



Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1. Babysitter | ___ _ _ N _ _ | Mrs. Reagan | ___ _ _ C _ _ |
| 2. Travolta movie | G _ _ _ _ _ | Pleat | C _ _ _ _ _ |
| 3. The very edge | ___ _ _ N _ _ | Refreshing | ___ _ _ S _ _ |
| 4. Hardy's buddy | ___ _ _ _ _ L | Supermodel Hutton | ___ _ _ _ _ N |
| 5. Echo | ___ _ P _ _ _ | Cook in the microwave | ___ _ H _ _ _ |
| 6. Norris or Connors | ___ H _ _ _ _ | Chicken coop sound | ___ L _ _ _ _ |
| 7. Perforate | ___ _ _ _ C _ | South Dakota capital | ___ _ _ _ R _ |
| 8. Let down | L _ _ _ _ _ | Lawn cutter | M _ _ _ _ _ |
| 9. French city | ___ _ _ I _ _ | Hair divisions | ___ _ _ T _ _ |
| 10. Sweepstakes | ___ A _ _ _ _ | Tousle one's feathers | ___ U _ _ _ _ |

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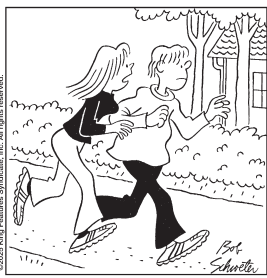
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 6-box square contains all of the numbers from one to six.

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!



"Just think, as soon as you get enough money to buy a car, we can give up _____."

Mystery
GEMANI _ _ _ _ _
Grim
CARTIG _ _ _ _ _
Pick
NOJAB _ _ _ _ _
Strong
OUGHT _ _ _ _ _

TODAY'S WORD

Micro Crossword

By Elizabeth C. Gorski

Across

- 1 Part of "TGIF!"
4 Birth-related
7 "A House Is Not ___"
(Luther Vandross hit single)
8 Almost out of
9 Vichyssoise vegetables

1	2	3		
4			5	6
7				
8				
9				

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Down

- 1 Completely
2 Lake near Stateline, Nevada

- 3 "Revenge" star Madeleine
5 Out of control
6 Periscope part



What do you think of that new diner on the moon?
Food was good, but there really wasn't much atmosphere.

Why did the dinosaur cross the road? Because the chicken wasn't born yet.

Why can't Elsa from Frozen have a balloon? Because she will "let it go, let it go."

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: What was the name of the dog on "The Brady Bunch"?
- U.S. CITIES: Which major U.S. city was called Yerba Buena until 1847?
- GEOGRAPHY: Where is Bryce Canyon National Park located?
- HISTORY: Where did the Renaissance begin?
- MOVIES: What is the nickname of the serial killer in "The Silence of the Lambs"?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the 20th president of the United States?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many amendments are in the United States' Bill of Rights?
- ASTRONOMY: What type of galaxy is the Milky Way?
- MUSIC: Which rock band sings the theme song to "The Big Bang Theory"?
- LITERATURE: What is the last name of the family in "Little Women"?



- Which artist wrote and released "Together Again"?
- Who released "We Are the Champions"?
- Alan O'Day is best known for which song?
- Which Beatle wrote and released "All Those Years Ago"?
- Name the song that contains this lyric: "I want you to tell me why you walked out on me, I'm so lonesome every day."

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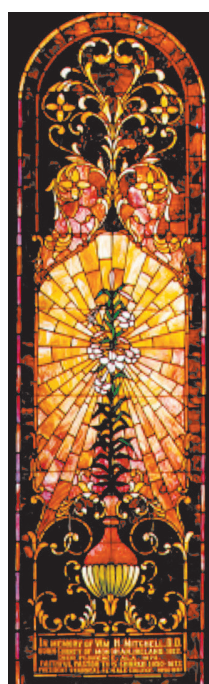
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The Story Of A Window

First, look carefully at the accompanying photograph of a stained glass window. It is exceptionally beautiful and exquisitely crafted in a handsome overall design and carefully-chosen colors. This large piece of visual art is one of several such windows in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church in downtown Florence. Along with its beauty, the story behind it is absolutely fascinating. It was presented to the church by the late Judge J.J. Mitchell, for whom the stretch of road from South Court Street to the O'Neal Bridge is named. The Judge gave the window in memory of his father, Rev. W.H. Mitchell, who was First Presbyterian's minister for twenty years (1851-1871), which included, of course, the years of the Civil War.



