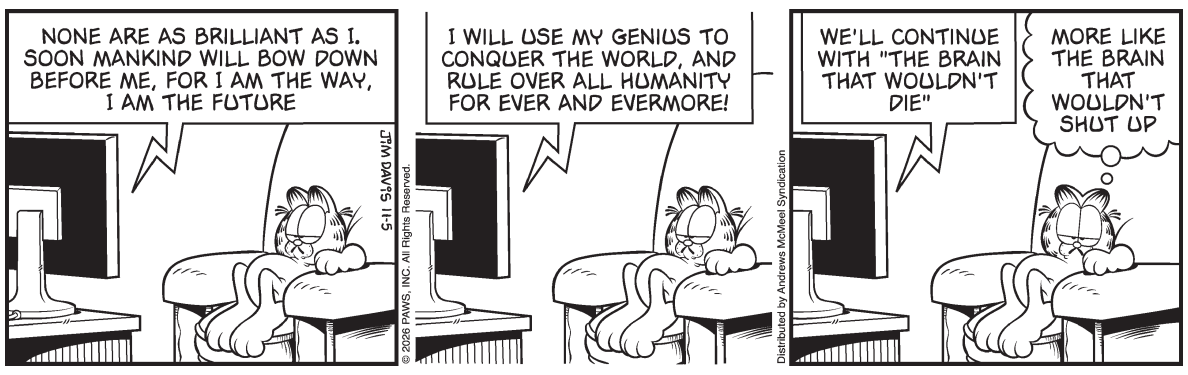
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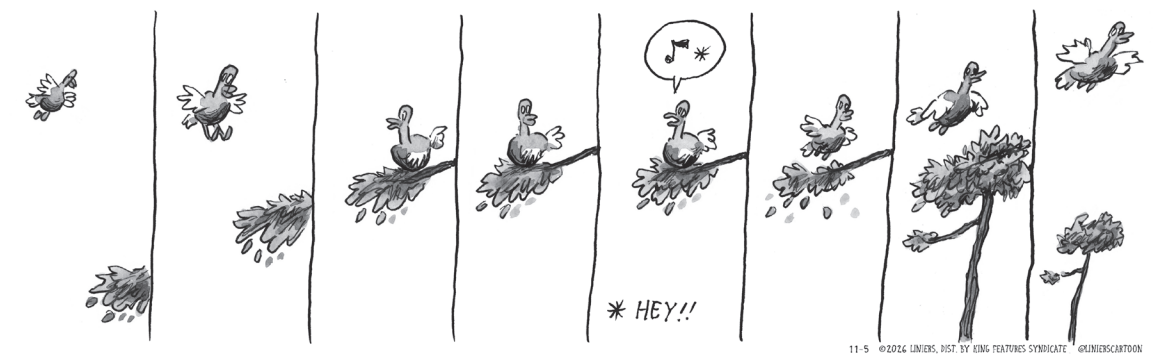
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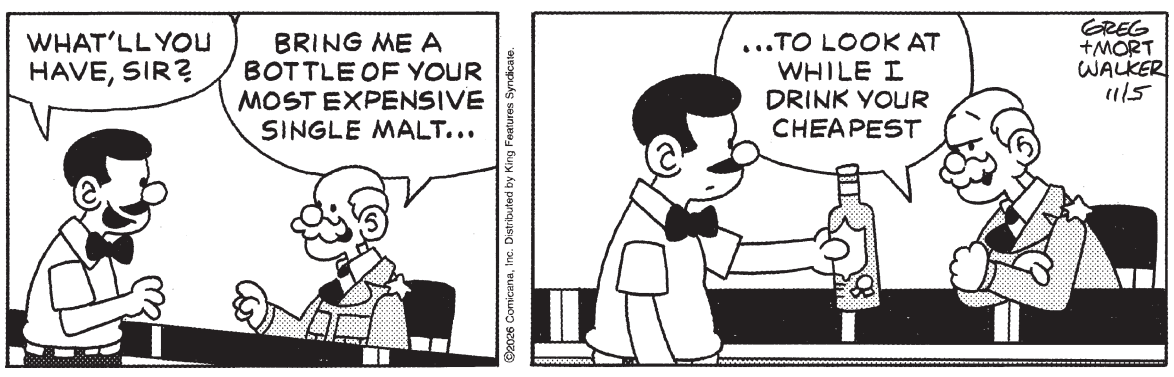
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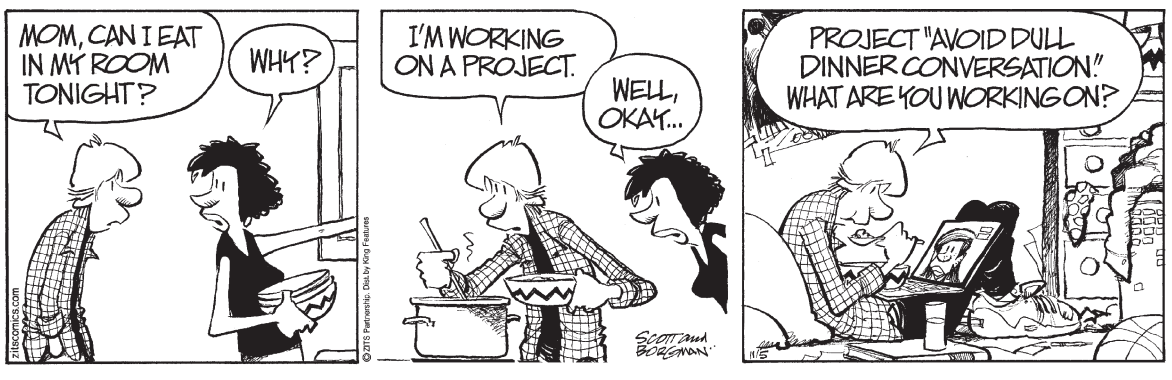
MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Galleon pole
5 2004 Olympics setting
11 Lake near Buffalo
12 Fictional castaway
13 Poet Sexton
14 "Are you glad I'm back?"
15 Reward for sitting
17 Summer sign
18 Union chapter
22 Vigilant
24 Trap
25 Take notes
26 Gun, as a motor
27 Attests
30 Clinic cost
32 Kidney-related
33 Poem of praise
34 Cambridge coin
38 Get by
41 Sax great Getz
42 Come into sight
43 Broadcast
44 Christmas tree stuff
45 Dance and music, e.g.

DOWN

1 Honeyed drink
2 Florence's river
3 John who directed "Boyz n the Hood"
4 Wobble
5 High point
6 Ordeals
7 John who directed "The African Queen"
8 Curvy letter
9 — de plume
10 Take in
16 Nonsense
19 John who directed "Hallow-een"
20 Vicinity
21 Impose, as taxes
22 Not quite closed
23 Cherish
28 John who directed "Hair-spray"
29 Hammer type
30 Force member
31 Texas city
35 Seasonal song
36 Jargon
37 Cuts off
38 Ran into
39 Paris pal
40 Filmmaker Burns

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			

11-5

Yesterday's answer

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

Saturday's Answer

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

11-5 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

IEL JQUMW PA VKMM QV OBNPG IEPTNA, HBIPLTIMX JBPIPTN VQU QKU ALTALA IQ

NUQJ AEBUHLU. — J.F. XLBIA

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WALLS TURNED SIDEWAYS ARE BRIDGES. — ANGELA DAVIS

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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

Difficulty: ★★★ 11/5

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SOLUTION:

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