

TOMORROW'S HOROSCOPE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021



ARIES (March 21-April 19). There is no shortcut to becoming. The stages are often extremely awkward. It will feel scary and false to pretend to be something you're not, which is precisely why transformation is only for the brave (which you are!)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are more resolute and implacable than any opposition you could encounter. If they are stronger, wait until a moment of weakness. If they are faster, let them tire themselves out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). People are serving their own interests as they cast you in a role, decide how to see you and predict who you are. Their opinions will be only very slightly useful in your crafting of who you want to be.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If all the world is a stage, today you're the lighting director. You set a mood, direct attention by spotlighting important things and convey your expectations by bringing it brightly up or quietly down.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have cultivated an ability to see yourself from a distance. This opens you to a wider range of possibilities than most others around you will ever know about. Objectivity is a cornerstone of sophistication and maturity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Humor will accelerate relationships. Connection, trust and communication happen inside of a smiling breath. Everyone who laughs together is standing on common ground.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When things start to go awry and the questions pour into your mind, let them. Don't bother answering, either — there's no time. Get to work clearing the obstacles, and let the questions answer themselves.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's no shortage of disagreeable ideas, though insulting their endorers with an opposing opinion holds no appeal. If you have nothing to prove, you'll forgo 100 arguments to save your energy for what matters.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You make people a little uncomfortable, and that's a good thing. Don't rush to ease the tension or you'll spoil the opportunity here for all to try harder, raise the level and be the best version of themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The current obstacle between you and what you want is basically immaterial. Charge ahead. You'll be surprised how little force it takes to push through. Like a proper bully, this thing has no power beyond your fear of it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Between you and the next thing, there's a gap — an invitation to a leap of faith. If you don't have faith, that's fine, too. Consider engineering, aeronautics, wire-walking ... there's more than one way to bridge this.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You thought you'd learned from a mistake, but now you're back at a place that looks suspiciously similar, and with the urge to repeat the unfruitful actions of the past! It's a matter of the lesson being a little deeper than it looks.

WEDNESDAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 4). Life is good, not because it's problem-free but because it brings you your favorite types of problems — the kind that pay you, introduce you to exciting people and places, and sharpen your talents. Your beautiful attitude bonds you with complementary companions. An investment ripens, allowing a dream purchase. Aries and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 44, 2, 27 and 10.

ACROSS

- 1 Martian's ride
- 4 LAPD alert
- 7 Expense
- 11 Kirkuk native
- 13 Ann Patchett's "— Canto"
- 14 Toledo's state
- 15 "Frozen" snow queen
- 16 French vineyard
- 17 Unruly groups
- 18 Loses momentum
- 20 Get ready, briefly
- 22 Note after fa
- 24 Poker plays
- 28 Helter-skelter
- 32 Porter-house, e.g.
- 33 Actress Goldie
- 34 Standard
- 36 Online crafts site

DOWN

- 1 Guitars' kin
- 2 Sated
- 3 Roughly
- 4 "Shark Tank" network
- 5 Criminal, to cops
- 6 Book jacket
- 7 Techie, perhaps
- 8 Discoverer's call
- 9 Bro or sis
- 10 Lean — (sheds)

ACROSS

- 37 "Give it —!"
- 39 IRS booklet info
- 41 '70s dance clubs
- 43 Violin tuner
- 44 Writer Philip
- 46 Lucky number
- 50 Batting practice area
- 53 Scepter
- 55 Lighten
- 56 Theater award
- 57 Rock's Brian
- 58 Chan-teuse Eartha

DOWN

- 12 TV series with Katie Holmes
- 19 Drunkard
- 21 Golfer Ernie
- 23 Back talk
- 25 Greek cheese
- 26 Speedy
- 27 Terrier type
- 28 Ballot dangler
- 29 Mata —
- 30 Dazzles
- 31 Persian, for one
- 35 Knock
- 38 As well
- 40 Crosses (out)
- 42 Throat affliction
- 45 Sharpen
- 47 Colorado resort
- 48 Town near Padua
- 49 Tennis barriers
- 50 Corn core
- 51 Lawyers' org.
- 52 Baseball's Hodges
- 54 Physician's nickname

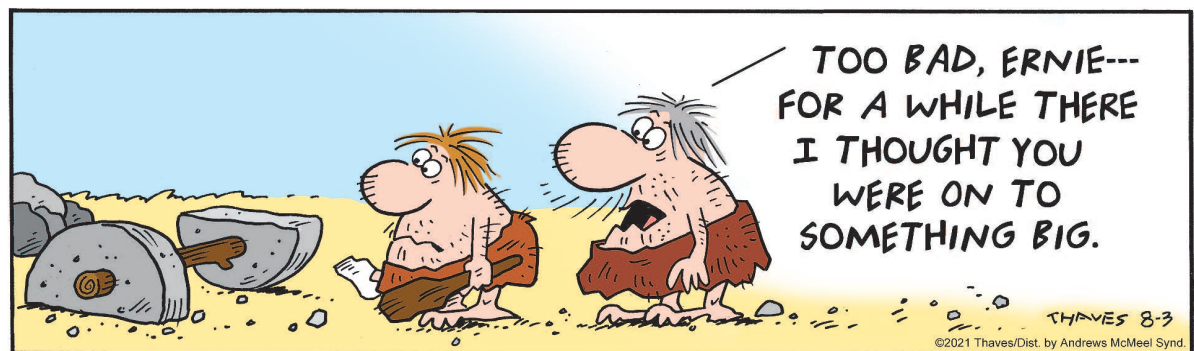
Solution time: 21 mins.

