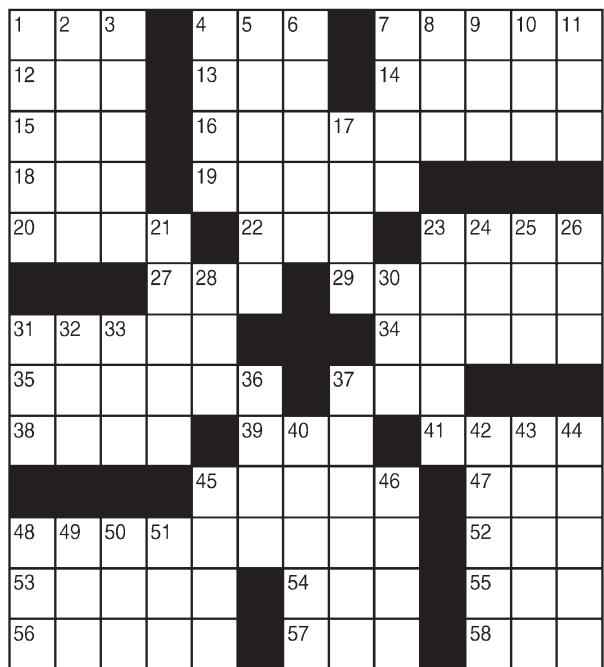


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Crony
- 4 Light (Sp.)
- 7 Summary
- 12 Carte lead-in
- 13 "A Chorus Line" song
- 14 Entertain
- 15 Energy
- 16 Good product, idiomatically
- 18 Recede
- 19 Be frugal
- 20 Record
- 22 Id counterpart
- 23 Loathe
- 27 Possessed
- 29 "Clue" item
- 31 Cavalry unit
- 34 Guiding principle
- 35 Goes over the books
- 37 Weeding implement
- 38 Brewery output
- 39 Med. plan option
- 41 Creche trio
- 45 Eucalyptus eater
- 47 Heavy weight
- 48 Duke Ellington classic
- 52 Clear the



- 8 Ostrich's rhyme
- 36 Not barefoot
- 9 Scoundrel
- 37 Empty
- 10 Fool
- 40 New Zealand native
- 11 Em, en, o, —, kue
- 42 Cornered
- 17 Recognize
- 43 Overcharge
- 21 Psalm group
- 44 Smaller map
- 23 Seraglio
- 45 Dangling locale
- 24 Mimic
- 46 21-Down member
- 25 Pirouette
- 48 Turf
- 26 Conclude
- 49 Exist
- 28 Suitable
- 30 "The Name of the Rose"
- 50 Erstwhile M&Ms color
- 29 "Clue" item
- 51 "— Impossible"
- 31 Bill
- 32 Regret
- 33 Praise in

- tables
- 53 Give a speech
- 54 Deteriorate
- 55 Time of your life?
- 56 Thick
- 57 — Jima
- 58 Still

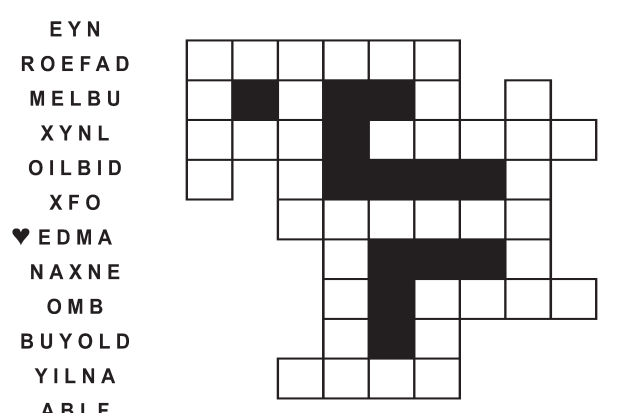
DOWN

- 1 Surfaced
- 2 Out of sorts?
- 3 "The Silence of the —"
- 4 Privation
- 5 One author
- 6 Woody Allen movie
- 7 Engrossed

FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

CONQUER THE WHIRLED

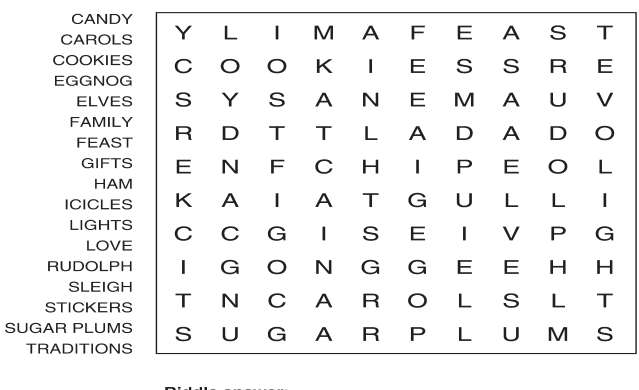


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down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

