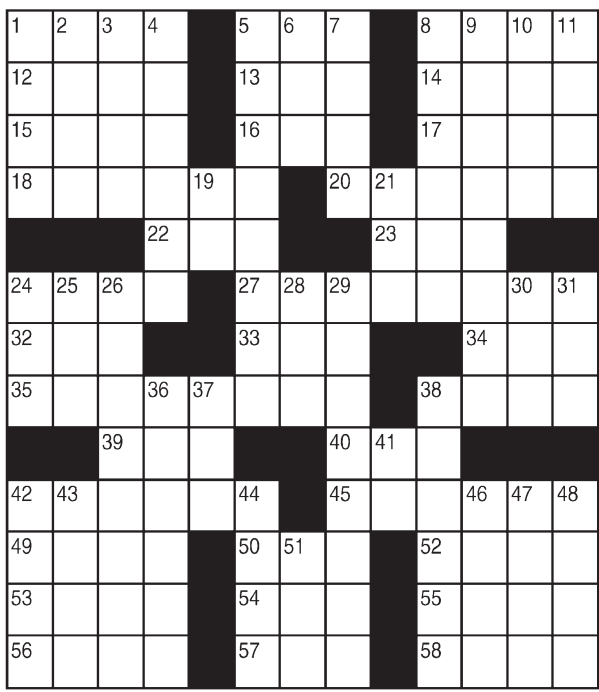


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Persian bigwig
- 5 Corn core
- 8 Donahue or Collins
- 12 Little, in La Scala
- 13 Regret
- 14 Logical
- 15 Deserve
- 16 Table scrap
- 17 Differently
- 18 Guiding principles
- 20 Grown-ups
- 22 "Help!"
- 23 Tokyo's old name
- 24 Crazy
- 27 Roared
- 32 Id counter-part
- 33 Acapulco gold
- 34 Geological period
- 35 Delighted (in)
- 38 Nervous
- 39 Writer Deighton
- 40 Fellow
- 42 Catchphrase
- 45 Expectorant drug
- 49 "The Music Man" locale
- 50 Personal
- 52 Gospel writer
- 53 Help a hood



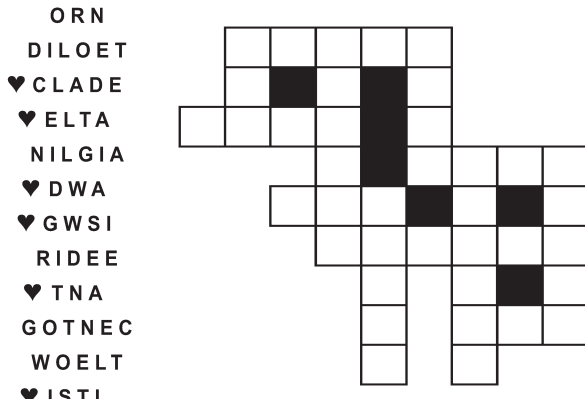
- 54 Periodical, for short
- 55 Eye part
- 56 Fashion
- 57 Type measures
- 58 Fender bender
- DOWN**
- 1 Detail, for short
- 2 Frost
- 3 Farm fraction
- 4 Sincere
- 5 Medieval weapon
- 6 "— Town"
- 7 Next after alpha
- 8 Fake
- 9 Consecrated
- 10 "Meet Me — Louis"
- 11 Dregs
- 19 Accomplish
- 21 First st.
- 24 Morning moisture
- 25 Khan title
- 26 Ensued
- 28 Preceding
- 29 Inn offerings
- 30 Work unit
- 31 Rotation duration
- 36 Official emissary
- 37 — budget
- 38 There may be a shadow on it
- 41 Movie with a balloon-borne house
- 42 "The King and I" locale
- 43 Timber wolf
- 44 Iditarod
- 46 Remedy terminus
- 47 Similar
- 48 "— la vie"
- 51 Hardly ruddy

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FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

CONQUER THE WHIRLED

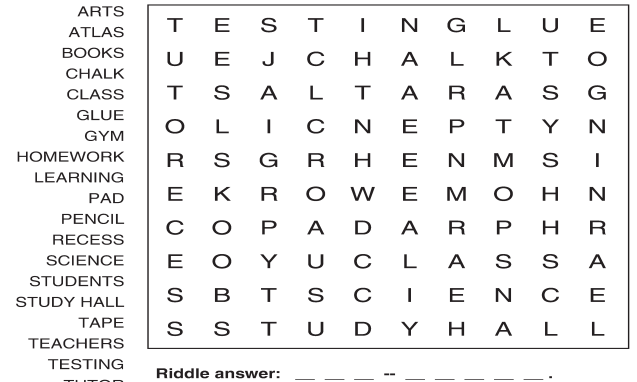


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - SCHOOL DAYS
Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What is a runner's favorite subject in school?**

