

# King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Nile vipers  
5 Cistern  
8 Sprint  
12 Guitarist  
Atkins  
13 — -de-France  
14 Formerly  
15 Antelope's playmate  
16 Its days are numbered  
18 Degree of excellence  
20 Endures  
21 "Nova" ailer  
22 Lass  
23 Regions  
26 Volcanic crater  
30 "Entourage" agent  
31 Branch  
32 Felon's flight  
33 Trinidad music  
36 Fountain drinks  
38 Fine, at NASA  
39 Marry  
40 Dishonor  
43 Actor Rory  
47 Squid dish  
49 Big fair, for short  
50 "Oops!"  
51 Drench  
52 Peruse  
53 Facts and figures

**DOWN**

1 Outlet letters  
2 The Mets' old home  
3 Rind  
4 American flag  
5 Bad habits  
6 Winged  
7 Aviv preceder  
8 Disney duck  
9 &&&&  
10 Ella's style

11 Towel word  
17 Israeli airline  
19 Small ammo  
22 Leg, in slang  
23 Efron of "Parkland"  
24 Man-mouse link  
25 Zero  
26 — -Magnon  
27 Right angle  
28 Squealer  
29 Eare hrs.  
31 Request  
34 Motorcycle maker  
35 "The Raven," for one

36 Actor Gibson  
37 Stick  
39 Is patient  
40 Gulf War missile  
41 "Funny!"  
42 Oodles  
43 Manitoba tribe  
44 They can take a yoke  
45 — the crack of dawn  
46 Agrees silently  
48 Piercing tool

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## FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

PGY  
SAGYER  
PATOD  
LFPI  
ACLIFA  
ENP  
♥RANE  
♥DOSEN  
♥RFA  
PIGSYN  
TIGNA  
♥YEPR

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.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

**RIDDLE SEARCH - LET'S GO SKIING!**  
Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What do you call a slow skier?**

**BINDINGS**  
DOWNHILL  
GOGGLES  
HAT  
HELMET  
LIFT  
LINES  
LODGE  
MITTENS  
MOGUL  
MOUNTAINS  
PANTS  
SAFETY  
SCHUSS  
SEASON  
SKI SCHOOL  
SNOW  
TOW  
ZONES

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

Riddle answer: \_\_\_\_\_

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Panels are missing. 2. Cap is reversed. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Handle is shorter. 5. Neckline is different. 6. Paper is moved.

## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

YOU NEED TO APPRECIATE THE GRACE AND ELEGANCE OF FOOTBALL. THIS SPORT... WOW, DID YOU SEE THAT GUY'S LEG SNAP!!

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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. Kindling material	— I — — — —	Easily cut, as a steak	— E — — — —
2. Put your feet up	— — — — X — —	Running race	— — — — Y — —
3. Keep balls in the air	— — — — G — —	Rainforest	— — — — N — —
4. Dummy bullet	— — — — — K — —	Tasteless	— — — — — D — —
5. Moisten the lawn	— — — — T — —	Place a bet	— — — — — G — —
6. Use a broom	— — — — — W — —	Slumbered	— — — — — L — —
7. Give one's word	— — — — — — R — —	Take for granted	— — — — — — M — —
8. Investigate	— — — — — — — B — —	Writing style	— — — — — — — S — —
9. Root for	— — — — — — — — R — —	Blush location	— — — — — — — — K — —
10. Baby feline	K — — — — — — — — —	Fingerless glove	M — — — — — — —

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## Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Aspects call for care in preparing material for submission. Although you might find it bothersome to go over what you've done, the fact is, rechecking could be worth your time and effort.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) The week is favorable for Bovines who welcome change. New career opportunities wait to be checked out. You also might want to get started on that home makeover you've been considering.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You might have to be extra careful to protect that surprise you have planned, thanks to a certain snoopy someone who wants to know more about your plans than you're willing to share.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Family ties are strong this week, although an old and still-unresolved problem might create some unpleasant moments. If so, look to straighten the situation out once and for all.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Although the Lion might see it as an act of loyalty and courage to hold on to an increasingly shaky position, it might be wiser to make changes now to prevent a possible meltdown later.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Your gift for adding new people to your circle of friends works overtime this week, thanks largely to contacts you made during the holidays. A surprise awaits you at the week's end.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Don't hide your talents. It's a good time to show what you can do to impress people who can do a lot for you. A dispute with a family member might still need some smoothing over.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Be open with your colleagues about your plan to bring a workplace matter out into the open. You'll want their support, and they'll want to know how you'll pull it off.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Trying to patch up an unraveling relationship is often easier said than done. But it helps to discuss and work out any problems that arise along the way.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) While your creative aspect remains high this week, you might want to call on your practical side to help work out the why and wherefore of an upcoming decision.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Dealing with someone's disappointment can be difficult for Aquarians, who always try to avoid giving pain. But a full explanation and a show of sympathy can work wonders.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Getting a job-related matter past some major obstacles should be easier this week. A personal situation might take a surprising but not necessarily unwelcome turn by the week's end.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You can be both a dreamer and a doer. You consider helping others to be an important part of your life.

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## POPEYE

Hi Cismen!

THE JOPLY SEASON ENDS ALL TOO SOON...

BUT THE NEW YEAR BRINGS NEW HOPE!

AVAST DERE, Y' LUBBER !!!

AH... SEASON'S GREETINGS, OLD CHUM!

I SEE YOU RECEIVED MY GIFT!

YER DERN TOOTIN' I DID!

I SENT YA A GIF' CERTIFERGIT AN' Y' SENT ME THIS!

YES! ISN'T IT INTERESTING?

WOT TH' IS 'ZIT?

I HAVEN'T THE FOGGIEST IDEA!

WHERE'D Y' BUY IT?

I FOUND IT IN A DUMPSTER!

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO... IT'S THE THOUGHT THAT COUNTS??

## R.F.D.

I USED THE SAME NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION FOR YEARS: GO OUT AND GRAB LIFE BY THE HORNS!

BUT AFTER THE YEAR WE'VE JUST HAD I'M LOWERING MY EXPECTATIONS.

THIS YEAR I'M JUST GONNA GO WITH TRY NOT TO GET STAMPED BY LIFE!

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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	E	H	I	L	N	Q	R	U
→									
		N	E		I		R		Q
	U		H		R		A		
	R			A				U	
		L		I					R
			I	U		N	H		
			H					U	A
	R		A						I
Q				L				E	

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## Amber Waves

MY SNOW FORT IS FINALLY STOCKED AND READY TO GO.

MY OL' DAD WILL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT HIM. I MADE THESE SNOWBALLS PERFECTLY.

OK, STOP!! I SURRENDER!! I SURRENDER ALREADY!!

CAN SOMEONE TELL FATHER TO START ACTING HIS AGE?

## The Spats

MY WIFE SAYS THAT I NEVER LISTEN TO HER.

AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT SHE SAID.