On a Sunday morning in July, 1862, some Union troops were in the assembly while Rev. Mitchell was in his pulpit. During the course of that assembly, Rev. Mitchell prayed for the welfare of the Confederate troops. After a tense time-lapse, Colonel John M. Harlan of the 10th Kentucky (Union) Regiment moved to the pulpit and arrested Rev. Mitchell. He was marched all the way down Court Street to the river and escorted onto a boat. After disembarking from the boat on the Colbert County side of the river, he was forced to march to the rail line in Tuscumbia, board a train and travel to Alton, Illinois, where he was incarcerated in a Federal prison, remaining there for several months before his release. While he was away, his wife and children were left behind in the family home known as "Wakefield," at 450 North Court Street. Descendants of Rev. Mitchell still live locally today.

--Billy Warren, City Historian (brwarren@florenceal.org)

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ecclesiastes (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Which book could be summarized, "God will hold us accountable for all our actions"? *Daniel, Hosea, Zephaniah, Haggai*
3. From Genesis 28, who had the vision of angels going up and down a ladder reaching into heaven? *Joseph, Ahab, Ehud, Jacob*
4. What does Paul say is the supreme gift of the Spirit to believers? *Faith, Love, Holiness, Eternity*
5. From Genesis 19, where did Lot encounter an angel? *Wilderness spring, City gate, New temple, Tent door*
6. Where did Jesus turn water into wine? *Bethany, Nazareth, Cana, Gethsemane*



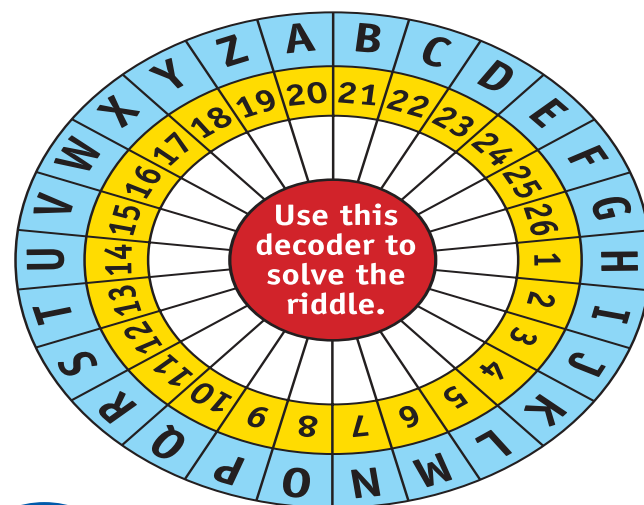
by Ryan A. Berenz

1. Pitcher Larry Sherry, 1959 World Series MVP, and his brother, catcher Norm Sherry, played together on what Major League Baseball team from 1959-62?
2. Woody Strode, who played for the NFL's Los Angeles Rams (1946) and the CFL's Calgary Stampeders (1948-49), received a Golden Globe Award nomination for his acting role in what 1960 gladiator movie?
3. What two-sport pro athlete played with the NBA's Los Angeles Lakers and San Francisco Warriors (1964-65), and Major League Baseball's Chicago White Sox (1967) and Minnesota Twins (1969-70)?
4. Julie Krone became the first female to win a Triple Crown race when she jockeyed what horse to victory at the 1993 Belmont Stakes?
5. Name the Ukrainian boxer who became the first undisputed world heavyweight champion in 24 years when he beat Tyson Fury in May 2024.
6. What is the nickname of the University of Delaware's athletic teams?
7. What multinational sports entertainment franchise was founded in 2000 by twin brothers Steve and Dave Joliffe?

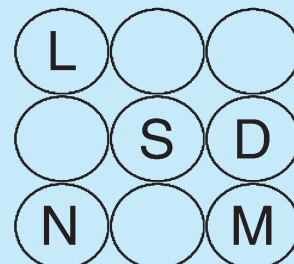
SECRET CODE

What part of a fish weighs the most?

13	1	24		12	22	20	5	24	12
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WORD SPIRAL



Fill in the missing letters to reveal the nine-letter word that starts at one of the four corners and moves clockwise around the perimeter before ending in the center.
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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

	+		×		=42			
+		-		+				
	+		×	7	=70			
÷		×		-				
	+		+		=15			
=		=		=				
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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CryptoQuip

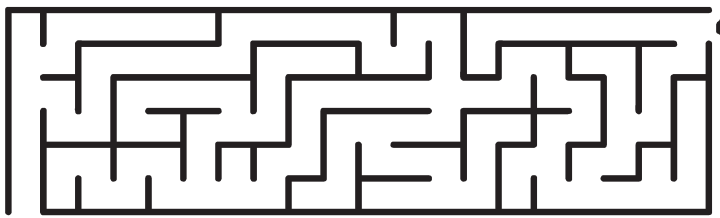
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: K equals F

IVMB NVYZCL AYZ OMCC MQ
MDFA YKKXOHD IVY CXEHN
OYDQ FYDH BVMQ MQA YBVHD
KYYL? CXHZBHQM QB EHDQHC.

