials

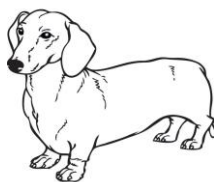
Time to cross the river
The last bridge for a while
They don't **sell** any **wood** here
The view will make you smile

Reaching the other side
There's but one way to go
Run a couple more miles
And just stay with the flow

Soon you'll Curry favor
To get to the next clue
The way to turn is clear
To get the next doggy chew

Park the car where you can
Time to go for a walk
Up, up! Look to the sky
This is where you will stalk

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Back in your dog carrier
There's but one way to go
The view is quite beautiful
But you must get below

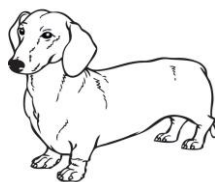
When your pack has landed down
With paws on solid ground
Don't run back to the car just yet
Elsewhere is where you're bound

It's time to go for a walk
A chance for you to Bond
Take a moment to sniff butts
Of which you're very fond

Look for a lane that's a street
Or a street that's a lane
Turn away from the river
A direction in vane

Although you've been a good dog
Moody is how you feel
Take a break in the Dog House
To stay on even keel

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Back up the river toward Canada now
Take any road that you like
On your left *side*, your passion will *Burn*
It's here you will take a hike

A house for reading will clearly be seen
Famous throughout the world
Turn in a circle before lying down
As your quest becomes unfurled

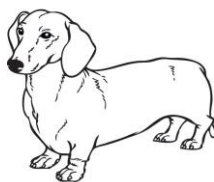
There's used and there's new inside of the place
You can easily get lost
It's tempting to browse at a leisurely pace
But do so and you'll pay the cost

Closely study the fine *architecture*
Read about where dogs live
Within this oyster you search for a pearl
And find what it will give

In a world of pages , only one will do
No bookmark to guide you here
Instead use your eye and also your paw
And of course dog ear

Beware of other dogs roaming around
Do not interfere with their clues
Or else you'll be thrown inside the doghouse
And you'll be howling the blues

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Back to your car with haste and speed
No time to waste and fritter
Show them all you're the alpha dog
And not the runt of the litter

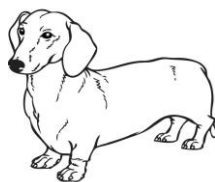
Now travel towards the equator
On any street that you please
But pay no attention to squirrels
Or distracted by scratching fleas

Cats are quite fond of eating fish
But dogs enjoy them too
The most famous one in Portland
Will help lead you to your clue

This fishy street only goes one way
You must swim on with the flow
When you encounter a way that's broad
It's time for your car to slow

Once you have found a space nearby
Your goal will be on the street
It's obvious once you see it
It's there you'll collect your treat

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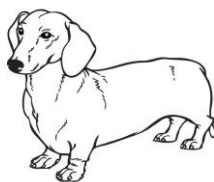
Across the river is where you are bound
There's several ways you can go
Find a bridge that will take you across
And get on with the show

Seek viaduct that's green in color
No scarlet letter found
Named for an author, a long time dead
Across it you are bound

Off to the doghouse of another breed
It's Lucky time for you
No experiments in this canine Lab
Just beakers filled with brew

No cats will be found in this poochy place
Their **9th** life has been used up
Just mongrels and mutts and a few bitches too
But nowhere you'll find a pup

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Remember the name of the bridge that you crossed
Toward the sunrise travel a while
Cross many streets that have numbers for names
Follow it with canine guile

Go north on a street with a Mexican name
No doubt it's important and large
Take to the end and continue on north
On a new street you'll make your charge

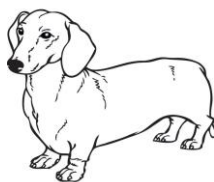
Soon you come upon a school made of bricks
Named for the street which you'll turn
To go toward the river would be a mistake
The other way you must learn

This new mount you're on won't cost you a cent
Take it to where it will turn
Expect a name change, no bibles for you
Although, there'll be something to learn

Once more the name changes and you must ascend
And take up it to the top
Go round in a circle and lay your car down
This is the place that you stop

Now is the time to start sniffing around
And root out the bone you seek
Take only yours lest a dog fight ensues
You must turn the other cheek

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Down from the top, there's two roads to choose
 Either will get you there
 They come together at ninety two
 No panting in despair

Pavlov's dog responded to a signal
 That always made him drool
 Look for a light and forget the bell
 Don't risk being a fool

When your light is green leftward you go
 An admiral avenue
 Twenty blocks on, or so you might think
 The street number is true

Leftward once more, adventure's ahead
 Soon you'll leave city streets
 Onward you go on eighty four east
 The way to get your treats

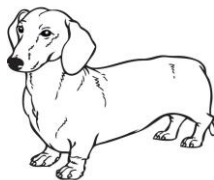
Ten or so miles you'll travel along
 Look for a couple parks
 Named after explorers and yokes too
 The dog that sees it barks

Head towards these parks, no time to stop
 Unless you have to pee
 The road you travel has many names
 As you soon shall see

Follow this path to a house with a view
 No need to see the point
 You'll know you've arrived when you get there
 It's a real classy joint

Be careful when you're sniffing around
 Upon this lovely crown
 And make sure that you get the right treat
 For a smile and not a frown

Once you've fetched the clue that you seek
 Put tail between you legs **DACHSHUNDS**
 Ahead down the road and don't look back
 A good dog never begs



Now is the time to lift up your leg
This hydrant is mighty grand
Breath in the air and take in the view
In your trek across this land

Down the mountain and up the river
Stay on the road you are on
Eight miles you'll go or just a bit more
Get going and you'll be gone

Water, water everywhere
It is high and it is low
This time don't look toward the river
The other way's quite a show

Take yourselves to a crowded place
Parking may be a real chore
Get ready to hike the mountain high
And hear the mighty roar

Gravity plays a roll in this place
Dictating water to fall
Head up towards a bridge you cannot cross
No place to be chasing a ball

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