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Answer to Previous Puzzle

amount
39 Grant
40 Poison ivy
symptom
41 Airline to
Stockholm
42 Kennel
user
44 Cooked in
oil
47 Lettuce
buys
51 Super-
man's
mother
52 Auel
heroin
55 Woolly
animal
56 Spoken
57 Tea leaves
reader
58 Virus
infection
59 Writes
60 Leg joint
61 Perch

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5 Friar's title	29 Family man
6 Operate	30 Country
7 "Shogun"	addr.
apparel	31 Gross!
8 Horror flick	34 Chasm
extra	39 Heel
9 Butler,	41 Water-
to Gable	proofs
10 Blast	43 Windy City
furnace	airport
inputs	44 Dud
11 Snarl	46 Unusual
19 Making do	45 Persia, now
20 Proof ender	48 Pet shop
22 Dials	sounds
23 Healed, as	49 Surrealist
a bone	painter
24 In a jiffy	50 Chimney
25 Not out of	dirt
26 Baez or	52 Invite
Rivers	53 Desire
28 Diploma	54 Harper
possessor	or Stan

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A cartoon illustration by Tom B. Baker. Two men are seated at a table. The man on the left, wearing a light-colored shirt, is looking down at a smartphone in his hands. The man on the right, wearing a dark polo shirt, is eating from a plate of food with a fork. On the table, there is a glass of water, a plate of food, a bowl of soup with a spoon, and two small containers. The signature 'TOM B. BAKER' is in the bottom left corner.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020
Settle down and give yourself a chance to put a strategy in place. Try to shed what is no longer working and replace it with something better. Make this a year of transition. Slow down and take the time to do things properly.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
-- Keep your emotions under control and your thoughts practical. Overreacting will hold you back. If you look for the positive, you'll discover the best way to move forward.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
-- Don't give in to a bully or to emotional manipulation. If you have reservations about someone, back away and take care of matters on your own. It's better to be safe than sorry.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Spend time with people you can learn from, not with those who continually want something from you. A self-improvement project will get

good results. A spa day will ease stress.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Too much or too little will be problematic. Don't put yourself in financial jeopardy. Don't spend more than you can afford and don't feel compelled to impress someone.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- A physical challenge will keep you on your toes. Don't take an unnecessary risk. Associate with people who inspire and encourage you. Share your plans with someone you want to work alongside.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Channel your energy into nurturing meaningful relationships. Home improvements that fit your lifestyle will add to your convenience and give you more time to share with a loved one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Take a look at what you've accomplished and what's still on your to-do list. Align yourself with people who can provide what you lack and be part of an unbeatable team.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Make adjustments that will result in a better life. If you

HOW TO SPLIT UP LANGUAGE AND CARDS

At a dinner in New York, Mark Twain said, "A verb has a hard time enough of it in this world when it's all together. It's downright inhuman to split it up." To what was he referring? Probably, like me, you thought it was the split infinitive. Some writers are happy to boldly split the infinitive, where others refuse to go. But actually Twain was talking about German. He claimed that one part of the verb is put down here, one part over yonder, and German is just shoveled in between!

On today's deal, North-South bid to six clubs. After West led the heart queen, declarer won with dummy's king and played a club to his ace. When West discarded a heart, South thought, "Nein, we did not miss sieben Treff." How did declarer continue?

take action first, everyone who counts will follow. Set the standard and live up to your promises.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Do what works best for you. Don't let anyone disrupt your plans or life. Remain focused and intent on reaching your goal. Know your worth, and don't settle for less.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Take what's said at face value. Verify any information you receive before you pass it along or make a change based on what you are led to believe. Romance is featured.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Pay it forward. Offer assistance and understanding to someone in need. A new relationship will develop that has the potential to lead to a serious commitment.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- If you listen and observe, you'll pick up on a vibe someone is sending you. You'll be attracted to someone very different from yourself. Romance is in the stars.

South cashed the spade king and diamond ace, ruffed a diamond on the board and took the spade ace, discarding a diamond from his hand. Now came the spade queen, which East ruffed with the club seven. Declarer overruffed with the nine, cashed the heart ace and ruffed a heart on the board. East ruffed the next top spade with the club eight, and South overruffed with the queen. South trumped a diamond with dummy's club king, his 11th trick.

East was left with the club jack-four; South had the diamond jack and club six. The lead of a spade from the dummy allowed declarer to score his club six with a coup en passant.

"You managed to nicely play the cards," complimented North.

		North	03-24-20
		♠ A Q 10 8 5 4	
		♥ K 2	
		♦ 6	
		♣ K 10 5 3	
West		East	
♠ 7 6 3 2		♠ J 9	
♥ Q J 10 7 5		♥ 8 6 3	
♦ K Q 10 7		♦ 9 5 4	
♣ —		♣ J 8 7 4 2	
		South	
		♠ K	
		♥ A 9 4	
		♦ A J 8 3 2	
		♣ A Q 9 6	
Dealer: North			
Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
		1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♣	Pass
6♣	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♥ Q			