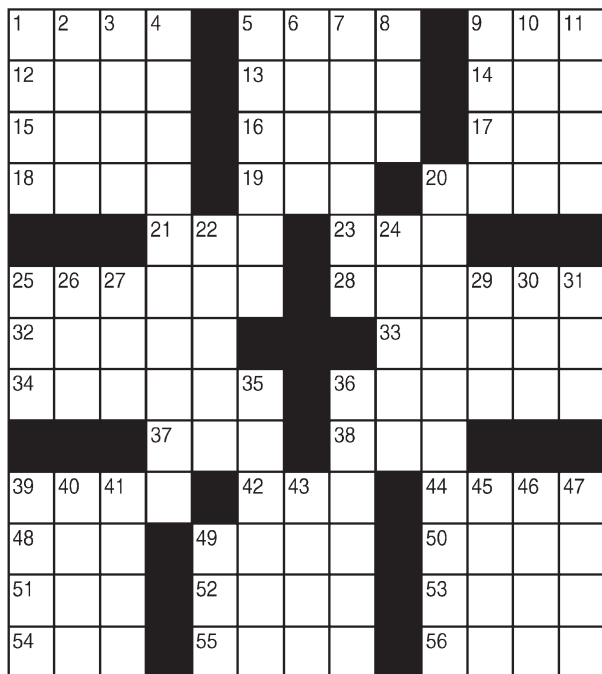


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Impresses greatly
- 5 Reverb-erate
- 9 — out a living
- 12 Type of pit
- 13 Got bigger
- 14 Guacamole, often
- 15 Roughly
- 16 Exceptional
- 17 Born
- 18 Crystal gazer
- 19 Swelled head
- 20 Wash
- 21 Wearer of a onesie
- 23 UN workers' agcy.
- 25 Necklace fasteners
- 28 Have a huddle
- 32 Hispaniola part
- 33 Concur
- 34 Cook-wear?
- 36 Handle the expense
- 37 Gun the engine
- 38 Exploit
- 39 Metropolis
- 42 Early bird?
- 44 Chantilly, e.g.



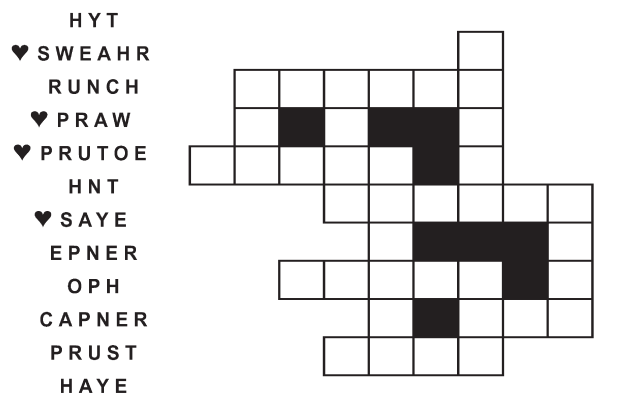
- 48 Commotion
- 49 Lotion additive
- 50 Story teller
- 51 Cattle call?
- 52 Luminary
- 53 Tote board stats
- 54 Wapiti
- 55 Favorites
- 56 Toward the sunset
- 4 O. Henry specialty
- 5 Herons' kin
- 6 Rugged rock
- 7 Brave
- 8 Have bills
- 9 Author Ferber
- 10 Chicken —
- 11 Duel tool
- 20 "Hiawatha" writer
- 22 Put your two cents in
- 24 Ducks work
- 25 Half a dance?
- 26 Once around
- 27 Melody
- 29 To and —
- 30 Always, in verse
- 31 Crimson
- 35 Slender
- 36 Boring tools
- 39 Arrived
- 40 "American —"
- 41 Snatched
- 43 Capricorn
- 45 Staffer
- 46 Two-timers
- 47 Formerly, formerly
- 49 Cleo's slayer

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FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!



