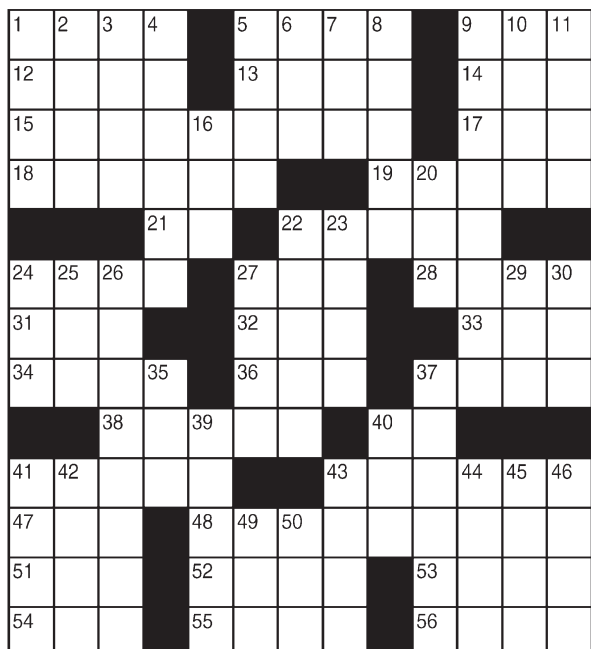


# King Crossword

**ACROSS**  
 1 "Cheers" supply  
 5 Vicinity  
 9 Pitch  
 12 Lotion additive  
 13 Stead  
 14 Rd.  
 15 Karaoke event  
 17 Solidify  
 18 Without difficulty  
 19 Frost-covered  
 21 Yours truly  
 22 Glorify  
 24 Advantage  
 27 Round Table address  
 28 Georgetown athlete  
 31 Commit perjury  
 32 Khan title  
 33 Without delay  
 34 Crumbly cheese  
 36 Bashful  
 37 Malaria symptom  
 38 Preferred invitees  
 40 What @ symbolizes  
 41 European fashion city  
 43 Fear  
 47 Fuss



48 Make progress  
 51 X rating?  
 52 Troop group  
 53 Crazy  
 54 Crone  
 55 Cincinnati squad  
 56 Unforeseen problem

**DOWN**  
 1 Foundation  
 2 Director  
 3 Billions of years  
 4 Government in power  
 5 Partner in crime  
 6 Carnival city  
 7 Still, in verse  
 8 Zero  
 9 Join the group  
 10 State with conviction  
 11 Hinge (on)  
 16 1-Across kin  
 20 "- la-la!"  
 22 Square dance group  
 23 MRI forerunner  
 24 Sprite  
 25 Conk out  
 26 Be congenial  
 27 Lip  
 29 Second person  
 30 Shock and  
 35 Carte lead-in  
 37 Coral constructs  
 39 Bring upon oneself  
 40 "Eureka!"  
 41 Trig, e.g.  
 42 Brainstorm  
 43 Cats and dogs, usually  
 44 Benefit  
 45 Erstwhile Peruvian  
 46 Enthusiastic  
 49 Dollar bill  
 50 Central

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# FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson  
 CONQUER THE WHIRLED

ATH  
 LOHPOA  
 HOXLP  
 ♥SELI  
 ♥TISREP  
 ♥WLA  
 ♥SOPH  
 TIHGL  
 ♥XSI  
 ♥SENLIO  
 ONSOW  
 OPTA

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

## 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:

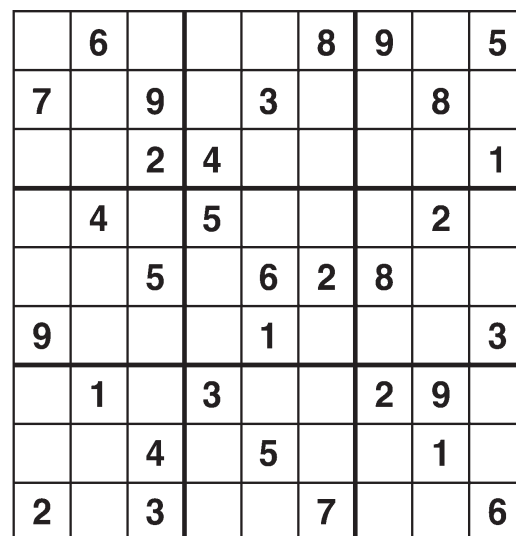
WHAT TWO THINGS CAN YOU NEVER HAVE FOR BREAKFAST?

