

Universal Freestyle 15 by Kate Hawkins

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg

Grid for Universal Freestyle 15 crossword puzzle with numbers 1-60.

- ACROSS: 1 Vehicle used to lure auto thieves, 8 2D surface, 13 When required, 15 Sitcom with a notable coming-out scene in 'The Puppy Episode', 16 'You were right!', 19 Fedoras, e.g., 20 Christmas, in France, 21 Dedicated poem, 22 Deets for an engineer, 24 'ASAP,' to a doctor, 25 Skechers competitor, 26 It's left on a boat, 27 Give this fortune-teller a hand!, 29 ___ mode (with ice cream), 30 'Cool' veggie, 31 '.. and all the rest': Abbr., 32 'Especially in these times ...', 38 Tavern beverage, 39 Like a song about songwriting, 40 'Small ___' (Steve McQueen anthology), 41 'Wild World' singer, 45 Hidden valley, 46 Help with a crime, 47 TikTok uploads, informally, 48 Damp, 49 Day light, 50 T. rex, for one, 51 Strong, loud type?, 52 Stay out of the spotlight, 57 ___ John ('Hakuna Matata' composer), 58 'I did great on that!', 59 What there's no accounting for, 60 Scrolls were found on its shore, DOWN: 1 Antioxidant drink brand, 2 Stubborn beast, 3 Naked, 4 It led to a 1773 'party' in Boston, 5 Small change, 6 Finds a sum, 7 Remote button with a red circle, 8 Open, as a banana, 9 Inc. relative, 10 'Curiously strong' mint, 11 Pine part, 12 Make beloved, 14 'I'm counting on you', 17 Meander, 18 Getaways, 22 Bridge, or a bridge's length, 23 Sport with mounted umpires, 24 'For goodness' ___, 25 Part of a watch or a die, 27 Devil's attribute, 28 European volcano that erupted in February 2022, 30 Foal that isn't a filly, 33 It may be rigged, 34 Layers with feathers?, 35 They're needed to drink spirits or fly Spirit Airlines, 36 Previous partners, 37 Payment to a landlord, 41 Vampire's 'bed', 42 Grandma, in Guadalajara, 43 Core beliefs, 44 Chianti o moscato, 45 Played 18 holes, perhaps, 48 Money, slangily, 50 Great ___ (big dog), 51 Cheese that might be baked, 53 Word preceding 'head' or 'belly', 54 Embellish, as a resume, 55 Fib, 56 Landing guess: Abbr.

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022 Celestial Lint



The square of Mercury and Pluto in strong-willed signs represents a clash of the titans. Mercury in Aries can spit fire. The Capricorn influence on Pluto is one of might and certainty. In short, do not underestimate the danger of disrespectful words. They are like dryer lint -- seemingly harmless garbage that is, in fact, highly flammable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Whether you choose to hang back and observe or jump in and participate, do it because you want to, not because someone is pressuring you. If you need support in standing up for yourself, here it is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There's someone watching your moves today and probably commenting on them a little more than you'd like. If you can get past the annoyance of this, you may find value in the actual advice.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Emotions warp the space-time continuum. Fear, waiting and discomfort make the seconds go by agonizingly slow. Joy, fascination and fun speed things up.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're adaptable but principled. It is possible to bend without violating the rules you hold sacred, but it is not quite obvious how to do this. Brainstorm with a partner to come up with possible solutions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Either you will notice signs of trouble ahead or you will see that where you're headed isn't the destination you imagined it would be. The fates are on your side as you pivot.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Criticism should be gentle. Your aim is not to tear anyone down but to promote growth in the person you're advising -- especially if that person is you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's a nugget of gold in a relationship that you haven't uncovered. Finding it will be a process of chipping away at superficialities and washing away layers of protection and ego that separate us all.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You don't set out on an adventure; you just get out. The harrowing fun starts when expectations are not met, tools fail and plans disintegrate. This is the kind of gift that money can't buy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). As playwrights know, people have a very short attention span for exposition. You'll quickly get to the heart of the story and have the complete attention of your audience.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). New people juice your curiosity. You'll learn more through friendly playfulness and observation than you could possibly find out by asking direct questions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Having your emotional needs met makes you feel physically strong and capable. A loved one's affection and attention will improve your health.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Someone casts you in a role. Whether you play it is up to you. If you decide to take it on, don't mistake the role for who you are. You're the artist behind the creation, not the creation itself.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 10). In a brush of cosmic contradiction, the better you get at accepting the circumstances of life as they are without requiring them to be anything other than that, the more the fates favor you with beautiful experiences unfolding as though custom created to please you. Your attitude of relaxed fun attracts new faces. Love is all around you. Gemini and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 8, 2, 28 and 41.

Universal SUDOKU

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9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers pre-filled.

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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Special Order by Rebecca Goldstein

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg

Grid for Special Order crossword puzzle with numbers 1-65.

