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### AMERICAN LIFE

- **What Would Nathan Say?**  
New York's Coney Island is in for some [big changes](#), but the hot dogs are still there – for now. (*The Village Voice*)
- **Working in NYC – in 2030**  
Three architectural firms render their [predictions for the workplaces](#) of the future. (*Newsweek*)
- **“I swear I’ll be good.” Signed, The CEO.**  
Can a [corporate executive oath of office](#) clean up American big business? (*Boston Globe*)
- **Ongoing Rite of Passage**  
Little could be more American than the [annual State Fair](#). (*The American Interest*)
- **Managing Your Online Profile**  
[Reputation management](#) has now become a defining feature of online life for many internet users, especially the young (*Pew Research Online*)

### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

- **Bangkok Burning**  
A look at the conflicts and tensions within Thai society and politics that have led to the [recent protests and violence](#) in Bangkok. (*Foreign Policy*)
- **Helping Rebuilding Haiti Through the Airwaves**  
Media development teams are helping [radio stations in Haiti](#) recover from the earthquake and broadcast important information about humanitarian relief progress to the population. (*Columbia Journalism Review*)
- **The International Baby Business**  
[International adoptions](#) are increasing. A professor argues that better global safety-nets are needed to guard against black-market adoptions and to protect children. (*Foreign Affairs*)
- **The Russian Nuclear Button**  
In the event of a nuclear missile attack on [Russia](#), three hard-shell briefcases filled with electronics are set to alert their holders simultaneously. (*Foreign Policy*)

### GLOBAL CHALLENGES

- **Ten ways we can kick our offshore-oil habit**  
With a major national efficiency program, [we wouldn't need offshore oil](#). What to do? One reporter answers: Fund mass transit, better land use, smarter freight movement, a national telecommuting initiative, teaching energy-efficient driving... (*Grist*)
- **The digital front line**  
The convergence of media online has created a “chokepoint” for [press censorship](#) by repressive governments. (*Columbia Journalism Review*)

### ECONOMY

- **Rise and fall of GDP**  
A growing number of critics of GDP say the conventional economic measure gives a misleading and [inaccurate picture of prosperity](#). (*New York Times Magazine*)
- **When things fall apart (literally)**  
During the building boom in recent years, [shoddy construction was rampant](#) around the world but especially in China and the U.S. The long-term consequences will be serious. (*Of Two Minds / Charles Hugh Smith*)
- **Coffee beats naps?**

- **Electric cars: about the same over a century**  
Batteries for electric cars have improved, but [more weight and higher speeds](#) have canceled out any increase in driving range. (*Low Tech Magazine*)

- **Vanishing tongues**  
UNESCO identifies the [18 most endangered languages](#). (*Christian Science Monitor*)

[Caffeine](#) fuels our worker-bee society. (*AlterNet*)

- **Sharing the Pain**  
Don't look now, but the U.S. just [lent nearly \\$7 billion to Greece](#), says one columnist. (*Washington Examiner*)

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