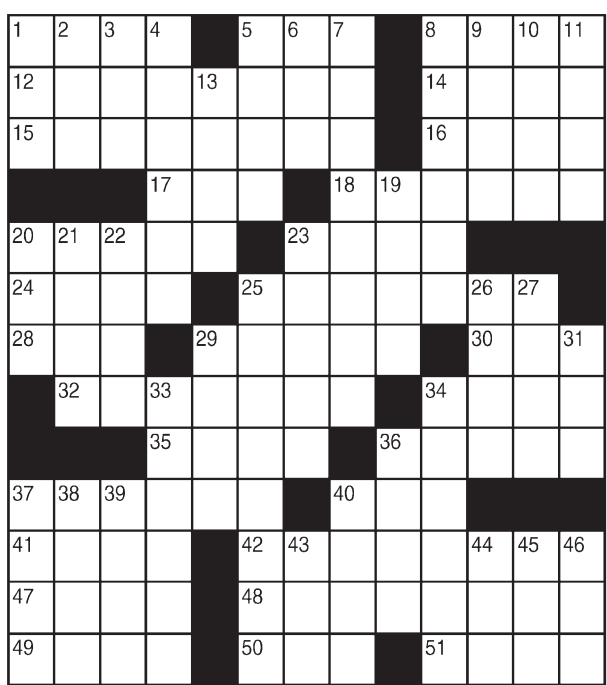


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pickle flavor
- 5 Collection
- 8 Lingerie items
- 12 Fragrant climbing plant
- 14 40-Across part
- 15 Outing for Neil Armstrong
- 16 Addict
- 17 Little louse
- 18 Mistakes in print
- 20 Confuse
- 23 Ignore
- 24 Not closed
- 25 Under-the-table flirtation
- 28 Golfer Michelle
- 29 A deadly sin
- 30 Wet dirt
- 32 Weather conditions
- 34 Challenge
- 35 Downs or Grant
- 36 Devilish sort
- 37 Armadas
- 40 Listener
- 41 Small bit
- 42 Henry Hudson's ship
- 47 Tea hour



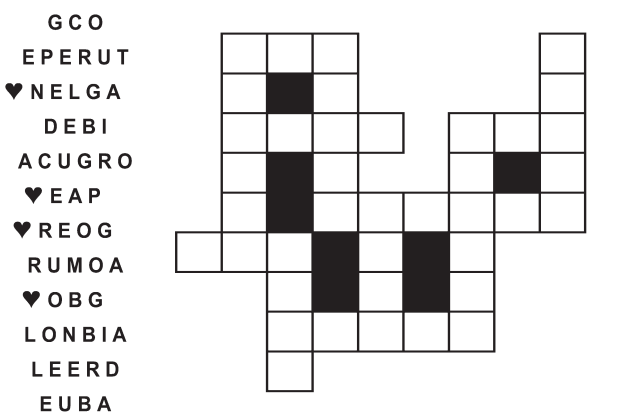
- 48 Natural aptitude
 - 49 Oklahoma city
 - 50 Bakery buy
 - 51 Third son
- DOWN**
- 1 Brit. mil. award
 - 2 — Jima
 - 3 Zodiac feline
 - 4 One of the Beatles
 - 5 Argument
 - 6 Conger, for one
 - 7 Pay heed
 - 8 Book jacket
 - 9 Passenger Parks
 - 10 Help a crook
 - 11 Will be (Sp.)
 - 13 Tiny branch
 - 19 "The Sultan of Swat"
 - 20 Arrow launcher
 - 21 Grand-scale tale
 - 22 Sense
 - 23 Reality, old-style
 - 25 Largest store in a chain
 - 26 Mosque VIP
 - 27 Continental
 - 29 Pornography
 - 31 Lair
 - 33 — It
 - 34 Skin
 - 36 Crazy
 - 37 Mini-flute?
 - 38 Exemplar of craziness
 - 39 Needle case
 - 40 Otherwise
 - 43 Blackbird
 - 44 Individual
 - 45 Autumn mo.
 - 46 To the — degree

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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

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:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIP OFWFS HFUT IJT IBJS

