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**HOW TO PLAY:** 

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

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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. WONDERWORD. Solution: 9 letters

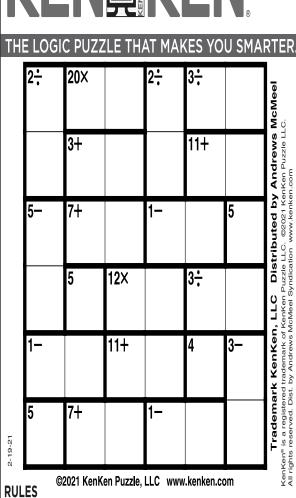
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 Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating. The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes,

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.

**YOUR HOROSCOPE** 

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of mind. How you interact with others and

do your best to be part of the solution, not

the problem, will help pave the way to a

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Be

Something someone shares will set the

foundation for an idea that can help provide

insight into something you want to pursue.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do

whatever it takes to live up to your promis-

es. It's what you accomplish, not what you

and you'll find a way to get what you want.

tively trying to outdo you is not acceptable.

Taking a back seat to someone manipula-

allude to, that will ultimately turn heads.

Show passion in all that you aspire to. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Look,

You have plenty to offer.

receptive to ideas presented to you.

brighter future.

Strive for harmony, and you'll gain peace

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2 4 5 6 3 1 6 2 1 5 4 3 Jumbles: GLINT Yesterday's 3 6 2 1 5 4 Answer: She wanted to go camping, but her new CANCER (June 21-July 22): Use

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**TOCEIP** 

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Settle into something that feels comfortable. It will ease stress and encourage you to follow a path that is more to your liking.

your charm to get your way. A chance to

show off what you have to offer will draw

attention from someone who can give you

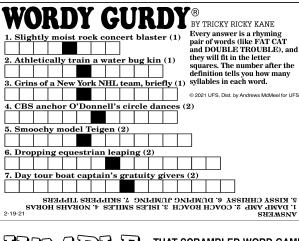
the boost you need.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Live in the moment and pour your energy into something you find fulfilling. Taking a stroll down memory lane will be a good reminder of what you don't want to pursue. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You're

ready to take on the world. Let negativity

go. Allow a positive attitude, new ideas and the desire to make a difference to someone or something you cherish take over. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Mixed emotions will get in the way of success.

Decompartmentalize what you have to accomplish, and it will be easier to complete your responsibilities.



MBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek Unscramble these Jumbles, It's a little idea l've been working on for hunting. certainly hurt one letter to each square. to form four ordinary words. whatever you hit with it. THE SPEAR WAS CRUDELY MADE FROM A BRANCH AND A ROCK, BUT THAT WAS --

> Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon. THE

(Answers tomorrow) SINFUL THRUSH TEASE

boyfriend was - "RESIST-TENT" SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The past will be your best reference when you want to move forward or start something new. Don't rely on others when it's the

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Stay on course. Don't deviate from your plans or let anyone push you in a direction you don't want to go. Change begins with you; make decisions that will set you up for success. Live life your way.

experience you have that will point you in

the right direction.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take your time. Listen carefully, and consider the effect your words will have on others. Getting along with others will be half the battle when trying to get things done. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Put

more energy into getting ahead. Connect with people who owe you a favor or those who have something to offer that will help you. A positive change will enhance the knowledge you have accumulated. By Eugenia Last

**Edited by** 

Will Shortz

## CLASSIC COMICS

I FIND A BOOK CAN COME IN HANDY

DURING A BREAK

ZIGGY

BEETLE BAILEY

By Tom Wilson HERMAN



By Jim Unger



"Clamp!" By Mort Walker COULDN'T YOU PUT YOUR BOOKS SMELL BETTER HELMET OVER YOUR FACE?

By Jimmy Johnson ARLO & JANIS I TIDIED UP



FRANK & ERNEST



B.C. By Mastroianni & Hart CREEP. WEIRDO.

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Symbols of

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Complete loss

of self-identity

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Where one

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and Sophie Bottom of an interrobang Safari's

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