PUZZLES

SUDOKU High Fives

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HOW TO PLAY: Sudoku High Fives consists of five regular Sudoku grids sharing one set of 3-by-3 boxes. Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition. The numbers in any shared set of 3-by-3 boxes apply to each of the individual Sudokus.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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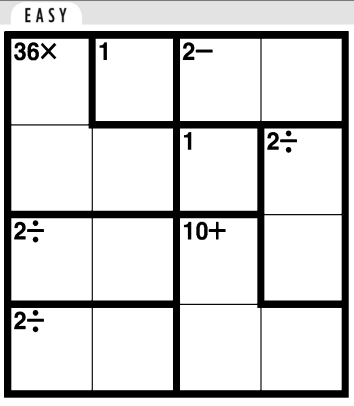
THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY



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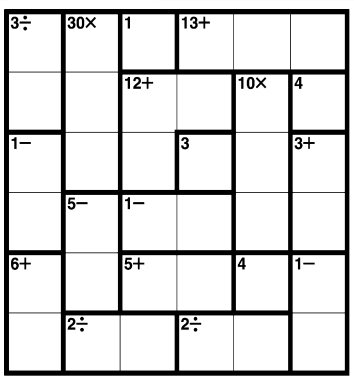
CHALLENGING



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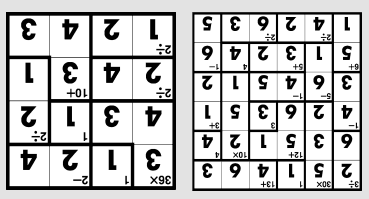
RULES

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.

Puzzle Answers



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TV JUMBLE™ by David L. Hoyt

Use the clues to help unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four words.

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DRRAA — Clue: He worked for Blake

LNAIDS — Clue: Abrams show setting

DUSBIDE — Clue: Jerry and George

NURYOEG — Clue: Ray B., to Robert B.

Then arrange the circled letters to form the answer, as suggested by the above cartoon and clue.

Answer

Answers to 5/26/19 Jumbles: KNIGHT AUTHOR JERSEY FRANCE
"The ___ ___ Show," which aired on ABC for two seasons, was filmed at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, Tennessee.
JOHNNY CASH

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Mechanic's overblown advice is 50 years too late

Car Talk

BY RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Car Talk: I own a 2013 Chevy Sonic with a turbo engine. I love the car and it gets great gas mileage. I don't drive like a grandma, but I tend to drive a little on the easy side in order to maximize my gas mileage. I get in the upper 30s to lower 40s mpg.

My buddy, who is a mechanic, says that I drive my car too gently. He says driving the way I do does not let the engine get hot enough, and I need to periodically "put the pedal to the metal" in order to "blow out the carbon."

He says this is especially true with a turbo engine, as you need to "make the turbo howl" every once in a while.

I know that taking too many short trips can cause problems with the engine not getting hot enough, but most of my trips are in the 15- to 20-mile range.

My buddy specializes in hot rod cars from the 1970s and '80s, so I think that is affecting his thinking about today's cars. Is my buddy right? Or are things different now? — Ed

Your buddy has his headlight firmly implanted in his taillight socket, Ed. Put your fingers in your ears the next time he starts talking to you.

There is no carbon in engines anymore. Computer controlled engines, like yours, run so efficiently that they really leave no deposits at all to "blow out."

The goal of modern engine management is to protect the catalytic converter, minimize emissions and maximize fuel economy. To do that, the engine must burn the fuel as completely as possible, which leaves nothing behind. We almost never see carbon deposits in engines anymore. If we did, they couldn't be "blown out" by driving hard anyway.

As for the turbo, "turbo howl" is something that costs about $1,500 to $2,000 to fix in our shop. That's nonsense, too. The more gently you drive, the longer your engine and turbo will last. Period.

So yes, I think your buddy is still living in the 1960s and '70s. And I think he may have been exposed to too much leaded gasoline and exhaust fumes over the years. Set him straight about modern engines the next time you see him, Ed, and keep doing exactly what you're doing.

