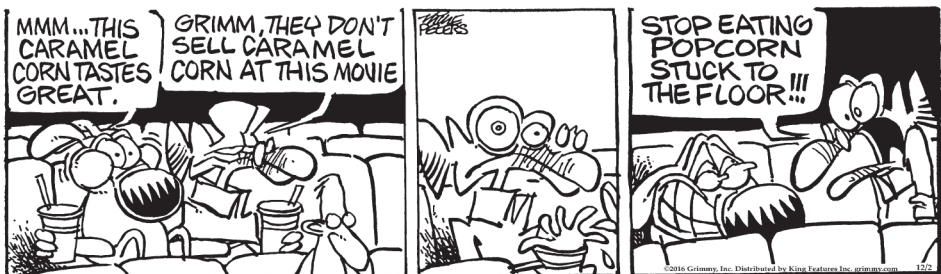


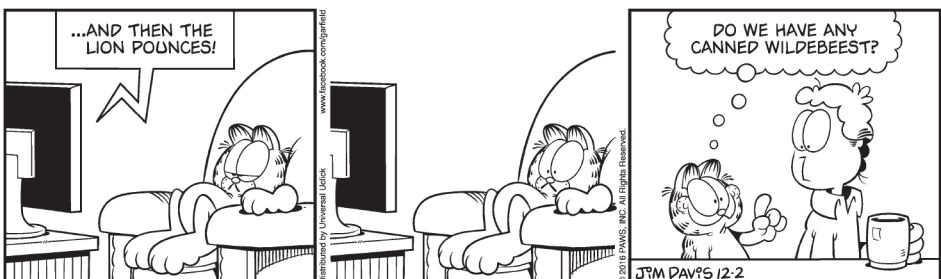
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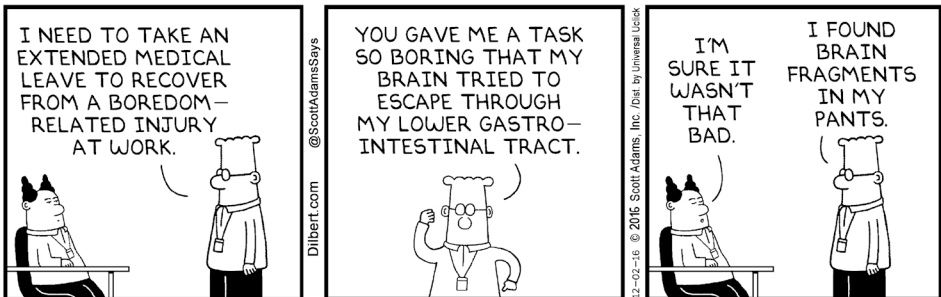
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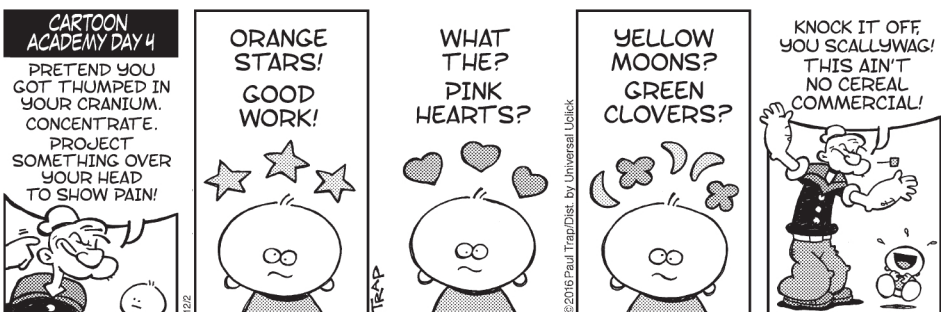
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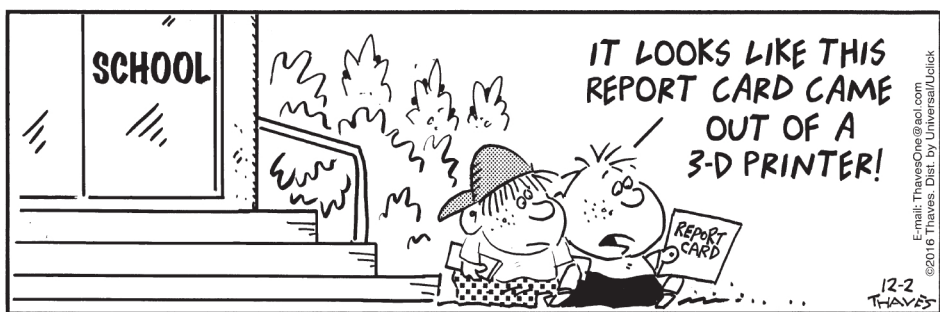
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FRANK & ERNEST



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



MODERATELY CONFUSED



CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

WDAFXENOO L, P'J NE NYZXUNG D SXA
FKXAG DEMNMDJDEGF ... GIX LDNAF
DEMNDY NEY EX IDYPPEM ... P'Y TD
HWF DG. — DJPOL TOHEG

Previous Solution: "I guess if you keep making the same mistake long enough, it becomes your style." — John Prine

