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ACROSS

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- "SNL" alum Carvey
- 5 Incurred, as charges
- Have a sample of 13 Decorates with frosting
- 14 Rub out 15 Gum may stick to one
- "I really don't care" (In this clue's answer, see letters 3 to 1)
- _ colada 19 Lo-(a bit fuzzy)
- 20 Musical Horne Word after "split" or "burnt"
- "Don't ask me for anything else!" (... letters 9 to 6)
- Vegetable in some cakes In the thick of
- 30 Wally of cookie fame
- "Quiet!"
- 36 letters
- 37 Overly sweet? (...
- Gravestone

DOWN

5 Student's second

2 Tooth trouble

3 Front-page stuff 4 Fire residue

letters 4 to 3)

40 "Symphony No. 9"

39 Chinese bun

composer

42 Murder mystery

43 Wax's opposite

46 Product that

51 46-Across

additive

for one

56 Hand ball?

57 P.R. pro, and a

theme clue

60 "Little piggies"

rub, say

62 Classic clown

maps: Abbr.

64 Light-show light

65 Went too fast

1 Christian of

fashion

63 Lines on city

61 In need of a back

53 Soak (up)

suspect, often

44 "Cool," to a surfer

targets wrinkles

(... letters 8 to 5)

52 "Getting warmer,"

37 Take out of the

- chance
- 6 NHL game venue Like battleships
- 8 Manipulate 9 Part of rpm 10 A noun might be
- one 11 Rajon of the NBA 12 You'll get a rise
- out of it 15 Swim meet
- garment Voice hidden in "nasal tone"
- 22 Estimated tax org. 23 "E pluribus unum" language
- 24 Computer with a 24-inch model 25 Workbench
- gripper diet 26 Low-_
- 27 "Femme" friend 28 What's tugged in tug-of-war
- "Frankenstein" or "Dracula" 32 Loonie's number
- of Canadian dollars 33 App with drivers
- 34 Get exactly 35 Hunky-

alphabet (alfa, bravo, etc.)

freezer

38 Chaplin of "Game

41 Messages limited

to 280 characters

of Thrones"

42 Eggs' partner

44 Neuter, e.g., in

grammar

47 "Do I dare to eat a peach?" poet T.S.

46 Travels the rapids

- 48 They pick up scents
- 49 Uppercut targets 50 Shampoo
- instruction
- 53 "Enough!" 54 Move like sludge
- 55 Give a nudge 57 Second most
- populous city in Mo.
- 58 Small hailstone size 59 Colbert's network

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021 Message of an Air Sign Trine



reminder that, on some level, everyone longs to be understood. Few know how to go about it. To reveal more only complicates things, as does explaining yourself. Instead, seek first to understand others. In the process of getting to know them, you will be known by them.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Maybe money can't buy happiness, but a lack of funds doesn't come with a lot of smiles either. Do what you need to do to make yourself comfortable with the financial end of things. Communicate your needs and wishes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Adaptability is your superpower today, and you can get used to almost anything. The question is: Which tolerable thing benefits you? Just because you can be flexible doesn't mean you

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). People frequently say they wish they had started sooner. Wishes having to do with time travel are, ironically, wastes of time. Start now and you won't have to worry about it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're coming to a realization about an arrangement. Your true feelings will be amplified. If you are inwardly revolting, it's about to get very "outward" indeed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Anyone can express tenderness when it's obviously the expected tone. Tenderness expressed when it doesn't need to be will stand out in the best way. Your tender heart will give and

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You will be extremely transparent. Your face will betray your heart's confidence, telling people what you mean to keep to yourself. This could liberate you.

Mercury and Jupiter in a social air sign trine is a LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Consciously or not, you tend toward relationships with people who are different from you. This benefits you in many ways. It broadens your awareness and gives you access to new resources. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The person who makes you laugh isn't the same one as the person you go to for favors. Both are necessary in your network, which is becoming vast and varied.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Understanding your own motives will lead to a change in your goals. The one you decide to pursue will bring you skills, friends and joy beyond expectation.

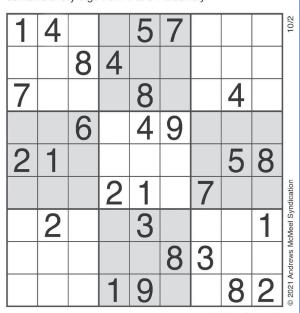
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Writer Henry Adams said, "Friends are born, not made." Whether or not you agree, you'll soon meet someone with whom you have an instantaneous connection.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Handle complex problems; you have the mind for it. As for the resources, though they might not be available at this very second, they will magically come to hand once the plan is in motion.

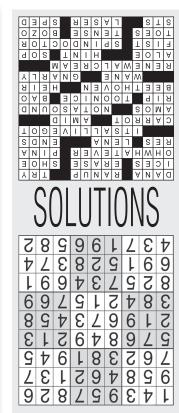
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You are loyal and protective. Today you'll be on guard against anyone who dares to move in on your territory. And for those who have gained your trust, your world will be wide open.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 3). Cosmic forces conspire to concoct a love potion. Crushes intensify; affection grows. You'll keep your light shining bright by going where its radiance is celebrated. You'll get a lucky break, and your talent will be put to use, earning you more money than you anticipated! Family credits your support for their success. Virgo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 3, 22, 5 and 14.

