

# PUZZLES

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

1								
			3	5	1	6		2
				4		1	5	3
			6	3			4	
9	2	5		8	7			6
	1		2	7				
3	9	1		8				
5		4	1	3	6			
								8

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**PREVIOUS SOLUTION**

7	1	5	8	4	9	3	2	6
3	8	6	7	5	2	1	9	4
9	4	2	1	3	6	8	5	7
1	6	8	2	7	3	5	4	9
2	3	4	6	9	5	7	8	1
5	7	9	4	1	8	2	6	3
6	2	7	9	8	1	4	3	5
8	5	1	3	6	4	9	7	2
4	9	3	5	2	7	6	1	8

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

## 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.

**TGIF** Solution: 7 letters

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

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Acronym, Bars, Bingo, Casual, Celebrate, Chill Out, Clique, Concert, Crowd, Dancing, Drinks, Ending, Enjoy, Entertainment, Excitement, Expression, Family, Finally, Friday, Friends, Gathering, Happiness, Limo, Martini, Outing, Pajamas, Party, Payday, Plans, Salsa, Sleep, Social, Song, Stress-free, Treats, Vacation, Venue, Weekend, Wild, Work **Yesterday's Answer: Blankets**  
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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

**EASY**

5+		3	2÷
24×	7+		
	2	2-	
	2÷		4

**WORKSPACE:**

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**CHALLENGING**

120×	6	1-	2-
2÷		7+	1-
	1-	4	5-
2÷	3-	120×	1-
	5	5-	
4	3÷		3-

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**RULES**

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) 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.

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## YOUR HOROSCOPE

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 4, 2019**

**Don't hide your true feelings.** If you don't address what's wrong, you'll keep spinning your wheels, accomplishing little. Turn this into a year to revise what isn't working for you and building a strong base that will house your future dreams.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Sensitive issues should be dealt with intelligently. Don't let anger take over when patience is required.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Make your dreams come true by setting your sights on what you want and putting in the effort to make it happen.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Keep your life simple by sticking to the truth and living moderately. Think matters through to come up with a financial plan that will help you save for something special. Personal improvement should be a priority.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Share your thoughts and feelings with people who can offer you worthwhile suggestions. With a little imagination, you will come up with a plan that will improve your relationships.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Embrace change with open arms. What you discover while going through a transformation will help you come to terms with situations that have been hanging over you emotionally.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Network, and you'll discover new interests that will open your eyes to a big, bright future. Let your objectives be learning and applying what you know to future endeavors.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Ease into whatever you do. Now is not the time to make a fuss at home or at work. Listen and assess the situation.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Look at the possibilities and focus on what you can do. Don't try to fight a losing battle. Use your head to come up with a way to micro-manage a tough situation.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** A lifestyle change or making improvements at home will boost your morale as long as you don't go over budget. You'll see a situation differently if you observe the way everyone around you handles the changes taking place.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Be secretive about the changes you want to make until you have everything in place, and you'll avoid interference that can set you back and ruin your plans.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** If you ask for help, you will receive it. Sharing your feelings with someone you love will bring you closer together. A change to the way you handle your money will bring positive results. An offer should be considered.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Be part of something you believe in. Taking a step in a different direction will be eye-opening. A romantic gesture will help bring you closer to someone you love.

By Eugenia Last

## CLASSIC COMICS

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## NEW YORK TIMES DAILY CROSSWORD

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- ACROSS**
- "You Don't Mess Around With Jim" singer, 1972
  - Resort in Salt Lake County
  - Hill worker
  - Modern phrase said before doing something foolish
  - Coping mechanisms?
  - Homer's specialty
  - Website for tech whizzes
  - Eastern state
  - One might tell you to do the math
  - Kind of dog found in New York City
  - Warm and toasty, e.g.: abbr.
  - Follower
  - Render harmless, in a way
  - Little suckers
  - In play
  - Put off
  - Lets go
  - "\_\_\_ anniversary!"
  - County in a Pulitzer Prize-winning play title
  - Holders of solutions
  - Mountaineer's tool
  - Often-misspelled contraction
  - Court suspension
  - Neat
  - Ran fast
  - Runs
  - \_\_\_ Smetanina, first woman to win 10 Winter Olympic medals

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									56					57		

PUZZLE BY ROBYN WEINTRAUB

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

A	T	M	O	S	T	↓	↑	A	S	T	R	O	S		
R	E	A	C	T	O	R	↑	S	C	H	N	O	O		
M	A	N	D	E	L	A	↑	G	R	A	N	O	L		
A	L	L	W	E	L	L	N	O	W	F	I	T			
N	A	I	L	S	L	E	I	L	A	T	T	E			
I	D	E	A	I	Y	A	W	T	B	O	E	R			
←	Y	R	C	G	N				U	O	R	P	S	←	
					K	E	A			O	R	E			
→	P	O	W	E	R				B	R	E	A	K	→	
S	I	M	I	↑	O	U	N	D	A	Z	U	N	I	↓	
A	N	I	T	A	↑	T	Y	E		B	E	G	I	N	
L	E	T			B	R	A	C	E	R	O	U	S	C	
A	N	T	I	F	O	G			N	A	T	A	S	H	A
D	U	E	D	A	T	E			I	N	C	I	T	E	S
S	T	R	O	B	E	↑			T	H	R	A	S	H	

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