

PUZZLES

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

9			2	3				
	5	2	8	1	7			
1				7		8		
	2	3		9			1	
6				8				4
	4			3		9	2	
	1		3					2
	4		2	9	8	7		
			1	8				9

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

6	2	1	8	7	4	3	5	9
4	8	5	3	1	9	6	7	2
3	9	7	6	5	2	1	4	8
5	4	2	9	3	8	7	1	6
9	3	6	1	4	7	8	2	5
7	1	8	2	6	5	9	3	4
8	5	4	7	9	3	2	6	1
1	7	9	5	2	6	4	8	3
2	6	3	4	8	1	5	9	7

HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

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.

I LOVE TO WALK

Solution: 9 letters

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

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Beach, Birds, Break, Breeze, Bridge, Brisk, Camp, Cottage, Energy, Fitness, Focus, Forest, Fresh, Guide, Hike, Hills, Leisure, Local, Map, Marathon, Model, Mood, Nature, Navigate, Neighborhood, Parade, Park, Pass, Path, Pond, Positive, Rabbit, Rainbow, Relaxation, Rocks, Route, Runs, Scenery, Social, Steps, Stride, Sunshine, Tour, Track, Trail, Woods
Yesterday's Answer: Toffee
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KENKEN

THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

2÷		96X	8+		5-
15X			11+		
		3÷	2÷	6	7+
4	13+			8X	
5-			1		1-
	5	2÷			

RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
- 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.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

PREVIOUS ANSWER

5	1	3	2	4	6
6	3	2	5	1	4
4	6	5	1	3	2
3	4	1	6	2	5
2	5	4	3	6	1
1	2	6	4	5	3

YOUR HOROSCOPE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Consider your objective and what will make your life easier. Anger won't solve problems. Listen attentively, and go about your business. The less fuss you make this year, the more you will accomplish.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Pay attention to what everyone is doing. Connect with people who have something to offer or share. Set up interviews or meetings. Don't give in to uncertainty.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Confusion will set in when faced with a task you don't enjoy or aren't prepared to handle efficiently. Be honest regarding your capabilities; ask for assistance if necessary.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll attract jealous competitors. Take a secretive approach regarding what you know, how you will handle your responsibilities and what your likes and dislikes happen to be.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't count on others or trust what you hear. Follow a path that offers insight into something you want to do or try. Invest more time and energy into something you enjoy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Refuse to let emotional differences stand between you and what you are trying to achieve. Look for new opportunities that will allow you to sidestep any obstacle that gets in your way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll pick up information, master skills and gain insight into pending situations if you are receptive to what others do or say.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep your money in a safe place. Avoid joint ventures or spending on luxury items. When it comes to money, a tight-fisted attitude is your safest bet.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get problems out in the open. You cannot fix something if you ignore what's happening. Be honest about the way you feel and what you want to do.

WORDY GURDY

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

- Highest-rated '50s "sock" dance (1)
[][][][][][]
- Cutting utensil existence span (1)
[][][][][][][]
- At the time that actress Close (1)
[][][][][][][]
- Vegas' MGM hotel trademark (1)
[][][][][][][]
- Flingin' King Arthur's magician (2)
[][][][][][][][]
- Navy students' tots (2)
[][][][][][][][][]
- One who discolors a colander (2)
[][][][][][][][][]

ANSWERS
1. TOP HOP 2. KNIFE LIFE 3. WHEN GLENN 4. GRAND BRAND
5. HURLIN MERLIN 6. MIDDLES KIDDIES 7. STRAINER STAINER
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JUMBLE

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

NYHEO

LEWDL

GNAAEM

RHAWTT

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Answer here:

Yesterday's Jumbles: MINCE STOMP POLICY LIMBER

Answer: They tried to be as efficient as possible at the clock factory because — TIME IS MONEY

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.

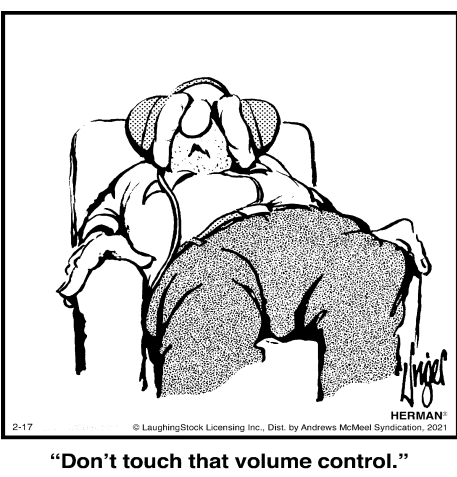
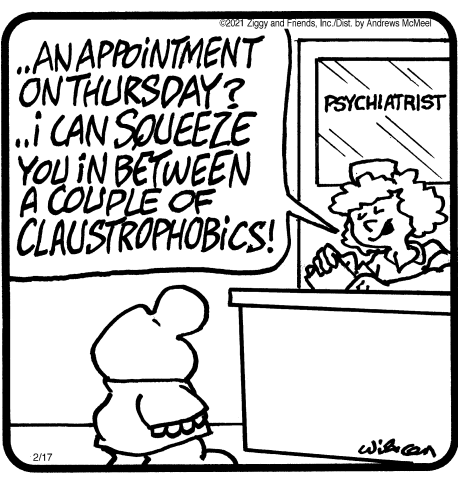
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CLASSIC COMICS

