



PUZZLES & ANSWERS

M A G A Z I N E

BREAKFAST MALADIES

Based on the photos below, who is holding these CHARTS?



This Issue's Extravaganza: Six Authors In Search of a Meta

From the Editor

Enjoy this second episode in Six Authors in Search of a Meta, and happy March!

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Pieces of Bamboo

Soundest Tracks

Each of these songs won the Academy Award for Best Song. Can you identify the movie it's from?

- | Easy | Medium | Hard |
|--------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1. "Let It Go" | 6. "Jai Ho" | 11. "The Windmills of Your Mind" |
| 2. "Over the Rainbow" | 7. "Moon River" | 12. "The Weary Kind" |
| 3. "Lose Yourself" | 8. "Evergreen" | 13. "Writing's on the Wall" |
| 4. "Chim Chim Cher-ee" | 9. "Whatever Will Be, Will Be (Qué Será, Será)" | 14. "Last Dance" |
| 5. "My Heart Will Go On" | 10. "Swinging on a Star" | 15. "Call Me Irresponsible" |

Quote Square

A quote and its author are hidden in the grid below. In each row and column, cross off part of a house.

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3	A C	A	H I	E	I L	L	A G
4	T	E O	O	E L	L	L N	I
5	C	H P	A	L M	B	D E	R
6	N S	R	A U	V	C E	O	R W
7	B I	E	D H	A	D O	O	D E
8	T	L T	N	L R	O	S V	M
9	H	A B	G	A L	T	A E	E
10	R R	O	L S	S	V W	E	P Y
11	H K	E	E N	C	E H	E	G N
12	Y	I R	T	K R	I	N T	R

The Sixty-Second Test: FTW!

Each clue below leads to two words. The first word starts with F. The second word is the same as the first, but the F has been changed to a W. How quickly can you get all 10?

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| 1. Expensive, elegant cabernet, perhaps (4 4) | 6. An operation performed with a tined utensil (4 4) |
| 2. What a sardine might get from a genie (4 4) | 7. Located an injury on a person (5 5) |
| 3. Flaming piece of cord (4 4) | 8. What a gym spectator might be (7 7) |
| 4. Hairpiece needed for a Middle Eastern fruit (3 3) | 9. Precipitation consisting solely of plumes (7 7) |
| 5. Promise made by actor Harrison (4 4) | 10. Your enemy's sadness (3 3) |

Word Garden

Our word garden conceals 11 words in a mystery category. Find words by selecting a starting square and then moving the given direction and distance to get the next letter (e.g., 2L means move 2 squares to the left). Words never travel off the grid. Some additional letters will be leftover. These will form a clue to help identify the mystery category.

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

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?? 3R 3D 3R 5U 5L 4D 3R 2D

?? 1U 1R 2U 2L 1D 2D 3R

?? 6L 4U 5R 2D 3L

■ Cryptolistomania

We've taken ten items that have something in common and encrypted them with a simple substitution cipher. Can you decode each list and figure out the connection? In each list, the connections are Sylvester Stallone movies.

Rocky

PGVCPPCU CHJ
MBN HBGJF
PJZN OSFBX
BFTCD UN HC VBSC
MBN QDCIJND
ANBDAN QBDNPCX
FBXXS HJFOBX
PCXXS YCTRGJCB
MCTZ UNPYFNS
HCJHC CHJ

Daylight

MOFNO
LI. KMIOHGZ'L
YMVQDIHDQ'L
VMFNO
GNVJRFJL
QMOIB
MORHLIHGQ
KOQLHUQDI'L
RNIBQO'L
RQRNOHMV

F.I.S.T.

AVG
AVMNQG
OVNF
PTUIVMG
PKQZ
OTGE
KJUBQ
VEQ
PUJBB
XTIIQUZOF

Stop! Or My Mom With Shoot

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DUKQUQTT
JAQ AKMJ UWDGQM
SMQITQ 2
JAQ YHIVW
JAQ XHMSHV TKHDHOQT
JAQ GHOT IMQ IUMHSAJ
JHVP RKMVHJKMQ
EIPVQ'T EWMUO
JIGQ JAHT EIUJB

Rhinestone

IERXPS
ECDR
IRSVKSW
FSVRS
YDVWS
UEBXF
CDYBE
JDFSYYSS
ULEJSF
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Oscar

DPWOQYJ
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GFYJPLX ZRXLQRLJ GPZK
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■ Sample Cryptics

These cryptics are intended for novice cryptic solvers. In each case, the type of wordplay used in the clue is indicated. Common forms of wordplay are:

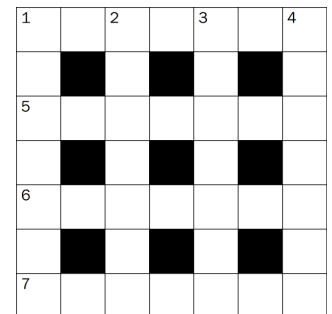
- **Anagrams:** Rearrange some of the letters provided to arrive at the answer (such as PLATE for PETAL).
- **Charade:** Two or more smaller parts, given or clued, combine for the answer (such as GO+RED for GORED).
- **Container:** The answer is formed by placing one word inside another word (such as B(AS)IN).
- **Double Meaning:** The clue consists of two different definitions of the same word.
- **Hidden Word:** The answer can be found reading across two or more words (such as THAT TICKET for ATTIC).
- **Reversals:** The answer can be formed from reading another word backwards (such as SLOOP for POOLS)
- **Beheadments and Curtailments:** The answer is formed by removing the first or last letter (AID->ID or AI)

Across

1. Satisfied with rent in police department (7) (*container*)
5. Hates to be a part of Othello at Hesperia (7) (*hidden*)
6. Ringer...a monster (7) (*charade*)
7. Got used to, after time, quality of some professors (7) (*charade*)

Down

1. To place mutant skunk (7) (*anagram*)
2. Glee with family? Not right (7) (*beheadment*)
3. Marches around with several things that go together (7) (*anagram*)
4. Father apprehending lead coward (7) (*container*)

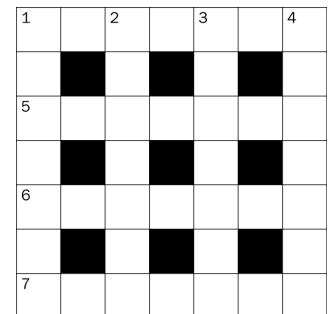


Across

1. "Fairness Only" rocks (7) (*charade*)
5. It's not frivolous to be in Spain with debts (7) (*charade*)
6. Arranging like bananas, essentially (7) (*hidden*)
7. Largely confused with artwork (7) (*anagram*)

Down

1. Run around part of leg...kidding (7) (*container*)
2. Strange man with film announced (7) (*homophone*)
3. Set aside one quite dead (7) (*charade*)
4. Zone in simple pleasure (7) (*container*)



Sniffing Crossword

In each crossword below, a simple substitution cipher has been used. Can you decipher each? A starting hint has given for each puzzle.

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Six Authors in Search of a Meta: Edgar Allan Poe

Editor's Note: This issue is the second of a series of issues titled Six Authors in Search of a Meta. Each issue can be solved independently.

The spectral ghost of Edgar Allan Poe stands with quill in hand, trying to find the right character.

The Premature Burial

The Premature Burial involves a character initially thought dead, but that might be burying the lead.

ILPO WFTBPGWC WVILDB DCGT OIWITK ILWI "ILT BTQDBI DR FZ KTWIL MWO WC TSWAATBWIPDC," MLPGL LWO VCK-DVJITKHZ JTTC OWPK JZ ILT BTOI DR ILTOT RDHXO WO MTHH.

