

PUZZLES

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

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.

CURLING UP BY THE FIRE

Solution: 8 letters

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

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Yesterday's Answer: Supersonic
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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY				WORKSPACE:			
3		2÷		2×			
7+							
2÷		3-		8+		4	

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CHALLENGING				WORKSPACE:			
3-		3÷		120×			
		11+		5-	6	2-	
			4		3÷		
5-	11+			10×		4	
		20×	2÷		2÷	2÷	
				3			

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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.

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

2-	3-	1	4	3
2	3	2	1	3
4	3	2	1	3
3	4	1	2	2
1	2	3	4	4

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

3÷	4×	11+	1-	6
3	1	2	5	4
1	2	4	6	3
4	3	6	2	5
2	5	1	4	2
5	6	1	4	2
6	4	5	3	1
2	5	3	1	6
4	3	1	6	4

YOUR HOROSCOPE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2019

This will turn into an emotional year if you aren't precise regarding your likes, dislikes and intentions. Don't get into uncomfortable situations with people who are not known for being trustworthy or reliable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19):

Discussions, meetings and setting up your plans for the future should be your priority. Verify any information provided before you make a decision.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):

Take a position of leadership and offer to organize and help get things running smoothly. Your hands-on approach will result in getting the support you need to carry out your plans.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

Emotions will surface if someone is dishonest or manipulative. Use your intelligence, especially where joint ventures or money matters are concerned.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Go to the source to receive instructions or information if you want to avoid making a mistake. It's important to keep records to avoid being blamed for something you didn't do.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Learn as you go, share with your peers and discover what's available to you. You'll gather information and learn easily. What you discover will change your direction in a positive way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Check out what's going on in your community or get together with colleagues or those who share your beliefs. This will offer insight into what's going on in your personal life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't make travel plans or set business meetings unless you are positive you have everything in order and ready to go.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Trust and believe in what you know and what you have done in the past. Your experience will pay off when faced with changes that other people make.

WORDY GURDY

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE
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 definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

1. May pen a book (1)
2. Hell's Angel adorer (2)
3. Eternal City's hair-parting aids (1)
4. Droopy opium flower (2)
5. Celeb Kylie's sawbucks (2)
6. Damaging the crop-growing business (2)
7. Newly invigorated lobbying stress (2)

JUMBLE

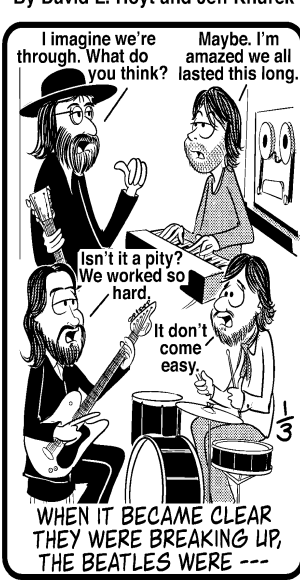
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

RTLIF
CEYAD
NRIHUC
PSOOEP

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Print your answer here:

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.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FANCY ABOUT SHRIMP BURGER
Answer: The televised pool tournament began — RIGHT ON CUE

By Eugenia Last

CLASSIC COMICS

ZIGGY

By Tom Wilson HERMAN

By Jim Unger



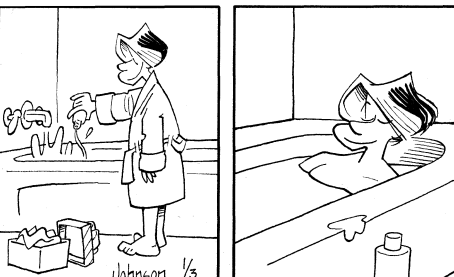
BEETLE BAILEY

By Mort Walker



ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson



FRANK & ERNEST

By Thaves



B.C.

By Mastroianni & Hart



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ACROSS

1 Maximally

7 Team that moved to the American League in 2013

13 Nuclear energy source

15 Patsy

16 President in the 2009 film "Invictus"

17 Trail mix alternative

18 "___ rise"

19 "Huh, interesting ..."

21 Tailor

22 They might be painted in a bathroom

24 Gift from Hawaii

25 Frothy beverage

27 Start of creation?

29 Afrikaans "farmer"

32 *Become angelic, figuratively

33 Mauna ___ Observatory

34 Something found in a rush

35 *Reason for resetting a digital clock

39 California's ___ Valley

41 Native of New Mexico

43 ___ Hand (name used for some prank calls)

45 Actor Sheridan of "X-Men: Apocalypse"

46 Command following a countdown

47 Court do-over

48 Seasonal migrant worker from Mexico

51 25-time Rose Bowl winner, for short

52 Kind of spray used for goggles and windshields

54 Actress Lyonne of "Orange Is the New Black"

56 Deadline info

57 Goats

58 Light at a dance party

59 Beat badly

DOWN

1 First living designer exhibited at the Guggenheim

2 Beverage server in Britain

3 More virile

4 Condition for some germophobes, briefly

5 Some slow-cooked meals

6 Painted tinware

7 Prefix with -polis

8 Serape, e.g.

9 Old channel that showed "Hee Haw"

10 Setting for an urban garden

11 Minerals also known as egg stones

12 Figure eight figure

14 **"Vive la France!" or "Free Tibet!"

20 Place for a cowherd

23 Blockhead

26 Something simple

28 Indirectly ... or how some of this puzzle's answers should be entered?

30 "Never thought of that!"

31 NHL great Bobby

35 Pesto ingredient

36 One leaving something out

37 Fourth U.S. state capital alphabetically

38 Deli turnovers

39 Some light bites

40 Home of the FDR Drive and JFK Airport

42 Direct way to be paid

44 Britcom made into a 2016 film, informally

46 Mess up

49 Going over something again and again and again

50 Go on a tirade

53 "Who wants one?" response

55 Melody

57 **"Whew, that's enough for now!"

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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

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