PONDERING WITH PEGG

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Word Ways

- + thousand = Saturday Showdown
- + Ed Hamilton = A low Down Dirty Shame

In grade school, young students learn a rhyming rule that has three E's in a row. What is this rule?

I before E except after C

The title of a popular song by John Hiatt, Have a Little Faith in Me, has a remarkable wordplay property when written out a particular way. What is this property of the song title Have a Little Faith in Me?

No curves

Dot dot dot is an ellipsis, but there are some rare words like hijinx that have three dots in a row. What city in the news has 3 dots in a row?

Beijing

Ben Lyons and Ben Manciewicz will soon replace Ebert and Roeper. Rearrange all the letters except Z from LYONS and MANCIEWICZ to get a very, very famous personality of the 90's.

Monica Lewinsky

Rearrange the letters of "cashew" to get an item and its reversal.

e and schwa

Rearrange the letters of ORIENTALISTS to get the old name and new name of a franchise.

Oilers and Titans

Arrange the letters of INTERACTION to make two closely related words.

TAR and NICOTINE

Abrogration is the formal act of ending something. Rearrange the letters of ABROGATION to get an ending for a sentence that starts "A blank and a blank" You'll need to fill in the blanks yourself.

A ___ and a ___ GO INTO A BAR