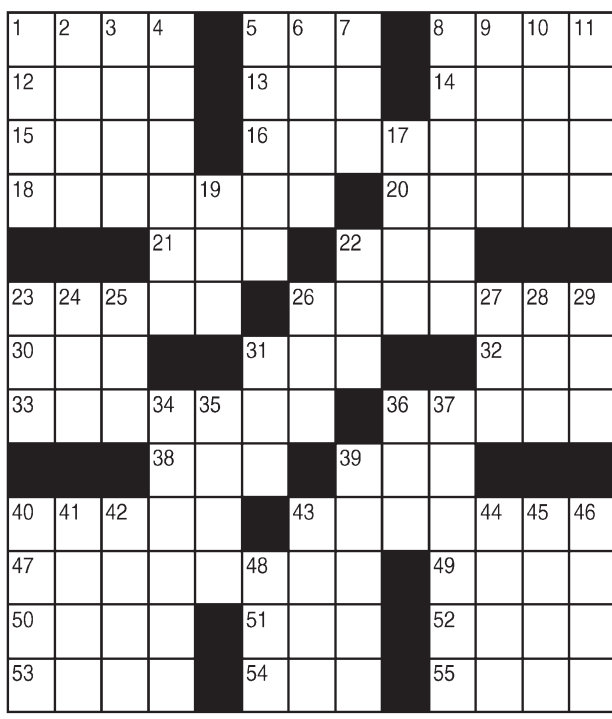


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Resorts
- 5 Sch. org.
- 8 Branch
- 12 Hide
- 13 Rowing need
- 14 Heap
- 15 Great Lake
- 16 Boxer's ploy
- 18 Cheap
- 20 Glove material
- 21 Halves of 38-Across
- 22 Coffee, slangily
- 23 Mixed metal
- 26 Barber's task
- 30 Fish eggs
- 31 Intent
- 32 Bobby of hockey fame
- 33 Pirate's sword
- 36 Nuts
- 38 Type squares
- 39 Started
- 40 Sports venue
- 43 Relief print of a sort
- 47 Curtail
- 49 Troubles
- 50 Chills and fever
- 51 Collection
- 52 Albacore, e.g.
- 53 Egyptian fertility goddess
- 54 With 55-Across, 365 days



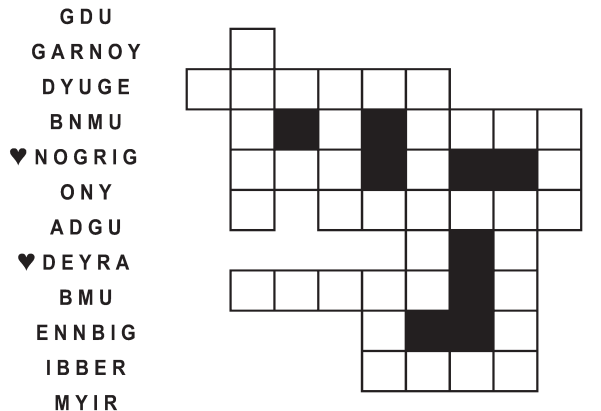
- 55 See 54-Across
- 19 Whatever
- 22 Bread spread
- 23 Curved line
- 24 Brock or Gehrig
- 25 Allow
- 26 That man's
- 27 Bill's partner
- 28 Grecian vessel
- 29 Have a go at
- 31 Fool
- 34 Contacts, e.g.
- 35 Asian nursemaid
- 36 Zodiac sign
- 37 Fodder for Ripley's column
- 39 Singer Lenya
- 40 Antioxidant berry
- 41 Carpets
- 42 Needle case
- 43 Small songbird
- 44 Hint
- 45 Arm bone
- 46 Despot
- 48 Bear, in Barcelona

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FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

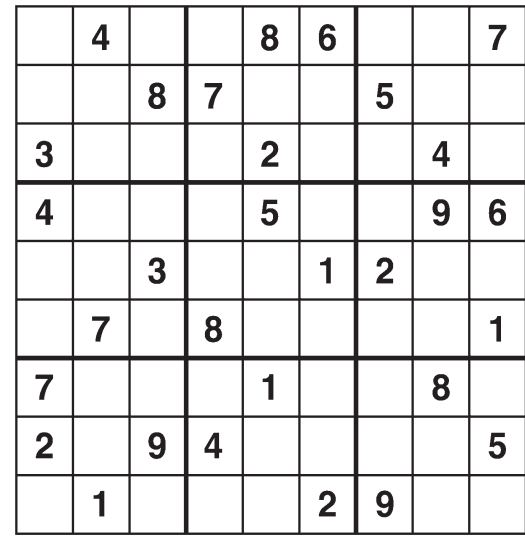


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down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

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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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Puzzles4Kids

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 GET WHEN YOU CROSS A CHICKEN AND A CHIHUAHUA?

