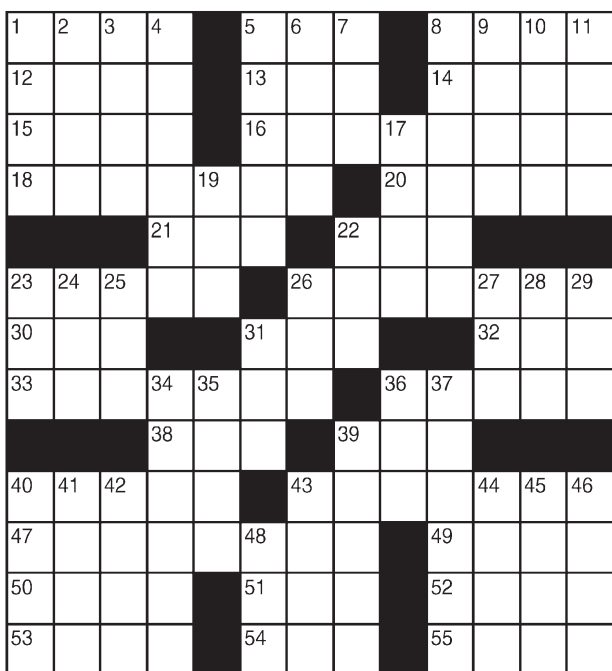


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 "Wow!"
- 5 Sphere
- 8 Auto pioneer Henry
- 12 Pinnacle
- 13 Fish eggs
- 14 Great Lake
- 15 Ocean-going vessel
- 16 CBS crime-solving series
- 18 Easily angered person
- 20 Swiss mathematician
- 21 "Of course"
- 22 Fellow
- 23 Harsh
- 26 Ideological conflict
- 30 Move like
- 31 Author Umberto
- 32 Historic period
- 33 Franks
- 36 Star's partner
- 38 Kanga's kid
- 39 Chance
- 40 Spotless
- 43 Rarity in Hell?
- 47 Trouble
- 49 Jason's ship



- 50 Teen's facial woe
- 51 Peculiar
- 52 Go
- 53 Bellow
- 54 Golf ball holder
- 55 Fencing sword
- 8 Fruitful
- 9 Verbal
- 10 Get up
- 11 Antelope's playmate
- 17 Transaction
- 19 "A mouse!"
- 22 Cattle call?
- 23 "Be quiet!"
- 24 Excessively
- 25 Suitable
- 26 IV measures
- 27 Drench
- 28 Curved line
- 29 "Hurray!"
- 31 Id counter-part
- 34 Bureau com-partment
- 35 Chaplin's
- 8 O'Neill
- 36 "2001" computer
- 37 Latest news
- 39 Teeming throng
- 40 Burn somewhat
- 41 Crazy
- 42 Sicilian
- 43 Relinquish
- 44 Let fall
- 45 Chills and fever
- 46 Bygone times
- 48 Youngster

DOWN

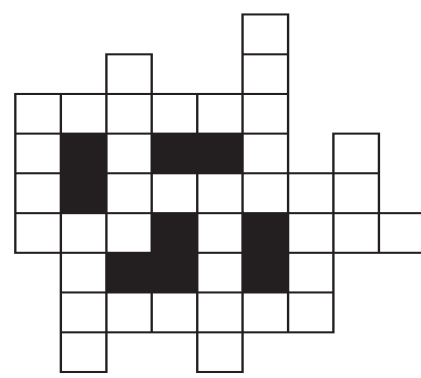
- 1 Long cut
- 2 Reverberate
- 3 Send forth
- 4 Gentle breeze
- 5 Killer whales
- 6 Crucifix
- 7 - canto

FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

CONQUER THE WHIRLED

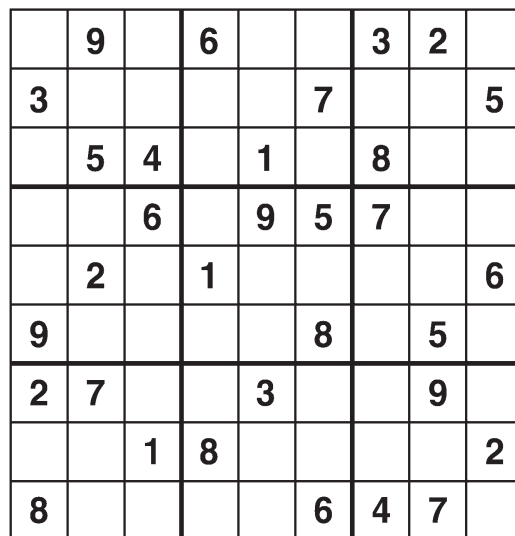
- EYK
- GONIBO
- WYCYO
- BYAL
- ♥YARPEL
- YEE
- ♥EBNA
- KEPEO
- ♥YAN
- GONALO
- ♥GLEAB
- NAKI



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.

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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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT WAS THE SPIDER DOING ON THE BASEBALL TEAM?

- | | | | |
|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| COVERS | ROVES | FRAMES | SMEAR |
| CHEATS | CHEST | SLOWER | WORSE |
| SALTED | DALES | FILING | FLING |
| SEARCH | HEARS | PRAISE | PAIRS |
| SCHOOL | COOLS | STONES | NOTES |
| IGNITE | TINGE | | |
| RANTED | TRADE | | |
| GRIPES | PRIES | | |

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

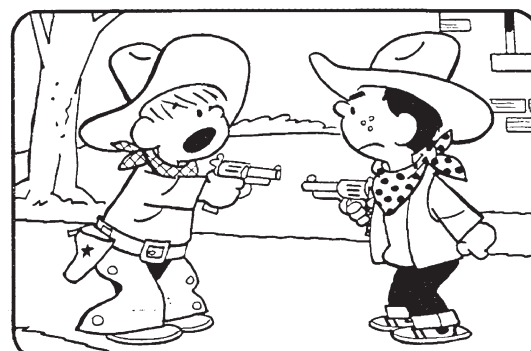
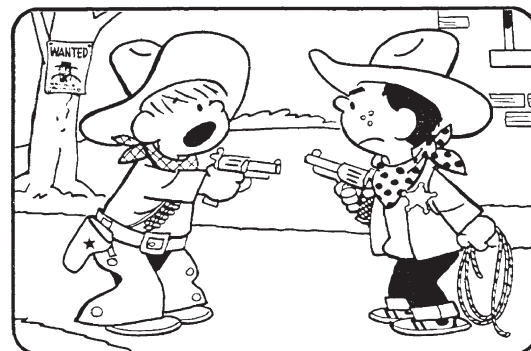
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| 1. Chess move | --- E --- | Barnyard baby | --- I --- |
| 2. Literary medium | --- S --- | Investigate | --- B --- |
| 3. Precious medal | --- I --- | Serving tray | --- A --- |
| 4. Place a bet | --- G --- | Thirst quencher | --- T --- |
| 5. Talk excessively | --- B --- | Dangling ornament | --- U --- |
| 6. Fad | --- Z --- | Yearn | --- V --- |
| 7. Gordon of comics | --- A --- | Poker hand | --- U --- |
| 8. Mr. Mitty | W --- | Bridle | H --- |
| 9. Kite-flying season | --- G --- | Short distance race | --- T --- |
| 10. Mason's material | --- C --- | The very edge | --- N --- |

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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. Pistol is missing. 2. Hoist is missing. 3. Hoist is reversed. 4. Gun is missing. 5. Hat is missing. 6. Rope is missing. 7. Bullet belt is missing.

