

# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	4	7	5			3		
	8			2			1	9
2					3		7	
		6	9			8		
	1				6		4	
8				4	2			1
1					5			3
		8	1			2		7
	6	5		3				9

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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# FEAR & KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

EYF  
FAUSEN  
♥DWEON  
♥AFSO  
RECOAN  
♥WLA  
♥OFLW  
TELYS  
♥UES  
♥NEYMAL  
CUFSO  
ASOL

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

## 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:

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

IPX TIPVME ZPV UBML JO BO

BQQMF MJCSBSZ?

VTF ZPVS JO-DJEFS WPJDF.

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# King Crossword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12					13			14		
15					16			17		
18			19			20				
			21			22		23		
24	25	26				27		28	29	30
31				32			33		34	
35			36		37			38		
		39	40		41					
42	43			44		45		46	47	48
49					50			51		
52					53			54		
55					56			57		

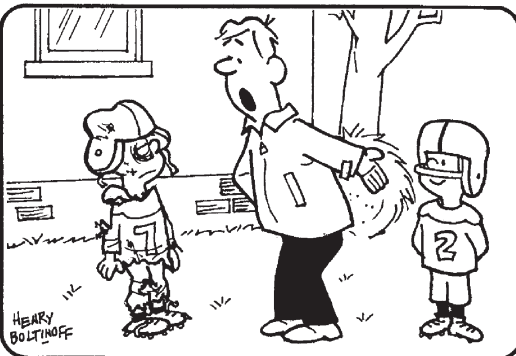
- ACROSS**
- 1 Secondhand
  - 5 Sphere
  - 8 Halt
  - 12 DVR alternative
  - 13 Greek X
  - 14 Authentic
  - 15 Sheltered, at sea
  - 16 Hare's defeater
  - 18 Japan's main island
  - 20 Comic Phyllis
  - 21 California wine valley
  - 23 Zero
  - 24 Enchilada holder
  - 28 Plate
  - 31 — jiffy
  - 32 Fix a stubborn shoe-lace
  - 34 Rowing need
  - 35 Sulk
  - 37 Harasses
  - 39 Male cat
  - 41 Tater
  - 42 Wall plaster
  - 45 Warren Commission subject
  - 49 Bullring VIP
  - 51 Lotion additive
  - 52 Yemeni city
  - 53 Scrap
  - 54 Anger

- 55 Got up
- 56 They're between dos
- 57 Let fall
- power
- 10 English river
- 11 Equal
- 17 Can metal
- 19 Locks
- 22 Chorus members
- 24 Quarterback
- 25 Yoko of music
- 26 States of ecstasy
- 27 LaGuardia and Logan, e.g.
- 29 Perched
- 30 Day fractions (Abbr.)
- 33 Ostriches' kin
- 36 Dawn-of-mammals epoch
- 38 Name of many English kings
- 40 Longtime record label
- 42 Celebrity
- 43 Big fuss
- 44 Smell
- 46 Winged
- 47 Corporate symbol
- 48 Profound
- 50 Raw rock

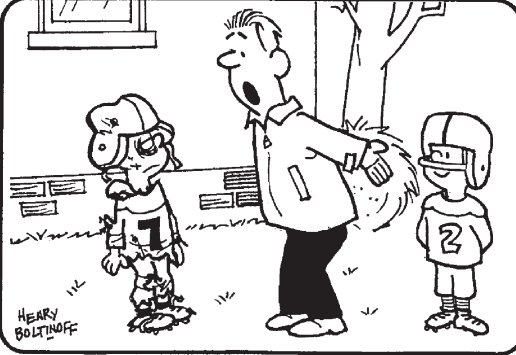
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# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Man's hair is different. 2. No. 7 on jersey is now black. 3. Window is shorter. 4. Man's right arm is hidden. 5. Socks are striped. 6. More bricks on house.