- | | | | |
|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| SAMPLE | MALES | BEAKER | BREAK |
| CANYON | NANCY | RANGES | NEARS |
| SENIOR | SIREN | ANGELS | LANES |
| SACRED | READS | GRASSY | GRAYS |
| ESTHER | STEER | | |
| TASTER | START | | |
| HATRED | EARTH | | |

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE

ALIGDBYWWTPRPMK
 IFNOINOTAMOTDBY
 WUSQONASMKRIFDB
 ELBATEGEVZDXWUS
 CQOENLNBJGHFKO
 DHNCAPYDWDGVTCT
 SMINESTRONEQPUA
 NLKCIHFIECBRRDT
 ZYWVKUSBLIATXOO
 RQPNTBAHPLMLP
 JIHLITNELESFEDC

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

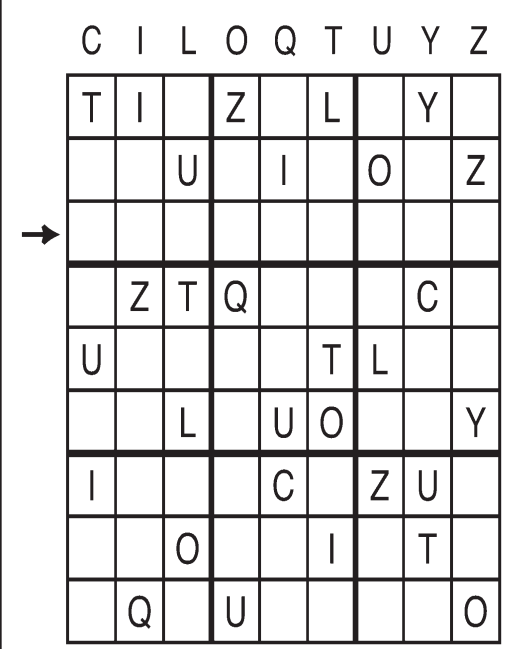
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|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Alphabet | Egg drop | Oxtail | Tomato |
| Bird nest | Lentil | Potato | Turtle |
| Chicken | Minestrone | Red bean | Vegetable |
| Duck | Onion | Split pea | |

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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.

- | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Singer Dolly | _____ T _____ | Forgive | _____ D _____ |
| 2. Halloween disguises | _____ K _____ | Flag poles | _____ T _____ |
| 3. Dilapidated car | _____ R _____ | Excursion | _____ T _____ |
| 4. Aristocrat | _____ R _____ | Twirler's stick | _____ T _____ |
| 5. Sunday meat | R _____ | Shoreline | C _____ |
| 6. Church singers | _____ O _____ | Rocker or bean bag | _____ A _____ |
| 7. Sell abroad | _____ O _____ | Specialist | _____ E _____ |
| 8. Edible bulb | _____ N _____ | Mythological hunter | _____ R _____ |
| 9. Taut | T _____ | Thick | D _____ |
| 10. Flintstone's buddy | _____ B _____ | "West Side Story" fracas | _____ M _____ |

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Restless Rams and Ewes might want to let others finish a current project while they start something new. But if you do, you could risk losing out on a future opportunity.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bovine's creative forces start revving up as you plan for the upcoming holidays. Some practical aspects also emerge, especially where money is involved.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Moments of doubt disrupt your otherwise clear sense of purpose. Don't ignore them. They could be telling you not to rush into anything until you know more about it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A planned trip might have to be delayed. Plan to use this new free time to update your skills and your resume so you'll be ready when a new job opportunity opens.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A flood of holiday party bids from business contacts allows you to mix work and pleasure. Your knowledge plus your Leonine charm wins you a new slew of admirers.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unexpected act by a colleague complicates an agreement, causing delays in implementing it. Check out the motive for this move: It's not what you might suspect.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might want to cut ties with an ingrate who seems to have forgotten your past generosity. But there might be a reason for this behavior that you should know about. Ask.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful not to set things in stone. Much could happen over the next several days that will make you rethink some decisions and maybe change them.

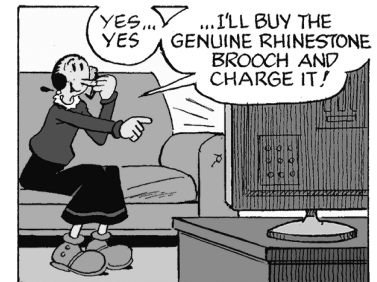
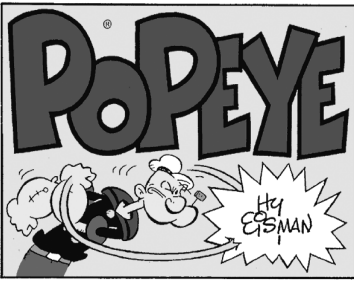
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your plans to help provide holiday cheer for the less fortunate inspire others to follow your generous example. Expect welcome news by week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're in your glory as you start planning for the holiday season ahead. But leave time to deal with a problem that needs a quick and fair resolution.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) The upcoming holiday season provides a perfect setting for strengthening relationships with kin and others. A new contact has important information.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Instead of fretting over a cutting remark by a co-worker, chalk it up to an outburst of envy of your well-respected status among both your colleagues and superiors.

BORN THIS WEEK: You instinctively know when to be serious and when to be humorous – attributes everyone finds endearing.



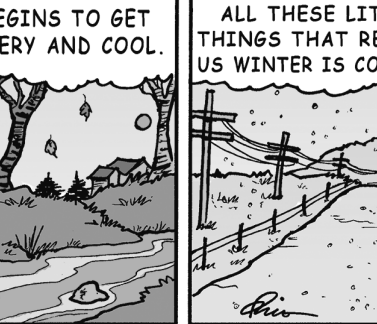
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by Mike Marland



Amber Waves



The Spats



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