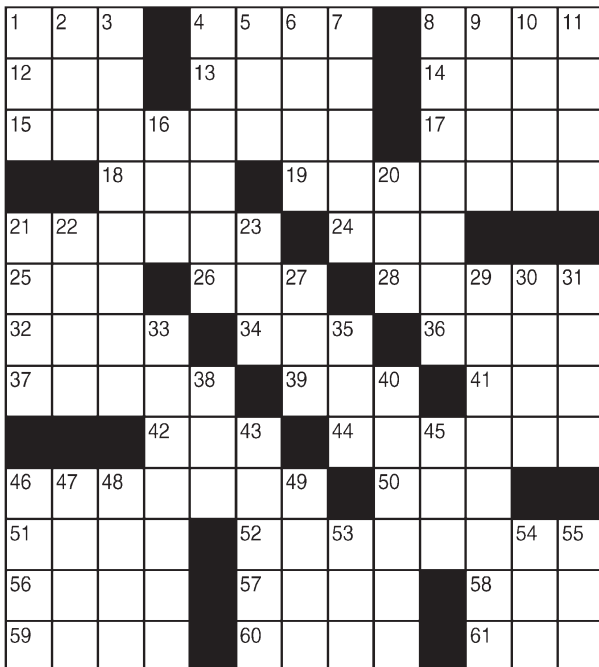


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Matterhorn, for one
- 4 Bankrolls
- 8 "Unh-unh"
- 12 Vast expanse
- 13 Others (Lat.)
- 14 Mountain goat
- 15 Bald
- 17 Zilch
- 18 Zilch
- 19 Lurches
- 21 File container
- 24 Restroom, for short
- 25 Before
- 26 Bathroom fixture
- 28 Malodorous
- 32 Criterion
- 34 Space
- 36 Stash
- 37 Black tea of India
- 39 That man's
- 41 Chaps
- 42 Varnish ingredient
- 44 Cheap and shabby
- 46 Cutting tool
- 50 Under the weather
- 51 Wrinkly fruit
- 52 Lax
- 56 Compared to
- 57 Caspian



- 28 Malodorous feeder
- 32 Criterion Try the
- 34 Space sherry
- 36 Stash Engaged in
- 37 Black tea karaoke
- 39 That man's Newspaper
- 41 Chaps page
- 42 Varnish Pigpen
- 44 Cheap and ingredient
- 46 Cutting tool
- 50 Under the weather
- 51 Wrinkly fruit
- 52 Lax
- 56 Compared to fiber
- 57 Caspian Capital of
- 9 Reed
- 10 Teller's partner
- 11 Old partners
- 16 Disencumber
- 20 Luftwaffe foe (Abbr.)
- 21 Greek salad
- 22 Raw ingredient
- 23 Carpet minerals
- 27 "Humbug!"
- 29 Eternal
- 30 Mid-month date
- 31 Say it
- 33 Spilling the beans
- 35 Snapshot
- 38 More, to Manuel
- 40 Protect
- 43 Chocolate source
- 45 Right angle
- 46 Shacks
- 47 Turkish title
- 48 Family
- 49 Distort
- 53 "Norma —"
- 54 Perch
- 55 Agent

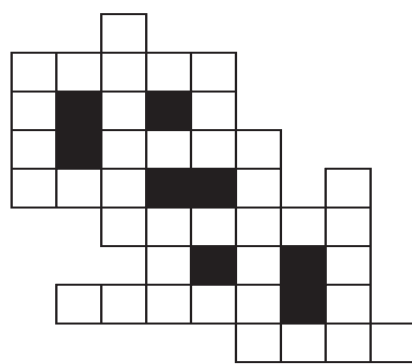
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FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

