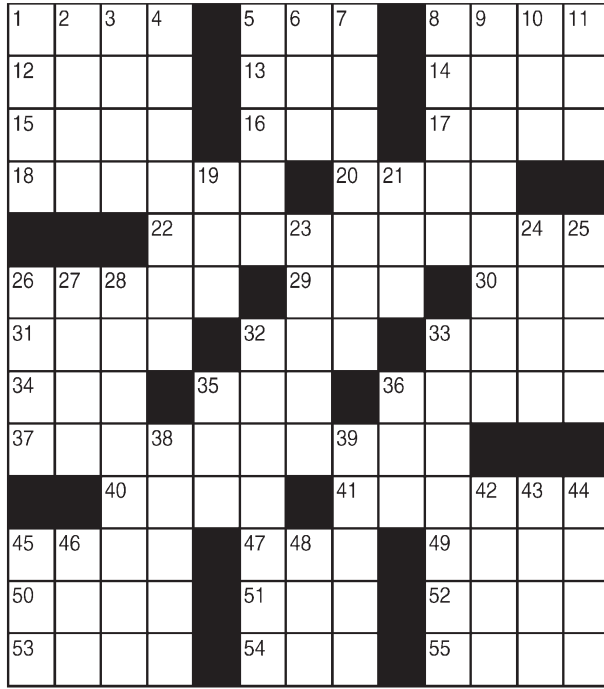


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Hairstyle
- 5 Fond du —, Wisc.
- 8 Wan
- 12 Pitch
- 13 Bachelor's last words
- 14 Old portico
- 15 Largest continent
- 16 — canto
- 17 Get ready, for short
- 18 Catch sight of
- 20 Eye layer
- 22 West Virginia industry
- 26 — nerve
- 29 Japanese sash
- 30 Sticky stuff
- 31 Frog's cousin
- 32 Pair
- 33 Timely question?
- 34 Unwell
- 35 Miler
- Sebas-tian
- 36 Name
- 37 "Kiss Me Kate" composer
- 40 Up to
- 41 Discomfort
- 45 Dressed
- 47 Botanical



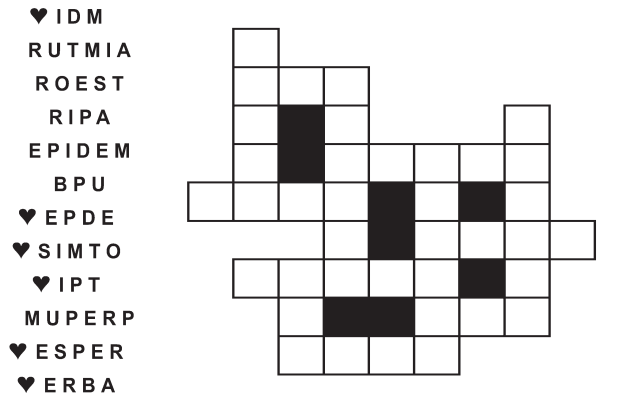
- sticker
 - 49 Walked (on)
 - 50 Heap
 - 51 "— was saying, ..."
 - 52 Enthralled
 - 53 PC operator
 - 54 Scooted
 - 55 Shetland, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 1 N'Djamena's country
 - 2 Northamptonshire river
 - 3 Rainbow
 - 4 Limp
 - 5 Egypt's neighbor
 - 6 Citric quaff
 - 7 Rumpled sleuth of TV
 - 8 Colorado ski mecca
 - 9 Poker-winning hand
 - 10 Weeding tool
 - 11 Shrill bark
 - 19 Sinbad's flier
 - 21 Half of XIV
 - 23 Depress
 - 24 Yule refrain
 - 25 Missing
 - 26 Ear-related
 - 27 Horse-play?
 - 28 Yarn
 - 32 Strip of icons
 - 33 Bug
 - 35 Sgt.'s subordinate
 - 36 Coffee break time
 - 38 Duck down
 - 39 Shroud city
 - 42 Jason's ship
 - 43 Any day now
 - 44 Nervous
 - 45 PC's brain
 - 46 Fleur-de—
 - 48 "Born in the —"

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FEAR & KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!



