

King Classic Sudoku

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

Difficulty: ★★★★★ 10/18

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

Difficulty: ★★★★★ 10/17

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: POTPOURRI
(e.g., Who was President Biden’s vice president? Answer: Kamala Harris.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL
1. “Au” is the chemical symbol for what element?
Answer _____
2. What was sparked by the shooting of Archduke Franz Ferdinand?
Answer _____
3. What does the “T” stand for in the acronym LGBT?
Answer _____
4. What was the birth name of the boxer Muhammad Ali?
Answer _____
5. What is venison?
Answer _____

GRADUATE LEVEL
6. By what name is the painting “La Gioconda” popularly known?
Answer _____
7. The first names of TV’s “Golden Girls” were Sophia, Dorothy, Rose and _____.
Answer _____
8. What was the surname of the married couple named Eleanor and Franklin?
Answer _____
9. In which American state is Area 51?
Answer _____
10. In which film is the possessed Overlook Hotel?
Answer _____

PH.D. LEVEL
11. Where would you find the Major Arcana?
Answer _____
12. The four March sisters in “Little Women” were Meg, Jo, Beth and _____.
Answer _____
13. What festival is observed for eight days starting on the 25th day of Kislev?
Answer _____
14. Actress Norma Jeane Mortenson was better known by what name?
Answer _____
15. What is the claim to fame of the Burj Khalifa?
Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Gold. 2. WWI. 3. Transgender. 4. Cassius Clay. 5. The meat of a deer. 6. “Mona Lisa.” 7. Blanche. 8. Roosevelt. 9. Nevada. 10. “The Shining.” 11. In a deck of Tarot cards. 12. Amy. 13. Hanukkah. 14. Marilyn Monroe. 15. The world’s tallest structure.

SCORING:
24 to 30 points — congratulations, doctor; 18 to 23 points — honors graduate; 13 to 17 points — you’re plenty smart, but no grind; 5 to 12 points — you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 4 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

Super Quiz is a registered trademark of K. Fisher Enterprises Ltd. © 2025 Ken Fisher North America Syndicate Inc.

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 N M X Y G Y V P S U S , N I G P A V
B O U I A Z O D U A M S . T S B D N V S N Y U S L S V
I S Z S U H I N T A I J T P S U S A G ’ D D G O H S Y V
I S E G . ” — B O U U A S Y I M S U T N N M

Previous Solution: “Laughing at our mistakes can lengthen our own life. Laughing at someone else’s can shorten it.” — Cullen Hightower

TODAY’S CLUE: X is an alpha Z

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1 Speed limit abbr.
4 “The bigger — are ...”
8 Line of stitches
12 In the style of
13 Wander
14 Stew pot
15 Sunbather’s goal
16 Brainwave
17 Maladies
18 At the — — one’s rope
20 Emphasize
22 — ammoniac
23 Digit on the foot
24 Collects
28 Defy authority
32 Birthright seller
33 Unicorn feature
35 Period
36 Chess pieces
37 “Make yourself at —”
38 Shipboard jail

39 Unfortun-
nately
41 Say
43 Unmatched
45 LummoX
46 Comedian — Danger-field
49 Pointless
52 Minced oath
53 Colleen
56 Inferior dog
57 Fiddling despot
58 Hurt
59 Mag. staffers
60 “— Wolf”
61 Exigency
62 Poor grade

DOWN
1 Ship’s officer
2 Blueprint
3 Gymnastic feat
4 Unimportant thing
5 Coal scuttle
6 Genesis name
7 Leavening agent

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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

8 Evening party
9 She, in Chartres
10 “— Well That Ends Well”
11 Bulk
19 Waikiki’s island
21 Shredded
24 Jewels
25 On the bounding main
26 Greek letter
27 “— Like It Hot”
29 Undisguised
30 Sponsorship

31 Table parts
34 Actor — Harrison
37 Jekyll’s alter ego
38 Seed coat
40 “— Calling”
42 Balanced
44 Poet — Thomas
46 Landlord’s due
47 Pointed arch
48 Challenge
50 Unclothed
51 Irish Gaelic
54 Expert
55 “— Works Hard for the Money”

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11
12				13					14			
15				16					17			
18				19				20	21			
		22						23				
24	25				26	27		28		29	30	31
32					33			34			35	
36					37					38		
39				40			41		42			
				43		44			45			
46	47	48							49		50	51
52					53	54	55				56	
57						58					59	
60						61					62	