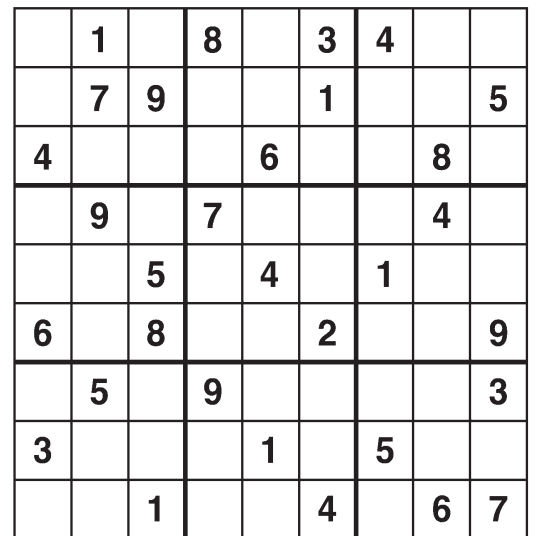


Riddle answer: _____

For more puzzle fun, go to www.brainzles.com

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

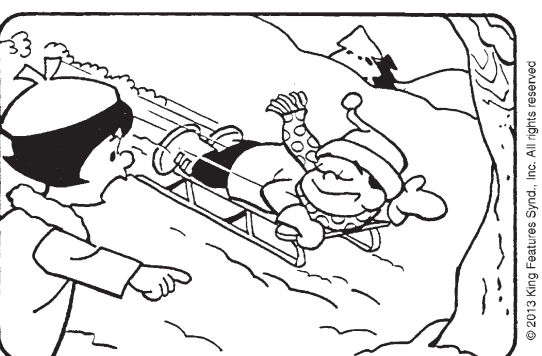
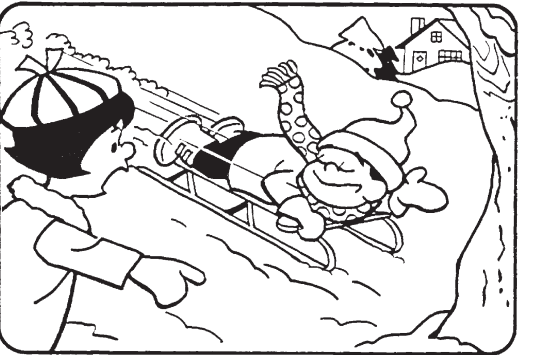
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.

Differences: 1. Hat is different. 2. Mitten is missing. 3. Scarf is shorter. 4. Sled runners are shorter. 5. Cap tassel is moved. 6. House is missing.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE • HANDS ON

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

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

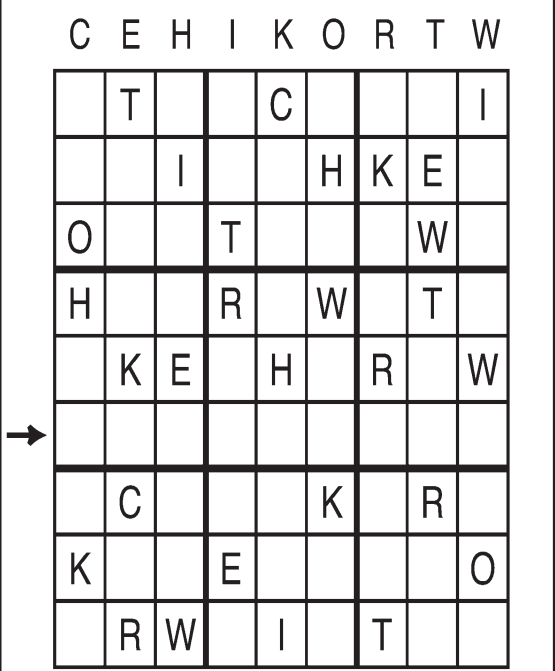
- Bar soap
- Grip
- Handlebar
- Steering wheel
- Baton
- Hand tool
- Handrail
- Tiller
- Doorknob
- Handball
- Handshake
- Writing
- Gear knob
- Handhold
- Rungs

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Letter Box

by Linda Thistle

Place a letter in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the letters listed above the diagram. When completed, the row indicated will spell out a word or words.



Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|---------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| 1. Foam | L _ _ _ _ _ | Dad | F _ _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Bullwinkle, e.g. | _ _ O _ _ | Mickey or Minnie | _ _ U _ _ |
| 3. Page boundary | _ _ _ G _ _ | Short or Sheen | _ _ _ T _ _ |
| 4. Striped feline | _ _ G _ _ | Stopwatch | _ _ M _ _ |
| 5. Pirate's slat | _ _ L _ _ | Trick | _ _ R _ _ |
| 6. Take for granted | _ _ _ M _ | Guarantee | _ _ _ R _ |
| 7. Thin cookie | _ _ F _ _ | H2O | _ _ T _ _ |
| 8. Flip through | _ _ _ B _ | Walk heavily | _ _ _ P _ |
| 9. Shirt fastener | _ _ T _ _ | Sir Richard | _ _ _ R _ |
| 10. Rainmaker | _ _ _ D _ | Authority | _ _ _ _ T |

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Romantic aspects are high at this time for single Lambs looking for love. Warm and fuzzy feelings also are at enhanced levels for Rams and Ewes in paired relationships.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This week favors what Taureans dote on — namely, love and money. Look for more meaningful relationships for both singles and pairs, as well as an improved financial outlook.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) All lingering shreds of that recent bout with boredom are dissipated as you eagerly accept a challenging offer. Your positive mood persuades others to join you in this venture.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might need validation for a possible solution to a situation involving someone close to you. Consider asking a trusted friend or relative to help you with this problem.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Investigate carefully before agreeing to assist a friend or colleague with a personal problem. There might be hidden factors that could emerge later that will create problems for you.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your decision to work with an associate rather than go it alone, as you first proposed, brings an unexpected bonus. Be careful not to be judgmental. Allow for free and open discussion.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A loved one's health problem could, once again, make demands on your time and attention. But this time, make some demands of your own, and insist that others pitch in and help.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is a good time for the traditionally staid Scorpion to plan adjustments in your day-to-day schedules. Be more flexible and allow for more impromptu, off-the-cuff actions.

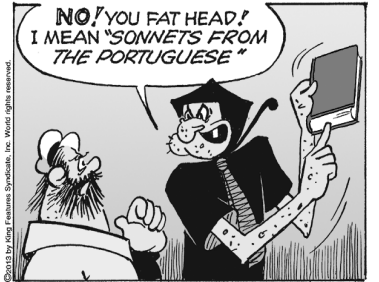
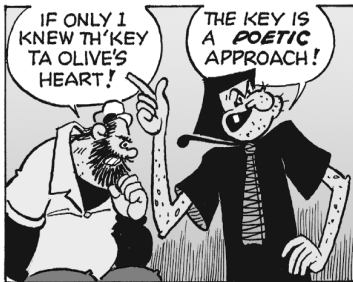
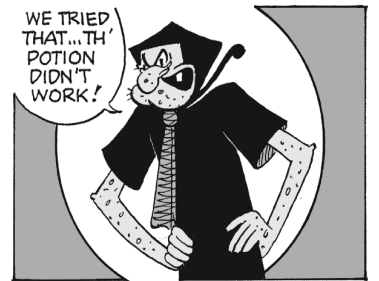
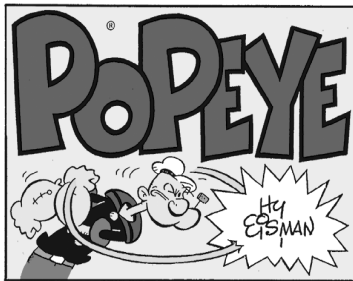
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Avoid creating unnecessary fuss over a situation you don't approve of. If it's going to work, it will do so despite your objections. If it fails, it will do so without a push from you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Working with a trusted colleague could open your mind to exploring some considerations you previously dismissed out of hand. The weekend brings news from a loved one.

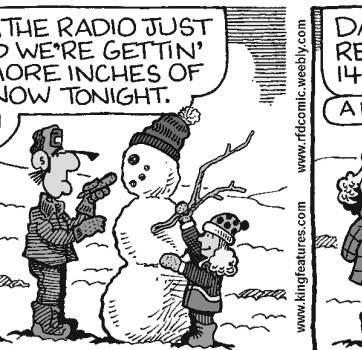
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Resolving a recent problem leaves you in a good position to strengthen your influence on how things get done. But continue to encourage ideas and suggestions from others.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A new friend suggests an interesting opportunity. But check it out before you snap at it. It might be a good deal for some people, but it might not work in helping you reach your goals.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of helping people solve their problems, making you a most-respected counselor and trusted friend.



R.F.D. by Mike Marland



Amber Waves



The Spats by Jeff Pickering

