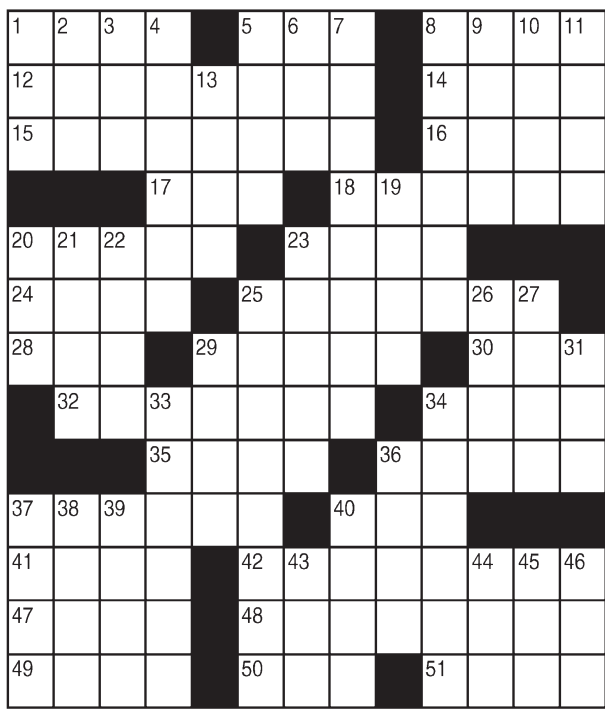


# King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Bygone Peruvian
- 5 Decibel increaser, for short
- 8 Jewels
- 12 Greenhouse structures
- 14 On
- 15 Caviar provider
- 16 Volcanic outflow
- 17 "Eureka!"
- 18 Not as short
- 20 Dishes
- 23 Ratio phrase
- 24 Little one in the litter
- 25 Tough puzzle
- 28 Affirmative
- 29 Diarist Nin
- 30 - Beta Kappa
- 32 Learner
- 34 Adolescent
- 35 Prod
- 36 Cause, as havoc
- 37 Expose, in a way
- 40 Hawaiian garland
- 41 Any minute now
- 42 Obdurate
- 47 "Zounds!"
- 48 Cook on a grill
- 49 Novelist Jaffe



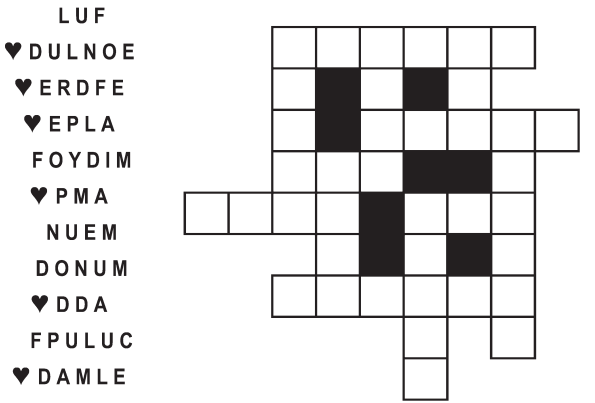
- 50 "This tastes awful!"
- 51 Leftovers recipe
- DOWN**
- 1 "Monty Python" opener
- 2 Seine
- 3 French vineyard
- 4 Immoderate
- 5 Neighborhood
- 6 "O Sole -"
- 7 Woman's two-piece?
- 8 Fast gait
- 9 And others (Abbr.)
- 10 Relocate
- 11 Practice boxing
- 13 Turkish title
- 19 \$ dispensers
- 20 Weep
- 21 Colors
- 22 "Meet Me - Louis"
- 23 "Try - see"
- 25 Passes furtively
- 26 Duel tool
- 27 Actress
- 29 Commotions
- 31 Pen filler
- 33 Kampala's country
- 34 "Survivor" squads
- 36 "MacArthur Park" composer Jimmy
- 37 Addict
- 38 Nixed, at NASA
- 39 Complain
- 40 Hide in the bushes
- 43 Greek cross
- 44 Autumn mo.
- 45 Regret
- 46 Fresh

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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.

# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

**WORD FUN**

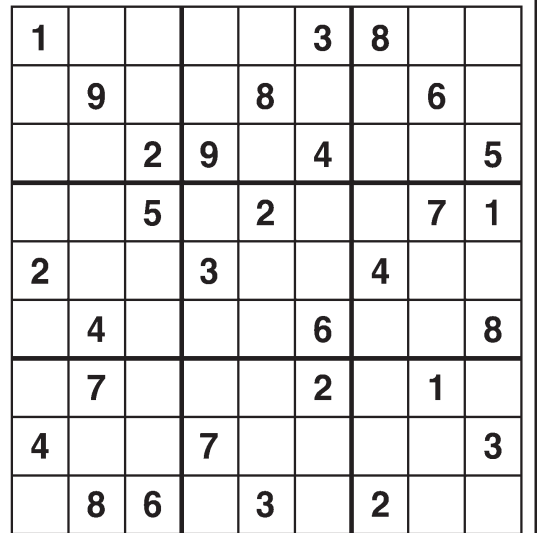
Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

**WHAT DO YOU CALL A FRUIT THAT LOOKS GOOD?**

MAIDEN	___	MINED	TOMATO	___	MOTTO
STRIFE	___	TIRES	TRIPLE	___	LITER
LOSING	___	LONGS	RIPPED	___	PRIED
CANTER	___	REACT	CLEAR	___	SCARE
EATERS	___	RATES	SALINE	___	SLAIN

# 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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# Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