Puzzles4Kids

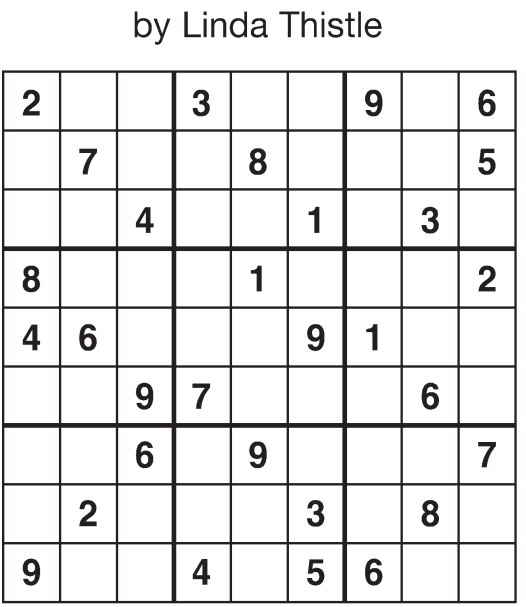
by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - CHRISTMAS SEASON
Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What do you call Santa when he stops moving?**



Riddle answer: _____

Weekly SUDOKU



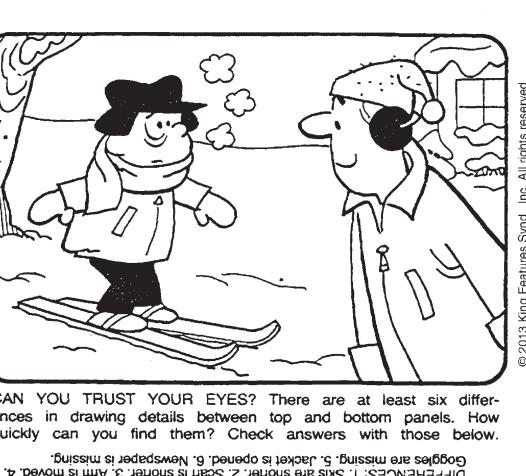
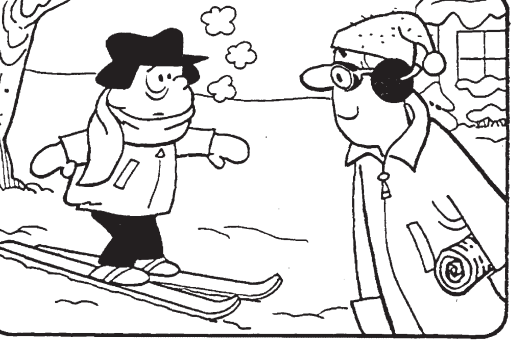
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS



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. Skis are shorter. 2. Suit is shorter. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Goggles are missing. 5. Jacket is opened. 6. Newspaper is missing.

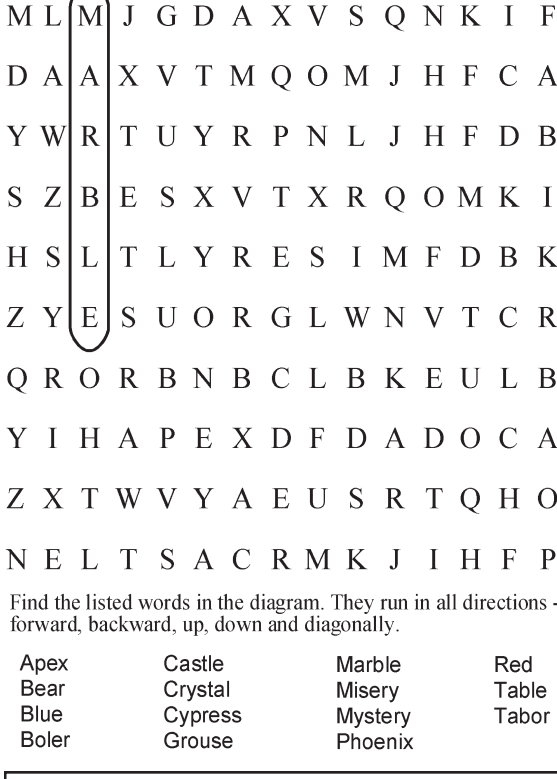
Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



HI DEAR... WELL, MY ATTEMPT TO GET IN SHAPE BACKFIRED. I JOGGED A WHOLE MILE. NOW I NEED YOU OR AN AMBULANCE TO COME GIVE ME A RIDE BACK HOME.