- ACROSS: 1 Did in, as a dragon, 5 On the ___ (at a turning point), 9 Pantry contents, 13 Angel's topper, 14 Italian region known for spumante, 15 A single time, 16 You can see lots of them in December (In this clue's answer, note letters 8-13), 19 Frequently, 20 Letter before sigma, 21 'Me too', 23 Black-and-white bear, 25 Shoelace snarl, 26 Silent approval, 27 Waffle House alternative, 28 Word before 'sister' or 'searching', 29 Adding to an email, 31 1978 Commodores hit whose title sounds mathematical (... letters 10-14), 34 Aladdin's sidekick, 35 Chimpanzee, e.g., 36 'There's always next time' (... letters 8-11), 45 PC part for vertical scrolling, 46 Noble's standing, 47 Canal with a museum in Syracuse, 48 Tablet's 'brain': Abbr., 49 Heft, 50 Still snoozing, say, 51 Nut for soft drinks, 53 Inquire, 54 It may precede an intermission, 55 McCrepe at McDonald's, e.g., or a theme hint, 60 Inquisitive Muppet, 61 2021 'Jeopardy!' champion Amodio, 62 Not far, 34 Aladdin's sidekick, 35 Chimpanzee, e.g., 36 'There's always next time' (... letters 8-11), 45 PC part for vertical scrolling, 46 Noble's standing, 47 Canal with a museum in Syracuse, 48 Tablet's 'brain': Abbr., 49 Heft, 50 Still snoozing, say, 51 Nut for soft drinks, 53 Inquire, 54 It may precede an intermission, 55 McCrepe at McDonald's, e.g., or a theme hint, 60 Inquisitive Muppet, 61 2021 'Jeopardy!' champion Amodio, 62 Not far, DOWN: 1 ___/her pronouns, 2 Bathroom, briefly, 3 'The Good Place' role for Kristen, 4 Heaven on Earth?, 5 Online shopping icon, 6 Employ, 7 Breastbone, 8 Tiny opening in a DIY projector, 9 Word ___ word, 10 Tip jar bills, 11 Polynesia's region, 12 Nobelist Tutu, 17 Coastal Indian state, 18 Kiddo, 22 Pushing the envelope, 23 BBQ spot, 24 (Contented sigh), 25 Fish in Japanese-style tattoos, 28 Leave slack-jawed, 29 Wonder Woman accessory, 30 Citrus fruit such as a Cutie, 32 Auction website, 33 Reached a new low, maybe, 36 'That tastes terrible!', 37 Runs against, 38 Something picked for a luau?, 39 'I know what I'm doing', 40 iPod ancestor, 41 Calligraphy liquid, 42 Person settling a dispute, 43 Fudge the facts, 44 Was ahead, 49 Sweetie, 50 Post-op stop, perhaps, 52 Highest point, 54 Insects in a farm, 56 Fishing stick, 57 When you'll likely leave: Abbr., 58 Bud opening?, 59 '___ Doubtfire'

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022 Aries Sun Check-in



Anyone can be an armchair expert. The Aries sun reminds us that heroes take action (thus the name 'action heroes') and they're too busy steering their own vessel to sit around critiquing the world. Of course, actually doing the thing is always harder, so cut yourself some slack, and be sure to appreciate all you're getting right.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're very perceptive. You'll notice the problems of others or get a sense of their secret pain. There may be nothing you can fix, but just opening your heart and letting them know they are not alone will be a tremendous help.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're proving something to yourself these days. By planning what to do and then doing it, you gain self-trust, which leads to increased control over your choices, and ultimately, satisfaction with your life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Many never dream of far-off places, preferring to stick to what they know. You, however, have exotic dreams and are willing to do the legwork necessary to fulfill some of them. Start small if you must, but do start.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's not one way to fix things. When seeking the help of an expert, keep in mind that there are many kinds of intelligence that would be relevant to apply to the problem at hand.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Certain compromises you've made are starting to add up to vague dissatisfaction with the way things are. What needs to happen for you to feel like you're getting more of what you want?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Whatever they ask, you're up to the task. But are your requests being answered with equal enthusiasm? Learn from your past mistakes and assert yourself sooner in a relationship rather than later.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll get clarity regarding your next moves and general focus. This doesn't come in the form of a lightning strike from the blue. Rather, it's a learning process as you get your hands dirty with the work that must be done.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's not as though you have to decide the fate of the whole world, but this decision you're making somehow feels much heavier than you anticipated it would. Make it easier on yourself. How can you reduce the stakes?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Trying to get through to a certain emotionally distant person is like grasping at wind. Instead, get comfortable and content in yourself and let the warm, attractive energy you radiate draw people in.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If possible, touch base in person. The exchange of ideas and information will be smooth and helpful in face-to-face encounters. No matter how hard you try to give, you'll be on the receiving end.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You may feel limited in your ability to express yourself or further your purposes. But the more you exercise your freedom of thought, the more malleable your environment will become.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Consider that people who can't seem to stay out of the drama may be secretly in love with it. The uninterested will find drama easily avoided with simple measures: change the subject, don't engage or just drive on by.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 11). You'll boldly enter new scenarios, bringing a bright energy wherever you go. A calculated risk will pay off in three different ways. Adding a skill will give you a fresh financial stream. Gentle lifestyle changes will stick. Little by little you'll find your way to a buzzing level of vitality, attracting like souls to you. Gemini and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 20, 2, 18 and 45..

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