PILBAPXQP'L GFPOONX OQON ANEUABNK BFPB BFQL LBPA UC BFN CXW POK BFN BPXX SIW KQNK BFN LPZN KPW PL BYU UBFNA GNXNDAQBQNL (ZQGFPNX RPGJLUO POK CPAAPF CPYGNBB).

YNFAX FULC WIYHJ KYFLDKYILCF XAYV ULC DWLFSYXM LK FUA HULHYPD VANAKVAX, GULHU VACHXLWAV ULT YC "WXDJA, YIDKA, YKV SKZDZSIYX," UA CSNNAXAV Y CAHDKV CFXDJA YKV VLAV.

YIJU ZPRMW RBUJXJPV FPU CTJKJVPOOE TMACTYMW WMPW JV YIM OPYM UJSYJMU. UBAACUMWOE IJWWMV JV IJU HPVW'U RBUJX PVW POHBRU FMTM RPVE XOBMU PHCBY YIJU "FPOTBU."

RMOC DPRMIA IB NPCR CI CRIAOQC DTS "RMQ FDT UMI UIPES WQ GOTV" UAIRQ D FDVDXOTQ DWIPR D BDECQ IWORPDZ "O'YQ NPCR AQDS RMDR O DF SQDS. SIT'R BIAVQR RI SQEQRQ FQ BAIF ZIPA EOCR IB CPWCKAOWQAC."

GQXGMQ CRTRUOPQ SQEQSSQI JX JBOK RWJXS RK ZQOPT IQWQRKQI. OP SQKGXPKQ, BQ GXKQI OP R WXEEOP BXMIOPT R WXGL XE JBRJ OKKVQ. BOK "IQRJB" NRK R SVVPOPT YXDQ, KGRNPOPT R NQZKOJQ JBRJ QAQPJVRMML IOI BRAQ JX SQGXSJ BOK IQRJB OP 2016.

DCMH ZCTK THWMHZSE EMPA P FEMOPZYEM SUTZYPEB ZCPZ EMIMEEMA ZS CTO PK "P OMEJCPHZ SI AMPZC" PHA ZCPZ CM CPA "UMJPOM ETJC UB ITHATHQ DPBK ZS XTNN OSEM FMSFNM IPKZME ZCPH MWME UMISEM," CM SFZMA ZS UMGYMPZC CTK MKZPZM ZS ISYHA PH THZMEHPZTSHPN FETRM.

The Bells

Sounds like we've been saved!

Screech does adult things to a pastry. (season 12, episode 10)

Mr. Belding sentences A.C. (the jock), Zack (the rebel), Screech (the nerd), Kelly (the princess), and Lisa (the weird one) to Saturday detention. (season 4, episode 6)

Jessie struggles with fitting in, especially after her best friend Kelly starts dating her brother. She and Screech become friends. At the end of the episode, Screech makes a cartoon with a thinly veiled Jessie in it. (season 13, episode 8)

Screech fantasizes about Kelly stepping out of a pool and removing her top. Zack orders a pizza and has it delivered to class. (season 8, episode 17)

Zack, A.C., and Kelly play hooky and travel all around the Palisades, eventually ending up in a parade singing Wayne Newton songs. (season 6, episode 18)

Kelly discovers that if she really wants Zack, she has to dress much more promiscuously. Jessie accidentally gives herself bubblegum pink hair. (season 11, episode 2)

Jessie joins a clique with Kelly, Kelly, and Kelly and falls in love with Screech. After she and Screech accidentally kill Kelly with drain cleaner and stage a double suicide with Zack and A.C., the two have a falling out. The episode ends with Screech dying in an explosion. (season 1, episode 5)

In an attempt to be taken seriously as a journalist, Lisa dresses up as a boy and transfers to a nearby school. Screech is her annoying, centerfold-obsessed brother. (season 2, episode 8)

Mr. Belding is murdered by Russian paratroopers, as Zack and the gang hide in the wilderness. Most of the gang dies, until Kelly and A.C. reach unoccupied territory. (season 5, episode 1)

Mr. Belding seizes Kelly's ticket to a Ramones show, so she and Jessie try to win a radio contest. Bayside is destroyed for real at the end of the episode. (season 7, episode 2)

Mr. Belding is planning to go on vacation, when he is told that he has to personally teach Zack, A.C., Screech, Kelly, Lisa, and Jessie in June, July, and August. (season 3, episode 4)

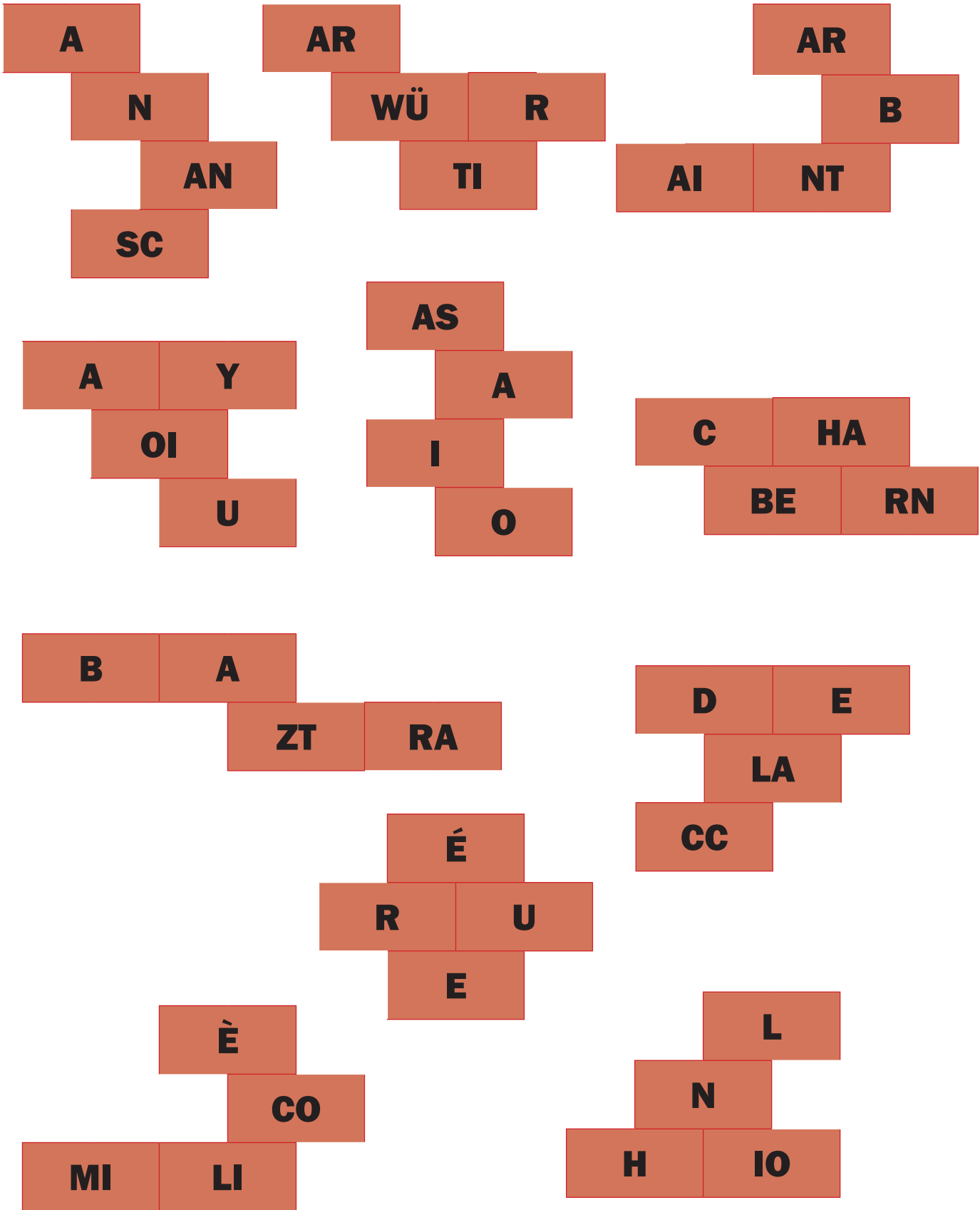
Zack is obsessed with drawing male genitalia. He and A.C. are invited to a party at Kelly's house. Screech has a fake ID with a strange name on it. (season 14, episode 8)