MAGIC MAZE

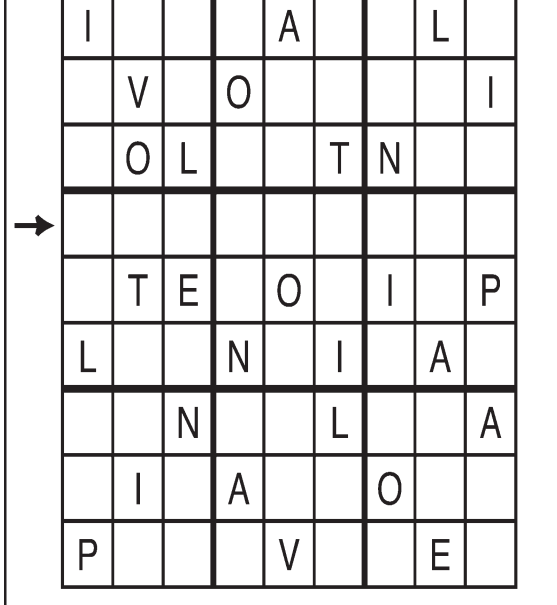


Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Apex
- Bear
- Blue
- Boler
- Castle
- Crystal
- Cypress
- Grouse
- Marble
- Misery
- Mystery
- Phoenix
- Red
- Table
- Tabor

Letter Box

by Linda Thistle



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.

- 1. Canoe oar
- 2. Pebble
- 3. Australian wild dog
- 4. Command
- 5. Mule's dad
- 6. Be indecisive
- 7. Brief
- 8. Spaceship
- 9. Collision
- 10. Ditch

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Careful, Lamb. Don't let your generous nature lead to some serious overspending as you contemplate your holiday gift-giving. Your social life kicks off into high gear by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A positive attitude helps you weather annoying but unavoidable changes in holiday plans. Aspects favor new friendships and reinforcement of existing relationships.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Demands on your energy level could be much higher than usual as you prepare for the upcoming holidays. Be sure to pace yourself. Friends and family will be happy to help.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't allow a suddenly icy reaction from a friend or family member to continue without learning what caused it - and what can be done to restore that once warm and caring relationship.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A relationship seems to be unraveling, mostly from a lack of attention. It might be a good idea to ease up on whatever else you're doing so you can spend more time working to mend it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) New facts emerge that not only help explain the recent rift with a trusted colleague, but also might provide a chance to wipe the slate clean and make a fresh start in your friendship.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A family member's personal situation is, fortunately, resolved in time for you to get back into your hectic round of holiday preparations. An old friend might bring a new friend into your life.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Pace yourself in meeting holiday pressures and workplace demands to avoid winding up with a frayed temper and a Scorpion stinger that lashes out at puzzled kith, kin and colleagues.

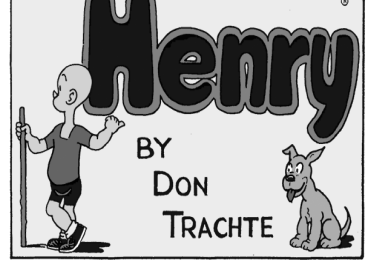
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A financial matter requires close attention. Also, news from a trusted source provides the means to help sort out a long-standing state of confusion and put it into perspective.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good time to reinforce family ties. Make it a priority to assess and resolve all outstanding problems. Start the upcoming holiday season with a full measure of love.

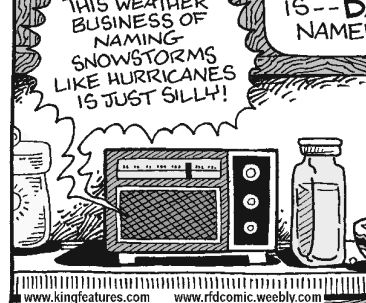
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't be pressured into a so-called solid-gold investment. Wait until the holiday distractions are over. Then take a harder look at it. You might find that the "gold" is starting to flake off.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A former friend might be trying to heal the breach between you by using a mutual friend as an intermediary. Best advice: Keep an open mind despite any lingering bad feelings.

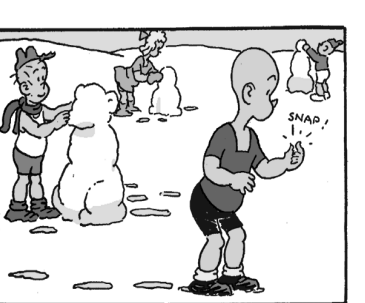
BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of saying the right thing at the right time. Your friendships are deep and lasting.



R.F.D.



Amber Waves



The Spats



by Jeff Pickering