- |        |     |       |     |        |     |       |     |
|--------|-----|-------|-----|--------|-----|-------|-----|
| BALLOT | ___ | BLOAT | ___ | MISLED | ___ | LIMES | ___ |
| SPOUSE | ___ | POSES | ___ | VIDEOS | ___ | DOVES | ___ |
| MENTAL | ___ | METAL | ___ | TEHRAN | ___ | EARTH | ___ |
| SECRET | ___ | STEER | ___ | NESTED | ___ | STEED | ___ |
| SHORES | ___ | ROSES | ___ | CREASE | ___ | CARES | ___ |
| MIRAGE | ___ | GRIME | ___ | SKEWER | ___ | WEEKS | ___ |
| RANTED | ___ | DATER | ___ |        |     |       |     |
| FIELDS | ___ | FLIES | ___ |        |     |       |     |

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# 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.

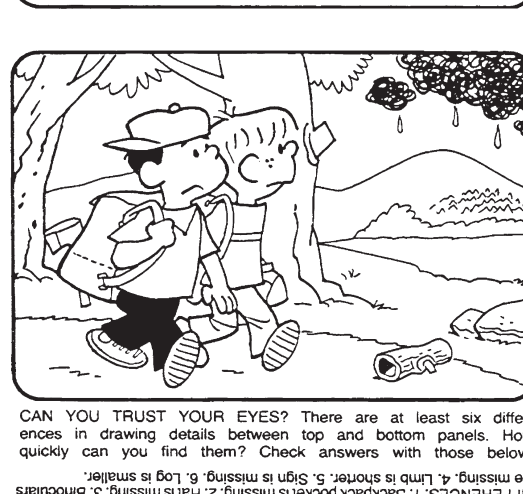
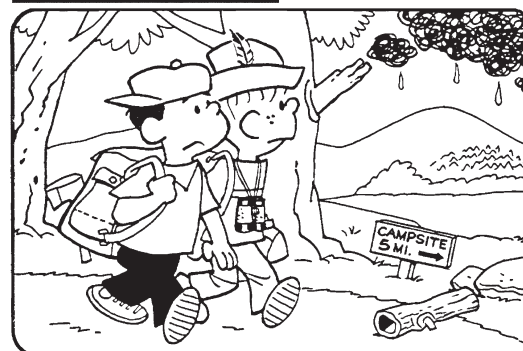
**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

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# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF



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. Backpack pocket is missing; 2. Hat is missing; 3. Binoculars are missing; 4. Limb is shorter; 5. Sign is smaller.

# Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



# MAGIC MAZE ● OUT OF THIS WORLD

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

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

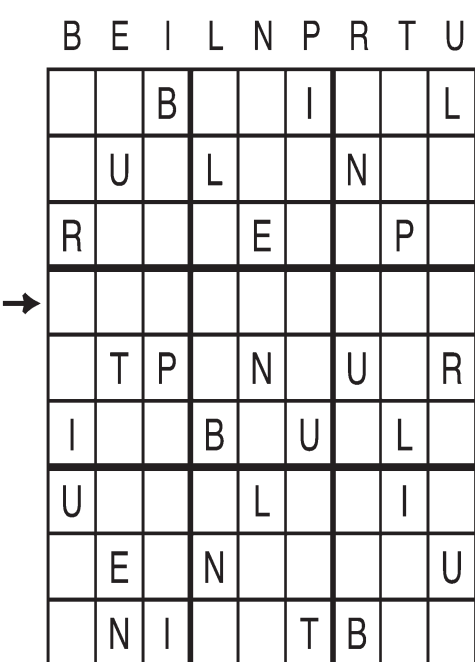
- |                |           |        |             |
|----------------|-----------|--------|-------------|
| Black hole     | Flares    | Moons  | Satellite   |
| Comet          | Galaxy    | Nebula | Stars       |
| Constellations | Magnetar  | Pulsar | White dwarf |
| Dark flow      | Milky Way | Quasar |             |

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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.