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U U Q N K H E B Y V V S P M J
A N A U J I T H E E B Y V S T
Q O L I G D L E R B N Y A W T
R P Z L A R R A P U M L I K I
F Z M E X I C O C I T Y L C D
B Y A W R R U N G I C S E Q O
M K I P U A A F L N X L R D B
Z X W Z A C U L O T A E O U S
Q O N L J L O J H Y F R M D C
A Y W V T S A Q A L B E U P P
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

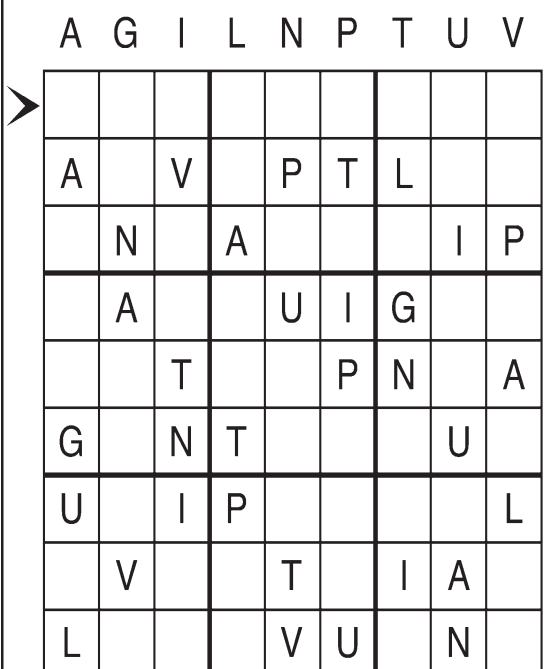
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| Durango | Mexico City | Saltillo | Xalapa |
| Juarez | Morelia | Tepic | |

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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.



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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You'll want to discourage well-meaning but potentially ill-advised interference in what you intend to accomplish. Your work has a better chance to succeed if it reflects you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bovine's well-deserved reputation for loyalty could be tested if you learn that it might be misplaced. But don't rely on rumors. Check the stories out before you decided to act.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You've been going on adrenaline for a long time, and this unexpected lull in a recent spate of excitement could be just what you need to restore your energy levels. Enjoy it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Friends can be counted on to help you deal with a perplexing personal situation. But remember to keep your circle of advisers limited only to those you're sure you can trust.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Security-loving Lions do not appreciate uncertainty in any form. But sometimes changing situations can reveal hidden stresses in time to repair a relationship before it's too late.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) This is a good time for single Virgos to make a love connection. Be careful not to be too judgmental about your new "prospect" -- at least until you know more about her or him.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your sense of justice helps you resolve a problem that might have been unfairly attributed to the wrong person. Spend the weekend doing some long-neglected chores.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might feel justified in your anger toward someone you suspect betrayed your trust. But it could help if you take the time to check if your suspicions have substance.

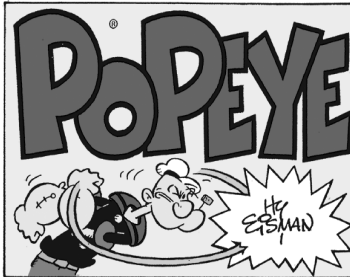
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Ignore distractions if you hope to accomplish your goal by the deadline you agreed to. Keep the finish line in sight, and you should be able to cross it with time to spare.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your creative self continues to dominate through much of the week. Also, despite a few problems that have cropped up, that recent romantic connection seems to be thriving.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) As curious as you might be, it's best to avoid trying to learn a colleague's secret. That sort of knowledge could drag you into a difficult workplace situation at some point down the line.

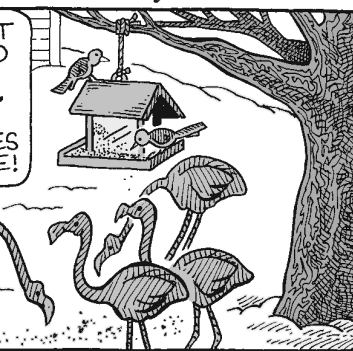
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Instead of spending too much time floundering around wondering if you can meet your deadline, you need to spend more time actually working toward reaching it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a natural gift for attracting new friends, who are drawn to your unabashed love of what life should be all about.



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

