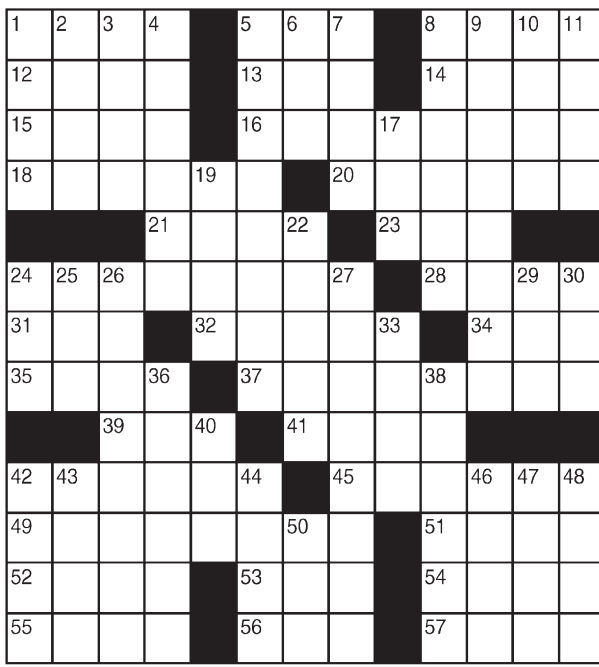


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Spaces
- 5 Slight touch
- 8 South American country
- 12 Geometric multiplication
- 13 Individual
- 14 Ostriches' kin
- 15 Willing, old-style
- 16 Bowling variation
- 18 Wool provider from 8-Across
- 20 Examiner
- 21 - -tat-tat
- 23 Set of parts and tools
- 24 Anarchist's belief
- 28 Pinches
- 31 Coach Parseghian
- 32 Choral composition
- 34 Actress Vardalos
- 35 Poet
- 37 About 78 percent of our atmosphere
- 39 Melody
- 41 Bar
- 42 Confesses
- 45 Hang around



- 49 Early bird's opposite?
- 51 Change
- 52 Hint
- 53 Island neckwear
- 54 Great Lake
- 55 Watches
- 56 And so on (Abbr.)
- 57 Half the offspring

DOWN

- 1 Festive party
- 2 Seed covering
- 3 Chick's sound
- 4 Jungle
- 5 Philanthropic gift
- 6 Blackbird
- 7 Crooked
- 8 Stomach enzyme
- 9 Sending out
- 10 Mysterious letter
- 11 Cold War country (Abbr.)
- 17 "A mouse!"
- 19 Serene
- 22 Moving about
- 24 Arrest
- 25 A Gershwin
- 26 Lecture

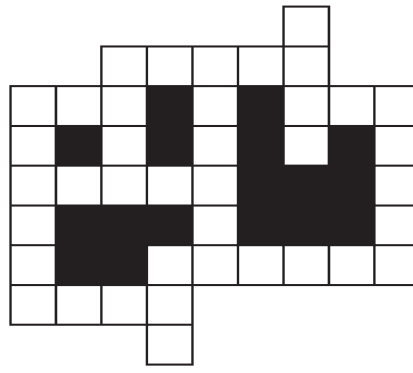
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FEAR KNIGHT

By: rj johnson

CONQUER THE WHIRLED

- GEB
- TREHIZ
- TBICU
- BHOO
- ULNTEN
- OZO
- ♥RBDA
- ♥RETHA
- ♥RCA
- GLITBH
- ♥HONTR
- EARZ



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

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X I Z J T B T L F M F U P O T P N F B O ?

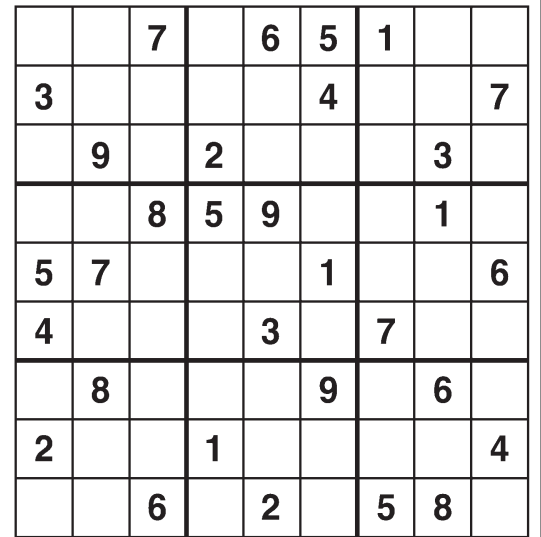
C F D B V T F J U E P F T O P U I B W F

B I F B S U .

