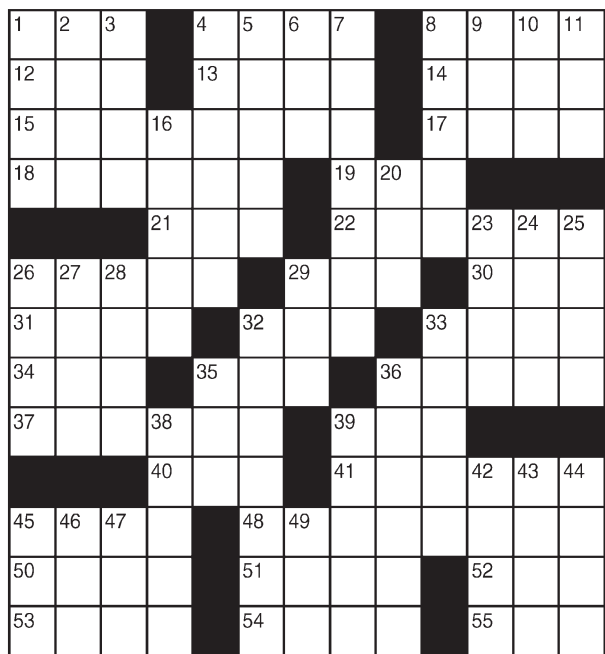


# King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Slithery squeezer
- 4 Gridlock sound
- 8 Fork option
- 12 Screw up
- 13 Jealousy
- 14 Therefore
- 15 Sign up
- 17 Black, in verse
- 18 Peanut
- 19 Puncturing tool
- 21 Pigpen
- 22 Fellow's address
- 26 Calendar information
- 29 Card player's call
- 30 Hasten
- 31 Unsigned (Abbr.)
- 32 Blue
- 33 Detective novelist Paresky
- 34 "Monty Python" opener
- 35 Navigation gizmo
- 36 Waste channel
- 37 Nun
- 39 \$ dispenser
- 40 Ostrich's cousin
- 41 Asian hostess



- 45 Hair salon request
- 48 Flour holder, maybe
- 50 Barrel piece
- 51 Paradise
- 52 Branch
- 53 Grooving on dust?
- 54 Creates Chesapeake, for one
- 6 Prior night
- 7 Increase
- 8 Rods' partners
- 9 Scepter topper
- 10 Past
- 11 Mafia title
- 16 "Ghosts" playwright
- 20 Victory
- 23 Melt
- 24 Green land
- 25 Caboose's place
- 26 Raised platform
- 27 Con
- 28 Pitch
- 29 Petrol
- 32 Makes neat
- 33 Big rigs
- 35 Prized possession
- 36 Oktoberfest supply
- 38 Beat
- 39 Ford predecessor
- 42 Attempt
- 43 Queen of Olympus
- 44 Host
- 45 - Beta Kappa
- 46 A billion years
- 47 Decay
- 49 Oklahoma city

**DOWN**

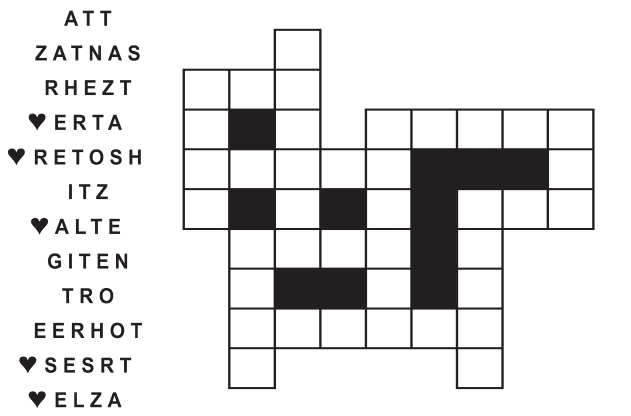
- 1 "Wozzeck" composer
- 2 Sandwich treat
- 3 Jason's ship
- 4 Surrounds
- 5 Contestant

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# FEAR KNIGHT

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.

# 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 E P Q F O H V J O T D B S S Z G J T I J O

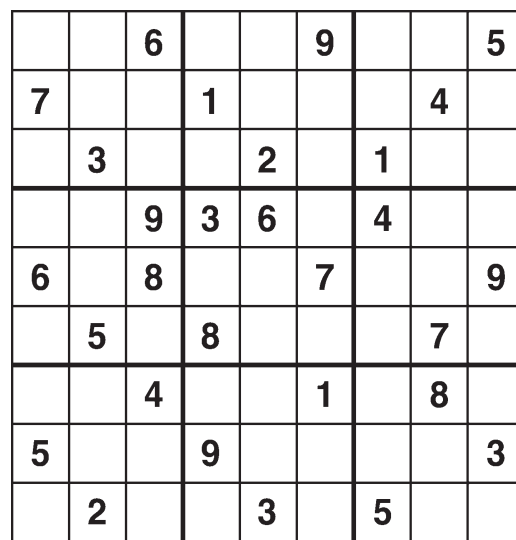
U I F J S C F B L T ? C F D B V T F U I F Z E P O ' U

I B W F B O Z Q P D L F U T .