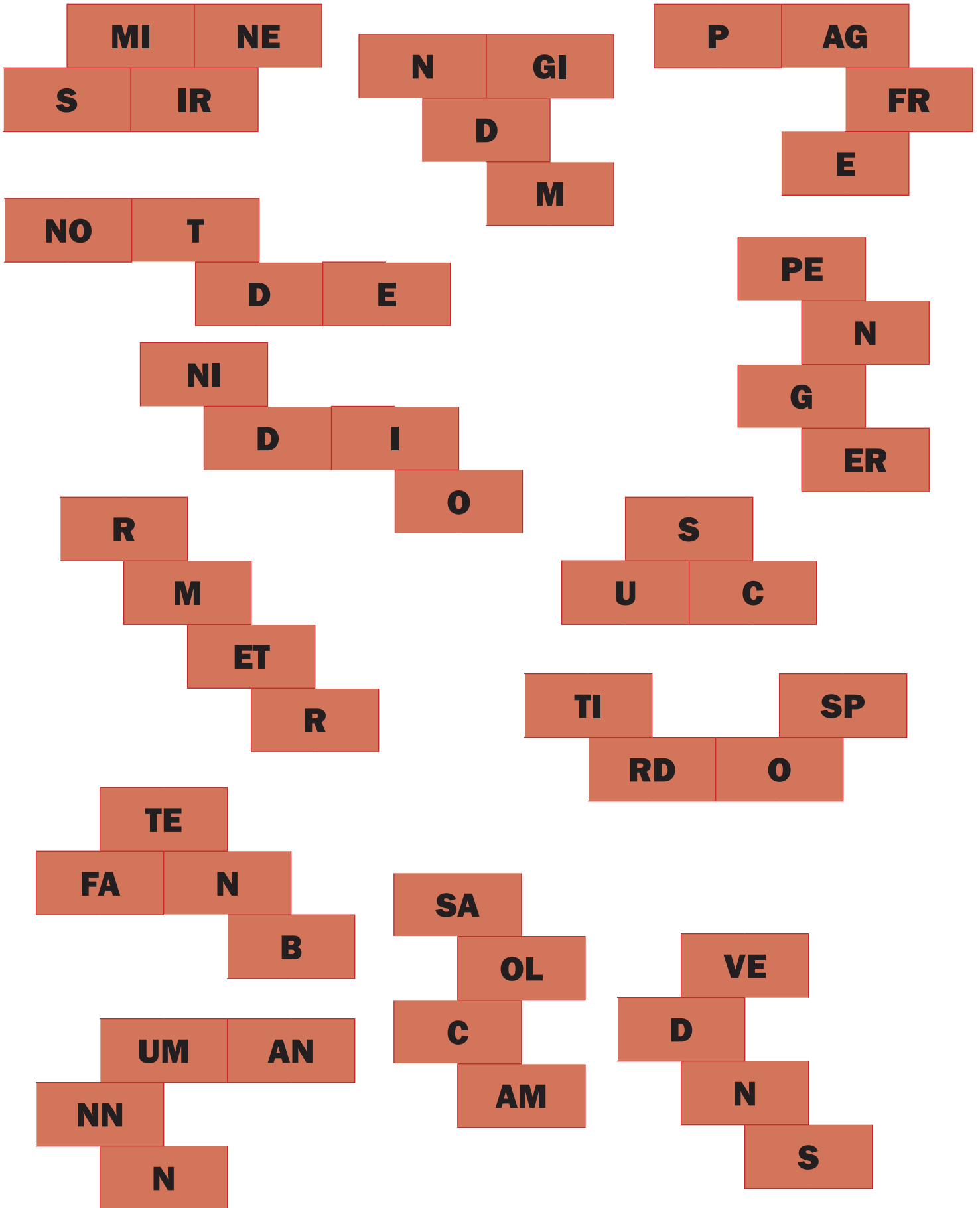
Zack and Screech create a woman (Kelly) while dealing with Screech's overbearing brother A.C. Kelly helps Zack and Screech hook up with Lisa and Jessie, and eventually becomes a gym teacher. (season 10, episode 12)

Screech gets psychic powers, and wreaks havoc at the prom. (season 9, episode 4)

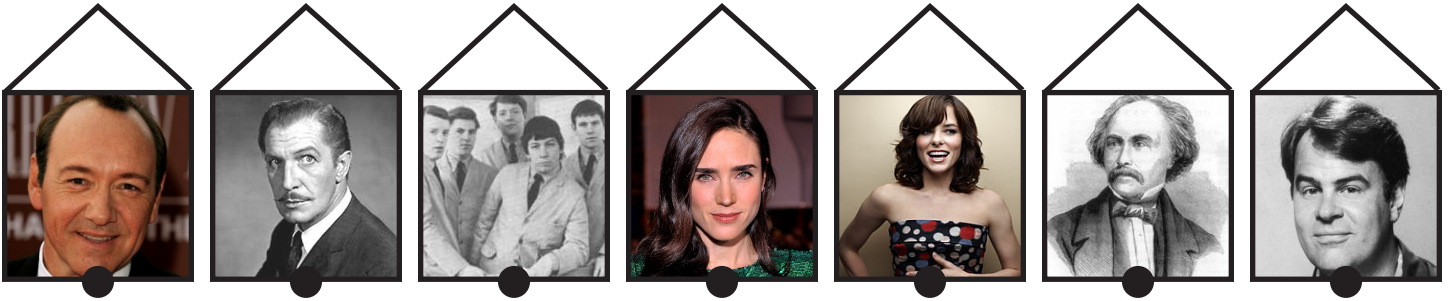
The Cask of Amontillado

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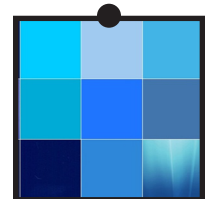
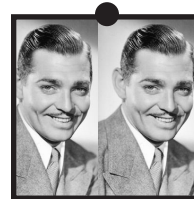
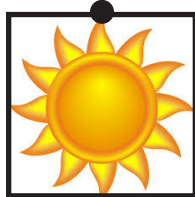




