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# ...FROM THE EDITOR

**W**elcome to the June issue of GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES. Before we celebrate the start of summer, though, let's rewind for a moment to early spring and an important event in the puzzle world. The 41st annual American Crossword Puzzle Tournament took place in Stamford, Connecticut, on March 23–25. This year's tournament featured a jaw-dropping "A" division victory by 24-year-old Erik Agard, a first-time winner. He bested seven-time champion Dan Feyer in a record-breaking time of 4 minutes, 58 seconds for the final puzzle.

Agard, of Gaithersburg, Maryland, had never even reached the "A" division final before. But this year he was in top form as he donned noise-canceling headphones and steadily filled in the final puzzle, finishing more than three full minutes ahead of Feyer, a musician from San Francisco, California. Feyer's time was 8 minutes, 8 seconds. In third place was David Plotkin of Gainesville, Florida.

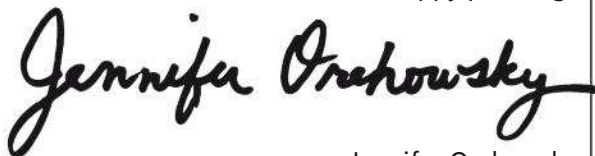
All in all, it was another good year for the ACPT. As always, both casual and competitive cruciverbalists came together to celebrate crossword puzzles. Old friends were reunited and new bonds were forged. Attendance was strong, with more than 670 contestants. What's more, this year's tournament will be featured on an episode of HBO's *Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel*. Not bad for an event fondly known as the "Nerd Olympics"!

Back to this issue, we have a treat this month for escape room enthusiasts. In Andrew Parr's "Escape the Panic Room," which starts on page 34, you'll need to use your wits and resourcefulness to solve puzzles that will help you find the correct key to escape. Choose carefully: If you pick the wrong key, the door will lock permanently!

And that's not all. On page 38 you'll find Raymond Simon's "Viewer Discretion: A TV Trivia Quiz." Test your knowledge of popular shows old and new, but don't worry if you don't have cable or Netflix: This quiz sticks to major network fare. If you prefer movies over TV, turn to page 44 and check out Jack Lechner's "Movie Geography" contest. Maybe you'll be inspired to submit an entry!

As always, our Pencilwise section features a blend of new puzzles and old favorites. Of this issue's debuts, two of our favorites are Ryan Langewisch's "Topic Tangle" on page 29 and Grant Fikes' "Snake Crisscross" on page 30. Give them a try—we think you'll enjoy them too.

Happy puzzling!



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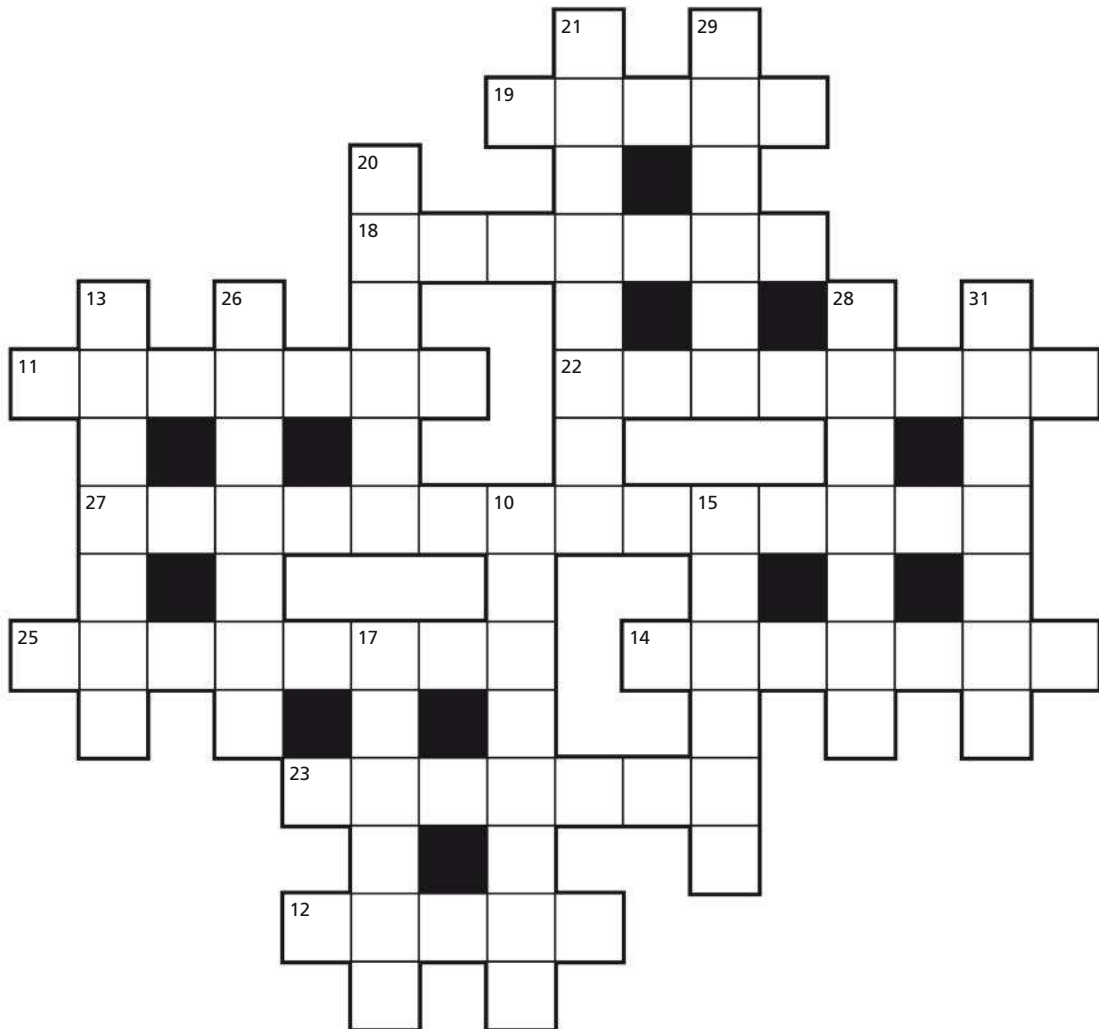


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Each answer word in this crossword variation has two clues leading to it, using different meanings of the word. The clues are separated into Across and Down, but are otherwise ordered randomly.

When you find two Across clues or two Down clues that seem to have the same answer, add up their clue numbers to determine the place in the grid where the answer should be entered. For example, if the clue for 1-Across were "Metallic element" and the clue for 17-Across read "Starring role," the answer would be "lead," which would go in the box labeled 18 (1 + 17). Note: Tags such as "Hyph." and "2 wds." have been omitted.

ANSWER, PAGE 70



## ACROSS

- 1 Leader of a famous sleigh team
- 2 Place to sit at a diner
- 3 Sprinting
- 4 Nose, colloquially
- 5 Amount taken off the regular price
- 6 Part of a wall under the roof line
- 7 FDR's upstate New York birthplace
- 8 Stuck-up person
- 9 Laying down one's hand
- 10 Actress Maya
- 11 1970s sitcom about Roger, "Rerun," Dwayne, and Dee
- 12 Respond with an alternate offer
- 13 Leigh's *Gone With the Wind* costar

- 14 Like some portable tables and chairs
- 15 Rather handsome
- 16 "Anything going on?"
- 17 Reject due to lack of credibility
- 18 Outdoor London site of the 2005 Live 8 concert

## DOWN

- 1 Plenty
- 2 Models' paths
- 3 Gets a pet from the shelter
- 4 Requested
- 5 Way past one's prime
- 6 Had coming, as a consequence
- 7 More or less
- 8 *Star Trek* ship commanded by Captain Janeway
- 9 Some window coverings
- 10 In the general vicinity
- 11 They're numbered at airports
- 12 Caught on a nail, perhaps
- 13 Some legislative proposals
- 14 "I've had it!"
- 15 Gestures
- 16 Arrived on shore because of the tides
- 17 Begins to follow, as a new rule
- 18 Either of two space probes sent to the outer solar system
- 19 Grabbed
- 20 Automatic bets, in poker

There is one place for each letter of the alphabet in the 26 empty squares of each blank column in the diagram below. Fill in each letter so that a word of at least five letters is formed reading across only. Not all of the letters to the left and right of the empty box are used; it's up to you to determine which ones are needed to complete familiar words. Some letters may fit in more than one of the empty squares to complete words, but we only came up with one arrangement that would complete a word in each row. Maybe you'll find a better solution. Proper names are not allowed.

ANSWER, PAGE 70

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

In this crossword puzzle, the clues appear in the grid itself. Enter the answers in the direction of the pointers. **ANSWER, PAGE 70**

Long luxury cars	It's given if there's no proof	Really enjoyed	Spam sender's resource	↙	Attack like a wasp	Move like a bunny	Dossier Tell a big fib	↘	Kittens' cries	Mined metal	In the habit of	Moses' mount	↘	Not at all famous	Strong java	Speaks to snipply
↙	↘	↘	↘			↘			↘	↘	↘			↘	↘	↘
Prefix meaning "half"					OPEC ships							Rocket launch org.				
Former governor Bayh					Pint-size							Rock concert boosters				
Tan shade						Top at a souvenir shop	Farthest point in an orbit	Wheat or cotton to sell, e.g.		Agents removing moisture						
Right-angled annex				Release, as from jail	Tic- <u>  </u> -toe board				Ticker in a taxi	"Count" of jazz		Chirping sound	Chi-Raq director Spike			
Tony-winning Carter					Mass e-junk sender								Twisty letter			
Emmy-winning Falco					Daniel-Joel link, biblically						Wimpy sort		Perturb			Furniture wood sources
Many street melees											__ salts (bath supply)					
Making a pastime of					Accepts									"It's nothing, really"	Somber-role actress	
Give a leg up		Part of a wind quintet	Easy piece of work		__ Haute, Indiana						First extra inning					
↙		↘	↘		Cooks in a wok, e.g.	Not just short-term	Person named to an office		Quick, active quality	Alternative to Speedo	Hard, opaque ceramics	Bullfight bull __ Diego				
Dept. of Justice div.				Guitar-playing style									Gift label			
Splash costar Hanks				Apex				Turnip relative								
Cool, to a 1940s cat				Behind bars									Actor Affleck			
Razor's sharp part		Slowly, in music						ID on an IRS form				Neat	Comic Seth			
↙		↘		More playful, as a cat									"Scat!"			
Muffin fiber source								Revised regime								
↙				As good as secured									Denver-Chicago dir.			
Hawaiian dance								Certain					Ending for hex- or prop-			
Blockade																
Shaming cluck				Guys sowing									French for "the"			

# SYLLABISM

The answer to each Syllabism clue is a word or words made up of some of the syllables listed above the clues. The number of syllables in each answer is in parentheses following the clue. The dashes indicate the number of letters in the answer. After you use a syllable, cross it off; each syllable will be used only once and every syllable will be used in one of the answers. When you are through, read down the first letters of the answer words and then the last letters and you will discover the name of a person followed by a quotation by that person.

ANSWERS, PAGE 80

A	A	A	<del>AG</del>	AN	ATE	BI	BOD	CLUB
COV	CUS	DUCE	E	EARTH	ED	EM	<del>ER</del>	ER
ERT	EVE	FLA	GRATE	HAT	HO	HU	I	I
I	ING	LECT	LIT	LOU	LOW	LYM	MA	MA
<del>MAN</del>	MAR	NA	NER	NER	NEU	NI	NOY	O
O	O	OM	PIC	PID	RA	RE	RY	SATCH
SHAL	SI	SI	TI	TRAL	TY	VAR	VOR	VOUS
			WA		Y			

**M A N A G E R**

1. Person in charge (3) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Bothersome (3) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Able to read and write (3) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Like some CIA operations (2) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Washington's \_\_\_\_ National Park (3) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Baton Rouge's state (5) \_\_\_\_\_
7. Seattle ballplayer (3) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Vanilla or chocolate, e.g. (2) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Bygone Dodge model (2) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Lessen (2) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Tooth with two points (3) \_\_\_\_\_
12. Entertainer Kitt (2) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Not deep (2) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Honorific for Gandhi (3) \_\_\_\_\_
15. One and all (4) \_\_\_\_\_
16. Suffering from stage fright (2) \_\_\_\_\_
17. Utah mountain range (2) \_\_\_\_\_
18. Captain Hornblower (4) \_\_\_\_\_
19. Diamond Head locale (3) \_\_\_\_\_
20. Not taking sides (2) \_\_\_\_\_
21. Voted into office (3) \_\_\_\_\_
22. Campus organization: 2 wds. (4) \_\_\_\_\_
23. Leave one's homeland (3) \_\_\_\_\_



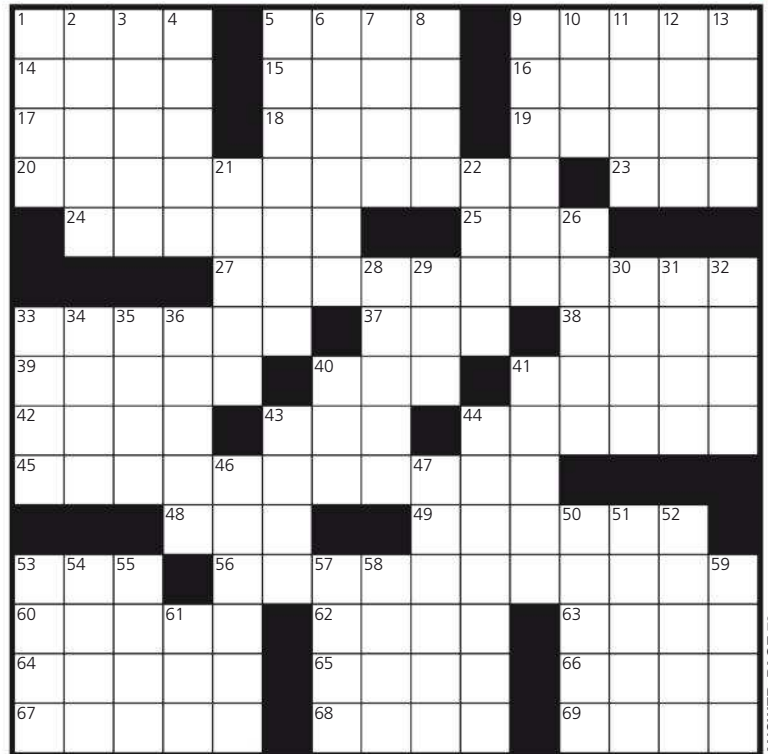
**ACROSS**

- 1 Nick and Nora's faithful pet
- 5 Greek god of love
- 9 Aerosmith singer Steven
- 14 Werewolf's cry
- 15 Come up, as the sun
- 16 Throw with effort
- 17 Came down to earth
- 18 Stare at rudely
- 19 Painter's prop
- 20 Comfy undies for men: 2 wds.
- 23 Attempt
- 24 Narrow waterway
- 25 \_\_\_ *Girl Friday*
- 27 1950s fashion item: 2 wds.
- 33 *Cat on a \_\_\_ Roof*: 2 wds.
- 37 Kick in a mai tai
- 38 Opera highlight
- 39 Felt sore
- 40 Bender
- 41 Molecule components
- 42 Odin's son
- 43 Sprint
- 44 Play parts
- 45 Checkered, as fabric: Hyph
- 48 Took a load off
- 49 Abbey adjunct
- 53 Chicago trains
- 56 Some casual shoes: 2 wds.

- 60 After-shower need
- 62 Lumber
- 63 \_\_\_ mater
- 64 Crime suspect's story
- 65 Church part
- 66 Onion kin
- 67 Brazilian ballroom number
- 68 Rind
- 69 "Auld Lang \_\_\_"

**DOWN**

- 1 Melville's sea captain
- 2 Flies alone
- 3 Between, in olden days
- 4 Change
- 5 Beachfront property owner's concern
- 6 Brit's "okay"
- 7 Norway's capital
- 8 Crystal ball employer
- 9 Master's degree requirement
- 10 Affirmative vote
- 11 Behind everyone
- 12 Penultimate fairy-tale word
- 13 Depend (on)
- 21 Swift
- 22 Those folks
- 26 Use the rink



- 28 Liquid-Plumr competitor
- 29 Big ol' oaf
- 30 Object in Tiger's bag
- 31 *The \_\_\_ of the Ancient Mariner*
- 32 Russian news agency
- 33 "What \_\_\_ God wrought!"
- 34 Eight: Sp.
- 35 G-note
- 36 Seabirds
- 40 Stick (out)
- 41 Have \_\_\_ on one's shoulder: 2 wds.
- 43 Post-Q queue
- 44 Fruit-filled German pastry
- 46 Showy flower
- 47 Go against
- 50 Iridescent gems
- 51 Miami Heat president Pat
- 52 Arab League country
- 53 Greek vowels
- 54 Singer Falana
- 55 Crawl in a pool
- 57 Trade
- 58 Have aspirations
- 59 Japanese rice wine
- 61 Flow out, as the tide

This puzzle should elicit a number of sighs from you—14 of them, to be exact. That's because the answer to each clue is a word beginning with the sound SIGH. For example, the clue "Quiet state" would lead to the answer SILENCE, while "Coded message" would be CIPHER. If you have trouble sizing any of these up, you'll find the answers on page 70.

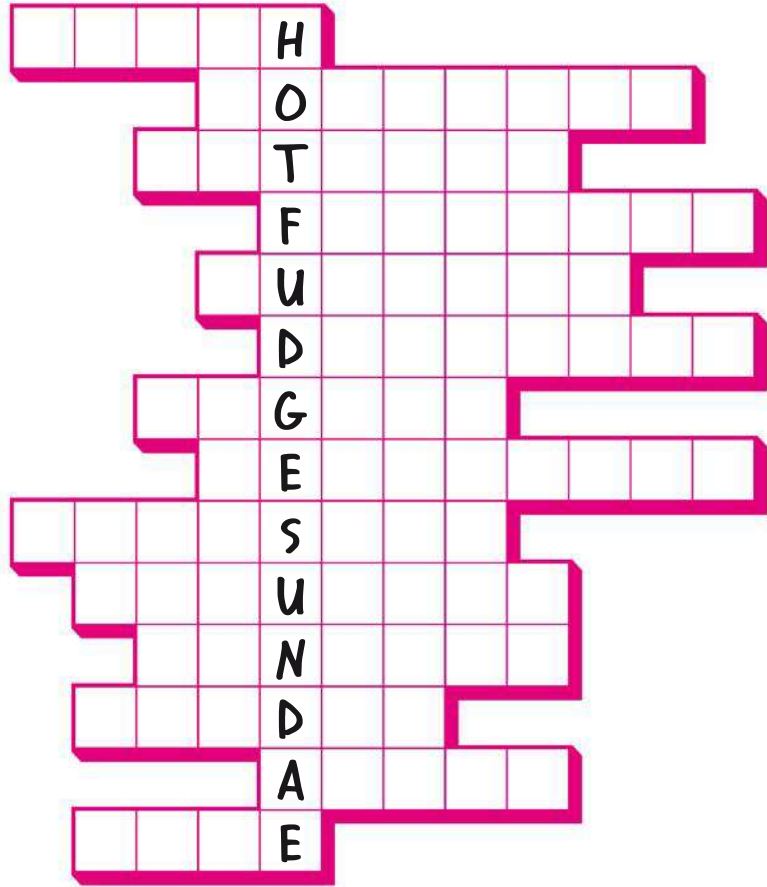
- 1. Police car noisemaker \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Ho Chi Minh City, formerly \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Playwright Neil \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Tornado-like storm \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Apple drink \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. 1960 Hitchcock thriller \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Thailand's old name \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. 1948 Triple Crown winner \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Exile site in Russia \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Chemist or physicist, e.g. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Mideast peninsula \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Mythical one-eyed monster \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Agatha Christie poison \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Grass-cutting tool \_\_\_\_\_

## HOT FUDGE SUNDAE

Hot fudge sundaes can be enjoyed at any time of the year! Each month and day of the week below fits into one of the lines at right. Match each word to its proper space to have dessert all year long.

ANSWER, PAGE 71

APRIL  
AUGUST  
DECEMBER  
FEBRUARY  
JANUARY  
JUNE  
MARCH  
MONDAY  
NOVEMBER  
OCTOBER  
SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER  
THURSDAY  
TUESDAY



## CROSS MATH

Place the nine numbers below in the empty squares of the grid at right to form correct arithmetic equations in all three rows and all three columns. Each of the nine numbers must be used exactly once.

ANSWER, PAGE 71

1 2 3  
3 4 6 9  
7 8

	÷		=	
-		×		+
	÷		=	
=		=		=
	+		=	

**F IS FOR FARM**

How many things that begin with the letter F can you find in this farm scene? Finding at least 20 is fair, 30 is fine, and 40 or more is fantastic.

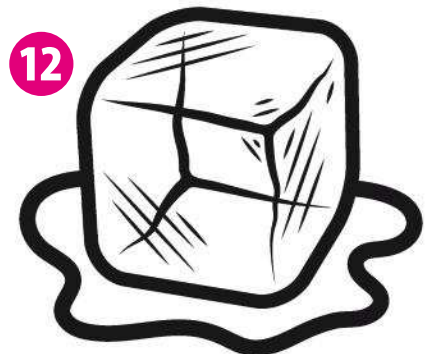
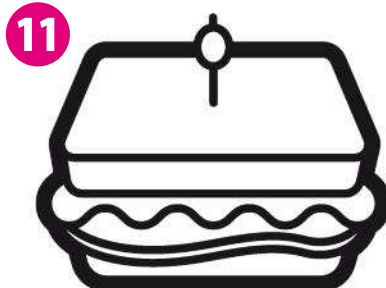
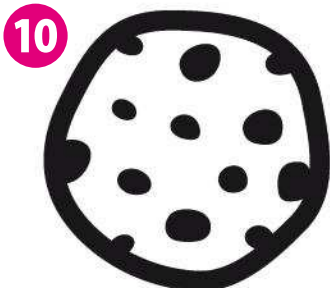
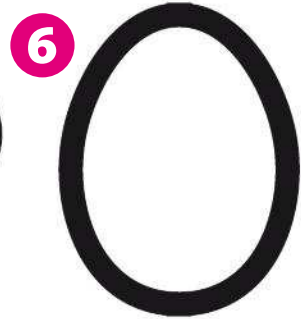
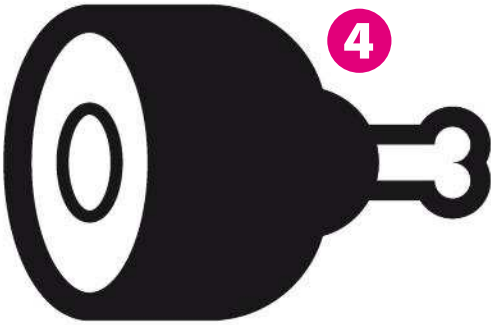
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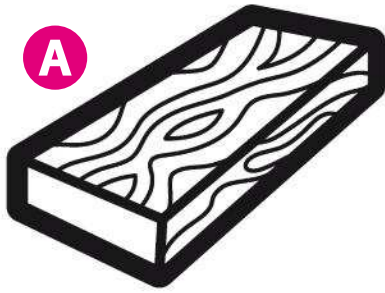


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Choose a food item from this page and match it with a non-food item on page 11 to form a familiar compound word or phrase. For example, you might match a picture of a squash with a picture of a racquet to form the phrase SQUASH RACQUET. Note that all answers are not feasibly edible, and homophones are fair play.

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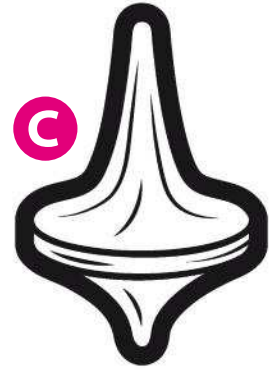




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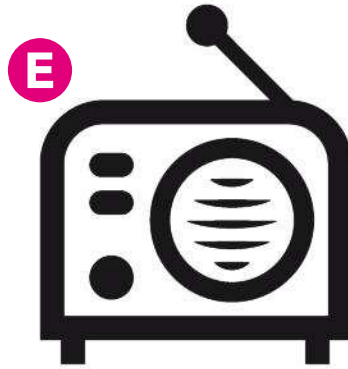
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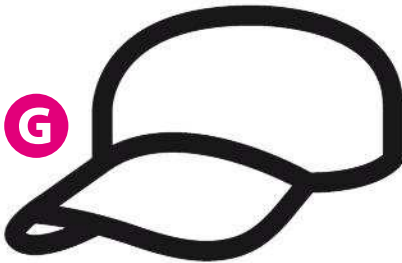
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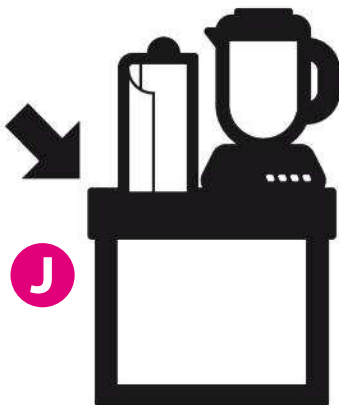
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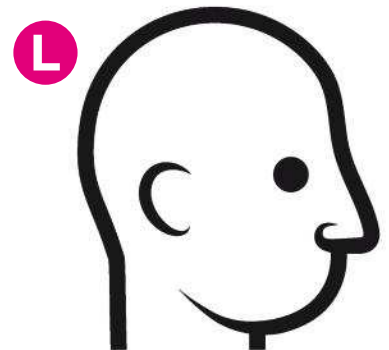
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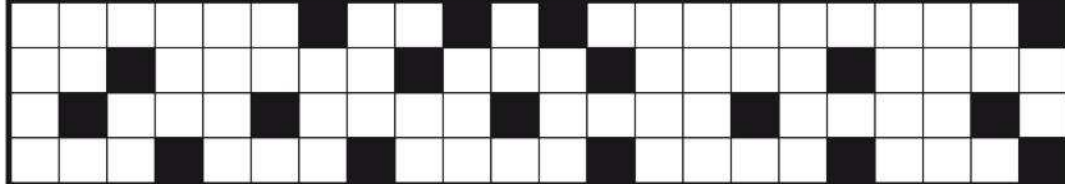


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To solve Quote Boxes, drop the letters from each vertical column—not necessarily in the order in which they appear—into the empty squares below them to spell a quotation reading from left to right, line by line. Words may continue from one line to the next; black squares indicate ends of words. The author of each quote is given above its grid. ANSWERS, PAGE 70

### 1. FRANCIS BACON

A	K	Y	W	H	E	U	H	L	E	H	W	I	V	H	R	W	I	W	A	S	M
N	A	E	O	U	O	M	O	S	T	A	E	L	A	O	Y	R	I	H	L	H	T
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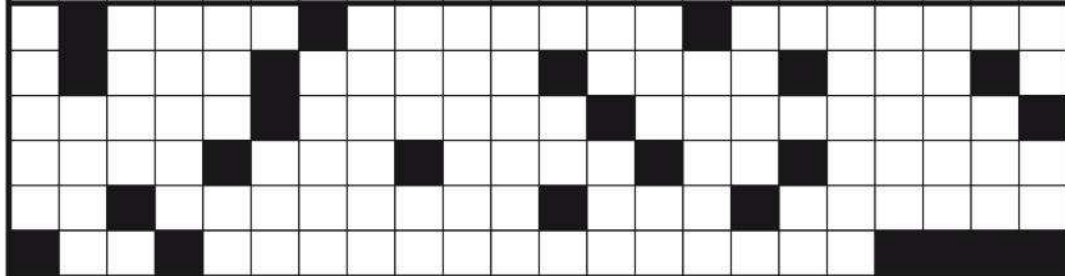
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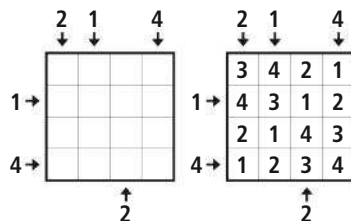
### 3. DIANE ACKERMAN

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A	D	A	N	M	E	A	R	O	O	S	R	I	N	A	N	L	O	I	T	E	H
S	Y	T	N	E	M	N	O	R	M	A	R	D	S	D	T	M	I	T	T	O	N
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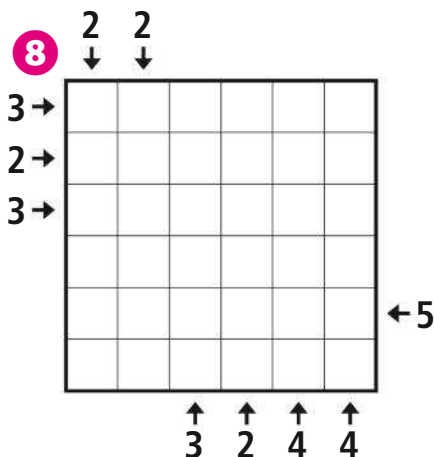
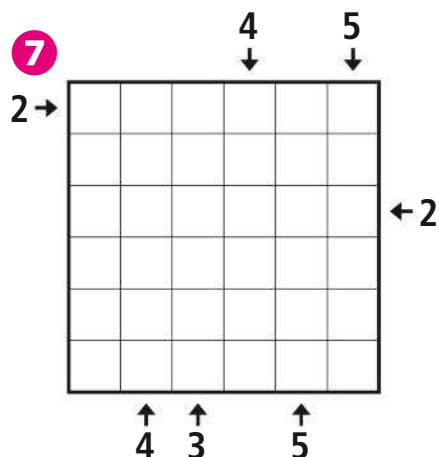
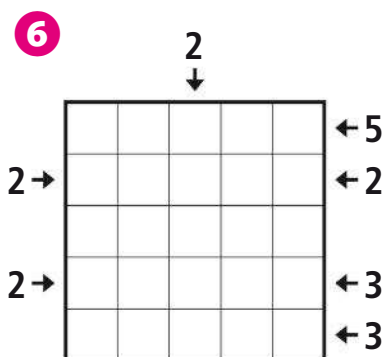
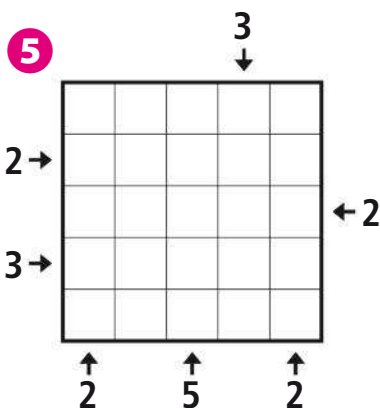
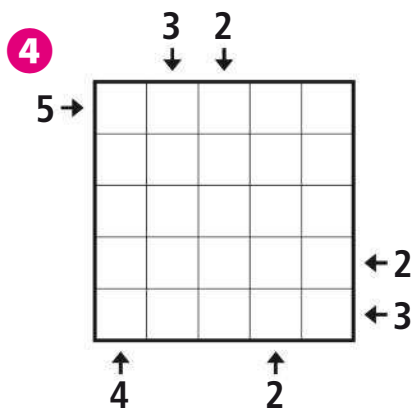
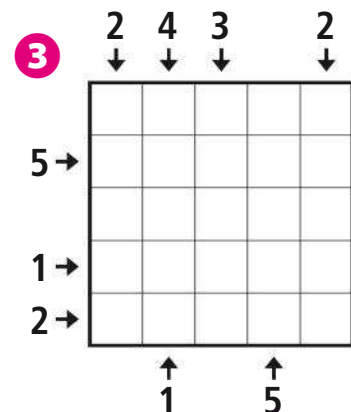
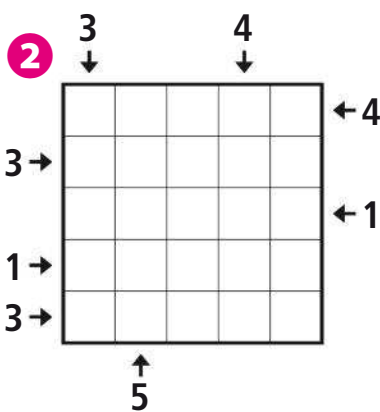
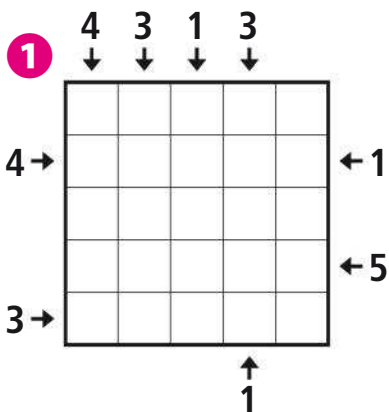


Each puzzle below consists of an 5x5 (6x6 in later puzzles) grid with some numerical clues along its sides. The object is to place a skyscraper in each square, with a height between 1 and 5 (or 6 in puzzles 7 and 8), so that no two skyscrapers in a row or column have the same number of floors. In addition, the number of visible skyscrapers, as viewed from the direction of each clue, is equal to the value of the clue. Note that higher skyscrapers block the view of lower skyscrapers located behind them. The puzzles start out easy and get progressively harder. An example of a solved puzzle is shown at right.

EXAMPLE:



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# B-E-G-I-N AT THE END

BY RAYMOND YOUNG

Why not have dessert first and get our paycheck before we start the workweek? All of the words and phrases listed below end with B, E, G, I, or N. Fit them into the grid so that they interlock in standard crossword style. When the puzzle is solved correctly, each word or phrase will be used exactly once.

