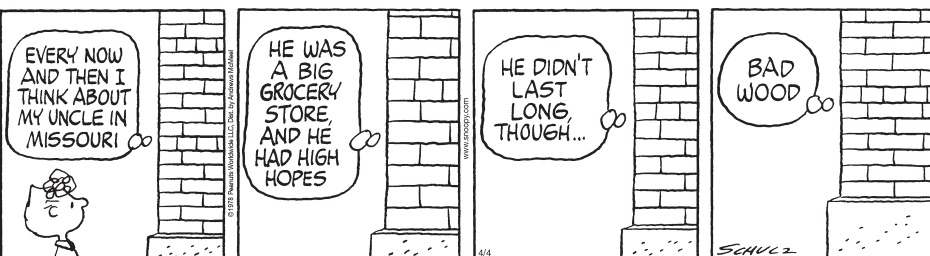


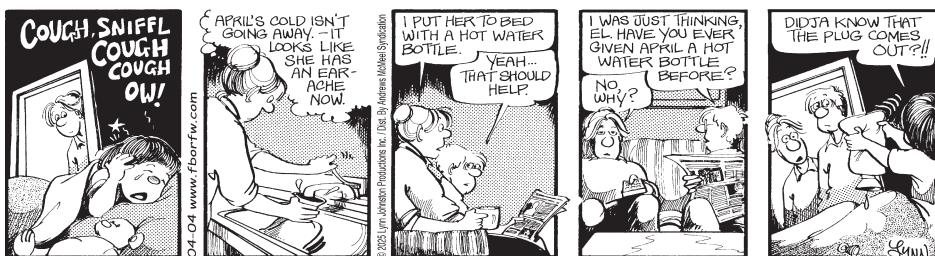
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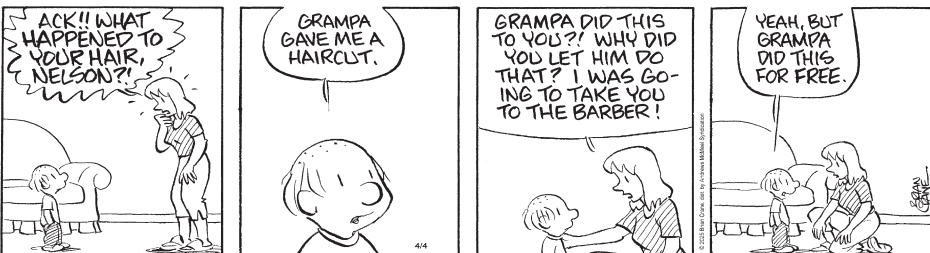
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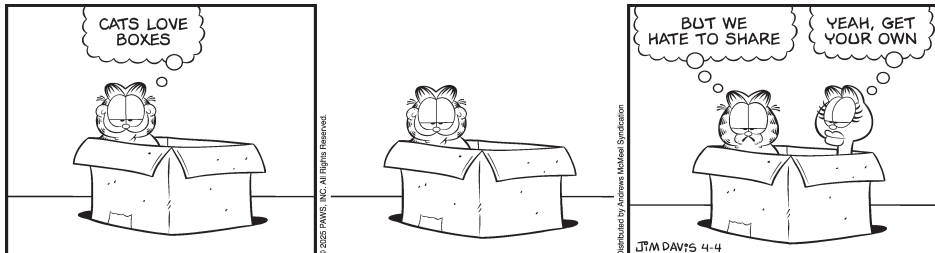
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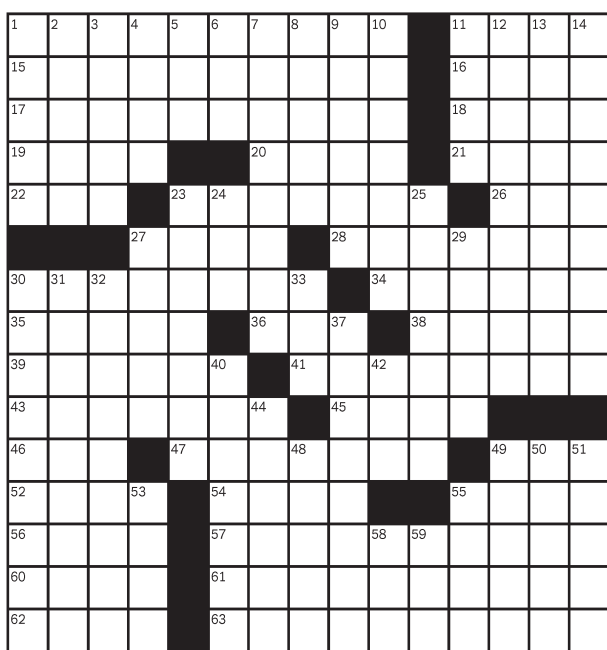
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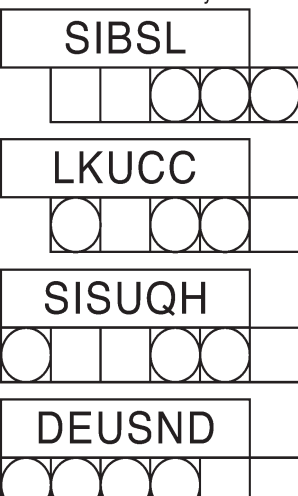
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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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Yesterday's Jumbles: HANDY ANNUL PEOPLE HOOPLA
Answer: The first positive number really liked its alone time when it could be the — ONE AND ONLY

