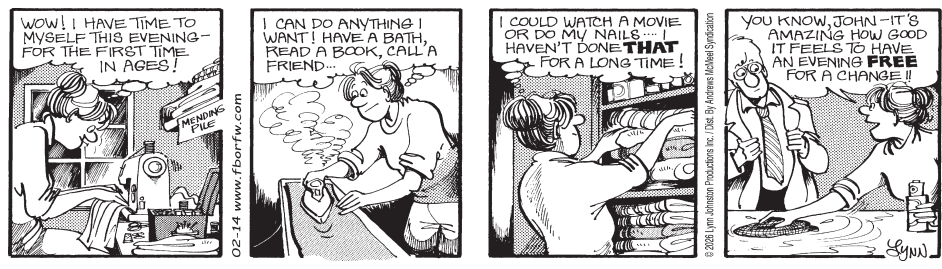
CLASSIC COMICS

PEANUTS — Charles Schulz

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE — Lynn Johnston



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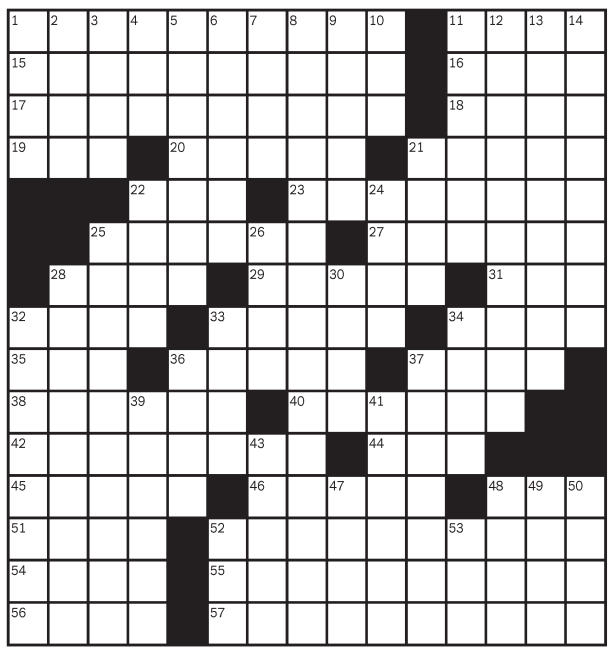

PUZZLE BY KAMERON AUSTIN COLLINS

ACROSS

1 "What a darling outfit!"
11 Inflatable transport
15 The kelpie of Celtic mythology, for one
16 ___ palm
17 Big name in classifieds
18 Sound made by a toaster?
19 "Avatar: Fire and ___" (2025 film)
20 Mars comes third in it
21 Creep
22 Former employer of Edward Snowden, for short
23 Utmost extent
25 Improvised onstage
27 Really involved
28 Barbecue order
29 Without revealing one's true intentions, maybe
31 What a mess!
32 Morse code components
33 Free of charge
34 Syngman ___, first president of South Korea
35 Limón who was the U.S.'s first Latina poet laureate
36 Total stranger, in slang
37 "Suds"
38 Andrew ___, banking tycoon who served as Treasury secretary from 1921 to 1932
40 "Rats!"
42 Trimmer target
44 Vigor
45 Doggedness
46 Volume units
48 Loser in certain re-enactments, informally
51 Harsh quality
52 Aggressive state of mind
54 Math function
55 Art form featuring performers in kishin (demon) and okina (old man) masks
56 Woman of the d'Urbervilles
57 Something pulled while walking the dog

DOWN

1 Service org. since the 1850s
2 Sporting blades
3 Jazz site
4 Kauai keepsake
5 Phenomena once known as "les petites morts" ("little deaths")
6 "That dis was goo-ood!!"
7 German cathedral city, to locals
8 Gay man, per historical slang inspired by Judy Garland
9 Plus
10 "You ___!" ("Agreed!")
11 Share
12 Gave a faded look, as jeans
13 A star might attract one
14 Gemstone with gold-yellow bands
21 Lively for one's age
22 Picks up
24 Darn it!
25 Figures checked by nurses
26 Field for the philosopher David Hume, informally
28 Loyal to a drastic extent
30 Action star Michelle
32 Utmost
33 Meemaw
34 Go for another round
36 Architect Ludwig Mies van der ___
37 Slow-cooked entree
39 Big banks
41 Poles can be found next to them
43 Retort at recess
47 Iceland is its only member that doesn't have a standing army
48 Alternative to naan
49 Shangri-la
50 Result of breaking the ice?
52 "___ Given Sunday" (1999 football drama)
53 Scuff, say

