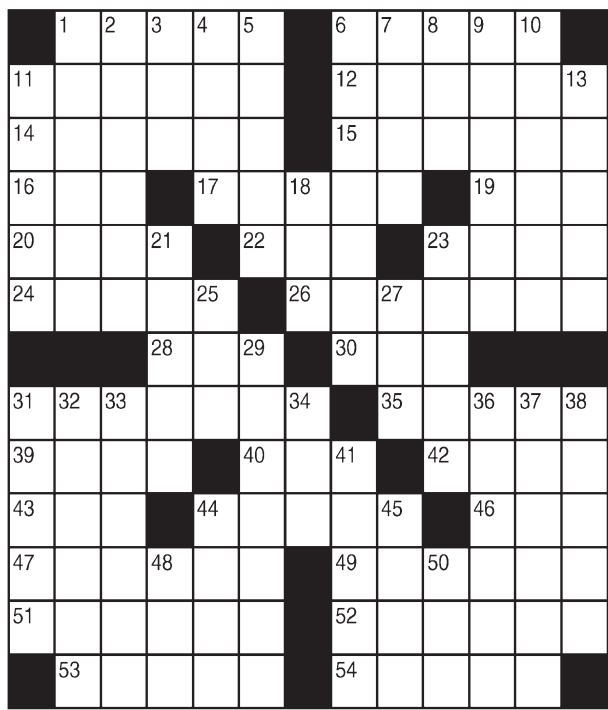


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Lehar's "Merry" one
- 6 "Nonsense!"
- 11 In one's dotage
- 12 Keyless
- 14 Squirm
- 15 Multitask, maybe
- 16 Before
- 17 Clio nominee, maybe
- 19 Antiquated
- 20 Dutch export
- 22 Customizable computer character
- 23 Diver Louganis
- 24 Doughnut, geometrically
- 26 Tell the tale
- 28 Scale member
- 30 Witness
- 31 Curve cutter
- 35 Diamond corners
- 39 Photog's choice
- 40 Fish eggs
- 42 Tick follower
- 43 Singer DiFranco
- 44 "Ivanhoe" author
- 46 "— on parole francais"
- 47 Word-finding



- game
- 49 Seek a bargain
- 51 Ape
- 52 Kitchen gadget
- 53 Having great scope
- 54 Monica of tennis
- 6 Sleepwear
- 7 Dazzle
- 8 Use unduly
- 9 Wool variety
- 10 Billfold
- 11 Saccharine
- 13 Sill
- 18 Hr. fraction
- 21 Indispensables
- 23 Wonderful
- 25 "Mayday!"
- 27 Civil War soldier
- 29 Theft
- 31 Dieters' targets
- 32 Film director
- whose father was a painter
- 33 Baffler
- 34 Wine and dine, maybe
- 36 Elegantly maintained
- 37 Bk. after Prov.
- 38 Vacationer at Vail, probably
- 41 Group character
- 44 Metal refuse
- 45 Recording
- 48 Martini ingredient
- 50 Solidify

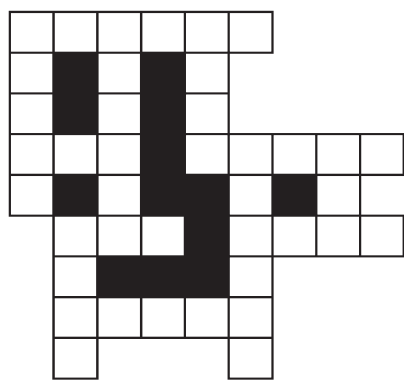
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FEAR & KNIGHT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

- LIA
- HOFISIA
- FENIK
- LFKO
- NELFAX
- ♥NEO
- NOAX
- UXSEN
- XFI
- TANKFA
- LANDO
- KONI



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.

