

King Classic Sudoku

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1	3			4		7		
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Difficulty: ★★★★★

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6	2	7	5	1	4	9	3	8
5	8	9	7	3	6	2	4	1
3	4	1	2	9	8	7	5	6
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1	7	8	6	2	5	3	9	4
2	9	6	4	8	3	1	7	5
8	5	2	3	4	7	6	1	9
7	1	4	9	6	2	5	8	3
9	6	3	8	5	1	4	2	7

Difficulty: ★★★

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ISAAC ASIMOV’S SUPER QUIZ

Take this Super Quiz to a Ph.D. Score 1 point for each correct answer on the Freshman Level, 2 points on the Graduate Level and 3 points on the Ph.D. Level.

Subject: MAKING FOOD

Complete the sentence with a word. A synonym is provided in brackets. Then drop one letter from the word to make a food word. (e.g., The fire will ____ for hours. (blaze) Answer: Burn, bun.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. That is not what I ____ to say. (intended)
Answer_____
2. His chief weapons were a sword and a _____. (lance)
Answer_____
3. We can view the mountain ____ from our balcony. (tops)
Answer_____

GRADUATE LEVEL

4. I do not want to ____ an argument. (begin)
Answer_____
5. Our team is on a winning _____. (strip)
Answer_____
6. We will ____ up the rubbish and burn it. (stack)
Answer_____

PH.D. LEVEL

7. She is a ____ of hope. (light)
Answer_____
8. The thief was an object of _____. (contempt)
Answer_____
9. The proposal was a farce and a _____. (fraud)
Answer_____

ANSWERS: 1. Meant, meat. 2. Spear, pear. 3. Peaks, peas. 4. Start, tart. 5. Streak, steak. 6. Pile, pie. 7. Beacon, bacon. 8. Scorn, corn. 9. Sham, ham.

SCORING:

18 points — congratulations, doctor; 15 to 17 points — honors graduate; 10 to 14 points — you’re plenty smart, but no grind; 4 to 9 points — you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 3 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

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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.

“ J W T K O W T X O C M L Y H C R A X
V G O W T M ’ M C R K A P C R / G K A W T G B P
M G F K X A T X Y T K A / N R X O M T L T L I T M
O W G O A T G O W F X K C O O W T T K A . ”
— I C I A P H G K

Previous Solution: “Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties.” — Helen Keller

TODAY’S CLUE: M sjenba r

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Drone
4 “— of Anarchy”
8 Plumbing piece
12 Letter between zeta and theta
13 Redact
14 Before long
15 Long-haired bovine animal
16 Philosopher — Descartes
17 Goofs
18 “Present!”
20 Young bird
22 Baltimore newspaper
23 Actor — Brooks
24 Accomplish
28 Stone worker
32 Invent
33 Do sums
35 Farming implement
36 Magical being

37 Certain vote

- 38 Labyrinth
39 Greek forest deity
42 Earned
44 Intention
46 Fall mo.
47 “Clear and Present —”
50 Abound
52 Outer covering
53 Endure
55 Tombstone inscription
57 Church part
58 Mouthful
59 Green prefix
60 Incline
61 Actor — Rickman
62 Barrier for water

DOWN

- 1 Attention-getting cry
2 Provo’s state
3 Improvised
4 Peaceful
5 “— to Billie Joe”
6 Playing card

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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

- 7 Cook a certain way
8 Spanish dish with rice
9 About (2 wds.)
10 City on a coast
11 Print measures
19 Wreck
21 Jewel
24 Experts
25 Soft drink variety
26 Ludwig — Beethoven
27 Mild cheese
29 Smashed to pieces
30 Percolate
31 Requirement
34 Henna is one
38 “Of — and Men”
40 Pulled
41 Fix fraudulently
43 Spoiled
45 — toast
47 Trick
48 Org.
49 Fence part
51 Isinglass
52 Prop for a magician
54 Depot (Abbr.)
56 Small dog

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