The fall of the House of Usher

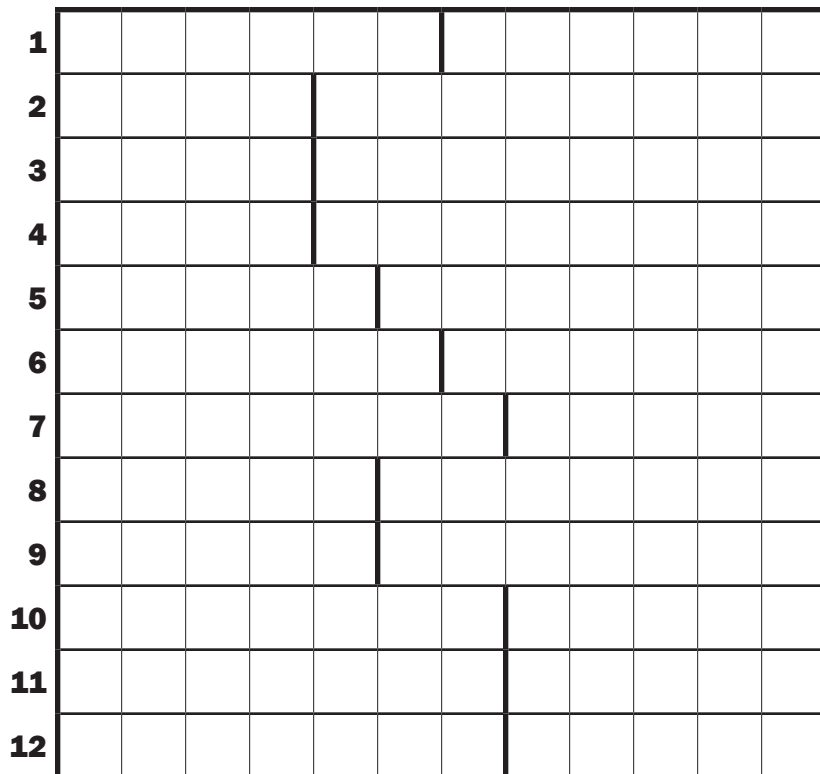


Y O I N N M O O U E T P T S H I E C



Hop-frog

Hop-Frog is an educational story about revenge, hopping, and leaping.



Rows

1. wage a thought war against or idea
2. cries using a a brillo lot pad perhaps
3. easily get rid broken of
4. what you act pay of a taxi dependence driver
5. a great fundamental skill particle
6. small leaf through a portion of book meat
7. vertical weapon or horizontal for David bars
8. a hiker's device with water a container mesh
9. emulate motions in a the surgeon ocean
10. middle have part an influence of the on body
11. brag about having one's small little self spots
12. this manhandle evening

Leapfrogging

- Bolded word in an urgent message
- Violin performances
- Hopeless
- Make a copy of
- Like most magazine writers and consultants
- Where the brothers hang out
- Hiding, or making more difficult to discern
- Harass or punish in a grievous manner
- Age in a 2016 movie or 1982 song
- Fast-moving nautical vehicle
- Putting emphasis on
- Taut line for an acrobat

MS found in a Bottle

What's on the other side of this display?



This puzzle uses 17 different bottles with six letters on each bottle.

The Murders in the Rue Morgue

Surprise! The orang-outang did it.

Several answers will not fit in the grid and must be replaced by some suspicious characters. If the first letter of these characters is the Nth letter of the alphabet, circle the Nth letter of that clue to spell out the answer to this puzzle. Enumerations have been withheld

Across

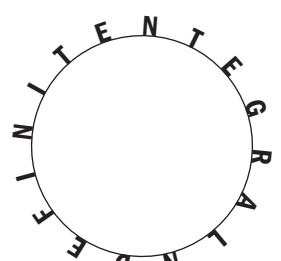
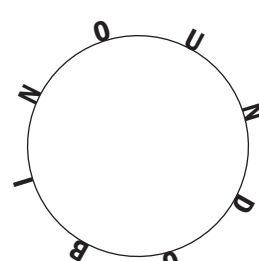
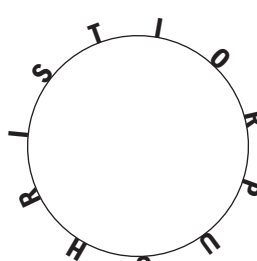
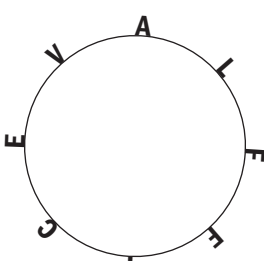
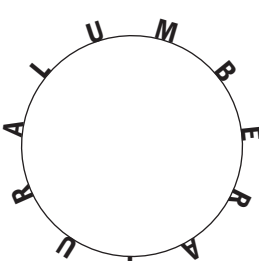
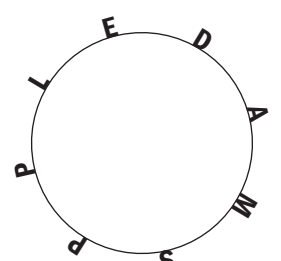
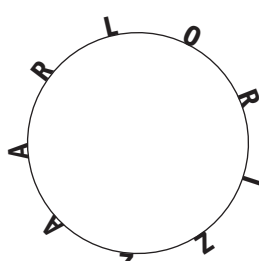
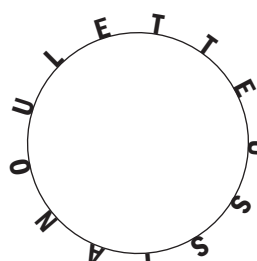
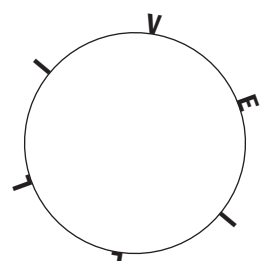
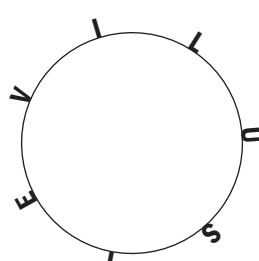
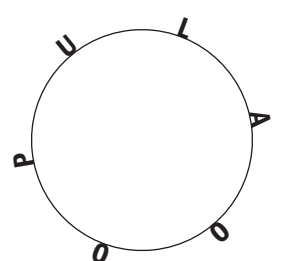
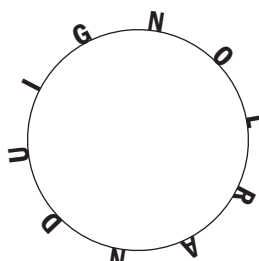
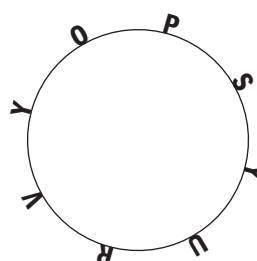
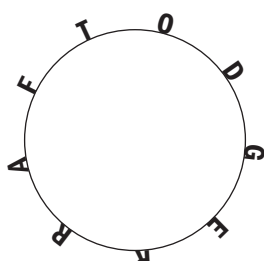
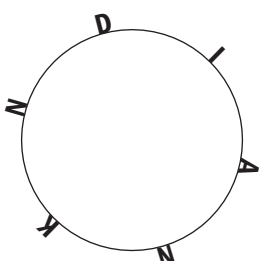
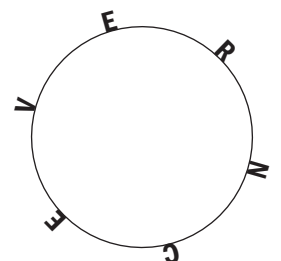
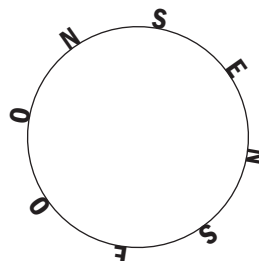
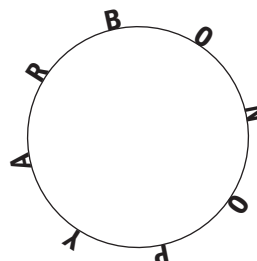
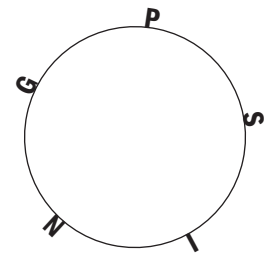
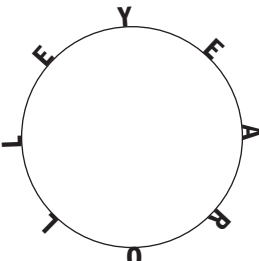
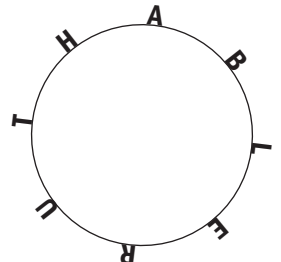
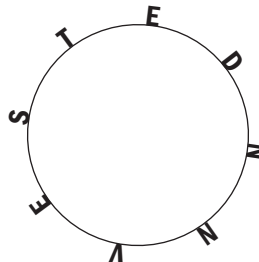
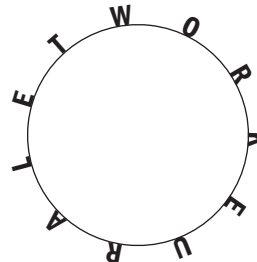
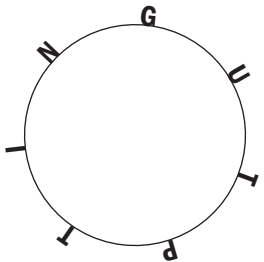
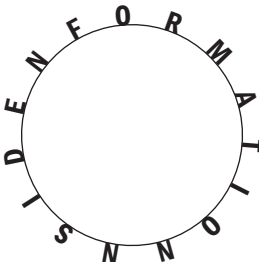
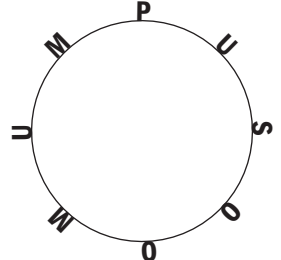
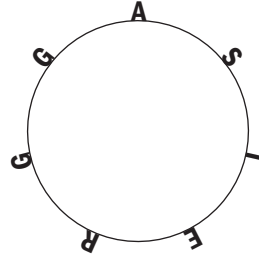
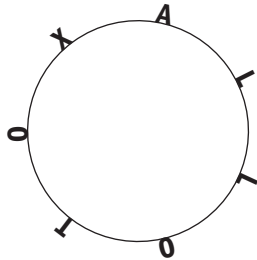
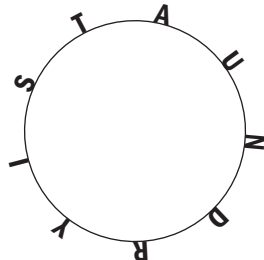
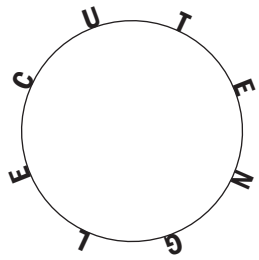
1. Examine one's head over mountain
7. Totally list a part of the nobility
11. Here in France, it's somewhat illicit
12. Precluding yen, how one might send money from a religious leader
14. A turn, returning to city in Egypt
15. Treasure containing essence of alchemy grew stronger
17. A negative time in Spain
18. Actor Sean's like metal
20. Go back to pleasant thoughts, if one became small
21. Shy with quiet model
22. Shake your head no, end to end
23. Listen to the Pointer in the Sky in the Beginning
24. Throw past office area
26. Search for tart with pecan center
27. Ignore ski patrol's leader
28. Puppet missing tail in tree
30. Scared, crazed, connected to God
32. Johns interpreted T.S. Eliot
34. Stirred up muscle lotion
35. Wing weight, ignoring insult
38. He was a scarecrow more intrepid, good for dreams primarily
39. Mudshark's exterior is dark

