WORDY GURDY®
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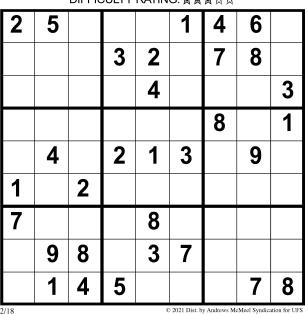
Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and

they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the

squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: 食食食☆☆



HOW TO PLAY:

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

	PREVIOUS SOLUTION										
	9	8	7	2	5	3	1	4	6		
	4	5	2	8	1	6	7	9	3		
	1	3	6	9	4	7	2	8	5		
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	6	9	1	7	8	2	3	5	4		
	5	4	8	6	3	1	9	2	7		
	8	1	9	3	7	4	5	6	2		
	3	6	4	5	2	9	8	7	1		
	2	7	5	1	6	8	4	3	9		
MORIO By DAVID											

WONDERWORD

OUELLET

HOW TO PIAY: 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. Solution: 9 letters SMART CHOICES

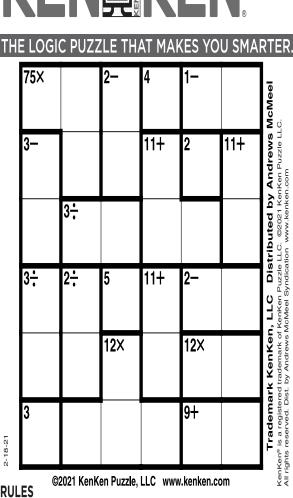
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L	Ε	R	S	Ε	Ο	Κ	D	Α	Ε	Т	Ε	G	Τ	Ε
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М	1	-	Ο	Ο	-	Т	S	Α	S	В	Ο	L	Κ	Α
Α	G	Ν	Т	М	С	Ο	Ρ	F	U	Т	U	R	Ε	Ε
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By Tom Wilson HERMAN

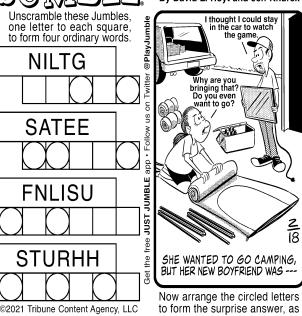
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- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
- The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

a spinal column part (1) 6. French novelist Marcel's perches (1) 7. British pharmacist postulated (2) ? HOLLER TOLLER 6 BEOGRES SUVERES 4 FORKA AGREE VICKELES 5. RISK DISC 3. LYHES SUVERES 4. FORKY YORKIE MBLE Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square. to form four ordinary words. NILTG SATEE **FNLISU** STURHH

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



suggested by the above cartoon.

MANAGE

THWART

Yesterday's

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(Answers tomorrow) **DWELL** Jumbles: HONEY

Answer: An instrument's sounds can be written down using lines and symbols to - DENOTE THEM SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

Mix the old with the new, and prepare to start over. Don't let anyone take over or pressure you to do things you don't want to do. Focus on yourself, the ones you love

and the things you enjoy doing most.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Stick close to home, protect what you have worked so hard to build, and nurture the relationships that mean the most to you. Embrace positive change, and walk away from situations that limit you. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take

a moment to gather information before making an assumption. Getting your facts correct first will spare you from making a mistake. It's essential to live by the rules and to set a good example. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Leave

nothing to chance. Tidy up loose ends. Take care of money matters, contracts and health issues that might stand between you and what you want to do.

By Eugenia Last

YOUR HOROSCOPE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021 Take the high road. Don't dwell on the

past. Focus on the present, and move forward with a positive attitude. Put your energy where it counts, and you will reap the rewards. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't

get involved in other people's business,

even if someone begs you to comment. Use

your intelligence and foresight, be emotionally supportive and move along. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take the path of least resistance. An argument will not help you get ahead. What you do and accomplish will be what impresses

those in a position to help you get on. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Stick to the truth, look for the good in every situation and abide by the rules and regulations; vou will get ahead. Make sure your facts and figures are updated.

you'll have to give in return before you agree to move forward. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Self-criticism will lead to positive change. Don't let added

responsibilities get you down or stop you

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll receive an unexpected offer. Question what

PREVIOUS ANSWER

2 1 4 5 3 6

3 4 2 6 5 1

5 3 1 4 6 2

4 6 3 2 1 5

6 2 5 1 4 3

from enjoying spending time with someone you love. Don't buy what you can't afford. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a virtual course that will help you land a new iob or take something you enjoy doing to

the next level. You can resolve an emotional

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Uncertainty will prevail when dealing with

matter if you use intuition.

domestic responsibilities. Go over your expenses and cut costs wherever possible. Don't let stress result in ill health. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

Working in a creative capacity is favored. Refuse to let the uncertainty someone displays cause you to make a decision that isn't in your favor. Let go of the past.

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CLASSIC COMICS



ZIGGY



"Imagine them wanting a \$5 delivery charge!'

By Jim Unger

By Mort Walker





By Jimmy Johnson



By Thaves





NEW YORK TIMES DAILY CROSSWORD

Missing

Word with express (common impeach-Home of Baikal, the world's deepest lake

20 "You don't like what I did? I don't care" 22 Mythical being old-style 24 **Desires** 25 _ whole 27 Awesome time

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Relative of a croc

Overwhelms,

with "down"

Superlative

Common baitfish in North American streams

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'Twelfth Night" Air Force One VIP Classic party game ...or a hint to solving the answers that intersect circles

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Goes Christmas caroling Tangy chip

accompaniment What a letter needs

Summon

Power couple from 6 Chicago

Garage jobs 8

That: Sp. Manorial worker

10 Brief appearance 11

"We did it!"

12 Foolish **Plagues** 13

Olympian with eight gold medals in sprinting

Relevance of text, in librarian's lingo

"Have I met her?" Tiny bit of progress

Homes for rubber

duckies

"Out, you!" Listings on a train sched. 63 Luau strings

Spud

Unlikely to crack

a smile, say

Cardinal cap

Through

Through

insignia

respect

It's a laugh

Go down in

Musical role

Patti LuPone

for short

Stick

(0,0,0)

Not a single

person on an

Roll call?

Uses a light

scalpel on?

Petrol unit

awards show?

for Madonna and

Subjects of some

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Appropriate answer for this spot in the puzzle

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