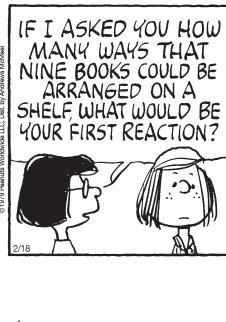
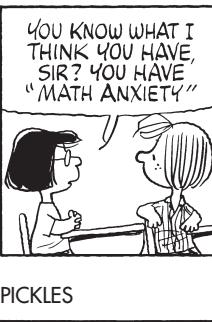
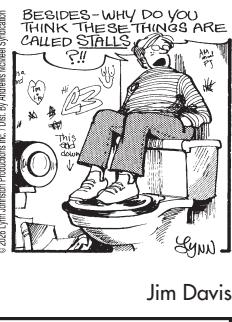


CLASSIC COMICS

PEANUTS



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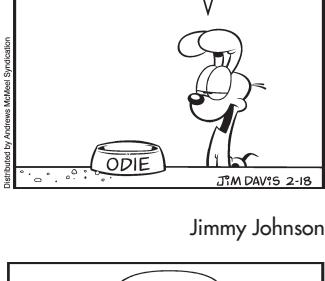


PICKLES



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GARFIELD



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Note: When the puzzle is completed, starting with the letter at square 39, connect the circled letters to create an apt image that spells out a famous lyric from this puzzle's theme subject.

ACROSS

- 1 Wasn't even close, as in comparison
- 25 "Nonsense!"
- 27 "Oh, that does make sense"
- 29 Milker's handful
- 31 They may be fixed or variable
- 35 River at Memphis
- 36 "We want more!"
- 38 Ump's call
- 39 Jerry's uncle on "Seinfeld"
- 40 Stay away for
- 41 Historic stretch
- 42 That's a me problem
- 43 Madison Square Garden team
- 44 Sporty Pontiacs of the 1960s
- 45 Actress Thompson of "Westworld"
- 47 Oceanic

48 Ill-considered

- 49 Wired
- 51 Unappetizing gruel
- 53 Like a dress that falls short?
- 56 Burlesque accessory
- 57 Vietnamese noodle dish
- 60 Pulitzer-winning composer and lyricist of "Sunday in the Park With George"
- 64 Greenwich Village's Stonewall
- 65 Poet who wrote "Only through time time is conquered"
- 66 Grub, e.g.
- 67 Pathetic
- 68 Linking point
- 69 German industrial city

DOWN

- 1 Old sunscreen initialism
- 2 Gets off one's chest
- 3 Ones who probably aren't buying it?
- 4 She, in São Paulo
- 5 Performed well enough
- 6 Alum
- 7 180
- 8 Bit of spy gear, informally
- 9 Defeat decisively
- 10 Mock "Ooh, you frighten me!"
- 11 Kind of shell
- 12 "Wait, ___?"
- 13 Makes less noisy, in a way

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PUZZLE BY JOSEPH GANGI

- 18 "The Magnificent Seven" or "The Hateful Eight"
- 19 Where Caitlin Clark played Division I basketball
- 24 Once called
- 25 Warm-up lap leader
- 26 They communicate through bill-clattering
- 27 Cove
- 28 Battle of Vicksburg in the Civil War, e.g.
- 30 Salad green
- 32 Tunes with an irresistible rhythm
- 33 Change across the Atlantic
- 34 Squirrel away
- 37 Lies atop
- 40 "Very well ..."
- 44 Miracle—
- 46 Modern suffix with situation
- 50 Key's longtime partner in sketch comedy
- 52 51-Across server
- 53 Trident-shaped letters
- 54 Sicilian landmark
- 55 Look after
- 56 Most online customer service agents nowadays
- 58 Queen's domain
- 59 Sultanate near Yemen
- 61 Cancel
- 62 Trifling amount
- 63 Is blessed with

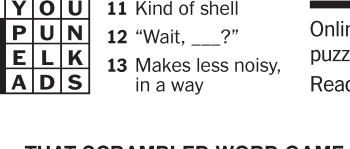
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THAT SCRABLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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

RPEIG

RKUYM

LEOJST

LTEKET

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WHEN THE DOORS PERFORMED "LIGHT MY FIRE," RAY MANZAREK PLAYED A ---

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Print answer here:

(Answers tomorrow)

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Yesterday's Jumbles: CHEEK TEMPT
Answer: Even though her twin sister could be irritating, she loved her — JUST THE SAME

WONDERWORD®
By DAVID OUELLET

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GROWING PARSLEY

Solution: 5 letters

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S I T G V C U L T I V A T E A
A C N A I W I N D O W S T U Y
U H L E M L E E T S A T K O K
C F S P R I N K L E I C I R C
E E D I R A N U T B I L T T A
T R N T N W L S S N R I C N B
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Backyard, Basil, Bitter, Bundle, Chimichurri, Cilantro, Compost, Crisp, Cultivate, Dishes, Flavor, Flower, Fresh, Garnish, Germinate, Ground, Harvest, Heat, Herb, Kitchen, Lawn, Leaves, Lemon, Manure, Minerals, Moisture, Nutrients, Organic, Sage, Sauce, Scent, Seeds, Sprinkle, Stems, Summer, Sunlight, Taste, Teas, Vegetable, Vitamins, Window

Yesterday's Answer: Les Femmes

CHALLENGING

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