

CABIN FEVER

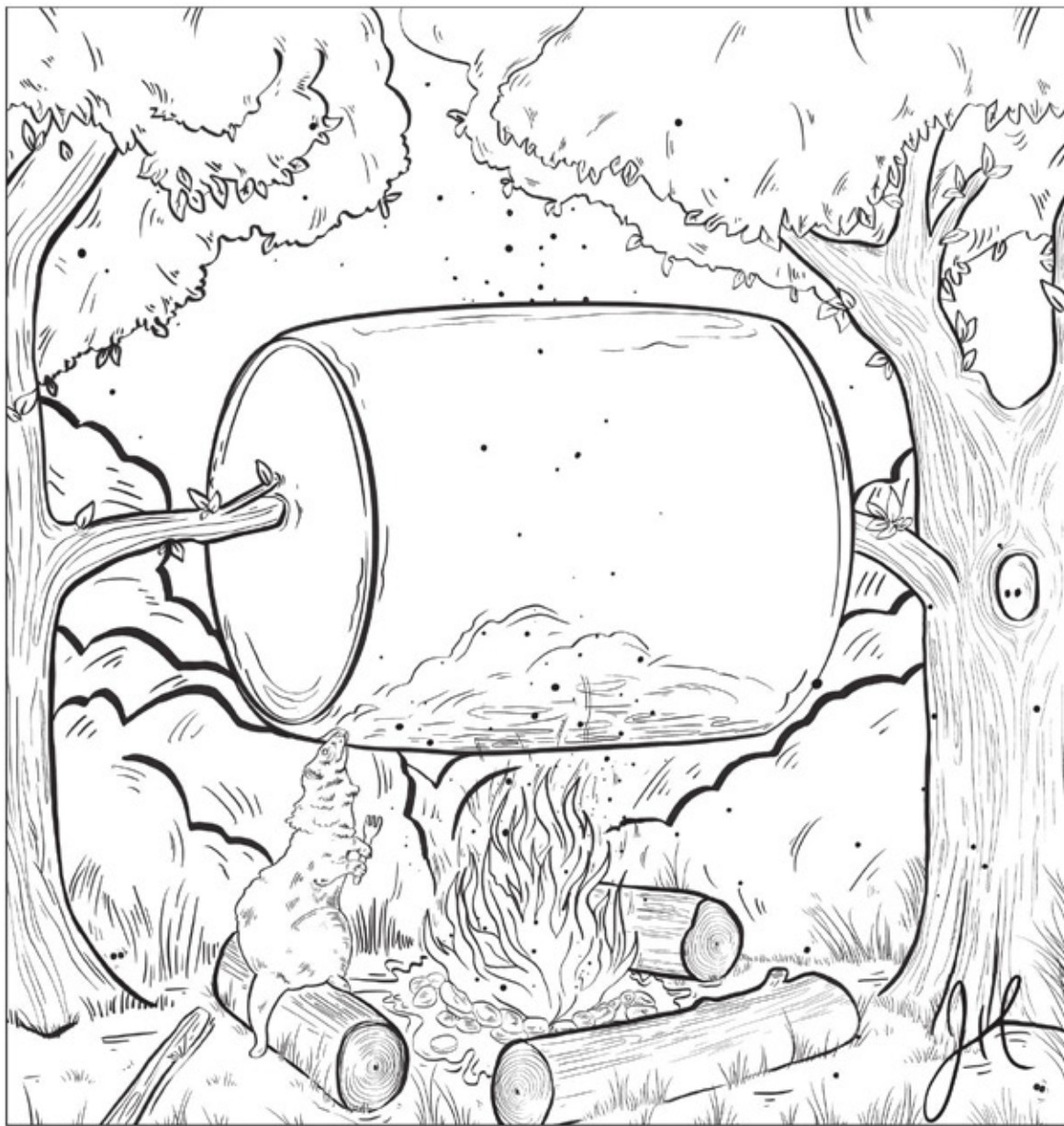
COLOR THERAPY

With art
by
**JERUSHA
LAUREN**



Color
and WIN
PRIZES!

AND PUZZLES!