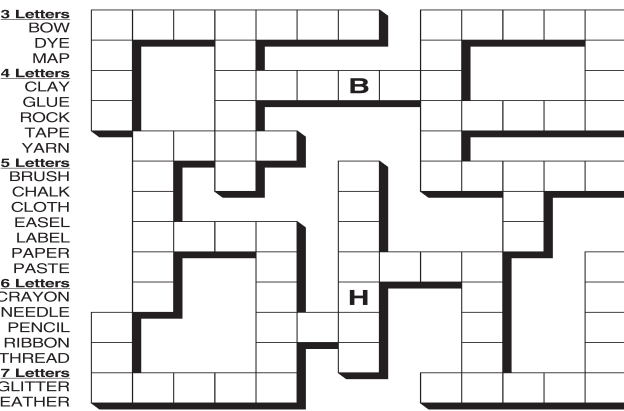
Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down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

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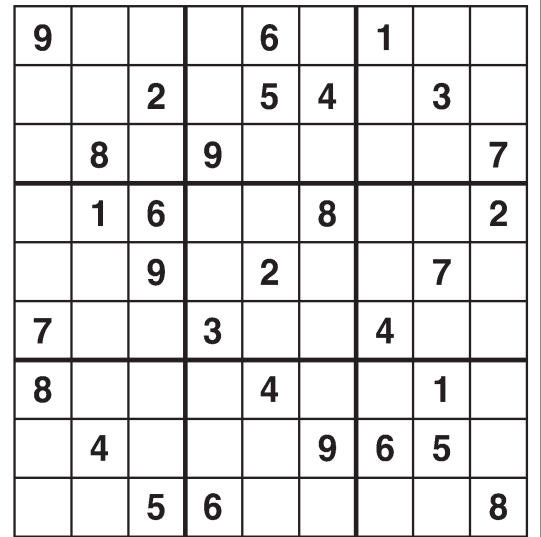
CRISSCROSS — CRAFT SUPPLIES
Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

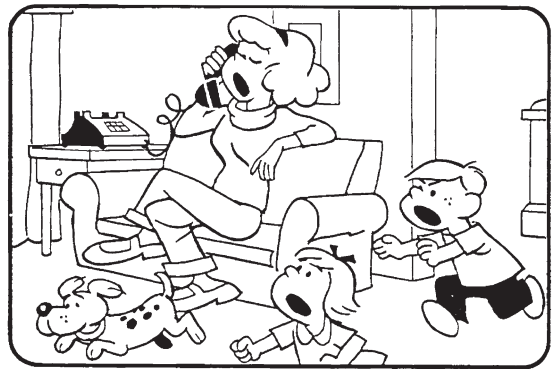
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Lamp is missing. 2. End table is different. 3. Tail is shorter. 4. Leash is missing. 5. Picture is missing. 6. Hair is different.

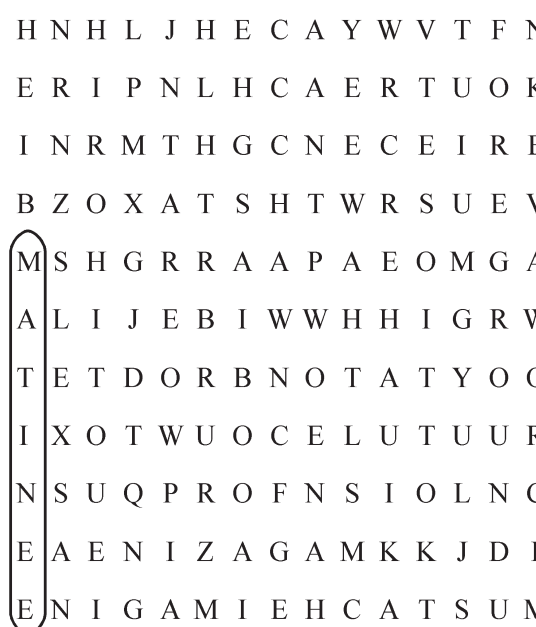
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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE



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

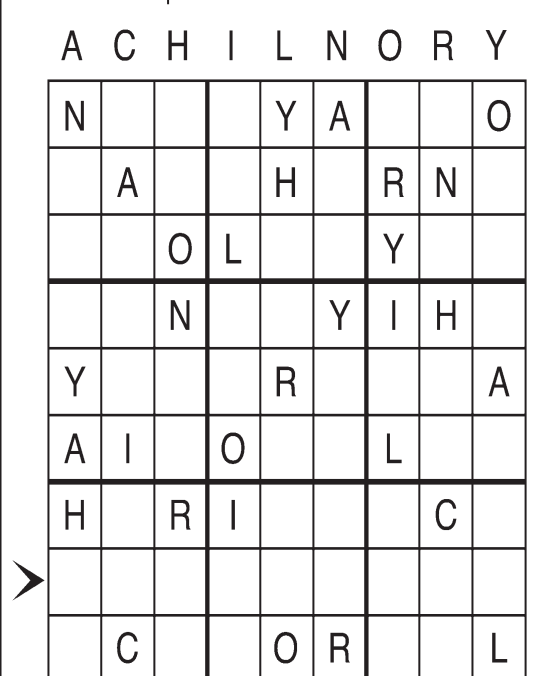
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Cohesion Ironware Matinee Outreach
Foregone Kilowatt Microwave Outwash
Foreground Magazine Mustache

