

COMICS AND FEATURES

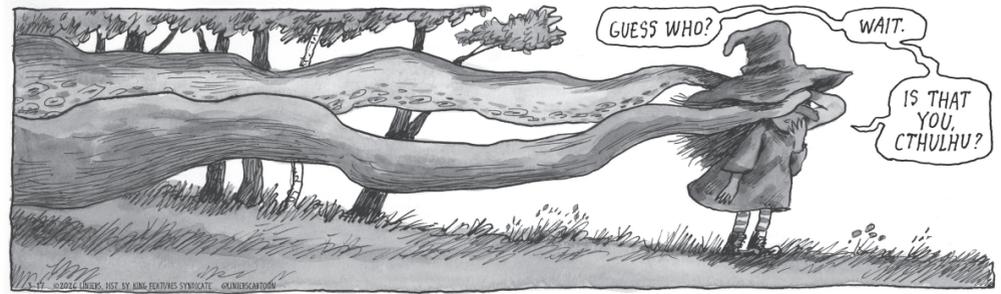
GARFIELD



DUSTIN



MACANUDO



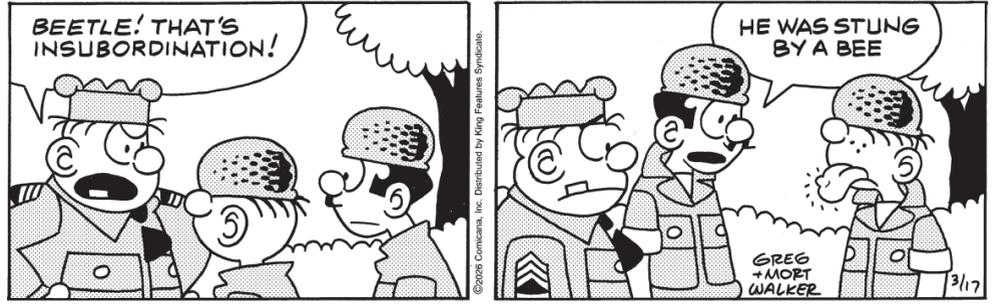
RHYMES WITH ORANGE



BLONDIE



BEETLE BAILEY



CRANKSHAFT



MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Smell or sight
- 6 Grain to grind
- 11 Body pump
- 12 Sold for
- 13 Silky-coated dog
- 15 Zero
- 16 Rink material
- 17 Make mistakes
- 18 Sammy Davis Jr. bio
- 20 "My word!"
- 21 Dapper fellow
- 22 Lowly worker
- 23 Sales pitch
- 26 Most terrible
- 27 Toppers
- 28 Corn unit
- 29 In the style of
- 30 Collars
- 34 Singer Shannon
- 35 "Ice Age" sloth
- 36 "— we there yet?"
- 37 Stiff, hot drink
- 40 Game leader
- 41 Anomaly

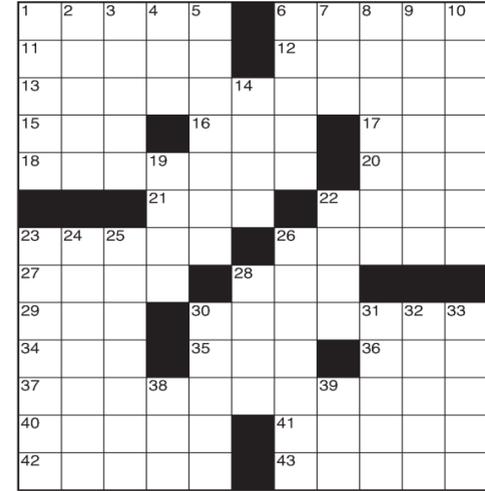
- 42 Romantic dozen
- 43 Cavalry bases

DOWN

- 1 Gleaming
- 2 Like Poe stories
- 3 Carpentry supply
- 4 Some H.S. students
- 5 Morally upright
- 6 St. Patrick's Day color
- 7 Mouse's cousin
- 8 Whole number
- 9 Sound systems
- 10 Downpour
- 14 Read at the checkout
- 19 Mid-March date
- 22 Skin opening
- 23 Less reputable
- 24 Sicilian city
- 25 Slanted type
- 26 Repel
- 28 Rocker
- 30 Clapton waste
- 31 Less dangerous
- 32 Pick up the tab
- 33 Tries to find
- 38 Behold
- 39 To's counterpart



Saturday's Answer



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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.

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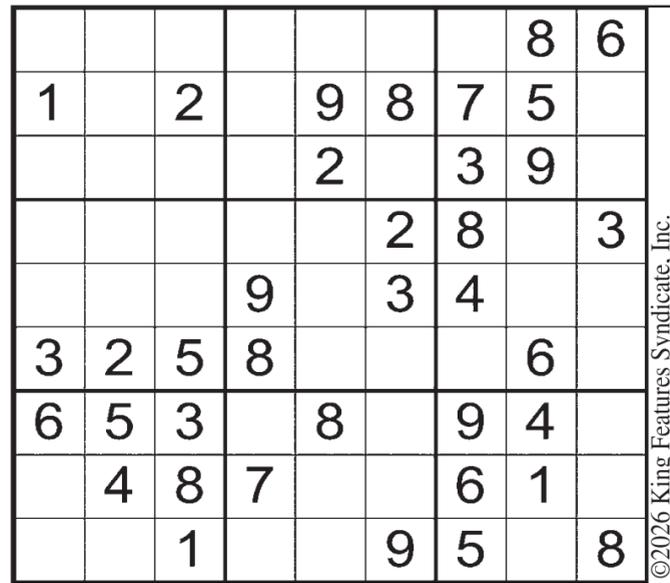
CRYPTOQUOTE

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YPE RTAZ GOQJXPWJ GQ
ITZQ. YPE PTUFXPW GAU
FYBBXPQJJ KTIQ UFZTAWF
RTAZ ETTZ. — UZYEXUXTPYO
XZXJF UTYJU

Saturday's Cryptoquote: THERE IS NOTHING I WOULD NOT DO FOR THOSE WHO ARE REALLY MY FRIENDS. I HAVE NO NOTION OF LOVING PEOPLE BY HALVES. — JANE AUSTEN, "NORTHANGER ABBEY"

SUDOKU

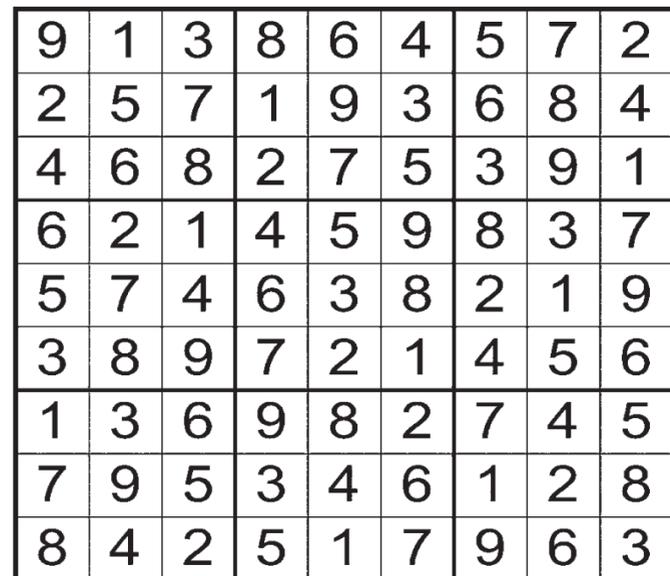
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.



Difficulty: ★★

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SOLUTION:



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