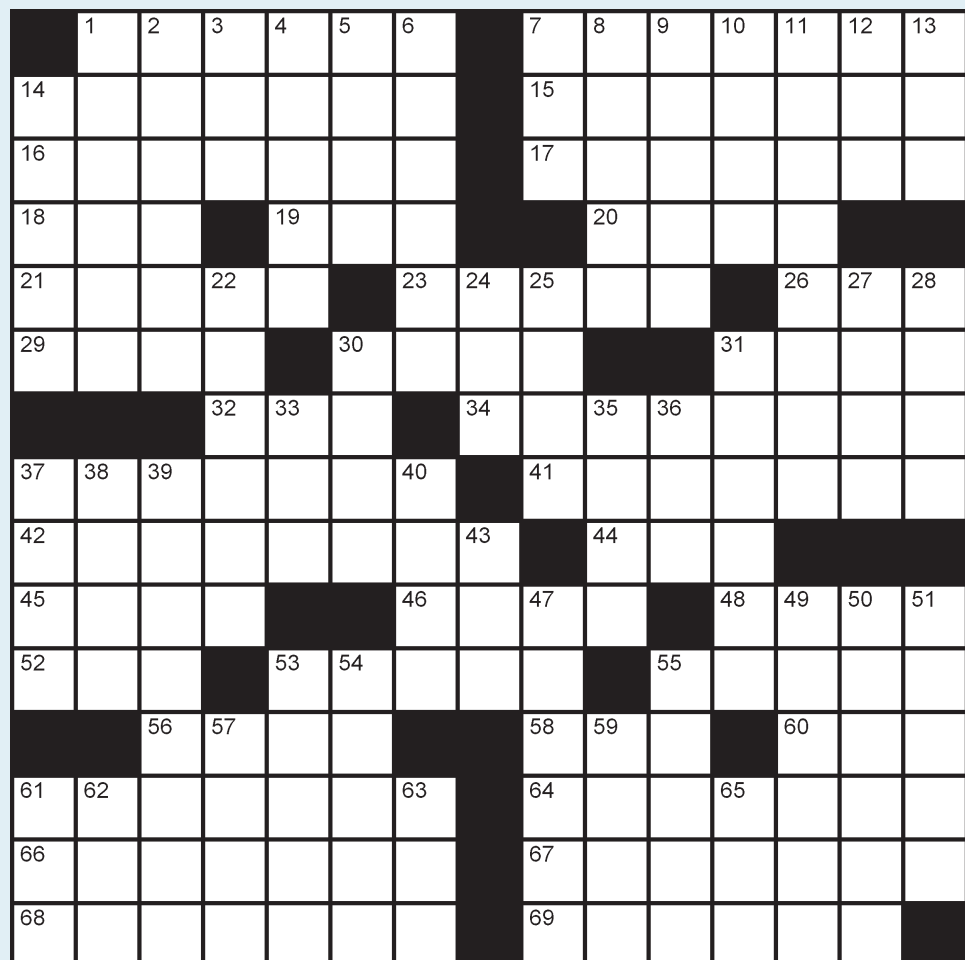


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- ACROSS: 1 Blood bank supply, 7 Made before taxes, 14 More in a lather?, 15 Part-time player, 16 Getting close, 17 Getting close, and an anagram of 16-Across, 18 Certain colas, 19 One may sit on your keyboard, 20 Lower leg part, 21 Beach, 23 Jackson Jr. ("Straight Outta Compton" star), 26 2-inch No. 2 pencil, say, 29 Musical sound, 30 Musical sound, and an anagram of 29-Across, 31 Angler's hope, 32 Feeling of wonder, 34 Descriptor for a dad, 41 Pub serving, 42 Descriptor for a dad, and an anagram of 34-Across, 44 Ashes holder, 45 Barely at all, 46 Wicked, 48 Wicked, and an anagram of 46-Across, 52 Called the shots, 53 Australian "bear", 55 Its initial three letters spell an apt dessert, 56 Awards sweep, for short, 58 Baby's syllable, 60 Liquor sometimes mixed with tonic, 61 Made irate, 64 Made irate, and an anagram of 61-Across, 66 Utensils for making juice, 67 Kerry Washington or Amy Adams, 68 Upper canvas on a ship, 69 Put up a fight, DOWN: 1 Rain garment, 2 "The Far Side" cartoonist Gary, 3 Doctors' grp., 4 Because, 5 Millions, 6 "Am not!" retort, 7 "People Puzzler" channel, 8 Della of "Touched by an Angel", 9 City in eastern Nebraska, 10 Voice on some phones, 11 On a cycle at the gym, perhaps, 12 Suffix with "southwest", 13 Loyal pet, 14 Blue-ribbon position, 22 Brought up, as a child, 24 Fuel treatment brand, 25 Principal, for a school, 27 Bryce Canyon's state, 28 Boxing prize, 30 "Cool!", 31 Country largely surrounded by Malaysia, 33 Earn the blue ribbon, 35 Factual, 36 Place for an AirPod, 37 Australian precious stone, 38 Basketball Hall-of-Famer Archibald, 39 Commerce imbalance, 40 What can cool into basalt, 43 Start of many rappers' names, 47 Athletic shoe brand, 49 Chills (out), 50 Most frigid, 51 Gives for a while, 53 South (Seoul's country), 54 Comic Cheri, 55 Harbor cities, 57 Diamonds and others, 59 Way back when, 61 Word after "fine" or "folk", 62 "The Matrix" hero, 63 Fiber internet alternative, briefly, 65 Mario's middle name?