For more puzzle fun, go to www.brainzles.com

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

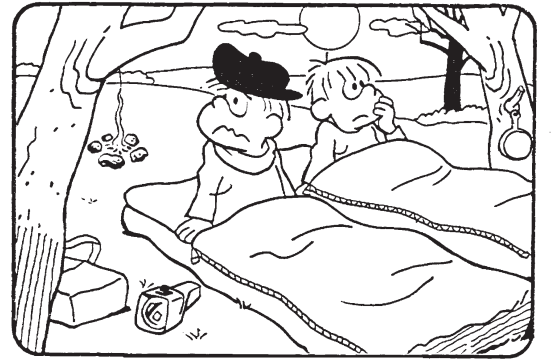
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.

DIFFERENCES: 1. Campfire is open; 2. Light is missing; 3. Cap is different; 4. Zipper is open; 5. Arm is hidden; 6. Frying pan is missing.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE

EDANER G J H F C A Y P W
UNROCP O P R C P N A E L
J H F D D B S T Z A X C V T T
R B Q O M E K K A N G I H I F
D B M Z (S U P E R N O V A) M Y
W V B O I L E R I O O T R A Q
O N L K B I H T O N W T F N D
C A Z X W V S U S T R E E Y Q
O N O I T A L U P O P N R D N
O N A C L O V M E L I S S I M
S S O B Y R G N A M K J I H F

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

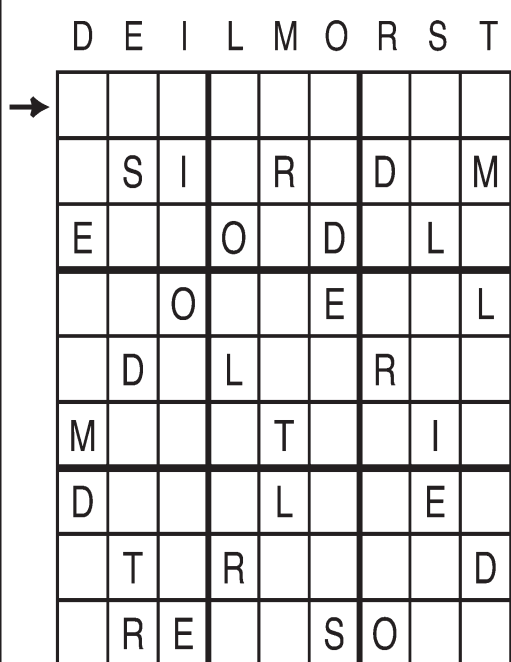
- Angry boss
- Blasting cap
- Boiler
- Bomb
- Cannon
- Detonator
- Dynamite
- Fireworks
- Grenade
- Mine
- Missile
- Population
- Supernova
- Torpedo
- Volcano

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Letter Box

by Linda Thistle

Place a letter in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the letters listed above the diagram. When completed, the row indicated will spell out a word or words.



Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Fred's neighbor | _____ N _____ | Cereal plant | _____ L _____ |
| 2. Tale | _____ Y _____ | Accumulate | _____ E _____ |
| 3. Foolishness | _____ O _____ | Young female horse | _____ I _____ |
| 4. Texas capital | A _____ | Actor Hoffman | D _____ |
| 5. BA or PhD | _____ G _____ | Declaration | _____ C _____ |
| 6. Pathway | _____ L _____ | Teach an animal | _____ N _____ |
| 7. Ladder rung | _____ T _____ | Sophisticated | _____ U _____ |
| 8. King Midas, e.g. | _____ S _____ | Gold digger | _____ N _____ |
| 9. Hotel guest | L _____ | L.A. player | D _____ |
| 10. Skirt fold | _____ T _____ | Beg | _____ D _____ |

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A bid for you to step in and take over an incomplete project could prove to be an excellent learning experience that you can take with you when a new opportunity opens up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for socializing, both with family and with friends. Your aspects also favor developing new relationships, any or all of which might become especially meaningful.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your success in handling a recent difficult situation prompts a request to handle another workplace problem. But this is one you should accept only if you get all of the relevant facts.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) New information about a past decision raises some unsettling questions from an old friend. Be prepared to explain your actions fully and, if necessary, to make adjustments.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is not a good time to share personal secrets, even with someone you've known for a long while. What you don't reveal now won't come back to haunt you later.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Pushing yourself to meet a project deadline is admirable. But be careful not to leave out important details in your rush to complete your work and send it off.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Watch that you don't take on more than you can handle when offering to help someone with a personal problem. There might be hidden factors you weren't told about.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That major move you've been considering could come sooner than you expected. Make sure you'll be ready with the facts you need when decision time arrives.

