

BEETLE BAILEY

BY GREG WALKER, BRIAN WALKER AND NEAL WALKER

THEY CAN LIFT MORE THAN TWENTY TIMES THEIR OWN WEIGHT

9/8

THOSE ARE PRETTY STRONG ANTS

WATERMELONS

DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER

WHATCHA DOIN'?

WRITING AN ANIMAL REPORT...

I CHOSE GIRAFFES!

WHY DON'T YOU JUST WRITE ABOUT DOGS? IT'D BE A LOT EASIER.

WE'RE NOT ANIMALS!

ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

HI, GRANDMA. MOM IS IN THE SHOWER, SO I ANSWERED HER PHONE.

HI, JEREMY! HOW ARE YOU?

THAT'S NICE.

WELL...

GOOD

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

...THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THAT I'M HAVING A HEART ATTACK.

YOU COULD HAVE LED WITH THAT INFO, GRAM!

ROYAL STARS

YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE FROM GEORGIA NICOLS

The day ahead: ★★★★★ = Dynamic; ★★★★★ = Positive; ★★★ = Average; ★★ = So-so; ★ = Difficult

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping or important decisions from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT today (10:30 a.m. to 12 noon PDT). After that, the Moon moves from PISCES into ARIES.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Tread carefully this morning. By the afternoon (see the Moon Alert) you'll swing into action. This is an energetic day, so expect the best. You're full of clever, original ideas, which is not surprising because, after all, ARIES is the pioneer of the zodiac. Tonight: You win!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ This morning is a sociable time with friends and groups; however, do not commit to anything. On the whole, this is a creative, fun-loving day for you; nevertheless, you might prefer to stay in the background and be low-key. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Don't volunteer for anything important this morning; just go with the flow. However, after the Moon Alert is over, it will be all systems go for you. You'll be diplomatic and charming today, which, of course, will charm others. Tonight: Friendships.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Play things by ear this morning. Do your homework. Get your facts. But don't act or make important decisions until the Moon Alert is over. Later in the day, you're high-viz, which means people notice you more than usual. (Actually, some know personal details about your private life.) Tonight: You're noticed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Avoid financial decisions or discussions about how to divide or share monies or responsibilities this morning. Later in the day, explore opportunities in publishing, the media or anything to do with medicine and the law, because you will make some progress. Tonight: Explore and learn!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ This is a powerful day for you because you have strong energy and you're keen to communicate. Be mindful of the restrictions of this morning during the Moon Alert. Go along to get along. After it's over, move forward on financial decisions, which might need your attention. Tonight: Check your finances.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Play things low-key this morning, because there is a Moon Alert at the beginning of this day. However, after it's over, you can explore important topics and discussions with partners and close friends to arrive at a mutually agreed upon solution. Tonight: Cooperate with someone.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Monday, Sept. 8, 2025:

You're confident, charismatic and fiercely determined. You garner the respect of others. This year you will reap the benefits of your hard work. You might attain power and leadership. It's a year of major decisions and accomplishments. You might be in the spotlight for acknowledgement.

BORN TODAY

Singer-songwriter Pink (1979), actor Martin Freeman (1971), actor Gaten Matarazzo (2002)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ This morning is a very creative time for you, because the Moon Alert is taking place in the part of your chart that relates to the arts, romance and playful activities with kids. However, when it comes to commitment or important decisions, wait until the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Get organized.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ This morning is the perfect time to sleep in or putter around home. Agree to nothing important regarding domestic issues or family discussions. Later in the day, make plans to party, socialize and enjoy the arts and the entertainment world. Tonight: Socialize.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ This morning your mind will entertain innovative, creative ideas, because you will spontaneously think outside the box. However, do not commit to these ideas or act on them until the Moon Alert is over. Afterward, you can act. Enjoy your privacy. Tonight: Take it easy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Note the restrictions of the Moon Alert today, and avoid financial decisions or shopping (except for food or gas). Later in the day, short trips, conversations with siblings, relatives and neighbors will be stimulating choices for you. Take a short trip. Tonight: Lively discussions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ This morning things might feel vague and indecisive because the Moon Alert is occurring in your sign. Actually, this is a great time to socialize and express your creativity. After the Moon Alert is over, new moneymaking ideas and financial solutions might occur. Tonight: Check your belongings.

NEVER BEEN DEADER

BY TOMMY DEVOID

WHY DO WE DO THIS TO OURSELVES?

MONEY.

JUST SELLING OUR SOULS.

CLEARLY...

TO THE LOWEST BIDDER.

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

BY CHRIS BROWNE

ARE YOU GOING TO GIVE ME FOOD IF I TALK?

NO...

WE DON'T PUNISH SPIES WHO COOPERATE!

INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES

GUYS? HAVEN'T YOU HEARD THE RULE, NO SWIMMING "URP" AFTER EATING?

SUDOKU

Difficulty: ★ 9/8

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ACROSS

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8 AOL and MSN

12 Mexican resort

14 Co-median Trevor

15 Chari-table gift

16 Sand formation

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23 Kind of bean

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25 Leas

28 Computer key

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30 "Ben- —"

32 Car frame

34 Employ

35 Damon of Holly-wood

36 Sedated

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