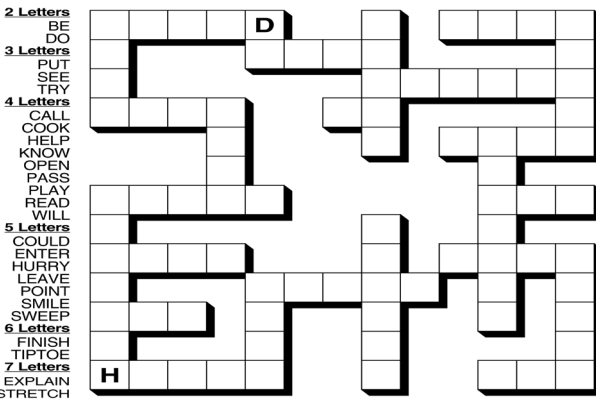
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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS - 25 VERBS

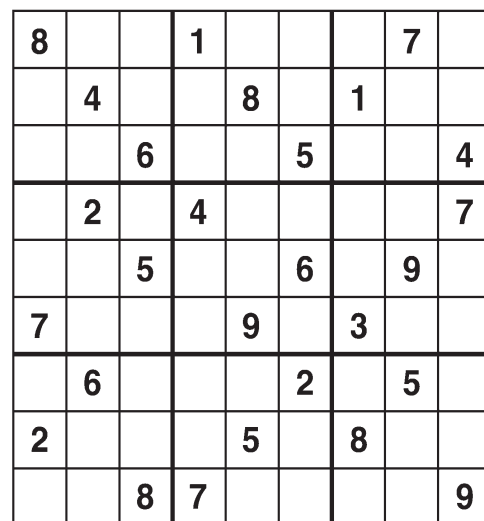
Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.



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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.

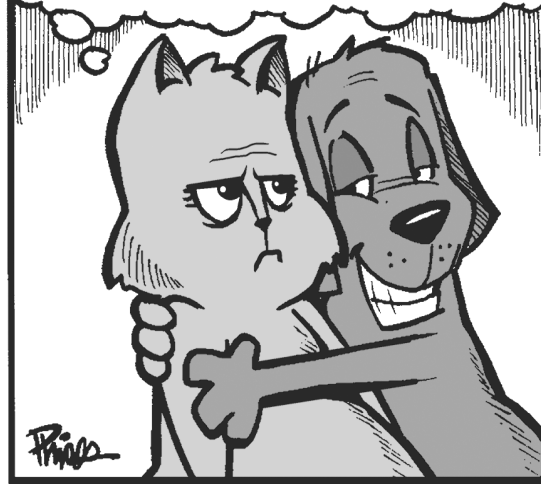


Differences: 1. Eyeglasses are missing. 2. Man's collar is different. 3. House has been added. 4. Fence is missing. 5. Rake is missing. 6. Bricks have been added.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

MADE ME DINNER, BOUGHT ME FLOWERS. HE'S IN SO MUCH TROUBLE... I JUST HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT EXACTLY WHY.



MAGIC MAZE • RETREAT

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

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

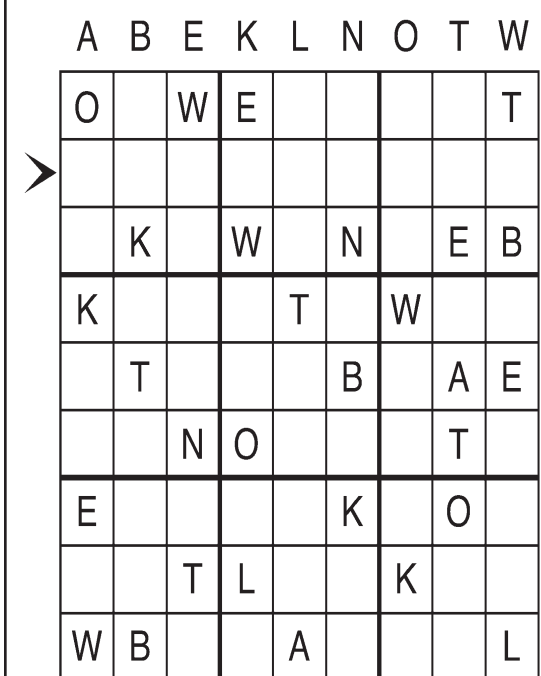
- About-face
- Back up
- Backward
- Fall back
- Go back
- Recoil
- Regress
- Retrace
- Retract
- Run away
- Set back
- Turnabout
- U-turn
- Undo
- Withdraw