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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XIBU EJE UIF DBU TBZ UP IJT

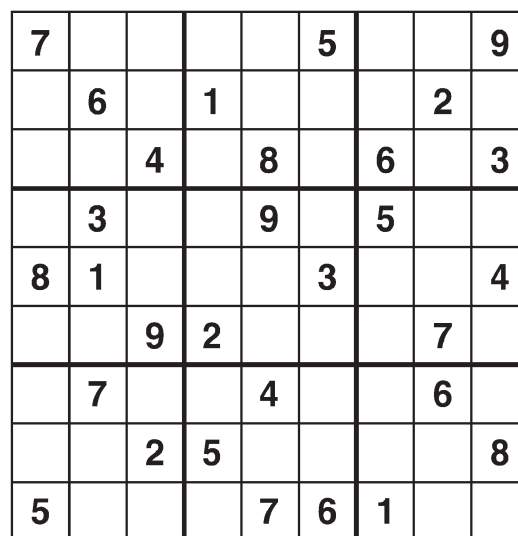
WBMFOUJOF? ZPV BSF QVSS-GFDU

GPS NF.

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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 BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Jacket is missing. 2. Bag is smaller. 3. Body is slimmer. 4. Light fixture is missing. 5. Pizza picture is moved. 6. Number is missing.

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

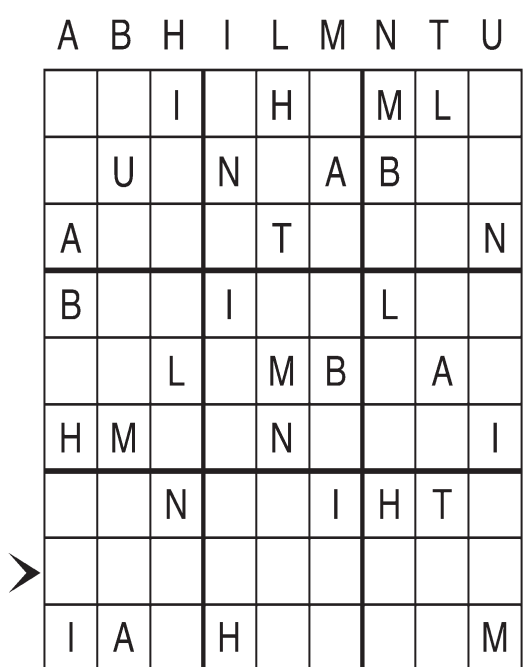
- A lions ant
- Band aid smock
- Car island
- Garners
- Hill pies
- Mrs. Nail
- Parties
- Red dogs
- Roasts
- Rose oil
- Show exit
- Ski core
- Sly oar
- Snag it
- Stem

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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. Stand up for | ___ F ___ | Rely upon | ___ P ___ |
| 2. Iron or pewter | ___ T ___ | Olympic award | ___ D ___ |
| 3. Oak fruit | ___ C ___ | Decorate | ___ D ___ |
| 4. Airplane garage | ___ A ___ | Closet implement | ___ E ___ |
| 5. Burn down | ___ R ___ | Physical contact | ___ U ___ |
| 6. Weather prediction | ___ R ___ | Spic-and-span | ___ N ___ |
| 7. Florida citrus | O ___ | Rural homestead | G ___ |
| 8. Snap into | ___ R ___ | Dismal | ___ L ___ |
| 9. Barrister | L ___ | Finn's buddy | S ___ |
| 10. Remove whiskers | ___ H ___ | Sophisticated | ___ U ___ |

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Time is on your side in the early part of the week. But anything left undone by midweek will need to be put into rush mode. The weekend offers choices for you and someone special.

