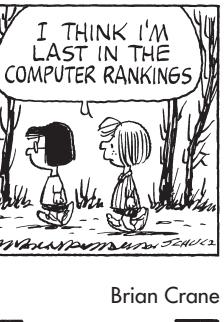


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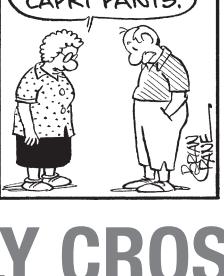
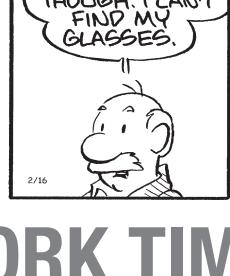


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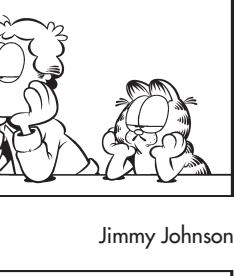
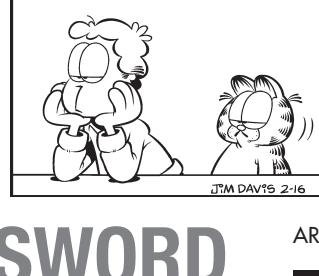
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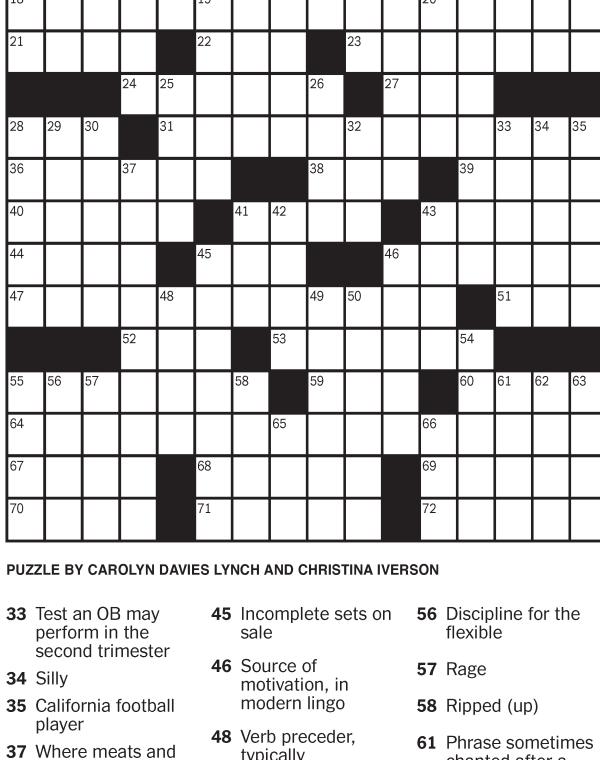
ACROSS

- 1 Intimidate, with "out"
- 6 Bird's dramatic dive
- 11 Place to store a lawn mower
- 15 Hawaiian greeting
- 16 ___ cold brew
- 17 Concluding part of a song
- 18 Rhyming advice to a spitting talker
- 21 "Halt!"
- 22 Prefix with friendly
- 23 Use, as machinery
- 24 Lots and lots
- 27 Acronym of affection in ASL
- 28 E.M.T.'s skill
- 31 Rhyming advice to a gym rat
- 36 Avoids, as capture
- 38 French "not"
- 39 Prefix that means "all"
- 40 Garage jobs involving grease guns
- 41 "If all ___ fails..."

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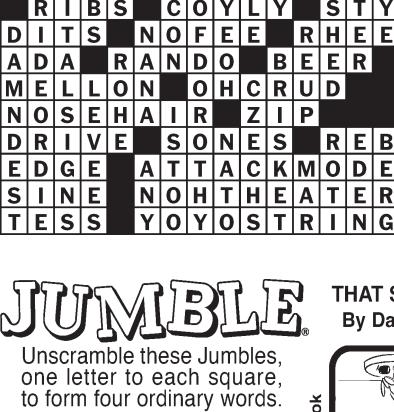
- 43 Comic/TV host O'Brien
- 44 Man's name that's a citrus fruit spelled backward
- 45 Mined find
- 46 Reddish-brown antiseptic in a first-aid kit
- 47 Rhyming advice to a renter of VHS tapes
- 51 Contraction that's a homophone and anagram of 45-Across
- 52 Massachusetts' Cape ___
- 53 Smooched
- 55 "I'll take the blame here"
- 59 Liquid that circulates in a plant
- 60 Locale for Adam and Eve
- 9 "... in that range"
- 10 Mary who sings "In every job that must be done there is an element of fun"
- 11 So great it's unnerving
- 12 Georgetown athlete
- 13 Put in a good word, perhaps?
- 14 Something circled on a calendar
- 19 Presentations during a product unveiling
- 20 Move, to a Realtor
- 25 More than 10 billion of them are currently in circulation in the U.S.
- 26 Plaists of puppies
- 28 One with many Insta followers, perhaps
- 29 Fancy feather
- 30 Toy cube inventor Erno
- 32 Scottish negative

71 Handle, as matters
72 Conceal for the time being, as information



PUZZLE BY CAROLYN DAVIES LYNCH AND CHRISTINA IVERSON

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



33 Test an OB may perform in the second trimester
34 Silly
35 California football player
37 Where meats and cheeses are often displayed
41 Blunder
42 Vegetable that looks like a large scallion
43 Girls Who ___ (nonprofit promoting women in computer science)
45 Incomplete sets on sale
46 Source of motivation, in modern lingo
48 Verb preceeder, typically
49 Most sagacious
50 Parent's declaration in response to defiance
54 New ___, capital of India
55 "Get outta my hair!" in a text
56 Discipline for the flexible
57 Rage
58 Ripped (up)
61 Phrase sometimes chanted after a dare
62 Canadian gas brand
63 Element with the symbol Ne
65 Last of 26 letters
66 Initialism on a Navy carrier

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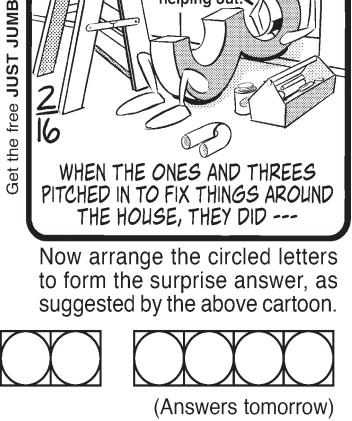
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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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(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: BLEND OFFER PETITE CARAFE

Answer: When the couple went scuba diving on Valentine's Day, the result was — DEEP AFFECTION

Last Saturday's Answer: Proposal

Print answer here:

(Answers tomorrow)

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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.

USING A T-BAR LIFT

Solution: 7 letters

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

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Active, Alpine, Anchor, Attendant, Balance, Belt, Board, Cable, Coordination, Cord, Dangle, Direction, Double, Drive, Grip, Handle, Hangers, Helmet, Incline, Landscape, Lean, Mission, Mountain, Parallel, Passenger, Posture, Ride, Seat, Secure, Slide, Slope, Stable, Surface, Teach, Timing, Towing, Transport, Travel, Water, Weight, Winter

Last Saturday's Answer: Proposal

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outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.

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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

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