CONQUER THE WHIRLED

- EET
- ♥ GUNRIL
- NADLE
- TNGE
- WRORNA
- OWO
- ♥ UNTA
- WROSN
- ♥ DNA
- NUGTLLE
- WOGAL
- ♥ OLTO

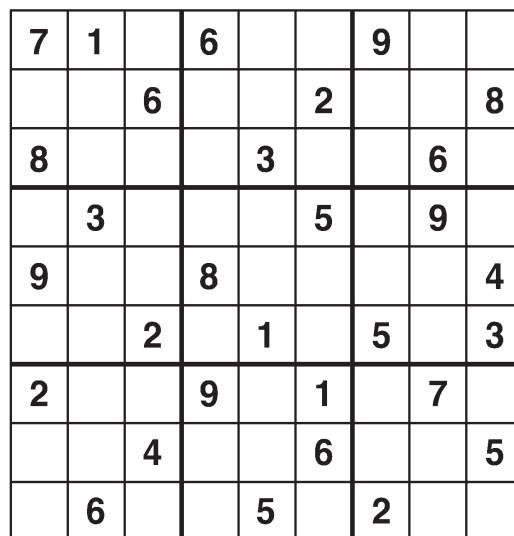


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down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

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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:

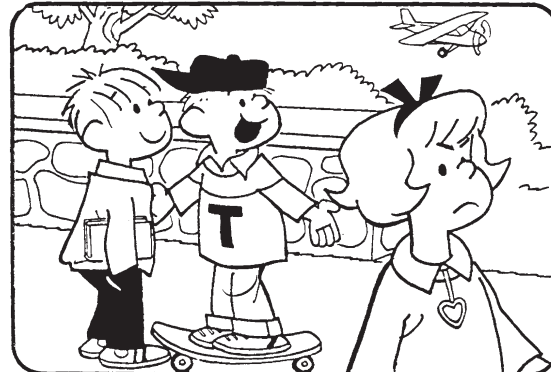
WHY SHOULD YOU NEVER TELL PIGS ANY OF YOUR SECRETS?

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|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| ESCORT | SCORE | STEERS | TREES |
| GATHER | GRATE | TORQUE | ROUTE |
| SEABED | BEADS | SPOUSE | POSSE |
| DELAYS | DEALS | WARDEN | DRAWN |
| | | DASHER | SHRED |
| | | GALLON | ALONG |
| PASTEL | SLEPT | SEANCE | CANES |
| BUSTER | TUBES | TRADER | TREAD |
| LATELY | TALLY | TASSEL | SLATE |

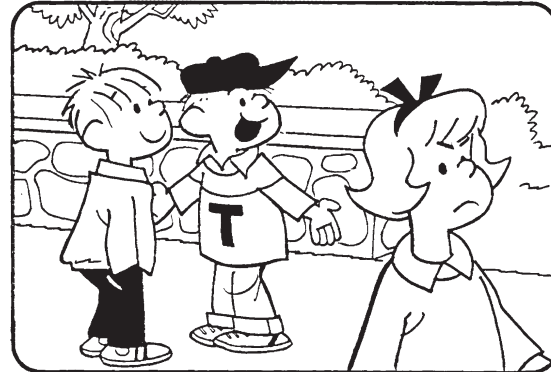
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Book is missing; 2. Cap is reversed; 3. Skateboard is missing; 4. Airplane is missing; 5. Hair is shorter; 6. Pendant is missing.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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

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

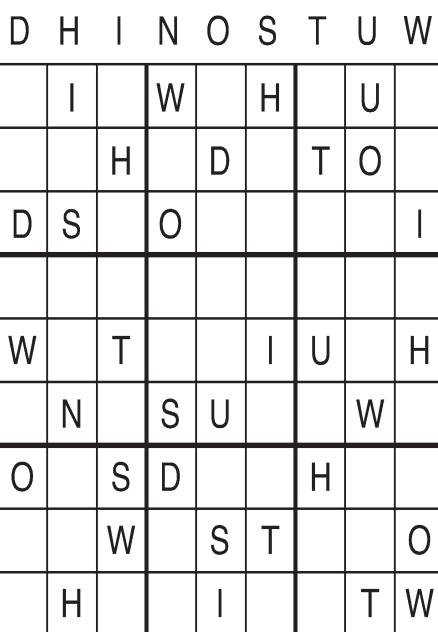
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Letter Box

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.

