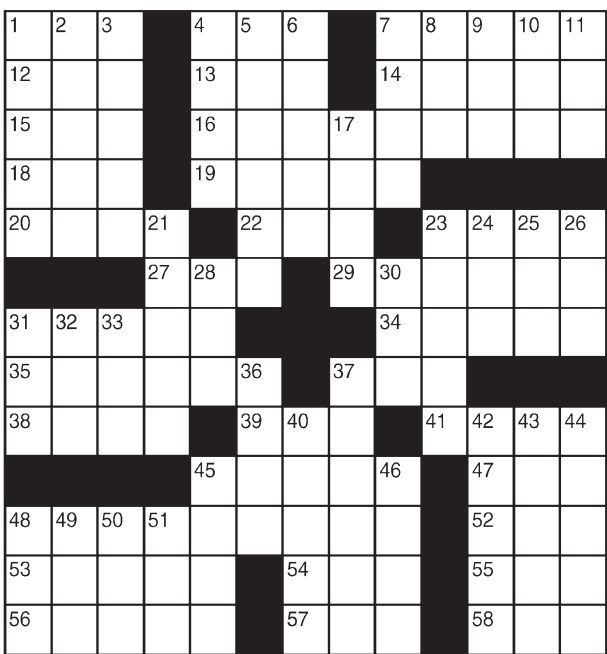


King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 \$ dispenser
- 4 " — Miserables"
- 7 Trounce
- 12 Commonest English word
- 13 Matterhorn
- 14 Worn unevenly
- 15 2012 movie bear
- 16 Savage
- 18 Midafternoon, in a way
- 19 Long-legged shorebird
- 20 Pull an all-nighter
- 22 Freudian concept
- 23 Use a keyboard
- 27 Moreover
- 29 Rodeo outcries
- 31 Strong adhesive
- 34 Meal for Oliver Twist
- 35 Moral principles
- 37 Larry's pal
- 38 Runs from the fuzz
- 39 Shooter ammo
- 41 Sharpen
- 45 Tureen accessory
- 47 Inseparable
- 48 Marian, in "The Music Man"



- 52 "Monty Python" opener
- 53 Wanted-poster datum
- 54 Hi-tech SFX
- 55 Prepared
- 56 Thick-soled shoes
- 57 Slight amount
- 58 Attempt
- 7 Vegan's no-no
- 8 Bobby of hockey
- 9 Luau side dish
- 10 "Born in the —"
- 11 Corral
- 17 Huff and puff
- 21 Long skirts
- 23 Pitched
- 24 Second person
- 25 "Ulalume" writer
- 26 Immigrant's study (Abbr.)
- 28 Big Apple letters
- 30 Past
- 31 Moray or conger
- 32 Sch. org.
- 33 Resistance measure
- 36 Practice pugilism
- 37 Sweet
- 40 Proclamation
- 42 Jack
- 43 Go in
- 44 Irritable
- 45 Glaswegian girl
- 46 Novelist
- 48 Varnish ingredient
- 49 Under the weather
- 50 Life story, for short
- 51 Tatter

DOWN

- 1 Storage story
- 2 " — Finest Hour"
- 3 TV, radio, etc.
- 4 Chemistry classrooms
- 5 On cloud nine
- 6 Parsley serving

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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