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JUMBLE

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

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

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(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: WHIRL DUNCE EMBLEM KARATE
Answer: The tow truck got to the scene of the traffic accident in — "WRECKERED" TIME

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By DAVID OUELLET

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY — **Solution: 8 letters**

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L O I N T I M A C Y A O I E S
I N N S Y R O M E M X S C U E
S E V E (P) (O) (E) (M) O W S A R N S
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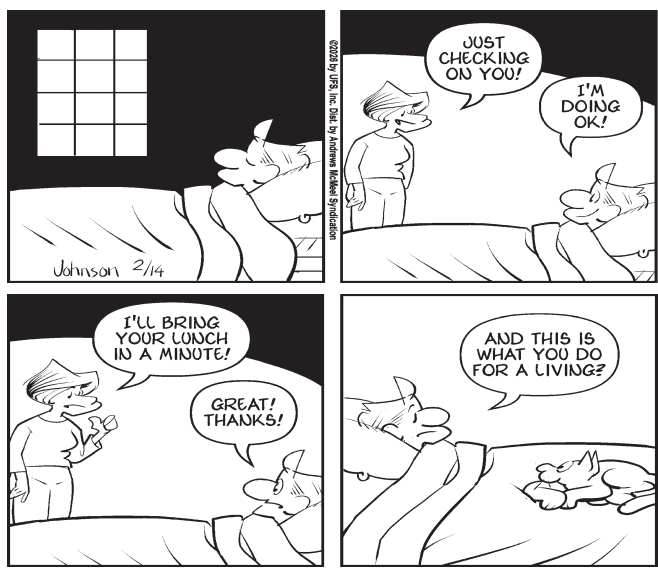
ARLO & JANIS — Jimmy Johnson



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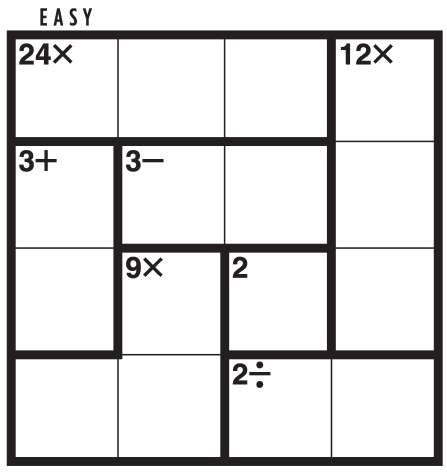
THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY



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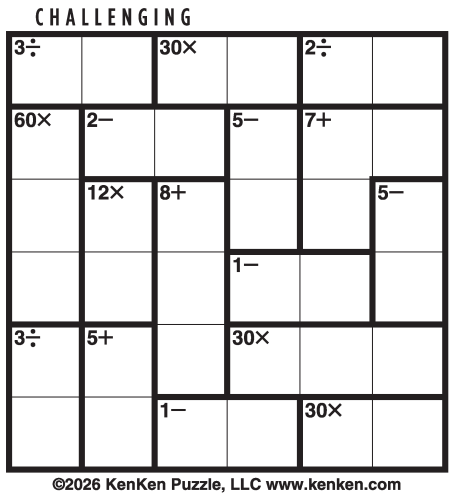

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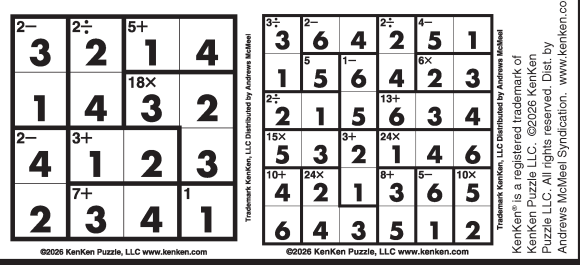
RULES

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.

PREVIOUS ANSWERS



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