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|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Circular | R _ _ _ _ | Located | F _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Bank employee | _ E _ _ _ | Higher | _ A _ _ _ |
| 3. Root for | _ _ _ _ R | Blush location | _ _ _ _ K |
| 4. Welcome | _ _ _ _ E | Like Gatsby | _ _ _ _ A |
| 5. Pinch pennies | _ C _ _ _ | Scampi | _ H _ _ _ |
| 6. Count Dracula's wrap | _ L _ _ _ | Frog's greeting | _ R _ _ _ |
| 7. Texas capital | A _ _ _ _ | Timberlake or Bieber | J _ _ _ _ |
| 8. Fire stick | _ _ T _ _ | Participate in a parade | _ R _ _ _ |
| 9. More peculiar | _ D _ _ _ | Firstborn | _ L _ _ _ |
| 10. Paper fastener | _ _ _ P _ | Horse shelter | _ _ _ B _ |

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't be put off by a seemingly too-tangled situation. Sometimes a simple procedure will unsnarl all the knots and get you in the clear fast and easy, just the way the Lamb likes it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time to go through your work space -- wherever it is -- and see what needs to be replaced and what can be tossed (or at least given away) without a second thought.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Someone who disagrees with your position might try to intimidate you. But continue to present a fair argument, regardless of how petty someone else might be while trying to make a point.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might find yourself exceptionally sensitive to family matters this week. An issue could come to light that you had overlooked. Ask other kinfolk to discuss it with you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You might have more questions about a project (or perhaps someone you're dealing with on some level) than you feel comfortable with. If so, see which can be answered, which cannot, and why.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to clean up and clear out what you don't need before your tidy self is overwhelmed by "stuff." Then go celebrate the Virgo victory over clutter with someone special.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel a mite confused about why something you were sure couldn't go wrong didn't go all right either. Be patient. Things soon move into balance, exactly as you like it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) At this decision point, you could be moving from side to side, just to say you're in motion. Or you could be considering making a move straight up. What you choose is up to you.

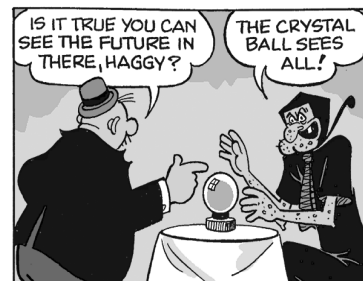
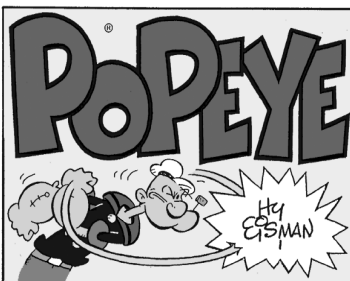
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Although your finances should be in an improved situation at this time, thrift is still the savvy Sagittarian's smart move. Advice from a spouse or partner could be worth heeding.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Taking on a new challenge brings out the Goat's skills in maneuvering over and around difficult spots. Best of all, the Goat does it one careful step after another. (Got the idea, Kid?)

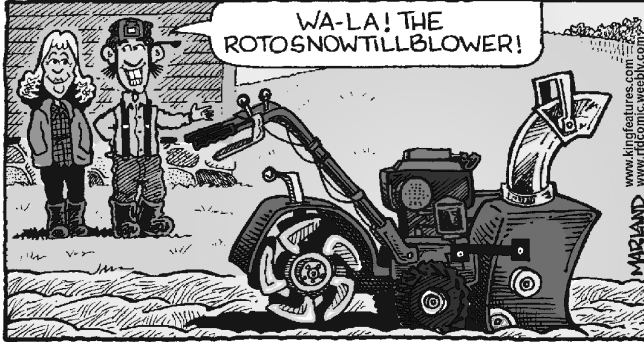
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your well-known patience might be wearing thin because of a disturbing (and seemingly unending) problem with someone close to you. This could be a time to ask for help. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful about a new venture that lures you into a "just-look-and-see" mode. Be sure that what you're being given to see isn't hiding what you should be seeing instead.

BORN THIS WEEK: Aries and Taurus give you the gift of leadership and the blessings of care and concern for all creatures.



R.F.D. by Mike Marland



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

