

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.

“ P L G T O U , O V I P G G S Y D Q P G G Q S B Z P B , T Z G Q S Z P I S M T O K V C P Y G P Z P A T P O T Z G V Y P E T V H T O T Z G . . . D S T O G S Y A Y S G G Q S Z L Y T A G . ”

— E T O L S O G A Y T L S

Previous Solution: “Sometimes I'd rather just do the scene and not talk about it at all ... You can't think yourself into feeling.” — Mia Goth

TODAY'S CLUE: *S spanba Z*

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ACROSS

1 “A Nightmare on — Street”

4 Clothing

8 Tummy muscles

11 — vera

12 Chills and fever

13 Calendar abbr.

14 Agent 007

15 Fix

16 Roofing material

17 Locomotive

19 Blazer part

21 Mon. follower

22 Cousin to a bib

23 — de menthe

25 Arrived

27 Belonging to us

28 Pickle flavoring

30 Recedes

34 Verne's captain

36 Young animal

38 Ventilate

39 Expanded

41 Furnishes

43 Future fern

46 Frail

47 Life's work

49 Feel sorry about

52 Historic time

53 Destiny

55 Gray wolf

56 Louse egg

57 Sponsorship

58 Ardor

59 Opposite of WNW

60 Housing expense

61 Foxy

DOWN

1 North Carolina university

2 Extended (Hyph.)

3 Clairvoyant

ASTROGRAPH

By Eugenia Last

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Stick to the facts and figures in order to avoid setbacks and disappointment. Spend time with people dedicated to situations, options and outcomes that concern you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Generosity will set you back. Don't feel like you have to pay for other people's struggles; offer suggestions, not cash. Concentrate on home, family and what will bring you closer together.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Be careful what you sign up for. Get the lowdown regarding the time and cost involved before you proceed. Make a decision because it's right for you, not to please someone else.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Getting along with others will help you clear up unfinished business. Letting go of the past is your ticket to an exciting future. The lessons you experienced will help guide you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Set boundaries, keep your feelings to yourself and observe how others react to your nonchalant approach to what's unfolding around you. Be smart with your money.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Do what makes you happy. Give it your best shot, and don't look back. Express yourself with an open heart and passionate words. Choose to be unique, and don't be afraid to change your mind if something doesn't sit right.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Overreacting or overspending are not in your best interest. Put your skills and expertise to work for you by digging in and taking care of responsibilities before someone complains or criticizes you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Keep the ball rolling. Be the one to lead the way. Offer alternative options to those who find flaws in your ideas. If you are inventive, transparent and engaging, you will rise to the top.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Take a break and think about your dreams, hopes and wishes. Touch base with people who bring out the best in you. Refuse to let negativity dictate how you spend your day.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You'll gain the most if you search for unique ways to use your skills, experience and connections to get ahead. Choose not to go to battle with someone who doesn't share your values, beliefs or concerns.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Think matters through, consult with experts and avoid jumping into something prematurely. You may want to make a professional move or be tempted by someone or something that looks too good to be true.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — A change of scenery will offer a different perspective regarding how you use your skills and expertise as well as how to spin what you enjoy and do best in a direction that combines other aspects of life that excite you.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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

4 “The Hunger —”

5 Candle count

6 Tries for office

7 Pandemonium

8 “... happily ever —”

9 “Well done!”

10 Ambulance sound

11 Presidential nickname

18 Require

20 Fencing weapon

23 Swindle

24 Lament

25 Pincer

26 Totality

29 Rocks in a tumbler

31 Fund a project

32 Offer

33 AARP members

35 Monster

37 Skedaddle

40 “— Madness”

42 Philadelphia players

43 Mise en —

44 City on the Seine

45 Speechify

46 Take by force

48 Fury

50 Online auction site

51 Weight unit

54 Light metal

The Grizzwells® by Bill Schorr

WARREN, HOW DO YOU WANT TO BE REMEMBERED?

DEPENDS ON WHO'S REMEMBERING

The Born Loser® by Art & Chip Sansom

HELLO, GLADYS! I'VE HAD A ROUGH WEEK, AND I COULD REALLY USE A BREAK THIS WEEKEND...

SO I DON'T WANT YOUR MOTHER TO STILL BE HANGING AROUND... GLADYS? ARE YOU THERE? UH-OH...

