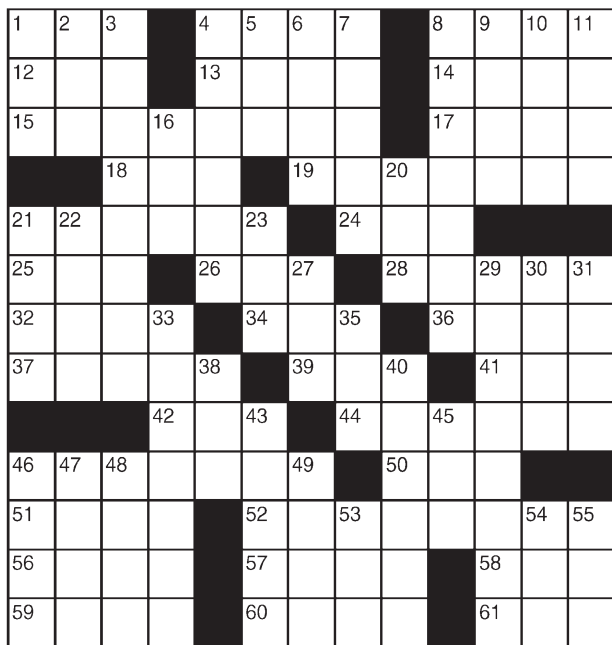


King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Vim and vigor
 - 4 Go by
 - 8 Blueprint
 - 12 Glass of NPR
 - 13 Between jobs
 - 14 Top-rated
 - 15 Unreasonably suspicious
 - 17 Deteriorates
 - 18 Clumsy ship
 - 19 Protective wall
 - 21 Not quite boil
 - 24 Greek consonants
 - 25 Past
 - 26 Two, in Tijuana
 - 28 Sulked
 - 32 First course, maybe
 - 34 "Golden Girl" Arthur
 - 36 Volcanic flow
 - 37 First Little Pig's material
 - 39 Blond shade
 - 41 Prot. or Cath.
 - 42 Disencumber
 - 44 Expedition
 - 46 Ideal
 - 50 Tatter
 - 51 — out



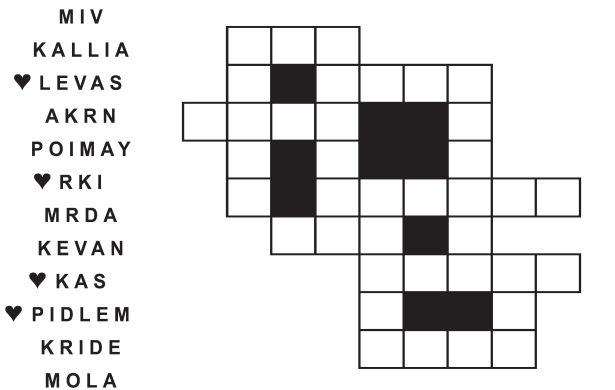
- 5 Commotion
- 6 Error
- 7 Auto style
- 8 Sunshade
- 9 Aerobic
- 10 Initial stake
- 11 Cardinals' home?
- 16 Branch
- 20 Pirates' quaff
- 21 Back talk
- 22 "— Rhythm"
- 23 Plagiarize
- 27 Red or Black
- 29 Landlocked country
- 30 Always
- 31 Limp-watch painter
- 32 Seeming
- 35 Donkey
- 38 Peruke
- 40 Bother repeatedly
- 43 Grumpy companion
- 45 Online help pg.
- 46 Mexican money
- 47 Related
- 48 Depend (on)
- 49 Appellation
- 53 Scoot
- 54 Really impress
- 55 Stick with a kick

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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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by Helene Hovanec

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X I B U E P Z P V H F U J G Z P V

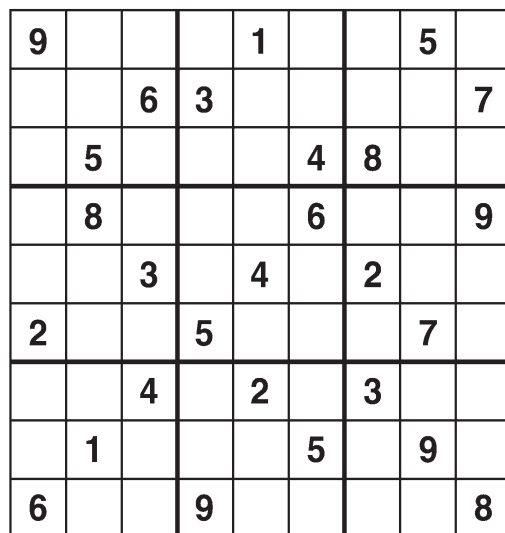
U F B S B T D B S G J O U X P ?

