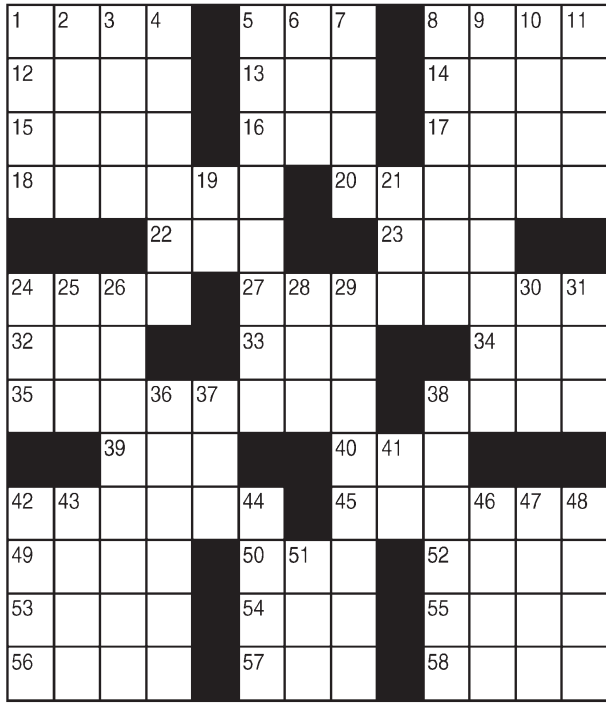


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Lily variety
- 5 Homer's outcry
- 8 Wax-coated cheese
- 12 Bivouac
- 13 Individual
- 14 Field mouse
- 15 Memo acronym
- 16 Series of battles
- 17 Actor McGregor
- 18 Fame
- 20 Easter hat
- 22 Stitch
- 23 Beast of burden
- 24 Commanded
- 27 Human-like robots
- 32 In olden days
- 33 "No seats" sign
- 34 Pizzazz
- 35 Detective
- 38 Say it isn't so
- 39 Actor Beatty
- 40 Neither mate
- 42 Falling-blocks game
- 45 Wedding-related
- 49 Ms. Brockovich
- 50 Shock and —
- 52 — colada
- 53 Unspeaking



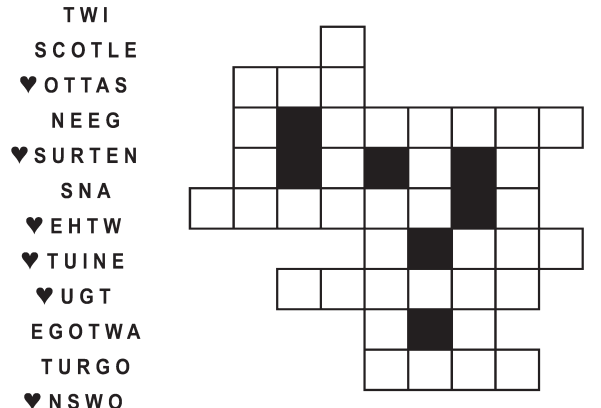
- 9 Fire some folks
- 10 Wings
- 11 Common noun suffix
- 19 1927 Lindbergh book
- 21 Rowing need
- 24 "Humbug!"
- 25 Khan title
- 26 Period of inactivity
- 28 Gun lobby org.
- 29 Pessimistic
- 30 Noise
- 31 Agent
- 36 Bit of grain
- 37 Star Wars inits.
- 38 Raining somewhat
- 41 On the other hand
- 42 Office part-timer
- 43 Great Lake
- 44 1940 Laurel & Hardy film, "— at Sea"
- 46 Tragic (Abbr.)
- 47 Unsigned
- 48 NASCAR circuits
- 51 Teensy

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FEAR & KNIGHT

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.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

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 DO YOU GET WHEN YOU CROSS A WITCH WITH AN ICEBERG?