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Letter Box

by Linda Thistle

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



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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

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

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|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1. Cartes du jour | — E — — — | Subtraction sign | — I — — — |
| 2. Car bumper | F — — — — | Financier | L — — — — |
| 3. Clothes stiffener | — T — — — | Look for | — E — — — |
| 4. Throw like Nolan Ryan | — — T — — | Tweak | — — N — — |
| 5. Cool and invigorating | — — — S — | Mason's block | — — — C — |
| 6. He asked for "more" | O — — — — | Splinter | S — — — — |
| 7. Gawk | — T — — — | Petrify | — C — — — |
| 8. Hesitate | — A — — — | Strainer or sieve | — I — — — |
| 9. Swap | — — — D — | Smidgeon | — — — C — |
| 10. Racket | N — — — — | Composure | P — — — — |

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A gracious Lamb can learn more about a problem-filled situation than one who is openly suspicious of what could be happening. A friend might offer some well-directed advice.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Getting adjusted to an unexpected change might be difficult for the Bovine who prefers things to go according to plan. But help could come from a most welcome source.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) This could be a good time to get a head start on those career-related plans. The sooner you check out the pluses and minuses, the sooner you can act on your information.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A personal situation you thought would no longer present a problem suddenly could produce some surprises. Try to sort things out with the help of trusted colleagues.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An upcoming move holds both anticipation and anxiety for Leos and Leonas who have some big decisions to make. Advice is plentiful, but it's up to you to decide which way you want to go.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Someone from a previous project could provide valuable guidance on how to handle a current problem, especially where it might involve a legal matter.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A business situation presents some unexpected complications. But rather than try to handle them all at once, it would be best to deal with them one at a time.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You just might get what you want, despite the odds against it. In any event, be sure to thank all those people involved who believed in you and went to bat for you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Before you even hint at an accusation, remember that you'll have to prove what you say. So be sure you have what you need to back up your comments.

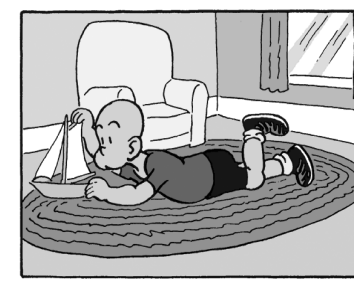
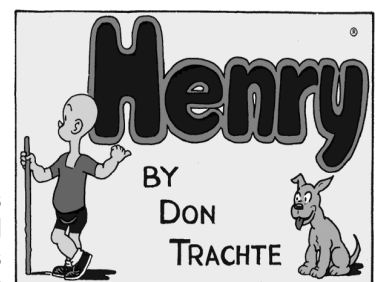
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A romantic situation takes an unexpected turn that favors some Sea Goats, but causes others to reassess how they've been handling the relationship.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A surprise turn of events could unsettle the Water Bearer. But it also might help open up an entirely different way of working out an important matter.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A smoothly running operation could bump up against an obstacle. This is where your ability to assess situations and make adjustments can restore things to normal.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your kindness is legendary, and so is your strong sense of responsibility.

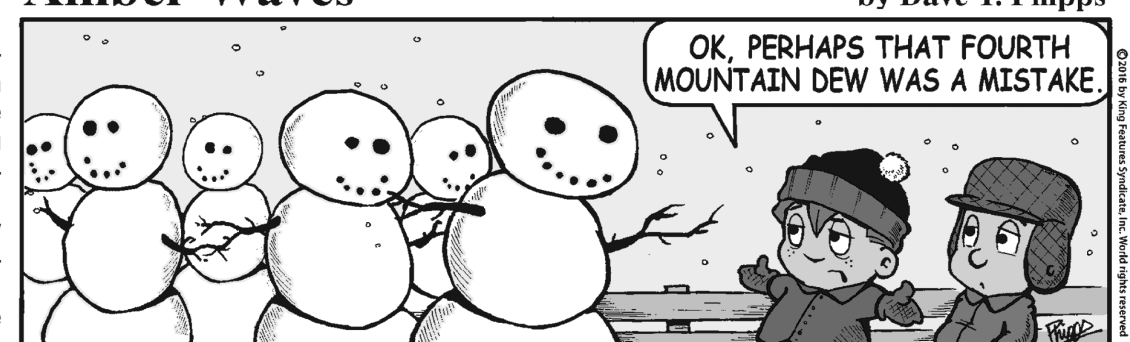
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