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Dear Car Talk: I live in Australia and drive a 2000 Holden Commodore Executive VX. The car is in great condition for its age, but lately I've been having an issue with the turn signals.

When I first start my car for the day, the turn signals work fine. However, once I drive to work and park the car, the next time I start it up, the turn signals don't work at all. It takes about 10 minutes of continuous driving for the turn signals to start working again.

What could be the issue? I'm reluctant to take it to the mechanic. I don't want to fork out a lot of money if it's something I could fix myself. Any advice on what to do would be awesome. Cheers from down under. — Jarrod

Well, I've seen exactly zero Holden Commodores in the shop in the past 30 or 40 years. Looking it up online, I see it's a run-of-the-mill, turn-of-the-century GM sedan. The equivalent of an old Chevy Lumina or Oldsmobile Calais. So first, you have my deepest condolences.

It could be something really inexpensive, Jarrod. If you're lucky, it could be the turn signal flasher. The flasher is a little $5 or $10 square or cylindrical thing that plugs in under the dash, and it's responsible for making the turn signals do what? Flash!

So, it's worth taking a trip to your local auto parts store and asking them for a flasher for a 2000 Holden Commodore. Presumably, you'll get a less confused reaction from them than you did from me. Then, either ask them to show you where it's located with their parts locator chart, or go home and get under the dashboard with a flashlight and look for a part that looks exactly like the one you just bought. When you find it, unplug it and plug in the new one. If that fixes the problem, I imagine you'll be the happiest guy in all of Australia.

If that doesn't fix it, you can return the flasher and get your five bucks back. Then take that money, add a chunk of your last paycheck to it, and drive the car to your mechanic.

If it's not the flasher, then it's probably the multifunction switch on the steering column. On a car that's going on 20 years old, you can only imagine how many times that turn signal switch has been turned on and off. It wouldn't surprise me at all if that's what you need.

Here in the states, a new multifunction switch will cost you somewhere north of 100 bucks. Or as they say in Australia, somewhere north of 100 bucks.

Got a question about cars? Write to Ray in care of King Features, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803, or email by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.

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HOOK-UPS

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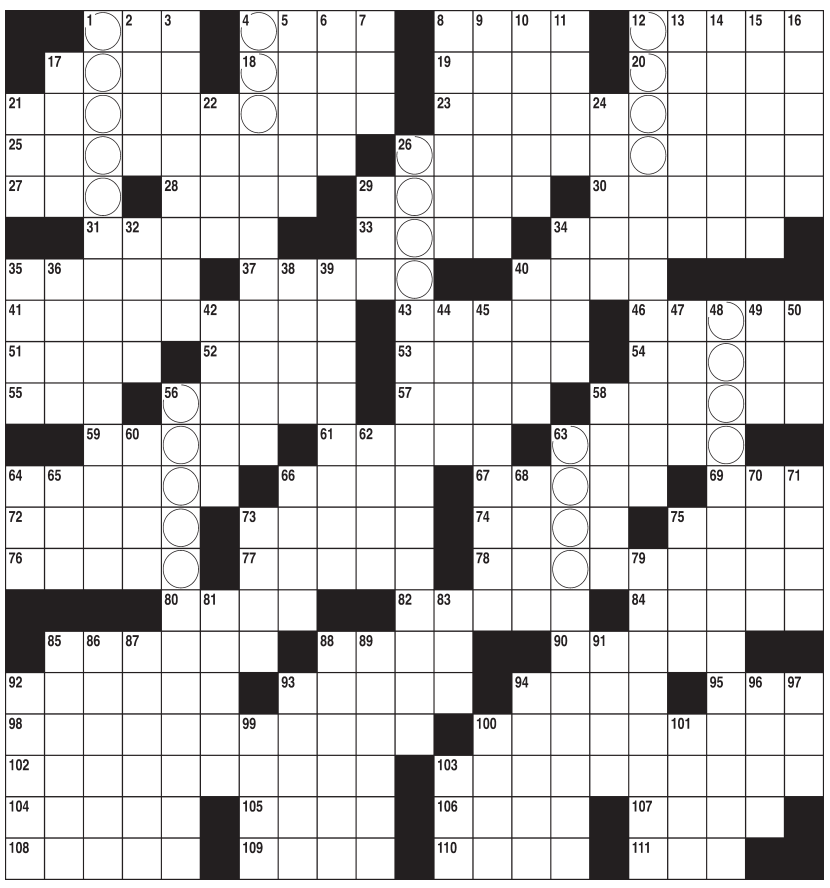