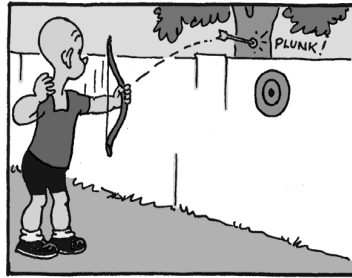
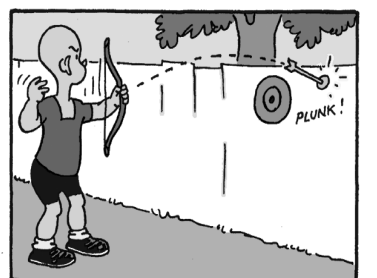
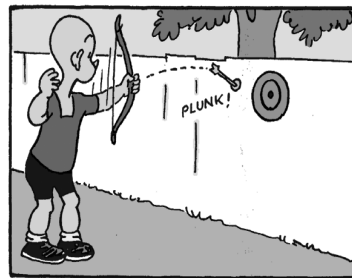
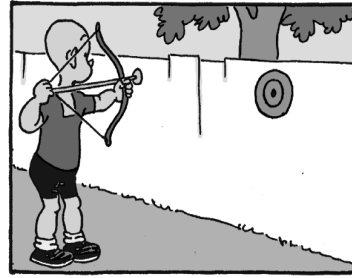
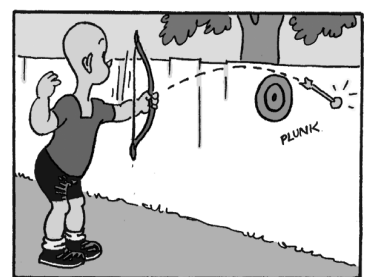
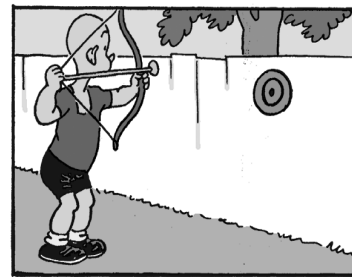
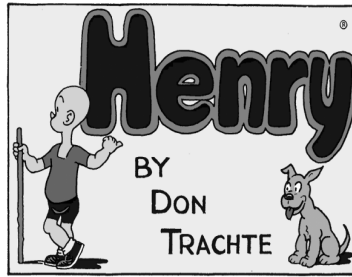
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Languishing relationships can benefit from a break in routine. Get out of the rut and do something new and maybe more than a little unpredictable this week-end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although you don't think of yourself as a role model, your ability to make a tough decision at this time sets an example for others, who admire your courage.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You need to move any remaining obstacles out of your way before you can take on a new challenge. Seek advice from close, trusted friends and associates.

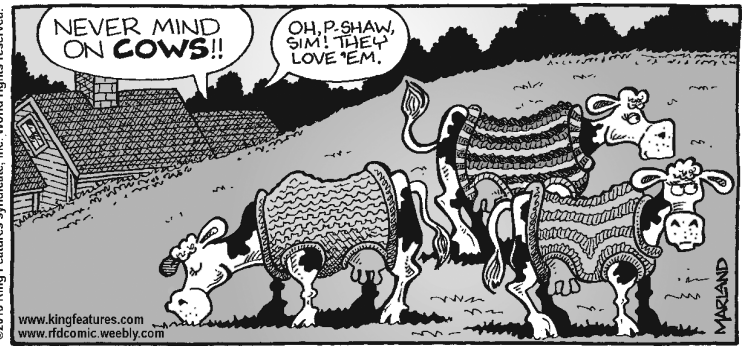
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A career change appears increasingly likely to happen during the next several weeks. It's a good idea to start now to prepare, so you can be ready to make the move when the time comes.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a strong sense of obligation to justice, which inspires others to follow your example and do the right thing.



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