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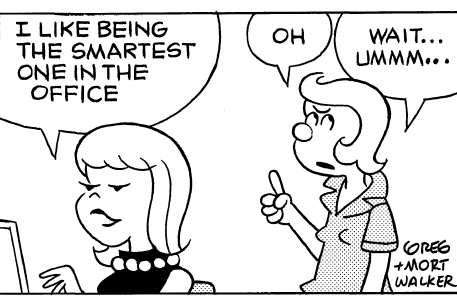
By Tom Wilson HERMAN

By Jim Unger



BEETLE BAILEY

By Mort Walker



ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson



FRANK & ERNEST

By Thaves



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By Mastroianni & Hart



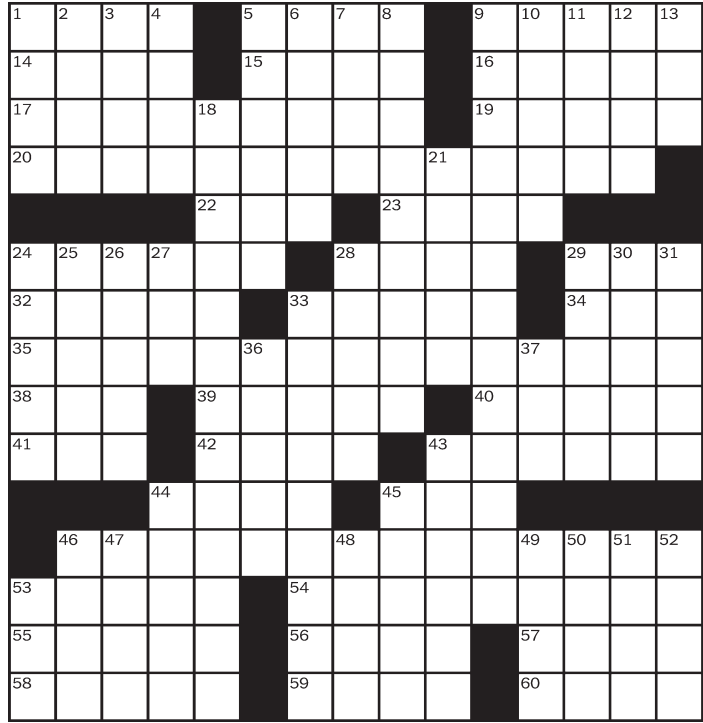
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ACROSS

- Fair
- Mary Lincoln's maiden name
- Some drought-resistant plants
- James of jazz
- Leader in a kaffiyeh
- Two- or four-seater, maybe?
- "Smile!"
- Like tomes, typically
- Address by a Sacramento NBA player?
- Padre's hermana
- Expansive septet
- Make bubbly
- Hibernation stations
- Concern of the Citizens United decision, for short
- Sharp-shooting Curry
- Mass
- Around 16 mg of niacin, e.g.
- Game notes for a New Orleans NBA player?
- Officiate, informally
- :) ;)
- "I give!"
- Surgery sites, for short
- Things that sometimes clash in orchestras?
- Amounts at risk
- Top
- Variety show segment



PUZZLE BY MATTHEW STOCK

DOWN

- Not be serious
- Home of the Anasazi State Park Museum
- Ocular woe
- Add (on)
- weenie
- Rolex rival
- Put-down
- Impersonating, in a way
- Totally adorable
- Grateful?
- Trendy
- Silicon Valley specialty, familiarly
- Get to
- Make an effort to get swole
- Corral
- Blaster (classic arcade game)
- Thin air
- Some barriers to entry in the shipping business?
- Candy Crush or Angry Birds
- Places for aces
- Pierce slightly

- Best-selling musical artist whose album titles represent ages
- Sights along Paris's Champs-Élysées
- Studied secondarily
- Hybrid feline
- Messenger molecule
- Coarse-grained rock that splits easily
- Car company founded in 2003
- Writer Nin
- Bit of typing by someone who's all thumbs?
- Recover
- Flavorers in Italian cookery
- Dungeons & Dragons and others, for short
- 4,100+ mile river that drains 11 countries
- One-on-one Olympic event
- Overflow (with)
- "Up" vote

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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

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