ACROSS
1 "Full Frontal With Samantha Bee" channel
4 Counterpart of "highway" in an mpg rating
8 Little rapscallions
12 Weapon that's thrown
17 Male buddy, in slang
18 Source of some penetrating notes
19 Infiltrator
20 In two pieces
21 Took a chill pill
23 Danger for coastal residents
25 He hosted the second-ever episode of "Saturday Night Live"
26 Event in nuclear physics
27 It "should comfort the disturbed and disturb the comfortable," according to a saying
28 Incompetent sort, slangily
29 Reveals
30 Braves' division, briefly
31 Pirouette
33 War loser, usually
34 Like beer and baking dough
35 Try Sinatra at karaoke, say
37 Boost
40 Member of a South Asian diaspora
41 Format accommodating poor vision
43 Fate, in Greek myth
46 Like some sheets
51 Requests
52 Depiction in Bosch's "The Garden of Earthly Delights"
53 Presage
54 "I kid you not!"
55 Vietnamese soup
56 Went white
57 Vittles
58 For the most part
59 1972 Bill Withers hit
61 The miser's daughter in Molière's "The Miser"
63 Cuddly-looking bear
64 They're full of hot air
66 Shoe with lots of holes
67 Fleet-footed
69 Crash site?
72 Alternative to Corinthian
73 First word in many a limerick
74 H.H. Munro's pseudonym
75 ____ Club
76 "You've gotta be kidding"
77 It may lead to tax-evasion charges
78 Sci-fi subgenre with "retrofuturistic" technology
80 Blabbed
82 Widespread unrest
84 Shield of Greek myth
85 Facebook users' multitude
88 Doppelgänger
90 Oscar winner for "Shakespeare in Love"
92 Language family that includes Crow and Lakota
93 Helms
94 Rain unsteadily
95 Digital world
98 French toast
100 Hot chili designation
102 Not like the odds of, say
103 Steinbeck novel featuring the madam Dora Flood
104 Title in "Monty Python and the Holy Grail"
105 Hoodwink
106 Comedic actor Wareheim
107 "Wonder Woman" antagonist
108 Over
109 Feature of an old-fashioned swing
110 Peace Nobelist Walesa
111 What the Czech word "ano" means in English, paradoxically

DOWN
1 Gym rat's development
2 High pitch, maybe
3 1984 Steve Perry hit
4 Act overprotectively toward
5 Bygone Apple laptop
6 Word with boom or skip
7 Ache
8 Acher's lament
9 Ragtag
10 Lumbers (along)
11 One working on an estate
12 Role for a biology grad student, perhaps
13 Works with numbers
14 One might be thrown from a horse
15 Flotilla of merchant ships
16 Hospital tube
17 Animal with tusks
21 Worker with numbers, for short
22 French fashion icon
24 Does groundbreaking work?
26 The "Aladdin" song "A Whole New World" takes place on one
29 Approx. 1,055 joules
32 Refuses to share
34 What a cake candle often represents
35 Give it up, so to speak
36 Reckless
38 Fencing sword
39 Like "mailman" and "waitress"
40 Clobber
42 Cowboys and Spurs
44 Barbra Streisand album "A Love Like ____"
45 "Uh ... sure"
47 Like the central planet in "Dune"
48 Surprised
49 Not 100%
50 Rival of BAL and BOS
56 Gave extra juice
58 Family business
60 Tres y tres
62 Actress Petty of "A League of Their Own"
63 What might get you a "ladle" drunk?
64 Handyperson's inits.
65 Sushi topper
66 Quaff quickly
68 Engineer who coined the term "horsepower"
70 Hilton alternative
71 Sounds of disappointment
73 Larrups
75 Something journalists may work on
79 Its wingspan can reach 30 feet
81 Problem usually encountered at night
83 Aetna's business: Abbr.
85 Say uncle
86 Searched for truffles, maybe
87 Delightful event?
88 Stretching or tightening muscle
89 Dangling part of a rooster
91 Isle named for a Gaelic goddess
92 Shade of black
93 Capital once known as Thang Long ("Ascending Dragon")
94 Like some booms
96 Bow-wielding god
97 Mini manufacturer
99 Winnow
100 Meter reading
101 Erato's instrument
103 Bit of old-fashioned animation