TAURUS (April 30 to May 20) Finally getting credit for a contribution is nice for all you idea-generating Ferdinands and Fernandas. But don't sit on your laurels under the cork tree. Use it as a first step to a bigger opportunity.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Despite the progress made, a hint of doubt might set in. That's OK. You need to stop and consider not only what you're doing but also how you are doing. Make adjustments where needed.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The dreamer is dominant in the Moon Child's aspect, but a dollop of hardheaded practicality is coming up fast and jockeying for space. The challenge is to make room for both modes.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's a good week for Leos and Leonas to start assessing what they've done and what they plan to do. Moving to a new environment — home or job-related — is a possibility for some Cats.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week calls for Virgos to make tough decisions, but in a way that leaves the door open for changes. Ask for advice from someone who has been in the position you're in now.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Disappointments are never easy to take, but you have the ability to learn from them and go on to success. Meanwhile, continue to build up your contacts. You'll need them soon.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Things might still be going much too slowly to suit you. But you need the time to make sure they're going in the right direction. It's easier to make a course correction now rather than later.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Showing some temperament at the way things are going is one way of getting your point across. Just don't overdo it, or you risk turning away more-moderate supporters.

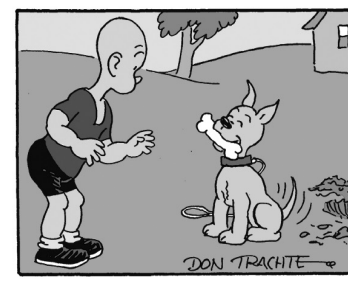
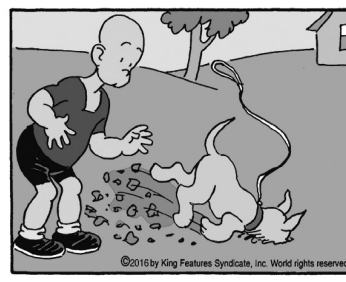
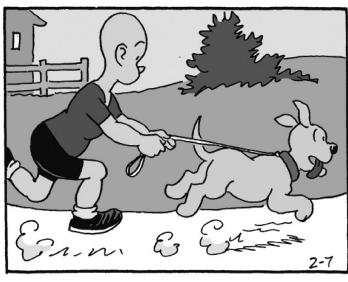
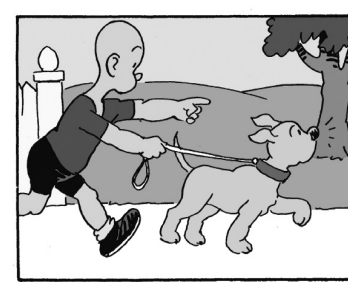
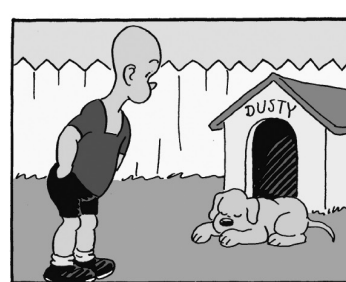
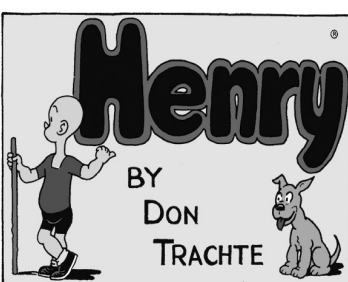
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Things could change more quickly this week than you like. But don't fret; you'll most likely find that you're up to the challenges. The weekend offers much-needed relaxation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Big challenge coming up? Uncross those fingers and believe that you're going to do well. And keep in mind that so many people have faith in your ability to succeed.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Testing the waters is a good way of learning about an opportunity before plunging right in. Ask more questions and be alert to any attempts to avoid giving complete answers.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for making people — and animals, too — feel special and loved.

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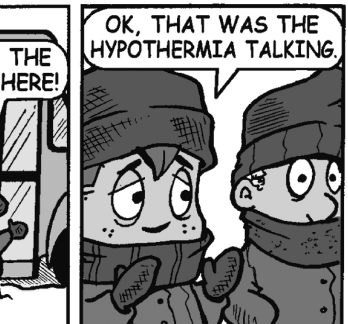
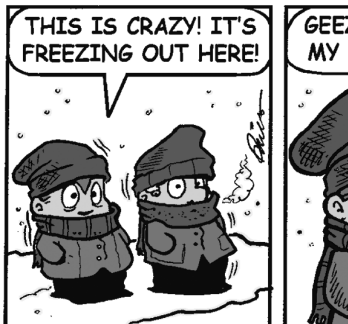


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