

Are you concerned?

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there's always something,
the deteriorating health of your dog
the argument your parents had
the results on your exams
the reason he won't commit
the job interview you went for
the reason she hasn't called

the last place you left the keys
the shop being closed
the roast still in the oven
the remaining points on your licence
the weather on Sunday
the result of the football game
the pregnancy test reading positive

the receding hairline in the mirror
the traffic Monday morning
the boss finding out
the meeting running over time
the missed calls on your phone
the loss of your father's hearing
the traffic on the way home

the health of the foetus
the car running out of fuel
the water breaking early
the letters in the mailbox
the rising premium on your insurance
the interest rate on your mortgage
the bill from the mechanic
the last cheque you wrote

the lottery results
the way she will react
the reason he is on the couch
the loss of your father's vision
the night when he doesn't come home
the night when she doesn't come home
the letter your son brought home from school

the amount he is starting to drink
the outfit you bought getting too tight
the outfall from your next argument
the results of the divorce settlement
the custody of your kids
the wrinkles in your skin
the toilet being out of order

the company going into administration
the management of your retirement fund
the political impact on your superannuation
the kids not coming home for Christmas
the possibility of using stairs

the rhythmic pains in your chest
the doctor's prognosis
the return of the test results
the final diagnosis
the fight over the settlement of your will
the possibility that there is no God