

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 R Z T F N K F B T P J P X X R U G R A R V X C T P X G ; G C T I R X T A R V G X A G R G P B T F G R V G , G C T I R X T H P F J P J L S K R R L A R V E T G . ” — X P F J T X I P X F P X F K B T

Previous Solution: “Life sometimes separates people so that they can realize how much they mean to each other.” — Paulo Coelho

TODAY'S CLUE: *S sñabø N*

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ACROSS

1 Psychedelic drug

4 Red planet

8 Molt

12 Expert

13 Norse god

14 Body of laws

15 Water barrier

16 Be in a funk

17 Gigantic

18 “Of — and Men”

20 Extreme

22 Get brown in the sun

23 Wheel part

24 New business venture

28 Nuisance

31 Fastener

32 Fish eggs

34 Extremely popular

36 Curved letter

37 The present

38 Toy blocks brand

39 Sharp

42 Usual

44 Central point

46 Tiny colonist

47 Pancake mixture

50 Coral ridge

52 Rajah's wife

53 Apparel

55 Liquor

57 — the Red

58 List-ending abbr.

59 Big bird

60 Remove, in printing

61 Domesticated

62 Rep.'s opponent

DOWN

1 Boy

2 Con game

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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

3 Small coffee cup

4 Instant

5 “Much — About Nothing”

6 Rends

7 Snide look

8 Devious plan

9 Time of day

10 Brink

11 Poor grade

19 Complain

21 Big cheese

24 That girl

25 Thing to be done

26 Samovar

27 “— Things”

29 Protected from bad weather

30 Ancient garment

33 Sheep

35 Rocky hill

38 “Clair de —”

40 Lure

41 Fanatical one

43 Mix up

45 Father

47 Unclothed

48 Dye plant

49 Pro —

51 Be in a rage

52 Crimson

54 Farm denizen

56 Not talking

ASTROGRAPH

By Eugenia Last

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Rearrange and move things around to better accommodate your plans. Put some thought into money management and how you use your skills for your personal benefit.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Change that you make for the right reasons will benefit you. Don't let ego or emotions drive your decisions. Take care of business firsthand for best results.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Emotional situations will arise if you set unreasonable expectations or try to help someone who isn't willing to help themselves. Others will be too eager to take advantage of you if you let them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Taking on too much will tax you mentally and physically. Rearrange your space to make life easier, and adjust your routine to ensure you have enough time to rest and rejuvenate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Study and plan, and execute your next move. If possible, a secretive approach is favored. Follow your heart. Don't be in a hurry to announce yourself or your intentions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Put a little elbow grease into the mix, and you'll reach your goal. Discipline and hard work will lead to results you can be proud of. Avoid emotional spending or paying for someone else's mistake.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Keep your eyes fixated on what's meaningful. Put relationships first and refuse to let outsiders interfere with your personal life. When in doubt, observe. Time is on your side.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Learning is your path to positive change. Consider what makes you happy and head in that direction. Gravitate toward people who share your beliefs, standards and lifestyle.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Put in extra hours, work from home and promote a productive week. Make plans to incorporate a healthy schedule, including time for exercise and to address your dietary needs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Reserve judgment. Take the time to observe and consider situations fully. Your perspective about what's right for you may not sit well with those facing similar situations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Walk away from disruptive situations. Put your time, energy and thought into work-related matters, investments and pursuits that offer the highest returns.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Pay attention to detail, use your skills creatively and focus on domestic issues to maintain a calm and productive environment. How you nurture your mind, body and soul will determine how your day unfolds.

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The Grizzwells® by Bill Schorr

I WON A CONTEST... TWO NFL TICKETS FOR NEXT YEAR

GREAT... I TOLD YOU YOU'RE NOT A LOSER

LIH... WAIT! DISREGARD WHAT I SAID

THESE TICKETS ARE FOR THE N.Y. JETS

The Born Loser® by Art & Chip Sansom

HELLO, UNCLE TED? I'M JUST CALLING TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE DOING OKAY IN THIS COLD SPELL.

I'M MANAGING JUST FINE, BRUTUS! I PUT ON MY LONG JOHNS...

MADE A BIG MUG OF HOT CHOCOLATE, AND PLAYED MY DVD OF "LAWRENCE OF ARABIA!" NOW I'M NICE AND TOASTY!

Arlo and Janis Dailies® by Jimmy Johnson

WELCOME TO MY WORLD.

THANKS, GUS! IT FEELS GOOD TO DRIVE INTO TOWN!

I'M STILL GETTING USED TO ALL THAT PEACE AND QUIET.

I'M A CITY GUY, MYSELF.

I THINK IT GOES BACK TO MY NAVY DAYS, WHEN MY SHIPMATES AND I LIVED FOR THE NEXT PORT OF CALL!

OF COURSE, CRUISING THE WATERFRONT FOR SENIOR DISCOUNTS JUST ISN'T THE SAME.

Brevity® by DAN

WHY IS THE VALEDICTORIAN SPEAKING SO LOUDLY?

SHE HAS A VERY HIGH CHEEP P.A.!

