Dinnertime Conversations

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Missy Cox Jones' story about her family reenacting movies prompted me to write this.

Many families treasure the conversations their families "used to have" around the dinner table. For Marjory and me, sometimes, yes and sometimes, not so much.

When Mark was in high school and Karen in elementary school, their dinner time conversations would almost inevitably include something gross or unappetizing. So we forbid talking about anything gross or unappetizing at the dinner table.

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So at every meal, we listened to rerun after rerun of Monte Python's Flying Circus recited in Mark's and Karen's pretty good, if exaggerated British accents.