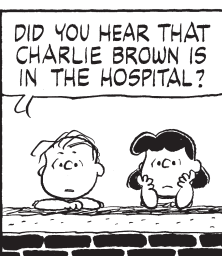


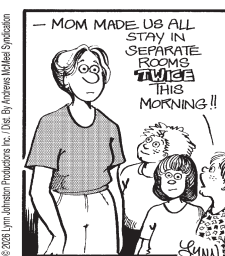
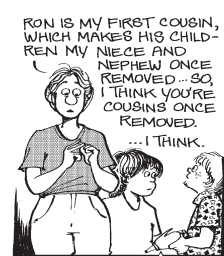
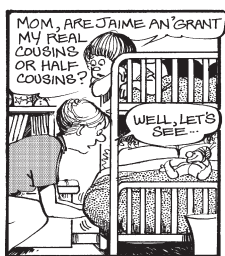
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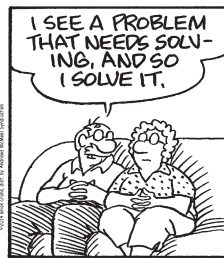
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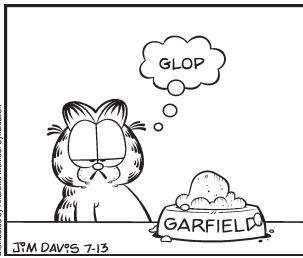
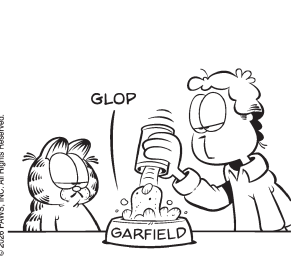
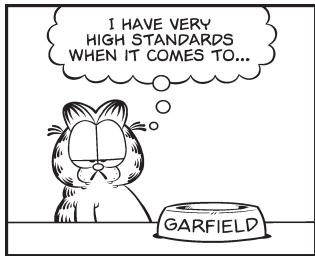
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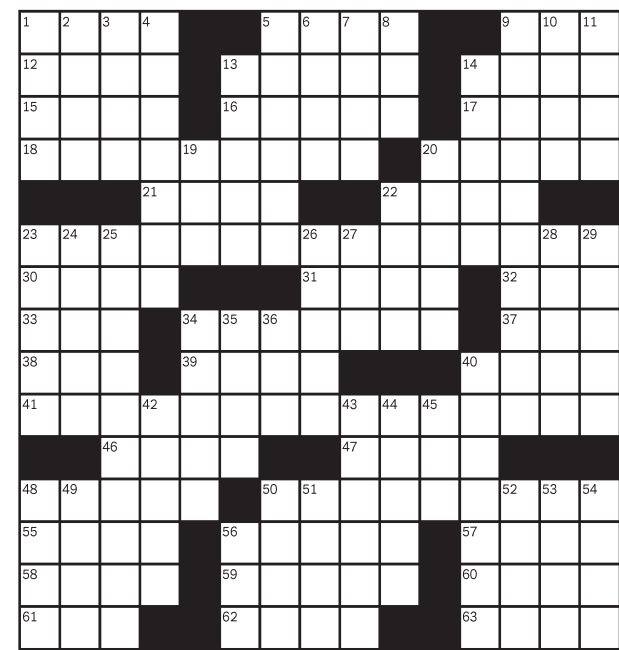
- ACROSS**
- 1 Deer sir?
- 5 Free trial version
- 9 Caspian or Mediterranean
- 12 Designer ____ Boss
- 13 Typographical embellishment
- 14 Go across
- 15 "Su-u-ure"
- 16 Something green in a greenhouse
- 17 Half ____ (when the minute hand points down)
- 18 Popular board game adapted from India [1]
- 20 They quickly spread online
- 21 "Soldier, stop!"
- 22 Page (through)
- 23 Challenge for student drivers [2]
- 30 Metals in mines

- 31 Actor Stonestreet of "Modern Family"
- 32 Apt zodiac sign for Bert Lahr, who played the Cowardly Lion
- 33 Vitality
- 34 Scoundrel's deeds
- 37 A pair
- 38 Card game whose name is something players cry
- 39 Assistant
- 40 Anthropologist Margaret
- 41 Never stop having fun [3]
- 46 "____ the night before Christmas ..."
- 47 Word repeated in "____ ye, ____ ye!"
- 48 Cube maker Erno

- 50 Of the highest importance ... or, when parsed differently, what each bracketed number in the clues indicates?
- 55 World's largest country with a four-letter name
- 56 Underpinning
- 57 Home of Columbus
- 58 A single time
- 59 Up in the air
- 60 Zero
- 61 "What a shame!"
- 62 Test the weight of
- 63 Backyard storage space

DOWN

- 1 Steamer or cruiser
- 2 Oom-pah instrument
- 3 Follower of New or teen
- 4 Hidden snags
- 5 Key to the right of "+" and "=" on a Mac keyboard
- 6 What Taylor Swift calls the stages of her career
- 7 5x5-square crossword
- 8 Frequently, in poetry
- 9 Email winnower
- 10 Effortlessness
- 11 Tiny hill builders
- 13 Characterize?
- 14 Orate
- 19 Nickname akin to Harry
- 20 Compassion