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

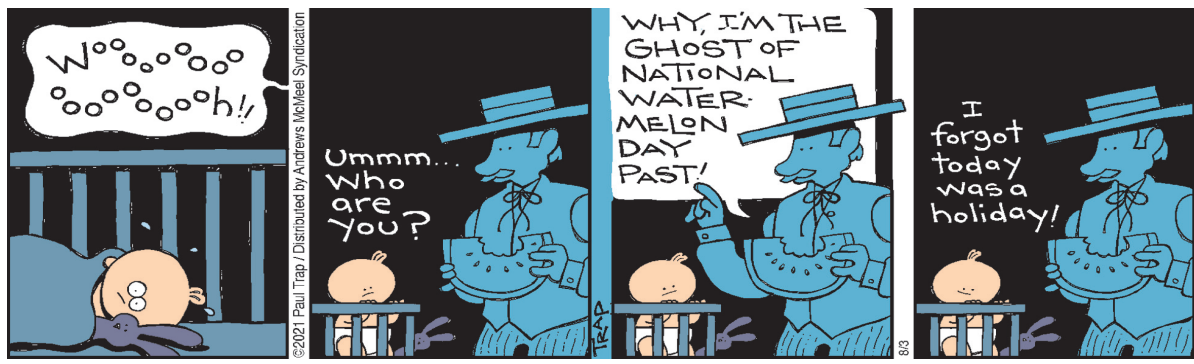
Saturday's answer 8-2

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	

FRANK AND ERNEST



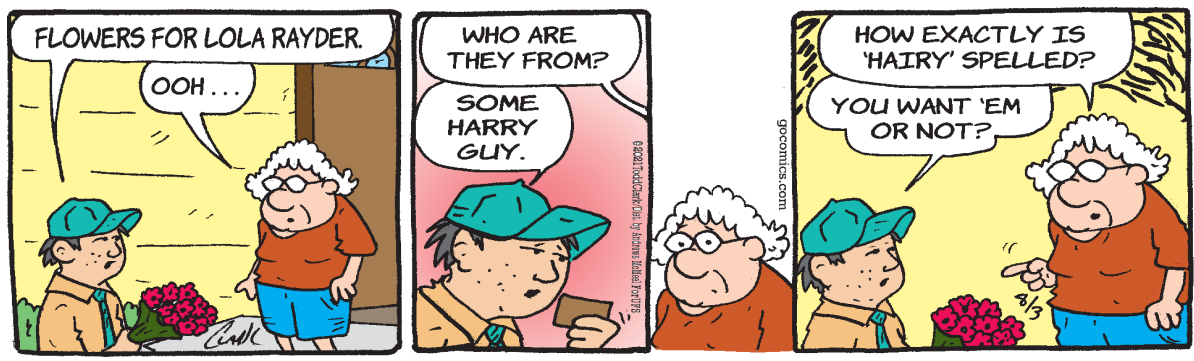
THATABABY



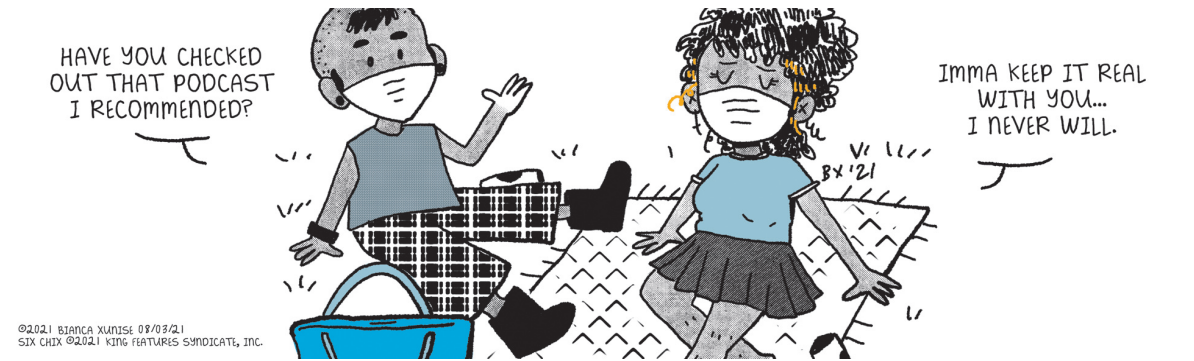
PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN



LOLA



SIX CHIX



MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

Rating: BRONZE

Solution to 7/31/21

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

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