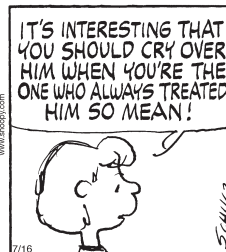
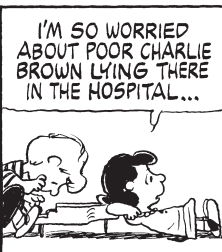


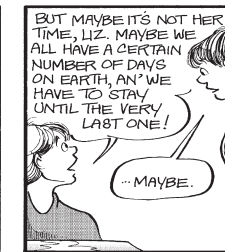
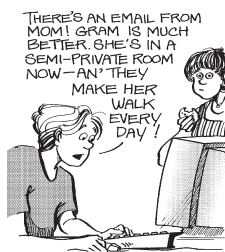
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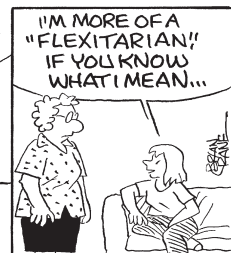
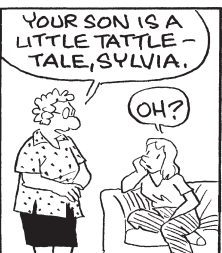
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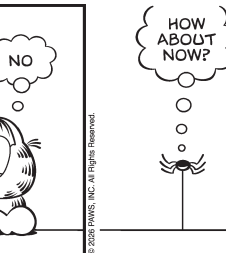
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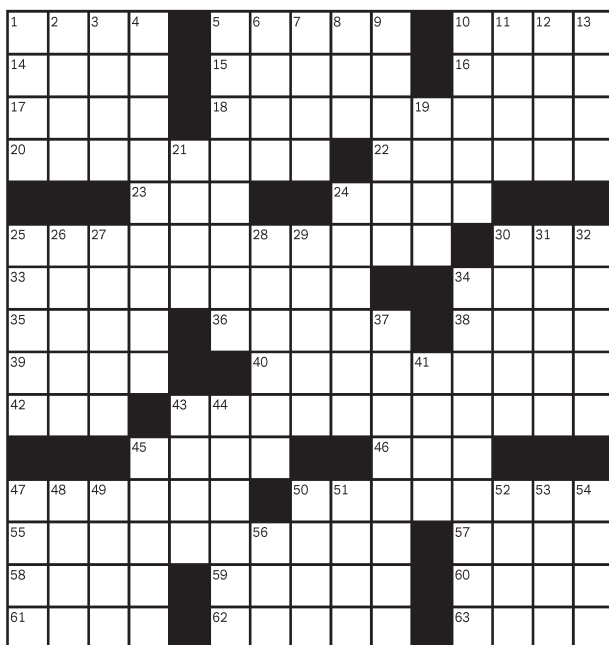
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Word before baked or naked
- 5 Pinnacles
- 10 Thousand ___, city that's part of Greater Los Angeles
- 14 ___ Sea, body of water that lost 90% of its volume to irrigation
- 15 Not secured
- 16 Arm part
- 17 It might have many sides
- 18 "Yes, sir!," to an ancient Roman?
- 20 Like photons, but not protons
- 22 Passes out
- 23 Sarcastic laugh syllable
- 24 Yea or nay
- 25 Sailor's bearings, to an ancient Roman?
- 30 Flu-fighting org.
- 33 Met someone?
- 34 "Begone!"
- 35 Milky Way explosion
- 36 Live
- 38 Many a commencement speaker, in brief
- 39 Had the answer
- 40 Your mind's eye?
- 42 "To be," in Iberia
- 43 Certain Microsoft Office files, to an ancient Roman?
- 45 Destination for 2025's ESCAPADE satellites
- 46 "Cobra ___" (Netflix series)
- 47 Chicken
- 50 Something you might keep tabs on?
- 55 Prestigious group of schools, to an ancient Roman?
- 57 Lack of friction

- DOWN**
- 1 Jon of "Top Gun: Maverick"
- 2 Integral calculation
- 3 Setups for some routers, in brief
- 4 Poker holding of four cards of the same suit
- 5 Clark Kent has one
- 6 Barnyard producers of 7-Down
- 7 Sounds produced by 6-Down
- 8 Key next to a Touch Bar on some Mac laptops
- 9 Ocean mist
- 10 Convex physical feature
- 11 EGOT-winning composer Menken
- 12 Furrow, as one's brow
- 13 Without
- 19 Gillette Stadium team in the N.F.L., to fans
- 21 TV journalist Spencer
- 24 Truth
- 25 Traffic jam cacophony