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## 5 LETTERS

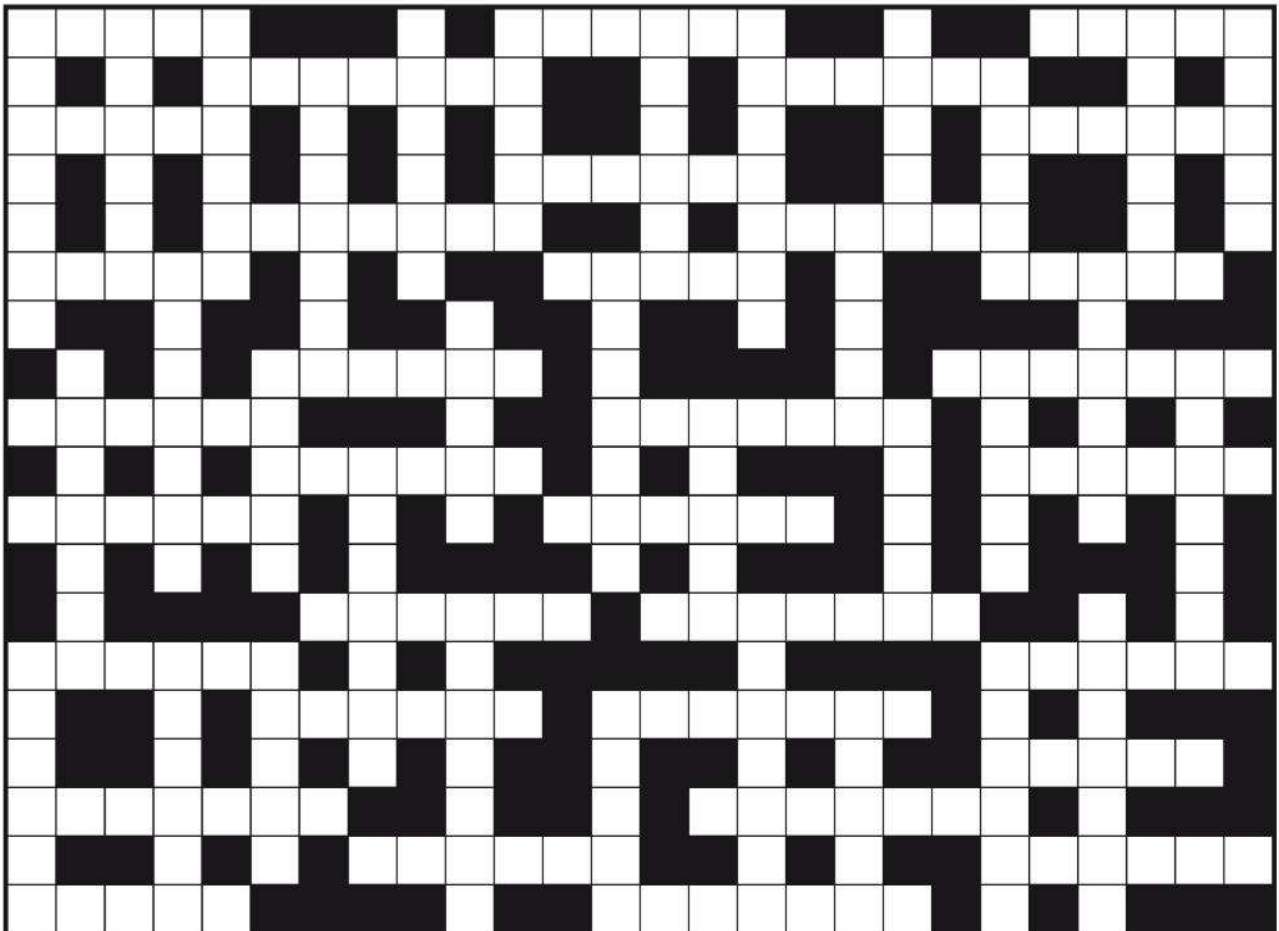
ACERB	BAMBI	DIRGE	GRAIN	INGLE	QUASI	SAHIB
AGAZE	BARGE	E. COLI	HOGAN	LUIGI	R AND B	SHERI
ALEXI	BOURG	EX-FBI	ICAHN	OLAV I	REIGN	ZELIG

## 6 LETTERS

ABSORB	AUSSIE	DNA LAB	GAS LOG	NO PROB	RESORB	WAXING
AIRBAG	BABOON	DOZING	GLUING	OH DANG	SKIBOB	ZOUAVE
ANALOG	BBQ RUB	ÉMIGRÉ	HAWAII	OLD BAG	SMIDGE	
APLOMB	DIALOG	FIZGIG	HONING	RED TAG	SQUARE	

## 7 LETTERS

AIR PLUG	BEAR CUB	LEFT JAB	OUTCOME	TILLAGE
AMIABLE	EDGED IN	MIXED IN	RELAPSE	TORTONI
ART SONG	FIRE JOB	NET GAIN	SECLUDE	VIVALDI
BACARDI	JAZZMAN	OBERLIN	STROPHE	X-RATING





Here's a puzzle for your a-mu-ment. All of the words and phrases listed below contain the consecutive letters MU. Find them all in the grid shaped like the Greek letter mu, where each MU is represented by a μ. Words are hidden horizontally, vertically, and diagonally, always in a straight line.

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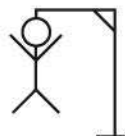
E	C	A	μ	S		E	R	μ	E	D				
T	S	A	R	C		T	E	L	μ	A				
T	D	μ	D	μ		D	O	E	L	D				
E	E	L	E	D		I	μ	T	A	D				
F	G	B	R	B		O	C	A	T	N				
R	I	E	E	A		R	H	S	O	A				
μ	L	R	D	T		μ	I	U	R	M				
S	B	R	μ	H		E	N	O	S	μ				
W	O	Y	D	P		L	D	L	μ	O				
T	H	B	G	E		S	E	μ	E	N				
E	C	U	μ	L	I	N	μ	M	E	N	μ	I	O	
A	μ	S	E	M	E	N	T	P	A	R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

- |                |                |               |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| AMUCK          | FEMURS         | MULBERRY BUSH |
| AMULET         | FIRM UP        | MULETA        |
| AMUSEMENT PARK | FORMULA        | MUM AND DAD   |
| BEMUSE         | INK SMUDGE     | MURDERED      |
| CAMUS          | JAM UP         | MUSTN'T I?    |
| COFFEE MUG     | LEMUROID       | MUTER         |
| CUMULI         | MUCH IN DEMAND | RIO MUNI      |
| DEMURE         | MUCH OBLIGED   | SAMUEL        |
| EARMUFF        | MUDBATH        | SMURFETTE     |
| EAT 'EM UP     | MUDHEAP        | TEAM USA      |
| EDMUND II      | MUFFLE         | TREMULOUS     |
| EMULATORS      |                | TUMULT        |

# SOLITAIRE HANGMAN

As in the two-player version of Hangman, the object of this solitaire challenge is to guess a word before being "hanged." To begin, choose any letter that you think might appear in word I below. Suppose you pick E. Go to the Letter Chart on the facing page and find the number listed in row E of Column I (because you are working on word I). The number is 47; you now look in box number 47 in the Position Chart (to the right of the Letter Chart) and locate the number 7. This means the letter E occurs in the seventh position (and nowhere else) in word I. If a letter occurs more than once in a word, the Position Chart will show all its locations.

If you find from the Position Chart that a letter appears in position 0, then that letter does not appear in the word. As a penalty for an incorrect guess, you must draw part of a stick figure below the scaffold beside the blanks. On your first incorrect guess, draw the head; on the second, the body; and on the next four, the arms and legs. If you complete the figure (that is, make six incorrect guesses) before identifying the word, you are "hanged."

















If you can identify 8 of the 12 words before being hanged, either you're psychic or you have a remarkable gift for words.

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## WORDS TO BE GUESSED

I.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
II.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
III.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
IV.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
V.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
VI.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
VII.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
VIII.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
IX.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
X.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
XI.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
XII.	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		

## LETTERS MISSED

	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>
	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>
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LETTER CHART

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	
A	53	39	39	97	62	41	2	74	61	15	68	7	A
B	26	13	79	11	21	45	64	73	58	61	90	5	B
C	17	44	71	30	58	64	39	26	32	28	32	67	C
D	29	93	54	22	5	93	25	13	14	48	39	45	D
E	47	4	50	21	93	52	61	94	56	41	49	46	E
F	37	61	37	7	7	29	34	81	16	77	29	64	F
G	21	9	13	73	53	76	11	83	18	59	2	39	G
H	93	59	83	55	59	16	45	95	22	60	51	43	H
I	46	65	40	19	79	92	91	59	45	6	54	69	I
J	51	21	26	59	6	83	6	32	93	37	84	73	J
K	2	100	73	46	48	75	59	60	77	5	46	51	K
L	7	32	45	49	71	9	36	51	20	43	93	8	L
M	22	16	34	85	34	23	29	5	7	9	75	78	M
N	60	87	98	75	3	35	86	21	26	18	48	54	N
O	24	46	48	26	80	78	16	11	88	22	13	16	O
P	13	29	29	60	67	21	22	53	6	7	9	48	P
Q	16	45	61	58	9	39	53	9	39	32	37	85	Q
R	89	6	64	5	16	22	77	99	55	10	58	21	R
S	11	7	77	34	77	2	60	96	51	16	72	66	S
T	78	1	49	61	54	54	37	12	70	45	42	13	T
U	54	53	25	37	11	43	83	54	46	30	31	20	U
V	77	58	32	51	13	46	5	78	13	57	83	93	V
W	63	48	51	38	46	73	27	33	29	53	60	77	W
X	83	5	78	32	78	13	93	75	73	21	61	59	X
Y	75	51	53	6	73	58	48	37	82	26	53	11	Y
Z	64	60	9	54	26	7	75	64	78	58	11	26	Z

POSITION CHART

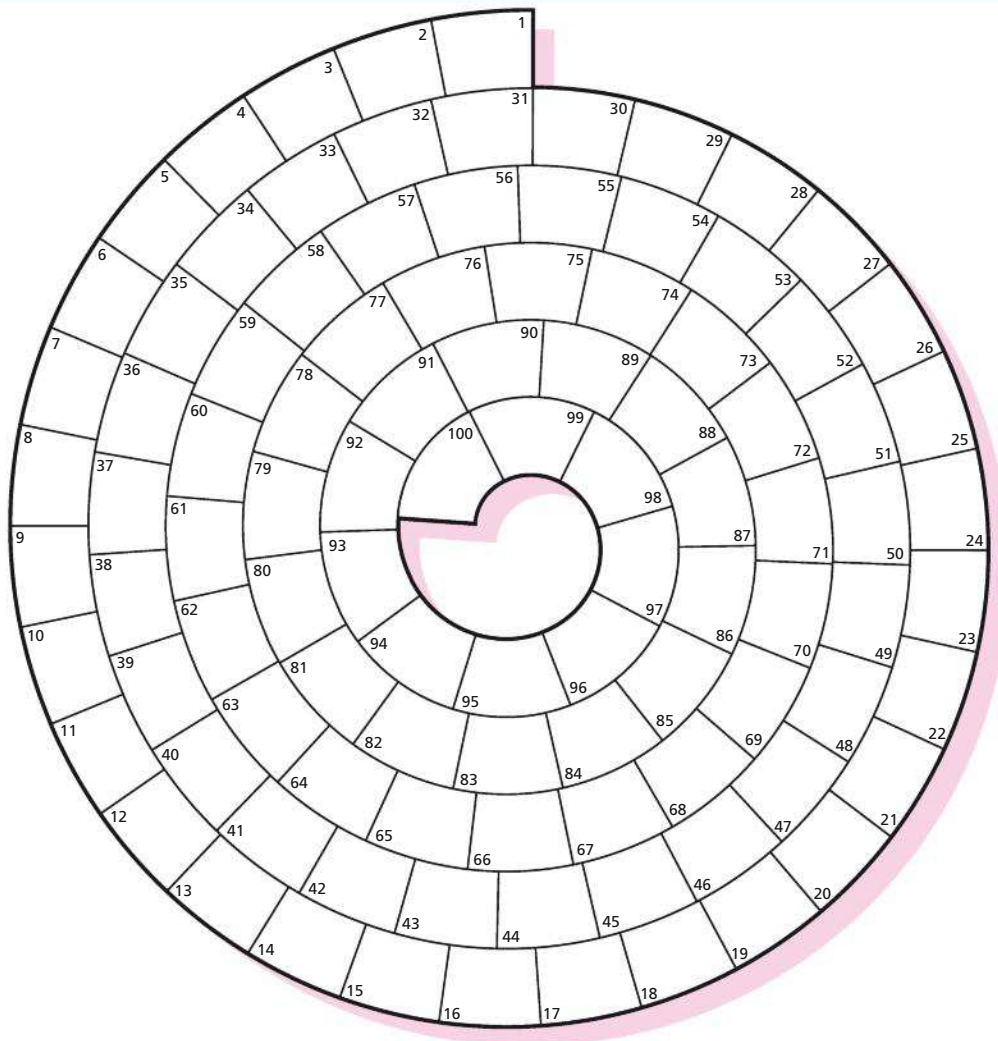
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$\frac{11}{0}$	$\frac{12}{8}$	$\frac{13}{0}$	$\frac{14}{7}$	$\frac{15}{5,9}$
$\frac{16}{0}$	$\frac{17}{1}$	$\frac{18}{4}$	$\frac{19}{3,6}$	$\frac{20}{5}$
$\frac{21}{0}$	$\frac{22}{0}$	$\frac{23}{1,9}$	$\frac{24}{2,4}$	$\frac{25}{4}$
$\frac{26}{0}$	$\frac{27}{1}$	$\frac{28}{6}$	$\frac{29}{0}$	$\frac{30}{7}$
$\frac{31}{2,5}$	$\frac{32}{0}$	$\frac{33}{6}$	$\frac{34}{5}$	$\frac{35}{4}$
$\frac{36}{7,8}$	$\frac{37}{0}$	$\frac{38}{1}$	$\frac{39}{0}$	$\frac{40}{1}$
$\frac{41}{2}$	$\frac{42}{8}$	$\frac{43}{8}$	$\frac{44}{3}$	$\frac{45}{0}$
$\frac{46}{0}$	$\frac{47}{7}$	$\frac{48}{0}$	$\frac{49}{9}$	$\frac{50}{7}$
$\frac{51}{0}$	$\frac{52}{5}$	$\frac{53}{0}$	$\frac{54}{0}$	$\frac{55}{2}$
$\frac{56}{10}$	$\frac{57}{1}$	$\frac{58}{0}$	$\frac{59}{0}$	$\frac{60}{0}$
$\frac{61}{0}$	$\frac{62}{2}$	$\frac{63}{3}$	$\frac{64}{0}$	$\frac{65}{6}$
$\frac{66}{7}$	$\frac{67}{1}$	$\frac{68}{7}$	$\frac{69}{3,6}$	$\frac{70}{1,9}$
$\frac{71}{3}$	$\frac{72}{1}$	$\frac{73}{0}$	$\frac{74}{7}$	$\frac{75}{0}$
$\frac{76}{3}$	$\frac{77}{0}$	$\frac{78}{0}$	$\frac{79}{6}$	$\frac{80}{4,8}$
$\frac{81}{1}$	$\frac{82}{8}$	$\frac{83}{0}$	$\frac{84}{4}$	$\frac{85}{4}$
$\frac{86}{3}$	$\frac{87}{1}$	$\frac{88}{3,6}$	$\frac{89}{5,8}$	$\frac{90}{3}$
$\frac{91}{2}$	$\frac{92}{7}$	$\frac{93}{0}$	$\frac{94}{3,9}$	$\frac{95}{5}$
$\frac{96}{4}$	$\frac{97}{8}$	$\frac{98}{2,8}$	$\frac{99}{2,10}$	$\frac{100}{4}$

In this crossword puzzle, the clues appear in the grid itself. Enter the answers in the direction of the pointers. **ANSWER, PAGE 72**

Tops the previous record	When steam power was new	Sixth of a fluid ounce	Solar rays	↖	Curse Negative vote	↖	Pull firmly	Places, as a bet	Not well-lit Step (on)	↖	Line of Apple desktops	↖	Nurtured Farm laborers	↖	Length units Mirth	Lester of NBC News
↘																
Mad man Alfred E. —							Plate-covered critter									
Wonder Man costar										Cartoon wife with blue hair		Windup device Release				
Kind of port for a PC				Heroic fireman Red	More big-hearted	Drops out formally	Subgroup in statistics									
Says words							Chooses	Was brave enough						Words in an analogy	Entries in the back	Nile vipers
Yes-men								Per-diem pay	Certain tax shelter							
Woody									Brain-modeled system		Krypton or xenon					
Shortest track route											Ready if needed					
High, rugged peak		A cop makes a call on it	Late-night flights							Natural abilities	British actress Diana					
↘			Region of the South	Army inductee							Current-events source		Plan to pay later, say			Take off in a hurry
Big bird of myth				Gun lobby org.	Jeff Bridges sci-fi film								Sock-in-the-gut sound			
Musk of SpaceX					Nothing more than	Fastener for paper sheets							D.C. VIP Blood pigment			
In ___ fertilization						Cravat clasps tie bars	In some other place									
Eighth part of a circle							Red-tag event	Baloney								
Feline zodiac sign				"Hear what I'm saying!"											Abrasive nail-file material	George Eliot's Marner
Big tea vessel Pierce				Positive vote				Idle of Monty Python		Boot leathers						
↘				Bro's sibling	Huffed and puffed					Observe	Walk-___ (little roles)		Parisian pal			
March 15, e.g.					Stuff in a spray can								___ Aviv, Israel			
More grease-filled							Fame singer/actress									
Have-___ (poor folks)					Most ill								Fly-___ (pilots' stunts)			

This puzzle turns in two directions. The spiral's Inward clues yield a sequence of words to be entered counterclockwise in the spaces from 1 to 100. The Outward clues yield a different set of words to be entered clockwise from 100 to 1. Keep track of which way you're going, and have many happy returns.

ANSWER, PAGE 71



### INWARD

- 1-7** Baseball field
- 8-16** "One would think": 3 wds.
- 17-25** It's beyond our solar system: 2 wds.
- 26-32** "The" Military College of South Carolina
- 33-38** Cheese similar to Edam
- 39-42** Makes a choice
- 43-51** Collapsible silk headgear: 2 wds.
- 52-55** Drooling-dog owner Pavlov
- 56-60** Ragtime old-timer Blake
- 61-68** Place where they'll leave the light on for you: 2 wds.
- 69-72** Hymn ender
- 73-78** Larger-than-life
- 79-83** Tea serving, in Salisbury
- 84-88** Basket-weaving, for example
- 89-94** White wading birds
- 95-100** More daring

### OUTWARD

- 100-91** Restaurant chain that invented popcorn shrimp: 2 wds.
- 90-85** Really go places: 2 wds.
- 84-75** Drink that may give you a froth mustache
- 74-68** Showtime rival
- 67-64** Archipelago component
- 63-59** Marisa of *In the Bedroom*
- 58-49** Social club discovered by Ry Cooder: 2 wds.
- 48-45** Tortoise's rival
- 44-36** Rescheduled, in a way
- 35-28** Scolded: 2 wds.
- 27-22** Antarctic covering
- 21-15** Stretchy swimwear
- 14-11** Second biggest birds on earth
- 10-5** Refused: 2 wds.
- 4-1** Professional cleaner-upper

Below are four lists of related words and phrases that have been translated into simple cipher alphabets. The letter substitutions remain constant within any one group of words (for instance, if V represents G in one word, it will represent G in all the words in that list), but change from one list to the next. A tip to new solvers: Start by thinking of answers that might fit one of the categories; then see if any enciphered words in the list have the same letter pattern. The fourth list has been left untitled. Solve the code to determine what the items have in common.

ANSWERS, PAGE 71

## 1. BY THE COEN BROTHERS

**Ex: Barton Fink**

M O V I E

Z K V H O M F G V V G O U W H I

Y W T T G V ' L D V E L L W H I

R O W T , D O G L O V !

W H L W U G T T G X Q H U O A W L

Z T E E U L W Y C T G

H E D E K H F V Q M E V E T U Y G H

F V K G I V W F

F R G Z W I T G Z E X L J W

V O W L W H I O V W P E H O

## 2. JUST DESSERTS

**Ex: Gelato**

S U G A R A E P P W U D

D F A U S L B B F Q N

A G Q Q E W F

M L Q B G U

P G X U B G W G M X G

M E D P U Y

M Y D G C P U D D I M R E D Y A G X U

G S S W U P D E C Q P U Y Y I

P E M Y E Q A D U G T S F U

Y F D G T F M L

## 3. BADGER STATE BURGERS

**Ex: Oshkosh**

M I D W E S T

K T X M I E S T

Z T F R E W D

Z R J K T X M I I

C T D I E O R J J I

I T X Y J T R L I

E S I Q W A V T D

L T Y R D I

T N N J I H W D

V L I I D Q T A

## 4. MYSTERY LIST

**What do they all have in common?**

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O O I

C R D C I Y J O

H M W O U C I D S O

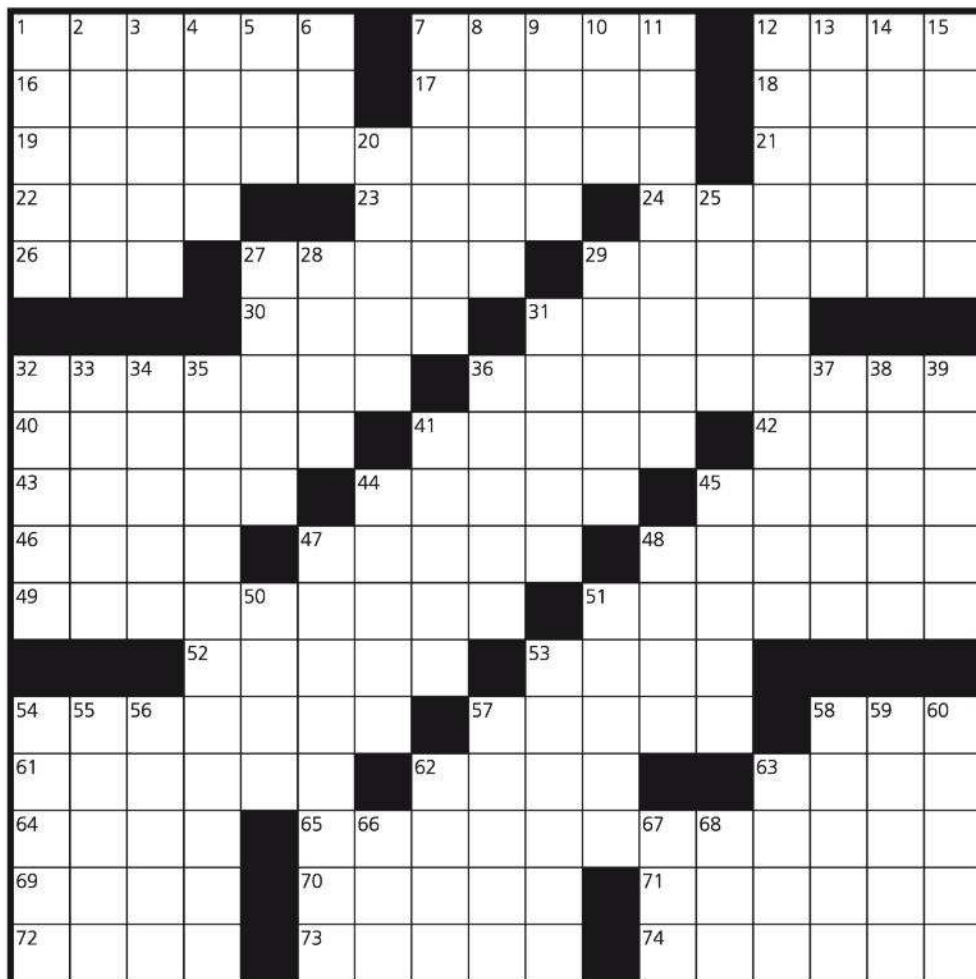
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U Y X R B Z D A O U C D W Q

T I Y Y U J Y I D C G



ANSWER, PAGE 72

### ACROSS

- 1 Identifying symbol
- 7 Operatic solos
- 12 "Huh?"
- 16 Tomei of *The Wrestler*
- 17 Swahili's language group
- 18 Fabled also-ran
- 19 "Pursuits are my pursuit": 2 wds.
- 21 Napoleon's exile isle
- 22 *CHiPs* costar Estrada
- 23 Concerning: 2 wds.
- 24 Extracts add it
- 26 Brouhaha
- 27 Timber-dressing tools
- 29 Spats
- 30 Groucho's glance
- 31 Joltless joe
- 32 Blues legend Smith et al.
- 36 Tears jaggedly
- 40 Hopped-up state
- 41 Constitutionals
- 42 Winning streak
- 43 "Encore!"
- 44 Juliet's love
- 45 Beam

- 46 Word after sales or pink
- 47 Roof projections
- 48 Topped off the tank
- 49 Anchorman at WJM: 2 wds.
- 51 Beatty and Buffett
- 52 Set loose
- 53 Pickling need
- 54 Referee
- 57 Generic name for a parrot
- 58 Janitor's tool
- 61 Aioli ingredient
- 62 Not flabby
- 63 Boxcar stowaway
- 64 *Art of Love* poet
- 65 "Calling is my calling"
- 69 *The Match Game* host Rayburn
- 70 Make very happy
- 71 Most trifling
- 72 Frankfurt's river
- 73 Jordan's monetary unit
- 74 Valuable dark furs

### DOWN

- 1 Set in concrete
- 2 Native New Zealander

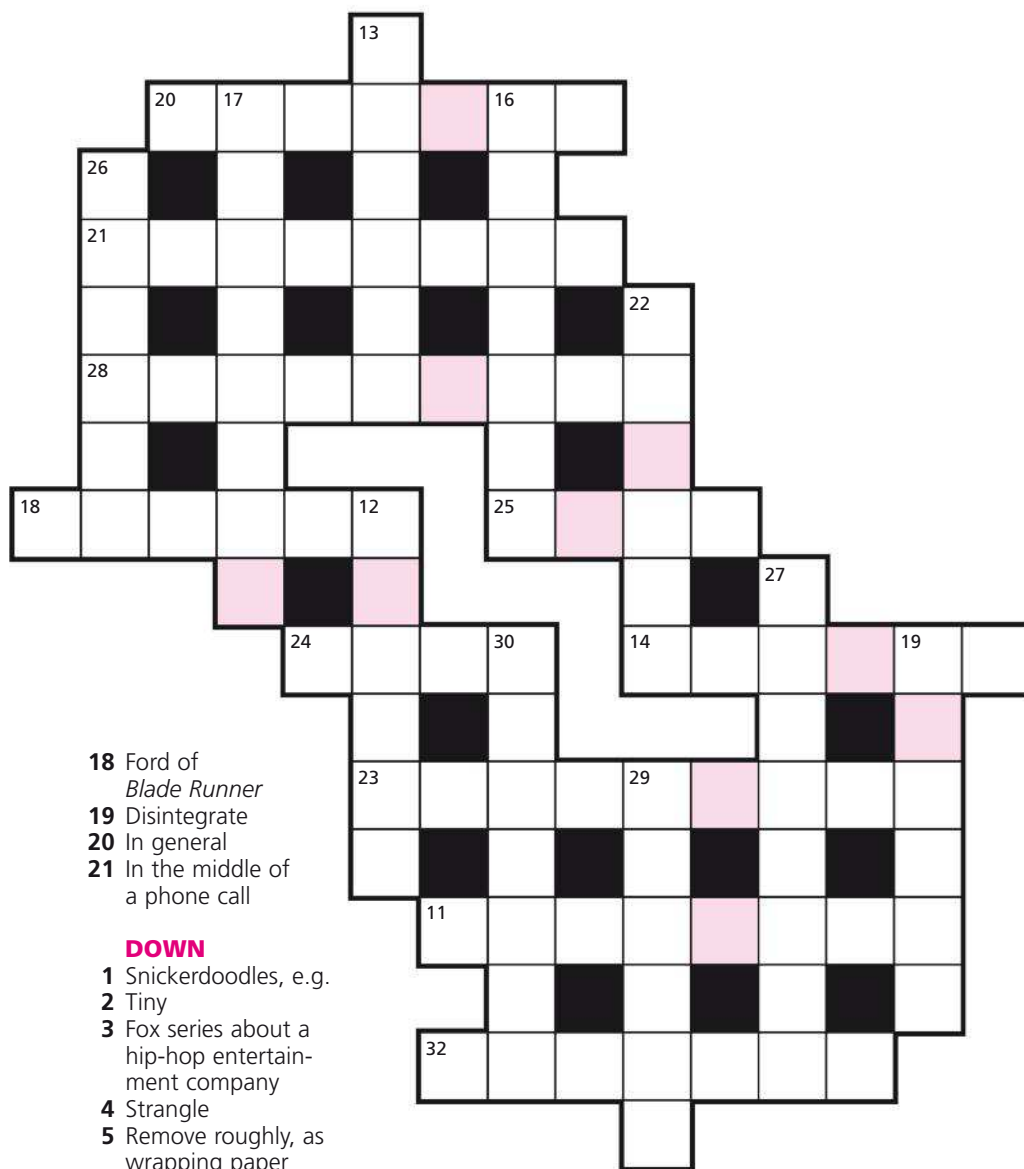
- 3 UCLA athlete
- 4 Chain segment
- 5 NYC winter hrs.
- 6 Mother's Day month
- 7 Insult-to-injury adder
- 8 Raises the roof
- 9 \_\_\_ *the Woods* (2014 film)
- 10 Referee
- 11 Comes up for air
- 12 "Fields are my field": 2 wds.
- 13 Divvy up 50-50
- 14 Leafy bower
- 15 Salty drops
- 20 Persecutes a pledge
- 25 Make-up artist?
- 27 INS registrant
- 28 Antelope's playmate
- 29 Splay-toed lizard
- 31 Carnegie and Evans
- 32 Terrific time
- 33 Top Boy Scout rank
- 34 Primly sober
- 35 "Crafts are my craft"
- 36 More dumbly unfunny

- 37 Sheer linen
- 38 Ms. Barkin
- 39 Toys with runners
- 41 Like tweeds and twills
- 44 Critic, at times
- 45 Snidely snappish
- 47 Not a surprise
- 48 Tumble
- 50 "Nay!" sayer
- 51 Sprint champion Rudolph
- 53 Garret window
- 54 Whiskey-\_\_\_: Hyph.
- 55 Gave thumbs way, way up
- 56 Pickling need
- 57 Michelangelo statue
- 58 Traveler's stopover
- 59 Very heavy
- 60 Harbor towns
- 62 Custardy dessert
- 63 53-Across, for example
- 66 Yale student
- 67 Apt. divisions
- 68 Mauna \_\_\_ (Hawaiian peak)

This puzzle is solved like a standard Mixed Doubles in that each answer word has two clues leading to it, using different meanings of the word. The clues are separated into Across and Down, but are otherwise ordered randomly.

When you find two Across or two Down clues that seem to have the same answer, add up their clue numbers to determine the place in the grid at which the answer should be entered. For example, if the clue for 1-Across were "Metallic element" and the clue for 17-Across read "Starring role," the answer would be LEAD, which would go in 18-Across (1 + 17). Tags such as "Hyph." and "2 wds." have been omitted.

In this puzzle, there is an added twist: The Across and Down clue lists each contain one extra clue. If you rearrange the letters in the shaded spaces of the grid, you will discover a word or phrase that is suggested by both of the extra clues. **ANSWER, PAGE 73**



**ACROSS**

- 1 Refrain from getting angry
- 2 Bank employee
- 3 President before and after Cleveland
- 4 Break down emotionally
- 5 Phonograph part
- 6 Tolerate
- 7 At risk
- 8 Shoe bottom
- 9 Tease relentlessly
- 10 Chill
- 11 Mimics
- 12 Not yet captured
- 13 Gorillas and chimpanzees
- 14 Digestive organ
- 15 Magazine
- 16 *Whiplash* actor Miles
- 17 Only

- 18 Ford of *Blade Runner*
- 19 Disintegrate
- 20 In general
- 21 In the middle of a phone call

**DOWN**

- 1 Snickerdoodles, e.g.
- 2 Tiny
- 3 Fox series about a hip-hop entertainment company
- 4 Strangle
- 5 Remove roughly, as wrapping paper
- 6 "Take My Breath Away" band
- 7 Defraud
- 8 Request a reversal of a ruling
- 9 Exist harmoniously
- 10 Large group of nations with a powerful ruler

- 11 Liquid in which something is dissolved
- 12 Google browser
- 13 It controls fuel flow to an engine
- 14 Decorative automotive trim metal
- 15 Small packets of browser information
- 16 Former site of a famous wall
- 17 Celebrity impersonator Rich
- 18 Manage to survive
- 19 Financially sound
- 20 Occasional
- 21 Attractiveness



The six puzzles on this page are solitary versions of the classic paper-and-pencil game of Battleships. Each grid represents a section of ocean in which a fleet is hiding. This fleet consists of one battleship (four grid cells in length), two cruisers (three cells each), three destroyers (two cells each), and four submarines (one cell each). The ships may be oriented either horizontally or vertically, and no two ships can occupy adjacent grid cells, not even diagonally. The digits along the grid's perimeter indicate the number of cells in the corresponding rows and columns that are occupied by vessels.