HOARSE	SHORE	SPIDER	PRIED
CLEATS	STEAL	SPHERE	SHEER
OLDIES	SLIDE	ERASED	READS
CLEAR	CARES	CANDLE	CANED
TOURED	ROUTE	LITERS	BITES

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



REMOVE THE MAGIC MAZE

M'S TO MAKE A NEW WORD

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

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

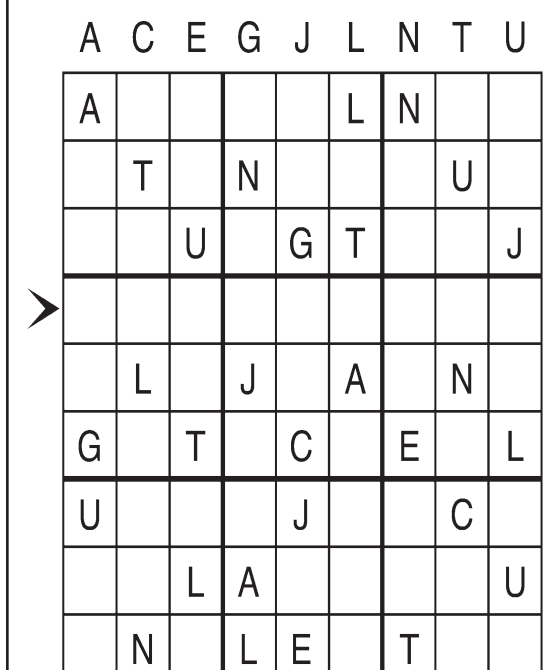
Armrest	Commerce	Palms	Summit
Camper	Dimes	Pamper	Trimmed
Champ	Gamble	Smoldering	Unmended
Chimps	Grammy	Smoothing	

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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. Flexible | — I — — — | Sawmill product | — U — — — |
| 2. Heart beat | — — L — — | Handbag | — — R — — |
| 3. Coarse | — — — H — | Face coloring | — — — E — |
| 4. English nobleman | — — R — — | Breakfast meat | — — C — — |
| 5. Use a spray bottle | — — — T — | Wiggle like a worm | — — — M — |
| 6. Ladle | — — P — — | Infant's wrap | — — A — — |
| 7. Poe's bird | — — — N — | "Bolero" composer | — — — L — |
| 8. Pursue | C — — — | Stage | P — — — |
| 9. Page border | — — — G — | Hemingway's fish | — — — L — |
| 10. Silent | — — — E — | Bed covering | — — — L — |

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Caution dominates the Sheep's monetary aspect this week. Rams and Ewes might want to shear their big spending plans until a more favorable financial picture begins to emerge by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Thrift counts both at home and at work. So you might want to rethink major purchases or investments. Also, be wary of a so-called revelation about a previous decision.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Both household budgets and workplace accounts might benefit from some judicious trimming of unnecessary expenses. A partnership could lead to an unexpected challenge.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A previously overlooked opportunity could re-emerge with a new travel-related matter. Check this out carefully to see if it's what you really want before you decide one way or another.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This could be the start of a new career-changing phase, so start marking down your many accomplishments for those who need to know how much you have to offer. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's not too early for the sometimes procrastinating Virgo to start making those long-distance travel plans. The sooner you decide where to go, when to go and how to go, the better.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Financial matters once again figure in any major action you might take regarding career, travel or other endeavors. You'll want a ready reserve to help you back up those moves.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Trying to resolve a problem in a personal relationship could be more difficult than you'd expect. Look into the possibility that someone might be interfering for his or her own reasons.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A project you once rejected might be more attractive because of changes that you feel you can now work with. The weekend is especially favorable to family matters.