MEET THE ARTIST: Jerusha Lauren

BY ALX STEVENS

Here's Winston, a fiery red and yellow tiny hummingbird perched on a pale white branch, his glistening small black eye directed ... on what? Or was he come upon by surprise?

Winston was conceived suddenly, a moment of lucidity in a frenzied haze, sketched amidst the demands of the day, and named after a character on the TV show *New Girl*.

He is the face of Jerusha Lauren's website and business.

In contrast, Lauren's career came about gradually, a bit reluctantly, with much tenacity.

Lauren's first professional sale was a large charcoal portrait of a messy haired "wild" little boy, features struck in light or shrouded in shadow, likely drawn in art class. The piece sold for about \$500.

"It absolutely blew me away, because I didn't think my work had any worth quite yet," said Lauren.



She hesitated showing her art after that, but an art teacher submitted Lauren's art on her behalf into competitions. Piece after piece won. Newspapers and magazines started paying attention.

Her business was created through a year and a half in the spare hours outside a full-time job: on lunch breaks, until 2 a.m., at 5 a.m. before work.

"I think my biggest understanding of becoming an artist is there's very few people that make it and it's mostly about ... the connections that allow you

to progress as an artist," said Lauren. "Anybody can make art, (but) if they just keep it in their house it's not going to become a career."

Lauren warmly recalled creating her first piece of art when she was about 6 years old. Outside towering cathedrals, surrounded by roses, Lauren and her father drew the posed statues before them.

"I love doing portraits and I think that's one of my better skill sets," said Lauren. "(But) I don't do it very often. I feel I am trying to capture a feeling and when I try to express it in a portrait it's less visible."

Instead, Lauren brought in colors and fun activities relatable to emotions, like with Patunia, the soft, purple llama sporting a dusty pink fanny-pack and adorned pastel-colored beaded jewelry, who appeared on the Sept. 16 cover of *Boise Weekly* and symbolizes Lauren's enjoyment of travel. The majority of her work is a blend of capturing a person and representing them whimsically with an animal. She memorializes moments of compassion, and gentle innocence.

Lauren is now offering her art to *Boise Weekly* readers in a new coloring section of the paper, with the hope to inspire a feeling of togetherness. Her piece "The Charolette Apartments," featured on page 11, embodies the current environment of residents waiting to go outside "and enjoy the day again."

"Not every adventure will be easy, but what comes to us, in the end, is worth the wait," Lauren said. "I just hope that people can find some peace in their lives and enjoy my work as much as I do."

Now 21, Lauren is two years into her full-time career as a Boise-based graphic artist and illustrator. Lauren's radiant animals and sensitive portraits have decorated traffic boxes; brightened a fence in the Linen District; colored the cover of *Boise Weekly*; popped up in hair salons; and distinguished business branding. Like Winston, each piece is a story, offering messages of beauty. Lauren says she is grateful for the good people who helped make this her reality.

"People are so important to have in your life, and what's better than everybody laughing and hanging out together?" Lauren said. "I think the biggest thing in life is to be kind. It opens up such beautiful doors that you would never know were there, and you just have to walk through them."

Color and WIN PRIZES!

We at *Boise Weekly* know that the pandemic has been tough. Your favorite restaurants, bars and hangouts have largely shut their doors, and the thought of binge-watching yet another TV show is almost too much to bear. That's why we've included in our pages a coloring activity featuring original art. Use Crayons, colored pencils, pastels, what have you, to fill in the blank spaces, then be sure to participate in our contest!

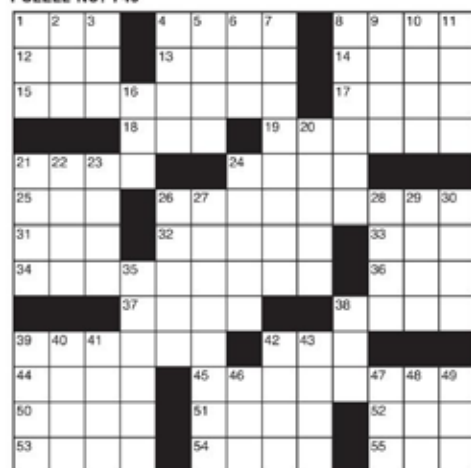
THE RULES ARE SIMPLE. Take a picture of your best coloring work and share it on Instagram with the hashtag #boiseweeklypic! Jerusha, the artist, will decide the winners. The first-, second- and third-place winners will be featured in *BW*'s Page Break section, and will also be notified of how to claim their prizes.