You'll notice that some "shots" have been taken to start you off. These may show water (indicated by wavy lines), a complete sub (a circle), the bow or stern of a ship (a rounded-off square), or a midsection of a battleship or cruiser (a square). The puzzles get harder as you go. Can you reach the rank of admiral by locating all six fleets? **ANSWERS, PAGE 72**



Water



End of ship (will continue in the direction of the flat side)

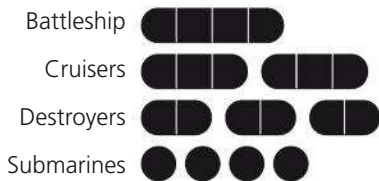
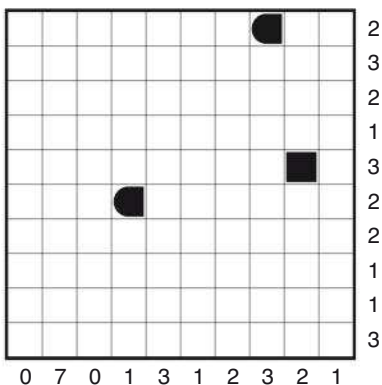


Submarine

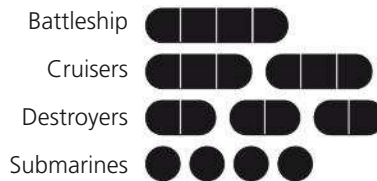
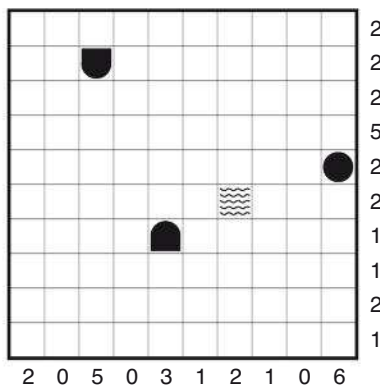


Middle of a ship (will continue either left and right or up and down)

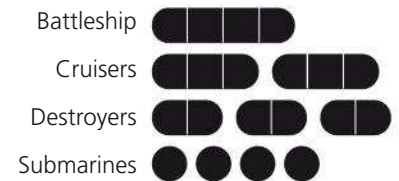
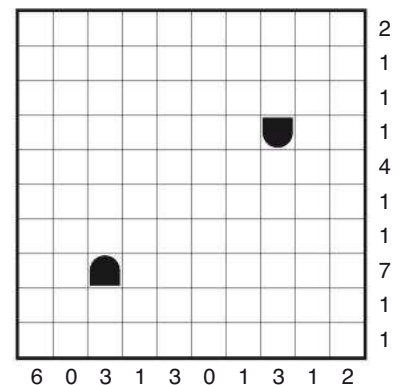
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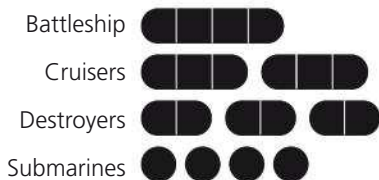
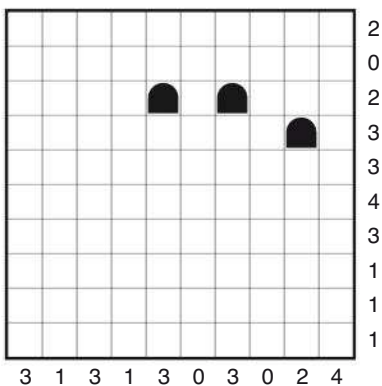
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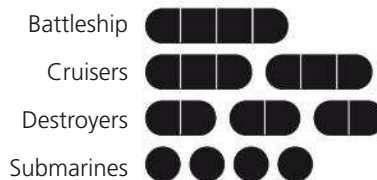
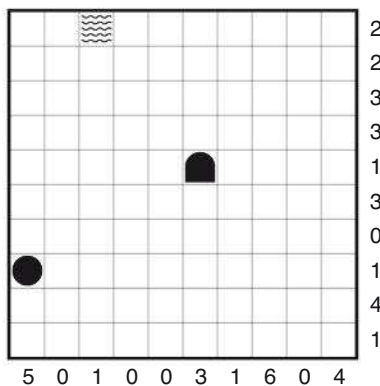
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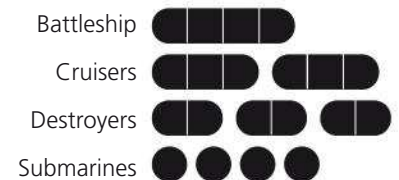
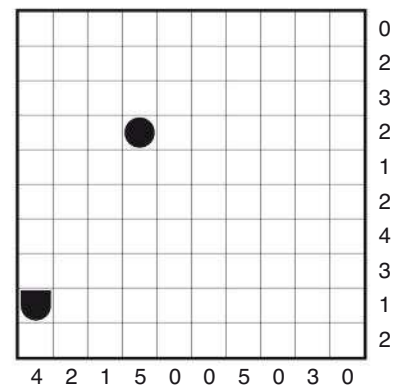
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### 5-COMMODORE

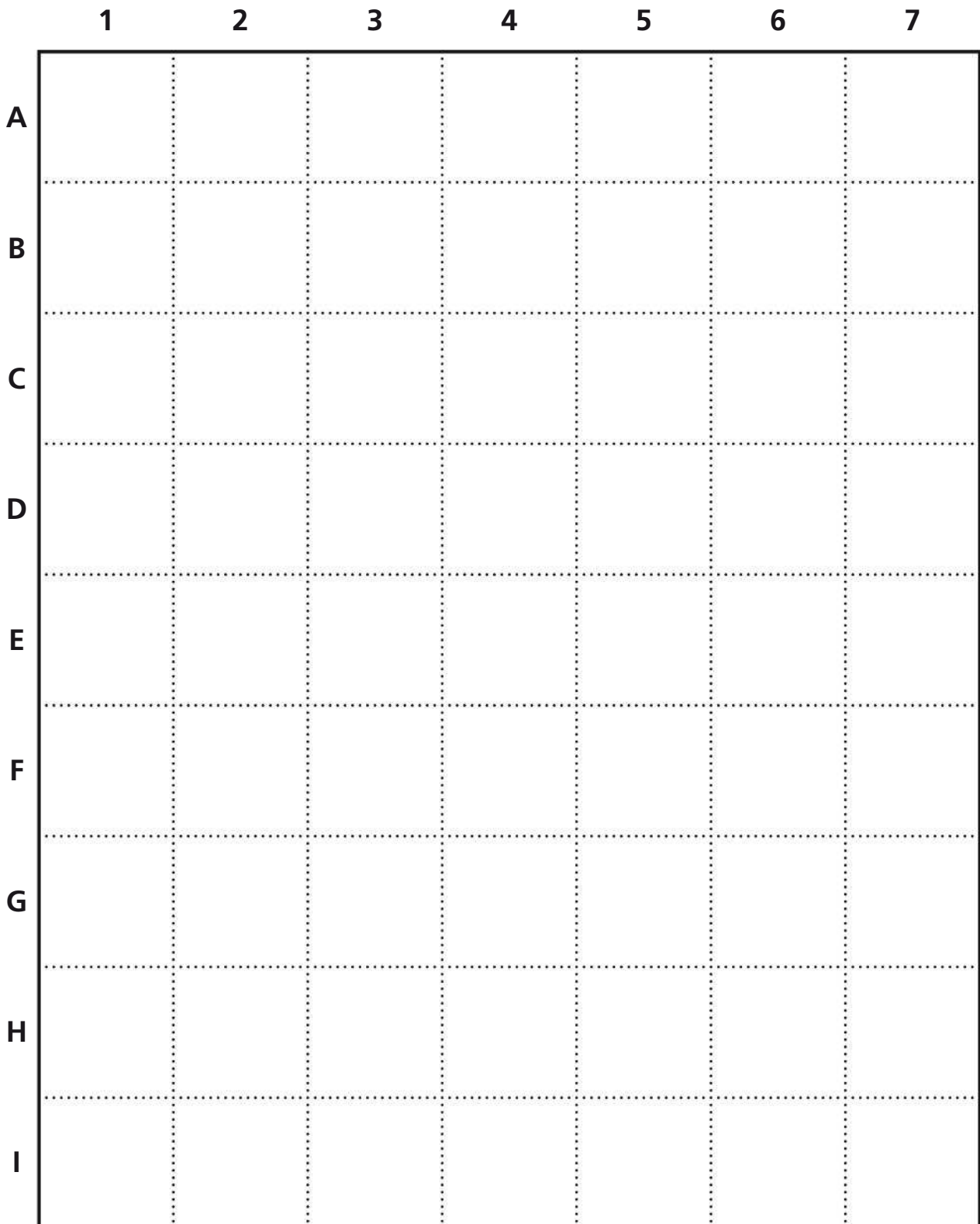


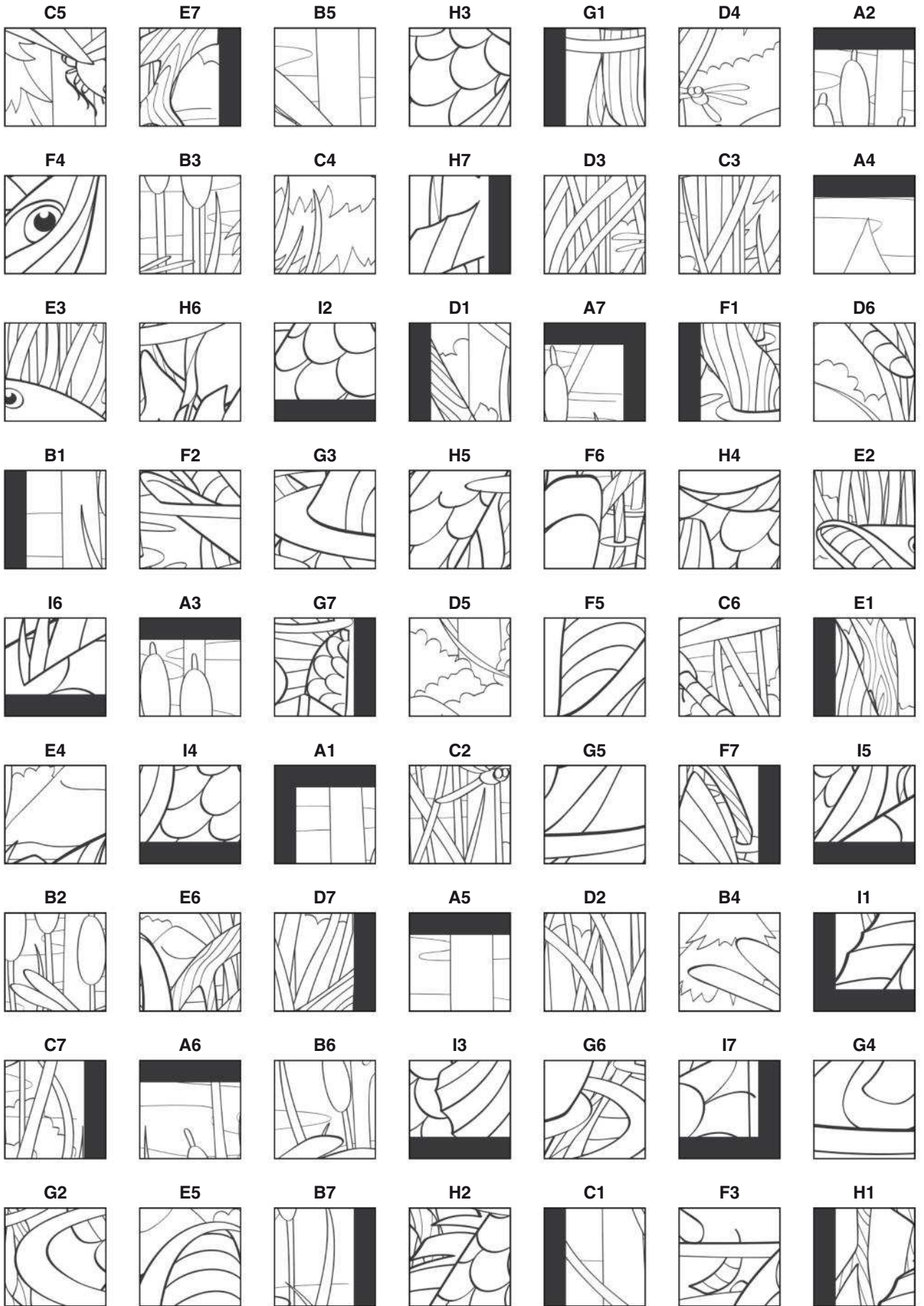
### 6-ADMIRAL





This is the easiest way we know of to create art without the benefit of formal training. All you have to do is copy each square in the proper place in the empty grid, following the coordinates. The square marked A3, for example, should be drawn in the box where Row A intersects with Column 3. We suggest using colored pencils for this puzzle. The more carefully you work, the better the result will be—certainly as good as the finished product found on page 73.





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## FOR THE RECORD

### WHAT'S IN A PEN NAME?

Many famous authors have occasionally published works using a pen name. Can you match up each author (1–12) with his or her lesser-known pen name (a–l)?

- |                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Agatha Christie      | a. A.A. Fair        |
| 2. Anne Rice            | b. A.M. Barnard     |
| 3. C.S. Lewis           | c. A.N. Roquelaure  |
| 4. Erle Stanley Gardner | d. Barbara Vine     |
| 5. Isaac Asimov         | e. Clive Hamilton   |
| 6. J.K. Rowling         | f. J.D. Robb        |
| 7. Joyce Carol Oates    | g. Logan Swanson    |
| 8. Louisa May Alcott    | h. Mary Westmacott  |
| 9. Nora Roberts         | i. Paul French      |
| 10. Richard Matheson    | j. Richard Bachman  |
| 11. Ruth Rendell        | k. Robert Galbraith |
| 12. Stephen King        | l. Rosamond Smith   |

—CHARLES SAMBUCHINO

## WORDPLAY

### AT MACDONALD'S

Fill in each blank with the name of an animal that might be found on a farm to complete a familiar two-word phrase. Some clues may lead to more than one answer, but no duplicate answers are allowed. Have a field day!

- |                  |                 |                   |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. _____ iron    | 7. Talk _____   | 13. _____ burglar |
| 2. _____ pea     | 8. _____ wire   | 14. Black _____   |
| 3. _____ tent    | 9. Lame _____   | 15. Playboy _____ |
| 4. _____ session | 10. Hobby _____ | 16. _____ chase   |
| 5. _____ heaven  | 11. Cash _____  |                   |
| 6. _____ Kong    | 12. Corn _____  |                   |

—SCOTT ERDMAN

## NAME PLAY

### LAST NAME FIRST

In each sentence below, the last word before the blank is the surname of a famous person. Your goal is to fill the blank with the correct first name. For example, the answer to "That must hurt, \_\_\_\_\_" would be WILLIAM. A word of caution: There are some homophones and puns, so be leery, Timothy!

- Don't kid a kidder, \_\_\_\_\_.
- I absolutely love it, \_\_\_\_\_!
- You should really call a plumber, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Your guess isn't even close, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Stay out of the way of the construction crews, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Help yourself to a candy cane, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Enjoy the rest of your night, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Take the car out of idle, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Don't forget your camping gear, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Why are you being such a meanie, \_\_\_\_\_?
- Pay no attention to the man behind the curtain, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Well, bless my soul, \_\_\_\_\_!
- Ouch, that burns, \_\_\_\_\_!
- Do you have a dime for two nickels, \_\_\_\_\_?
- Let's get married in May, \_\_\_\_\_.
- That trick was quite wily, \_\_\_\_\_!

—SCOTT ERDMAN

## TEASERS

### LETTERS FROM THE QUEEN

On a 5×5 chessboard, each letter of the alphabet except Z is written on a square, as shown in the diagram below:

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

Place five queens on the board so that none of the queens can attack each other (i.e., no two queens may be in the same horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line) and so that the queens are on spaces whose letters spell a five-letter common noun. What is that noun?

—NICHOLAS MACHADO

## WORDPLAY

### LOOK OUT

Besides all being compound words, what do the words in the following list have in common?

BIRDSONG  
BOATHOUSE  
BOOTJACK  
CASEBOOK  
DOWNTURN  
HANGOVER  
HOUSEGUEST  
HUNTSMAN  
OUTBREAK  
OVERSLEEP  
OWNERSHIP  
SAWBUCK  
SHOTGUN  
SIDETRACK  
TAKEOUT  
UPWIND

—R.H. WEI

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## WORDPLAY SUPERCRYPTOGRAMS

In the supercryptograms below, each C stands for a consonant and each V stands for a vowel. All are common, uncapitalized 10-letter English words. There are no plurals, none of the words contain the letter Y, and all of the answers happen to start with a C. Can you name all six?

1. CCCVCVCVCC
2. CVVCVCVVVC
3. CVCVVCCVCV
4. CVCCVVCVVC
5. CVCVCVVCCV
6. CCVCCVCCVV

—MERL REAGLE

## WORDPLAY WHAT'S IN A LETTER?

What do the following letters and letter pairs have in common?

MT  
NV  
OK  
CD  
SA  
DK  
KG  
IC  
MC  
DJ  
KO  
EZ  
IV  
TP  
QR  
JU  
IC  
Y

—RAYMOND LOVE

## FOR THE RECORD REUNION TOUR

Can you match each adjective (1–25) with a noun (a–y) to form the name of a well-known musical group?

- |              |             |               |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1. Bad       | 10. Golden  | 19. Simple    |
| 2. Barenaked | 11. Hot     | 20. Small     |
| 3. Blind     | 12. Humble  | 21. Smashing  |
| 4. Cheap     | 13. Little  | 22. Steely    |
| 5. Counting  | 14. Lovin'  | 23. Talking   |
| 6. Dandy     | 15. Moody   | 24. Traveling |
| 7. Deep      | 16. Rare    | 25. Twisted   |
| 8. Dire      | 17. Rolling |               |
| 9. Flaming   | 18. Rusted  |               |

- 
- |            |             |             |
|------------|-------------|-------------|
| a. Blues   | j. Ladies   | s. Spoonful |
| b. Company | k. Lips     | t. Stones   |
| c. Crows   | l. Melon    | u. Straits  |
| d. Dan     | m. Minds    | v. Trick    |
| e. Earring | n. Pie      | w. Tuna     |
| f. Earth   | o. Pumpkins | x. Warhols  |
| g. Faces   | p. Purple   | y. Wilburys |
| h. Feat    | q. Root     |             |
| i. Heads   | r. Sister   |             |

—SCOTT ERDMAN

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In the puzzles below, the numbers in the grid squares stand for letters of the alphabet; your task is to crack the code. Once you've figured out the letter that matches a certain number, place that letter in every square containing the same number and in the chart beside the grid. Every letter of the alphabet will appear at least once in the completed grids.

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1	14
2	15
3	16
4	17
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9	22
10	23
11	24
12	25
13	26

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M	Z

23	25	15	14	3	21	17	11		10	11	18	3	15	8	
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6	3	15	11	18	6	3	15	26		17	3	21	25	6	
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20	4	18	4	19	4	14		10	4	20	5	2	7	18
4		7		4		1		5		4		15		1
3	5	12	2	4		12	1	12	4	12	19	5	19	13
2		11		19		11		2		19		10		7
18	7	21	11	15	7	17	18	4		14	22	4	18	18
7		1				1		14				8		19
3	1	8	9	17	1	1	9		7	22	5	7	8	13
			13		9		25		4					
19	1	26	26	4	4		24	21	7	11	10	5	8	4
8		18				4		18				2		11
7	17	1	21	19		14	19	5	19	2	15	5	12	11
22		22		5		22		4		5		2		15
4	6	22	21	18	14	5	1	12		23	7	18	23	4
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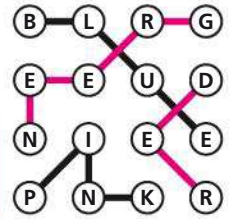
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M	Z

Want more Code Crosswords? Go to [www.kappapuzzles.com/variety](http://www.kappapuzzles.com/variety) and print your own!

The goal of Topic Tangle is twofold: First, connect the letter circles in the grid to form word chains. Then, identify the common category or topic that all of the words share. Connections can be made between letter circles that are orthogonally or diagonally adjacent. Diagonal connections are allowed to cross. When a puzzle is correctly solved, every letter circle will be part of exactly one word. An example of a solved puzzle is shown at right.

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## COLORS



1

N	A	L	O
H	R	W	W
O	E	H	S
N	A	W	K

2

E	C	O	C	L
L	R	I	V	A
E	D	N	O	M
L	N	A	A	T
G	D	I	I	R

3

N	A	N	A	B	O
A	I	M	C	L	T
L	G	R	E	O	N
S	A	V	O	H	L
E	M	E	S	O	S
R	A	D	A	B	U

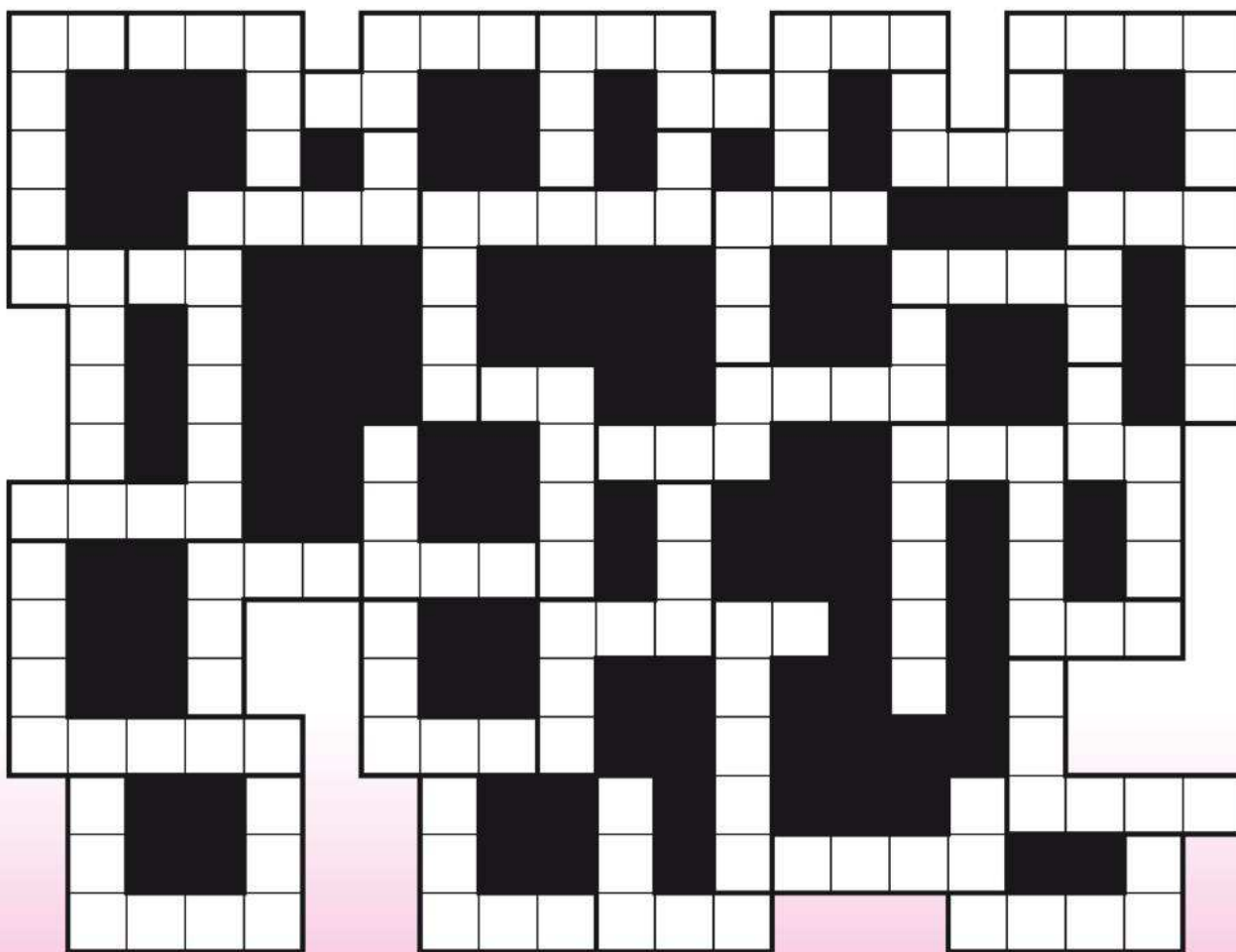
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O	M	A	R	H
G	P	O	S	C
N	I	K	L	A
N	A	W	A	M
G	T	S	A	B

This puzzle's crisscross grid contains words that read across and down as normal; these words are defined in alphabetical order by length under the heading "Crisscross Words." These answers will fit into the grid so that they intersect in standard crossword style. The grid also contains a number of outlined areas that follow a single clear path. Each of these outlined areas contains a word or phrase that snakes from one end of the path to the other in order. These words and phrases are defined under the heading "Snake Words" and are also clued in alphabetical order by length.

To solve this puzzle, work between the answers to the Crisscross Words clues and the Snake Words clues to find the location of clue answers you've already identified and to help identify the answers to clues that are still unsolved. If you need help, the clue answers are given on page 77.

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## CRISSCROSS WORDS

### 3 LETTERS

Tide alternative  
\_\_\_ *Smart*  
"And I Love \_\_\_" (Beatles song)  
Basketball hoop attachment  
"Hell in Paradise" singer Yoko  
Pod veggie  
\_\_\_ rally  
Morning riser  
Playground game  
Can material  
Thurman of *Pulp Fiction*  
Buddhism branch

### 5 LETTERS

Advil shelfmate  
Former Cleveland Cavaliers coach David  
Throng  
*Me, Myself & \_\_\_* (2000 film)  
Emulates a cat  
Shrek and kin  
Shopping center  
Feudal laborers  
*Shaun the \_\_\_* (stop-motion animated series)  
Potato, for example  
YouTube offering

### 4 LETTERS

Intercom sound  
\_\_\_ curve  
At any time  
Luminous ring  
Tortoise's racing rival  
Not early  
Former late-night host Jay  
Simba, for one  
City in Arizona's  
Maricopa County

### 6 LETTERS

Carlos Santana's instrument  
Nonmember of the clergy  
Yearly pay  
"\_\_\_ Woman" (hit for The Eagles)

### 7 LETTERS

Cigar container  
Red-masked member of the  
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles  
iPads and such  
Container for hot or cold drinks

Alaska city  
Metal-bearing rocks  
Scheme  
Emulate a cat  
Steals from  
Hitchcock classic  
Trigonometry ratio  
Brief comedy act  
Practice boxing  
Songwriter Amos  
Zion National Park's state

### 8 LETTERS

British nobles ranked above knights

### 10 LETTERS

Transparent wrapping material

### 12 LETTERS

Role for Glenn Close in a 1996  
remake of a Disney animated  
film: 3 wds.

## SNAKE WORDS

### 5 LETTERS

\_\_\_ of the ball  
Movie character from Kazakhstan  
Vinegar container at a dining table  
Anesthetic of yore  
*The \_\_\_ Prince of Bel-Air*  
Croc cousin  
Python programming language  
creator van Rossum  
Word before pointer or printer  
Extremely angry  
An Austronesian language

Book before  
Habakkuk  
Arctic explorer Robert  
Former Red Sox  
pitcher Martínez  
Flat geometric surface  
Monetary unit of India  
Police car feature  
Come together for  
a purpose  
Italian scooter brand

### 6 LETTERS

Shrub with  
funnel-shaped flowers  
Hand-dyed fabrics  
\_\_\_ Artois (beer brand)  
Super Mario Odyssey system

### 7 LETTERS

Unfamous people: Hyph.  
"\_\_\_ Like You" (Adele song)

### 8 LETTERS

Skin cream ingredient: 2 wds.  
Collapsible headwear: 2 wds.  
Counterargument

### 9 LETTERS

Apian stuff used as a health  
supplement: 2 wds.  
Item on the hood of a New York  
City taxicab

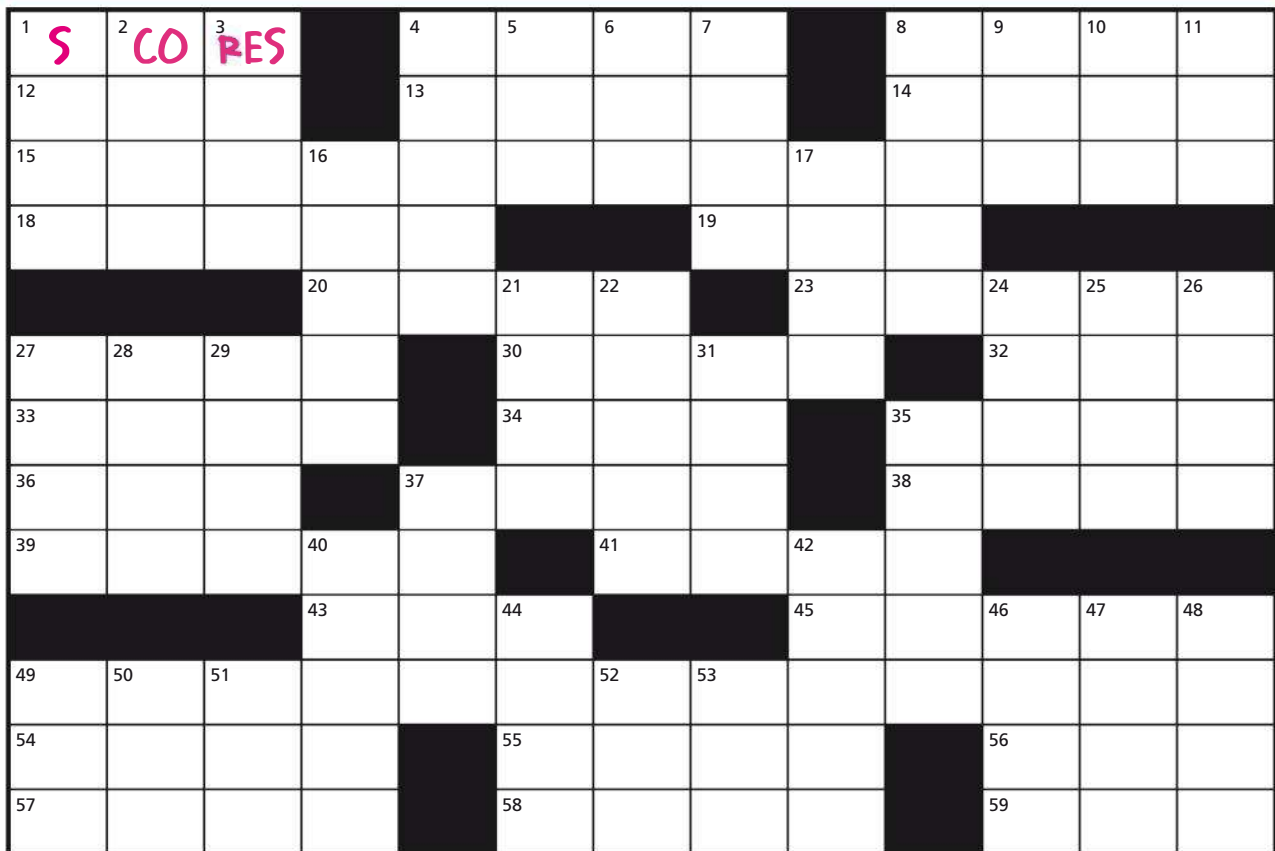
### 12 LETTERS

Creator of a courtroom transcript



Solve this puzzle as you would a regular crossword, except that each space may hold one, two, or three letters. The number of letters in a space is for you to determine, using logic and the crossing of words. The answer to 1-Across, S-CO-RES, has been filled in as an example.

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### ACROSS

- 1 Gets a goal
- 4 Zapping weapons: 2 wds.
- 8 She entered the Soccer Hall of Fame in 2007: 2 wds.
- 12 Candidates' competition
- 13 Arachnid's leg count
- 14 City block boundary
- 15 Adage about differing preferences: 5 wds.
- 18 Army runaway
- 19 Like a paradise
- 20 Relax after working hard
- 23 "Your remark didn't get by me!": 3 wds.
- 27 For each individual person: 2 wds.
- 30 Pertaining to the skin
- 32 Unabridged
- 33 Keep at it
- 34 Eat or drink
- 35 Heroic
- 36 Expanse of land
- 37 Motorist planning to turn, usually
- 38 1960s president Johnson
- 39 *Nightline* host for 25 years: 2 wds.
- 41 Gls' dining site: 2 wds.

- 43 Tear apart
- 45 Home for Robin Hood
- 49 Adage about differing preferences: 7 wds.
- 54 Phase
- 55 Thick, shaggy quality
- 56 Spirited mount
- 57 Epithet for Disney's Simba: 2 wds.
- 58 Most skittish
- 59 Like some painful toenails

### DOWN

- 1 Denounced harshly
- 2 Likens
- 3 One who steps down from a position
- 4 *New Year's Rockin' Eve* host Ryan
- 5 Garment for Robin Hood
- 6 Very enthusiastic: Hyph.
- 7 Slowed abnormally in growth
- 8 Sheet of tiny pages
- 9 Place in groups
- 10 Pork entrée for Easter: 2 wds.
- 11 Constructed
- 16 Directed disdain toward: 2 wds.
- 17 Cleverly contrived
- 21 Saving from danger
- 22 Entertainer's performing handle: 2 wds.
- 24 In a fervent way
- 25 Neighbor of Myanmar
- 26 New Jersey's capital
- 27 Committed, as a crime
- 28 Queasy during a long ride, say
- 29 Break for refueling: 2 wds.
- 31 People cuddling up
- 35 Gas station units
- 37 Saying nothing
- 40 Passing into every part of
- 42 Flag's position, at times: Hyph.
- 44 Freed, as from a misconception
- 46 Lying at rest
- 47 Sorority member
- 48 Decrease in harshness: 2 wds.
- 49 Shaquille of hoops
- 50 Grand house
- 51 Tiny particle
- 52 Zilch
- 53 Contrary religious beliefs

**What's Happening:**  
**ANIMENEXT**



**When:** June 8–10, 2018

**Where:** Atlantic City Convention Center; Atlantic City, NJ

**Details:** Now in its 17th year, AnimeNEXT brings New Jersey's largest anime convention back to Atlantic City! Events include Japanese and American musical performances, anime creators, and voice actors, as well as dances, video and tabletop gaming, vendors, panels, artists, cosplay contests and even a pro wrestling show, all within blocks of the famous Atlantic City boardwalk!

**For more info:** [www.animenext.org](http://www.animenext.org)

**What's Happening:**

**THE INDIE 500  
CROSSWORD TOURNAMENT**

**When:** June 2, 2018

**Where:** New York Avenue Presbyterian Church; Washington, D.C.

**Details:** The Indie 500 is returning for its fourth year this June. Some of the best puzzle constructors have banded together to write five unique crosswords of varying difficulty. All entrants will solve these puzzles, and the top three solvers in the expert and novice divisions will solve a final playoff puzzle. Prizes are awarded not only for solving but also for best (and worst) handwriting, funniest wrong answers, and "indie spirit." And if that weren't enough, solvers are treated to pie.

**For more info:** [www.theindie500.com](http://www.theindie500.com)

**What's Happening:**

**TOO MANY GAMES**



**When:** June 22–24, 2018

**Where:** Greater Philadelphia Expo Center; Oaks, PA

**Details:** This event is a must for fans of video games, board games, CCGs, and tabletop gaming. Highlights include video game music concerts, chiptunes, industry panels, panels by famous YouTubers, and new game releases for old consoles. There is also a marketplace with more than

70 vendors selling new and retro video games, board games, art, and much more.

