

SUDOKU High Fives

Sudoku puzzle grid with numbers and empty cells.

HOW TO PLAY: Sudoku High Fives consists of five regular Sudoku grids sharing one set of 3-by-3 boxes.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

Grid showing the solution to the previous Sudoku puzzle.

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KEN KEN THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER. EASY CHALLENGING RULES PUZZLE ANSWERS

Leaving cruise control switch on does no harm



BY RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Car Talk: There are times when I discover that my cruise control is "on" but not engaged.

No. It's like having a lamp plugged in, but not turning it on. It's a safety system, Michael.

Most cars have a "master" cruise-control switch. Until you set that switch to "on," you cannot engage the cruise control and use it to set the car's speed.

To use cruise control, the first switch you need to activate is the master switch. Once that's turned on, you'll probably see a green or orange cruise-control light on the dashboard.

As you can imagine, Michael, a safety "on/off" switch is even more important in a car with an ergonomic issue like that.

Dear Car Talk: I have a rusted-out heat shield on my 2003 Honda Accord. I took my car in to get an estimate, and initially was told it would cost \$319.

was in the estimate, but they still needed to order the top part of the shield, which was not in the estimate.

We do recommend that you replace the heat shield, Liz. Just not with these guys.

The reason the heat shield is there is to keep your car from either catching fire or setting something else on fire if your catalytic converter overheats.

And it certainly could be hot enough to set your car's carpet on fire. Which might sound like a good thing, Liz, given the smell you probably have in this 15-year-old car.

The parts, which are just pieces of sheet metal and a few bolts, should cost about \$160 from a Honda parts department.

That means you should pay somewhere between \$250 and \$300 to have this done.

I also don't like that your shop didn't call you to tell you their mechanic went home sick. That's not very considerate.

Got a question about cars? Write to Ray in care of King Features, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803, or email by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.

TV JUMBLE

Use the clues to help unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four words.

TV Jumble puzzle with clues: RISSEE, GUALEE, BMAOTC, WTKONER.



Then arrange the circled letters to form the answer, as suggested by the above cartoon and clue.

Answers to 12/30/18: Jumbles: LURCH TRACTOR BONANZA WARTIME Answer: "The Show" won 25 Emmy Awards and was ranked #16 on TV Guide's "50 Greatest Shows of All Time" (in 2002).

NEW YORK TIMES SUNDAY CROSSWORD 'NO DUHI'

YOUR HOROSCOPE

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Your passionate approach to maintaining and upholding your beliefs and integrity will result in a change of feelings, friendships and direction.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Stay focused on what needs to be accomplished instead of wasting time getting angry at something or someone.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Communicating or attending a trade show or conference will help you discover something you enjoy doing that can also help pay the bills.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Sharing responsibilities will bring you closer to someone special. Make plans for the future to improve your lifestyle and your relationship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Make suggestions that include loved ones. Planning a day of fun or relaxing and discussing upcoming events will give you something to look forward to.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll have more options than you realize. Pick up as much information as possible online or go directly to an expert for suggestions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You need a break. Gather with like-minded people and have some good old-fashioned fun.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Rest will do you a world of good. Don't let anyone bait you into an argument or pressure you to do something you don't want to do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Prepare for the future. Travel that is linked to business or educational pursuits should be considered and researched.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Simplicity and moderation will be the keys if you want to avoid making a mistake.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take care of matters concerning important relationships. Emotions will surface, causing you to make a rash move that can disrupt an important relationship.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Get into a fitness routine that is sustainable. Find something you enjoy doing that will keep you in shape and looking great.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Share with someone you have collaborated with in the past to come up with an idea that will encourage a new beginning.

By Eugenia Last

MISS MANNERS

By Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin

Dear Miss Manners: I just hosted a New Year's party for my close circle of friends. First, let me say that we had a fabulous time, and it was the perfect way to ring in the new year.

The invitation stated that I would provide wine, beer, mixers, garnishes and desserts, and invited guests to bring one appetizer and any other beverage they might prefer.

Dear Gentle Reader: If you want to assert the host's privilege of controlling the menu, the way to do so is to provide all the refreshments. It is not by ordering take-out from your guests, as if this were a cooperative party that you had all agreed upon giving together.

Miss Manners realizes that such demands are often made. It has gotten to where other hosts complain that guests often show up with unrequested food and insist upon it being served, thus sabotaging the host's efforts.

consume themselves. And many of them tell Miss Manners that they are not thrilled to accept an invitation only to find that it is, as you worded it, an invitation to contribute to the larder.

Dear Miss Manners: I co-hosted a business function, an "appreciation dinner" for about 50 of our customers. The invitees wore traditional office attire, as did I. The invitations did not specify dress.

To my dismay, my male co-host arrived in a tuxedo. I know this was obviously improper, but as my co-host is also my superior, I had no idea how to handle the situation.

In most instances, this was said with a laugh, so I didn't know if they were sharing the joke, or if they were truly uncomfortable in thinking that they had underdressed.

Is there something I could have said? I know my superior thought himself quite the dandy, so I know it will happen again next year. All I had to offer them was a rather lame, "You look just great! Can I get you something to drink?"

Dear Gentle Reader: Try as she will, Miss Manners can think of no way you can rescue someone who is determined to dress improperly. "Oh, it's just that his New Year's Eve party went on rather long and he didn't have time to change?"