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| 40. Consume part of the atom | German |
| 41. Female's bread, reportedly | 13. Recruiter's agent turned back after losing head |
| 42. Surprisingly rosy, comprehending pith of misused possessive | 16. Experiences laughter |
| 43. Any goal's disastrous by comparison | 19. Make a soft sound with artificial language: "Wood" |
| | 24. Be inconspicuous like skinless alien and skinless clown (2 wds) |
- ## Down
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| 1. Takes back place a drunk might sit | 25. Most desirable jewel in Tim's possession? Just the opposite |
| 2. No place for peaceful drug | 26. Unpleasantly covered short hack |
| 3. Lie about Oracle's chief, move quickly | 27. Bossier radical concealing letter from NATO |
| 4. Stop getting bigger with layer of metal – gold | 28. Damaged cues make money |
| 5. Spoil bird, we hear | 29. So-so verse describing set of rules |
| 6. Matador's target gored looter (2 wds) | 31. Leon dances without a match |
| 8. What's in a messy closet: habillements, primarily! | 32. Journal to mollycoddle all but Metro chief |
| 9. Evil bane's transformation is wanted? | 33. Part's not right...hooray |
| 10. Write about animal at last (thank you...that's enough) | 36. Of books' volume and a registry (just cover-to-cover) |
| 12. Stoked to get going with each | 37. Confusion surrounding Republican animal |

Never Bet the Devil Your Head

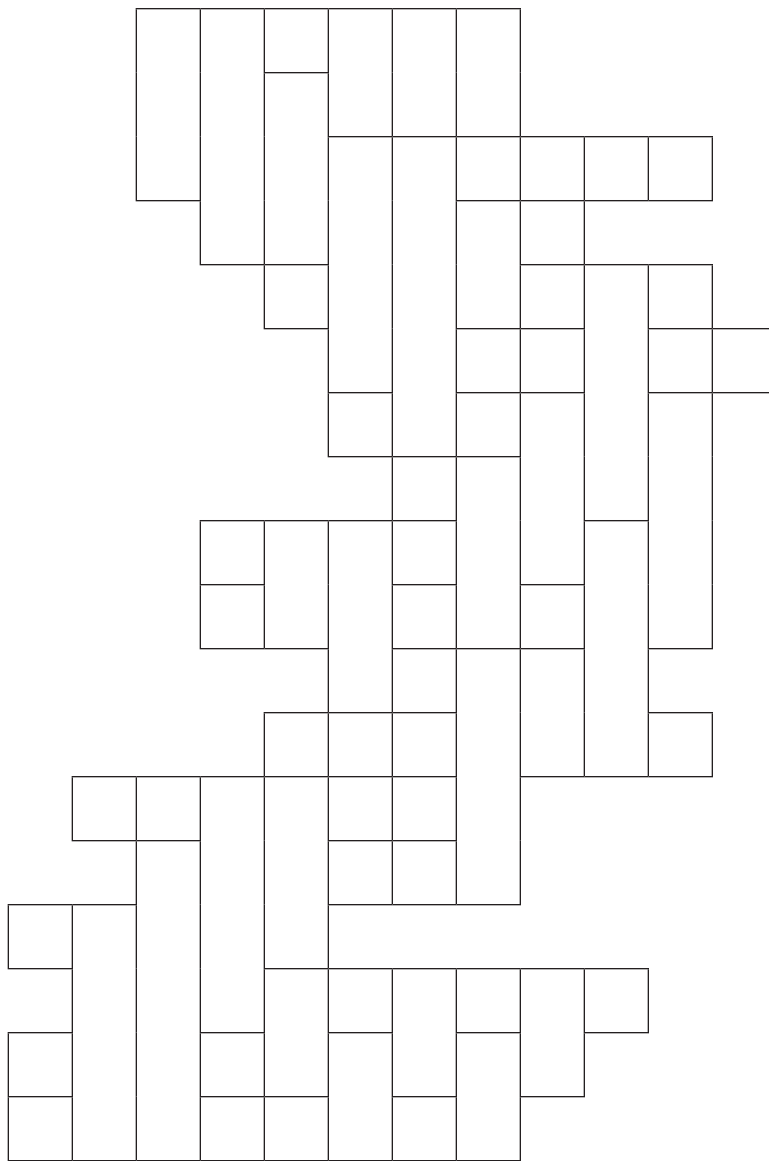
After running around with the devil, he might try to a two-for-one deal.