B C B O E B O B T Q M J U .

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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.

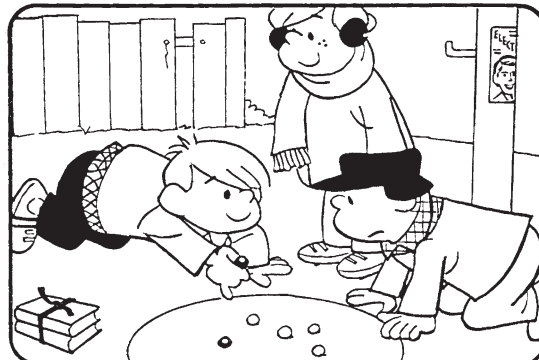
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

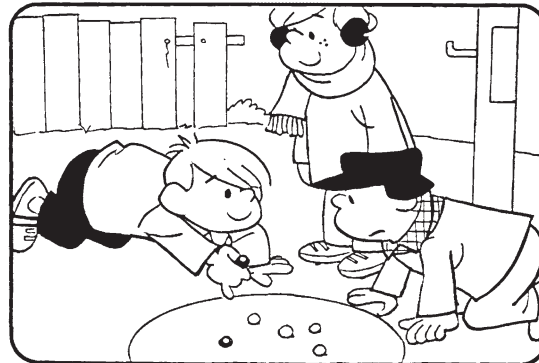
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sweater ribbing is missing. 2. Poster is missing. 3. Fence board is missing. 4. Scarf is shorter. 5. Poster is shorter. 6. Arm is moved.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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MSEFDMDPHIOBRZY
SKDWAIUCETBVOYT
RIDGVQAJTRLOCNL
KIIIRHAIFIDKCA
ZNNXAWTVUKAFESR
GGGPREDNALSQTON

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

Aging	History	Sailboat	Slander
Bicycle	Parachute	Ski jump	Sledding
Dreams	Rocket	Skiing	Tattoo
Fire pole	Roller coaster	Sky diving	

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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	D	E	H	O	P	S	T	U
➤	O		H		E		A		
			T	U	O			P	
			E	D	H			S	
	U				E	H			
	T		A					D	
			E	P	T				U
	O			A		S			
	S				P		O	D	

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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. Energetic | ___ I ___ | Beautiful | ___ O ___ |
| 2. Tasteless | ___ A ___ | Fair-haired | ___ O ___ |
| 3. Clemens | ___ W ___ | Monorail or locomotive | ___ R ___ |
| 4. Bieber or Timberlake | J ___ | Texas capital | A ___ |
| 5. Fruit of the vine | ___ P ___ | Mealtime prayer | ___ C ___ |
| 6. Woo | ___ R ___ | Dracula's title | ___ N ___ |
| 7. Agree to take | ___ P ___ | Twang | ___ N ___ |
| 8. Use a broom | ___ W ___ | Nod off | ___ L ___ |
| 9. Every 24 hours | ___ L ___ | Milk farm | ___ R ___ |
| 10. Livestock | ___ T ___ | Balmoral structure | ___ S ___ |

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The week promises a calmer aspect. Although there might be some lingering effects of a recent job problem, things should continue to ease up. Also expect a change in a home-based situation.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) If you feel uneasy about a colleague's suggestion, it might be that your wise inner Taurean guide is alerting you to a potential problem. Stepping away could turn out to be the right thing to do.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A family get-together opens up new opportunities for renewing ties. It can be especially effective in dealing with disagreements that should have been, but never were, fully resolved.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might be surprised at the response you get to a recent decision. You might be even more surprised by the reasons behind it. In any event, you'll learn something important.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your aspects favor resolving any tensions left over from a recent incident. You might want to consider having a "clear the air" talk as soon as you can. A call can lead to a change of plans.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Avoid repeating yourself. If your first few efforts fail to connect, maybe it's because you haven't found the right way to get your message across. Try changing your approach.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Good intentions plus a strong resolve to succeed can take you where you want to go. Don't give up just because someone suggests you might be pursuing an impossible cause.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) An unexpected setback can be a blessing in disguise. Use it to recheck your facts and how you've presented them. Meanwhile, look for ways to expand your contacts.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You should finally be seeing a positive change in a recent personal situation. However, an on-the-job matter might need more attention than you realized. Stay with it.