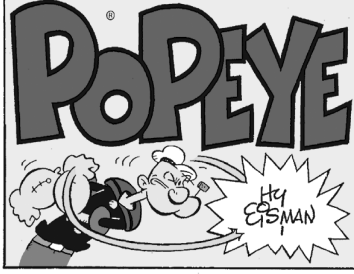
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good week for the gregarious Goat to enjoy being with people you care for. You might even want to show off those creative kitchen skills you're so adept at.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A colleague might think your attitude is patronizing or even outright insulting. True. That might be his or her problem. But you might want to take some reassuring steps anyway.

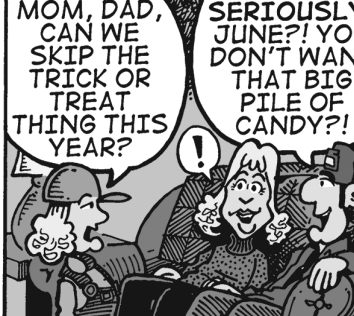
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's a good time to jettison those old concepts about a family matter you might have been holding on to. This will help make room for a new and more enlightened way of dealing with it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You like to analyze a puzzling situation before you try to resolve it. This makes you excel at getting things done the right way.

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R.F.D.



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Amber Waves



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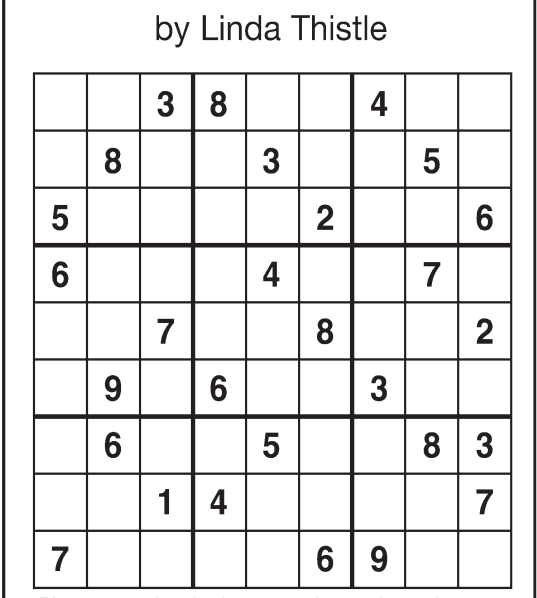
The Spats



by Jeff Pickering



Weekly SUDOKU



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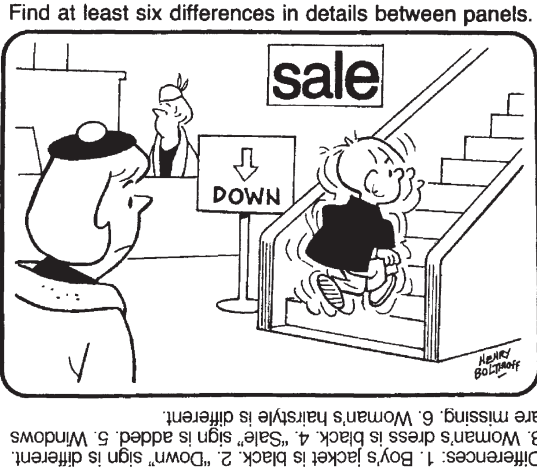
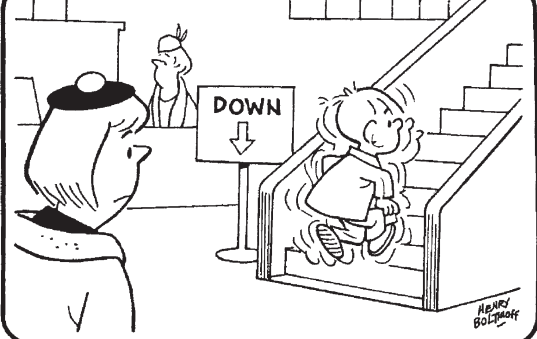
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
 ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Differences: 1. Boy's jacket is black. 2. "Down" sign is different. 3. Woman's dress is black. 4. "Sale" sign is added. 5. Windows are missing. 6. Woman's hairstyle is different.