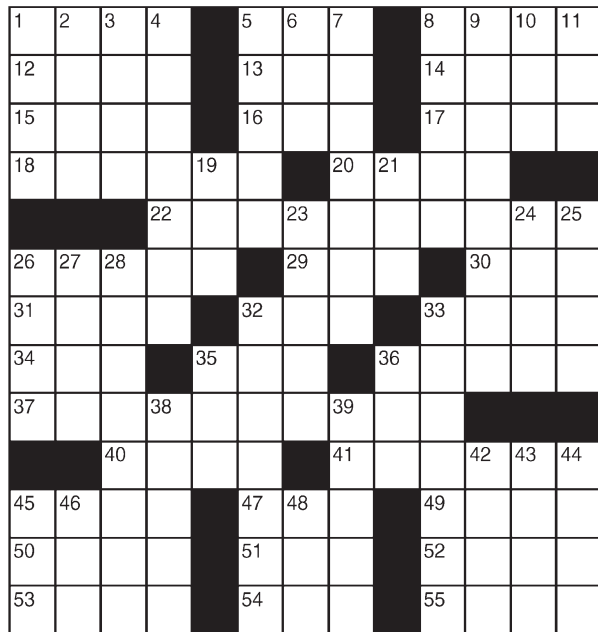


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Final
- 5 Recipe meas.
- 8 Foolproof
- 12 Eastern pot-entate (Var.)
- 13 Carnival city
- 14 Slaughter of baseball
- 15 Parks at a bus stop?
- 16 Japanese sash
- 17 Gallon fraction
- 18 Hands-on-hips
- 20 Small combo
- 22 Women's wear
- 26 Wander off
- 29 Height of fashion?
- 30 Bother
- 31 Addict
- 32 Supporting
- 33 Cruising
- 34 Aries
- 35 Despondent
- 36 Square dance group
- 37 "It's a Wonderful Life" director
- 40 Hearts, for one
- 41 Phone function
- 45 "Simpsons" creator
- 47 Yoko of music
- 49 Nervous



- 50 Help a hood
- 51 Debtor's letters
- 52 Early period
- 53 Indiana city
- 54 CD successor
- 55 Verve

DOWN

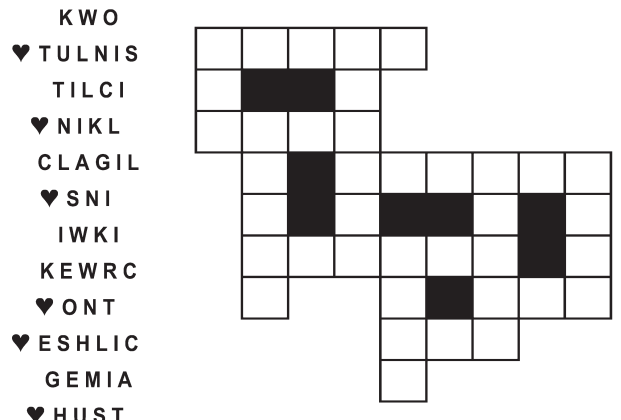
- 1 Zhivago's love
- 2 Out of control
- 3 Emphatic assent in Acapulco
- 4 It gets a load from a lode
- 5 Scout group
- 6 Bro or sis
- 7 "Lilies of the Field" actor
- 8 Brown tone
- 9 Norma Rae, for one
- 10 Paul of politics
- 11 Superlative ending
- 19 Chesapeake, e.g.
- 21 Spinning stat
- 23 "Mary Tyler Moore Show" spinoff
- 24 Genealogy chart
- 25 Old card game
- 26 Look for a website
- 27 Despot
- 28 Digitize an old LP, e.g.
- 32 Bit of trivia
- 33 College life
- 35 Tackle moguls
- 36 4-Down contents
- 38 Eccentric
- 39 Pleased with oneself
- 42 "American —"
- 43 City in India
- 44 Loretta of country music
- 45 Periodical, for short
- 46 Lawyers' org.
- 48 Thanksgiving mo.

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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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by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

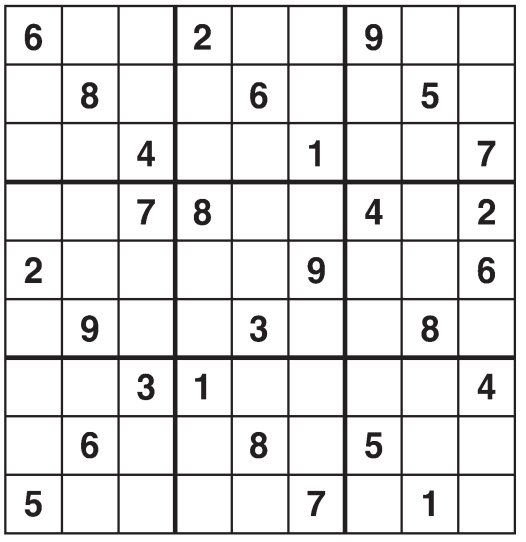
WHAT DO YOU CALL YOUNG DOGS THAT PLAY IN THE SNOW?

LITERS	___ TILER	DISPEL	___ SLIDE
STOLEN	___ STONE	FURIES	___ FIRES
STUPOR	___ SPORT	PARTED	___ TREAD
FOSSIL	___ FOILS	SAMPLE	___ MEALS
SHRIMP	___ PRISM	INSEAM	___ MANES
		WARNED	___ DRAWN
		PASSER	___ SPARE

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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. Ear flap is missing. 2. Coat is smaller. 3. Tree is smaller. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Wealth is missing. 6. Shovel of snow is smaller.