MAGIC MAZE ● PORT CITIES IN AUSTRALIA

U T Q O L I G D B Y W T R P Y  
M K W I F D Y E N D Y S B N Y  
W E O U S Q O M K I I F A D R  
B Z L X T R A B O H W B L W E  
U E L T S A C W E N L R L N I  
S Q O O N N A H T A R R A K P  
L S N R I A C J D H F B Y D M  
D C G A Y W M V T E S S H Q A  
G N O L E E G E P I R N W L D  
E I N R U B E N R U O B L E M  
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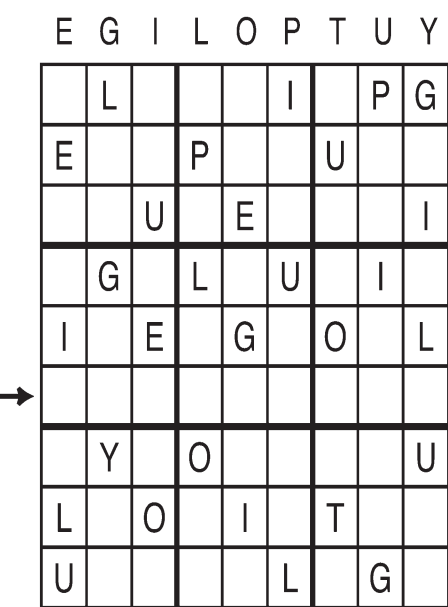
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Albany   | Dampier   | Geelong   | Newcastle  |
| Brisbane | Darwin    | Hobart    | Whyalla    |
| Burnie   | Derby     | Karratha  | Wollongong |
| Cairns   | Fremantle | Melbourne |            |

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Letter Box by Linda Thistle

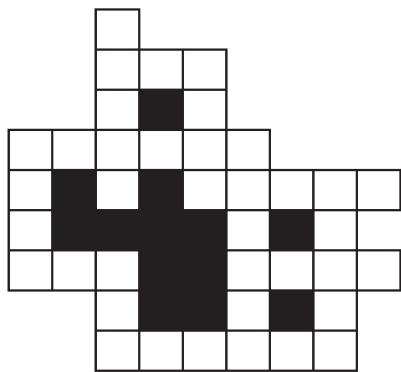
Place a letter in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the letters listed above the diagram. When completed, the row indicated will spell out a word or words.



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FEAR & KNOT

- CBU
- ARDPEN
- ♥MAPSL
- CBMO
- PLEEDO
- PGA
- MBPU
- ♥ESGRA
- ♥IGB
- MORCEH
- FUSCR
- ♥EPGA



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. H A G N E C becomes CHANGE ). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked ( ♥ ) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ R A T H E 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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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:

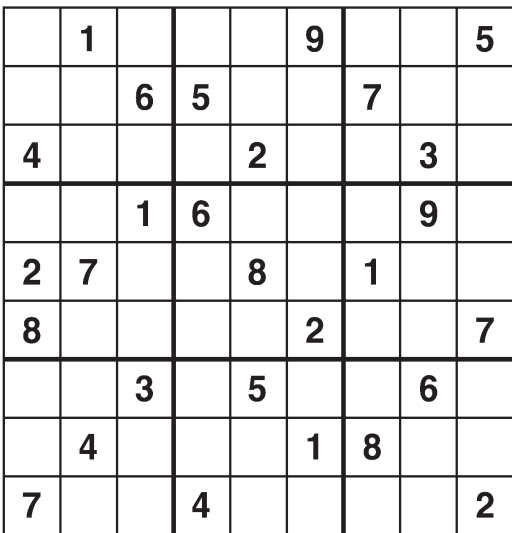
WHAT KIND OF BEANS DO NOT GROW IN GARDENS?

- |        |   |       |        |   |       |
|--------|---|-------|--------|---|-------|
| JOSTLE | — | STOLE | EBBING | — | BINGE |
| ESTEEM | — | MEETS | ECHOER | — | CHORE |
| BLAZER | — | ZEBRA | SEATER | — | STEER |
| LITERS | — | TRIES | FINDER | — | FRIED |
| PASTRY | — | PARTS | HASSLE | — | SHALE |

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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.

