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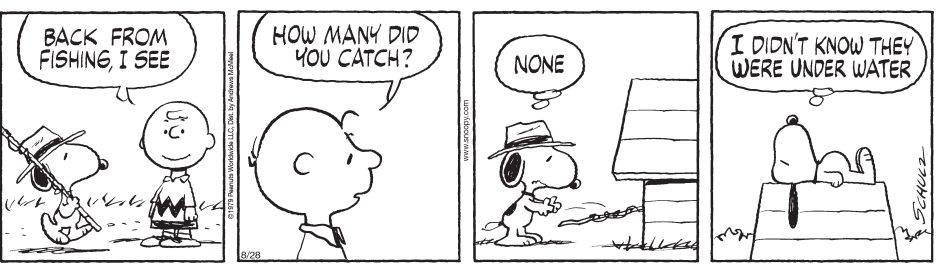


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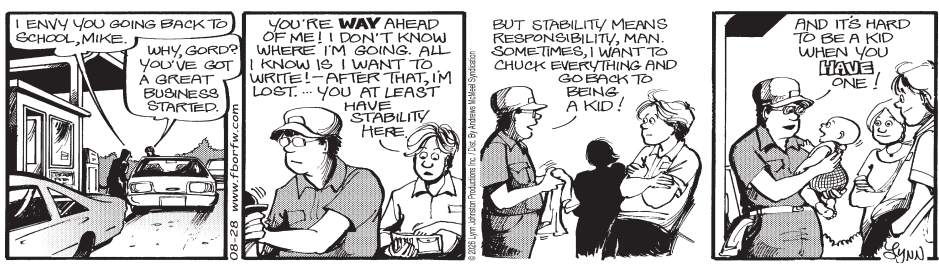


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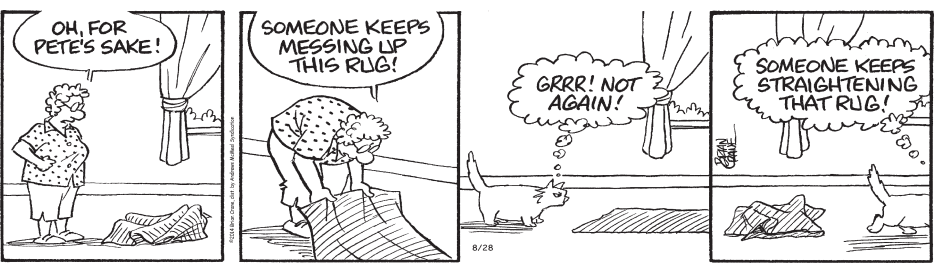
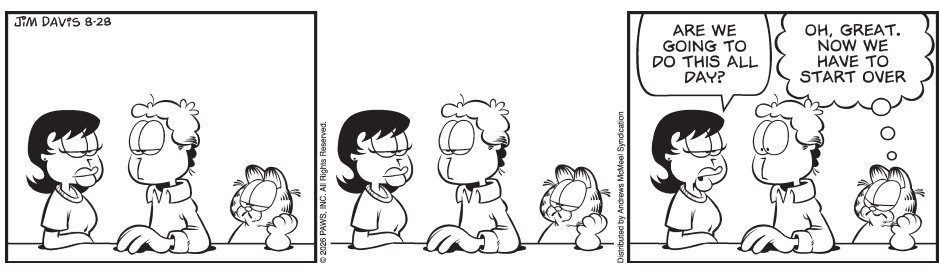



GARFIELD — Jim Davis

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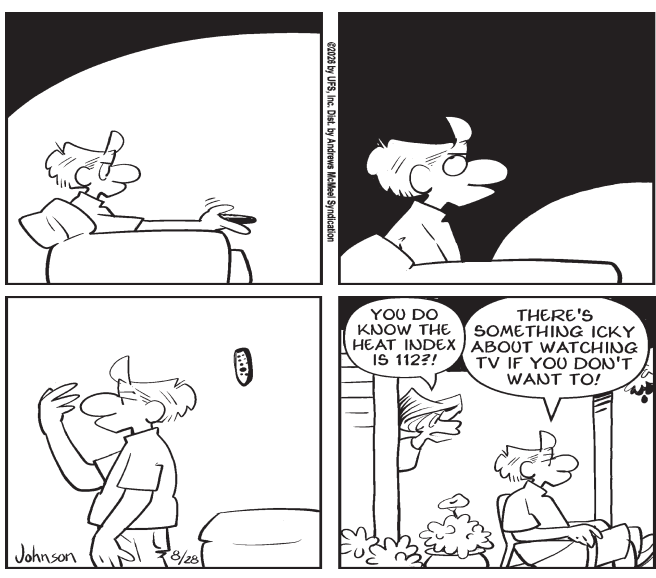


