

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.

“ K X Z P C ’ T J P Y E C B T L Z A , A X Z

L A Q Z L L C L L J X G T J P D J G L . . . C A X C P R

C A ’ L T U P Y A G Q Y B Q Z Y W A C J P A J P J A

Z O A Z Q P Y B C V Z A X C P D L . ” — U J Q D J L

B Y P A X C T J L

Previous Solution: “It’s a very volatile industry by nature ... And I’ve always kind of tried to ride that wave as opposed to fight it.” — Seth Rogen

TODAY’S CLUE: *H spanbæ x*

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ACROSS

1 Cheer from the bleachers

4 Fail

8 Opening for coins

12 Application

13 Earring site

14 Walk in the woods

15 Depot (Abbr.)

16 Leave

17 “— — for All Seasons”

18 Book’s name

20 Compositions

22 Snapshot

23 Decompose

24 Unsettling

27 Powerful beam

31 Crucifix

32 Contain

34 Down Under bird

35 “Much — About Nothing”

36 Heap

37 Fail to mention

38 Thin cookie

40 Muppet frog

42 Giant bird of legend

44 Klutz

45 Angel

48 Bouquet tosser

51 Genus of sheep

52 Neutral color

55 Negative vote

56 Party

57 Seven —

58 Common verb

59 War god

60 Camp shelter

61 Old Ford model

DOWN

1 Iron corrosion

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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

2 Italian wine region

3 Tolerant of extreme temperatures

4 Swindle

5 Smoked salmon

6 Kimono accessory

7 Actor — Dinklage

8 Peak in the Cascades

9 — bean

10 Approve

11 Sawbucks

19 Told a tale

21 Auctioneer’s cry

24 Concluding musical passage

25 — Beta Kappa

26 Egg yellow

28 Playoff match

29 Send forth

30 Furrow

31 Cold and wet

33 Actor — Pace

36 Supporting piece

37 — Khayyam

39 Effaces

41 Strong

43 Thorax

45 Couch

46 Always

47 — of passage

49 Flit

50 Looked at

53 So-so grade

54 Operated

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ASTROGRAPH

By Eugenia Last

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Live and learn. How you succeed depends on what you know. Learning from experience and mistakes will teach you not to take anything or anyone for granted. Immerse yourself in situations that test you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Be a dreamer and let your imagination run wild. What you discover about your relationships will help set the stage for how you engage and who you offer your time and help to in the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Don't let anger surface when it's up to you to make your dreams come true and to choose what makes you happy. Pay attention to how you look, feel and treat others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Think before you push forward. An emotional twist will leave you questioning what's best for you. A change of heart, position or reputation is looking good.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Reason your

way through any questionable situation you face today. Weigh the pros and cons, and think twice before making an investment or purchase that may put you in debt.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Use intelligence when dealing with contracts, investments or legal matters. Put your emotions and anger aside so you can do what's best for everyone. Knowing what you can live with will make life easier.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Being pampered will point you in the right direction if you don't overspend. It's on you to take responsibility for your happiness. Address physical and financial situations that are weighing you down.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — An innovative idea will change how others view you. Don't be afraid to speak your mind and to offer suggestions. Discipline will be necessary regarding domestic affairs and your personal habits.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Be good to yourself. Relax, consider your options and begin your day with a plan and a smile. Put your energy where it counts, and earn the right to enjoy your weekend without the weight of unfinished business.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Let's get this party started. Be the social butterfly who leads. Speak passionately about your intentions, and find out who is a candidate to come along for the ride.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Ponder your next steps before deciding what to do first. The order in which you do things will have an impact on the results. Listen and observe before you get started.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Look before you leap. Patience and planning are necessary to avoid insult or injury. A change of plans may be in your best interest, but don't expect others to join in if you force your objective on them.

DEAR ANNIE

By Annie Lane

Dear Annie: I hesitate to write this because I've never seen anything like this subject in your column. I am a grown woman, mom and grandmother and still have a "blanky." When I come home from work and walk in my bedroom and see the piece of the silk end, I immediately feel relaxed. I know this sounds crazy, but it gives me comfort.

I wouldn't call it a problem — more of an insecurity, maybe? I sleep with it, but it stays in my bedroom. I swear I'm a normal person! But I wonder if other grown adults have a childhood habit they still do today. — Still Need My Blanky

Dear Still Need My Blanky: Plenty of adults keep some version of a childhood comfort object tucked away; they just don't often write in about it. Yours happens to still be in daily use, but that's the only real difference.

Unless it's holding you back from living your life or causing distress when it's, say, in the wash or otherwise unavailable, then I'd let go of this insecurity. Comfort objects are more common than you think.

Dear Annie: My high school best friend and I have slowly grown apart, and I'm struggling to figure out whether this is a friendship worth trying to save or one I should graciously let go.

We were inseparable in high school and remained close for years, but somewhere along the way, we changed. We're now in very different stages of life, and I've realized that our values and outlooks on some important things no longer align. I don't expect my friends to agree with me on everything, but lately, the differences feel significant enough that I'm questioning whether we still have the foundation for a healthy friendship.

A couple of years ago, we had a major disagreement involving my long-term boyfriend, who is now my husband. She made strong judgments about him without really knowing him. Although we eventually moved past the argument, I don't think our friendship ever fully recovered.

Now I only see her every few months, and when I do, it often feels more obligatory than enjoyable. I'm also hesitant to bring her around my husband because I worry about making things awkward. She sometimes makes me feel guilty for not seeing her more, even though I feel like I'm usually the one reaching out and making plans.

I feel guilty because she was once one of the most important people in my life. We have so much history, and part of me wonders if I'm giving up on a friendship that deserves another chance. But another part of me wonders if I'm holding onto it because of who we used to be, rather than who we are today.

I don't want a dramatic, falling out or a brutal cutoff. I just don't want to spend the next several years forcing plans and feeling guilty about a friendship that no longer feels natural.

Can I let this friendship quietly fade, or do I owe her an honest conversation before stepping away? If I do decide to let go, how can I do it graciously without making her feel

abandoned or turning years of friendship into an ugly ending? — Outgrowing a Friendship

Dear Outgrowing: Not every friendship that lasts a long time is meant to last a lifetime. Sometimes people simply grow in different directions.

Since this was once such an important friendship, I'd opt for a little honesty over simply fading away. Tell her gently that you feel you've grown apart and that forcing the friendship out of guilt isn't fair to either of you. Maybe that conversation will remind you both why you became friends in the first place and give you a chance to build a different kind of friendship now. Maybe it won't, and that's OK, too. Either way, you won't be left wondering if you gave up too soon.

"Out of Bounds: Estrangement, Boundaries and the Search for Forgiveness" is out now! Annie Lane's third anthology is for anyone who has lived with anger, estrangement or the deep ache of being wronged — because forgiveness isn't for them. It's for you.

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