For more puzzle fun, go to [www.brainzles.com](http://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.

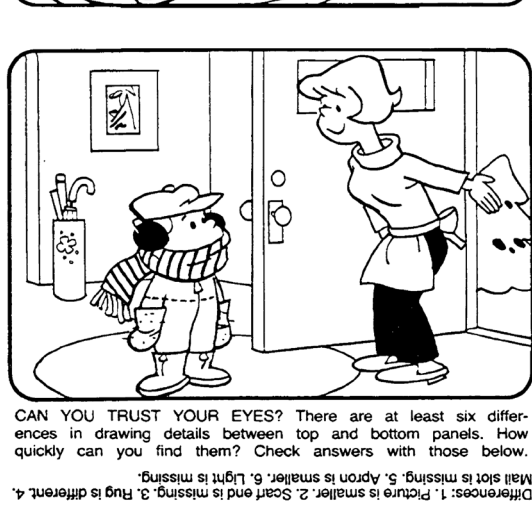
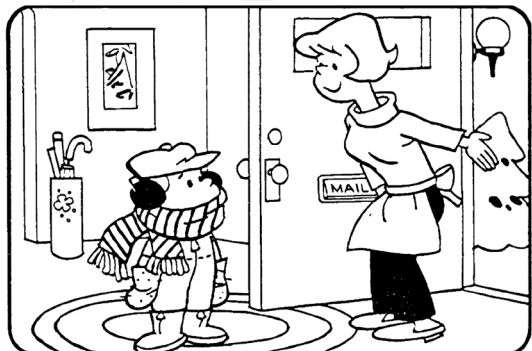
**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★**

★ 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.

Miss spots is missing; 5. Apron is smaller; 6. Light is missing; 4. Differences: 1. Picture is smaller; 2. Start end is missing; 3. Plug is different.

# Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



# MAGIC MAZE • RELIGIOUS BUILDINGS



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

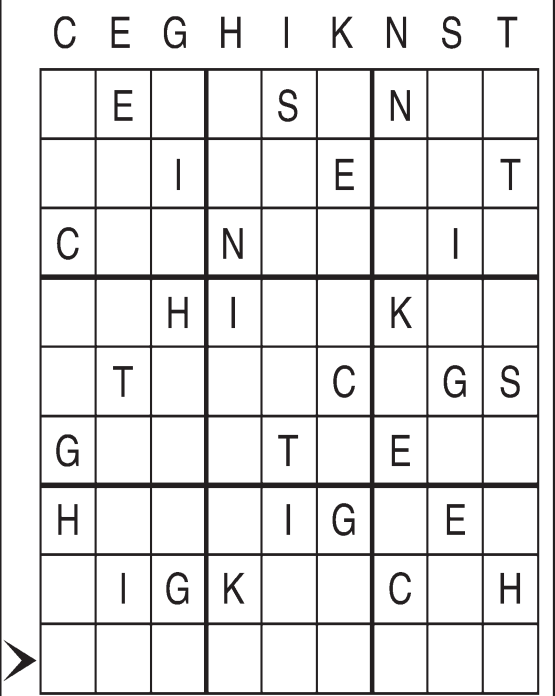
- Ashram Church Monastery Stupa
- Basilica Convent Mosque Synagogue
- Cathedral Duomo Pagoda Temple
- Chapel Kirk Priory

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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.

- 1. Household task \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ E Musical tone \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ D
- 2. Football consultation \_ \_ \_ D \_ \_ \_ \_ Runner's barrier \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ R
- 3. Find fault with \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ M \_ \_ \_ \_ Trumpet sound \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ R
- 4. TV host Povich \_ \_ \_ U \_ \_ \_ \_ Take to the altar \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ R
- 5. Group of sheep \_ \_ L \_ \_ \_ \_ Dress \_ \_ R \_ \_ \_ \_
- 6. Darrow or Mason L \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Finn's friend \_ \_ S \_ \_ \_ \_
- 7. Toast topping \_ \_ U \_ \_ \_ \_ Cookie mixture \_ \_ A \_ \_ \_ \_
- 8. Wobbly \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ K \_ \_ \_ \_ Protected from the sun \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ D
- 9. Shamrock \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ V \_ \_ \_ \_ Relief pitcher \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ S
- 10. Every 24 hours \_ \_ A \_ \_ \_ \_ Lacy napkin \_ \_ O \_ \_ \_ \_

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# Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your efforts in behalf of a colleague do not go unnoticed, let alone unappreciated. Meanwhile, arrange to spend more time investigating that troubling fact you recently uncovered.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Devoting a lot of time to a current career move means having less time for those in your private life. But once you explain the circumstances, they should understand and be supportive.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Organizing your many duties in order of importance should help you get through them pretty quickly. Additional information puts that still-to-be-made decision in a new light.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Lingering bad feelings over a recent misunderstanding should fade as reconciliation efforts continue. Meanwhile, vacation plans might need to be revised because of new developments.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Love dominates the Lion's heart this week, with Cupid shooting arrows at single Leos and Leonas looking for romance. Partnered pairs also enjoy strengthened relationships.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) "Getting to Know You" should be the single Virgo's theme song as you and that special person discover more about one another. That workplace situation needs looking into.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You might be upset at having your objectivity questioned in the handling of a dispute. But it would be wise to re-examine your feelings to make sure you're being fair with both sides.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A family dispute creates mixed feelings about how you hope it will be ultimately resolved. Best advice: Stay out of it and let the involved parties work it through by themselves.