Alley Oop® by Dave Graue and Jack Bencer

DR. WONMUG, IF YOU DON'T SOLVE MY PUZZLE YOU AND EVERYONE ON THIS SHIP WILL PERISH.

THAT SEEMS EXCESSIVE... MAYBE YOU COULD GIVE EVERYONE SPRAINED ANKLES.

OR CHARLEY HORSES.

OR TINNITUS.

NO, I STAND BY THE DEATH THING.

WHY. TINNITUS WOULD BE REALLY ANNOYING.

Cul De Sac® by Richard Thompson

We need to flush some ice cubes so it'll snow!

That's not what makes it snow.

Yeah.

What makes it snow is that guy with the map whos on TV.

WHAT?

Whenever the guy with the map whos on TV panics it snows.

You've got too much faith in the power of grown-ups.

Yeah, Kevin.

DEAR ANNIE

By Annie Lane

Dear Annie: I'm one of those people who talks to her dogs like they're little roommates. I don't mean baby-talk nonstop, but yes, I tell them, "Good morning." Yes, I apologize if I step over them. And yes, I know exactly which squeaky toy means "play" versus "comfort."

I have two dogs: Daisy, who's 12 and moves like an old lady in slippers, and Moose, who's 5 and believes every delivery driver is his best friend. They were with me through my hardest years — including a time when I'd come home to a silent house and feel my throat tighten before I even took my shoes off.

Here's the problem: I'm dating a man I really like. He's steady. He's thoughtful. He opens doors, not in a showy way but in a way that makes me feel safe. He's the kind of person who texts, "Did you get home OK?" and actually means it.

But he doesn't like dogs. Not fear. Not allergy. Just ... dislike. He tolerates them the way someone tolerates a loud neighbor. He avoids touching them. If Moose leans against his leg, he steps away. He's mentioned — twice now — that "eventually" we'd have to talk about "what happens with the dogs" if this gets serious.

The first time he said it, I laughed because I assumed he didn't realize what he was asking. The second time, I didn't laugh, and he said, "I'm not trying to be cruel, I just don't want to live with animals."

I haven't told my kids yet because I'm embarrassed. I don't want to sound dramatic, but in my body, it feels dramatic — like someone is asking me to erase a part of my life that carried me through.

Is there any compromise here that doesn't end with resentment? Or is this one of those hard truths where love isn't enough? — Two Leashes, One Heart

Dear Two Leashes:

This is not just about the dogs. This is about your daily life. Daisy's comfort and Moose's enthusiasm are integral to your daily life, and they have been there for you through a lot. It would drastically change your day-to-day if they were to no longer be part of it.

You can compromise on couch rules, training, gates and who walks whom.

You cannot compromise on whether your family members get to exist. Your boyfriend is being honest, so be honest back. Tell him that the dogs are staying. If he wants a future with you, it has to be a future with them in it.

Don't be embarrassed. You're not being dramatic at all. Plenty of people have dealbreakers in relationships. Yours just happen to have wagging tails.

"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.

Moderately Confused® by Jeff Stahl

HERE'S A PLACE THAT I DON'T THINK TRUMP HAS STIRRED UP TROUBLE IN.

Peanuts® by Charles Schultz

HERE'S THE WORLD WAR I FLYING ACE SITTING IN A SMALL CAFE IN FRANCE

HE IS LONELY... HE IS DEPRESSED

HE REALIZES THAT HIS GIRL BACK HOME DOESN'T LOVE HIM ANY MORE... EVEN THOUGH SHE JUST SENT HIM A BOX OF COOKIES...

THEY'RE ALL FILLED WITH COCONUT!

GLEAH!

AAK!

For Better Or For Worse® by Lynn Johnston

I CAN'T STAND IT, WEED!! I AM GOING CRAZY!! THERE IS NO WAY I CAN GET ALL THIS STUFF DONE IN THE TIME THEY'VE GIVEN US!!

KNOW WHAT I THINK THE PROPS DO? THEY OVERLOAD US ON PURPOSE!! I THINK THEY TRY TO PUSH US OVER THE EDGE!

I THINK THEY ENJOY SEEING US SUFFER!! THEY WANT US TO LIVE THROUGH WHATEVER CRUD THEY HAD TO LIVE THROUGH!

SO WHAT'S THE PAPER YOU HAVE TO WRITE?

... A PSYCHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE HUMAN RESPONSE TO STRESS IN THE WORKPLACE.

Frank and Ernest® by Thaves

AL'S MUFFLER SHOP →

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY IF WE HEAR YOU COMING

Monty® by Jim Meddick

D'YOU THINK I COULD PULL OFF WEARING A CONVOY HAT?

DAY'S LATER... WELL?

NOPE. MAYBE IF YOU GROW A STUBBLY BEARD...

WEEKS LATER... WELL?

NOPE. MAYBE IF YOU HAD A FULL BEARD.

MOORE WEEKS... WELL?

UH... MAYBE YOU NEED BIG MUTTON CHOPS.

WELL?

MAYBE YOU NEED A HORSE...