**For more info:** [www.toomanygames.com](http://www.toomanygames.com)

**What's Happening:**

**DENVER COMIC CON 2018**

**When:** June 15–17, 2018

**Where:** Colorado Convention Center; Denver, CO

**Details:** This con offers three days of family-friendly pop culture fun, representing the worlds of comic books, film, and related media. Special guests will include Gatlen Matarazzo and Sadie Sink of the hit Netflix series *Stranger Things*. The DCC is brought to you by Colorado's nonprofit Pop Culture Classroom, whose mission is "to inspire a love of learning, to increase literacy, celebrate diversity, and build community through pop culture education."

**For more info:**

[www.denvercomiccon.com](http://www.denvercomiccon.com)

**What's Happening:**

**SOUTHERN-FRIED GAMING EXPO 2018**



**When:** June 8–10, 2018

**Where:** Marriott Renaissance Waverly; Atlanta, GA

**Details:** This three-day convention puts a strong emphasis on gaming. Attendees will enjoy over 250 full-size arcade games, pinball machines, and console systems. There will also be tabletop gaming, vendors, special guests, a film fest, and game tournaments. This family-friendly event has something for all ages to enjoy.

**For more info:**

[www.southernfriedgameroomexpo.com](http://www.southernfriedgameroomexpo.com)

**What's Happening:**

**SINGAPORE PUZZLE HUNT**

**When:** July 14, 2018

**Where:** Lifelong Learning Institute; Singapore

**Details:** The Singapore Puzzle Hunt, a multi-hour on-site event for teams of four, takes its inspiration from the MIT Puzzle Hunt. To solve the puzzles, teams will need brainpower, logic, and insight. They then compete to solve the meta puzzle and finish the hunt. The various puzzles involved in the hunt require dif-

ferent types of knowledge and thinking, so it helps to have team members with a wide range of skills! This year, there will also be a pre-hunt event on the morning of the puzzle hunt. Each team should be represented by at least one member at the pre-hunt event.

**For more info:** [www.sgpuzzlehunt.com](http://www.sgpuzzlehunt.com)

**What's Happening:**

**23RD ANNUAL NOR'EASTER  
SCRABBLE TOURNAMENT**

**When:** June 28–July 4, 2018

**Where:** Marriott Hotel; Albany, NY

**Details:** This annual tournament, featuring 51 TWL and Collins games, is open to NASPA members only. Twenty-one NASPA-rated games with the Gibson Rule in effect will be played from June 29–July 2, preceded by two Early Bird events with a total of 14 games between them. The Firecracker event on July 2–4 will feature 16 NASPA-rated games with the Gibson Rule in effect. Players' most current rating will be used to seed divisions in the Main Events. On June 30, players can take a break from the competition with a festive barbecue and fireworks.

**For more info:** [www.cross-tables.com/download/2018/06/albany.pdf](http://www.cross-tables.com/download/2018/06/albany.pdf)

**What's Happening:**

**NEW JERSEY GAMER CON**



**When:** July 7 & 8, 2018

**Where:** The Crowne Plaza Philadelphia; Cherry Hill, NJ

**Details:** Created for fans, by fans, this fun-filled weekend will feature competitive and casual game tournaments, tabletop gaming, live music, and a free-to-play arcade. Vendors, artists, special guests, cosplay, and panels will round out the event.

**For more info:** [www.njgamercon.com](http://www.njgamercon.com)

**What's Happening:**

**GACUCON: THE GAME CRUISE 2018**

**When:** June 20–25, 2018

**Where:** Carnival Conquest; Miami, FL

**Details:** GaCuCon offers something different: a game convention on a cruise ship! Sail from South Florida to the Bahamas on a relaxing cruise complete with a variety of activities, excursions, and fun in the sun. When you feel like gaming, there will be card and board games, indie game exhibitions, and LAN gaming competitions. Informative discussion panels featuring some of the game industry's best will also be offered.

**For more info:** [www.gacucon.com](http://www.gacucon.com)

# ESCAPE THE PANIC ROOM

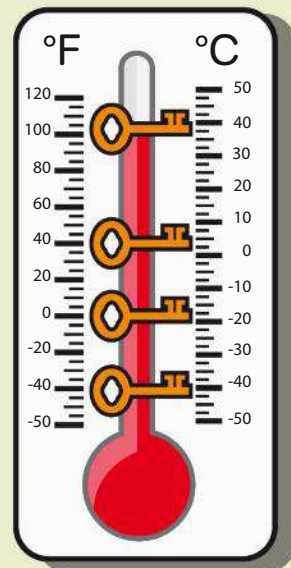
By Andrew Parr

You made it here just in time. It was exactly five days ago when the emergency started, and you've used up all the rations in this cramped panic room waiting for the emergency to pass. And now the "All Clear" light has finally illuminated, so it must be safe to go outside. The steel door that provides the only exit from this room can be unlocked with a key, and you've already found a dozen keys in the room. But now, the door that protected you for five days threatens to trap you forever: A sign on the wall warns that the door will be permanently locked if the wrong key is used.

Perhaps, by searching this panic room (pages 34 through 37), you will find clues and puzzles to be solved, in a specific order, ultimately leading you to the correct key. You will find several padlocked boxes that need to be unlocked (with specific combinations) before you can access their contents. The combinations to the padlocks will be discovered along the way. Clues that are not in locked boxes are available immediately.

Can you escape the panic room?

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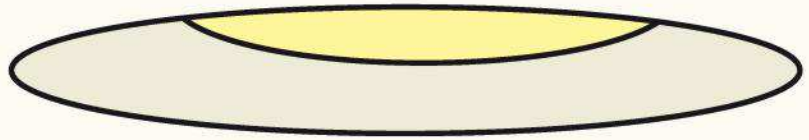
FIVE-LETTER  
WORD TO OPEN



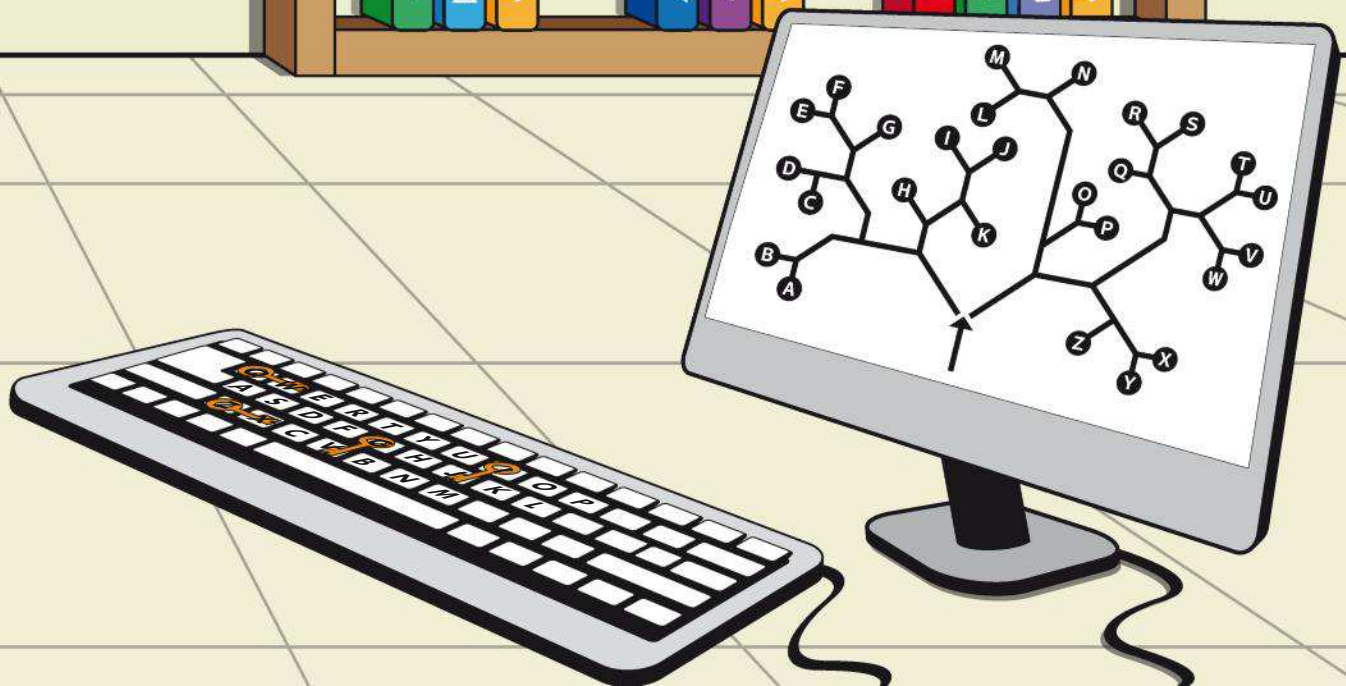
- 1) R, L, L, L, L
- 2) L, R, R, L, L
- 3) R, R, L, R, R, L
- 4) L, L, R, R, L, L

Cell phone reception in panic rooms is typically bad. In your case, the poor reception has scrambled the letters on your texting keyboard. Given the position of some letters, and some helpful clues, determine the locations of the remaining letters. And then look for a word reading left to right across adjacent keys.





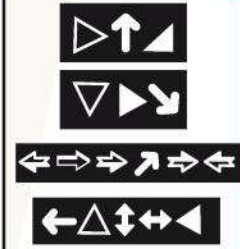
- 1) A, E, I, O, and U occupy shaded squares.
- 2) No consecutive alphabet letters are adjacent on the keyboard (not even diagonally).
- 3) RATING can be spelled with neighboring keys, moving vertically, horizontally, and diagonally.
- 4) SCENT can be spelled in a similar fashion to RATING; BINGS cannot.
- 5) W is neighbored to the left and right by M and L, in some order.
- 6) The rightmost letters in each row are Roman numerals valued under 100.
- 7) Three keys separate Z and K.



**FOUR-DIGIT  
NUMBER TO OPEN  
(MMDD)**

\_\_\_\_\_

**WHY  
SUM  
BACKED  
FRONT**



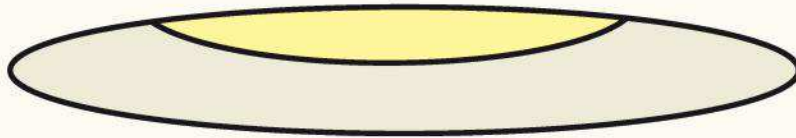
**FOUR-LETTER  
WORD TO OPEN**

\_\_\_\_\_

Are you going shack-wacky?  
Stir crazy? I'll go out on a  
LIMB and guess that you'd  
like to leave as soon as  
possible. These DIRECTIONS  
will help you BRANCH out.

1. Baroque gold ring
6. Say \_\_\_ the Dress: 2 wds.
11. Activate
13. Like smooth coffee
- 14.
18. Greek flatbread
19. Scrabble pieces
20. It has a good point, to fencers
21. Syria, at a time
22. Judges
23. Superhero fan or math whiz, e.g.

1. Kiddie cartoon pig
2. Sign sporadically lit in a radio station: 2 wds.
3. Seasonal chimney visitor
4. Letter-shaped load bearer
5. Kay follower
6. Affirmative answer
7. Henson of the Mighty Ducks movies
8. Rise over run
9. Jenga structure
10. Defeated, in video game slang
12. Abbr. on olde shoppe signs
13. "Another fine \_\_\_ you got us in!"
15. Shakira's "Hips Don't \_\_\_"
16. Land in la mer
17. Obama's pol. party



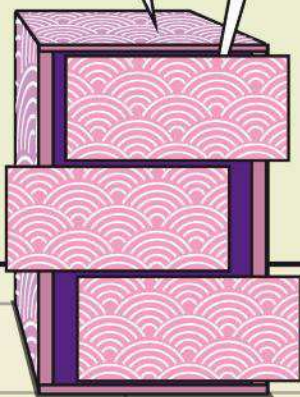
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This Japanese puzzle box has a side door that allows access to the clues inside. However, if you move the door in the wrong direction, the box will permanently lock shut.

TO OPEN:

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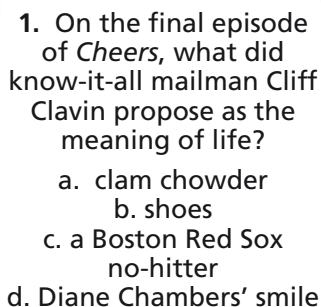


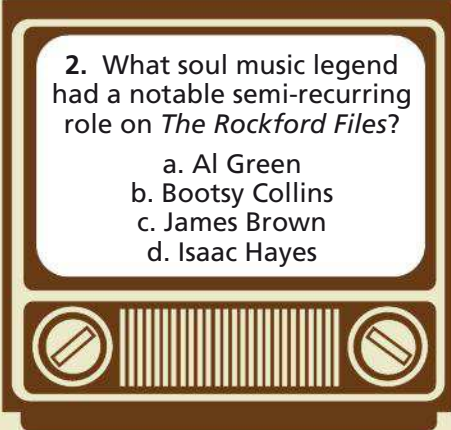
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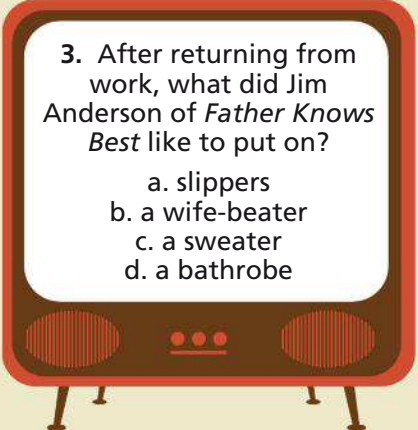
# Viewer Discretion: TV TRIVIA QUIZ

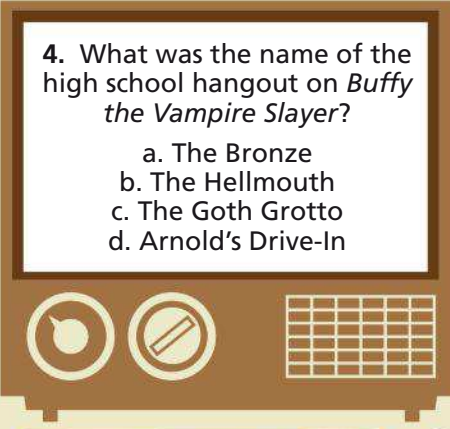
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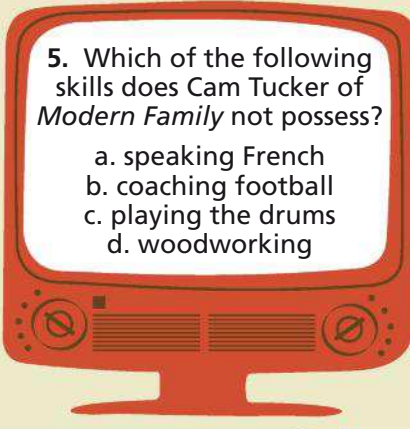
DETRACTORS HAVE BEEN DISPARAGING TELEVISION FOR DECADES. JUST THINK OF TWO POPULAR PHRASES USED TO REFER TO THE MEDIUM: "BOOB TUBE" AND "IDIOT BOX." WE DON'T DENY THAT TELEVISION HAS BEEN USED FOR EVERYTHING FROM BABY-SITTING TO ZONING OUT, BUT LET'S BE HONEST: THERE'S SOME TERRIFIC TV. AND WE SUSPECT YOU AGREE. WHICH IS WHY WE'VE COME UP WITH THIS LITTLE QUIZ TO TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF TELEVISION TRIVIA. TO KEEP THINGS MANAGEABLE, WE'VE OMITTED CARTOONS, GAME SHOWS, REALITY TV, AND THE MANY AWESOME SHOWS THAT ARE ON CABLE OR STREAMING. AND WE STILL HAVE A WHOLE SLEW OF SHOWS TO CHOOSE FROM. BEST OF LUCK TO YOU!

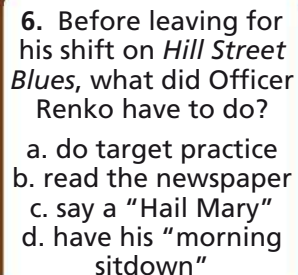
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1. On the final episode of *Cheers*, what did know-it-all mailman Cliff Clavin propose as the meaning of life?
- clam chowder
  - shoes
  - a Boston Red Sox no-hitter
  - Diane Chambers' smile

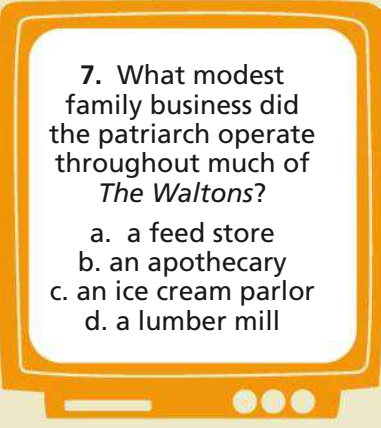
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2. What soul music legend had a notable semi-recurring role on *The Rockford Files*?
- Al Green
  - Bootsy Collins
  - James Brown
  - Isaac Hayes

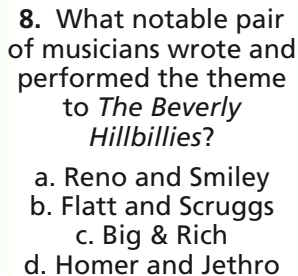
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3. After returning from work, what did Jim Anderson of *Father Knows Best* like to put on?
- slippers
  - a wife-beater
  - a sweater
  - a bathrobe

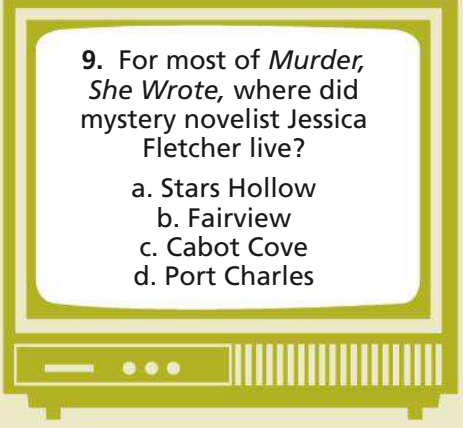
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4. What was the name of the high school hangout on *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*?
- The Bronze
  - The Hellmouth
  - The Goth Grotto
  - Arnold's Drive-In

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5. Which of the following skills does Cam Tucker of *Modern Family* not possess?
- speaking French
  - coaching football
  - playing the drums
  - woodworking

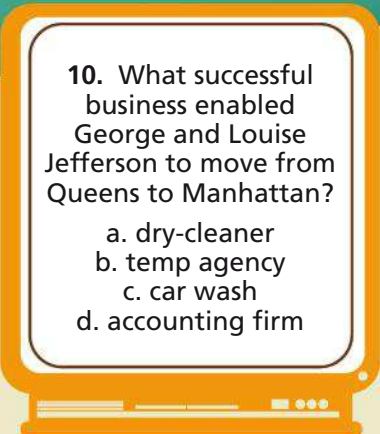
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6. Before leaving for his shift on *Hill Street Blues*, what did Officer Renko have to do?
- do target practice
  - read the newspaper
  - say a "Hail Mary"
  - have his "morning sitdown"

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7. What modest family business did the patriarch operate throughout much of *The Waltons*?
- a feed store
  - an apothecary
  - an ice cream parlor
  - a lumber mill

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8. What notable pair of musicians wrote and performed the theme to *The Beverly Hillbillies*?
- Reno and Smiley
  - Flatt and Scruggs
  - Big & Rich
  - Homer and Jethro

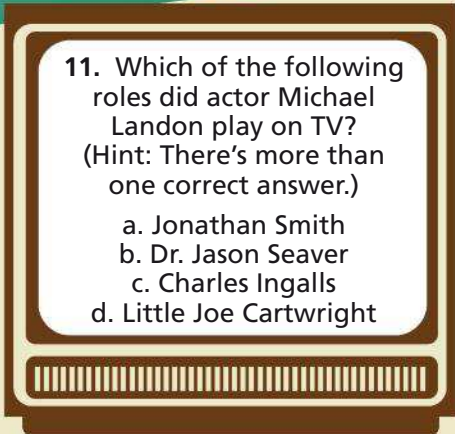
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9. For most of *Murder, She Wrote*, where did mystery novelist Jessica Fletcher live?
- Stars Hollow
  - Fairview
  - Cabot Cove
  - Port Charles





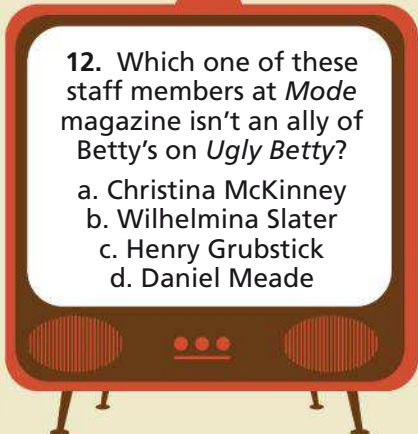
10. What successful business enabled George and Louise Jefferson to move from Queens to Manhattan?

- a. dry-cleaner
- b. temp agency
- c. car wash
- d. accounting firm



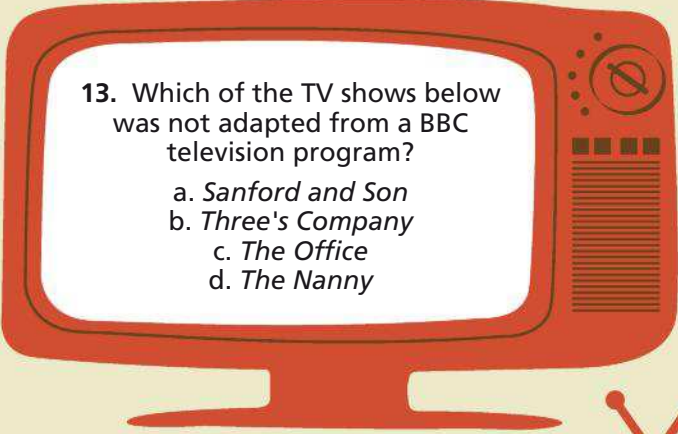
11. Which of the following roles did actor Michael Landon play on TV? (Hint: There's more than one correct answer.)

- a. Jonathan Smith
- b. Dr. Jason Seaver
- c. Charles Ingalls
- d. Little Joe Cartwright



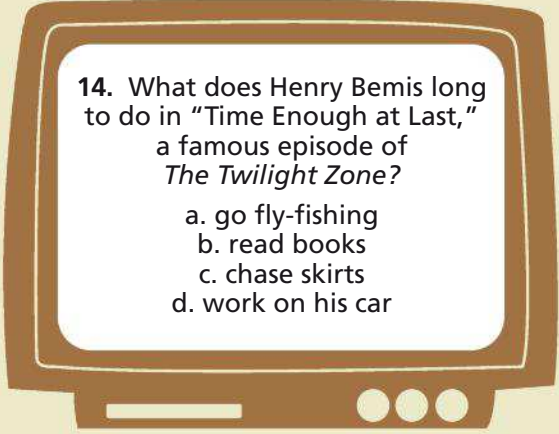
12. Which one of these staff members at *Mode* magazine isn't an ally of Betty's on *Ugly Betty*?

- a. Christina McKinney
- b. Wilhelmina Slater
- c. Henry Grubstick
- d. Daniel Meade



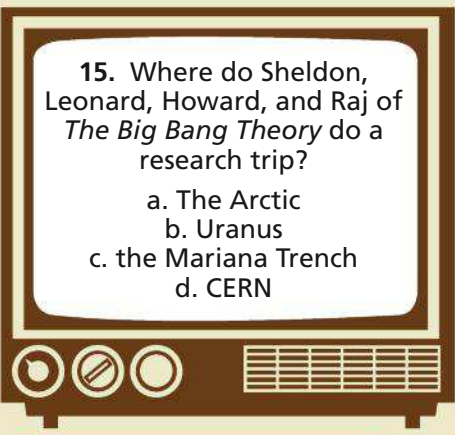
13. Which of the TV shows below was not adapted from a BBC television program?

- a. *Sanford and Son*
- b. *Three's Company*
- c. *The Office*
- d. *The Nanny*



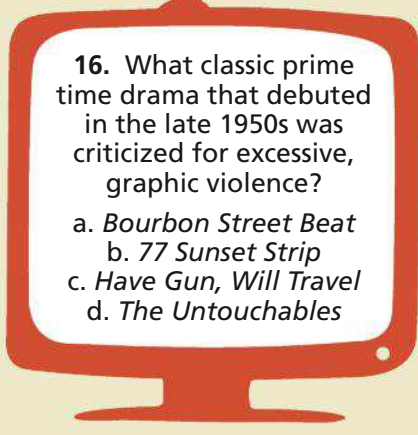
14. What does Henry Bemis long to do in "Time Enough at Last," a famous episode of *The Twilight Zone*?

- a. go fly-fishing
- b. read books
- c. chase skirts
- d. work on his car



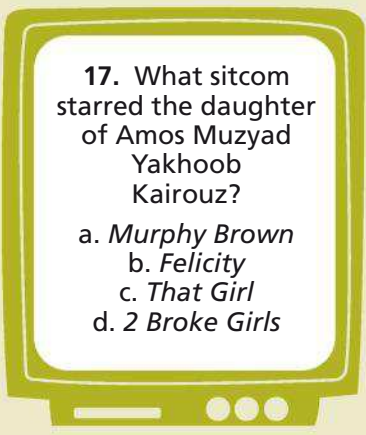
15. Where do Sheldon, Leonard, Howard, and Raj of *The Big Bang Theory* do a research trip?

- a. The Arctic
- b. Uranus
- c. the Mariana Trench
- d. CERN




16. What classic prime time drama that debuted in the late 1950s was criticized for excessive, graphic violence?

- a. *Bourbon Street Beat*
- b. *77 Sunset Strip*
- c. *Have Gun, Will Travel*
- d. *The Untouchables*



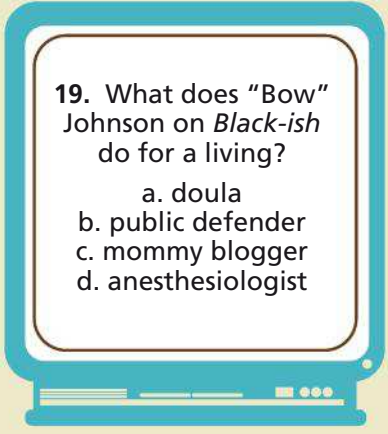
17. What sitcom starred the daughter of Amos Muzyad Yakhooob Kairouz?

- a. *Murphy Brown*
- b. *Felicity*
- c. *That Girl*
- d. *2 Broke Girls*



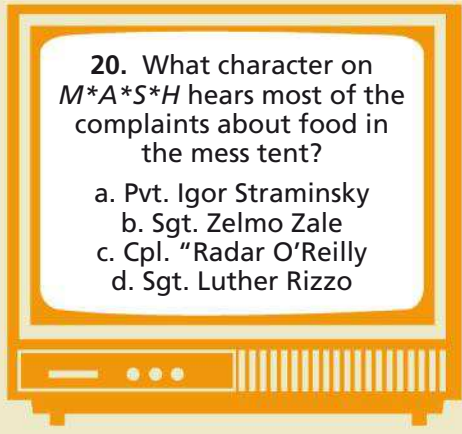
18. Who played Sue Sylvester's mom, Doris, on *Glee*?

- a. Teri Garr
- b. Carol Burnett
- c. Carol Channing
- d. Lily Tomlin



19. What does "Bow" Johnson on *Black-ish* do for a living?

- a. doula
- b. public defender
- c. mommy blogger
- d. anesthesiologist



20. What character on *M\*A\*S\*H* hears most of the complaints about food in the mess tent?

- a. Pvt. Igor Straminsky
- b. Sgt. Zelmo Zale
- c. Cpl. "Radar" O'Reilly
- d. Sgt. Luther Rizzo

# SOLE SURVIVOR: SWEEPERS

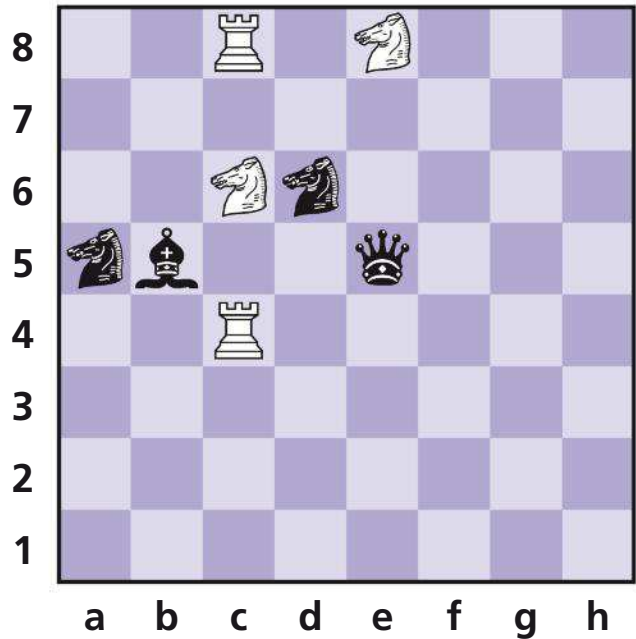
In these puzzles, you are presented a chess configuration that may or may not include kings. Each piece moves as it normally does in chess. It's up to you to determine whether White or Black moves first. Every move must eliminate a piece of the opposing color. At the end, there must be only one piece remaining—the sole survivor.

As a warmup, here is the puzzle from the April issue. At right is the initial configuration:

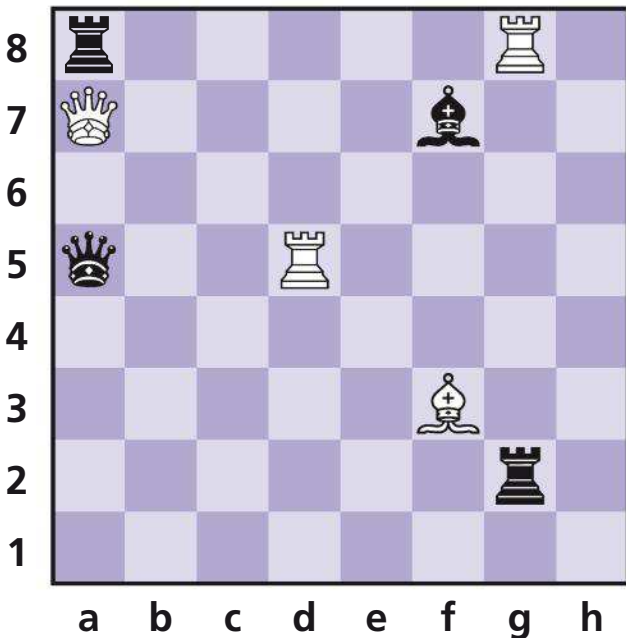
Here is one solution.

Black starts:

Bb5xc6, Rc8xc6, Na5xc4,  
Rc6xd6, Qe5xd6, Ne8xd6, Nc4xd6

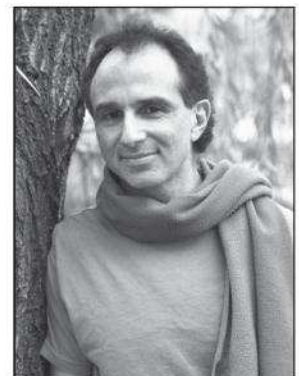


Now here is the problem for this issue. There may be more than one solution.



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• THIS OLD GAME •

# GAMBLER

By Jonathan Schmalzbach

The use of dice precedes recorded history. The oldest known dice were excavated as part of a game from an archeological site in what today is southeastern Iran. Those dice are estimated to be at least 4,500 years old.

Where there are dice, gaming and gambling are not far behind. Both *gaming* and *gambling* share the same etymological source from the Middle English *gamen*, meaning “to play, jest, be merry.”

And the 1975 Parker Brothers board game *Gambler*, a happy-go-lucky game of chance, is all about dicing and making merry—particularly if you win.

Players take turns rolling dice to move delightful dollar-sign-shaped pieces around a game board with 28 squares. Almost every square presents an opportunity to gamble after rolling the dice; you have the opportunity to make or

lose money. If you roll doubles twice in a row, you win \$500.

While the board is square-shaped, it's far more hip than square. It features garish 1970s purples and pinks and Peter Max-like graphics. Squares called *Easy Come Easy Go*, *Win a Few*, and *Bonanza* pay out depending on your dice roll. *Taxes*, *Lose a Few*, and *Pot Luck* will cost you.

There are spaces such as *High Roller*, *Off to the Races*, *Lottery*, and *Poker Party* where everyone participates. This kooky board game is an amalgam of casino games, horse racing, lottery and cards—in other words, a gambler's paradise.

Sweepstakes is an especially fun feature of *Gambler* that involves—I kid you not—a

frying pan-shaped dice shaker. Everyone participates in a Sweepstakes by placing a marker on one of 12 betting spaces on the board. The shaker is turned upright and six dice fall into the handle. The order of the dice determines who wins and how much moola they get.

Luck pretty much determines the outcome of the game, though there are ways to make one's odds more favorable. *Gambler* moves quickly, as there is something happening for all players on most turns. A game generally takes about 20 minutes.

Stephen King has some very good advice about life and dice in his 2010 novella *Full Dark, No Stars*: “Life is fair. We



all get the same nine-month shake in the box, and then the dice roll. Some people get a run of sevens. Some people, unfortunately, get snake-eyes. It's just how the world is.”

Personally, I wish the person who threw my dice shaker across the room after a losing Sweepstakes roll had read that quote before we sat down for a game of *Gambler*. ■



## A BOUT WITH A BOT

The 2018 Consumer Electronics Show (CES) took place in Las Vegas in January. The CES has now been around for more than five decades and, as always, there were some jaw-dropping creations on display. These included a large bot able to play a fairly high-level game of table tennis, while another machine had the general body shape of a dog and could perform some basic tasks, such as opening doors. However, it was the vaguely named “Intelligent Vision System for Companion Robots” that I couldn’t wait to see unveiled: This was a machine ready to challenge you to a game of Scrabble.