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# JUMBLE

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

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

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UCENL

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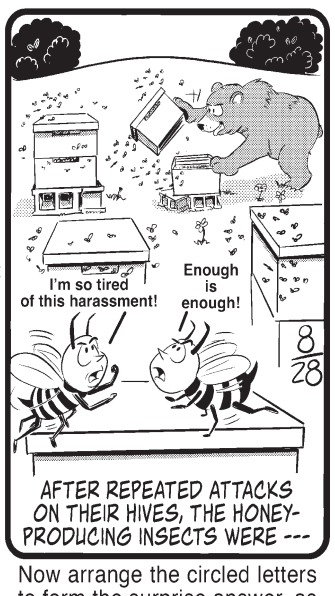
BRVLAE

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

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: MINUS BOXER ODDEST HIPPIE
Answer: She wanted her husband to take out the garbage, but he considered himself to be — INDISPOSED

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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.**

**MICROWAVE IT!** — Solution: 4 letters

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Bacon, Beans, Beef, Beep, Boil, Bread, Burger, Chicken, Cook, Cover, Cups, Defrost, Dinner, Eggs, Fast, Flavor, Food, Frozen, Gravy, Heat, Instructions, Leftovers, Lights, Melt, Minutes, Mix, Party, Pasta, Pizza, Plate, Popcorn, Pork, Potatoes, Power, Recipes, Rice, Roast, Safe, Sauces, Sausage, Soup, Spill, Start, Stews, Taco, Taste, Timer, Tray, Usages, Veal, Vegetables, Warm, Water

**Yesterday's Answer: Golden Ears**

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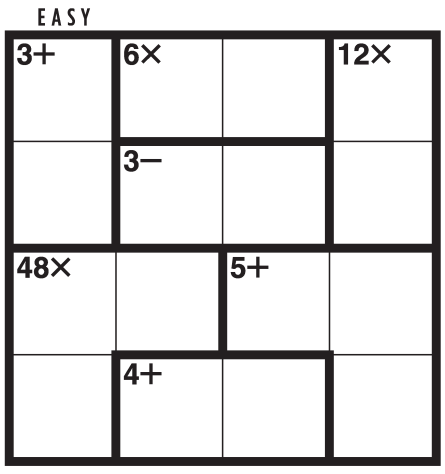
THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY

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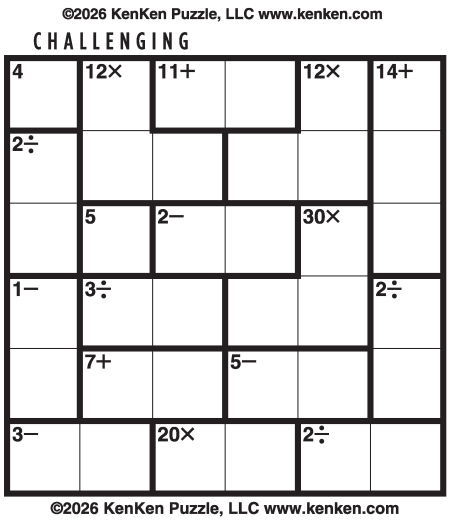


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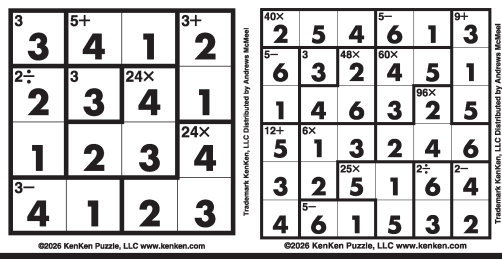
**RULES**

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.

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

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