# MAGIC MAZE

WORDS HAVING A BALL

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

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

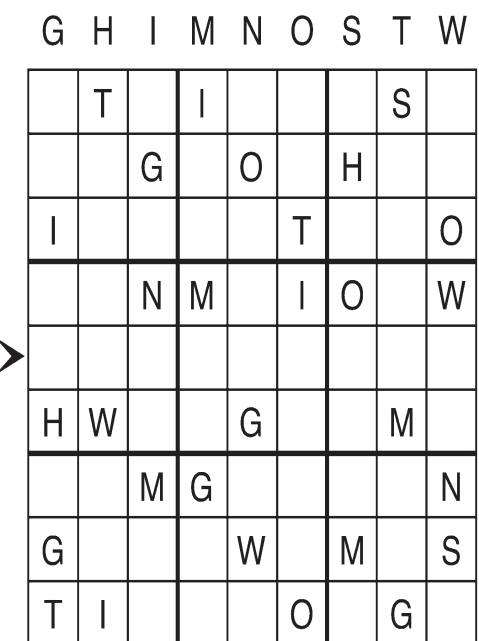
- |           |           |           |          |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Ballad    | Bean ball | Mothball  | Puffball |
| Balgame   | Cornball  | Oddball   | Snowball |
| Ballpoint | Dead ball | Paintball | Sourball |
| Ballroom  | Highball  | Pinball   |          |

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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. Mrs. Flintstone   | ___ _ _ M _ _ | Author Cather          | ___ _ _ L _ _ |
| 2. Ballerina, e.g.   | ___ _ _ C _ _ | Peril                  | ___ _ _ G _ _ |
| 3. Plank of wood     | ___ O _ _ _   | Whiskers               | ___ E _ _ _   |
| 4. Gradient          | ___ _ C _ _ _ | Concurrence            | ___ _ S _ _ _ |
| 5. Small river       | ___ _ _ K _ _ | Dogma                  | ___ _ _ D _ _ |
| 6. Vocalist          | ___ _ _ G _ _ | Wrongdoer              | ___ _ _ N _ _ |
| 7. Heroic            | B _ _ _ _     | Long for               | C _ _ _ _     |
| 8. Not very tall     | ___ _ O _ _ _ | Blouse                 | ___ _ I _ _ _ |
| 9. Runway walker     | ___ _ D _ _ _ | Lodger's inn           | ___ _ T _ _ _ |
| 10. Stovetop feature | ___ _ _ N _ _ | Popular fast food item | ___ _ _ G _ _ |

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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Be careful not to allow the backers of a new financial "deal" to pull the wool over the Lamb's eyes. It could hold fewer plusses and more negatives than you were first led to believe.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) It's a good idea to finish all incomplete tasks so that you can devote your attention to next week's projects. The weekend could hold surprises for romantic Fernandas and Ferdinands.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A workplace suggestion you made a while ago that you might have forgotten could come back with a request to turn it from idea to reality. Your social life picks up considerably this weekend.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Someone from the past could return with an intriguing opportunity for a future project. Check into it, by all means. But don't neglect your current responsibilities in the meantime.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Keeping your claws sheathed and using good humor instead to counter someone who's bad-mouthing the Big Cat isn't easy. But it's the best way to avoid more problems down the line.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A workplace situation could improve if you're less critical and more supportive of those who are, after all, trying to do their best. Let them know you're there to help when necessary.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A new job offer might not carry all the benefits you're entitled to, what is off the table and what is negotiable before you make a decision.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A social obligation you would rather get out of could hold some surprisingly positive aspects. Why not go and see for yourself? A family member makes a curious request.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Before tackling that new project awaiting you at home or on the job, take time out for some much-deserved pampering to help lift your spirits and restore your energy levels.

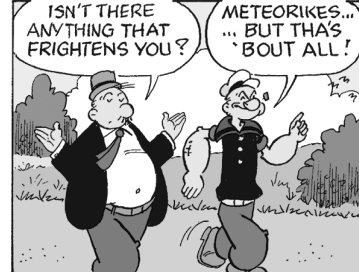
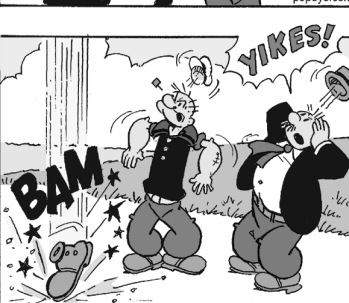
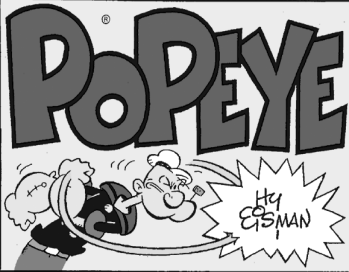
**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your social calendar begins to fill up more quickly than you expected. And that's great. You deserve to enjoy some good fun after so much time spent on serious matters.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A domestic situation continues to improve, thanks to all the tender, loving concern you've shown. A colleague makes a questionable move that you might want to check out sooner rather than later.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) A sudden turn in a romantic relationship calls for both a rational and passionate response. Keep the love level high, but also find out why the problem arose in the first place.

**BORN THIS WEEK** You often set high standards for others. But to your credit, you set the same expectations for yourself.

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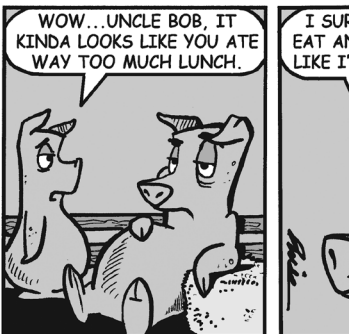
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