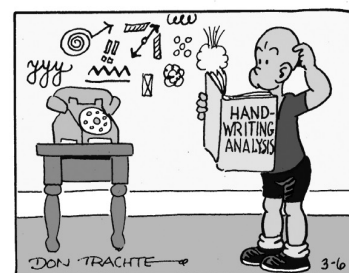
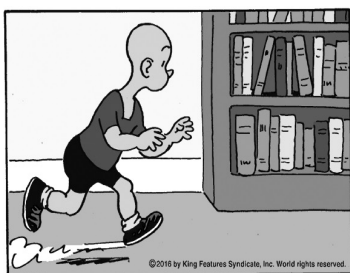
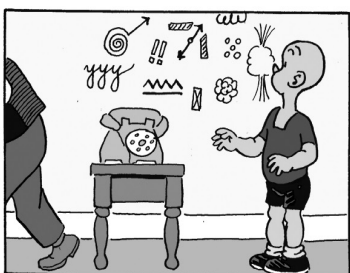
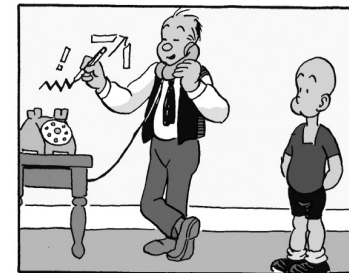
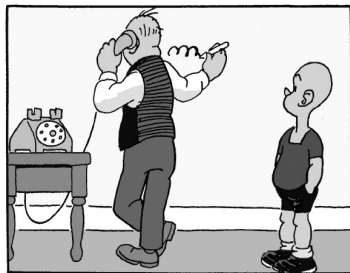
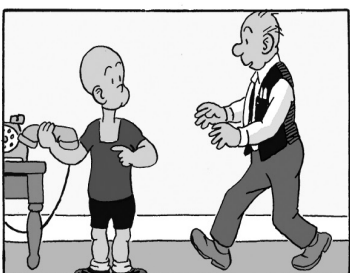
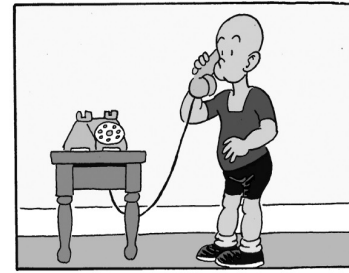
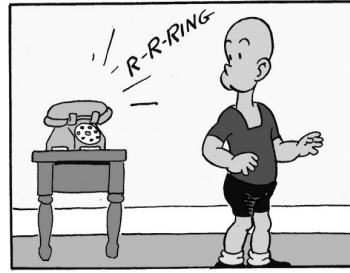
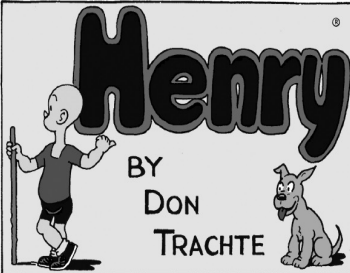
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While you should be close to completing an important matter, you still need to focus on being focused. But things ease up in time for weekend fun with family and friends.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A certain matter might take an unexpected turn. Don't simply accept it; ask for an explanation. What you learn might be helpful in shifting the situation around to your benefit.

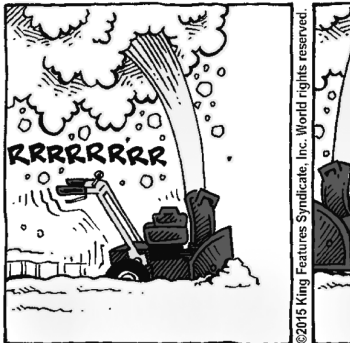
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Projecting a positive attitude helps restore calm even when you're confronting some pretty stormy situations. Stay the course. The outcome will be well worth your efforts.

BORN THIS WEEK: While you enjoy tradition and stability, you also appreciate the good things that change can bring.

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