The Oblong Box

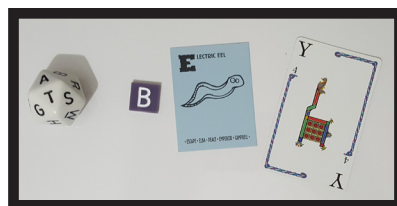
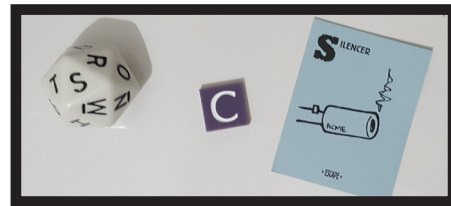
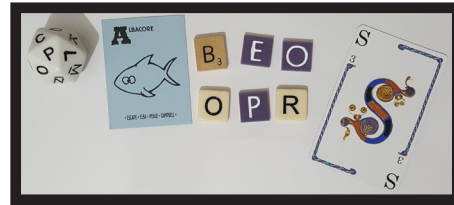
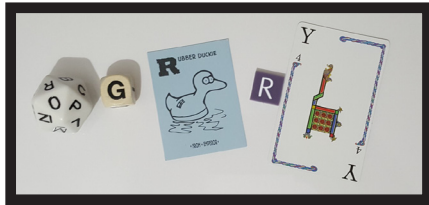
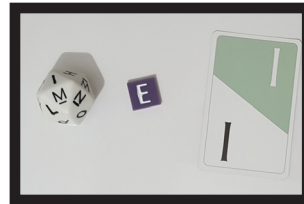
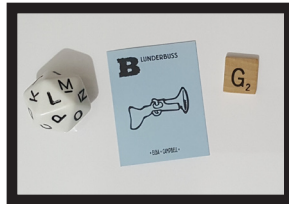
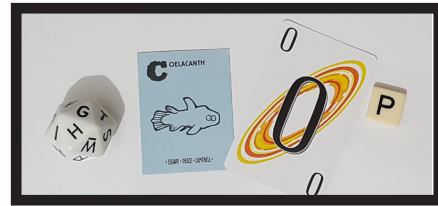
These boxes might have more than you might expect.

- Actress Marlene (8)
- Advantage in a race (4 5)
- Aquarium resident that's very ladylike? (10)
- Argo product (10)
- Common puzzle type (4 6)
- Dutch beer (6 5)
- Engine bars (9)
- Exact and accurate (7)
- Feature of flags of Tunisia, Panama, and California (3 4)
- Intended for people who have difficulty learning (8)
- Liquidated furniture? (9)
- Non-flying bird (7)
- Opinion piece (9)
- Related to children's medicine (9)
- Small furry pet (7)
- Statement used in an argument (7)
- Substances at the center of a baseball scandal (8)
- Think about beforehand (11)



The Purloined Letter

Relax, it's only a game.



The Tell-Tale Heart

There's something in the floorboards, but what?

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■ Answers: Previous Issue

Adults and Adulteration

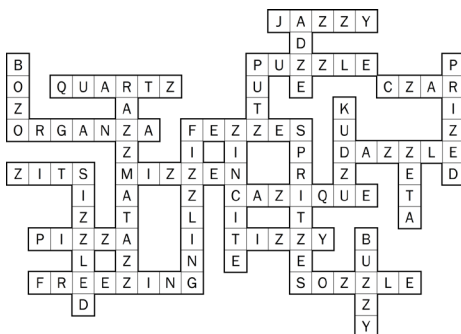
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The unused trigrams can be used to spell "FOR THE FINAL ANSWER, WHAT TWO WORDS PRECEDE COOKS IN AN ADULT SWIM INFOMERCIAL?" The answer is **TOO MANY**.

Blocks and Busybodies

Each block conceals five related terms. In addition, each set includes something that is also an occupation (loosely speaking), shown in red.

- Crazy, George, Howdy, **Scout**, Wonder (Boy ____)
- Balloon, Interest, Margin, **Principal**, Underwater (Loan Terms)
- Decanter, Flagon, **Pitcher**, Punchbowl, Tureen (Water Containers)
- Methodical, **Orderly**, Precise, Regulated, Shipshape ("Neat" Synonyms)
- **Anchor**, Ballast, Bowsprit, Mizzenmast, Topsail (Parts Of A Ship)
- Beignet, **Cobbler**, Marzipan, Pavlova, Tiramisu (Desserts)
- Beyonce, Liberace, Madonna, Morrissey, **Usher** (Mononymous Musicians)
- Database, Mainframe, Microchip, **Server**, Terminal (Computers)
- Attlee, Cameron, Churchill, Macmillan, **Thatcher** (British Pms)
- **Aviator**, Bicycle, Hoyle, Streamline, Tallyho (Card Brands)
- Argentine, **Carpenter**, Electric, Ghost, Pavement (Types Of Ants)
- Chrome, Firefox, **Navigator**, Opera, Safari (Browsers)

Indexing the occupation with the number provided spells **UNION BUSTING**.



Decks and Detectives

One-Trait answers can each be found in the squares in the row or column for that trait. (For types of gems, answers go left to right, top to bottom. For sizes, answers go down Diamonds, then Opals, then Pearls.) Cross off those letters.

- [YELLOW] Condition: COWARDICE
- [SINGLE]-Minded: MONOMANIACAL
- [GREEN] one, likely: FLEDGLING
- [RED] party member: BOLSHEVIK
- Minnie [PEARL] performed here (3 wds): GRAN OLE OPRY
- [CLUSTER]s: AGGREGATIONS
- A [PAIR] is often in one: RELATIONSHIP
- He often works [BLUE]: ECDYSIAS
- #9 on a [DIAMOND]: RIGHT FIELDER
- The Simpsons parody of her was [OPAL]: OPRAY WINFREY

Two Traits

- GEM (Green Opal)
- JADE (Single Opal)
- ONYX (Diamond Pair)
- SAPPHIRE (Single Pearl, Diamond Cluster)
- LAZULI (Yellow Opal, Red Cluster)
- PERIDOT (Yellow Single, Pearl Cluster)
- EMERALD (Opal Pair, Yellow Diamond)
- GARNET (Red Single, Green Pearl)
- JASPER (Yellow Pearl, Green Single)
- ZIRCON (Blue Diamond, Blue Pairs)
- DIADEM (Green Pair, Blue Pearl)
- SCARAB (Blue Opal, Blue Cluster)
- CHOKER (Red Pearl, Red Pair)
- AQUAMARINE (Red Opal, Single Diamond, Yellow Pair)
- TURQUOISE (Yellow Cluster, Green Cluster, Green Diamonds)

Leftover letters spell **MUDDY FOOTPRINT**.

Ennui and Endurance

pule, Ramata, eta, mien, put, fees, its, T.I.Y., siled, buy, kudu, dale, ade, sole, Jay, Organa, Pia, freeing, filing, incite, quart, car, boo, pried, sprites, caique
Before being entered into the grid, each answer must have one or more Zs added to it.

For clues with directions at the end, move that distance from the added Z to new letters. From clues in order, the new letters spell **DRONING ON**.

Faults and Faultiness

Each set of symbols is a cryptogram using one of four sets of warning symbols. Each cryptogram describes an image in one of the other sets.