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CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

1. Liveliness
4. Las Vegas machine
8. Unexpected slide
12. Affirmative vote
13. Bare
14. Feel sorry for
15. Trousseau item
17. Single time
18. Had a bagel
19. Whinnies
21. Agile
24. Operate a phone
25. Mine deposit
26. Trying

31. _____ horse
32. Get up
33. One chosen at random
34. Rivals
36. Connecting link
37. Crow's bill
38. Reno items
39. Church officials
42. This girl
44. Anchored marker
45. Current feature
50. Diamond part
51. Back part
52. Talk fondly

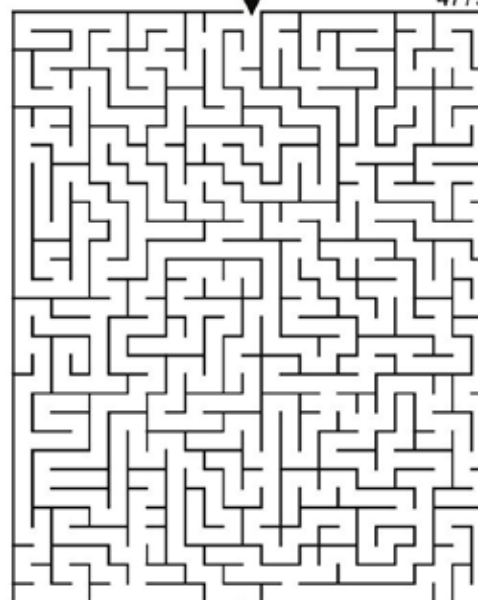
DOWN

1. Tin _____
2. Needle aperture
3. Wooden pin
4. Bad mood
5. Winter Olympics event
6. Verse poem
7. Smallest
8. Ruins

9. _____ Kong
10. Scratch
11. Fabric pigments
16. Reclined
20. Slackens
21. All right
22. Kind of school
23. Gather a harvest
24. Cocktail
26. Of sounder mind
27. Government funds locale
28. Fortune
29. Entity
30. Corrosive liquids
35. Heeded
38. Crib
39. Lessens
40. Hawaiian feast
41. Medicine measure
42. Heavenly body
43. Cornet or trumpet
46. Round vegetable
47. Deed
48. In addition
49. Long timespan

Minute Maze

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Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

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2.
3. Glance

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AAAAAAA
THORN

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.

" MKBGAM DJ K TEBB LADVG MCKM
IDBB REM AUMCDAF EABGJJ DM DJ
IDGBTGT IDMC FOGKM VUORG. "
— JMGXCGA LDAF

TODAY'S CLUE: O svenbe n

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UP & DOWN Words™

By David L. Hoyt and Russell L. Hoyt

1. DIRTY
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
7. WINNER

CLUES

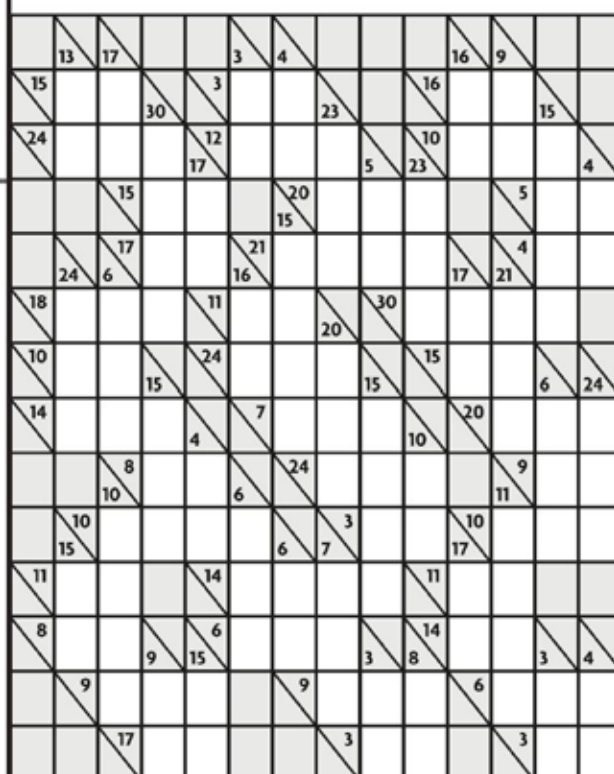
1. Disgusted glance
2. Be alert
3. Reason to hit the brakes
4. _____ the clock
5. House's rear entrance
6. Partygoer's reward
7. Nobel laureate, for example