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021 Propitious Conjunction



At the start of this new moon week, an alignment of Mercury and the Sagittarius sun comes with declarations, goals, intentions and promises. The more public these statements are, the more likely they are to be followed up. And under this sky, action begets disproportionate and wonderfully lucky momentum.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You know what's going on and you can't believe others aren't paying attention. No matter. You'll remedy the situation and get everyone up to date, and you'll even be generous enough to spell out some complicated intricacies.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll mingle. The perfect question isn't the mannered one. Conversation that doesn't involve risk doesn't involve fun. Find out people's connection to the event. Small talk leads to big talk.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The past is a prologue to the decisions you'll make today. What happened back there will play into your current confidence level. You'll clearly see the route to creating thought patterns that support self-sufficiency.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll enjoy yourself. You'll work and play in your favorite way. Your chances for connection are highest when you're in this mode. People feel your joy and want to be a part of it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You admire decisive people, and today you'll be one, too. It's not that you know what you want, it's that you just choose and commit to the choice. This is the way of winners.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You will be expanded by learning how others think. Your version of the truth is not the same as another person's, but both are equally true. You don't have to lose yourself to tolerate the truth of another.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's a sense of anticipation, though you're not sure exactly what you're looking forward to. All the same, waiting idly is not advised. Light busywork will clear your decks so you're ready to receive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You just have to be stubborn. No matter how difficult the task, how slowly the work comes together, how altogether discouraging the odds seem to be, persistence will win out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You show people how to treat you by the way you treat yourself. You give off strong indicators today that you're to be respected and delighted. Others pick up the cue.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Circumstances change. Try and see this as a neutral event. Stand strong and curious, watching it all unfold. Get an accurate overview of the scene, and your next great move will be obvious.

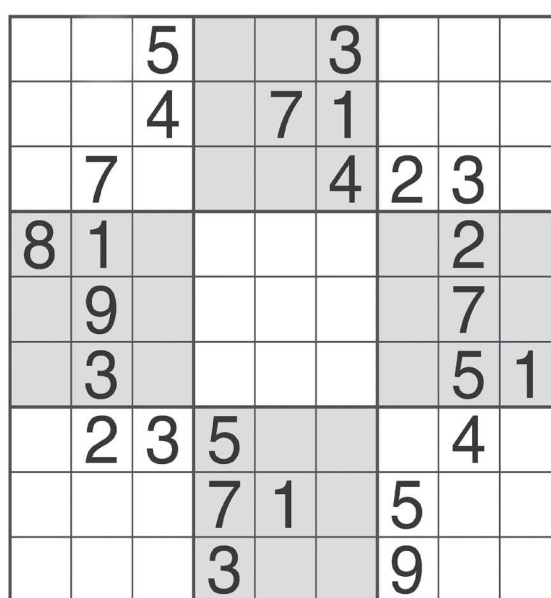
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your effectiveness depends on a balanced understanding of your emotions. Seek clues from the outside. What you're attracted to in music and other media will say a lot about your internal state.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It is normal and healthy to question yourself. Your doubts will not thwart your progress unless you stop and examine them in excruciating detail. So, don't dwell on the hiccups. Keep it light and move forward.

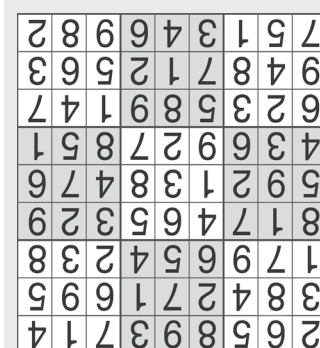
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 28). There's nothing like the pleasure and satisfaction of seeing the difference you make. You'll overcome barriers to economic ease. You'll connect with kindred spirits for the common good. You'll grow so happy in a situation that you'll wish to freeze time. Nonetheless, even better configurations will lie ahead. Scorpio and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 30, 1, 33 and 18.