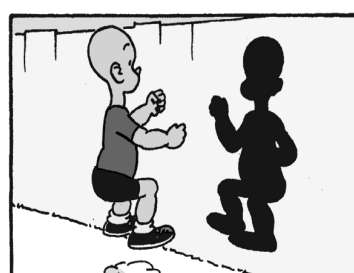
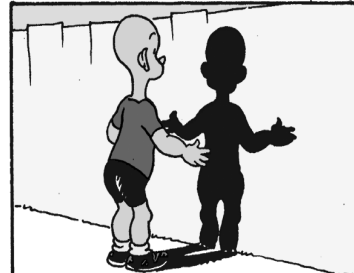
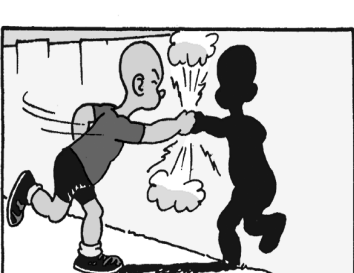
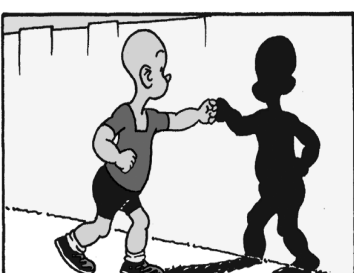
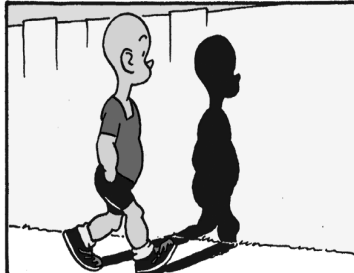
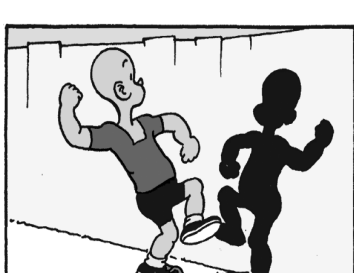
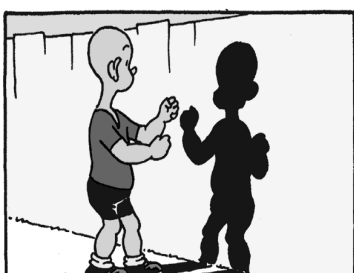
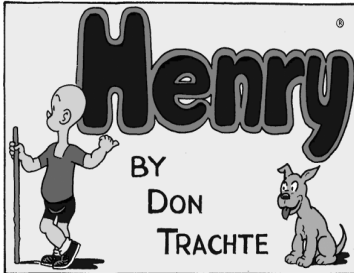
**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Making an effort to smooth over even the smallest obstacles now will go a long way to assuring that things run smoothly once you're set to move on with your plans.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A challenge to your authority can be upsetting, but your longtime supporters want you to defend your position so you can win over even your most adamant detractors.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Being unable to get involved in a friend's problem calls for an honest approach. Provide explanations, not excuses. Another friend might be able to offer support for your decision.

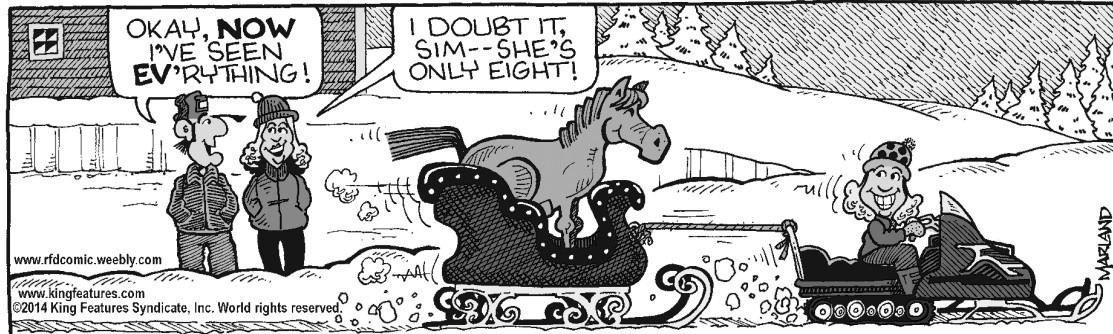
**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You find yourself swimming in circles, looking for some way to get back on a straight course. But things get easier once you're able to refocus your energies.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You're known for your charm and your wisdom, and there's no one who wouldn't want you to be part of his or her life.



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