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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. Pile of pancakes | — T — — — | Crude hut | — H — — — |
| 2. Ramble aimlessly | — A — — — | Astonishment | — O — — — |
| 3. Playful mammal | O — — — | Speak out | U — — — |
| 4. Pirate's board | — — — K | Sow seeds | — — — T |
| 5. Small river | — — — M | Flash of lightning | — — — K |
| 6. Wanted sign | — S — — — | Boy wizard | — T — — — |
| 7. Expedition guide | — C — — — | Yell | — H — — — |
| 8. Flipper's interest | — — — T — | In actual fact | — — — L — |
| 9. Not wrong | R — — — | Like too small shoes | T — — — |
| 10. Feel | — — — C | Rugged | — — — G |

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A rejection of your attempt to be friendly leaves you with two choices: Try again, or give up. If you want to make another effort, go slowly. Let things develop without pressure.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It could be a problem dealing with unfamiliar people who do things differently from what you're used to. But rely on that strong sense of purpose to get you through this difficult period.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) To avoid neglecting a personal matter because of a demanding new workplace schedule, start prioritizing immediately. Knowing how to apportion your time takes a little while to set up.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It won't be easy to avoid some of the pressures that come with change. Best advice: Take things a step at a time, and you'll be less likely to trip up while things are in a chaotic state.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A much-talked-about workplace change could be coming soon. Be sure to get all the details involved in the process, and once you have them, you can decide how you want to deal with it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might still believe that your trust was betrayed, although the facts would appear to prove the opposite. But by the week's end you should learn something that will help set the record straight.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Holiday plans could be a challenge because of shifting circumstances. But a more settled period starts by midweek, allowing you to firm up your plan-making once and for all.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The facts continue to be on your side. So make use of them in dealing with any challenge to your stated position. Also, open your mind to the offer of help from an unlikely source.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) There could still be a communication problem holding up the resolution of a troublesome situation. Stay with it, and eventually your message will get through and be understood.

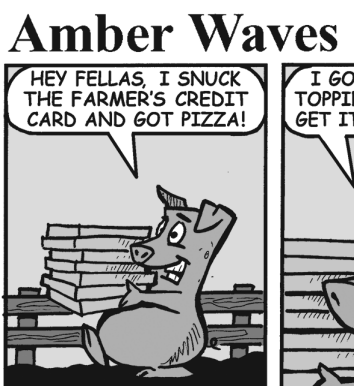
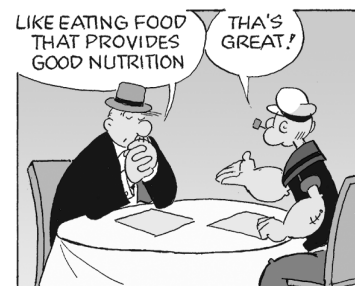
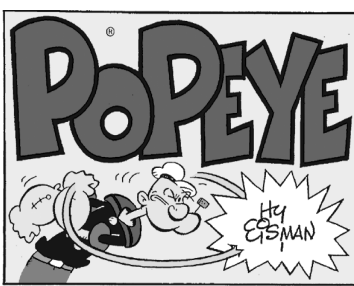
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A possible change in your workplace schedule might create a chaotic situation for a while. But once things begin to settle down, you might find that this could work to your advantage.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A recent job-linked decision might need to be reassessed because of the possibility of finding benefits you might have overlooked. Check out all related data to help in the search.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A personal situation you agreed to might not be as acceptable to the other person involved in the matter. Avoid pressuring and bullying. Instead, seek common ground by talking things through.

BOURN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for touching people's minds as well as their hearts. You would make an outstanding educator.

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by Jeff Pickering