It’s not just software that plays a strong game of Scrabble and has the entire dictionary memorized; impressive as that is, it’s been done before many times. No, what was unique to this machine was the ability to perform like another player—meaning reading the block-shaped tiles and placing words onto the board by manipulating the blocks with its chopstick-like fingers. And, yes, it can score lots of points and does have the entire dictionary at its disposal. Heck, it even makes pleasant conversation, pours you coffee, and presents you with a parting gift when your time is up (a robot-shaped pencil sharpener that it adorably tells you to use to “stay sharp”).

Reigning National Scrabble Champion Will Anderson flew out to Vegas to battle the bot. You can see his matches with the robot in their entirety if you Google them;

there is also a five-minute clip of an interview he did with CNET as he and the bot each played a few practice turns. Will took a few minutes to share some highlights with GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES about his time at CES:

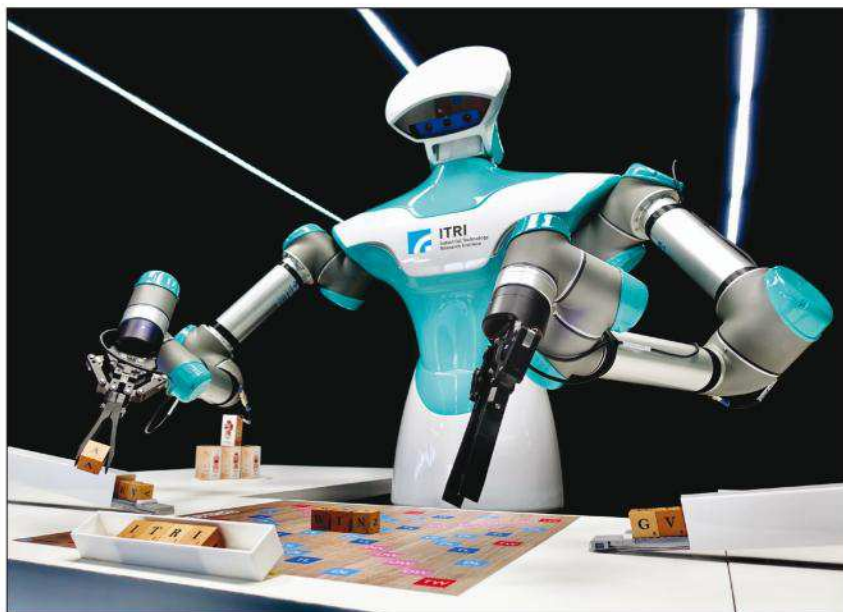
The event was incredible. And huge. I didn’t really get to explore that much of it, but it was multiple floors of warehouse-sized rooms, with booth after booth of amazing tech stuff. Playing the robot was a ton of fun; there were lots of people standing around and there was just so much energy. I had been talking with the team that built the bot beforehand so I knew what to expect—an incredible physical creation with flawless word knowledge, but limited strategy and some quirks that actually made this different than a normal game of Scrabble. First and foremost, after the first play of the game, the robot could only make and could only allow plays that went through another letter—meaning no parallel plays, no hooking an S onto the end of words already played. It also meant that any bingo [not played on the opening turn] had to be an eight-letter word [or longer]. This really changes how the game is played; I sacrificed points early in order to bingo first [play a word

using all seven tiles, meriting a 50-point bonus], because once I had that lead, I figured I could make it really hard for him to bingo since it’s so limiting not being able to use hooks or parallel plays. I used this strategy to win each game with a similar score, something close to 350–300.

The way tiles were picked was unique, too:

The robot wouldn’t have been able to reach into a bag of tiles, so the tiles were laid out in two lines, and we had to alternate picking the first tile from line one, then the first from line two. It made it so that you could see what your next couple of tiles would be; I chose to not look at them because it felt wrong to do so. Finally, the robot didn’t use a tile rack, so its tiles just sat there in plain sight. Again, I tried to ignore the bot’s tiles when I played. Only seemed fair—I know he wasn’t looking at mine.

The robot used a standard algorithm of scoring as many points as possible, with limited exceptions. This resulted in some beautiful plays, like extending ANGLE to ANGLEWORM to hit a triple word score. In general, though, the highest-scoring play all the time is not a winning Scrabble strategy when you are playing top-rated players, because the top players know how to sacrifice points in order to cash in with a big play on an upcoming turn. Will adds, “The builders weren’t really aiming to create the best Scrabble software—they were aiming to create a robot that could read tiles, manipulate tiles, judge the validity of an opponent’s word, while playing a good game of Scrabble.” They clearly succeeded at that. Thousands of fans marveled at the Intelligent Vision System for Companion Robots—walking away with a smile on their face, and—if they were really fortunate—a pencil sharpener in their hands. ■



The Intelligent Vision System for Companion Robots plays Scrabble by reading the block-shaped tiles and placing words onto the board by manipulating the blocks with its chopstick-like fingers.

### ALONG THOSE LINES...

In each of the following board puzzles, the highest-scoring play is a word that was recently added to the North American Scrabble Word List (called TWL). All four words have something else in common too, but it's up to you to figure out what that is. All words played will be common, with the possible exception of two-letter words.

A hint as to the theme of the answers appears on page 75, along with the number of points scored by each play.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1	TRIPLE WORD			DOUBLE LETTER				N <sub>4</sub>				DOUBLE LETTER			TRIPLE WORD
2		DOUBLE WORD				TRIPLE LETTER		U <sub>1</sub>		TRIPLE LETTER				DOUBLE WORD	
3			DOUBLE WORD				DOUBLE LETTER	M <sub>4</sub>	DOUBLE LETTER				DOUBLE WORD		
4	DOUBLE LETTER			DOUBLE WORD				B <sub>4</sub>	O <sub>4</sub>	Z <sub>4</sub>	O <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>4</sub>			DOUBLE LETTER
5					DOUBLE WORD			E <sub>1</sub>					DOUBLE WORD		
6		TRIPLE LETTER				M <sub>4</sub>	A <sub>4</sub>	R <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>		TRIPLE LETTER				TRIPLE LETTER
7			DOUBLE LETTER				DOUBLE LETTER	E <sub>1</sub>	DOUBLE LETTER				DOUBLE LETTER		
8	TRIPLE WORD				V <sub>4</sub>	O <sub>4</sub>	T <sub>4</sub>	E <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>				DOUBLE LETTER		TRIPLE WORD
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14		DOUBLE WORD							TRIPLE LETTER				DOUBLE WORD		
15	TRIPLE WORD			DOUBLE LETTER					TRIPLE WORD				DOUBLE LETTER		TRIPLE WORD

A<sub>1</sub> G<sub>1</sub> H<sub>1</sub> H<sub>1</sub> T<sub>1</sub>

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
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8	TRIPLE WORD							A <sub>4</sub>	T <sub>4</sub>	O <sub>4</sub>	P <sub>4</sub>	Y <sub>4</sub>			TRIPLE WORD
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E<sub>1</sub> F<sub>1</sub> I<sub>1</sub> I<sub>1</sub> L<sub>1</sub> S<sub>1</sub>

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A<sub>1</sub> B<sub>1</sub> E<sub>1</sub> I<sub>1</sub> N<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> W<sub>1</sub>

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G<sub>3</sub> G<sub>3</sub> L<sub>1</sub> N<sub>1</sub> O<sub>1</sub> O<sub>1</sub> V<sub>1</sub>

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Scott Appel is a 20-year Scrabble veteran who still cannot get enough. Please visit [scrabbleplayers.org](http://scrabbleplayers.org) and/or [cross-tables.com](http://cross-tables.com) for answers to any Scrabble-related questions you may have.

# MOVIE GEOGRAPHY

By Jack Lechner

First Prize \$100 5 Runner-Up Prizes: A ONE-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES

If you're reading this magazine, chances are you've played the game of Geography at least once. If you haven't, here's how it works: You name a country or city; your opponent names a country or city that begins with the last letter of the one you named; you name one that begins with the last letter of that one; and so on. For instance, you say "Denmark"; your opponent comes back with "Kansas"; and then you zing your opponent with "Sussex." (But if your opponent knows any of the Chinese cities beginning with "X," the game will just keep going.)

We've adapted this classic game to movies rather than, well, geography. Your challenge is to make a list of 26 feature films, each of which begins with the letter that ended the previous title, until the list finally comes around to the beginning again. Furthermore, you must accomplish this task using as few letters as possible.

## WINNING

The winning entry will be the list that follows all of the above rules and achieves the lowest total score. The five runners-up will be the five valid lists with the next lowest scores. Ties will be broken by random draw.

To enter, send your list of 26 titles, in order, and your score—along with your name and address—to: **Movie Geography Contest, GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES, P.O. Box 184, Fort Washington, PA 19034.** You may enter as many times as you like, but each entry must be mailed separately. Entries must be received by July 2, 2018. ■

## HERE ARE THE RULES:

1. Each beginning and ending letter must be used exactly once.
2. Titles must actually start and finish with the letters in question. When a title starts with a word like "The" or "A," that word may not be disregarded. (For example, if you need a title beginning with G, you could use *Get Out*, but not *The Green Slime*. However, you could use *The Green Slime* as a title beginning with T.)
3. Each of your 26 movies must be a feature film that was released theatrically in the United States. TV movies, TV series, short films, and unreleased films don't count.
4. Titles must be complete, as listed on IMDb.com. (For instance, *Austin Powers* wouldn't be an acceptable title to get you from *Mama* to *Saving Private Ryan*; but *Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery* could get you from *Mama* to *You Only Live Twice*.)
5. Score 1 point for each letter you use in your list. Punctuation marks should not be counted. Thus, the entry *Mama* would be worth 4 points, while *Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery* would be worth 37 points (and hence, not a great choice since your goal is to score as few points as possible).

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## TWO LITTLE LISTS III FROM OCTOBER

**F**or the third edition of our Two Little Lists contest, we made two lists, each containing 12 things that belong to a specific category. (The two lists' categories were unrelated.) Every item on each list was either a single word or a two-word phrase. Next, we altered each list by removing some consecutive letters from each item on the list, closing up the space between the remaining letters if necessary (that is, whenever the letters were removed from the middle of the word rather than from the beginning or end). Each set of removed letters spelled, in order, a different, reasonably common, uncapitalized English word.

In both List A and List B, three or four consecutive letters (spelling a three- or four-letter word) were removed from each item. To solve this contest, you first had to determine the original category of each list, then restore the lists by inserting a three- or four-letter word either before, after, or within each set of letters. If you then made a list of the inserted words for each list, the first letters of some of List A's inserted words, read in order, spelled an item from the same category as List B, and the first letters of List B's inserted words, read in order, spelled an item of the same category as List A. These two items—which were single words—were the answer to the contest.

The two lists, as presented, are shown below.

<u>LIST A</u>		<u>LIST B</u>
GONA	.	GS
TU	.	TON
STAND	.	MY
ELL	.	AGO
BN	.	THTIST
Y	.	OR
CLEM	.	I
LE	.	CIRON
XAR	.	GHI
PUR	.	AUS
LOR	.	HAM
DEIS	.	TIIC

Here are the restored lists, along with the 12 words that were inserted into each. The category for List A is "U.S. universities," while the category for List B is "Films that won the Academy Award for Best Picture."

<u>LIST A</u>		<u>LIST B</u>
GONZAGA	ZAG	WINGS WIN
TULANE	LANE	PATTON <b>PAT</b>
STANFORD	FOR	MARTY <b>ART</b>
CORNELL	<b>CORN</b>	CHICAGO <b>CHIC</b>
BROWN	<b>ROW</b>	THE ARTIST <b>EAR</b>
YALE	<b>ALE</b>	OLIVER LIVE
CLEMSON	<b>SON</b>	GIGI GIG
LEHIGH	<b>HIGH</b>	CIMARRON MAR
XAVIER	VIE	GANDHI AND
PURDUE	DUE	AMADEUS MADE
BAYLOR	BAY	HAMLET LET
BRANDEIS	BRAN	TITANIC TAN

The boldface letters spell out CRASH and PACE, which are the solution to the contest.

This contest was a popular one—we received a very respectable 780 entries, almost all of which gave the correct solution. Congratulations to the winner of the \$100 first prize, Rosalie Troha of Mentor, OH. Runner-up prizes of a year's subscription to GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES (or an additional year if you are already a subscriber) go to: Michael Campagna of Philadelphia, PA; Vince Fierimonte of Wilmington, NC; Jesse Goldberg-Strassler of Lansing, MI; Harris Levine of Fort Lee, NJ; and Sean Lip of Mountain View, CA.

CARD

**METEORFALL**  
**SLOTHWERKS; ANDROID/IOS: \$3**  
**PC/MAC: FORTHCOMING**  
**AGE RANGE: ANY**  
**PLAY TIME: 20-30 MINUTES**  
**PLAYERS: 1**

**A** deck-building roguelike game with art inspired by the *Adventure Time* animated series is a niche within a niche within a niche, but let me tell you: It's a niche you'll want to squeeze into with Meteorfall.

You begin by choosing one of four characters: rogue, cleric, warrior, or wizard, each with some unique cards. The goal is to battle through a series of random lesser monsters on your way to defeat the Uberlich. With each victory, new options open up and characters get stronger, as do the enemies. Lose a fight, however, and that run is over, placing you back at the beginning. That's enough to make it a deal-breaker for players who shy away from roguelikes, but Meteorfall doesn't feel as punitive as similar games. Maybe because it plays quickly and the actual runs are fairly

brief (less than half an hour on average), or maybe because the game is fun even in the early levels, it's not frustrating.

The game has a simple swipe-left, swipe-right mechanic for playing cards. Each round starts with a certain level of health and stamina and a fixed number of turns in a round. Cards are shuffled and turned faceup one at a time. You attack by swiping right, which depletes a certain amount of stamina and uses one turn. When your stamina is gone, you can't attack even if you have a turn. You have to swipe right to spend that card to rest.

Cards do different things. Some are pure attacks, while others allow for rest and recharging of spells, buffs, and lingering effects from things like bites or poison. The mechanic is very simple, but thanks to the diverse selection of cards it allows you to build fairly subtle attack/defense tactics using rests, timing, and deck-tuning to create a winning strategy. Between rounds, there are options to buy, find, delete,



or improve cards in your deck, and over multiple rounds against various enemies your cards increase in power and sophistication.

Meteorfall is a nice blend of fast play and subtlety, with an interface that allows you to make quick choices that keep the game going. ■

GOOD CHOICE FOR FANS OF: **DOMINION**

**RATING A**

ROLE-PLAYING GAME

**KINGDOM COME: DELIVERANCE**  
**WARHORSE STUDIOS**  
**PC/PS4/XB1: \$60**  
**AGE RANGE: M**  
**PLAY TIME: 50 HOURS**  
**PLAYERS: 1**

**K**ingdom Come: Deliverance takes the immersive gameplay and world-building common to deep first-person RPGs and uses it to create a historical game shorn of all fantasy trappings. The result is a certified hit that takes history seriously.

Set in 1403, Kingdom Come places the gamer in the role of Henry, the young son of a blacksmith in the village of Skalitz. His idyllic life is shattered when Skalitz is sacked on the orders of Sigismund, the Hungarian king who is using foreign mercenaries to seize power. Henry escapes the massacre and joins the resistance led by Lord Radzig,

who's attempting to restore Sigismund's half-brother Wenceslas to the throne of Bohemia.

In its tangled politics, commitment to historical realism, political maneuvering, and medieval setting, Kingdom Come feels like a first-person mashup of *Europa Universalis* and an *Elder Scrolls* game. There are no spells, monsters, or wizards. Instead, drama emerges from the real struggle of a people fighting for their lives and honor. Robbers, leaders, peasants, and others pass through Henry's life as he engages in various quests. That may not seem like a strong peg on which to hang 50-plus hours of role-playing adventure content, but Kingdom Come grounds itself in interesting characters. It takes its time unfolding places, people, and drama through both in-game scenes and dialogue. This gives the opening hours a modest



pace as the various pieces are moved into place, but it reaps dividends as you grow to care about Henry and the kingdom he's fighting for.

Your character evolves from choices, with various skills developing based on what you do or how you talk to people. The game moves from small narrative events like returning to Skalitz to bury Henry's family, up to large castle sieges. The fighting system is simple but largely effective, with a diverse array of

gear. The world functions realistically: If you go where you shouldn't or take things that aren't yours, there will be consequences.

The game shipped with various bugs and other problems, but the developers have been issuing patches. The one lingering problem is the punitive save system, which is absurdly limiting. Otherwise, Kingdom Come offers an incomparably rich world and an admirable commitment to historical realism. ■

GOOD CHOICE FOR FANS OF: **SKYRIM**

**RATING B**



## CARD DRAFTING

**SKYWARD**

RULE &amp; MAKE: \$25

PLAYERS: 2-4

AGE RANGE: 14+

PLAY TIME: 40 MINUTES

In *Skyward*, two to four players manage the work of the four factions—Seers, Makers, Preservers, and the Collective—to build a city in the clouds. Each turn, one player acts as warden, dividing assets and workers so everyone has a chance to build a portion of the city.

The game is played with a single deck of cards, some cog tokens, and a warden marker. Using a “split and choose” mechanic, the player acting as warden draws eight cards from the deck (16 for four-player games), then creates as many piles of cards as there are players. The warden creates piles that players will choose

without giving them too much of an advantage, while also leaving the warden with a pile that will benefit him. One pile gets the warden token, which allows the player who holds it to act as the warden on the next turn. It also provides a cog, which acts as a wild card when buying buildings.

There are two kinds of cards. Factions come in four types and are used to pay for building cards. Buildings are purchased by discarding a certain number of faction cards or cog tokens. Once built, they appear in your “airspace,” which is an evolving tableau in front of each player. Buildings provide various effects and bonuses, and also award points that go toward the final victory total. Airships and creatures may also find their way into piles and must be placed into



the tableau immediately. If you wind up with pigeons in your airspace, subtract 2 points for each from your final score—unless you also build a Rookery.

The goal is to deploy buildings and assets so that your section of the city has the highest point value. Most cards are keyed to the different factions, so they function in certain ways and

may require more of that faction’s workers to build. The special rules and the way cards interact, as well as the ability of the warden to create card piles that have both essential and punitive cards, produces an interesting set of dynamics. Combined with excellent art, quick play, and a fast setup, this makes *Skyward* a real treat. ■

GOOD CHOICE FOR FANS OF: **SAN MARCO**RATING **A**

## COOPERATIVE

**THE LOST EXPEDITION**

OSPREY GAMES: \$30

PLAYERS: 1-5

AGE RANGE: 14+

PLAY TIME: 30-50 MINUTES

In 1925, explorer Percy Fawcett disappeared in the Amazon searching for what he called “Z,” an ancient lost city. His story serves as the inspiration for this game.

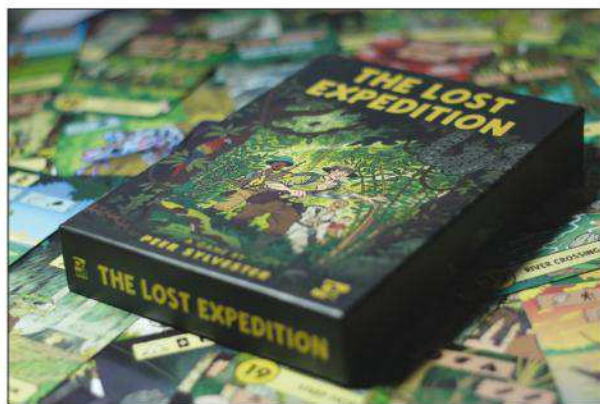
The *Lost Expedition* is a game of choices. A team of three explorers makes its way through a hostile jungle with limited resources and danger around every corner. Players take turns placing adventure cards representing events encountered along the way, then work together to decide how to handle each new challenge.

The team begins with some food, health, and ammunition. Each member also has an expertise: jungle, navigation, or camping. Along

the way members may collect adventure cards that allow them to use their expertise.

The path through the jungle is represented by nine cards laid in a row to form a map. (Two cards can be removed for a shorter game.) Certain cards move a meeple along the path. The goal is to get to the end before all three members of the party die.

Each adventure card features one or more kind of event: Yellow events must be triggered; red events provide a choice of effects to trigger; blue events are optional. Players create a timeline of events by placing cards from their hands, then triggering them from left to right. For example, the first thing you encounter is Piranhas. This card has no yellow and two red events, allowing you to choose between losing two food and advancing one space or losing one health and ad-



vancing one space. Next in line is the Injury card, which costs you a mandatory two health and one camping expertise. If you can’t pay for the camping with an expertise card, then you lose one more health. A blue event gives you an option to trade one jungle expertise for two food. The cards play out until you either make it or health is depleted for all three explorers.

It’s an interesting design by Peer Sylvester with superb artwork by comic book artist Garen Ewing. Gameplay has a unique feel, with a welcome narrative undertone as each event serves to tell an evolving adventure story. Alternative solo and competitive rule sets mix things up even more to make this another strong entry in Osprey’s growing game line. ■

GOOD CHOICE FOR FANS OF: **INCAN GOLD**RATING **A**

### Game Night

Jason Bateman's Max is that annoying guy who blurts out answers at trivia night before the question's even finished. He's rescued from eternal bachelorhood by Annie (Rachel McAdams), who's equally competitive.

They host a long-running game night for old friends, the kind of evening where Chardonnay is far less important than charades. Things seem great until Max's big brother Brooks (Kyle Chandler) arrives. The swaggering venture capitalist invites the gang to his temporary digs for their next game night, surprising them with a live-action murder mystery.

Of course, everything goes wrong, but that's where the fun begins. An established couple gets jealous; two

mismatched coworkers tip-toe around their real feelings; and everyone is so eager to win that they'll cheat.

Bateman, who produced the movie, wisely lets the other actors take the spotlight, which sets up hilarious bits like Annie brandishing a gun (she thinks it's fake) and quoting *Pulp Fiction* in a dive bar and buzz-kill neighbor Gary (Jesse Plemons) rhapsodizing about his ex-wife's recipes. The improbable plot also includes a 1976 Corvette Stingray, a Fabergé egg, a Denzel Washington look-alike, and plenty of people getting shot.

Fortunately, everyone learns that life requires risk—unlike the classic board game. ■

### Off the Bookshelf: *Playing with Feelings*

In this brief, thoughtful book, Aubrey Anable, a professor at Carleton University, argues that combining affect theory and aesthetics offers a productive way of thinking about video games.

According to Anable, the relatively young academic discipline of Game Studies, with its emphasis on computation and big-budget console games, ignores the experience of innumerable casual gamers, including the many women who enjoy playing games like *Candy Crush Saga*.

She proposes that affect theory, the psychologist Silvan Tomkins' attempt to understand the interface between emotions and cognition, might help. Interestingly, his ideas developed alongside cybernetics.

Seem farfetched? Consider smartphones, whose screens we tap, swipe, and pinch throughout the day. All those interactions with digital devices are motivated by feelings that, in turn, engender more feelings.

Many people also play games on their mobile devices. To Anable, it's more than mere diversion. Games like *Diner Dash*, she suggests, represent the rhythm of work in today's digital economy. Like Flo, the diner's owner, we're always on call, always interruptible, and always multitasking. In other words, casual games aren't a respite from work; they're training.

Indie games like the design duo Messhof's *Pipedreamz* critique that obliquely. Its simple graphics lull players into thinking that winning is easy, but the mechanics are impossibly difficult to master. In other words, you can't win. By short-circuiting players' expectations, it highlights an uncomfortable structural feature of capitalism: failure.

*Candy Crush* indeed. ■

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### The Other Indie 500

Love crosswords? Got a sweet tooth? Then pack up your pencils and head to Washington, D.C., on June 2 for the Indie 500 Crossword Puzzle Tournament.

Now in its fourth year, the Indie 500 offers an enjoyable mix of camaraderie and competition. Plus, there's pie! Every attendee is guaranteed a tasty treat from Pie Sisters, a beloved Beltway institution.

For just \$30, registrants can test their know-how against a series of themed puzzles. According to the cognoscenti, "Fashion" is this year's topic. And to keep solvers on their toes, organizers don't necessarily distribute crosswords from the easiest to the hardest.

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All entrants work on the same crosswords, but attendees are divided into two groups: the Inside Track—puzzle tourney veterans who've placed well in past competitions—and the Outside Track, for the hoi polloi. After completing five puzzles, the top three finishers from both groups solve a final crossword on whiteboards while standing onstage.

In addition to crowning a champion, there are five other awards. They include the Joon Pahk Award for Worst Handwriting, named after the tourney's first winner. (Organizers assure us that his script really is atrocious.)

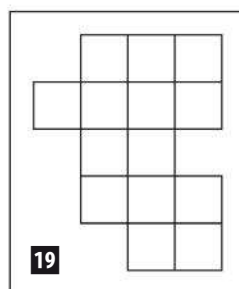
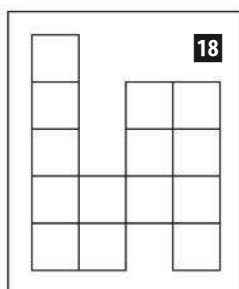
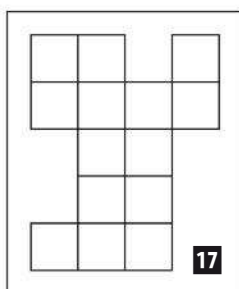
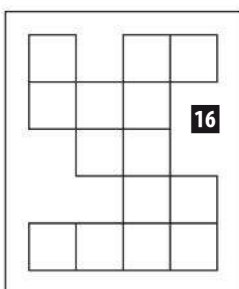
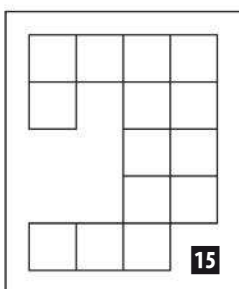
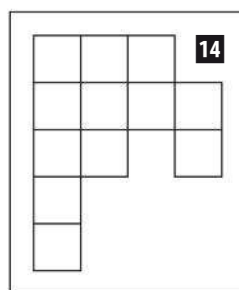
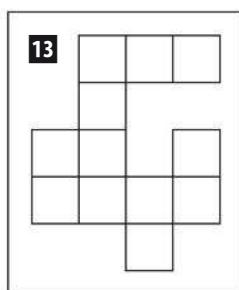
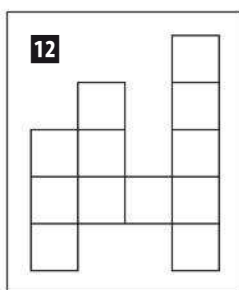
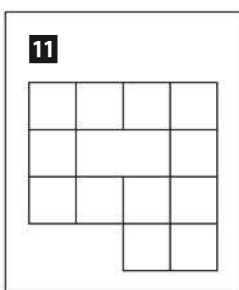
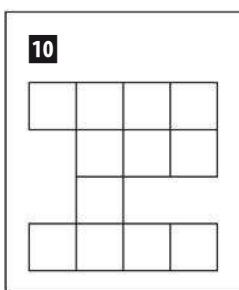
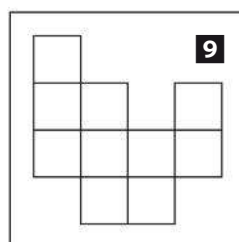
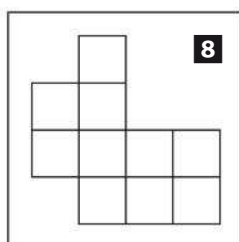
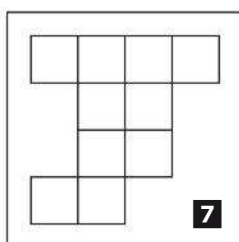
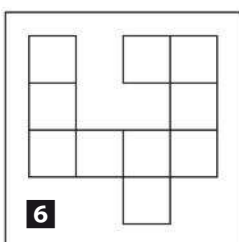
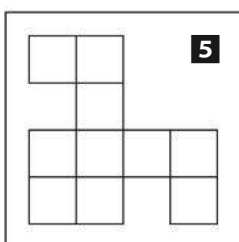
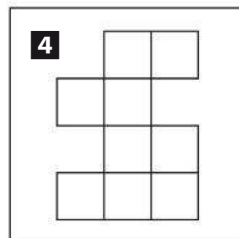
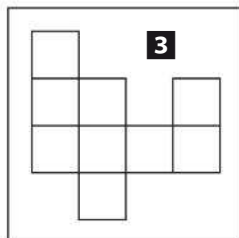
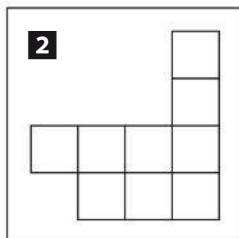
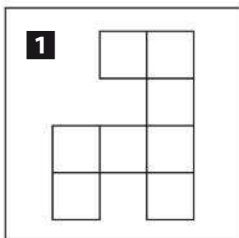
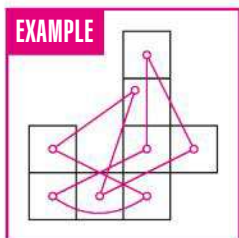
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# JUMP ROPE

BY ERICH FRIEDMAN

Draw a loop, landing on each square exactly once. You may only jump to a square exactly 2 squares away in a horizontal or vertical direction, or 2 squares in one direction and 1 square in a perpendicular direction away (like a knight in chess). You may jump over missing squares in the grid. An example of a solved puzzle is shown below.

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To complete this special type of sudoku puzzle, fill in the squares so that each of the digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, in each column, and in each irregularly shaped box (marked by a heavy line).

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						9	1	5
							2	
6					7			
	3		4	1	6			
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5			6	4				
						9	7	
	8	4	7					
		3					8	9

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9			5	1				
	5	6					1	3
			1				6	
		3		5	8			

Answer the clues on the numbered dashes, one letter per dash. Then transfer the letters on the dashes to the correspondingly numbered squares in the puzzle grid to reveal a quotation reading from left to right. (Black squares separate words.) When you're done, read down the list of answers; their initial letters will spell the author's name and the source of the quotation.

1D	2N	3K	4A		5P	6B	7K	8F	9L	10A	11J	12Q	13O		14L	15B	16A		17D	18O	19B	20I	21A	22G
23Q	24F	25E	26M	27J	28C	29L		30F	31H	32I	33C	34G		35G	36D	37B	38M	39I	40L	41O		42G	43Q	44B
	45B	46O	47I	48S	49F	50P	51A		52N	53A	54L	55S	56P		57R	58N	59D	60I	61M		62M	63D	64G	65N
66E	67F		68O	69D	70C	71K		72D	73K	74H	75O		76R	77D	78N	79L	80K	81C	82B	83M		84C	85I	86H
87A	88K	89Q	90J		91A	92O		93G	94D	95C	96R		97G	98O	99P		100I	101G	102R	103F		104Q	105C	106I
107L		108R	109L		110J	111Q	112S	113P		114C	115K	116I	117L	118D	119B		120I	121Q	122S		123S		124D	125G
126P	127N		128K	129N	130Q	131C	132B		133A		134O	135G	136P	137D		138C	139M		140N	141J	142H	143I	144S	
145S	146I		147A	148K	149H	150J		151R	152L	153A	154I	155N	156B		157O	158J	159L	160C		161L	162I		163P	164S
165M		166D	167M	168J	169A	170N	171G	172C	173F	174R		175P	176A	177J	178D	179E		180E	181O	182S		183S	184A	
185B	186I	187K		188E	189J	190B	191G	192D	193K	194P		195D	196L	197A	198E		199O	200S	201B	202G	203I	204C	205J	

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- A. Philip Roth's 1995 National Book Award novel: 2 wds.
 

169	197	176	10	133	87	53	153	51
			147	16	4	91	184	21
- B. Twenty-first U.S. President: 2 wds.
 

185	45	44	6	19	82	119	37	190
					132	15	201	156
- C. Like a Type A person
 

172	70	160	95	28	33	114	138	204
					81	105	131	84
- D. Graham Greene masterwork set in Vietnam: 3 wds.
 

36	124	63	166	178	192	118	195	94
		59	72	137	17	77	69	1
- E. Part of a circus performer's getup
 

198	25	66	180	179	188			
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- F. Body that first convened in February 1949
 

103	173	49	67	30	8	24		
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- G. *On the Waterfront* Oscar winner: 3 wds.
 

34	191	97	93	101	202	64	135	35
					125	171	22	42
- H. Went for a rebound, say
 

149	74	142	31	86				
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- I. Winner of seven Oscars in 1963: 3 wds.
 

106	32	154	116	20	203	143	85	146
		162	186	47	60	100	39	120
- J. Shirley Temple's final 20th Century Fox movie: 2 wds.
 

205	177	189	27	90	141	110	158	150
							11	168
- K. Slippery quality
 

148	73	115	7	88	193	71	187	80
							3	128
- L. World Series of Poker category: 3 wds.
 

152	40	29	54	159	79	14	196	161	
						107	117	109	9
- M. Favorite aperitif of England's Queen Mother
 

83	167	62	26	139	61	165	38	
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- N. Heightens tension, especially in Answer L!: 3 wds.
 

58	129	140	170	78	127	2	65	52
								155
- O. MLB Hall-of-Famer nicknamed "The Big Unit": 2 wds.
 

75	46	18	13	134	199	181	68	41
						157	92	98
- P. Benefits
 

175	99	126	5	113	163	136	56	194
								50
- Q. Long Island Sound university city: 2 wds.
 