PUZZLE BY NIKHIL BAILEY

- 26 Barely winning, say
- 27 Word on either side of "say"
- 28 People one might meet at a drive
- 29 Bounded
- 30 Olympic snowboarder Kim
- 31 Reservations
- 32 Shows up
- 34 Bargain hunter's targets
- 37 Most perilous
- 41 Country that forms a tripoint border with Niger and Nigeria
- 43 Fall short
- 44 Test of will
- 45 Stable females
- 47 Hairstyle sported by painter Bob Ross
- 48 "There is no love sincerer than the love of ___": George Bernard Shaw
- 49 Villainous ploy
- 50 Eastern city with a famous mausoleum
- 51 Prompts
- 52 Like blue lobsters
- 53 "That ___ funny"
- 54 "Mushy" side dish with fish and chips
- 56 Esteemed fighter pilot

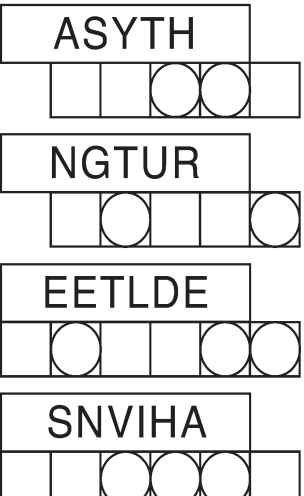
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Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



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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.



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.

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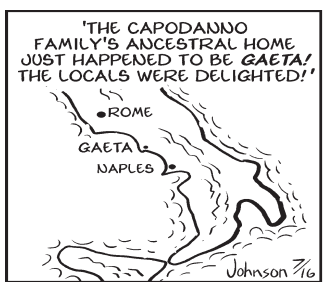
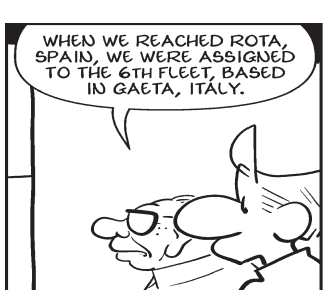
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Yesterday's Answer: Shellfish

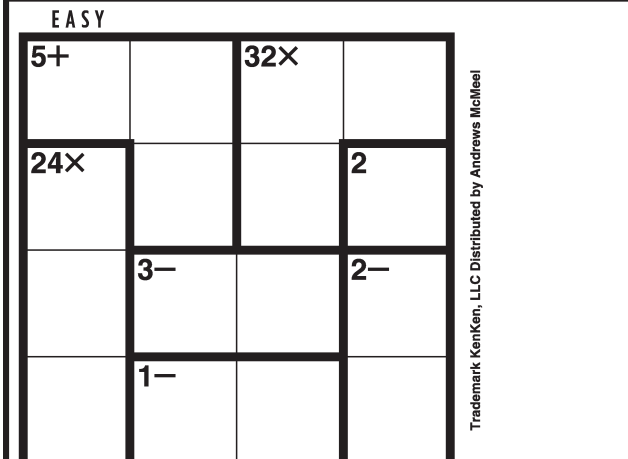
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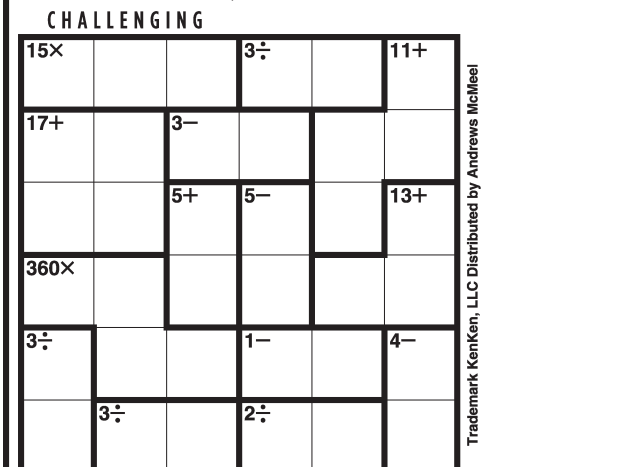


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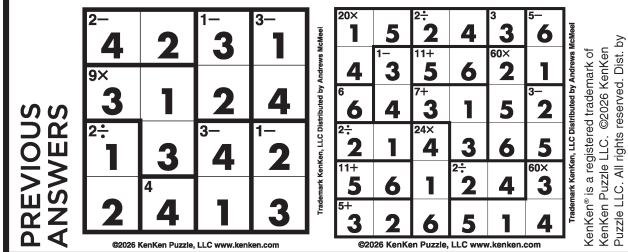
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RULES

- 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.



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Yesterday's Jumbles: DAISY STEEP BANANA FORGET
Answer: Because Hoover Dam's hydroelectric facility was well-built, it's lasted — GENERATIONS