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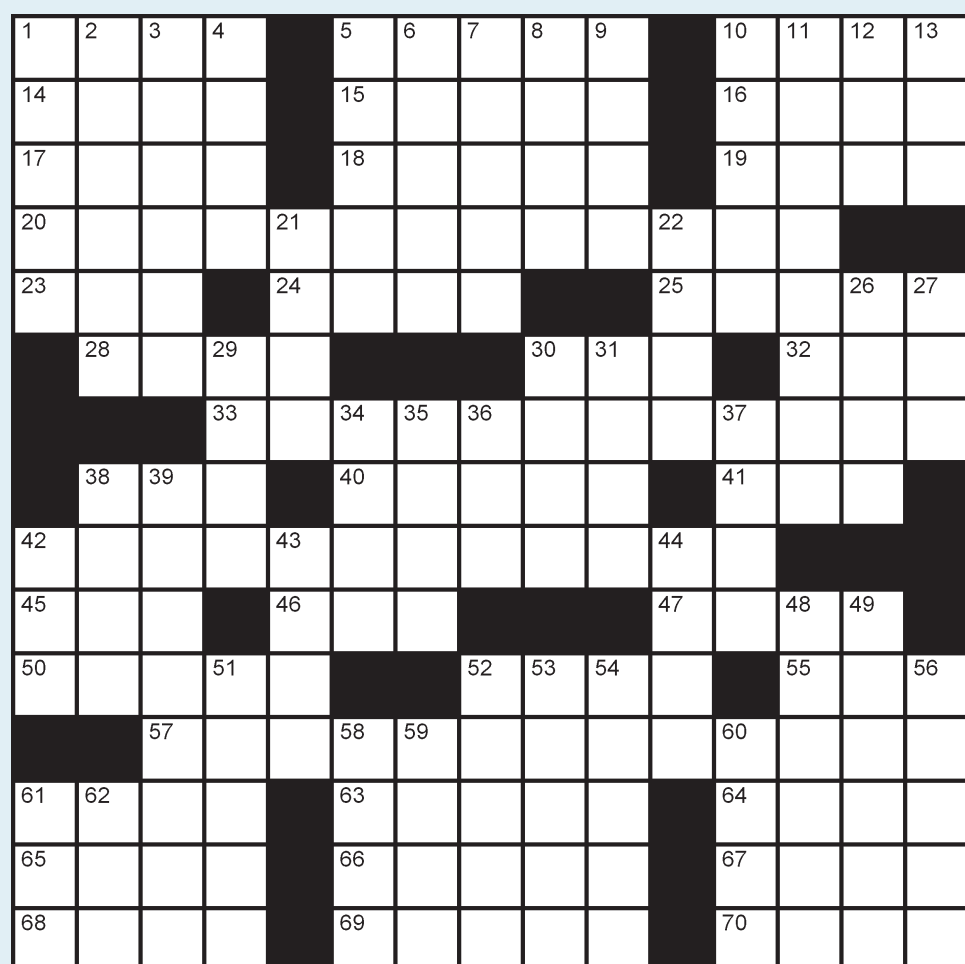


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Object-ively Speaking by Paul Coulter

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- ACROSS: 1 Unfortunate folder for an important email, 5 Favors one leg, 10 Sufficiently qualified, 14 Ballet attire, 15 Start of the Spanish year, 16 Tree supporter, 17 Song and dance, 18 Road trip destination?, 19 Has a Philly cheesesteak, maybe, 20 What the scorekeeper said to the scoreboard?, 23 Person in a convent, 24 In the know about, 25 Final approval, 28 Small whirlpool, 30 "Give ___ rest!", 32 Pioneering ISP, 33 What the geography teacher said to the globe?, 38 Pronoun that some pair with "they", 40 B.J. of "The Office", 41 Tribute from a poet, 42 What the penthouse dweller said to the private elevator?, 45 Anatomical canal's locale, 46 Pennies: Abbr., 47 Invitation request, 50 Fourth month, 52 Just slightly, 55 Bonanza find, 57 What the repairperson said to the broken appliance?, 61 Not much, 63 4-Down of love poems, 64 Amount to make do with, 65 Eric of "Munich", 66 Helped, 67 Entry fee in poker, 68 Baker's dozen?, 69 Car dealer's document, 70 Word after "dating" or "wading", DOWN: 1 One may be taken to the cleaners, 2 Chase after, 3 Be there, 4 Greek poet's inspiration, 5 Awful auto, 6 Bidirectional, as a door, 7 Paris transit system, 8 Get ready, for short, 9 Without help, 10 "Gladiator" setting, 11 Relative of a marina, 12 Auction offering, 13 They might visit Earth: Abbr., 21 It comes easily to hand, 22 "Vidi" from Caesar's boast, 26 It's under a foot, 27 Like a movie from the '30s, 29 Person who colors textiles, 30 Mosque official, 31 Young kid, 34 Liter or gallon, 35 Discount clothing chain, 36 The last night of the year, e.g., 37 "Didn't mean to do that!", 38 Wet bar, perhaps?, 39 Rushing, 42 Congressional assent, 43 Censorship-fighting org., 44 Language of Lahore, 48 Cast a ballot against a proposition, 49 Magic word, 51 Itsy-bitsy bits, 52 Carne ___, 53 Hauls around, 54 "Humble" dwelling, 56 Famous Ford flop, 58 Authentic, 59 Ashtabula's Great Lake, 60 Kind of shot in hockey, 61 Prez on a \$5 bill, 62 Groceries holder