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KAKURO

How to solve:

Kakuro is a crossword that uses numbers. The "clues" are in the small triangles. The answers contain the numbers 1 through 9. The numbers in an answer must add up to the clue. However, no number can be duplicated in an answer.



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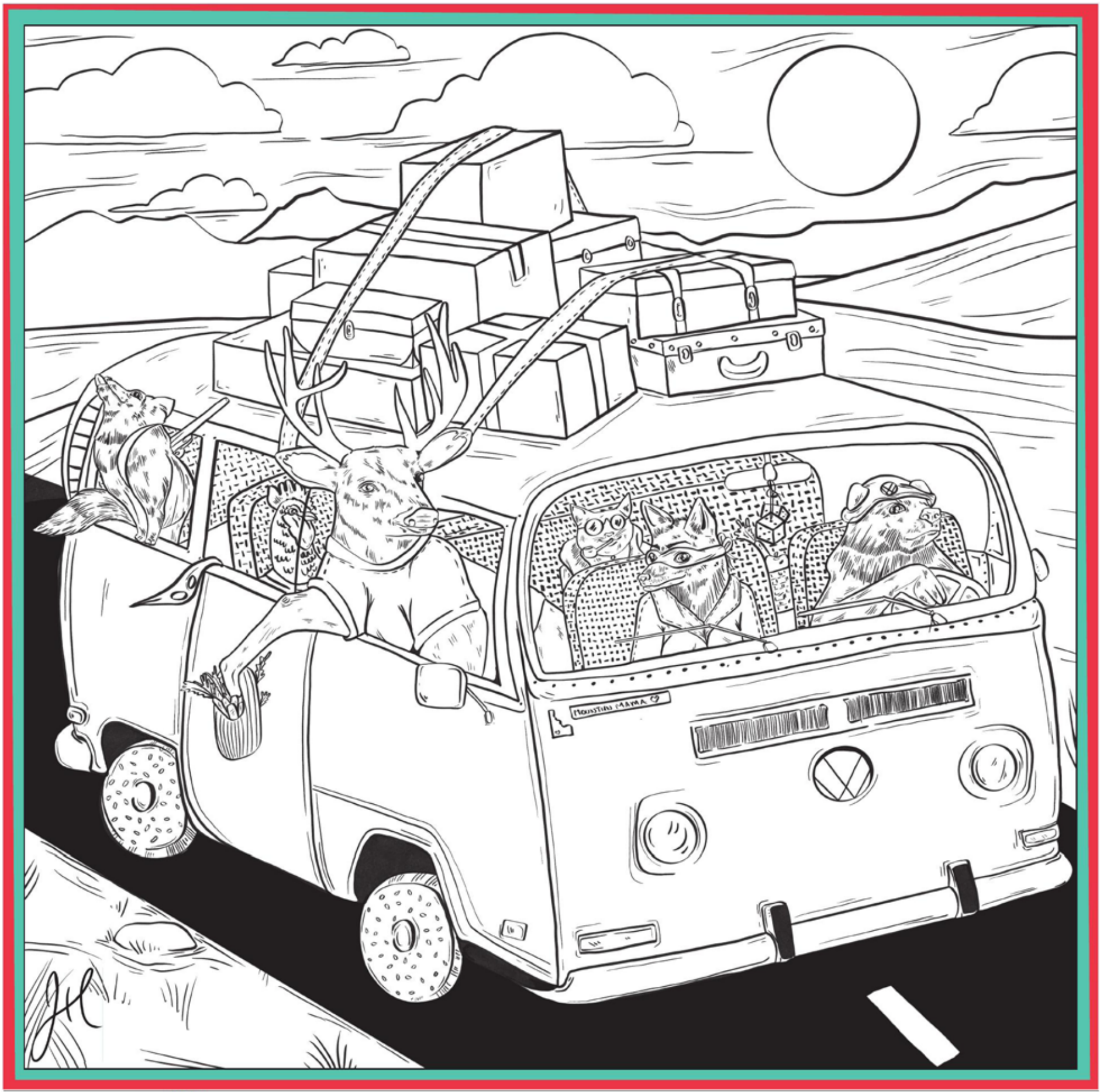
RULES

1. Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 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.

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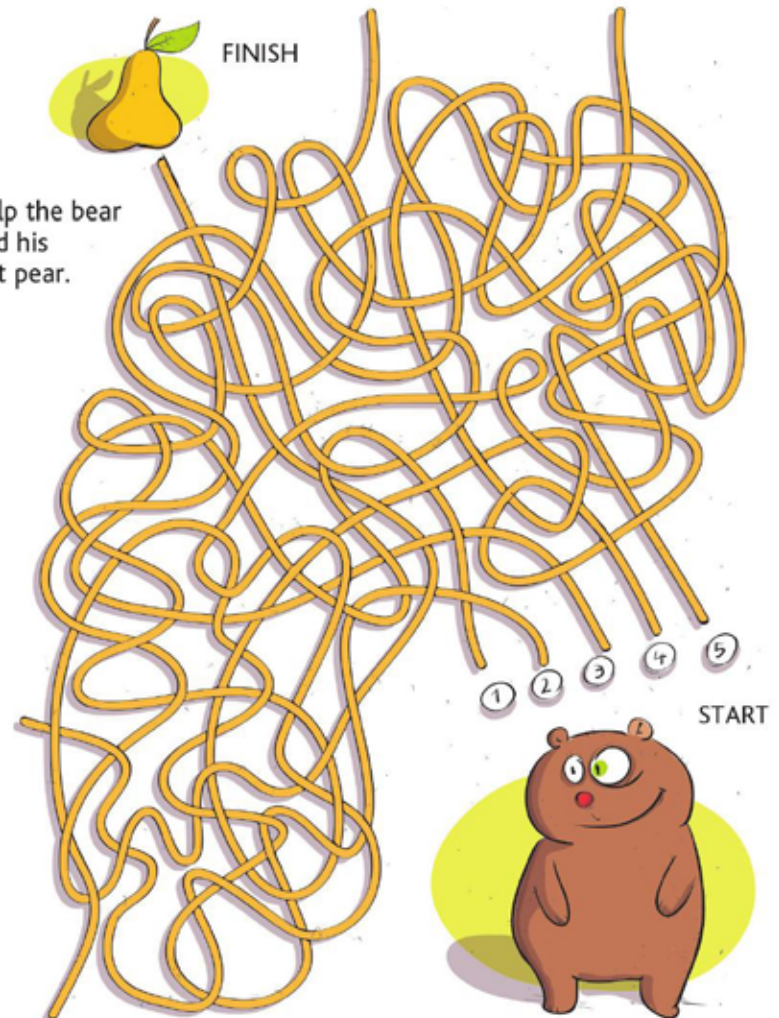
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Help the bear
find his
lost pear.



START

ANSWER: 4

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CELEBRITY CIPHER

UP & DOWN Words™

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1. <u>DIRTY</u>	↗	<u>LOOK</u>
2. <u>LOOK</u>	↗	<u>SHARP</u>
3. <u>SHARP</u>	↗	<u>TURN</u>
4. <u>TURN</u>	↗	<u>BACK</u>
5. <u>BACK</u>	↗	<u>DOOR</u>
6. <u>DOOR</u>	↗	<u>PRIZE</u>
7. <u>PRIZE</u>	↗	<u>WINNER</u>

20x	1-	3	12+
4	5	2	1
3	1	4	2
3-	34x	5-	
5	3	6	4
12+	2-	6+	
2	4	3	6
6	2	1	5
7+	2-	2-	4
1	6	5	3
		2	4

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