89	12	104	43	23	111	130	121	
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- R. North African citadels
 

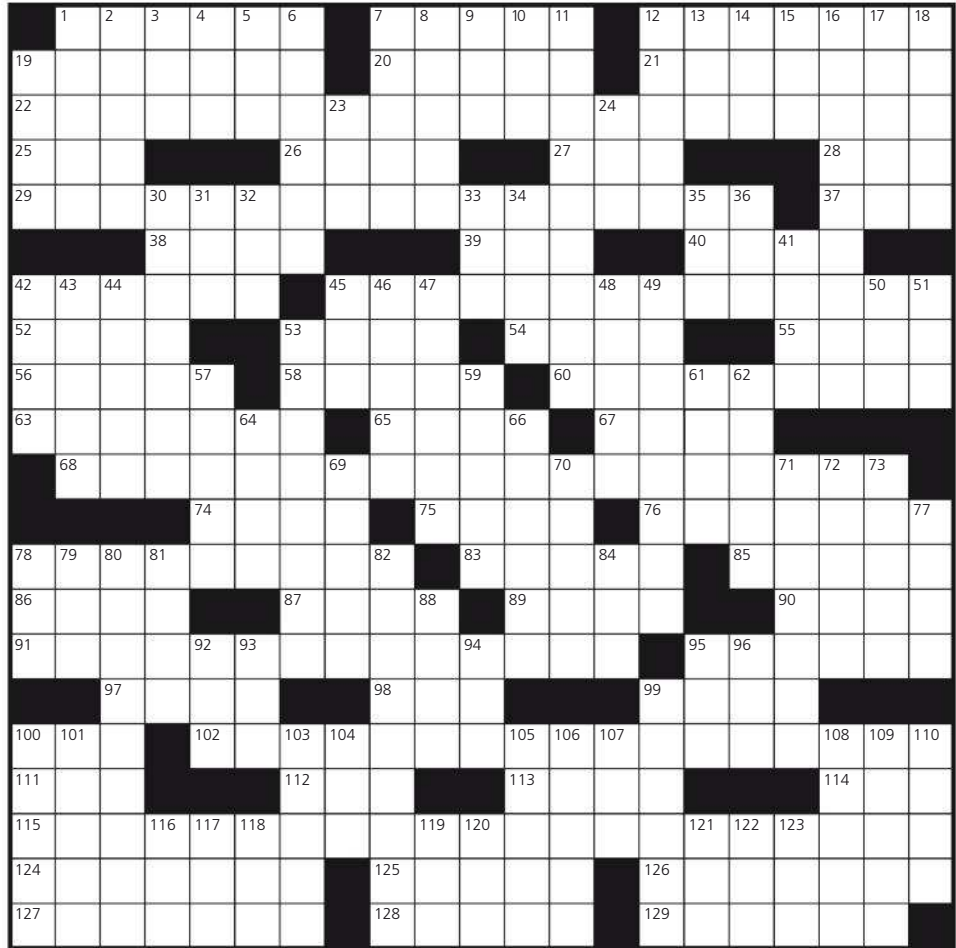
102	151	96	108	76	57	174		
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- S. Bestowed upon: 2 wds.
 

144	55	122	200	182	112	48	183	123
							145	164

**ACROSS**

- 1 Limbering-up exercise
- 7 Some racetrack retirees
- 12 Shallow fixture
- 19 Stick in the mud
- 20 A Minor Prophet
- 21 Superpower of 1984
- 22 Retort that comes full circle?
- 25 Deli bread
- 26 Private school?: Abbr.
- 27 Iota
- 28 Mann's \_\_\_\_ Tuesday
- 29 Sanction that comes full circle?
- 37 Lofty work
- 38 Garfield's bud
- 39 According to
- 40 SALT topic
- 42 Occupies
- 45 Ethical advice that comes full circle?
- 52 Scarlett's home
- 53 Carhop garb
- 54 Princess from Alderaan
- 55 Home, to most
- 56 Gasket type
- 58 Imago, e.g.
- 60 Mawkish columnist
- 63 Half of a famous news team
- 65 *Alive!* author
- 67 Bug bomb brand
- 68 Statement of finality that comes full circle?
- 74 Levy or Albert
- 75 Lectern's burden
- 76 A Fate
- 78 More curvy

- 83 Port-\_\_\_\_ (yellow cheese)
- 85 Cavern
- 86 Boss on a shield
- 87 Tina's costar on *30 Rock*
- 89 It's played at 26-Across
- 90 "Play it, Sam" speaker
- 91 Parent's rationalization that comes full circle?
- 95 Remain amid an exodus
- 97 Quest after
- 98 Ace's digits
- 99 Move
- 100 "Big Blue"
- 102 Ad slogan that comes full circle?
- 111 Urchin's home
- 112 Play (with)
- 113 Unhappy fate
- 114 Mild "wow"
- 115 Trio's motto that comes full circle?
- 124 Banking aid?
- 125 Jacket feature
- 126 Sells
- 127 Tonic
- 128 Applies grease
- 129 Quarrels



**DOWN**

- 1 '64 Games city
- 2 Humphrey's successor
- 3 "Yes" to the JP
- 4 Intimidate
- 5 Artery, e.g.
- 6 Former Hawaii senator
- 7 Celebrity killer whale
- 8 Holy Ark's contents
- 9 Consume
- 10 She's out
- 11 Wine made from overripe grapes
- 12 Folksy hello
- 13 \_\_\_\_ *dien* (I serve)
- 14 Sweet little thing?
- 15 85-Across dweller
- 16 Body language expert?
- 17 Shrinking
- 18 Ethiopia's Selassie
- 19 Charlie Parker
- 23 *For the Boys* gp.
- 24 Use a shuttle
- 30 Tabernacle exclamation
- 31 Thirst quencher
- 32 Frank McCourt bestseller
- 33 Burlesque
- 34 Wiener schnitzel stuff
- 35 Thread cutter
- 36 1929 crash mo.

- 41 Gulf of San \_\_\_\_
- 42 Scintilla
- 43 *L'Ami du peuple* journalist
- 44 *Vega\$* star
- 45 It sits on the pot
- 46 Harden
- 47 Most repellent
- 48 Electron tube
- 49 Items in Bill Nye's closet
- 50 Contend
- 51 Attention
- 53 Like some mosquitoes
- 57 "Understand?"
- 59 Mexicali mouthfuls
- 61 Not severe
- 62 \_\_\_\_ vires (legally authorized)
- 64 Like *this*: Abbr.
- 66 Senate alum Alfonse
- 69 Burst with pride
- 70 Pass on
- 71 Solomon Islands capital
- 72 In the right way
- 73 Trunk
- 77 Hannity of Fox News
- 78 Pigboat
- 79 Prepaid medical plan: Abbr.
- 80 Not at all well
- 81 You might strike one

- 82 Double-platinum Billy Idol album
- 84 One way to send pkgs.
- 88 Dick Francis's *Dead* \_\_\_\_
- 92 Fly trap
- 93 Tricky Dick was his veep
- 94 Dismissive outburst
- 95 Former Beatle Sutcliffe
- 96 Nervous habit
- 99 ThighMaster shill
- 100 "Wicked Game" singer
- 101 Contradict
- 103 Expiate
- 104 \_\_\_\_ *Po Po* (kids' book)
- 105 VAT part
- 106 Home Depot purchases
- 107 Far-off
- 108 Marsh of mystery
- 109 School sounds
- 110 Snigglers' catches
- 116 Cattail land
- 117 Rio de \_\_\_\_
- 118 Rubbish
- 119 Battery size
- 120 "Science Friday" aier, briefly
- 121 Cover charge
- 122 Mel among Giants
- 123 Fink

ANSWER, PAGE 77

This puzzle gives you two grids for the price of one. And two sets of clues to go with them, so you can work both crosswords at the same time. What's the catch? Each clue number is followed by two different clues to two different answers. The puzzle is to figure out which answer goes with which grid. 1-Across has been filled in for you.

ANSWERS, PAGE 77

### ACROSS

- 1 One option for streaming tunes...  
...and another
- 8 Dad, to a Brit  
Monastery head
- 13 City in Israel:  
2 wds.  
One-celled swimmers
- 14 Massey of old movies  
Make up for sins
- 15 Bullfight  
Fashionable:  
2 wds.
- 16 Opening section, perhaps: 2 wds.  
Borrows for a fee
- 17 Distinctive period  
Sgt. major, e.g.
- 18 Stated as fact  
1996 Michael Jordan film: 2 wds.
- 20 Place to detox  
Blokes
- 23 A \_\_\_\_ (deductive)  
Entertainer Pia
- 24 Like the NRA,  
stance-wise  
Get less naive:  
2 wds.
- 27 Writer Anaïs  
Actor Diesel
- 28 One option for streaming tunes...  
...and another: 2 wds.
- 31 Gp. of docs  
"\_\_\_\_ was saying...":  
2 wds.
- 32 Famous Ford flops  
Jousters' horses
- 33 31-state country  
Wet-weather boot
- 35 Tiny power sources  
Noodles
- 39 Guys from Galway, say  
University near Erie
- 42 Swiffer product  
In the capacity of
- 43 \_\_\_\_ Dame  
Nabisco wafer brand
- 44 Oakland's county  
Regardless of liability,  
in insurance: Hyph.
- 47 Leering sort  
Set of beliefs
- 48 Stacked messily:  
3 wds.  
Crystal healing proponent, e.g.:  
2 wds.
- 49 Swelter  
Gridiron units
- 50 Response to "Rough day?": 2 wds.  
Stripped bare

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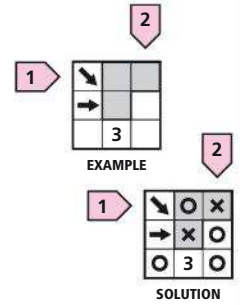
### DOWN

- 1 Indiana hoopster  
Bee attack
- 2 Love, Italian-style  
British change
- 3 The Mick star Kaitlin  
O'Donnell of *CBS This Morning*
- 4 Pic on the body  
The, to Wilhelm
- 5 Kyoto sash  
Green wall climber
- 6 Sneaker brand  
X-ray units
- 7 Designer Saint Laurent  
"And don't delay!"
- 8 Wet, fibrous stuff made from wood: 2 wds.  
Carrier with a Toronto hub: 2 wds.
- 9 Extort from  
2600 game console
- 10 Italian ice cream  
"Livin' on a Prayer"  
band: 2 wds.
- 11 Home to Toronto  
\_\_\_\_-coated tablets
- 12 Enter, as computer data  
Abel who discovered  
New Zealand
- 19 Froth  
Sky-blue hue
- 21 Friend of Tarzan  
Old Pan Am rival
- 22 Some shiny four-posters:  
2 wds.  
Reference table in a clothing catalog: 2 wds.
- 25 City from which  
Lot fled
- 26 Lawn care brand  
Nav. officer
- 28 Dancer Duncan  
Explorer Vespucci
- 29 Bone of the upper jaw  
Brand of fluorescent markers from  
Avery: Hyph.
- 30 "Spring ahead" hrs.  
Boise-to-Phoenix dir.
- 31 Key related to C major: 2 wds.  
Part of CIA
- 34 Archipelago  
makeup  
One way to turn right: 2 wds.
- 36 Alpha's opposite  
Cuttlefish cousin  
Bridal veil material
- 37 Systems, as of transportation
- 38 Gleam  
Totally full
- 40 Oklahoma city  
Author Ayn
- 41 Margarine  
Fewer than one
- 45 Big admirer  
Beard on grain
- 46 TV's Kwik-E-Mart manager  
Pad for a gymnast

# LOGISQUARES

The goal of Logisquares is to identify all of the squares in the puzzle that contain mines. When solved, each mine will be marked with an "O" and all other squares will be marked with an "X." There are four types of clues in Logisquares:

-  Shows the number of mines in a row or column
-  Shows the number of mines contained in the immediately adjacent squares
-  Shows that there is at least one mine in the indicated direction, ignoring other clues
-  Outlines a group of squares that contains exactly one mine



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# CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 1

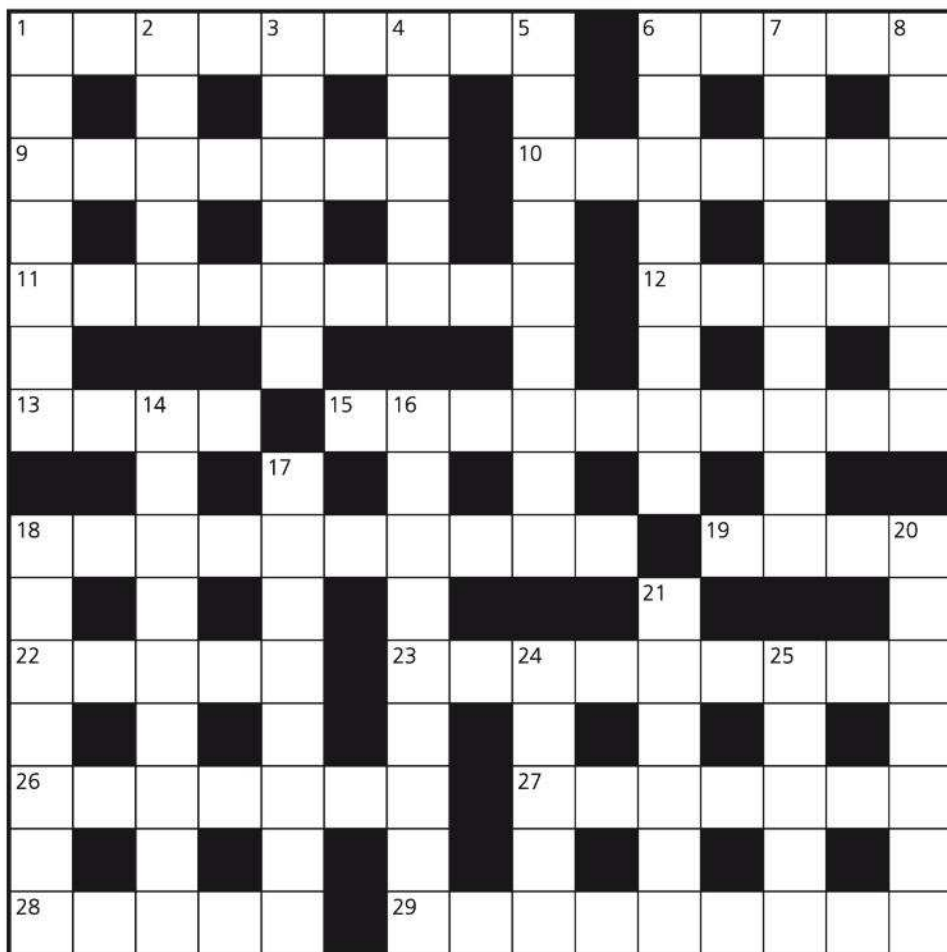
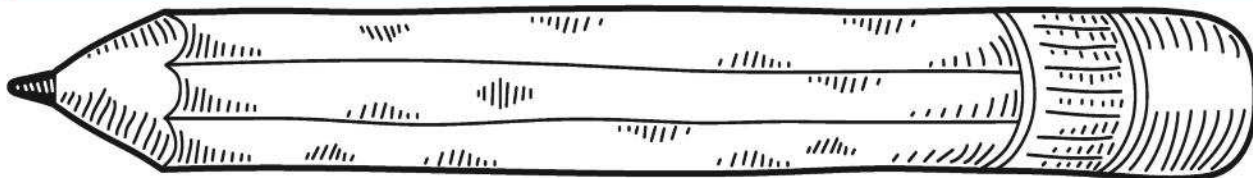


BY TIMOTHY MARTIN

Each clue in a cryptic crossword has two parts: a definition of the answer and an indication of the answer's literal makeup via wordplay. Either half may come first; finding the dividing point between the two parts is the key to solving. On page 61, eight common methods by which hints are given via wordplay are described; any combination of these gimmicks may be used.

Expect to see references to abbreviations (*doctor* for DR, *Hawaii* for HI, or *university* for U), chemical symbols (*iron* for Fe), Roman numerals (*five* for V), and parts of words (*end of year* for R, *head of cabbage* for C, or *heart of stone* for O). A clue with an exclamation point may be what's called an *& lit.* clue, in which the two halves overlap, so the whole clue is both a definition and a cryptic indication of the answer, as in *Terribly angered!* for ENRAGED (see "anagrams" on page 61). Give these puzzles a try!

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- 26 Be inclined, in general, to shine (7)
- 27 Hail storm not unusual (7)
- 28 Roaring, Mr. Asner had supper (5)
- 29 Run into ship's banners (9)

### DOWN

- 1 Packages funny drawings, leaving nothing out (7)
- 2 Starting to hide in pleasant corner (5)
- 3 For men and women, lying in sun is exciting (6)
- 4 Express weariness at back of hot spot (5)
- 5 Special game bird of very high quality? (5,4)
- 6 Crackpot in coarse plot outline (8)
- 7 Go inside to catch fictional sleuth and wizard (9)
- 8 They sample bit of salt in spuds (7)
- 14 Disease rampant: confine it (9)
- 16 One-named singer's boxing and gymnastics results (9)
- 17 Happened before doctor departed (8)
- 18 Claimed support in crooked deal (7)
- 20 They crave radiant glows (7)
- 21 Arrived with Republican and a movie maker (6)
- 24 Conduct song after church (5)
- 25 Indian philosopher chasing operator (5)

### ACROSS

- 1 Swindler seeks victories (9)
- 6 In part of tennis match, our group is winning (5)
- 9 Ruler in back of overturned auto—it's agonizing (7)
- 10 Runs through sections surrounding Romania's capital (7)
- 11 Strange to revere a glutton (9)
- 12 Saw commercial ahead of time (5)
- 13 Comic scene in Hell's Kitchen (4)
- 15 Colleagues like Plato's teacher, with one taking the position of right (10)

- 18 A story about auto that's reasonably priced (10)
- 19 Also known as Gore in speech (4)
- 22 Tied sticker the wrong way (5)
- 23 Tyrants do a strict reshuffling (9)

For tips on solving cryptic crosswords, send a stamped return envelope to "Cryptic Solving Guide," GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES, P.O. Box 184, Fort Washington, PA 19034.

**Anagrams:** The answer appears in anagrammed form, preceded or followed by a word or phrase that suggests the mixing, as in *Changing times* for ITEMS.

**Deletions:** Deletions come in three varieties: beheadments, curtailments, and internal deletions. The clue always contains a word or phrase indicating the deletion. Examples: *Uncovered bent charm* for ENCHANT, a beheadment of PENCHANT; *Fiery bird without a tail* for FLAMING, a curtailment of FLAMINGO; and *Heartless miserly bloke* for CHAP, an internal deletion of CHEAP.

**Charades:** The answer is broken into smaller words that are clued individually, as in *Auto animal* for CARPET.

**Containers:** A word such as PATIENTS "contains" TIE

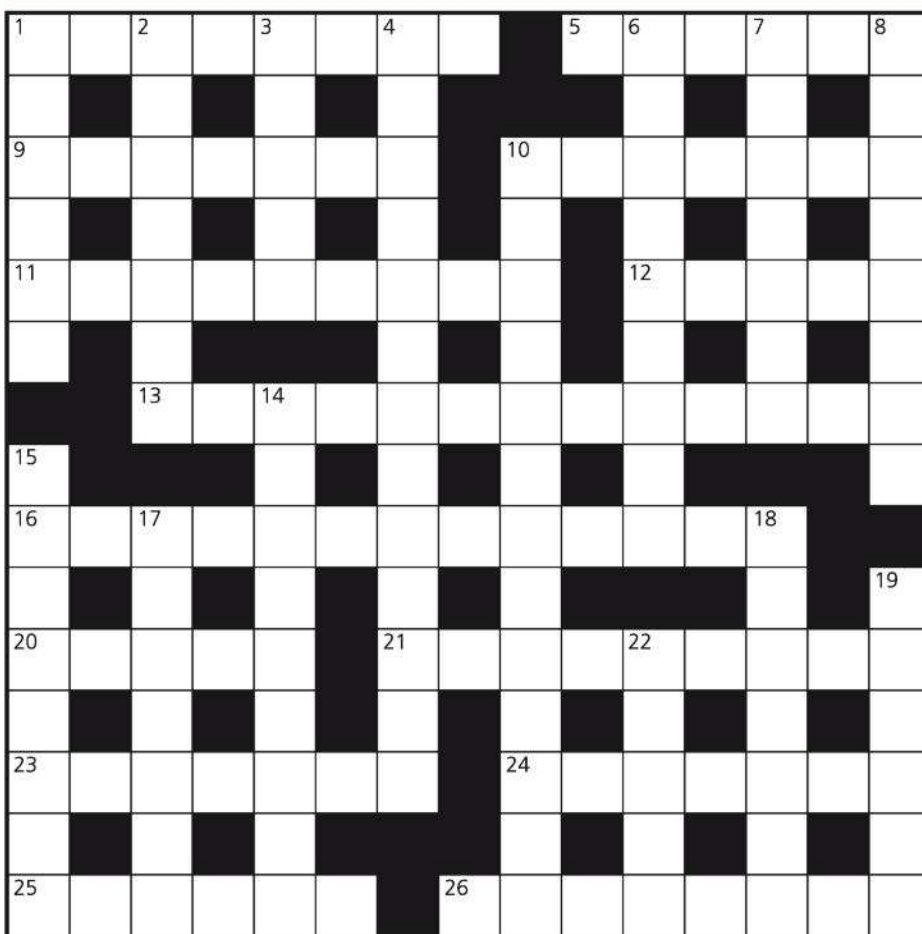
inside PANTS, so it might be clued as *Hospital residents make knots in trousers*.

**Hidden answers:** The answer may appear intact, albeit camouflaged, in the clue. Example: *Myopic colonel clutches flute* for PICCOLO (myopic colonel).

**Homophones:** A word that sounds like the answer indicated by use of a giveaway phrase such as "We hear" or "as they say." Example: *Counted frozen chicken out loud* for NUMBERED ("numb bird").

**Reversals:** A synonym for "backward" or "overturn" in a clue may indicate a reversal, as in *Returned beer fit for a king* (LAGER reversed) for REGAL.

**Double definitions:** This type of clue has no wordplay half; instead, it has two definition halves. Example: *Scooter was blue* for MOPED. **ANSWERS, PAGE 79**



**ACROSS**

- 1 Injured a disc? It's cruel (8)
- 5 For the audience, photographs waterfalls (6)
- 9 Delight in French anthem (7)
- 10 Eastern European country reported caviar fad (7)

- 11 Each steeple and top of dome got damp (9)
- 12 Assign several, we hear (5)
- 13 "Damn jail chore!" snarled famous athlete (7,6)
- 16 Better appoint mentor for division (13)
- 20 Roy is following the endless beat (5)

- 21 Sinus scar devastated youth who loved his face (9)
- 23 Ron dances in small room for New York university (7)
- 24 Pulling back, vote against King (7)

- 25 Saw Chinese principle embraced by thespians' group (6)
- 26 Riots at end of avenue's medians (8)

**DOWN**

- 1 One of Snow White's pals strips in mirror at gym (6)
- 2 Decency of coed corrupted by alcohol (7)
- 3 Playing harp's note (5)
- 4 Student doctor meets a Latino flying around the world (13)
- 6 Laugh at dinner bill in comedy film (4,5)
- 7 Orange drink crystals were first in a mess (7)
- 8 Ancient Greek people line bridges with art (8)
- 10 Stupid, overfed, unruly Russian dancer (6,7)
- 14 Actor James has almost poked fun at vacation area (9)
- 15 Frames found in small attic escrivtoire (8)
- 17 Depict ship's left beam (7)
- 18 Examining blighted setting (7)
- 19 America develops manners (6)
- 22 Intimate supper is not started (5)

Two answers share each Across slot in the grid. Enter both answers; thus each Across square will contain two letters. If a square is checked by a Down entry, both letters will be used (in either order) by the Down entry. In 14 instances, one per column, the two Across answers supply the same letter to an unchecked square. Those letters, read left to right, describe some folks who, in a way, share everything.

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## ACROSS

- 1 Notice apartment Ed converted (7)  
Discard doctored evidence of who you are (2,5)
- 5 Everybody partner up before the finale (3)  
Group headquartered in the West Bank engaged in diplomacy (3)
- 7 Humorist takes heart from Supreme Court order (4)  
Using water, remove white, powdery residue (4)
- 10 Arguments against cigarette coated with—honest!—a touch of sugar (9)  
Oldest evergreen tree's shredded, split by onset of blizzard (9)
- 11 Old Peruvians occupying most of Spanish house (5)  
Free verse dramatically changes direction (5)
- 13 Prepare study, "The Male Chromosome" (5)  
Arrange a seat on a cruise (2,3)
- 15 Mimic short policeman (3)  
SOB starts to cheat, riling you (3)
- 17 Vehemently denounce a means of transportation (4)  
Western Ireland's large lake (4)
- 19 I say peel fruit (4)  
Bare extract from crime report (4)
- 22 Crash into a St. Louis player (3)  
Street fronting gym is a filthy place (3)
- 24 In effect, a militant Sri Lankan ethnic group member (5)  
Yonder things? That's right, stockings (5)
- 26 Simba beat feet (5)  
Retro artist Salvador owns one work ascribed to Homer (5)
- 28 Someone who settled east of the Rockies, perhaps, or Jimmy Carter? (9)  
A bubbly character in *Fame's* so phony (9)

- 30 Egyptian deity is a heavyweight? (4)  
A marsh harboring rare plant that reproduces via spores (4)
- 31 Seen in a mirror, half a dozen Greek letters (3)  
Toiletries containing petroleum (3)
- 32 A Spaniard's OK with half a round of golf? Ridiculous (7)  
Flying drones around the facade of Hogwarts takes a unicorn's magic (7)

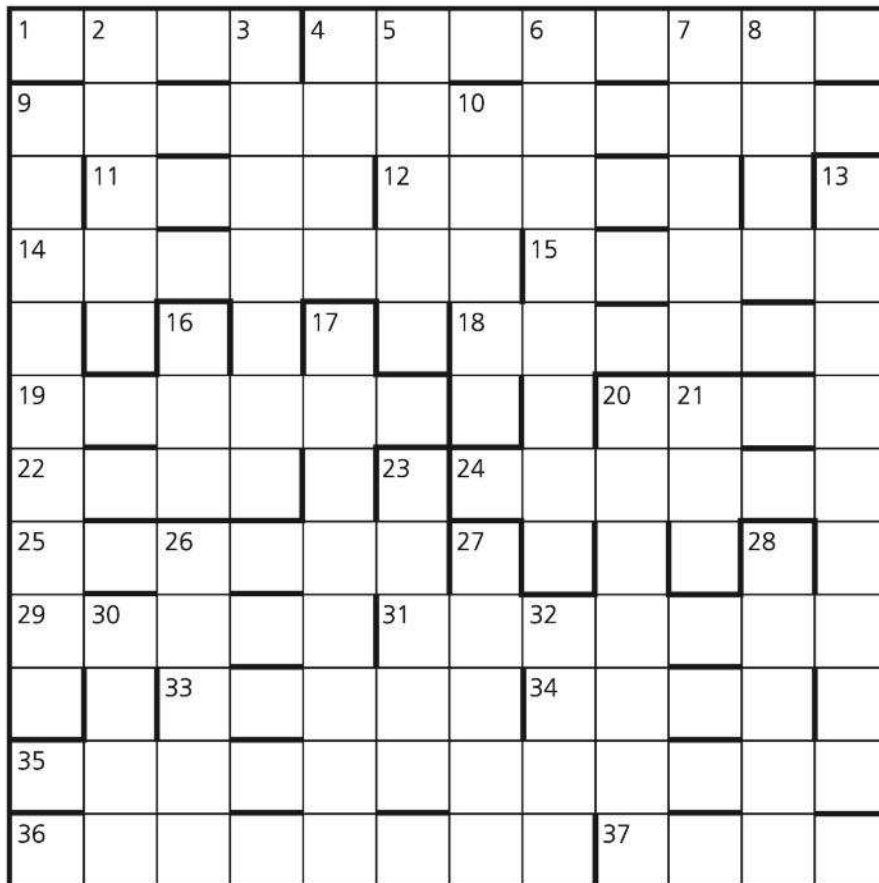
## DOWN

- 1 The cost of a plane ticket blunder, according to the rules announced (7)
- 2 Auto buff's left with a component obsoleted by the fuel injector (4)
- 3 Dad was a smoker, but stopped for a while (6)
- 4 A bit of simplistic nonsense and bunk about borrowers (7)
- 5 Standard wisdom, mostly, for a salon (6)
- 6 Twist and Shout's #3, Burning Heart's #4 (6)
- 8 Ethnic group competition (4)
- 9 Tel Aviv natives rise, sail off (8)
- 12 Next to no musical talent (4)
- 14 Pattern of work as a substitute in the wee hours (8)
- 16 My Peg is weaving diminutive things (7)
- 18 Strips the skin from two pieces of flounder, with questionable sense (7)
- 20 A watering hole set up for a Middle Easterner (4)
- 21 Rod's ex trashed baseball team (3,3)
- 23 Area with rings and reefs of coral (6)
- 25 Pop band's French song lacking a bit of character (6)
- 27 Museum ironically featuring painter Joan (4)
- 29 First-rate building without an opening for a Persian Gulf chieftain (4)



This is what happens when we leave magnets too close to our computers. In the grid below, eight squares have turned into magnets themselves. These magnets draw one letter to them from both the Across and Down entries that cross at that square. This results in a new word in both directions. So if the clue answers PEONS and CHORE crossed in their first square, this square would pull both O's to make the magnetized words OPENS and OCHRE. Be careful how you approach this puzzle, because you may find it strangely attractive.

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### ACROSS

- 1 Act or it may block your access (4)
- 4 Selection of most artless surprises (8)
- 9 Run in case Steve improved volatility (12)
- 11 Yes, a cryptic is simple (4)
- 12 Some semiserious skinflint (5)
- 14 North Carolinian modeled leather (7)
- 15 Chip catches robin's first bird call (5)
- 18 Items ordered in Seattle without end! (6)
- 19 I stole rotten tricks (4,2)
- 20 Rajah's wife ruled India in the beginning (4)
- 22 Parcels of land owned by Abraham's nephew (4)
- 24 Utopian Delaware retreats with nice sailing (6)
- 25 Nearly stab a large antelope (6)
- 29 Give a speech for unlimited fee (5)

- 31 Tire around Conservative and Liberal (7)
- 33 Timothy returned shirts and gloves (5)
- 34 Reported in fake data (4)
- 35 Finally note speed at imaginary number and call club in a stressed manner (12)
- 36 Eastern fire remains surrounded by burned up resort area (8)
- 37 Birds ignoring red bovines (4)

### DOWN

- 2 Scan down total again (5)
- 3 Arthur raised that boat's ruins (7)
- 4 Saint with the old eye problem (4)
- 5 Watch, I'm entering Texas (5)
- 6 Once again, burns cardless drunk (8)
- 7 Beer with no head? That is weird (5)
- 8 Set up shoot with leading lady (4)

- 9 No, I left loaded company over huge amount (9)
- 10 Evildoer surrenders in mansion (5)
- 13 To picture friend in a relevant way (9)
- 16 Upwardly mobile male, for one, signs quickly (3)
- 17 Second leader of Yugoslavia gets allowed knife (8)
- 20 Wine canister is uncapped and overturned (7)
- 21 Top off several (at least one) (3)
- 23 Get a report of true courage (5)
- 26 Leaders of Peru's aristocracy murmur, "People are plain in Argentina" (5)
- 27 Certain singers fish near island (5)
- 28 Name for an Italian chum who ultimately gets old (5)
- 30 Reportedly wander around European city (4)
- 32 Chop up Heston film without bit of laughter (4)

# WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP: CARUANA VS. CARLSEN

**F**abiano Caruana of the United States won the 2018 Candidates Tournament, an eight-player, double round robin event held in March in Berlin, Germany. The win earned Caruana the right to play Magnus Carlsen of Norway in a world championship chess match that will take place in November in London, England.

Caruana's win means that he will become the first American since Bobby Fischer in 1972 to play in a match for an undisputed world chess championship. Gata Kamsky of the U.S. lost a 1996 title match to Anatoly Karpov of Russia, but at that time Garry Kasparov was also a world champion recognized by a rival organization.

Caruana and fellow American Wesley So had qualified for the Candidates Tournament by virtue of having the highest average 2017 ratings among players who participated in the World Cup or Grand Prix but did not come in first or second in either event. Caruana had come in second in the previous (2016) Candidates Tournament when Sergey Karjakin of Russia defeated him in the final round. (Karjakin went on to lose his world chess championship match with Carlsen in tiebreak games after the first 12 games ended in a 6–6 tie.) Karjakin defeated Caruana again in one of their two games in this tournament, but Caruana finished ahead of him by a full point, scoring five wins, one loss, and eight draws.

Carlsen, 27, is the highest-rated player in the world and has been world champion since 2013. At press time, he had a lifetime record of 9 wins, 5 losses, and 17 draws against Caruana at classical time controls.

Caruana led the tournament most of the way, getting off to a good start by beating So in the first round. Going into the final round, Caruana was half a point ahead of both Karjakin and Shakhriyar Mamedyarov of Azerbaijan. Playing black against Alexander Grischuk of Russia, Caruana chose a conservative Petroff Defense against Grischuk's 1. e4. After the other players' games ended as draws, Caruana only needed a draw to assure first

place, but he pressed for a win that was almost risk-free and went on to earn the full point. A record of that game appears below.

When White removed the pin on his knight by force with 16. Nd4!?, he gained the bishop pair but gave Caruana a stronger pawn center and a half-open f-file for his rook. Chances remained fairly even for both players until White made some small inaccuracies. Instead of 31. Ra3, better was 31. axb5 axb5 32. Ra6. And 43. Rc2? was inferior to 43. R2a6. After 44. ...c3, White could not take the pawn because Rd2+ would lead to checkmate.