ANSI Symbols

- Jughead crowns must be removed before entering the premises. (laundry symbols, W)
- The ferris wheel has come to a complete unexpected stop. (car dashboard, A)
- Sorry, you big oafs, but you have to get out of the car now. (road signs, R)

Car Dashboard Symbols

- Do not unwrap your candy here; it'll make too much noise. (laundry, N)
- Laundry machine is prone to giving wedgies. (ANSI symbols, I)
- Hey, you forgot your leftovers! (road signs, N)

Laundry Symbols

- The gravy boat is leaking just a little bit. (car dashboard, G)
- Your hairstyle looks way too much like Carrot Top's. (ANSI, L)
- The across clue is a river in Europe and down clue has a variant tag. (road signs, I)

Road Signs

- Please be quiet...my show about the ellipsis is on television. (laundry symbols, G)
- My lyre has no strings and that alarms me. (car dashboard, H)
- Thing from the Addams Family has gotten way too big for his britches. (ANSI Symbols, T)

The answer is **WARNING LIGHT**.

Gliding and Gladiators

Each set of footprints matches the stars in a constellation clued by the description below.

- Canis Major, Sagitta, Leo Minor, Libra, Auriga, Andromeda, Triangulum, Hercules, Crux

Each constellation matches the length of one of the dances shown (e.g., Canis Major = Hokey Pokey). Taking the letters from the constellations that correspond with the bolded letters in the dances spell out (in image order) **JITTERBUG DANCERS**.

Creatures and Changes

Alberto Perez dance fitness program	ZUMBA	delete 3rd letter from end, add a T	ZUBAT	GOLBAT [G]
Containing many small holes throughout	POROUS	O->A, no Us	PARAS	PARASECT [E]
Smith who played Hightower and Nickname for Clinton	BUBBA	3rd letter->L, add SAUR onto end	BULBASUR	VENUSAUR [N]
Standup and musician Judy	TENUTA	No Us, add "super" word to end	TENTACOOOL	TENTACRUEL [E]
November, Nisan, or Germinal	MONTH	Ns to W, add E after 1st letter	MEOUWTH	PERSIAN [S]
Mister Whipple brand	CHARMIN	2nd letter from end->A, add DER	CHARMANDER	CHARIZARD [I]
Like Tarantino's Fiction	PULP	1st letter->V, add Roman numeral	VULPIX	NINETALES [S]
Nina's sister ship	PINTA	I->O, add Y before 2nd letter from end	PONYTA	RAPIDASH [H]
Symbol found on staves	CLEF	Change last letter to monster starting with that letter	CLEFAIRY	CLEFABLE [E]
Academy Award winning actor William	HOLDEN	Move 1st letter back one in alphabet, double penultimate letter	GOLDEEN	SEAKING [S]
Large liquid container	VAT	Add word meaning "zero" backwards after 1st letter	VENONAT	VENOMATH [H]
This person provides assistance to knights when jousting	SQUIRE	Add TL before last letter	SQUIRTLE	BLASTOISE [A]
Tammany Hall's Boss	TWEED	Remove 1st letter, add LE	WEEDLE	BEEDRILL [L]
French Writer Marcel	PROUST	Move penultimate letter to beginning, then prefix with type of curve	BELLSPROUT	VICTREBEEL [L]
Escape from New York's Plissken	SNAKE	Reverse	EKANS	ARBOK [B]
Blank and feather	TAR	Reverse first 3 letters, add word meaning "bye"	RATTATA	RATICATE [E]
Incan citadel Machu what	ZIKA	3rd letter->KA	PIKACHU	RAICHU [A]
Person providing food for events	CATERER	Add Greek letter before penultimate, remove last letter	CATERPIE	BUTTERFREE [F]
Line formed where two sloping surfaces join	RIDGE	Move first letter back 2, add Y	PIDGEY	PIDGEOT [O]
Either Brother famous for telling fairy tales	GRIMM	Last letter->ER	GRIMER	MUK [U]
Number multiplied by its own square	CUBE	Add preposition before last letter	CUBONE	MAROWAK [R]
The country whose capital is Muscat	OMAN	Add YTE to end	OMANYTE	OMASTAR [S]
Famed and dear advice columnist	ABBY	Add KR to beginning	KRABBY	KINGLER [I]
Perform commands like computers	EXEGGCUTE	After 3rd letter, add double letter where letter = length of word	EXEGGCUTE	EXEGGUTOR [X]
Friend to Winnie the Pooh	PIGLET	1st letter->D, double last letter	DIGLETT	DUGTRIO [O]
Long pointy weapon	SPEAR	Add word meaning "ouch" to end	SPEAROW	FEAROW [F]
Constantly agreeing sycophantic toady	YESMAN	Add K to end, reverse first 2 letters and move to end, remove 3rd letter	MANKEY	PRIMEAPE [A]
Provide gossip about	DISH	Add 3rd letter and 1st letter to front	ODDISH	VILEPLUME [M]
Rick who will never give you up	ASTLEY	Add G to beginning, remove penultimate letter	GASTLY	GENGAR [A]
Strong metal alloy of iron and carbon	STEEL	Remove 2nd letter	SEEL	DEWGONG [N]

Each clue must undergo a transformation, and its answer must undergo to the same transformation to get a Gen 1 Pokemon. Evolve (twice if indicated) and index to get "GENESIS HE SHALL BE A FOUR SIX OF A MAN." The answer is **WILD DONKEY**.

Hunger and Hankerings

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

Each empty space with a slash can have one of two letters entered to form words reading down. The remaining empty spaces can be filled in to spells various meats as well as fruit or snacks. These additional letters spell **NUTRAGEOUS BAR**.

Inns and Intonations

Each sign clues a word ending with an answer to one of the clues at the bottom plus INN. VIOLIN (VILE), VENISON (VENICE), RECKON (WRECK), PALADIN (PALLID), CHARLATAN (CHARLOTTE), LICHEN (LIKE), MANNEQUIN (MANIC), MELANIN (MELON), KERATIN (CARROT), MAUDLIN (MODEL), TERRAPIN (TEAR UP), VETERAN (VEDDER). Use the number in brackets as an index but order using the signs to get **LOCAL CULTURE**.

Justice and Justifiability

Sumatra, unearth, privacy, retrial, embargo, mailbag, elapsed, cravats, oil well, unwraps, rivalry, Toronto, Jeffrey, unicorn, spoiler, tonight, Iron Man, command, employs, shampoo. First letters spell SUPREME COURT JUSTICES.

Each row in the grid consists of two words with a space in the middle. The name of a Supreme Court justice can be found in the middle of each row.

- ginsBurg
- fortAs
- marShall
- tanEy
- soUter
- laMar
- camPbell
- allto
- warRen
- brandEis

The answer is **BASE UMPIRE**.

Jane Austen

As with her famed novels *Pride and Prejudice* and *Sense and Sensibility*, each puzzle uses two words starting with the same letter separated by "and." In addition, each answer is a two-word phrase where the same letter can replace the first letter in each word to make a new phrase.

A	ZOO ZANY	Z
B	ONION OUSTING	O
C	MILD MONKEY	M
D	BUDDY BOOTPRINT	B
E	IRONIING IN	I
F	EARNING EIGHT	E
G	LITTERBUG LANCERS	L
H	OUTRAGEOUS OAR	O
I	VOCAL VULTURE	V
J	EASE EMPIRE	E
K	RIFE ROACH	R
L	SEDUCTIVE SEASONING	S

The answer is **ZOMBIE LOVERS**.

Kids and Kindergarten

In solving each quote, the trigram ABC needs to be replaced with an abbreviation. (If done correctly, it will be in the correct spot alphabetically). Each clue leads to an answer starting with A, B, or C. Pick the letter from the abbreviation that matches that letter (e.g., in the first clue, ABC becomes CPR. The answer starts with B, giving the letter P.)

