

King Classic Sudoku

8	1	5	6			7		
7				4	1	5		
	6					1		
		1		3				
		8		6	9		5	
	9							8
5								
9	7		3	2	5			1
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Difficulty: ★★★★★

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

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: LANDLOCKED COUNTRIES

A landlocked country is a country that has no territory connected to an ocean. Each answer is the name of a landlocked country or state. (e.g., An Asian country surrounded by five countries. Answer: Uzbekistan.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

- 1. The home of Mount Everest. Answer _____
- 2. A neutral country in central Europe. Answer _____
- 3. It is surrounded by Rome. Answer _____

GRADUATE LEVEL

- 4. It is the world’s most sparsely populated country. Answer _____
- 5. It is bordered by France to the north and Spain to the south. Answer _____
- 6. It is the larger of the two micro-states within Italy. Answer _____

PH.D. LEVEL

- 7. A European country that is one of the world’s two doubly landlocked countries. Answer _____
- 8. It is surrounded by South Africa. Answer _____
- 9. Like Nepal, it is located between China and India. Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Nepal. 2. Switzerland. 3. Vatican City. 4. Mongolia. 5. Andorra. 6. San Marino. 7. Liechtenstein. 8. Lesotho. 9. Bhutan.

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.

“KNZ TXF KA YXPZ X MBVY BJ
KA UZSBG TBKN XG ZXDKNEHXPZ
XGC TADP HW KA X LVBYXO.”
— LZLBV U. CZYBVVZ

Previous Solution: “Awards are not as important to me as when I meet a 10-year-old kid who says, ‘I love Captain Jack Sparrow!’” — Johnny Depp

TODAY’S CLUE: x sjenbe O

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Make a solemn promise
- 4 Float
- 8 Barbie, for one
- 12 Broad st.
- 13 “God’s Little —”
- 14 Lamb’s pen name
- 15 Perceive
- 16 Flightless bird
- 17 Soared
- 18 Put up with
- 20 Orchestra section
- 21 Craze
- 22 Bill and —
- 23 Inert gas
- 26 Olympics racer
- 30 Texter’s chuckle
- 31 Kite appendage
- 33 Ripped
- 34 Grad
- 35 Boast
- 37 Spy org.
- 38 Rained icy rain
- 41 Los Angeles hoopster
- 43 Clear

44 Drink slowly

- 45 Sugar and —
- 48 Land for grazing
- 52 Where Lima is
- 53 Clue
- 54 “About a —”
- 55 On — (equivalent)
- 56 Poker stake
- 57 Genesis name
- 10 Fibs
- 11 Ordinances
- 19 Alien craft
- 20 Move up and down
- 22 Soft drink
- 23 “Woe is me!”
- 24 Bun
- 25 Adhesive job
- 4 Permission to search
- 5 Hurt
- 6 — Rogers of PBS
- 7 Brewed beverage
- 8 Make free of ice

DOWN

- 1 Jar of a kind
- 2 Kiln
- 3 Do a gardening
- 26 Pet in a cage
- 27 Fasten securely
- 28 Cleveland’s lake
- 29 Costly
- 32 Not yet up and around

Answer to Previous Puzzle

B	O	G	S	A	G	E	W	E	S	T
O	D	E	T	H	A	T	A	T	T	U
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- 9 — podrida
- 36 Planet closest to the sun
- 39 Sparkle
- 40 Make the same score as
- 42 Likely
- 44 — Cruz, California
- 45 Tiff
- 46 Hard-rind fruit
- 47 Persia, today
- 48 Yearn
- 49 Ride-share company
- 50 Wander
- 51 Watched carefully
- 53 Showy actor

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