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Recession puts our patience to the test

Talking points

1. Jim Morin's cartoon shows a frustrated Uncle Sam demanding to know when the Recovery is going to arrive. What do all the things piled on the table have in common? What's the artist pointing out about our society?
2. The Recovery is taking too long. Winning the War on Terror is taking too long. The war in Iraq is taking too long. My computer is too slow. How fast will this medicine work? Americans expect everything to happen at the touch of a button. Can you find other examples of our quest for instant gratification? Microwaves? Instant messaging? Twitter?
3. Which are you: Patient or impatient in general? What's the danger of being impatient? Is there an advantage to being impatient?

Between the lines

"President Obama says bringing the country out of recession will take "many months and many different solutions." But some Americans may be losing patience with Obama as he struggles to improve the economy."

-- David Greene, NPR

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