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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YOUR HOROSCOPE

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

Don't be afraid to go it alone this year. Believe in yourself and what you are capable of doing. Much can be accomplished if you plan and execute what you want to achieve with precision.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Dig up files, information or personal paperwork that will help you make a decision regarding an investment, partnership or settlement that's pending.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Visiting a friend or relative or attending a reunion will bring back memories. A positive change to the way you live looks promising.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Choose your words wisely. If you are evasive, someone will get the wrong impression, and you'll be left in a sticky situation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Put your energy to good use. Offer to lend a helping hand or do something constructive, and organize your personal documents or make changes to your home environment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Put a plan in place, and stick to it. Refuse to let anyone talk you into something you don't need or want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Emotional situations will spin out of control if you don't address matters swiftly. Share your feelings.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get involved in something that excites you. A seminar, trade show or gathering of like-minded people will encourage you to make positive changes to the way you think.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A trip will do you good. Look for the perfect spot to relax and contemplate what you want to pursue.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can elaborate, but don't mislead. How you deal with others will make a difference to the way others perceive you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What you do will encourage you to surround yourself with people who support and contribute to your goals. Romance is in the stars.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Emotional issues will surface if you let what others do affect you. Concentrate on what you know and what you want to achieve.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Say little and do a lot. How and what you do to bring about positive changes will influence your emotional well-being.

By Eugenia Last

MISS MANNERS

By Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin

Dear Miss Manners: An acquaintance (a man) asked me (a woman) how he could go about using a certain building to hold an event. When I was finished explaining it to him and it was time to go home, I said goodbye and walked towards the door.

When I was about 10 feet away, he called out my name. He said, I suppose as an explanation, "I'm a touchy-feely person," and asked for a hug. I didn't know what else to do, so I hugged him and left.

I have seen this man here and there at community events over the past few years, and have just recently been reminded of his name. The past three times he has run into me, he has asked me about my boyfriends (present and past) and very little else. (Heis married and I have met his wife).

I find this vaguely disturbing, but on the other hand, he has not done anything that is obviously inappropriate. I don't really feel like hugging him again, but it is likely that we will be running into each other more often in the future. How can I avoid hugging him again without starting a feud?

Dear Gentle Reader: Never mind that vagueness: The reason that you are disturbed is that this behavior is disturbing. No one has any business hugging you without your permission, or inquiring about your personal life.

Miss Manners is alarmed that you feel that politeness requires you to put up with this through subtle evasiveness. It does not. The response to his declaration of being "a touchy-feely person" should be, "Well, I am not." And to the questions, "That is my private life."

Dear Miss Manners: I am a 36-year-old mother of four, and am prematurely graying. I choose not to dye my hair for my own personal Christian beliefs. I go to church with a few ladies who also believe that they shouldn't dye their hair.

One of the ladies in the group is in her late 50s and completely gray herself, yet she loves to point out how much I've grayed over the past few years. When she does this, she's quite loud, and it embarrasses me.

I know she doesn't mean anything by it. She's just blunt. But still, it hurts my feelings, and she embarrasses me in front of others by mentioning it.

She does it so often that I now avoid her. I feel like this is rude of her. How can I let her know what she's doing without hurting her feelings or being rude myself?

Dear Gentle Reader: People who repeat the same inane remarks should be given the same responses until they finally give up.

In this case, Miss Manners would suggest, "Well, as you have guessed, I keep hoping I'll get to look like you" — said loudly enough to get a laugh from the bystanders.

But Miss Manners has a question of her own: What is embarrassing about gray or graying hair?

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