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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Porter's burdens 5 Before
- 8 Dull sound of impact

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- 12 Enticement
- 13 Blend 14 Abundant
- 15 Opera showstopper
- 16 U.K. broadcaster
- 17 Black, in verse
- 18 Fight
- 20 Like a lot
- 22 Solid ground
- 26 Entire 29 Smack
- 30 Zilch 31 Bees' home 32 Parsons or
- Gaffigan 33 Slangy nega- 52 Alaskan
- tive 34 — out a living 53 Vortex 35 One of the
- 36 Grown-up bug
- 37 Brownish orange 40 Warmonger
- 41 Barbershop tools

- 45 First victim
- 50 Ring out

Just Like Cats & Dogs

54 — Aviv Brady Bunch 55 Get larger

DOWN

51 Barn bird

metropolis

- 1 Spill the beans 2 Emanation
- 3 Determination 4 Birthplace of 24 Chinese Starbucks
- 49 "American —" 6 Cage compo- 26 Sharpen nent 27 Raise © 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

WHOEVER WROTE "THE 12 DAYS OF

CHRISTMAS" DIDN'T HAVE A LIMIT ON THEIR AMERICAN EXPRESS CARD

8 Italian fountain site 9 Ireland

7 Cry out

- 10 Venusian ves- 36 Call day sel? 11 Lair
- 19 Appomattox 39 Warble surrenderer
- 21 Frequently 23 Serengeti beast
- dynasty 47 Luau bowlful 5 Fireplace bit 25 Choir member 46 Foundation

by Dave T. Phipps

38 Make a comeback

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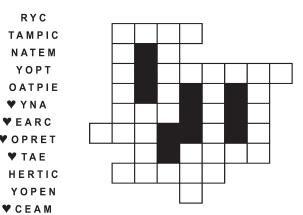
28 Above

32 Lotto win

33 Incredible

35 Mandible

- 42 Bloodhound's clue 43 Quarterback
 - Tony 44 Dispatched 45 Mimic
 - 48 Didn't pay yet



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

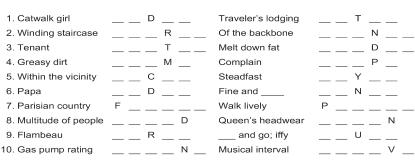
WORD FUN

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 DID ONE CHRISTMAS ANGEL SAY TO THE OTHER?

CHOSEN	CONES	TAMEST	TEAMS
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CHOSEN	 CONES	TAMEST	 TEAMS
PRAISE	 SPIRE	SHIFTS	 FISTS
FLIERS	 FIRES	BARGES	 GRABS
OODLES	 DOLES	ALERTS	 STALE
		ERASED	 DEARS

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.



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! © 2020 King Features Synd., Inc BY HENRY BOLTINOFF **HOCUS-FOCUS**

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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Differences: 1. Mom's hair is different. 2. Doll on left has been moved. 3. "Sale" sign is added. 4. Girl's skirt has been moved. 5. Doll ad is different. 6. Girl has hair bow.

I AIN'T SEEN YOU FOLKS IN A WHILE!

SUPPER!

— BLUES *MAGIC MAZE* •

EXVSQNKYIFDAXVT Q M O M J H F R L C A Y D W U RPENLJATLEDHEFD BZXMCVTNNRPHTOO MKIPPHHUAFDSRBZ YWVMUHIOIITIORQ ONAUNLICDKSTIGI HWF J(KANSASCITY)S S D C A Z X W V N G U R U S O

MK J I C I R T C E L E H F L Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

RQNACIRFAOOBNOU

African British Canadian Chicago

Country Delta Electric Gospel

Unlisted clue hint: THE MOTOR CITY

Kansas City Louisiana Memphis

Punk Soul Swamp

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although taking advice isn't always easy for the headstrong Sheep, you might want to consider what someone you respect says about an upcoming decision.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A new offer is tempting, but don't be bullied into a quick decision. Rely on your keen Bovine business sense to alert you to anything that might be questionable.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your Gemini Twin nature rallies to help you deal with this week's hectic schedules, both in your personal and professional lives. One caution: Watch your diet.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Avoid rushing to make up for time lost on a stalled workplace operation. Best to set up a schedule and pace yourself. Welcome the help of colleagues.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Despite those glittering holiday distractions you love so well, be sure to keep your feline senses set on high to alert you to anything that might require fast action.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Making an effort to restore fraying relationships proves to be more successful than you dared hope. The holidays also bring new friends into your life.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Private and professional matters compete for your attention. Be honest in your assessment of which should get more of it, and for how

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A seemingly endless list of must-do tasks is best handled by tackling them one by one, and taking energy-restoring time-outs between each job.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A vexing relationship seems destined to deteriorate no matter what each side tries to do. A third party's advice just might prove helpful.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Reach out to ease any tensions caused by home or workplace pressures before they threaten the relationship-building progress you've made.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You often go out of your way to show kindness to others. So, don't be surprised if other people want to do something nice for you this week

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) People in your life respect your Piscean wisdom, so don't hesitate to speak up about a matter that you feel isn't being handled quite the way it should be.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your personal warmth helps you make friendships, and your sense of fair play helps you keep them.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of persuading people to look at the positive possibilities that make up any choices they might



















Amber Waves







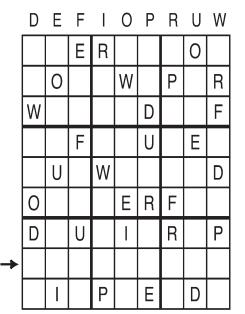






Letter Box Thistle

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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