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2021 Mars and Neptune Redefine Success



One definition of success is being the most like you that you can possibly be. Another definition is losing yourself to the flow as you merge with your endeavor. There's no right way to be successful, only more or less-fitting ways. Under the auspicious trine of Mars and Neptune, many will embody success first and define it after the fact.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You still get a little nervous at showtime, but you've worked pretty hard on your skills, and if they don't meet the task in some way, you can trust that you'll find the solution as you go.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You don't really try to bring out the best in people; it just happens because of how you see them. You're expecting people to be good, fun and interesting... and they will not disappoint, at least not while they are around you!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Limbo may be a fun game but it's not a fun position and is undesirable as a destination. So, a decision must be made. Either way, it's going to be better than the uncertainty of wondering which way to go.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Like an artist who steps back to behold a work in progress from a distance, you begin to see the shape of your life. You're objective. What you observe with fresh eyes will inspire you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You don't mind dialing your energy to match that of others, but if you too often have to adapt yourself so as not to outshine anyone, it's time to consider whether you may thrive in another kind of environment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's hard to get things done when so many compete for your attention, but the good that comes out of it is that you will be inspired to create your own environment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your intuition is a mysterious visitor, often showing up in full force and without warning. Your intuition won't be commanded or controlled but it can be invited and will come more often when you delight in its presence.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You support the best in others and give assistance without creating dependencies. Your sincerity will not be assessed by what you do for people; it's made apparent by what you don't do. Boundaries are love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're open to new life events, but you're not waiting for them. Sign up for an activity or go deeper into an interest. It will give you the sense of coming back to yourself, followed by the realization you're better than ever.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A relationship will get more comfortable for you because you communicate well. You don't blame others for your feelings. You share strategically, helpfully and selflessly.

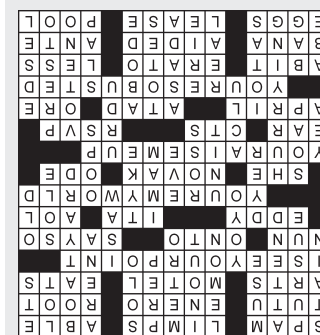
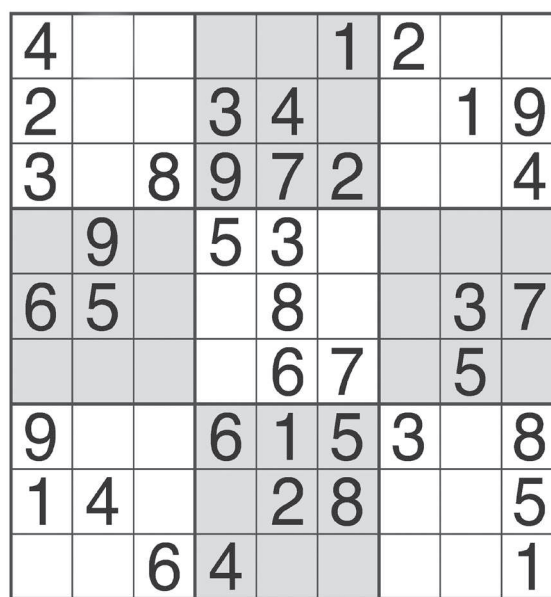
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Would you rather have \$1 now or \$2 in a week? Various forms of this question will arise with today's theme of the short term vs. the long game.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can avoid known stress-inducers, steer clear of annoyances and sidestep foreseeable complications, but the more controlled things are, the less alive they will seem. There's a happy medium to hit here.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 29). Relationships are your treasures. You've a talent for choosing the ones that will both fortify and utilize you. Mutual needs get met once you figure out what they are. Have patience. In the professional realm, you'll meet a deadline, save the day, rise in the ranks and have a season of rulership. Capricorn and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 3, 33, 30 and 5

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