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



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Geographical Surroundings by Paul Coulter

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ACROSS

- What precedes "the night before Christmas"
- "For goodness"
- 9 Diver's apparatus 14 "Hmm, I don't think so"
- 15 "Follow me!" 16 About 1%
- of Earth's atmosphere *Inlet near Sydney (Theme
- hint: Note the outer letters in both words of each starred clue's answer)
- 20 From Dubai, say 21 Silly

19 Hawk's claw

- 23 Not just "a" 24 Expense for a
- newspaper Letter with two
- gradual twists *District west of downtown Los
- Angeles 34 First extra inning 36 Barely get, with

"out"

- 37 A lot of a lot, perhaps
- 38 Try, as a case 39 Colorado resort
- 42 Bronte governess Jane
- 43 Letter with two sharp twists
- 44 Auditorium contents 45 *Body of water
- in central Switzerland
- 49 Vietnamese holiday
- 50 Sarcastic laugh syllable
- 51 "Society's Child" singer Janis 52 Exclaimed with
- 56 On the rise "TTTTTT" for
 - "sixty," e.g.
- 62 *Essen is on it 64 Come up
- 65 Golden Rule word
- 66 Undergarment with straps, for

67 Chopped liver

and others

- 68 Needy cat's sound Headphone cord frustration
- 41 Branch of Islam **DOWN**
 - 1 Word after "test" or "toothpaste" 2 To
 - _ it may concern 3 Opposite of pro-
 - 4 Fly high 5 Reaper's tool
 - 6 Sleep aid brand 7 Campground letters
 - 8 Singer born Eithne Padraigin Ni Bhraonain
 - 9 Lustrous 10 Engine housing 11 Wrinkly fruit
 - 12 Timely blessing 13 Author Rice 18 "But of course!"
 - 22 One may make a dog howl Lucy's friend on "I
 - Love Lucy' 26 "Bye!" 27 Cutting comments,

collectively

29 Former Crow

- 30 Instrument that's plucked, for short
- Application before Messages 32 Hackneyed

33 What quick bread

home

- lacks 35 Backyard builder's project
- 39 Sky blue "Hold on a 44 Man of La
- Mancha 46 Memory failures 47 "OK," to a Brit
- 48 Like an alley 52 Conclude, with "up' 53 Greek goddess of
- marriage 54 Posthumous notice, briefly
- Tom-tom or 55 bongo 57 Candle cord 58 Any of six

Russian rulers

Fish in "Finding

Dory" Psychological toughness 63 French for "a"

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021 Scorpio Moon Advice

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that change requires energy. Make it easy for people to contribute, fuel and support you. Keep friends informed. Talk about what you want. Invite the unseen forces of nature and heaven, the mystical deities and anyone else you can think of. What is the right amount of help? All

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A fanciful focus on your story will work for you. What is the kinder, gentler way of viewing your past? Much good can be accomplished by lightening your psychic load.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Tell people how they

the help you can get

can delight you. Let them know what you're dealing with. Follow up with the referrals of friends. An issue will be resolved with the help of a skilled practitioner. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Responsibility and

obligation will come readily to you, so you don't have to seek or volunteer for it. Just because you know you can handle it doesn't mean you should. Protect your spare CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll accomplish more

in a group. The trick is in setting an intention everyone can get behind. Otherwise, projects will devolve into a battle of wills. Take hold of the situation; you're the one who can. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's the best kind of mind/

body conflict going on for you now. It invites you to solve problems through movement. You're vital and playful. Your body will tell you what it needs. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Unfortunately, people

sometimes oppose one another without knowing why. Call it a quirk of human nature when they create reasons to legitimize their story. In this game, the only way to win

The moon in the sign of transformation reminds us LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've had advocates and champions in your life, so you know what that kind of support looks like. Take it on for yourself. Be the support you need and deserve.

> SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Relationships get interesting. It's not that the events are remarkable; it's just that what happens will defy your expectation. You either didn't know what to expect or weren't expecting much, so it's all a delightful surprise. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's someone

> you want to reach out to. As it goes with all the best things in life, there's a risk involved. If there weren't, it wouldn't be worth doing. Onward with velocity! CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Do a thing once and it's not done yet. You'd be surprised at how often vou

> have to repeat to make it stick. Go on, then -- do it over and over. In the repetition, life comes together. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People can't help what they like, which is a fact of life in your favor today. You'll follow your fascination to its natural endpoint --

> your happiness. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You did the work and you lined it up, so now all it takes is a flick of the switch to see it play out. How satisfying! Because of the past trial and error, this goes off without a hitch.

> TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 4). You'll be exceptionally lucky in love, cultivating relationships with people who treat you beautifully and without prompting. You'll commit your talent to making someone else look better and your own path becomes clear. You will take work that's already good and refine it until it's spectacular. Pisces and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 30, 22, 28 and 18.

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