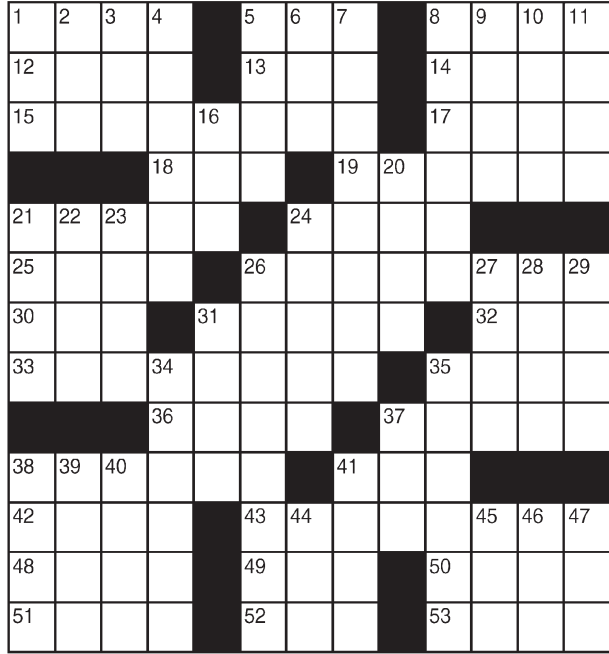


King Crossword

- ACROSS**
 1 Not as much
 5 Ump
 8 "The Da Vinci —"
 12 Send forth
 13 Hosp. section
 14 From the start
 15 Turkish city
 17 Pleasant
 18 Urban carrier
 19 "Fear —"
 21 Grown-up
 24 Verdi opera
 25 Zilch
 26 Crusoe or Gilligan
 30 Actor
 31 Danson
 32 Suggest
 33 First lady
 34 U-235 and U-238
 35 Actress Barbara
 36 John Irving's "A Prayer for — Meany"
 37 Part of WWW
 38 Panhandler
 41 London's — Gardens
 42 Breather?
 43 Columbus' benefactor
 48 Exam type
 49 Suitable



- 50 Rod partner
 51 Carry
 52 Deposit
 53 Bigfoot's cousin
- DOWN**
 1 Floral garland
 2 Type squares
 3 Perch
 4 Not wobbly
 5 Barbecue fare
 6 Old French coin
 7 Satisfies
 8 Moulin Rouge dance
 9 Taking care of business
 10 Arp's art
 11 Basin accessory
 16 Wacko
 20 "An apple — ..."
 21 Opposed
 22 Accomplishes
 23 Loosen
 24 Colorado ski mecca
 26 Regal
 27 Cherished
 28 Satan's specialty
 29 Tear
 31 Midwestern state
 34 Two-position switch
 35 NYC area, with "the"
 37 Charlotte's creation
 38 Rorschach picture
 39 Modern-day coin
 40 Summertime pest
 41 Perry of pop
 44 Hot tub
 45 Director Spike
 46 Allow
 47 — Baba

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FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson
 DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

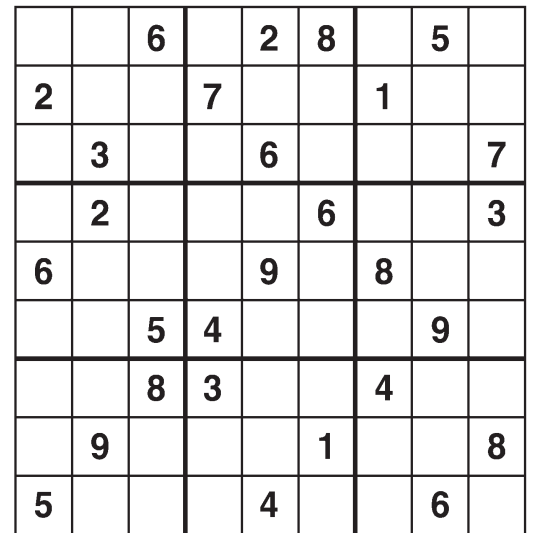
XWA
 CEE SIX
 ♥ BARCO
 CSDI
 ♥ CRASHE
 EXS
 ♥ OESH
 LEECX
 ICS
 BOWBEC
 SERSD
 NYXL

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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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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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.

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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

X I F O E P N P O L F Z T G B M M

G S P N U I F T L Z ? E V S J O H

B Q F - S J M T I P X F S T .

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by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE

LANGUAGES OF THE WORLD

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

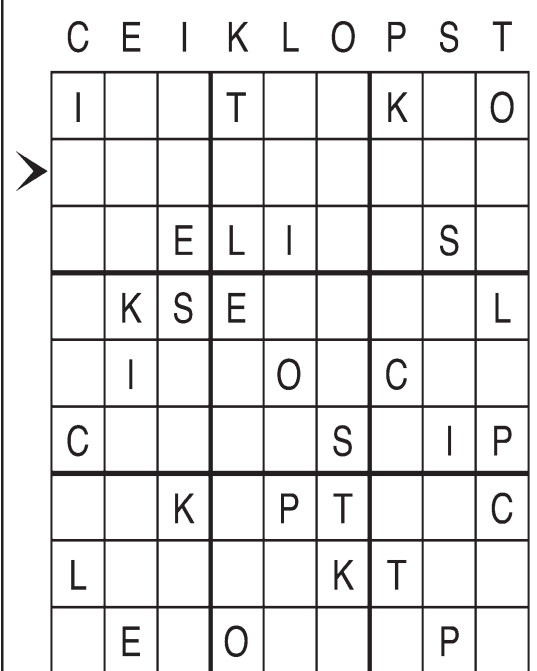
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