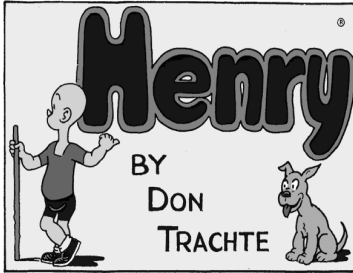
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|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. Valentine shape          | ___ _ _ _ _ T | Listened to       | ___ _ _ _ _ D |
| 2. Buffalo coin             | ___ _ _ _ _ L | Chipped           | ___ _ _ _ _ D |
| 3. Mommy's mate             | ___ _ D ___   | Well-dressed dude | ___ _ N ___   |
| 4. Fury                     | ___ N ___     | Boring tool       | ___ U ___     |
| 5. Latin dance              | T ___ _ _     | Tropical fruit    | M ___ _ _     |
| 6. Beautiful                | ___ V ___     | Remote            | ___ N ___     |
| 7. Saunter                  | ___ A ___     | Roll like thunder | ___ U ___     |
| 8. Rent                     | ___ _ S       | Depart            | ___ _ V       |
| 9. Fake a signature         | ___ _ G       | Coerce            | ___ _ C       |
| 10. Gel like cottage cheese | ___ _ R       | Snuggle           | ___ _ D       |

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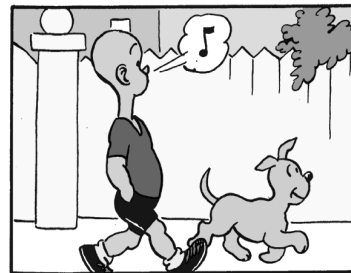
# Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Dealing with a difficult person can be the kind of challenge you Aries Lambs love. Or it could be an energy-draining exercise in futility. Be certain your goals are worth your efforts.  
**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) The Divine Bovine might be seeing red at having your crisis-resolution efforts overlooked. But others know the truth, and they can be expected to step forward when the time comes.  
**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You should be well on your way to finally making that important decision. Having the support of loved ones will help when crunch time comes. Keep a positive attitude.  
**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Feeling uneasy about a move might not mean you're having a case of Cancerian wavering. It could be your inner sense is warning you to reassess your situation before taking action.  
**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Your pride could get in the way of admitting you might have erred. Best to 'fess up now before a small mistake turns into a big misunderstanding. Make the weekend a special family time.  
**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Trying to please someone with a less-than-glowing opinion of something you value could be a waste of time. If you like it, stay with it. The week's end brings an answer to an old mystery.  
**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) There might be time to make a change. But be honest with yourself: Is it what you really want, or one you feel pressured into making? Your answer should determine your next move.  
**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Change is dominant, but so is caution: Proceed carefully, checking each step along the way to avoid encountering any unwelcome surprises that might be lurking along your path.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) It could be a mistake to rely on someone to keep his or her promise without checking out previous performances. What you learn now could save you from a painful lesson later.  
**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Taking a strong stand on an issue you feel is too important to ignore could inspire others to follow suit. The weekend is a good time to socialize with old friends and make new ones.  
**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Your sensitive nature gives you an insight into the problems of someone close to you. Your offer of support could be just what this person needs to start turning his or her life around.  
**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Financial matters continue to need even more careful analysis than usual. Use caution with investment possibilities. A personal relationship might take an unexpected turn by the week's end.  
**BORN THIS WEEK:** You appreciate the wonders of the world and enjoy sharing your delight with others.

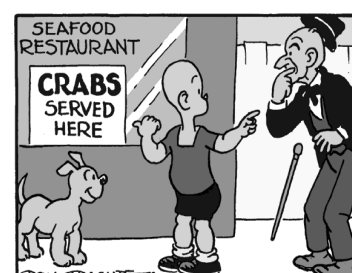
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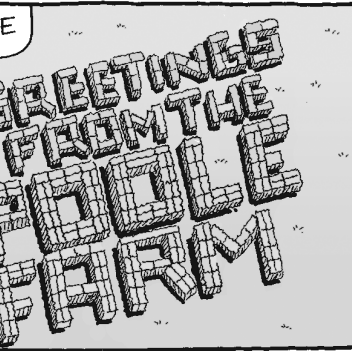
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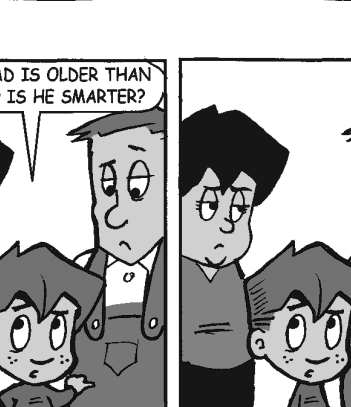
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# Amber Waves



The Spats



by Jeff Pickering



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