

Inside Look by David Karp

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg

13x13 crossword grid with numbers 1-66 indicating starting positions for clues.

- ACROSS: 1 Cellist Casals, 6 Baby carriage, to a Brit, 10 Actress Kate or Rooney, 14 Model of perfection, 15 Nelson's laugh on "The Simpsons", 16 Metal with the symbol Fe, 17 Kick off date night, say, 19 Pro (proportionately), 20 Not as expensive, 21 Musical finale, 22 Secretive group, 23 Doc hidden in "patients", 24 Totally awesome, 26 Where bubble tea originated, 28 Certain flower girls, 29 Aerodynamic, 30 Whiskey barrel, 33 Co. with blue lawn signs, 34 Some birds' peepers, and a phonetic hint to three letters within 17-, 24-, 50- and 59-Across, 38 PC's "brain", 41 Columbus MLS team, or a synonym for "team", 42 In need of vacuuming, 46 Intricately decorated, 49 "Hooray!", 50 Pasta lover's nightmare?, 54 "___ & Oh's" (Elle King hit), 55 Boot out, 56 Smallest of a litter, 57 Presidential rejection, 58 "Dibs!", 59 Organizer in a binder, 61 Tacks on, 62 Emmy winner Falco, 63 Deck out, 64 Loch ___ monster, 65 Bobcat, e.g., 66 Catch with a rope, DOWN: 1 Babies in sties, 2 Gland near a kidney, 3 ___ Boys ("Fight for Your Right" band), 4 Most popular dogs, per the AKC, 5 Ancient, 6 ___ Penh, 7 Genre for Aretha Franklin, 8 Yet to come, 9 Scrape or scuff, 10 Desert illusion, 11 Flavorful kind of coffee bean, 12 Spun, 13 One may look for trends, 18 Widely admired person, 22 Movie FX, 24 "The Great British ___ Off", 25 Like a lefty's hand after using a fountain pen, often, 27 It might catch a fly, 30 Rank below capt., 31 Response to a captain, 32 Leave in stitches?, 35 Laptop brand, 36 Abridge, maybe, 37 "How's it goin'?", 38 Camping gear maker, 39 Bring home the bacon, 40 Relaxes, 43 Skimpy swimsuits, 44 Some distracted drivers, 45 Like 20 Questions questions, 47 What a VIP pass offers, 48 Bit of bod art, 49 Word from the Tibetan for "rocky" and "bear", 51 Quarterback with the most Super Bowl wins, 52 Append, as a vocal track, 53 S&P 500, for one, 57 Spanish for "life", 59 Bus. card number, 60 Former WNBA president Ackerman

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021 Virgo Solar Check-in



Life's extreme highs and lows teach us who we are; they show us our grace when we're on top and our grit when we're down low. But it's what we do in those neutral zones like the one we hit today that can really define us. Tend to the goal. Practice when you don't feel like it. Work when you don't want to. These are the defining moments.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll decide to go forward, thinking that even the worst-case scenario will be manageable to you. Once you've made your decision, start envisioning only the best outcomes you can dream.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People who can only see things one way, their own, should be easy to predict. If you think they will throw a wrench in the efforts, don't waste time with them. Choose supportive company.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Wondering why you're not there yet? Maybe there is no "there," only resolving "here" to the best of your ability. As you apply yourself to your present environment, you are the embodiment of a key unlocking your own fate.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you're not finding the cool arrangement you want, it's only because it's up to you to make it happen. It is well within your ability to put this together, or, if necessary, invent it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The goal is the same, but your motivation has shifted, begging the question, "How badly do you really want it?" You can change the intensity of your appetite by focusing more or less on it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your sense of responsibility extends further than most. You don't always feel like driving the bus, but you'll do it in a heartbeat if the person behind the wheel doesn't seem competent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your worldview is unique and ever-changing. You'll enjoy learning what others see, and this broadens your capacity and knowledge. Wisdom cannot be achieved alone.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The classic story structure has something to teach us all if we're not careful: pride goeth before the fall. Don't be afraid to pursue your ambition, but do it with humility.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's not a favorable time to open the arena to outsiders. You don't need a hero to save the day, especially not one who isn't as familiar with "the day" as you are. Let the day evolve with the original team.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When you choose to fight, you also choose destruction. A decision to create or educate is a decision to build. What's right for one time is wrong for another time. What will best serve the current situation?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If things are mostly agreeable, you are wise to go along. Nitpicking is for another day -- a day when you're paid to deliver detail-oriented work.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The stronger move is actually the softer move, too. It takes fortitude to forgive and security to be compassionate. The weak find it difficult to nurture others as you do now.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 3). Physical vitality increases, and you feel more attractive than ever. Future you will whisper into your ear, guiding the next moves to a place that will be comfortable fun to inhabit later. An investment will pay dividends for years to come. You'll be trusted with problems to solve; leadership will bring you to foreign soil. Aries and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 44, 1, 2 and 19.

Universal SUDOKU

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers pre-filled.

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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Sea What I Mean? by John Clark Levin

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2021 Breezy Trine



Mercury and Saturn are forming an air sign trine to activate the intellect and clear the air with breezy communication and friendly banter. The best connections to make are casual, low-expectation bonds, though, strangely, these wind up with more lasting results than in other instances where stakes are higher and intentions are more serious.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Laughter, triviality and other underrated delights are in store. Take note of the people who tend to bring out the lightness in others, as they are the ones to keep close.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). As a goal, happiness is loosely definable and hardly quantifiable, but it's a worthy aim all the same. But if you're not happy, all the other definable quantities matter very little to you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). People want to spend time with you, perhaps as houseguests. You're comfortable to be around, and the cozy environments you create reflect this so well.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll stumble across a hot tip or excellent advice, though it's roughly delivered. It may even sound like a warning or a criticism, but you can hear past that to the golden suggestion under it all.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If you're uncertain and you show it, others will take hold of the situation. If you're uncertain and you act like you know what you're doing, they'll believe it. You don't have to know every step in the plan -- just the next one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You can remember both the positive and the negative about a situation. You can see it a few different ways and feel the complex mix of associated emotions. This gives you options that a more limited person doesn't have.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't want to shake confidences or offend egos, but you're not sure who to trust. Knowing more will help you make a decision. Ask your questions. Only those with something to hide will be upset by them.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). No relationship is all one tone. Every relationship comes with mixed feelings. Things can be sorted out. Confusion can be worked through, or you can just wait to see where things settle in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). A special relationship comes into focus. For now, forget about passion, which is a temporary intensity you can come back to later. Start with compassion, and see where that leads.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Stop and consider the miles of life experiences you've journeyed. It's impressive, even to you! It's OK to quietly acknowledge yourself, as a friend would. Befriending yourself is essential to your well-being.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You don't need everything around you to be orderly in order to see how you fit into it. In fact, you'll thrive on a taste of chaos and see at once how you can use the energy to further a goal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Partnerships in which no one confronts the other are bound to be less honest. Into every relationship, a little conflict must fall. Let the love in your heart coat the words on your lips.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 4). The area of life you found so difficult to reign in will fall under your steady hand. Your power grows. You direct the scene. You tame wild forces and apply them to building better relationships and more options for you and your loved ones. You'll meet collaborators and mentors at the turn of the year. Scorpio and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 11, 44, 38 and 16.

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