Arabic Hindi Portuguese Tamil
 Bengali Japanese Punjabi Telugu
 English Korean Russian Vietnamese
 German Marathi Spanish

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. First born | ___ L ___ | Most peculiar | ___ D ___ |
| 2. City of Light | ___ _ I _ | Hair divisions | ___ _ T _ |
| 3. Texas capital | A ___ _ | Actor Hoffman | D ___ _ |
| 4. Tent dweller | ___ M ___ | Friendly ghost | ___ S ___ |
| 5. Fake | ___ H ___ | Spring bloom | ___ E ___ |
| 6. Win, ____, or show | ___ L ___ | Cease fire | ___ E ___ |
| 7. Whiten with bleach | ___ L ___ | Twig | ___ R ___ |
| 8. Like an empty page | ___ A ___ | Eye movement | ___ I ___ |
| 9. Lion's group | ___ _ D _ | First-class | ___ _ M _ |
| 10. Coast | ___ _ _ E | Brief | ___ _ _ T |

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Whether a waiting period is taking longer than expected, or just seems that way, the anxious Lamb would do well to create a center of calm within her- or himself, and not do anything rash.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Practical matters dominate the week, but cultural activities also are favored, especially those that can be shared with someone special in the Bovine's life. Some important news might be forthcoming.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You need to know more about a possible career move in order to see if it offers a real opportunity or just a change. You're sure to get lots of advice - some of it good - but the decision must be yours.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The arrival of hoped-for good news about a loved one dominates most of the week and provides a great excuse for the party-loving Moon Child to plan a special event to celebrate.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leos and Leonas rushing to finalize their plans might want to think about slowing down the pace, or risk overlooking an important consideration that could become a sore point down the line.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week's challenges call for logical approaches. But sentiment also has its place. Sharing memories with a special someone, for example, strengthens the bond between you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A brand-new approach to a problem could have a good chance of succeeding if it's based on a solid foundation of fact to strengthen its potential for standing up to scrutiny.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A favorable report should give your optimism an important boost as you confront another phase of a challenge. Don't be timid about accepting advice from someone you trust.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might want to target another goal if your current aim is continually being deflected. But stay with it until you find that first sign of an opening, and then follow through.

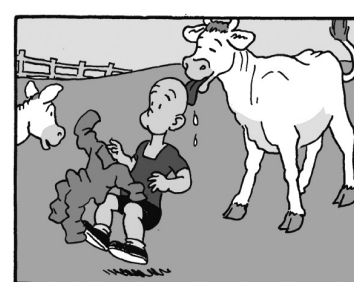
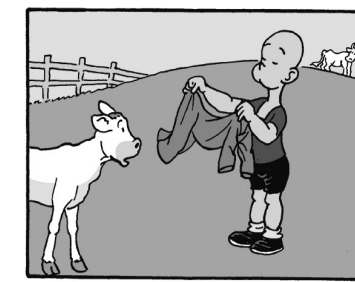
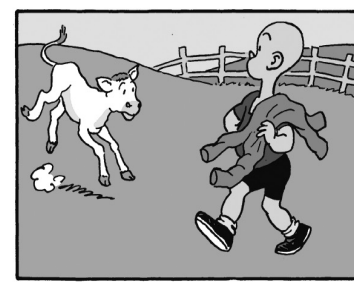
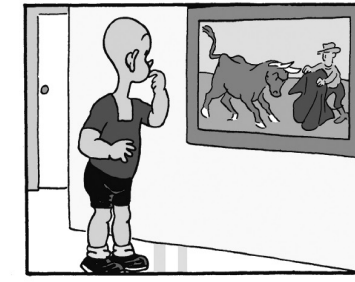
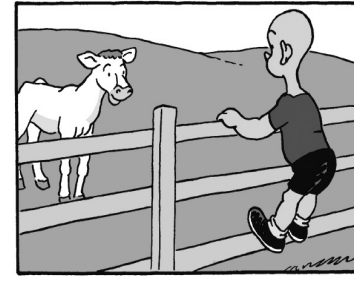
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although offers of advice might not always please the usually sure-footed Goat, good counsel is always worth considering, especially from those whose experience can be invaluable.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't rush to make up for lost time. Your productivity can be measured not only by what you do, but how you do it. Move carefully until the job is done the way you like it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Emerging facts about someone you know might cause you to rethink your relationship. But remember to make judgments in context of a full situation, not just on scraps of data.

Henry

BY DON TRACHTE

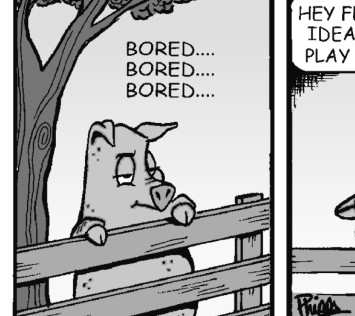


R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



Amber Waves



The Spats