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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. Hypnotic state      | T _ _ _ _ _ | Frolic            | P _ _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Span                | _ _ _ _ _ H | Flinch            | _ _ _ _ _ T |
| 3. Hesitate            | _ _ _ V _ _ | Thirst quencher   | _ _ _ T _ _ |
| 4. Bee's home          | _ _ P _ _ _ | Bird's residence  | _ _ V _ _ _ |
| 5. Running sport       | _ _ _ A _ _ | Semi or torry     | _ _ _ U _ _ |
| 6. Guiding principle   | _ _ _ _ _ Y | Law enforcement   | _ _ _ _ _ E |
| 7. Snow segment        | _ _ _ _ _ K | Sudden flame      | _ _ _ _ _ R |
| 8. Confess             | _ _ _ P _ _ | Of late           | _ _ _ C _ _ |
| 9. Kitchen eating area | T _ _ _ _ _ | Aesop's specialty | F _ _ _ _ _ |
| 10. Icy rain           | _ _ L _ _ _ | Like sugar        | _ _ W _ _ _ |

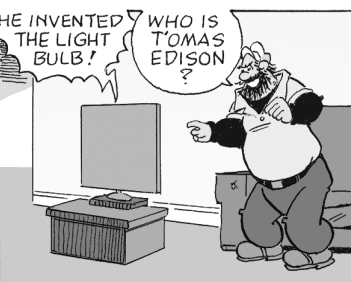
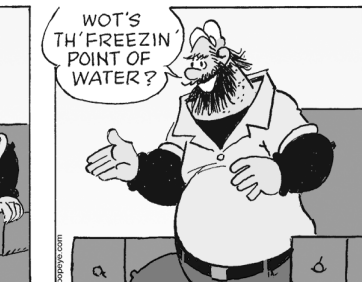
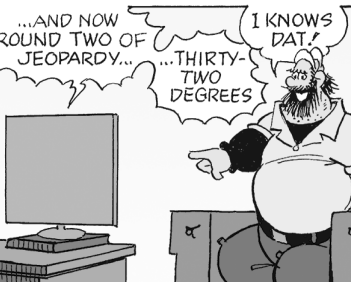
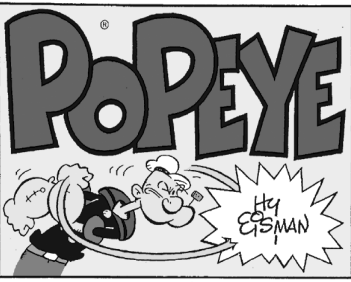
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# Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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# R.F.D.



by Mike Marland

# Amber Waves

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# The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Don't feel sheepish about looking to spend more time with that special person during the upcoming holidays. Do it because it's the right thing to do.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Never mind letting misunderstandings repair themselves. Consider speaking up while the healing process can be shorter and sweeter and leave fewer scars.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Romance is easily awakened in the Gemini heart, especially around the happy holiday season. So go ahead and make those plans with that special someone.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Moon Children can glow with their own inner light as the holiday season magic takes hold. It's a very special time for Cancers and Libras together. Enjoy.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) It's a good time for you fabulous Felines to take pleasure in your special gift for, well, taking pleasure! Look for this holiday season to give you every reason to purr.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) This is a good time to let others who are in your life get a little closer to you. You'll both find out what you've been missing for far too long.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Open up your eyes and see some welcome surprises you've missed or overlooked for too long. What you find can lead to other favorable changes.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) What you expect to be potentially troublesome might simply be especially challenging and well worth your efforts to check out. Good luck!

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A friendship might not seem as trustworthy as you'd like. OK. Ask your questions, get your answers and settle the matter once and for all.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A family situation moves into a new area because of (or, maybe, thanks to) some decisions you might have felt you could not avoid making.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You could be cutting it very close if you hope to make those holiday plan changes in time to avoid problems. Get a friend or family member to help.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Friends show how important you are to them. Keep these precious relationships thriving. They affect much that will happen to the fabulous Fish in the new year.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Time spent at home alone nurtures your mystic self. Spending your time with others nurtures them.

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# MAGIC MAZE • SHORT QUESTIONS

? I L L A H S J H E C Z X U S

Q P N ? U O Y D L U O W L J G

E C U Z E X V T R P R N L J H

E C H S A R Y W ? T I S I ? V

T R O P T E E E N L G K I Y ?

G E W ? Y A W H C I H W C P N

B Z M X W L H ? W U T S R P E

P O U M L L I W L M N ? J A H

I G C A E Y D B ? T O N Y H W

A Y H X A ? ? T A H W R O F W

U S ? M T S Q P W O ? N F L K

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: ASKING FOR THE PRICE

- |             |            |            |            |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| For what?   | May I?     | Shall we?  | Who?       |
| From where? | Really?    | What's up? | Why not?   |
| Happy?      | Right now? | When?      | Would you? |
| Is it?      | Shall I?   | Which way? |            |

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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.

A C D I K L N O R

→

	A		D		L		K	
K		C		A		I		D
		A		L		I		R
I		D		R				N
		O				D		K
L				K				I
	N			C			D	R
C		D				N		A

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