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Kids' Maze

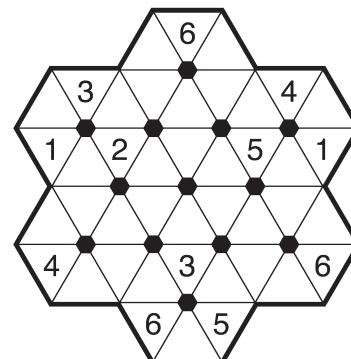


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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦ Difficult

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Brain Zone! ANSWERS



1. Singer-songwriter Buck Owens, in 1964. The song was later covered by several others, including Ray Charles, Emmylou Harris and Vince Gill.
2. Queen, in 1977, as the A-side to "We Will Rock You." The song, written by Freddie Mercury, is often played at sports arenas to celebrate home team wins.
3. "Undercover Angel," in 1977. But O'Day is mostly known for writing hits for other artists. Among many others, he penned "Angie Baby" for Helen Reddy.
4. George Harrison, in 1981. The lyrics were complete, but Harrison rewrote it as a tribute to John Lennon after Lennon was murdered in 1980.
5. "Walk Right Back," by The Everly Brothers, in 1961. The song was recorded before it was finished being written. Anxious to get it released, they sang the first verse twice.

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Word Spiral Answer
LANDMINES

- ## Even Exchange answers
- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Nanny, Nancy | 6. Chuck, Cluck |
| 2. Grease, Crease | 7. Pierce, Pierre |
| 3. Brink, Brisk | 8. Lower, Mower |
| 4. Laurel, Lauren | 9. Paris, Parts |
| 5. Repeat, Reheat | 10. Raffle, Ruffle |

Micro Crossword Answer

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N	A	T	A
A	H	O	M
L	O	W	O
L	E	E	K

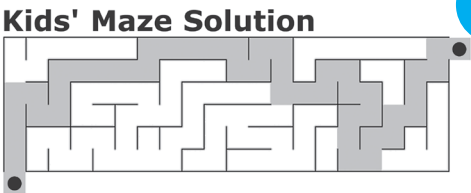
BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Zephaniah, 3) Jacob, 4) Love, 5) City gate, 6) Cana

More than 1,200 brand-new trivia questions in Wilson Casey's latest book "Quest for Bible Knowledge" available in bookstores and online.

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. Tiger.
2. San Francisco.
3. Utah.
4. Florence, Italy.
5. Buffalo Bill.
6. James A. Garfield.
7. The first 10 amendments (of 27 date).
8. Spiral.
9. Barenaked Ladies.
10. March.

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4	+	3	×	6	=	42
+		-		+		
8	+	2	×	7	=	70
÷		×		-		
1	+	5	+	9	=	15
=		=		=		
12		5		4		

SECRET CODE

What part of a fish weighs the most?
The Scales

Answer

2	6	4	3	5	1
1	3	5	4	2	6
5	1	3	6	4	2
6	4	2	1	3	5
4	2	1	5	6	3
3	5	6	2	1	4

Sports QUIZ

by Ryan A. Berenz

1. The Los Angeles Dodgers.
2. ?Spartacus.?
3. Cotton Nash.
4. Colonial Affair.
5. Oleksandr Usyk.
6. The Fightin' Blue Hens.
7. Topgolf.

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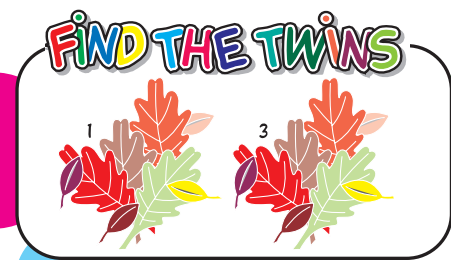
CryptoQuip answer

What should you call an army officer who likes corn more than any other food? Lieutenant Kernel.

SCRAMBLERS solution

1. Enigma; 2. Tragic; 3. Banjo; 4. Tough

Today's Word JOGGING



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