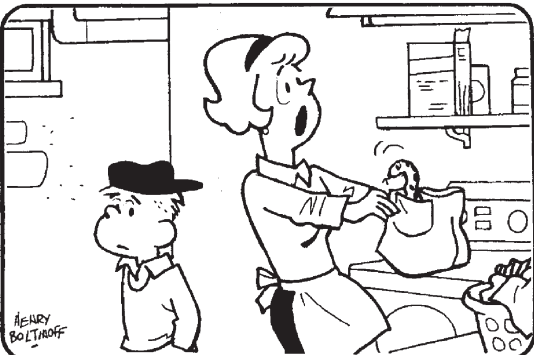
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

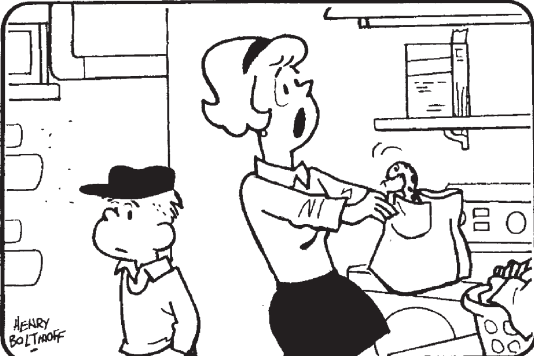
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Apron is missing. 2. Boy's cap is turned forward. 3. Shorts are longer. 4. Items are missing from shelf. 5. There are more wall bricks. 6. Pipe is lower on wall.

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. Food closet       | — N — — — | Cream puff or éclair | — S — — — |
| 2. Tom Sawyer author | — W — — — | Amtrak vehicle       | — R — — — |
| 3. Of the sun        | — L — — — | Underwater radar     | — N — — — |
| 4. With more speed   | F — — — — | Spring holiday       | E — — — — |
| 5. Peace prize giver | — B — — — | Work of fiction      | — V — — — |
| 6. Teakettle vapor   | — — — — M | Swipe                | — — — — L |
| 7. Clothes cupboard  | — — — — T | No longer opened     | — — — — D |
| 8. Timber board      | — L — — — | Jokester's trick     | — R — — — |
| 9. King's stand-in   | — G — — — | Up to date           | — C — — — |
| 10. Betty or Vanna   | — H — — — | Take pen to hand     | — R — — — |

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Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Professional relationships grow stronger. But you might still need to ease some problems with someone in your personal life. One way could be to try to be less rigid in your views.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You might be too close to that perplexing personal situation to even attempt to make a rational decision about it right now. Stepping back could help you gain a wider perspective.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Being asked to choose between the positions of two friends is an unfair imposition on you. It's best to reject the "demands" and insist they try harder to work things out on their own.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A change of mind about a workplace decision might be called for once you hear more arguments, pro and con. A personal event suddenly takes an unexpected (but pleasant!) turn.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Romance once again looms large for single Leos and Leonas, with Cupid favoring Taurus and Libra to inspire those warm and fuzzy Leonine feelings. Expect another workplace change.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A surprise gift -- and, happily, with no strings attached -- could come just when you need it to avoid a delay in getting your project done. Expect education to dominate the week.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Someone close to you might ask for your support as she or he faces a demanding personal challenge. Offer it, by all means. But be careful you don't neglect your own needs at this time.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) An unexpected development could put your relationship with a partner or spouse to an emotionally demanding test. But your determination to get to the truth should save the day.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A recent agreement appears to be coming apart over the surfacing of unexpected complications. You might need to have expert advice on how to resolve the situation.

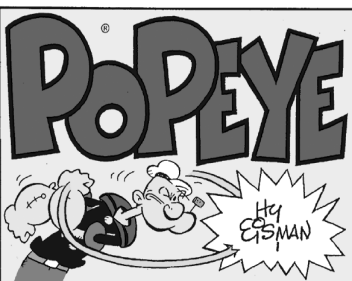
**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your keen business sense helps you get to the truth about a suspicious business deal. Expect to have many colleagues rally to support your efforts in this important matter.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Someone who once moved in and out of your life through the years might now want to come back in on a more permanent basis. Give yourself a lot of time to weigh your decision.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Showing frustration over a delayed workplace decision might get someone's attention, but not necessarily make him or her move any sooner. Best advice would be to be patient and wait it out.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are drawn to excitement and enjoy fast-tempo music, with the more brass, the better.

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Amber Waves



The Spats



by Jeff Pickering