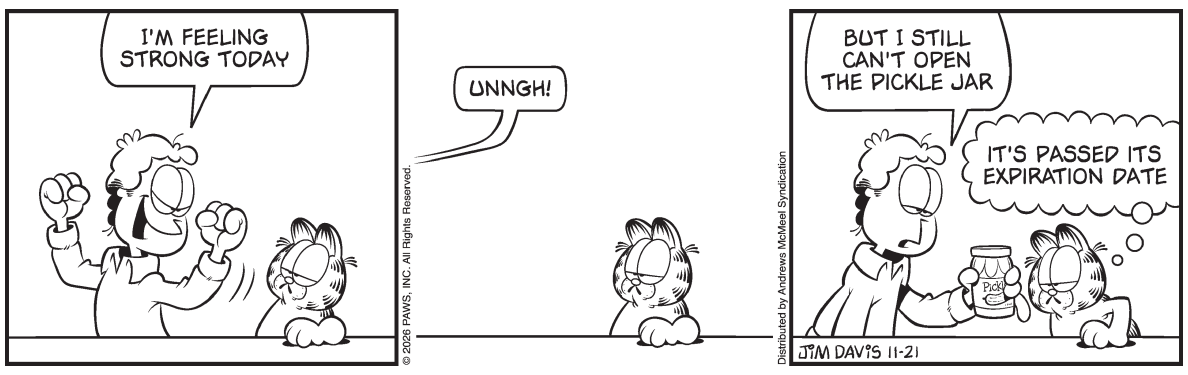
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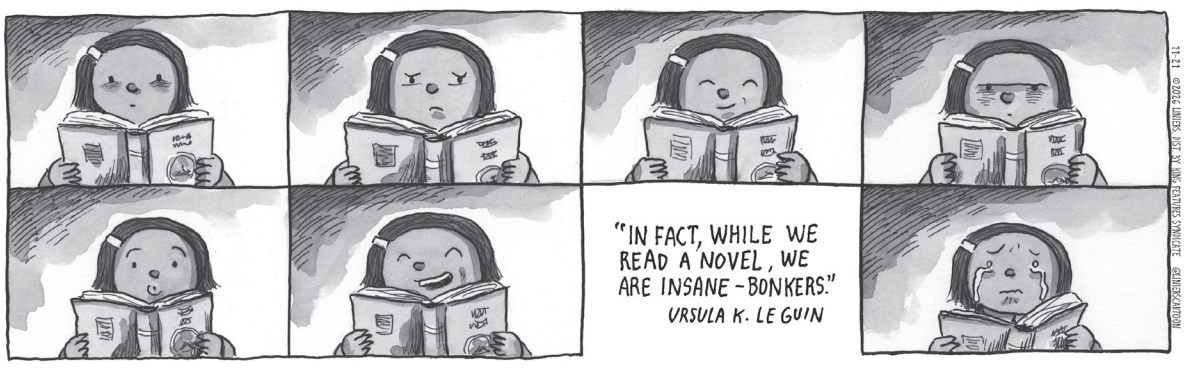
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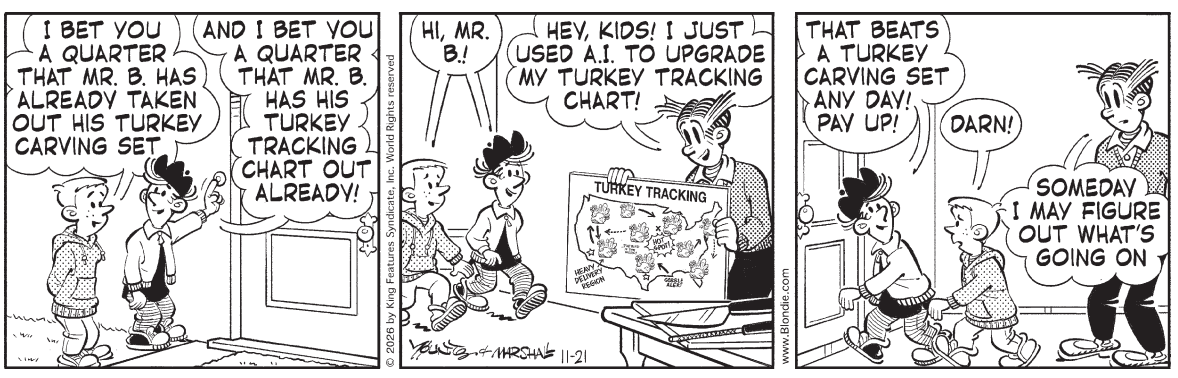
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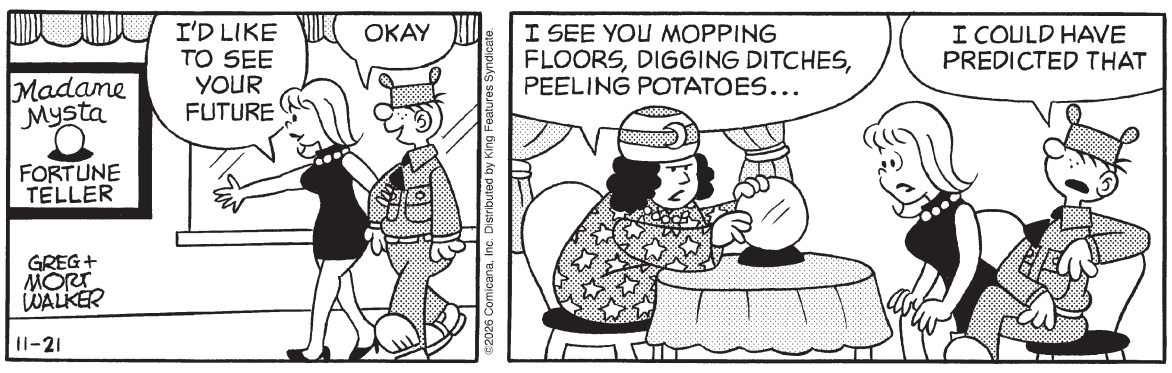
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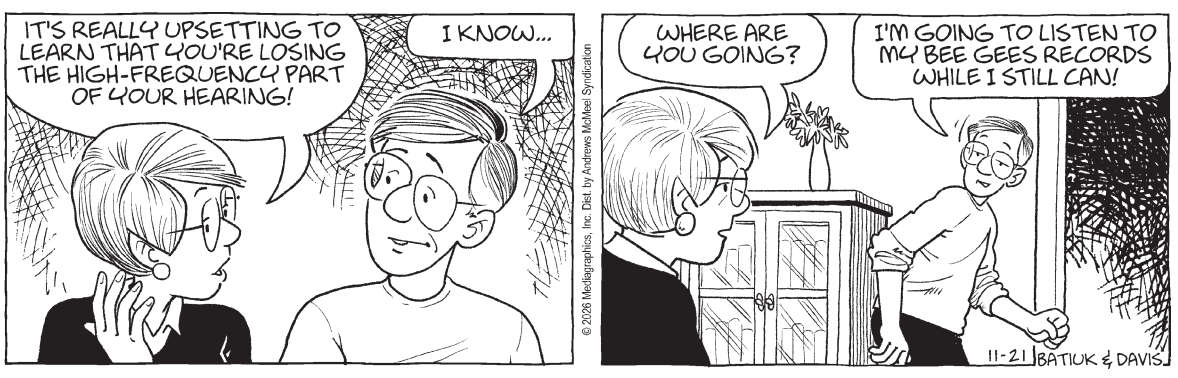
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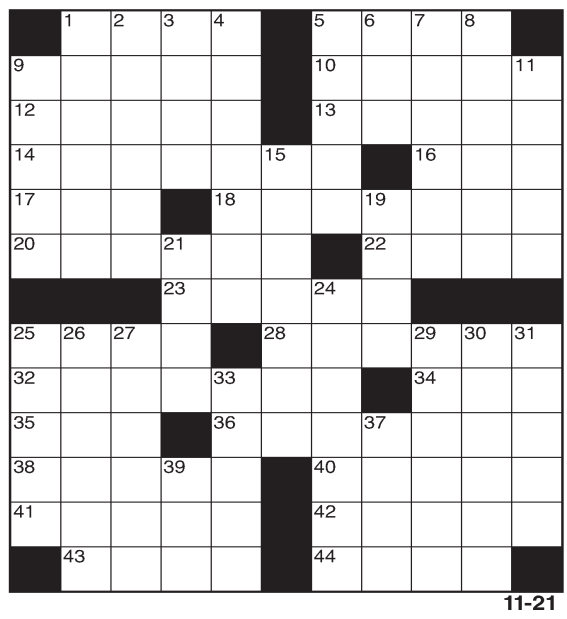
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5 Amorphous mass
9 Near-sighted Mr.
10 Man of steel
12 Dined at home
13 Church sight
14 Cheese-filled pastry
16 Employ
17 Owned
18 Double-deck game
20 Slow movers
22 High home
23 Savage creature
25 Pump, e.g.
28 Shines
32 Saloon
34 Stake
35 Saloon supply
36 Bach creation
38 Words to live by
40 Library stamp
41 Attach, as a patch
42 Bring to bear
43 Plants
44 Disencumbers

DOWN

1 Philippine peninsula
2 To-do list
3 Beef cut
4 Accessory for the Penguin
5 Scarecrow's wish
6 "Very funny!" online
7 Slow-witted
8 Isn't modest
9 Air speed numbers
11 Pick up the tab
15 Layered dish
19 Poker payment
21 Skeptic's comment
24 Libel's kin
25 Cons
26 Luminous rings
27 Boxing combo
29 Let up
30 Gauges
31 Set off
33 Tablet array
37 Fare carrier
39 Road rescue

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Yesterday's answer Saturday's Answer



11-21

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

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.

11-21 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

F V N P L T Z I P X M I P V X C Z D N M A F V N P U E Z S V P X M I P V X X Q X ? F V N P G N C C I U N G B P V X D N I P, C Z B X P V X E Z G V D H L D B Z M D Z X ? — R T V M S E X X M C X N K F V Z P P Z X E

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IF ALL I DO IN MY LIFE IS SOOTHE SOMEONE'S SPIRIT WITH A SONG, THEN LET ME DO THAT AND I'M HAPPY. — GLADYS KNIGHT

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★★ 11/21

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SOLUTION:

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