TODAY'S CLUE: A sponz Z

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HOROSCOPE

FRIDAY

You'll have plenty to consider if you have taken on too much this year. Restructure your plans if it will help avoid backlash.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Design a blueprint that you know will work, and present what you have to offer with confidence.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Emotions will flare up if you get into conversations with people in positions of authority.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Keep your plans simple and your goals realistic. There is plenty to gain by being prepared and taking your time to go over the small but important details.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — If you want to get ahead, stop being so accommodating and stay focused on your own passion.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — The unpredictable nature of what's going on around you will be unnerving. Do your best, take a disciplined approach to your responsibilities and don't lose sight of your goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Keep life simple. Hanging out with the wrong people will lead to loss, injury or emotional stress.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — A change of attitude or mood will develop if an unexpected loss occurs due to a lack of reserve or insight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Take it easy when it comes to your health and physical wellness. Too much of anything will lead to trouble.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Bring about positive change at work and home by pursuing what makes you happy. Have faith in your ability to get things done.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Set aside a space at home to develop or expand a project you want to pursue, or attend a networking event.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Emotions will surface when you deal with personal or domestic matters. Don't let anyone use manipulative tactics to guilt you into something you don't agree with or want to do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Plan an adventure or sign up for something that will help you develop skills, experience and knowledge. Doing your own thing will lead to discord with someone who feels left out.

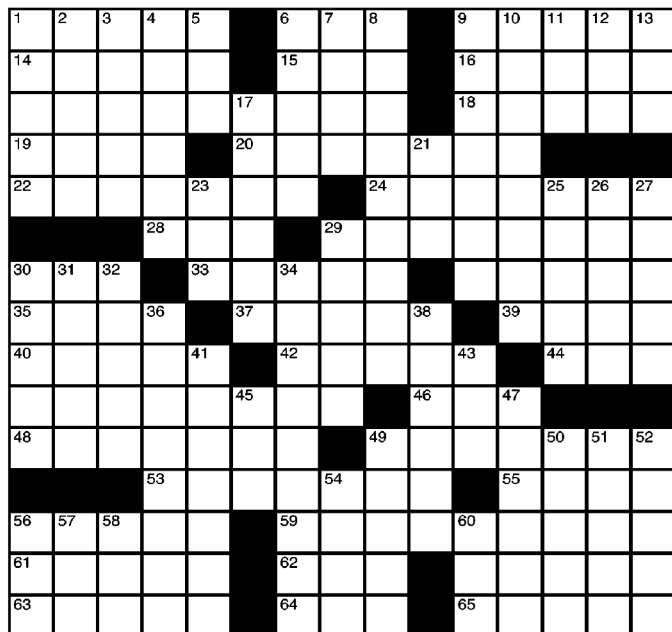
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THE DAILY CROSSWORD

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9 While-_: repair shop sign words
14 Art critic's phrase, literally
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18 "10" co-star
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20 Pamplona's municipality
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24 Israeli border lake
28 "Doubt it"
29 Theme park near Dallas, literally
30 "Conan" channel
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35 Giants manager before Bochy
37 Like non-oyster months, traditionally
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40 Changes one's ways, literally
42 "The Deep" director Peter
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By Peter Koetters

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Thursday's Puzzle Solved



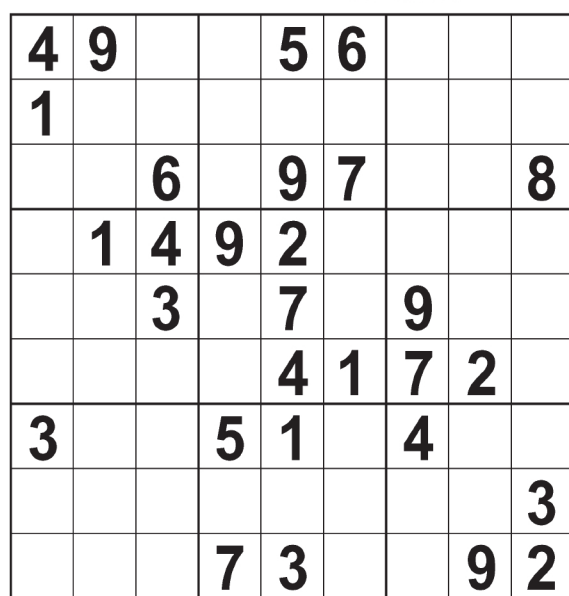
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DOWN

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3 Prophetess
4 Longtime Dodger manager
5 Still
6 Whale of a guy?
7 Half of MCDX
8 Most constant
9 Kite aid
10 Cajoled
11 Whistle blower?
12 Key for Fauré?
13 "For shame!"
17 Run at the end
21 "Toy Story" dinosaur
23 Highland lid
25 Ancient Germanic invader
26 Even, in Évian
27 Valuable team member
29 Field unit
30 Byes
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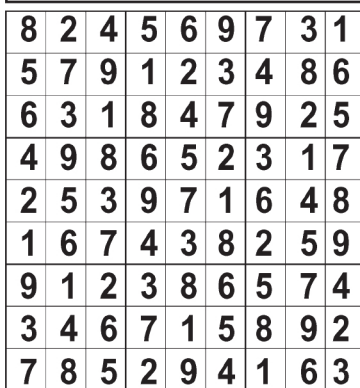
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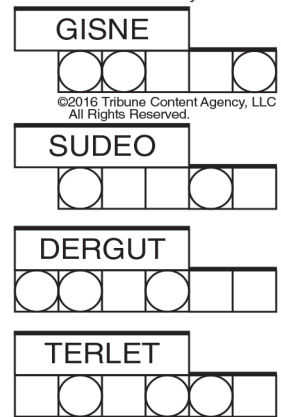


HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

JUMBLE

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



Yesterday's Jumbles: LEVEL ABATE OPENLY WIZARD
Answer: They wanted an affordable home, but the one they looked at didn't — "ABODE" WELL

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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