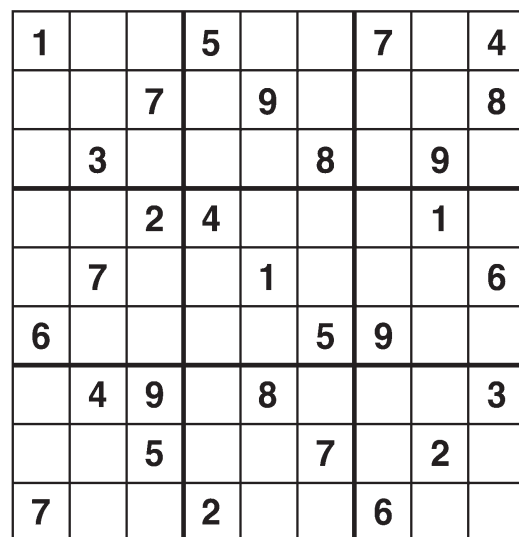
XFU JO UIF TIPXFS?

B CBME NBO.

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.

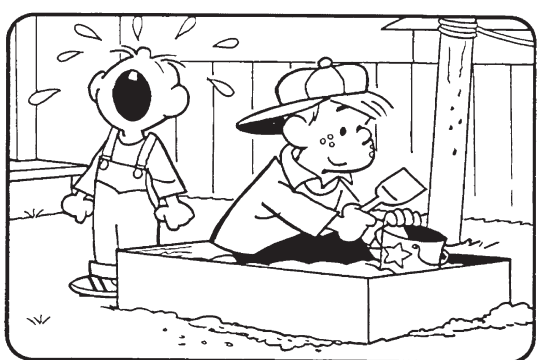
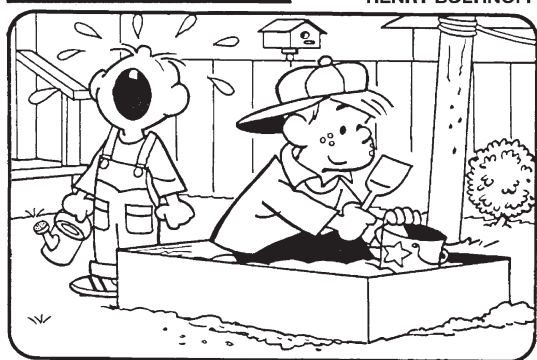
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

★ 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. Railing is missing. 2. Writing can is missing. 3. Pockets are missing. 4. Birdhouse is missing. 5. Shovel is missing. 6. Bush is missing.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE

● MOTHER IN VARIOUS LANGUAGES

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

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

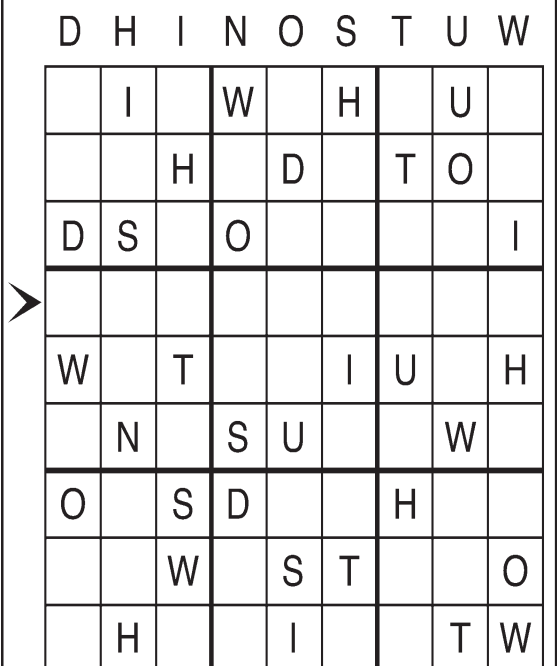
- Abatye Induk Majka Moeder
- Ammee Madre Māna Mother
- Anyā Māe Matka Nanay
- Emā Maji Mere