WONDERWORD

By DAVID

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IT'S HYPOALLERGENIC

Solution: 6 letters

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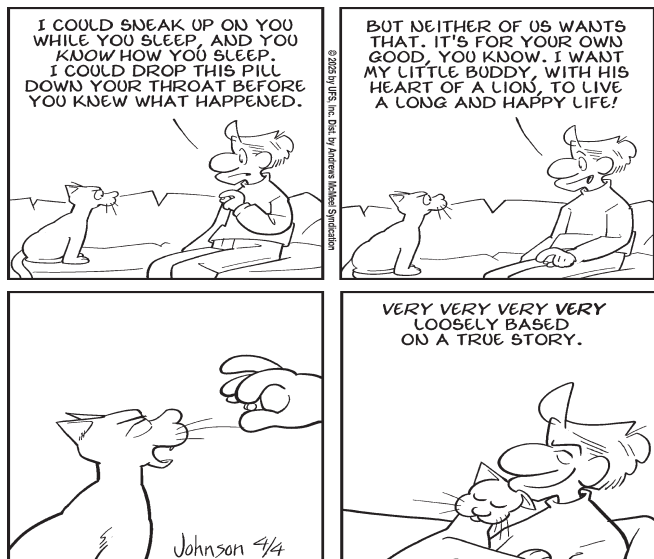
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Yesterday's Answer: Beach

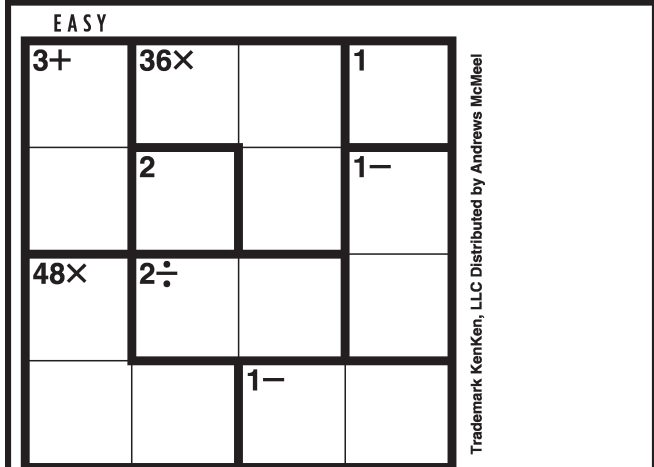
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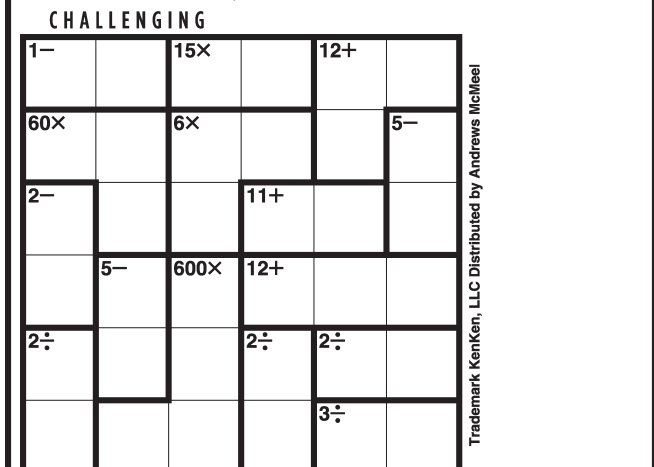


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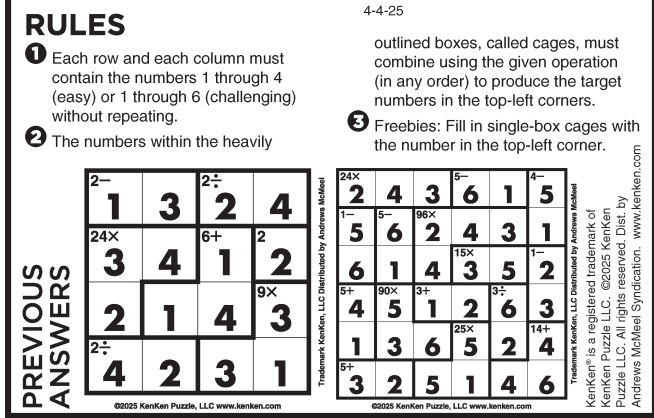
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