- The Holger Nielsen method of **CPR** was first published in this group's handbook (but didn't necessarily include a badge): Boy Scouts
- Lorne is a demon with the power of **ESP** on what fantasy series: Angel
- Place in Georgia that is home to the band **REM** or Greek capital: Athens
- This long-running **CBS** show lost one of its leads because of increased violence on the show: Criminal Minds
- **HBO** series created by Larry David: Curb Your Enthusiasm
- Some hosts for this flagship program of **NPR** include Robert Siegel and Audie Cornish.: All Things Considered
- In a famous **PSA** series, Mcgruff would urge you to take a bite out of what: Crime
- **BLT** Sandwiches contain this meat, which is also Sir Francis's last name: Bacon
- Stormbreaker is the first of a series of novels about this **MIG** agent: Alex Rider
- This pioneering feminist penned the initial draft of the **ERA** early in the twentieth century.: Alice Paul
- The **DNA**-testing show Finding Your Roots withheld information about this celebrity's slave-owning ancestors.: Ben Affleck
- Comedian Marc Maron interviewed what president for his podcast **WTF**.: Barack Obama
- **RKO** 281 is about the making of what film, with Liev Schreiber in the main role?: Citizen Kane
- This company employed an **ARG**, I Love Bees, to help promote the sequel to Halo: Bungie
- The mock documentary **CB4** featured this comedian in an early role as Albert.: Chris Rock
- **VO5** or Suave hair product, or word following air: Conditioner

Selected letters spell "PERSONAL MENTOR 4 5." The answer is **LIFE COACH**.

Logic and Lullabies

Below shows the answer to the logic puzzle is given below.

Spider	librarian	Llewellyn	ladybug	L.A. Woman
Tenrec	lumber	Lucretia	llama	Livin La Vida
Verona	lawyer	Leonora	lamprey	Louie Louie
Citrus	locksmith	Loretta	lemur	Let's Go
Ortega	lyricist	Lincoln	lorikeet	Lust for Life
Deacon	leatherworker	Latimer	lemming	Lyin Eyes

Pet names are not part of the grid, but the six-letter names can be entered in the grid. as shown below.

	Latimer	Leonora	Lincoln	Llewellyn	Loretta	Lucretia	lawyer	leatherworker	librarian	locksmith	lumberjack	lyricist	L.A. Woman	Let's Go Crazy	Livin' La Vida Loca	Louie Louie	Lust for Life	Lyin' Eyes
Ladybug	s	p	i	d	e	r	s	p	i	d	e	r	s	p	i	d	e	r
Lamprey	v	e	r	o	n	a	v	e	r	o	n	a	v	e	r	o	n	a
Lemming	d	e	a	c	o	n	d	e	a	c	o	n	d	e	a	c	o	n
Lemur	c	i	t	r	u	s	c	i	t	r	u	s	c	i	t	r	u	s
Llama	t	e	n	r	e	c	t	e	n	r	e	c	t	e	n	r	e	c
Lorikeet	o	r	t	e	g	a	o	r	t	e	g	a	o	r	t	e	g	a

Highlight the letters that correspond with the matching data to get **DEDUCTIVE REASONING**.

■ Answers to Warmup Puzzles

Breakfast Maladies

The mascot for Cap'n CRUNCH has a CRUTCH, the mascot for FROOT Loops has FROST, and the mascot for TRIx is about to TRIP. Each of these is a single-letter change. Therefore, the CHARTS owner is most likely Lucky, the mascot for Lucky CHARMS.

Soundest Tracks

Easy: 1. Frozen, 2. The Wizard of Oz, 3. 8 Mile, 4. Mary Poppins, 5. Titanic
 Medium: 6. Slumdog Millionaire, 7. Breakfast at Tiffany's, 8. A Star is Born, 9. The Man Who Knew Too Much, 10. Going My Way
 Hard: 11. The Thomas Crown Affair, 12. Crazy Heart, 13. Spectre, 14. Thank God It's Friday, 15. Papa's Delicate Condition

Quote Square

"The road to hell is paved with adverbs." Stephen King" (In row order, then column order: nursery, ceiling, chamber, bedroom, hallway, kitchen, pantry, parlor, lounge, cellar, alcove, closet, larder)

The Sixty-Second Test

fine wine, fish wish, fire wire, fig wig, Ford word, fork work, found wound, fitness witness, feather weather, foe woe

Word Garden

Centipede, Asteroids, Breakout, Tempest, Defender, Joust, Berzerk, Commando, Adventure, Kangaroo, Outlaw. Extra letters: Twenty-Six Hundred. These are all Atari 2600 games.

Jawdroppin' Challenger

shrivel, Playboy, Marvel, problem, honesty, epithet, seagull, marriage, encrypt, pilgrim, fandango, grungier, bridge, eyesight, bassoon, Jedi, curfew, grownup, invent, lizard, absolve, azure, combat, twenty. "Role playing is fun but I'm starting to wonder why my girlfriend will only let me dress up as my brother Randy."

Cryptolistomania

Rocky: Muhammed Ali, Joe Louis, Mike Tyson, Oscar De La Hoya, Joe Frazier, George Foreman, Sonny Liston, Manny Pacquiao, Jack Dempsey, Laila Ali (*famous boxers*)

Daybreak: Arbor, St. Patrick's, Valentine's, Labor, Columbus, Earth, Armistice, President's, Mother's, Memorial (*holidays ending with Day*)

F.I.S.T.: Man, Maiden, Lady, Curtain, Chef, Lung, Horse, Age, Cross, Butterfly (*Iron ____*)

Stop! Or My Mom With Shoot: *A League of Their Own, Clueless, The Hurt Locker, Grease 2, The Piano, The Virgin Suicides, The Kids Are Alright, Tiny Furniture, Wayne's World, Take This Waltz (movies directed by women)*

Rhinestone: Danube, Avon, Dneiper, Seine, Loire, Tagus, Volga, Moselle, Thames, Po (*European rivers*)

Oscar: Picture, Supporting Actress, Director, Sound Editing, Original Screenplay, Costume Design, Makeup and Hairstyling, Foreign Language Film, Visual Effects, Documentary Short Subject (*Oscar categories*)

Sample Cryptics

Puzzle 1

Across 1. P(LEASE)D; 5. othelLOATHESperia; 6. CHIMER+A, 7. T+ENURED; Down 1. POLECAT*, 2. rELATION, 3. SCHMEAR*, 4. DA(STAR)D

Puzzle 2

Across 1. JUST+ICE; 5. SER+IOUS; 6. IIEBANAnans; 7. GALLERY*; Down 1. JO(SHIN)G; 2. SURREAL (*sir reel*); 3. I+SO+LATE; 4. E(CST)ASY

Sniffing Crosswords

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

V	I	B	E	S		I	N	T	E	R	A	L	I	A
O		U		A		N		U		A		E		R
T	E	L	E	V	I	S	E	D		C	I	V	I	C
E		L	O		O		O		K		E		H	
R	A	D	A	R		M	A	R	S	E	I	L	L	E
		O				N				T				T
M	E	Z	Z	A	N	I	N	E		E	N	J	O	Y
A		E		S		A		A		E		U		P
E	E	R	I	E		C	A	R	T	R	I	D	G	E
L				X				T				I		
S	A	S	Q	U	A	T	C	H		D	E	C	A	F
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R	A	V	E	L		P	R	O	X	I	M	A	T	E
O		E		L		I		R		N		R		A
M	A	R	T	Y	R	D	O	M		K	A	Y	A	K