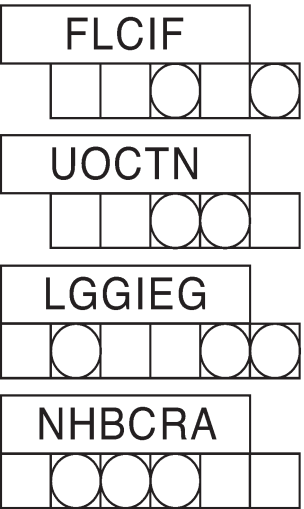
PUZZLE BY TOM MCCOY

- 22 Den
- 23 Short-term kind of store
- 24 Sports locale
- 25 Give a debriefing (to)
- 26 Prime use for a crowbar
- 27 Opposite of post-
- 28 Starting to learn
- 29 "Oh boy!"
- 34 Watercraft for an Inuit
- 35 Small bites
- 36 Accessibility law inits.
- 40 Leaves stranded
- 42 Strong string
- 43 What misers take to an extreme
- 44 Bread maker's supply
- 45 ____ Beesly, character who has the last line in the finale of "The Office"
- 48 Civil uprising
- 49 Caterer's containers
- 50 Whitish
- 51 Starting, timewise
- 52 "This looks like trouble!"
- 53 Number in a nonet
- 54 Follower of pointy or pigeon
- 56 Expression of contempt

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



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Ans. "here:"

Answers tomorrow

Saturday's

Jumbles: IMAGE FLOSS BURGER POSTAL
Answer: The greater-than symbol and its opposite are similar — MORE OR LESS

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

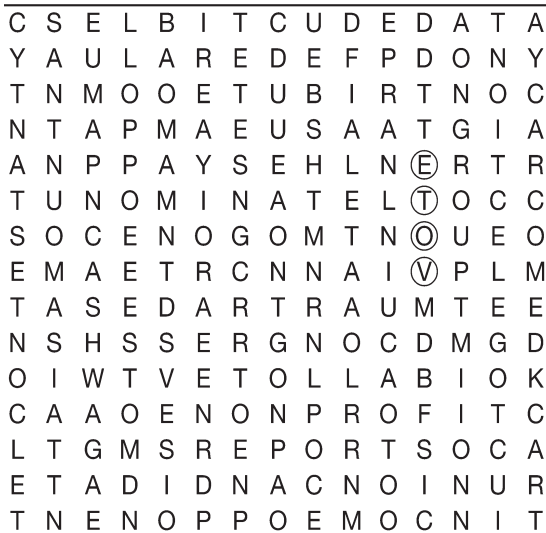
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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

POLITICAL DONATIONS Solution: 7 letters

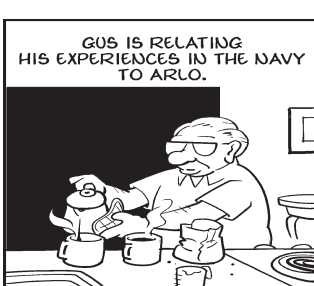


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Last Saturday's Answer: Smooth

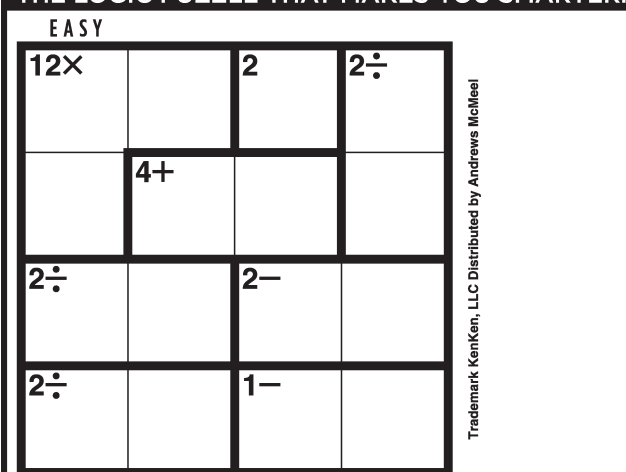
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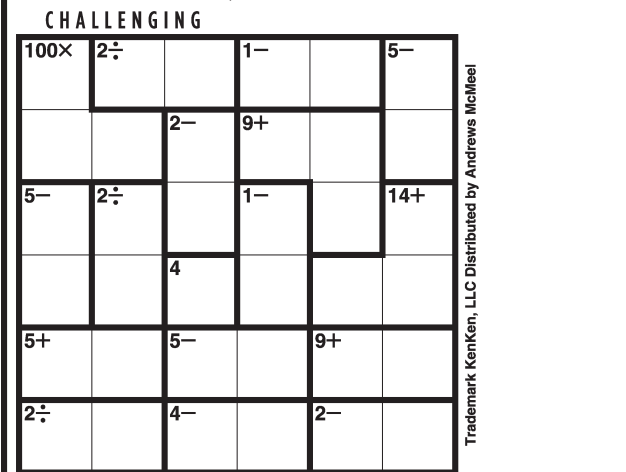


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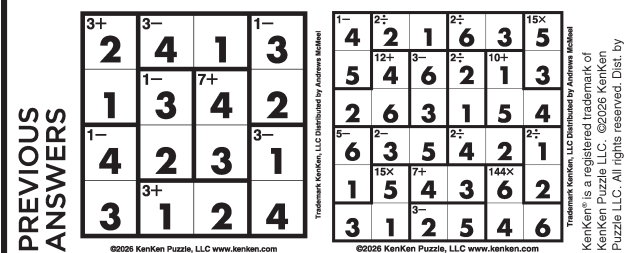


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RULES

- 1 Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.
- 2 The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- 3 Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.



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