Address your etiquette questions to Miss Manners at her website, www.missmanners.com; to her email, dearmissmanners@gmail.com; or through postal mail to Miss Manners, Andrews McMeel Syndication, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.

- ACROSS 1 Fixture on a ski-lodge deck 7 Sound quality 13 West African capital 19 Like counting your chickens before they've hatched 20 Going great guns, as business 22 Come to terms with 23 "Good golly!" across the pond 24 Close enough 25 Cloaklike garment 26 Nosh 27 Goes around 29 Hardly a right-minded individual? 31 NCAA rival of Duke 32 To which one might respond, "Salud!" 33 Superlative suffix 34 Summer setting in Seattle; abbr. 36 Reason for an R rating? 39 McGregor who played Obi-Wan Kenobi 42 Gobble 44 Quaint photos 45 Cuban or Zuckerberg? 48 Archie's pal at Riverdale 51 Dry as a bone 52 Largest species of the genus Leopardus 53 Fighting 54 Sprang 57 More ready to go 60 Show stopper? 62 Pure and simple 64 Part of the eye where vision is sharpest 65 Old hand 68 Maker of the MDX luxury SUV 69 Needing certain ink for a color printer? 71 Epitome of laziness 73 Freestyle, e.g. 74 Harbor city of NW France 76 Went to court, say 77 It may be right under your nose, informally 78 Fixture behind the bar 80 IHOP order

Crossword grid with numbers and black squares.

- 82 Billy of infomercial fame 83 Only European capital on both a river and an ocean 86 Kind of vision 88 Fit for the job 90 Impetus behind a paternity test? 93 Not so far 95 "Straight Outta Compton" group 96 "The path to the dark side," per Yoda 97 On a Paleo diet, say? 102 Slow boat 104 \_\_\_\_\_ Studies (college major) 106 Big Starbucks orders 107 Year the Office of Homeland Security was created 108 Some paints 111 Rumbles 112 "The world's greatest ...," e.g. 113 Opposite 115 Capital of Thessaly 117 Washington air hub 119 Post-workout activity 120 Unusually short 121 Start to take off, in a way 122 Shanghai 123 Accents and Sonatas 124 100-meter and 200-meter

- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE: CHAP,HEM,GRAVEL,MECLO, HOLA, APO, EUREKA, INCEA, EWES, WITHONEACCORDION, ASPCA, CEO, LOEB, PCTS, PAPPALBULLLION, DIDOK, DOLLAR, ESTEEM, TRIBAL, SALES, NOVAE, PANAMA, CROWNS, ISTHATAFACTION, HERA, ATTU, SLIGO, TSK, UNAGI, RIFFED, DENS, GOLEM, UNIONIZED, ITSME, RACE, REPEAL, CALEB, AWE, GOUDA, AVEC, GAGA, MISSIMPOSSIBLE, LEEWAY, INSANE, STENO, SMARM, ENAMEL, OILRIG, ANNOYS, YASTIR, FILLINGS, STAW, ATTIN, EAST, UNASTHREW, RHETORICAL, QUESTS, ERLE, KASHA, LADIES, EEO, ROLE, SITAR, STANDS, TEN, SWAP

- DOWN 1 Commotion 2 Connected 3 Reaction to a really bad pun 4 Something you might need to kill 5 Treat like an object 6 Really, really needing some sun? 7 Neighborhood north of the World Trade Center 8 Charges 9 Weasel's relative 10 Beach tops 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Tin Tin 12 2003 Economics Nobelist Robert 13 One's most ardent supporters 14 Finisher of cakes 15 86 16 Buy one circus animal, get one circus animal free? 17 Most newspapers have one 18 Sport\_\_\_\_\_ 21 Theodor \_\_\_\_\_ (Dr. Seuss' real name) 28 Live 30 Stealth bomber, familiarly 32 Partner of snick 33 French Alpine river 35 Root of Polynesia 37 Mesopotamian mother goddess 38 Female in a pen 40 In front of, old-style 41 Cowboys' home, for short 43 It's more than a warning; abbr. 46 Street handout, maybe 47 View from la plage 48 "Aladdin" villain 49 City between Albany and Rochester 50 Stimulate 51 2017 World Series winner, for short 55 Something required 56 Dog or cat transporter 58 Often-smoked cheese 59 First lady 61 Shia of "Transformers" 63 Beginnings of fame and fortune? 65 Some SAT study 66 Kind of alcohol "\_\_\_\_\_ Days" (1990s platinum Bon Jovi album) 69 Anthem contraction 70 On another call 72 Hedy \_\_\_\_\_, subject of the 2017 documentary "Bombshell" 75 Woman's name meaning "born again" 77 Installment of a women's clothing catalog? 78 Common potato chip flavor, in brief 79 Hybrid tourney style 81 Pure 83 Worker at a hosp. 84 Waterloo's home 85 Something up for grabs on a fishing boat? 87 Director Lee 89 Rules, informally 91 Untagged 92 Quavering sounds 93 Rating somebody? 94 The Supreme Court and the Muses 98 Zoroastrianism's sacred text 99 Author of "The Joy Luck Club" 100 Collision 101 Barbara and Jenna Bush, to Jeb 103 Famous 105 Exams for future J.D.s 109 Traveling from coast to coast, maybe 110 Car-sticker fig. 111 "Do you \_\_\_\_\_?" 112 Robust 113 Part of AMA 114 X 116 Medicinal plant 118 Part of SASE; abbr.