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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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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. "___ May" by Rod Stewart ___ G ___ Noisy black & white bird ___ P ___
- 2. Endowment ___ R ___ Goliath, e.g. ___ I ___
- 3. Widen ___ A ___ Pay out ___ E ___
- 4. Lackluster ___ R ___ TV Dr. Mc ___ M ___
- 5. Regional ___ C ___ Faithful, like a dog ___ Y ___
- 6. Greek philosopher ___ A ___ Mickey's dog ___ U ___
- 7. Earlier ___ M ___ Signature falsifier ___ G ___
- 8. Oddity ___ R ___ Very fast ___ C ___
- 9. Law and ___ R ___ More peculiar ___ D ___
- 10. Gracefulness ___ I ___ Sheriff's crew ___ S ___

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might need to do a bit more investigating before making a career move. You do best when you come armed with the facts. A personal matter still needs tending to.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your creativity plus your good business sense once more combine to give you an important advantage in a difficult workplace situation. An ally proves his or her loyalty.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Avoid rushing into something just because it offers a break from your usual routine. Take things a step at a time to be sure you're moving in the right direction.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Bouncing back from a disappointing incident isn't easy, but you should find a welcome turn of events emerging. Spend the weekend with someone special.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An incomplete project needs your attention before someone else takes it over and uses it to his or her advantage. There'll be lots of time for fun and games once you get it done.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Doubts involving a potential career change need to be resolved quickly so they don't get in the way when you feel you're finally ready to make the big move.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Looking to blame someone for a workplace problem could backfire if it turns out you've got the wrong "culprit." Best to get more facts before acting on your assumptions.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Patience might still be called for until you're sure you finally have the full story that eluded you up till now. A trusted associate could offer valuable guidance.

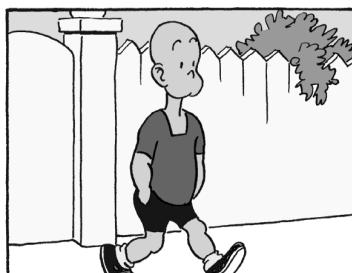
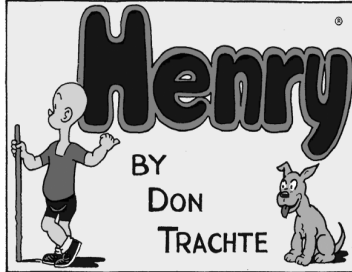
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Look into your recent behavior to see if you could have caused the coolness you might now be sensing from a loved one. If so, apologize and set things straight.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Easing up on your social activities allows you to focus more of your energies on a long-neglected personal matter. You can get back into party mode by the weekend.

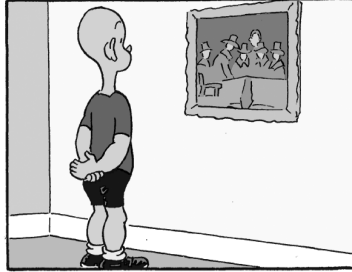
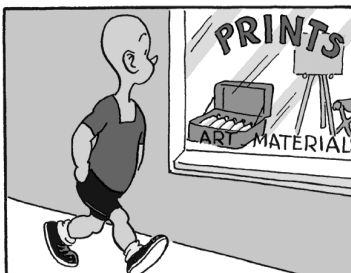
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A dispute with a colleague can be resolved peacefully once you both agree to be more flexible about the positions you've taken and allow for more open-minded discussions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Volunteering to take on added responsibilities could be a risky way to impress the powers-that-be. Do it only if you're sure you won't be swept away by the extra workload.

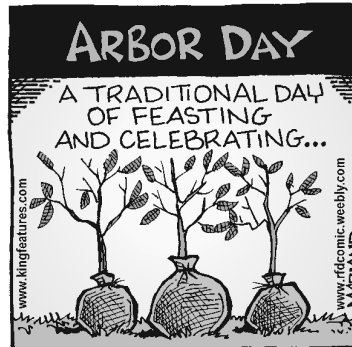
BORN THIS WEEK: Your sense of self-awareness allows you to make bold moves with confidence.



R.F.D.



by Mike Marland



Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

The Spats



by Jeff Pickering