HEH, HEH... I'M ON SPEAKER, AREN'T I?

Arlo and Janis Dailies® by Jimmy Johnson

WE HAVEN'T HAD A SILLY FIGHT IN A LONG TIME!

I GUESS WE WERE OVERDUE!

I'M SORRY!

I'M SORRY, TOO!

NOW, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO WATCH ON TV?

WE NEVER FINISHED THAT KEA BURNS FILM!

OH, NO! NOT THAT!

Brevity® by DAN

IS IT TIME TO GO TRICK-OR-BLEATING YET?

Alley Oop® by Dave Graue and Jack Bencer

WHAT IS YONNA DOING?

SHE SAID SHE'S "MANIFESTING" SOME MUSICIANS TO COME TO THE RESORT.

DOES THAT WORK?

SHE SEEMS TO THINK SO.

GARG, MANIFEST ME A BIG BOWL OF BEAN SOUP, RIGHT NOW!

RIGHT AWAY, BOSS.

IT DOES WORK!

Cul De Sac® by Richard Thompson

So you're King of the Cartherders. Is there a Queen?

Yes! Queen Rattlebasket the Forceful!

Queen Rattlebasket is a Warrior Queen! In one hand she holds a spear, in the other she bears a small, 15-items-or-less basket with which to whomp her foes!

That's it! I want to be Queen Rattlebasket for Halloween!

SO THIS BETTER NOT BE SOME DUMB THING YOU MADE UP, DILL!

Ha-ha! Of course not!

DEAR ANNIE

By Annie Lane

Dear Annie: I'm the mother of a 14-year-old daughter, and lately TikTok has me genuinely frightened.

At first, I thought it was mostly dancing, makeup tutorials and funny videos. But over time, I started hearing about dangerous “challenges,” extreme dieting advice, risky stunts and videos that encourage kids to do things they would never have thought of on their own.

What scares me most is how quickly my daughter seems to trust what she sees. If a TikTok creator says something is healthy, safe or “what everyone is doing,” she takes it seriously. When I question it, she rolls her eyes and tells me I don't understand her generation.

I don't want to become the mother who bans everything and drives her daughter to hide things from her. But I also feel like I'm competing with an endless stream of strangers who have far more influence over her than I do.

How do parents protect their children from the darker side of social media without destroying trust? And at what point does being cautious become being controlling? — Terrified by TikTok

Dear Terrified: Your concern is reasonable. Talk to her. The key is open communication done with lots of love and understanding.

Instead of only telling her what's dangerous, ask her to show you what she watches and talk about it together. Teach her to question who created a video and if what they are selling or talking about is good.

Moderately Confused® by Jeff Stahl

WELCOME TO TODAY'S EPISODE OF "THE NEIGHBOR WITH A LEAF BLOWER."

Peanuts® by Charles Schultz

YES, MA'AM, I KNOW I'M ALL WET...

I WALKED ALL THE WAY TO SCHOOL IN THE POURING RAIN

I FEEL LIKE A DROWNED RAT

YOU WOULDN'T GIVE A D MINUS TO A DROWNED RAT, WOULD YOU, MA'AM?

Adam Dailies® by Rob Harrell

THIS MOVIE ISN'T SCARY. WAIT FOR IT.

GOT ME AGAIN!

Frank and Ernest® by Thaves

OVERHEARD RECENTLY IN A DEEP CAVE...

YOU THINK WHAT YOU WANT, BUT I BELIEVE IN THE TRICKLE DOWN THEORY MYSELF.

Monty® by Jim Meddick

HOW DO YOU LIKE MY HALLOWEEN COSTUME, JARVIS?

I'M GOING AS THE MONOPOLY MAN!

VERY AMUSING, SIR.

I SUPPOSE THAT MEANS I'LL BE GOING AS THE MONOPOLY MAN'S BUTLER.

DON'T BE SILLY, JARVIS... THERE'S NO BUTLER IN MONOPOLY.

YOU CAN GO AS EITHER A THIMBLE, AN OLD SHOE... OR AS THE "COMMUNITY CHEST."

THE COMMUNITY CHEST SOUNDS RATHER CLUNKY, SIR.

YES. COME TO THINK OF IT... STRIKE THAT OPTION. I DON'T BELIEVE YOU HAVE THE UPPER BODY STRENGTH TO MANAGE IT.