When the players have bishops of opposite colors (light and dark squares), endgames are often drawn even when one player is a pawn ahead, but after much maneuvering, Caruana found a way to advance his king to g3. White resigned, since his kingside pawns were doomed. ■

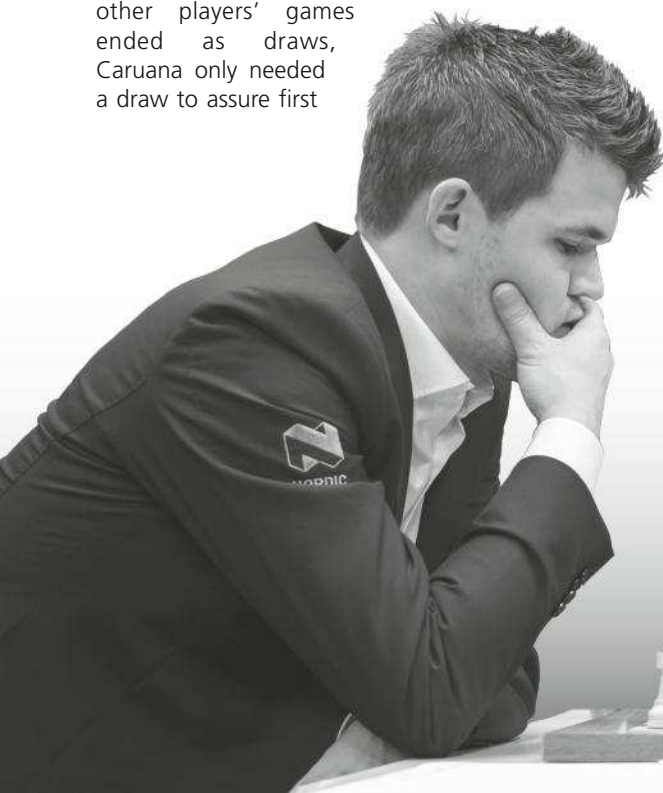
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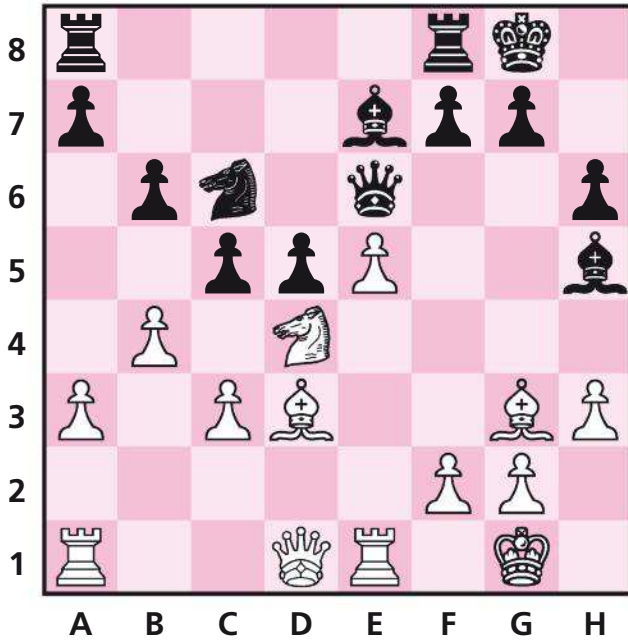
**White:** Alexander Grischuk

**Black:** Fabiano Caruana

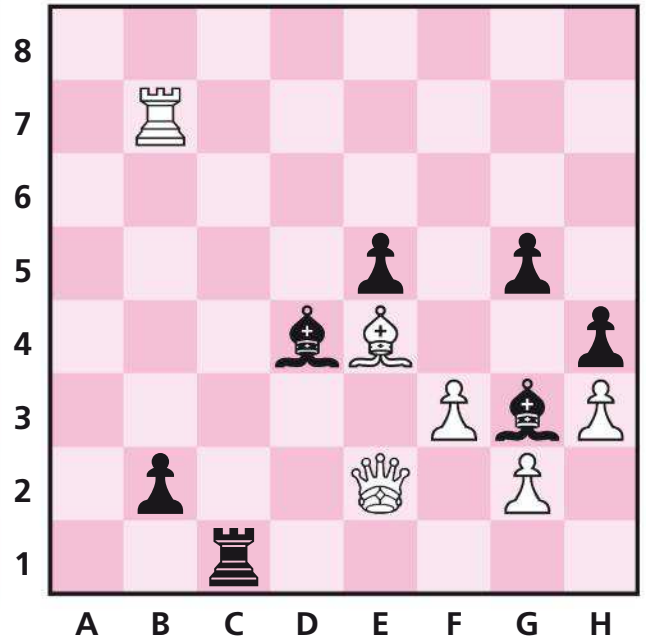
1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. d4 Nxe4 4. dxe5 d5 5. Nbd2 Nxd2 6. Bxd2 Be7 7. Bd3 c5 8. c3 Nc6 9. O-O Bg4 10. Re1 Qd7 11. h3 Bh5 12. Bf4 Qe6 13. a3 O-O 14. b4 h6 15. Bg3 b6 16. Nd4 (diagram 1) Bxd1 17. Nxe6 fxe6 18. Raxd1 c4 19. Bc2 b5 20. a4 a6 21. f3 Bg5 22. Bf2 Bf4 23. Bc5 Rfd8 24. Bd6 Bg3 25. Re2 g5 26. Kf1 Kf7 27. Bc7 Re8 28. Bd6 Rac8 29. Ra1 Red8 30. Bb1 Rd7 31. Ra3 d4 32. axb5 axb5 33. cxd4 Nxd4 34. Rea2 Nc6 35. Be4 Bxe5 36. Bxc6 Rxd6 37. Bxb5 Rd1+ 38. Ke2 Rg1 39. Ke3 Rb1 40. Ra7+ Kf6 41. Bd7 Bf4+ 42. Ke2 Rd8 43. Rc2 Rxb4 44. Bc6 c3 45. Rd7 Rc8 46. Be4 h5 47. Kd3 Rb2 48. Ke2 h4 49. Rd1 Ke5 50. Ra1 Rd8 51. Rd1 Rdb8 52. Ra1 Bd2 53. Ra6 Rd8 54. Rc6 Rb1 55. Kf2 Ra1 56. Rc4 Rd4 57. Rc8 Rb4 58. Ke2 Kf4 59. Kf2 Rbb1 60. Rf8+ Ke5 61. Bd3 Rb2 62. Ke2 Re1+ 63. Kf2 Rc1 64. Rxb2 cxb2 65. Rb8 Bc3 66. Be4 Bd4+ 67. Ke2 Kf4 68. Rb4 e5 69. Rb7 Kg3 (diagram 2) 0-1



GRISCHUK-CARUANA (ROUND 14)  
Position after 16. Nd4



GRISCHUK-CARUANA (ROUND 14)  
The final position



### Final Standings

Finish	Score	Title	Player	Country	Rating	Age
1	9.0	GM	Fabiano Caruana	USA	2784	25
2	8.0	GM	Sergey Karjakin	RUS	2763	28
2	8.0	GM	Shakhriyar Mamedyarov	AZE	2809	32
4	7.5	GM	Ding Liren	CHN	2769	25
5	6.5	GM	Alexander Grischuk	RUS	2767	34
6	6.5	GM	Vladimir Kramnik	RUS	2800	42
7	6.0	GM	Wesley So	USA	2799	24
8	4.5	GM	Levon Aronian	ARM	2794	35



Change each group of 10 words below into a “family” of different words (words or proper names that have something in common) by dropping one letter from each word and then rearranging the remaining letters. For example, given the entries HAUNT, HAIRDO, and ADVANCE, you could drop the N from HAUNT to get UTAH, drop the R from HAIRDO for IDAHO, and drop the C from ADVANCE to get NEVADA, all in the category “U.S. states.” Can you reunite each family by determining the category for each and unscrambling the 10 entries? All answers are single words. If you need help getting started, a list of the four categories appears on page 73.

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## FAMILY ONE

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

1. UPPER \_\_\_\_\_
2. CLICHE \_\_\_\_\_
3. BLIZARD \_\_\_\_\_
4. GUANAYS \_\_\_\_\_
5. CAROUSED \_\_\_\_\_
6. SAVILIBO \_\_\_\_\_
7. LOCOMBIAL \_\_\_\_\_
8. SUBMARINE \_\_\_\_\_
9. INTERABANG \_\_\_\_\_
10. VALUEZENER \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMILY TWO

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

1. SCRUB \_\_\_\_\_
2. STEAM \_\_\_\_\_
3. UNWITS \_\_\_\_\_
4. COSTARS \_\_\_\_\_
5. GUTSIER \_\_\_\_\_
6. LASAGNE \_\_\_\_\_
7. ASPERITY \_\_\_\_\_
8. MISLEARN \_\_\_\_\_
9. NONSPATIAL \_\_\_\_\_
10. TACHYLITES \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMILY THREE

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

1. DEBT \_\_\_\_\_
2. HADES \_\_\_\_\_
3. IDYLL \_\_\_\_\_
4. ORLOP \_\_\_\_\_
5. PRANK \_\_\_\_\_
6. ABLEST \_\_\_\_\_
7. SOLEMN \_\_\_\_\_
8. TWOFER \_\_\_\_\_
9. TOPSOIL \_\_\_\_\_
10. COCAINISM \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMILY FOUR

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

1. CHATTY \_\_\_\_\_
2. POSOLE \_\_\_\_\_
3. BEAMIER \_\_\_\_\_
4. CURTEST \_\_\_\_\_
5. CAVALIER \_\_\_\_\_
6. CRIPPLES \_\_\_\_\_
7. GIFTWARE \_\_\_\_\_
8. LONGLEAF \_\_\_\_\_
9. ISOCHRONE \_\_\_\_\_
10. HIBERNATING \_\_\_\_\_



# THE WORLD'S MOST ORNERY CROSSWORD (CONTINUED)

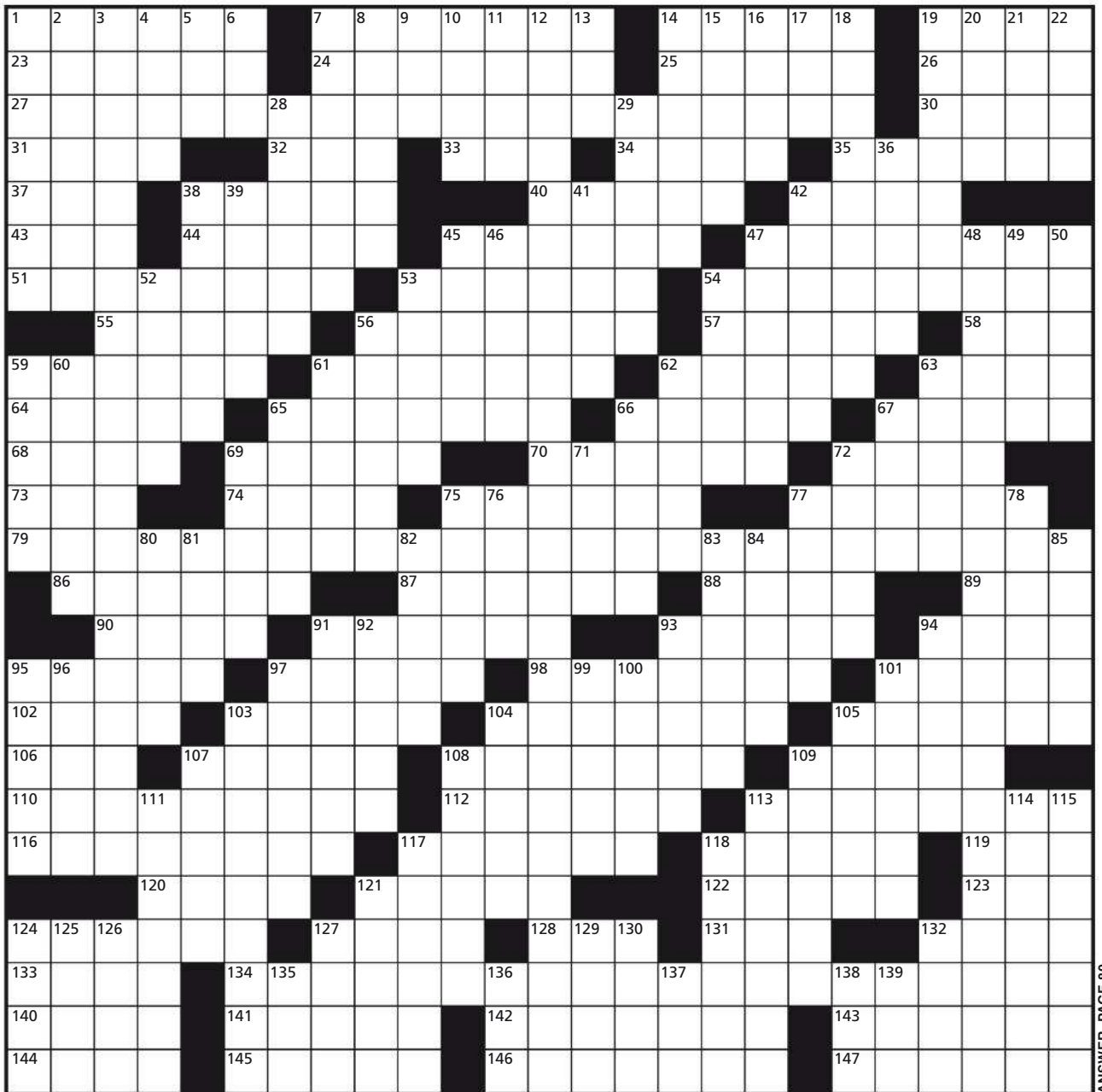
## Easy Clues

### ACROSS

- 1 Parking lot divisions  
 7 Turned, as milk: 2 wds.  
 14 *John Wick* actor Willem  
 19 Laundry detergent brand  
 23 Baltimore player  
 24 "I'm sorry," e.g.  
 25 Mecca religion  
 26 Dictionary entry  
 27 1986 Matthew Broderick teen comedy: 4 wds.  
 30 *The Virginian* author Wister  
 31 Calgary's province: Abbr.  
 32 Bed-and-breakfast  
 33 Exist  
 34 Take down \_\_\_\_ (make humble): 2 wds.  
 35 Canada's capital  
 37 Saloon  
 38 *Divine Comedy* poet  
 40 Wading bird  
 42 Con \_\_\_\_ (with vigor, in music)  
 43 Greek vowel  
 44 Downy duck  
 45 One who scoffs at authority  
 47 Smith is a very common one: 2 wds.  
 51 Watchdog, for example  
 53 Kick out of the country  
 54 Louisa May Alcott book: 2 wds.  
 55 Aviator  
 56 Clemente of baseball  
 57 Cosmetics maven Lauder  
 58 Before, poetically  
 59 Flagged down, as a taxi  
 61 Shakespearean tragedy  
 62 Frolic  
 63 Puritanical  
 64 Spanish war hero: 2 wds.  
 65 Mischievous  
 66 Furniture transporter  
 67 God or goddess  
 68 Track event  
 69 Chores  
 70 Ran away to get married  
 72 College military group: Abbr.  
 73 Paul Anka hit "\_\_\_\_ Beso"  
 74 Will-\_\_\_\_-wisp: Hyph.  
 75 Period of nonutilization  
 77 Meredith of *Petticoat Junction*
- 79 Maya Angelou book: 7 wds.  
 86 Greece's capital  
 87 Stops sleeping  
 88 Sailor's saint  
 89 Rank for Preston or Bilko: Abbr.  
 90 Uncommon  
 91 Tranquil  
 93 Eagle's claw  
 94 "What's Love Got to Do With It" singer Turner  
 95 Stick out like \_\_\_\_ thumb: 2 wds.  
 97 Finicky  
 98 Most desirable  
 101 Russian writer Nikolai  
 102 Living room: Sp.  
 103 Auctions off  
 104 Steep-roofed houses: Hyph.  
 105 Farm  
 106 NBC skit show, for short  
 107 Insect stage before pupa  
 108 Asserted as fact  
 109 Storybook monster  
 110 Hollow spot in the skull: 2 wds.  
 112 *Camelot* lyricist Alan Jay \_\_\_\_  
 113 Piece of men's jewelry: 2 wds.  
 116 Wizard  
 117 Argentine writer Jorge  
 118 Italian lawn bowling game  
 119 Classical beginning?  
 120 Overcome with wonder  
 121 Language family including Zulu and Swahili  
 122 Helicopter part  
 123 Wildebeest  
 124 Like porno movies: Hyph.  
 127 Taxi's charge  
 128 Finance degree: Abbr.  
 131 "Are you a man \_\_\_\_ mouse?": 2 wds.  
 132 Violinist Leopold  
 133 Fine spray  
 134 Traditional Irish meal: 4 wds.  
 140 Dull pain  
 141 Ryan or Tatum  
 142 Moderately slow, in music  
 143 Mountain lion  
 144 Crystal ball gazer  
 145 With dampness  
 146 More strict  
 147 Lodgings for travelers

### DOWN

- 1 Convertible sleeping furniture  
 2 Church dignitary  
 3 Worker who gives clearance for takeoff: 3 wds.  
 4 *Iron Chef's Cat*  
 5 Cotton gin inventor Whitney  
 6 French possessive  
 7 More haggard  
 8 Bottle cap remover  
 9 Cambodian leader Lon \_\_\_\_  
 10 Singer Fitzgerald  
 11 Afrikaner  
 12 Accept hypothetically: 6 wds.  
 13 Abnormal: Prefix  
 14 Huggies product  
 15 Up to now: 2 wds.  
 16 Beat with a whip  
 17 Clumsy fellow  
 18 *A Room With a View* novelist: 3 wds.  
 19 Having a couple of colors: Hyph.  
 20 The Hawkeye State  
 21 Made a picture  
 22 Best or Buchanan  
 28 Loose-leaf holder  
 29 "\_\_\_\_ compare!" (sale sign): 2 wds.  
 36 Sir, Mr., or Ms.  
 38 Just said no?  
 39 Helped  
 41 Circumference  
 42 Pancake mixture  
 45 First name of cookie creator Mrs. Fields  
 46 Fencing swords  
 47 Spoke like "thith"  
 48 Communication system for the deaf: 3 wds.  
 49 Be worthy of  
 50 Foe  
 52 Pop songwriter Greenwich  
 53 Harbor structures  
 54 Depart  
 56 Equipment for Federer  
 59 "\_\_\_\_ come to save the day!" (Mighty Mouse cry): 2 wds.  
 60 Juneau's state  
 61 Like overripe bananas  
 62 Dealt (with)  
 63 \_\_\_\_ dish (lab container)  
 65 Walkways  
 66 Former hoops star Malone  
 67 Healers, for short
- 69 *Chinatown* screenwriter Robert  
 71 Racing sled  
 72 Hazardous gas  
 75 Huey and Louie's brother  
 76 "\_\_\_\_ See Clearly Now": 2 wds.  
 77 Michael Keaton comedy of 1983: 2 wds.  
 78 Yuletide drink  
 80 Rhett Butler's love Scarlett  
 81 Used to be  
 82 \_\_\_\_ back to (recalls a previous period)  
 83 Smiled radiantly  
 84 Abbr. denoting a book with pictures  
 85 Like week-old bread  
 91 The Lone Ranger's horse  
 92 Showy display  
 93 Stopwatch, e.g.  
 94 "\_\_\_\_ the Girls I've Loved Before": 2 wds.  
 95 Blockheads  
 96 Sony rival  
 97 Enlivened, with "up"  
 99 Folk singer John  
 100 Domesticates  
 101 General store proprietor  
 103 Something exempt from criticism: 2 wds.  
 104 On one's toes  
 105 \_\_\_\_-Roman wrestling  
 107 *Camelot* composer Frederick  
 108 Made a genetic duplicate of  
 109 Breath mint brand: 2 wds.  
 111 Disperse  
 113 Made-\_\_\_\_ (custom-built): Hyph.  
 114 Dakar's country  
 115 They say "Say when!"  
 117 Scarcely  
 118 *Jane Eyre* author Charlotte  
 121 Hackneyed  
 124 December 25, for short  
 125 Jambalaya ingredient  
 126 Tennis legend Arthur  
 127 Worry  
 129 George Eliot's *Adam* \_\_\_\_  
 130 At a distance  
 132 Border on  
 135 Dollar bill  
 136 \_\_\_\_-relief  
 137 Advice expert Landers  
 138 German interjection  
 139 Ghost's yell



### Hard Clues (continued)

- |                                    |  |   |                                      |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| 21 Stratemeyer sleuth              | 56 Prince product                      | 83 Transported to the <i>Enterprise</i> | 111 Strew                            |
| 22 Felix Unger's daughter          | 59 "___ stand..." (Martin Luther)      | 84 Drawing, e.g.                        | 113 As requested                     |
| 28 Paint base                      | 60 Portage Glacier setting             | 85 Flat                                 | 114 Westernmost country in Africa    |
| 29 "Do I ___ eat a peach?" (Eliot) | 61 Overly sentimental                  | 91 Argentine                            | 115 Glass fillers                    |
| 36 Address                         | 62 Handled it                          | 92 Brilliance                           | 117 Just                             |
| 38 Turned away                     | 63 German bacteriologist               | 93 Meet staffer                         | 118 Heathcliff's creator             |
| 39 Fostered                        | 65 ___ of <i>Glory</i> (Kubrick film)  | 94 "... and ___ a good night"           | 121 Humdrum                          |
| 41 Saddle securer                  | 66 <i>Shaft's</i> Gunn                 | 95 Long-eared equines                   | 124 Busy season for retailers: Abbr. |
| 42 Cook's coating                  | 67 Savage and Hollywood                | 96 Aiwa rival                           | 125 Houston institution              |
| 45 Fields of cookies               | 69 <i>Ask the Dust</i> director Robert | 97 Livened (up)                         | 126 Wimbledon champion of 1975       |
| 46 Swashbuckler props              | 71 Winter Olympics event               | 99 "Sam Stone" singer John              | 127 Neck ridge                       |
| 47 Called a spade a thpade         | 72 A noble gas                         | 100 Subdues                             | 129 Venerable English theologian     |
| 48 System of silent communication  | 75 Library organizer                   | 101 Viand vendor                        | 130 Somewhere out there              |
| 49 Basis for promotion             | 76 "If ___ make it there..."           | 103 Unassailable one                    | 132 Keep in touch?                   |
| 50 Ness, to Capone                 | 77 Role-reversal comedy of '83         | 104 On the qui vive                     | 135 United                           |
| 52 <i>Heartbreak House</i> heroine | 78 Holiday cheer                       | 105 Half of a wrestling style?          | 136 Low, in Lille                    |
| 53 Cuts short                      | 80 <i>Pal Joey</i> author              | 107 Partner of 112-Across               | 137 Nancy Wilson's sister            |
| 54 Permission                      | 81 Used to be                          | 108 Reproduced asexually                | 138 Erfurt exclamation               |
|                                    | 82 Is attentive                        | 109 Certs rival                         | 139 Harper Lee's Radley              |

# ANSWERS

## 3 MIXED DOUBLES



### Clue pairs:

**Across:** 1/10, 2/12, 3/15, 4/8, 5/17, 6/13, 7/18, 8/4, 9/14, 10/1, 11/16, 12/2, 13/6, 14/9, 15/3, 16/11, 17/5, 18/7

**Down:** 1/14, 2/11, 3/17, 4/6, 5/16, 6/4, 7/10, 8/18, 9/20, 10/7, 11/2, 12/19, 13/15, 14/1, 15/13, 16/5, 17/3, 18/8, 19/12, 20/9

## 5 PENCIL POINTERS 1



## 4 52-SKIDDOO



## 7 PUTTING ON THE DOG



## 7 THE SIGHS OF IT

1. Siren
2. Saigon
3. Simon
4. Cyclone
5. Cider
6. *Psycho*
7. Siam
8. Citation
9. Siberia
10. Scientist
11. Sinai
12. Cyclops
13. Cyanide
14. Scythe

## 16 SOLITAIRE HANGMAN

- |                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| I. COWORKER    | VII. WINDFALL    |
| II. NECKTIE    | VIII. FRESHWATER |
| III. INCUMBENT | IX. TROGLODYTE   |
| IV. WHIMSICAL  | X. VERNACULAR    |
| V. PALOMINO    | XI. SUBJUGATE    |
| VI. MAGNESIUM  | XII. CLIQUISH    |

## 12 QUOTE BOXES

1. Nature is a labyrinth in which the very haste you move with will make you lose your way.  
—Francis Bacon
2. Life would be infinitely happier if we could only be born at the age of eighty and gradually approach eighteen.  
—Mark Twain
3. A poem records emotions and moods that lie beyond normal language, that can only be patched together and hinted at metaphorically.  
—Diane Ackerman

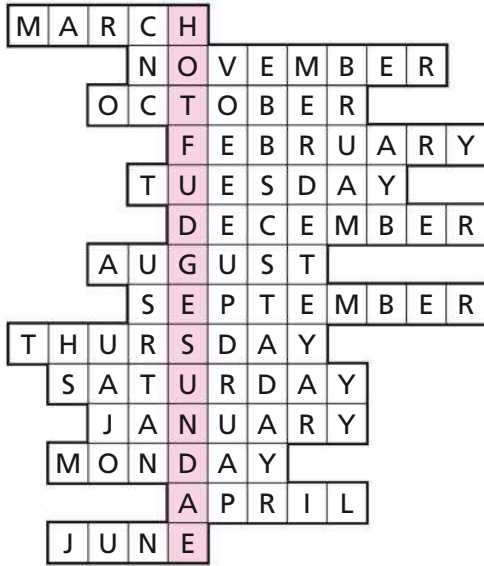
## 10 FOOD STUFF

- |                       |                      |                    |                       |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1-C (muffin top)      | 4-E (ham radio)      | 7-I (gravy train)  | 10-F (cookie cutter)  |
| 2-B (cauliflower ear) | 5-D (mushroom cloud) | 8-J (bean counter) | 11-A (sandwich board) |
| 3-K (breadwinner)     | 6-L (egghead)        | 9-H (peanut shell) | 12-G (icecap)         |



# ANSWERS

## 8 KID STUFF: HOT FUDGE SUNDAE



## 8 KID STUFF: CROSS MATH

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \div 3 = 3 \\ - \quad \times \quad + \\ 8 \div 2 = 4 \\ = \quad = \quad = \\ 1 + 6 = 7 \end{array}$$

## 9 KID STUFF: F IS FOR FARM

We found 48 things beginning with F in the picture. How about you?

Faces, falcon (on weathervane), family, fan, farm, farmer, father, faucet, fawn, feather, fence, fender, fern, fields, fin (on fish), fingers, fire, fir trees, fish, fisherman, fist, five (on mailbox), flag, flame, flashlight, flowers, flies, foal, food, foot, football, Ford, forelegs, forehead, forest, fork, forklift, fox, frame, frankfurter, Franklin stove, freezer, fringe (on jacket), Frisbee, frog, fruit, fur (on animals), furniture.

## 13 SKYSCRAPERS

**1**  $\begin{array}{c} 4 \ 3 \ 1 \ 3 \\ \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 4 \rightarrow & 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & \leftarrow 1 \\ \hline & 4 & 5 & 2 & 1 & 3 & \\ \hline & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 & \leftarrow 5 \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 & \\ \hline & & & & & & \uparrow 1 \end{array} \end{array}$

**2**  $\begin{array}{c} 3 \quad \quad 4 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 3 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 1 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 2 & \leftarrow 4 \\ \hline & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 5 & \leftarrow 1 \\ \hline 1 \rightarrow & 5 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 & \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 2 & 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 & \\ \hline & & & & & & \uparrow 5 \end{array} \end{array}$

**3**  $\begin{array}{c} 2 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \\ \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 4 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 \\ \hline 5 \rightarrow & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & \\ \hline & 2 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 1 & \\ \hline 1 \rightarrow & 5 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 3 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 2 & \\ \hline & & & & & & \uparrow 1 \quad \uparrow 5 \end{array} \end{array}$

**4**  $\begin{array}{c} 3 \ 2 \\ \downarrow \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ \hline 5 \rightarrow & 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 & 2 & \\ \hline & 4 & 3 & 5 & 2 & 1 & \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 3 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 4 & \leftarrow 2 \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 & \leftarrow 3 \\ \hline & & & & & & \uparrow 4 \quad \uparrow 2 \end{array} \end{array}$

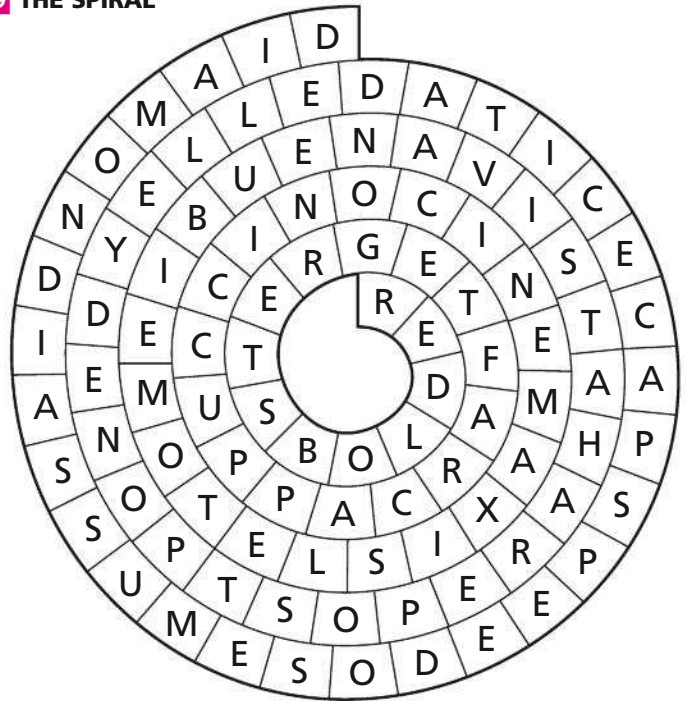
**5**  $\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 1 \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 1 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 3 & \\ \hline & 5 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & \leftarrow 2 \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 5 & \\ \hline & 4 & 3 & 1 & 5 & 2 & \\ \hline & & & & & & \uparrow 2 \quad \uparrow 5 \quad \uparrow 2 \end{array} \end{array}$

**6**  $\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 3 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 4 & \leftarrow 2 \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 & 5 & \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 4 & 1 & 5 & 3 & 2 & \leftarrow 3 \\ \hline & 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 & \leftarrow 3 \\ \hline & & & & & & \uparrow 5 \end{array} \end{array}$

**7**  $\begin{array}{c} 4 \quad 5 \\ \downarrow \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 5 & 4 & 3 & 1 & 6 & 2 \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 4 & 6 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & \\ \hline & 1 & 5 & 6 & 3 & 2 & 4 & \leftarrow 2 \\ \hline & 2 & 3 & 5 & 6 & 4 & 1 & \\ \hline & 6 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 & 5 & \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 3 & 2 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 6 & \\ \hline & & & & & & & \uparrow 4 \quad \uparrow 3 \quad \uparrow 5 \end{array} \end{array}$

**8**  $\begin{array}{c} 2 \ 2 \\ \downarrow \downarrow \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 & \\ \hline 2 \rightarrow & 2 & 1 & 6 & 5 & 4 & 3 & \\ \hline 3 \rightarrow & 3 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 6 & 5 & \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 & 5 & 4 & \\ \hline & 6 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 2 & 1 & \leftarrow 5 \\ \hline & 5 & 6 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 & \\ \hline & & & & & & & \uparrow 3 \quad \uparrow 2 \quad \uparrow 4 \quad \uparrow 4 \end{array} \end{array}$

## 19 THE SPIRAL



## 20 CRYPTOLISTS

### BY THE COEN BROTHERS

Fargo  
Burn After Reading  
Miller's Crossing  
Hail, Caesar!  
Inside Llewyn Davis  
Blood Simple  
No Country for Old Men  
True Grit  
The Big Lebowski  
Raising Arizona

### JUST DESSERTS

Peach cobbler  
Rice pudding  
Cannoli  
Sundae  
Baked Alaska  
Sorbet  
Strawberry shortcake  
Apple brown betty  
Boston cream pie  
Tiramisu

### BADGER STATE BURGERS

Kenosha  
Waukesha  
Madison  
Milwaukee  
Janesville  
Eau Claire  
Sheboygan  
Racine  
Appleton  
Green Bay

### MYSTERY LIST: THINGS THAT ARE SLIPPERY

Wet road  
Banana peel  
Eel  
Ski slope  
Water slide  
Skating rink  
Icy sidewalk  
Motor oil  
Rock University  
Floor polish

# ANSWERS

## 15 IT'S MU-TUAL

The leftover letters spell  
A COW DOES NOT SAY MU.