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

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

- | | | | |
|----------------|------------|-------------|----------|
| Agile | Big Brown | Ponder | Tim Tam |
| Alysheba | Giacomo | Sea Hero | Tomy Lee |
| Animal Kingdom | Go for Gin | Super Saver | Zev |
| Barbaro | Omaha | Swale | |

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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.

	A	C	E	M	O	P	R	S	U
➤	A	M		P	E				
		U		E	C	M		S	
	E			A				U	
			P	U		R			
	M	C			R	O			
	U		M					P	
		P		O	E			C	
			S	P	A				

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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.

1. Young dog	___ U ___	Showy red flower	___ O ___
2. 50s Gale Storm role	___ ___ E	No ___ for error	___ ___ N
3. Sides on a stop sign	E ___	Period of darkness	N ___
4. Torrential downpour	___ ___ G	Hoodwink	___ ___ D
5. Lavish water vessel	___ ___ R	Bedding	___ ___ N
6. Sunday meat	___ A ___	Perch, like a bird	___ O ___
7. Squabble	___ I ___	Financial sponsor	___ A ___
8. Play the ponies	___ M ___	Muddle	___ R ___
9. Inexperienced	___ ___ N	Welcome	___ ___ T
10. Investigate	___ E ___	Clothes stiffener	___ T ___

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The New Year brings challenges that can change many things in your life. You need to be prepared not only to confront them, but also to deal with what happens afterward.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You have what it takes to set your goals quite a bit higher this year. Learn what you need to know and put what you learn into your efforts. A partner offers loving support.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) In true Gemini Twin fashion, you're conflicted about a decision you know you'll have to make in this New Year. Best advice: Get the facts before you make any commitment.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A friend offers you an exciting opportunity for the New Year. Although your positive aspects are strong in most respects, caution is advised. Investigate before you invest.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You can make this New Year a roaring success. Start by readjusting your goals to reflect the changes in the economy. Your den-mate offers both wise and loving support.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The New Year brings new opportunities for change. But you need to be ready to move from the comfortable status quo to the challenging unknown. It's up to you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your most important New Year's resolution should be to work out problems with a family member in order to avoid continued misunderstandings. Do it soon, for both of your sakes.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The New Year has much to offer the intensely determined Scorpion, who isn't afraid to take on challenges and stay with them until they surrender their rewards.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You'll have many fine opportunities in this New Year. But be warned: Reject offers of "help." You work best when you're free to be your own creative self.

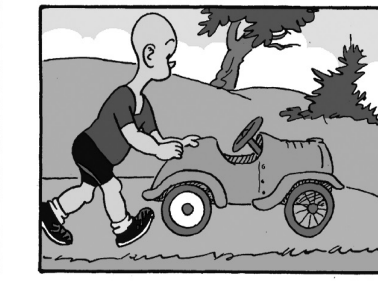
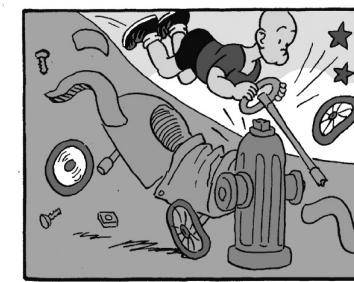
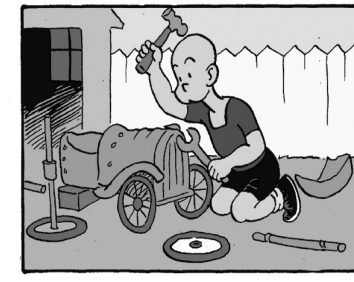
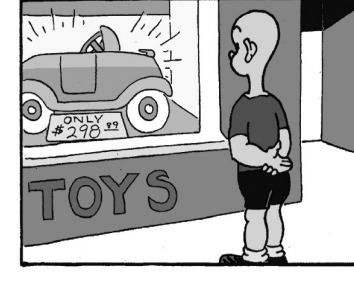
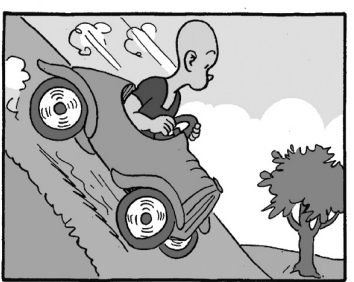
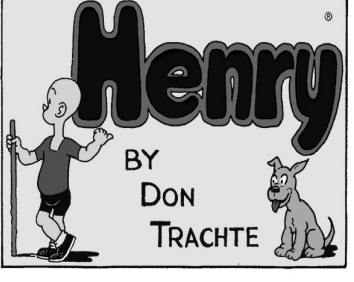
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The New Year offers changes that you might feel you're not quite ready for. Best advice: Deal with them one step at a time, until you've built up your self-confidence.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Travel is a dominant aspect of the New Year. This could mean relocating to another city (or even another country) in connection with your education or your career.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) This New Year brings news about a change you've been anticipating. You might have a problem persuading a loved one about your new plans, but he or she will soon go along with them.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for making people feel safe and protected. You would make an excellent youth counselor.

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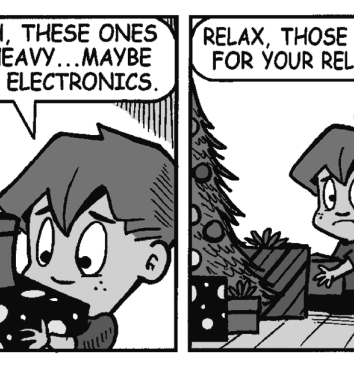


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