## 18 PENCIL POINTERS 2

## 14 B-E-G-I-N AT THE END

## 21 WHAT'S MY LINE?

## 23 BATTLESHIPS

### 1 SEAMAN

### 2 PETTY OFFICER

### 3 ENSIGN

### 4 CAPTAIN

### 5 COMMODORE

### 6 ADMIRAL

# ANSWERS

## 24 ART ON THE SQUARE



## 28 CODE CROSSWORDS

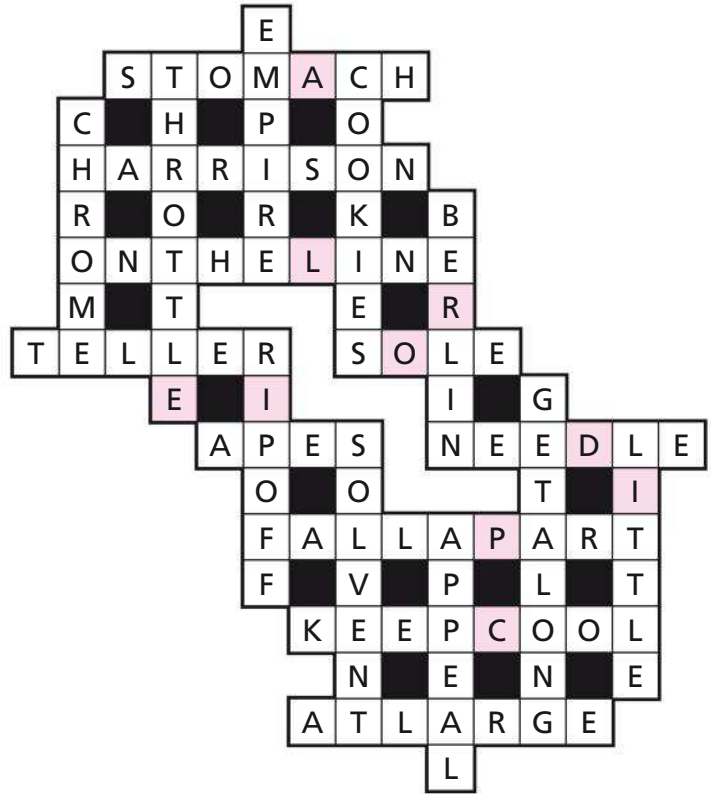
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Z	E	E	E	N	I	E	A	E	N	D	U	R	E
E	X	C	U	S	E	D	E	X	C	U	S	E	D

## 66 FAMILY REUNIONS CATEGORIES

- Family One:** South American countries
- Family Two:** Major League Baseball teams
- Family Three:** "Water" followers
- Family Four:** Types of ships

## 22 MIXED DOUBLES: SHADES OF MEANING



### Clue pairs:

**Across:** 1/10, 2/16, 3/18, 4/19, 5/9, 6/14, 7/21, 8/17, 9/5, 10/1, 11/13, 12/20, 13/11, 14/6, 16/2, 17/8, 18/3, 19/4, 20/12, 21/7

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**Extra clues:** 15-Across, 20-Down

**Bonus word:** PERIODICAL

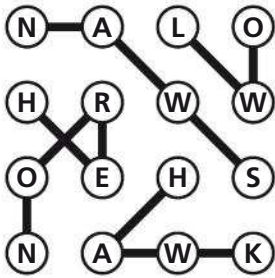
## 32 ONE, TWO, THREE

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THE	R	E	SNO	AC	C	O	UNT	ING	F	ORT	AST	E
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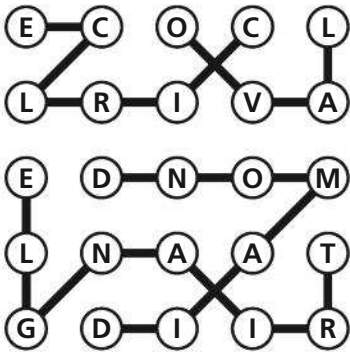
# ANSWERS

## 29 TOPIC TANGLE

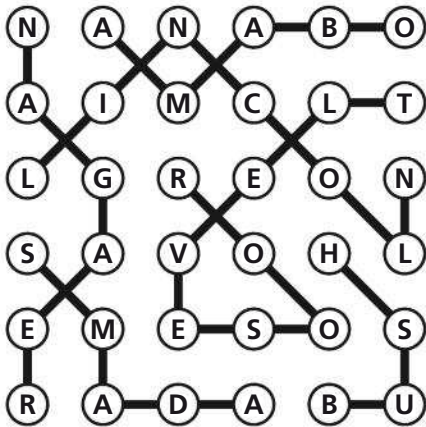
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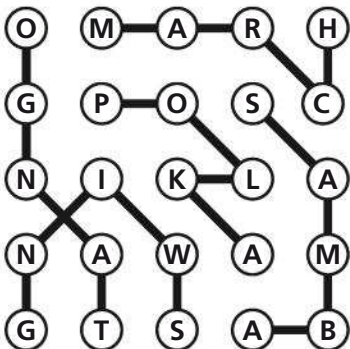
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### 3 PRESIDENTS



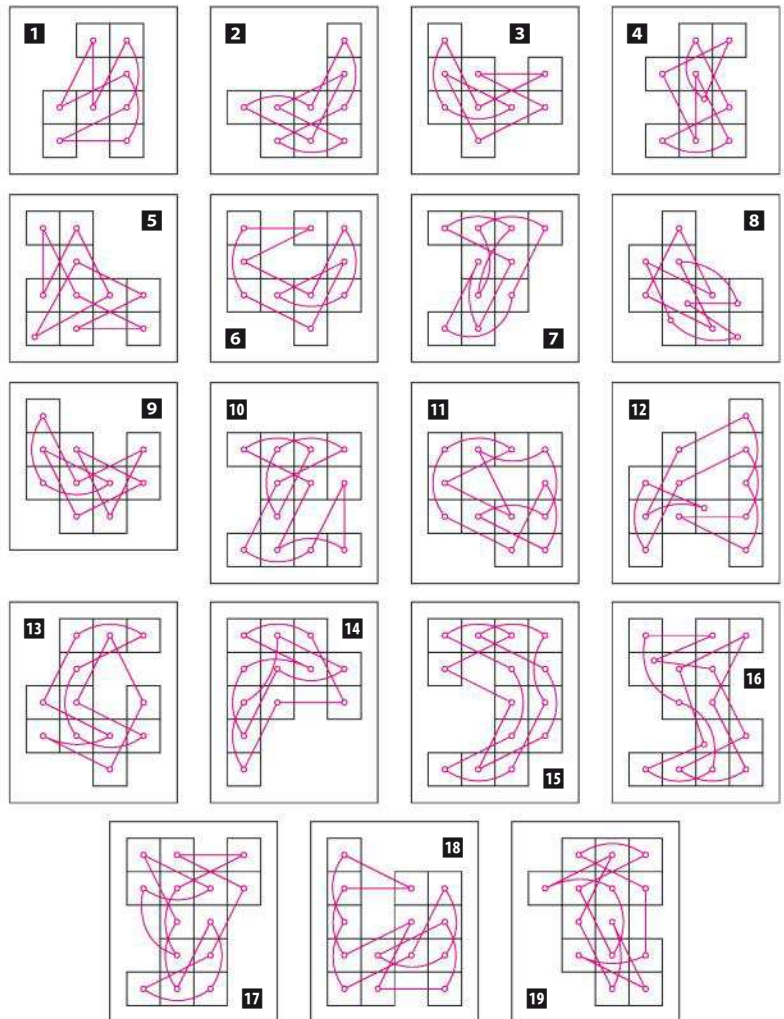
### 4 DANCES



## 30 SNAKE CRISSCROSS



## 49 JUMP ROPE



# ANSWERS

## WILD CARDS

### 26 WHAT'S IN A PEN NAME?

- 1-h (Mary Westmacott)
- 2-c (A.N. Roquelaure)
- 3-e (Clive Hamilton)
- 4-a (A.A. Fair)
- 5-i (Paul French)
- 6-k (Robert Galbraith)
- 7-l (Rosamond Smith)
- 8-b (A.M. Barnard)
- 9-f (J.D. Robb)
- 10-g (Logan Swanson)
- 11-d (Barbara Vine)
- 12-j (Richard Bachman)

### 26 AT MACDONALD'S

- 1. Pig
- 9. Duck
- 2. Chick
- 10. Horse
- 3. Pup
- 11. Cow
- 4. Bull
- 12. Dog
- 5. Hog
- 13. Cat
- 6. Donkey
- 14. Sheep
- 7. Turkey
- 15. Bunny
- 8. Chicken
- 16. Goose

### 26 LAST NAME FIRST

- 1. Margot
- 2. Lyle (Lovett)
- 3. Christopher (Plummer)
- 4. Glenn
- 5. Tom (Cruise) or Ted (Cruz)
- 6. Carol (Kane)
- 7. Ted (Knight)
- 8. Eric (Idle) or Billy (Idol)
- 9. Richard (Gere)
- 10. Colm (Meaney)
- 11. Jane (Curtin)
- 12. David
- 13. George or Gracie
- 14. Mike (Nichols)
- 15. Elaine
- 16. Noah (Wyle)

### 42 YOUR WORD AGAINST MINE HINT

Each of the solutions involves a common computer/tech/smart phone activity.






**PUZZLE 1:** The highest scoring play is 93 points.

**PUZZLE 2:** The highest scoring play is 46 points.

**PUZZLE 3:** The highest scoring play is 99 points.

**PUZZLE 4:** The highest scoring play is 32 points.

### 26 LETTERS FROM THE QUEEN

A	B	C		E
F		H	I	J
K	L	M	N	
P	Q		S	T
	V	W	X	Y

The five letters spell the word GOURD.

### 26 LOOK OUT

All can have the positions of their two component words switched to make a new word, generally with a very different meaning (HOUSEBOAT, SONGBIRD, JACKBOOT, BOOKCASE, TURN-DOWN, etc.).

### 27 REUNION TOUR

- 1-b Bad Company
- 7-p Deep Purple
- 14-s Lovin' Spoonful
- 21-o Smashing Pumpkins
- 2-j Barenaked Ladies
- 8-u Dire Straits
- 15-a Moody Blues
- 22-d Steely Dan
- 3-l Blind Melon
- 9-k Flaming Lips
- 16-f Rare Earth
- 23-i Talking Heads
- 4-v Cheap Trick
- 10-e Golden Earring
- 17-t Rolling Stones
- 24-y Traveling Wilburys
- 5-c Counting Crows
- 11-w Hot Tuna
- 18-q Rusted Root
- 25-r Twisted Sister
- 6-x Dandy Warhols
- 12-n Humble Pie
- 19-m Simple Minds
- 20-g Small Faces

### 50 LOCO SUDOKU

1

7	4	6	2	3	8	9	1	5
8	9	7	1	5	4	3	2	6
6	1	5	8	9	7	2	4	3
2	3	9	4	1	6	5	7	8
3	7	1	9	2	5	8	6	4
5	2	8	6	4	9	7	3	1
4	5	2	3	8	1	6	9	7
9	8	4	7	6	3	1	5	2
1	6	3	5	7	2	4	8	9

2

2	1	3	4	6	5	7	9	8
5	7	9	3	4	8	1	2	6
8	5	6	7	9	1	2	3	4
6	3	8	1	5	9	4	7	2
1	4	2	5	3	7	6	8	9
7	9	4	6	8	2	3	5	1
4	2	5	8	7	6	9	1	3
3	8	1	9	2	4	5	6	7
9	6	7	2	1	3	8	4	5

3

2	3	6	1	7	4	5	9	8
4	8	1	9	5	6	2	3	7
9	5	7	6	3	2	4	8	1
5	7	3	8	4	9	1	6	2
1	4	8	2	6	7	3	5	9
3	6	9	4	2	8	7	1	5
8	2	5	3	9	1	6	7	4
6	9	4	7	1	5	8	2	3
7	1	2	5	8	3	9	4	6

4

3	2	5	7	4	6	1	9	8
4	1	9	2	8	7	3	5	6
6	8	1	3	7	5	4	2	9
5	3	2	6	9	1	7	8	4
8	4	7	9	6	2	5	3	1
9	6	8	5	1	3	2	4	7
7	5	6	8	2	4	9	1	3
2	7	4	1	3	9	8	6	5
1	9	3	4	5	8	6	7	2

# ANSWERS

## 34 ESCAPE THE PANIC ROOM

1. Use text clues (page 35) with text keyboard (page 34) to solve the Text Keyboard puzzle.

Since the vowels are in shaded squares (by clue 1), and since consecutive letters aren't touching (clue 2), A can't be in either of the shaded squares that neighbor B. Since RATING can be spelled using neighboring keys (clue 3), A must be in the shaded square below T, and I must be in the shaded square above T. Therefore, E can only be in the shaded square between H and N; U is in the shaded square above H; O is in the shaded square beside V. G must be neighboring N, but can't neighbor H, so G is directly below N.

S and C must occupy the two bottom left squares in some order (clue 4). S cannot neighbor G, or else BINGS could be spelled; S must occupy the far left square on the bottom row, and C is to the right of S.

Three horizontally adjacent squares will be filled with W, M and L, where W is in the middle of M and L, in some order (clue 5). The only place this can fit is the far right end of the bottom row. M can't be on the far right (clue 6) since its Roman numeral is 1000. Therefore, L (Roman numeral 50) is on the far right on the bottom row, neighbored by W and then M. X (Roman numeral 10) must be at the right end of the top row. R must be on the right of T (clue 3).

K and Z must occupy the spaces on the left of B and D, in some order (clue 7).

The remaining letters still needing to be placed are P, Q and Y. Q can't neighbor R, so Q must be on the far left of the top row. P can't neighbor O, so P is to the right of I. Y must be to the right of R; Z can't neighbor Y, so Z is to the left of B; K is to the left of D.

The word ENTRY is spelled out in the completed keyboard (so are GAM and HEN, but there are no three-letter combinations required to finish the puzzle series).



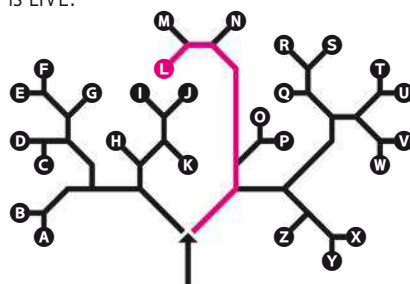
2. Unlock the orange box (page 34) with ENTRY to access the Out On A Limb directions and solve the Out On A Limb puzzle.

**Are you going shack-wacky? Stir crazy? I'll go out on a LIMB and guess that you'd like to leave as soon as possible. These directions will help you BRANCH out.**

- 1) R, L, L, L, L
- 2) L, R, R, L, L
- 3) R, R, L, R, R, L
- 4) L, L, R, R, L, L

The directions are torn and fit with the clue on page 36 to form an intact page.

The "limb" reference connects these directions with the branching tree on page 35. There are four sets of directions listed on the clue, and you will end up with a four-letter solution to this puzzle. Starting from the arrow, follow the trunk of the tree, and use the Left and Right directions any time a diverging branch provides you with a choice of left or right. The first set of directions is R, L, L, L, L, which will lead you to the letter L on the tree (shown below). The three remaining directions will lead you to the letters I, V and E. The solution to this puzzle is LIVE.



3. Unlock purple box (page 36) with LIVE to access the M Crossword clues and solve the M Crossword puzzle.

P	O	S	I	E					Y	E	S	T	O	
E	N	A	B	L	E				M	E	L	L	O	W
P	A	N	E	L	S	L	I	D	E	S	D	O	W	N
P	I	T	A		T	I	L	E	S		E	P	E	E
A	R	A	M		D	E	E	M	S		N	E	R	D

The unclued entry at 14-Across reads "PANEL SLIDES DOWN." This is the method to open the Japanese puzzle box.

4. Slide the panel down on the Japanese puzzle box (page 37) to access the Calendar clues and solve the Calendar puzzle.

The Japanese puzzle box contains two calendar pages. One is February, and the other has the month ripped off. The solution to this puzzle is the circled date on the unnamed month. This unnamed month has 30 days, and therefore is either April, June, September, or November. Since February ends on Tuesday, March must start on Wednesday and end on a Friday; therefore April starts on Saturday, and isn't the unnamed month. April ends on a Sunday; May starts on a Monday and ends on a Wednesday, so June starts on a Thursday and isn't the unnamed month. June ends on a Sunday; July starts on a Saturday and ends on a Monday; August starts on Tuesday and ends on a Thursday, so September starts on a Friday, and isn't the unnamed month. September ends on a Saturday; October starts on a Sunday and ends on a Tuesday. November starts on Wednesday, and is the unnamed month. The circled date, November 20 (1120), is the solution.

5. Unlock the remaining locked box with the four-digit number (1120) to get access to the cryptogram translation code and solve the cryptogram.

Each letter in the phrase WHY SUM BACKED FRONT has a corresponding symbol on the adjacent page, and this is the key to solving the cryptogram (page 35). Solving it correctly yields this message: "THE CORRECT KEY CAN BE FOUND WHERE C AND F ARE THE SAME."

6. Choose the correct key.

There are 12 keys in the panic room. They are on a thermometer, a piano keyboard, and a typewriter, each of which feature the letters C and F. Only the thermometer has a point where C (Celsius) and F (Fahrenheit) are the same, and that is at -40 degrees. There is a key on the thermometer at -40 degrees and this is the one key that will unlock the panic room door.

# ANSWERS

## 30 SNAKE CRISSCROSS WORD LIST

### CRISSCROSS WORDS

#### 3 LETTERS

ALL	ONO	TAG
GET	PEA	TIN
HER	PEP	UMA
NET	SUN	ZEN

#### 5 LETTERS

ALEVE	MEOWS	SHEEP
BLATT	OGRES	TUBER
HORDE	PLAZA	VIDEO
IRENE	SERFS	

#### 6 LETTERS

GUITAR	LAYMAN	WITCHY
	SALARY	

#### 7 LETTERS

HUMIDOR	RAPHAEL	THERMOS
	TABLETS	

#### 8 LETTERS

BARONETS

#### 10 LETTERS

CELLOPHANE

#### 12 LETTERS

CRUELLA DE VIL

### SNAKE WORDS

#### 5 LETTERS

BELLE	GUIDO	PEDRO
BORAT	LASER	PLANE
CRUET	LIVID	RUPEE
ETHER	MALAY	SIREN
FRESH	NAHUM	UNITE
GATOR	PEARY	VESPA

#### 6 LETTERS

AZALEA	STELLA
BATIKS	SWITCH

#### 7 LETTERS

NO-NAMES	SOMEONE
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#### 8 LETTERS

ALOE VERA  
OPERA HAT  
REBUTTAL

#### 9 LETTERS

BEE POLLEN	MEDALLION
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#### 12 LETTERS

STENOGRAPHER

## 51 DOUBLE CROSS

A. SABBATH'S THEATER	H. LEAPT	O. RANDY JOHNSON
B. CHESTER ARTHUR	I. LAWRENCE OF ARABIA	P. ADVANTAGES
C. OVERACHIEVING	J. YOUNG PEOPLE	Q. NEW HAVEN
D. THE QUIET AMERICAN	K. EVASIVENESS	R. CASBAHS
E. TIGHTS	L. NO LIMIT HOLD'EM	S. ENDOWED WITH
F. KNESSET	M. DUBONNET	
G. EVA MARIE SAINT	N. UPS THE ANTE	

NASA [assembled] the International Space Station, the hardest thing human beings have ever achieved. Getting to Mars and back will be even harder, and I have spent a year in space...to help answer some of the questions about how we can survive that journey.—Scott Kelly, *Endurance*

## 52 TALKING IN CIRCLES

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

## 53 SIAMESE TWINS

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

# ANSWERS

## 54 LOGISQUARES

1 2 2 1 2 3 2 3 1 1 4 2 1 2

\	○	3	○
X	○	X	←
X	○	X	○
2	○	3	X

○	○	X	X
○	X	○	X
X	4	○	X
○	/	X	1

→	○	○	/
○	○	X	X
○	○	3	○
X	X	X	1

X	X	○	○
X	○	5	X
○	○	X	○
○	3	2	X

5 1 1 2 6 2 2 1 2 7 1 2 2 2

○	X	○	X	X
○	5	\	3	○
○	X	○	X	X
X	4	○	X	○
X	○	3	○	X

○	X	○	○	○
○	X	4	4	/
/	○	2	○	X
X	X	X	X	○
X	○	X	1	X

1	X	○	X	2
X	○	X	○	○
○	X	4	○	/
X	○	X	X	○
1	X	○	3	○

8 2 1 1 4 9 3 1 3

1	○	X	←	○	X
X	\	X	○	4	X
○	2	X	○	4	○
X	○	X	X	X	○
○	/	○	/	3	○
X	2	X	X	X	○

X	○	○	X	○	X
X	○	X	3	/	○
3	○	○	X	\	○
○	X	X	X	X	↓
X	X	○	4	○	○
○	3	○	○	\	X

10 2 2 2 2 11 2 2 2

\	X	X	○	X	X
\	X	○	6	○	X
○	○	○	○	○	○
○	6	○	X	○	4
2	X	○	→	X	○
X	○	○	2	1	X

○	X	X	X	X	/
2	○	○	2	X	1
X	X	○	X	↓	○
↑	○	3	2	4	○
X	○	X	/	○	○
○	2	X	2	○	○

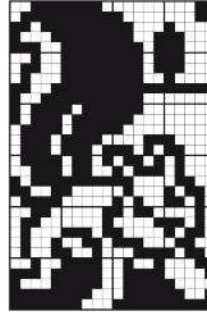
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○	X	6	○	○	○	X
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2	X	X	3	X	○	○
2	○	X	←	○	6	○
○	3	X	2	X	○	○
/	X	○	X	X	○	○

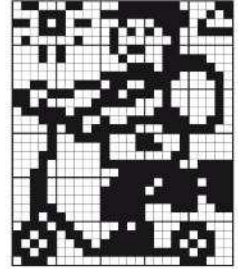
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○	○	○	4	3	○	○
X	○	/	○	○	X	X
X	X	○	→	X	○	X
X	X	○	←	X	○	2

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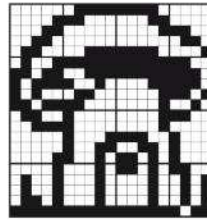
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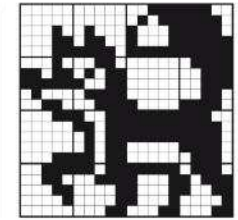
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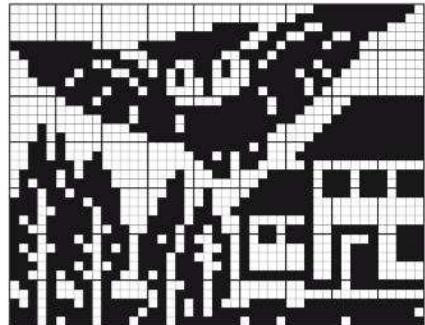
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4 FOX



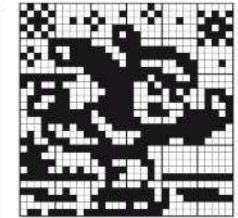
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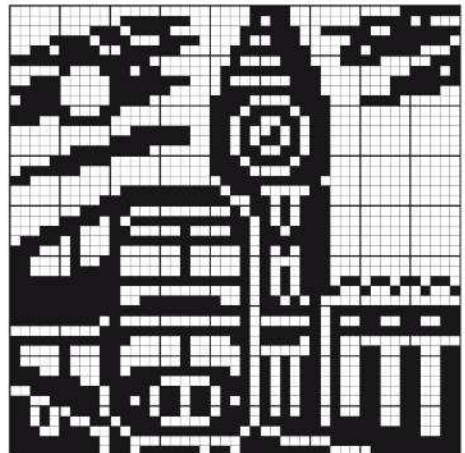
6 DRAGON



7 ICE SKATER



8 LONDON





# ANSWERS

## 60 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 1

**ACROSS:** 1. Conquests (con + quests); 6. Sweet (set + we); 9. Racking (king + car); 10. Pierces (pieces + R); 11. Overeater (to revere a); 12. Adage (ad + age); 13. Skit (hell's KITchen); 15. Associates (as + Socrates + I - R); 18. Affordable (a + fable + Ford); 19. Oral (or + Al); 22. Laced (decal); 23. Dictators (do a strict); 26. Glisten (list + Gen.); 27. Average (ave + rage); 28. Dined (din + Ed); 29. Streamers (R + steamer's)

**DOWN:** 1. Cartons (cartoons - O); 2. Niche (h + nice) 3. Unisex (sUN IS EXciting); 4. Sight (sigh + t); 5. Super Bowl (superb owl); 6. Scenario (in coarse); 7. Enchanter (enter + Chan); 8. Tasters (s + taters); 14. Infection (confine it); 16. Standings (Sting's + and); 17. Predated (departed); 18. Alleged (leg + deal); 20. Lusters (two meanings); 21. Camera (came + R + a); 24. Chair (air + ch.); 25. Osage (sage + O)

## 61 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 2

**ACROSS:** 1. Sadistic (a disc it's); 5. Chutes (shoots); 9. Enchant (FRENCH ANThem); 10. Romania (roe mania); 11. Perspired (per + spire + d); 12. Allot (a lot); 13. Michael Jordan (damn jail chore); 16. Apportionment (appoint mentor); 20. Throb (Rob + the - e); 21. Narcissus (sinus scar); 23. Cornell (cell + Ron); 24. Yanking (nay + king); 25. Saying (yin + SAG); 26. Averages (ave + rages);

**DOWN:** 1. Sleepy (peels + Y); 2. Decorum (coed + rum); 3. Sharp (harp's); 4. International (intern + a Latino); 6. Home Alone (ho + meal + one); 7. Tangled (Tang + led); 8. Spartans (spans + art); 10. Rudolf Nureyev (unruly, overfed); 14. Caribbean (Caan + ribbed - d); 15. Lattices (small ATTIC EScritoire); 17. Portray (port + ray); 18. Testing (setting); 19. Usages (U.S. + ages); 22. Inner (dinner - d)

## 62 SHARE AND SHARE ALIKE

The theme letters spell out IDENTICAL TWINS.

AI	DD	CA	AP	RT	DE	DS	PA	LL	OL	WW	RA	IS	TH
RF	EI	BR	SU	TT	BT	AO	LR	NS	IV	NE	CE	RA	SS
AR	TE	AS	ED	AY	O	CC	OR	PY	ER	AR	II	EL	F
E	MP	EE	AR	RE	RS	AT	MY	G	TT	HA	MO	IS	LE
II	LA	IM	AB	SD	FP	OL	AA	MI	IN	NS	EM	AS	NS
FA	TE	RO	NN	OX	II	LS	DA	ES	HI	NO	RI	NN	SE

**ACROSS:** 1. Adapted (ad + apt. + Ed), ID cards (Discard); 5. All (ally - y), PLO (diPLOmacy); 7. Writ (wit + r), Wash (W + ash); 10. Rebuttals (butt + real + s), Firstborn (fir's + torn + b); 11. Incas (in + casa - a), Veers (verse); 13. Ready (read + Y), At sea (a seat); 15. Cop (copy - y), Cry (first letters); 17. Rail (two meanings), Erie (Eire); 19. Pear (pare), Mere (criME REport); 22. Ram (two meanings), Sty (st. + Y); 24. Tamil (effect A MILitant), Those (t + hose); 26. Lambs (Simba), Iliad (Dali + I); 28. Plainsman (two meanings), Foaminess (in Fame's so); 30. Aton (a + ton), Fern (fen + R); 31. Xis (six), Oil (tOILetries); 32. Asinine (A + si + nine), Dehorns (drones + H)

**DOWN:** 1. Airfare (err fair); 2. Carb (car + b); 3. Paused (Pa + used); 4. Debtors (s + rot + bed); 5. Parlor (par + lore - e); 6. Oliver (o + live + r); 8. Race (two meanings); 9. Israelis (rise sail); 12. Near (N + ear); 14. Template (temp + late); 16. Pygmies (My Peg is); 18. Flenses (fl + sense); 20. Arab (a + bar); 21. Red Sox (Rod's ex); 23. Atolls (A + tolls); 25. Hanson (chanson - c); 27. Miro (museum IRONically); 29. Emir (prime - p)

## 63 MAGNETISM

O	D	O	R	S	T	A	R	L	E	T	S
C	R	E	A	T	I	V	E	N	E	S	S
O	E	A	S	Y	M	I	S	E	R	A	O
T	A	R	H	E	E	L	C	H	I	R	P
I	D	X	E	S	X	L	A	T	E	S	T
L	I	E	S	T	O	A	L	R	A	N	I
L	O	S	T	I	E	E	D	E	N	I	C
I	M	P	A	L	A	B	S	T	Y	P	A
O	R	A	T	E	R	A	D	I	C	A	L
N	O	M	I	T	T	S	I	N	F	O	L
E	M	P	A	T	H	I	C	A	L	L	Y
S	E	A	H	O	R	S	E	S	C	O	W

**ACROSS:** 1. Door (do + or) [Odor]; 4. Startles (moST ARTLESS) [Starlets]; 9. Reactiveness (R + in case Steve) [Creativeness]; 11. Easy (yes, a); 12. Miser (seMISERious); 14. Tarheel (leather); 15. Chirp (chip + r); 18. Lattes (Seattle - e, & lit.) [Latest]; 19. Lies to (I stole); 20. Rani (ran + I); 22. Lots (Lot's) [Lost]; 24. Edenic (DE + nice); 25. Impala (impale - e + a); 29. Orate (for - f, r + rate); 31. Radical (radial + C); 33. Mitts (Tim + T's); 34. Info (in faux); 35. Emphatically (e + MPH + at + i + call + Y) [Empathically]; 36. Seashore (E + ash + sore) [Seahorse]; 37. Cows (crows - R) [Scow]

**DOWN:** 2. Readd (read + D) [Dread]; 3. Trashes (Art + she's) [Rashest]; 4. Stye (St. + ye); 5. Timex (I'm + Tex.); 6. Rescalds (cardless); 7. Eerie (beer - b + i.e.); 8. Star (rats) [Tsar]; 9. Octillion (no + I + L + lit + co.) [Cotillion]; 10. Villa (villain - in); 13. Topically (to + pic + ally) [Optically]; 16. Xes (sex); 17. Stiletto (S + Tito + let); 20. Retsina (canister - c) [Retinas]; 21. Any (many - m); 23. Heart (hear + T) [Earth]; 26. Pampa (acronym); 27. Bassi (bass + I.) [Basis]; 28. Paolo (pal + o + O); 30. Rome (roam); 32. Dice (El Cid - I)

# ANSWERS

## 38 VIEWER DISCRETION: A TV TRIVIA QUIZ

- |                                  |                          |  |                              |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| 1. b (shoes)                     | 7. d (a lumber mill)     | 11. a,c,d (Jonathan Smith, Charles Ingalls, Little Joe Cartwright) | 15. a (The Arctic)           |
| 2. d (Isaac Hayes)               | 8. b (Flatt and Scruggs) | 12. b (Wilhelmina Slater)  | 16. d (The Untouchables)     |
| 3. c (a sweater)                 | 9. c (Cabot Cove)        | 13. d (The Nanny)  | 17. c (That Girl)            |
| 4. a (The Bronze)                | 10. a (dry-cleaner)      | 14. b (read books)   | 18. b (Carol Burnett)        |
| 5. d (woodworking)               |                          |  | 19. d (anesthesiologist)     |
| 6. d (have his "morningsitdown") |                          |  | 20. a (Pvt. Igor Straminsky) |

## 40 SOLE SURVIVOR: SWEEPERS

### HERE IS ONE SOLUTION:

#### White starts:

Qa7xa8 Qa5xd5 Bf3xg2  
Bf7xg8 Qa8xd5 Bg8xd5 Bg2xd5

## 42 YOUR WORD AGAINST MINE

1. HASHTAG J6, 93 points
2. SELFIE H1, 46 points
3. WEBINAR 12H, 99 points
4. GOOGLE 8A, 32 points

## 14 B-E-G-I-N AT THE END STARTING HINT

The first word across is SAHIB.

## 66 FAMILY REUNIONS

### FAMILY ONE

#### South American countries

1. Peru
2. Chile
3. Brazil
4. Guyana
5. Ecuador
6. Bolivia
7. Colombia
8. Suriname
9. Argentina
10. Venezuela

### FAMILY TWO

#### Major League Baseball teams

1. Cubs
2. Mets
3. Twins
4. Astros
5. Tigers
6. Angels
7. Pirates
8. Marlins
9. Nationals
10. Athletics

### FAMILY THREE

#### "Water" followers

1. Bed
2. Shed
3. Lily
4. Polo
5. Park
6. Table
7. Melon
8. Tower
9. Pistol
10. Moccasin

### FAMILY FOUR

#### Types of ships

1. Yacht
2. Sloop
3. Bireme
4. Cutter
5. Caravel
6. Clipper
7. Frigate
8. Galleon
9. Schooner
10. Brigantine

## 67 CROSSED CIRCUITS

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## 67 DROP IT!

(Your answers may be different.)

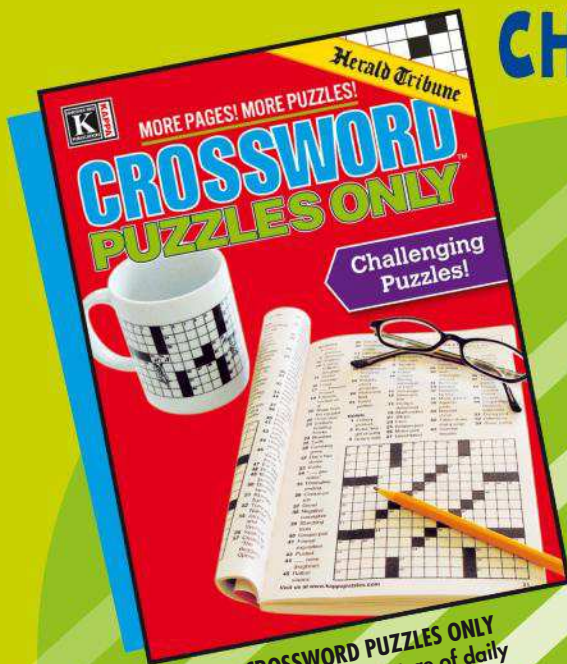
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2. Terminal, mineral, marine, namer, ream, mar, am
3. Starting, tasting, taints, saint, anti, tin, in
4. Customer, costume, custom, scout, cost, sot, to

## 6 SYLLABISM

1. Manager
2. Annoying
3. Literate
4. Covert
5. Olympic
6. Louisiana
7. Mariner
8. Flavor
9. Omni
10. Reduce
11. Bicuspid
12. Eartha
13. Shallow
14. Mahatma
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23. Emigrate

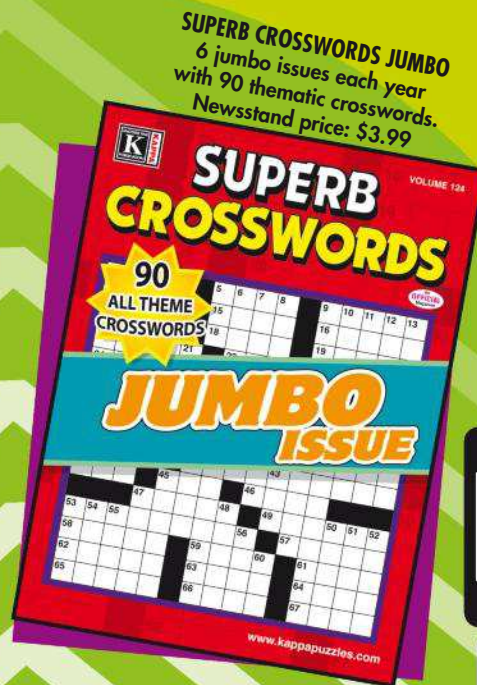
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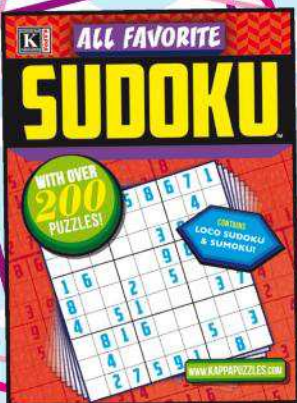
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