A Word or Two by Gary Larson and Amy Ensz

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- "Noodle" or "noggin," for head
- 6 Droopy
- Failed guess in Battleship
- 14 Chocolate maker's tree
- 15 Berry in a purple smoothie. perhaps
- 16 Not pro-17 Like a bartender
- tending bar?
- 19 Declare
- 20 to Joy" 21 Research money
- 22 Lots and lots 23 Rides a bike
- "For Your Eyes Only" singer
- Sheena Word after "worry"
- or "prayer" 29 Sent an emoji,
- 32 Elisabeth of "Leaving Las
- Vegas' 35 Actor Davis
- 37 Fury

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6 Browser

angle

15 Look for

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bookmarks

Social position

14 Like a 14-degree

16 Orchestra tuner

Competition winner

ballpark)

22 Credits as a

source

hand

Field (Mets'

What gets you a

Record for later

Group of plotters

38 Walked quietly

41 Organize neatly

- 43 Dot follower in UNICEF's URL 44 Printing smudges
- 46 Frankenstein's assistant, in film
- 47 Ancient empire known for its rugs
- 49 Coming up 52 Changes for the
- better 54 Practical
- 58 Windows precursor
- 60 Complete and total
- 62 Was in charge
- 63 Arab chieftain 64 Like a jockey
- who's fed up? 66 Strengthen, with
- "up 67 Once existed
- 68 Orange Muppet
- 69 Baker's dozen? 70 Online crafts
- marketplace 71 Horse controllers

1 Exclusive story

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41 Liberal

degree

milky

45 Trances

Empire State

team, on the

scoreboard

48 Partner of "fast"

Matter co-founder

50 Black Lives

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59 Region for

51 Piece of pizza

53 Musical ending

55 Revered figure

Bismarck and

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It's All Pretty Standard by Taylor Johnson Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg

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- 3 Behaved
 - 4 Time out?
 - 5 Search engine originally called BackRub

2 Magna cum

- 6 Spencer of "Good Morning America"
- Cold quality 8 Ray in tropical
- waters 9 Napoleon in "Animal Farm,"
- e.g.
- 10 Tums alternative 11 Like someone
- expressing anger while at home?
- 12 Dish cooked in a pot
- 13 Lancelot and Mixa-Lot, for two Major (bear
- constellation) 22 Certain male cow
- 24 Be an accomplice
- 26 Start to wake up 28 Bird that had a repeating sound?
- 31 Does and bucks 32 "Cut that out!" 33 Bring on board

- 34 Like a teacher burning the midnight oil?
- 36 Wrap at a pageant Awards with
- a Playwriting
- category
- 40 Flair 42 Opera set in Egypt
- They try things for a living
- 48 Camping
- desserts
- 50 At any time
- 51 Less stuffy 53 Comforter
- 55 Pancakes served with sour cream
- 56 His tomb is in
- Red Square 57 Lawns' sides
- 58 Allocate, with
- "out' "Blanket" over
- Los Angeles 61 Parker of "South
- Park" fame 64 Be behind on bills
- 65 Nickname that anagrams to "red"

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HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022 Suggestions from a Balanced Moon



The Libra lunar tides warn us of the ego's tendency to keep us working for its vision. As soon as it gets what it wants, it comes up with a new list of demands. Happiness and freedom depend on restricting the ego's power with modesty and service. Give the ego just enough to exist, but not enough to take over and run the show

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Fun is contagious, but it's also subjective. Your success will depend on your ability to read the room. If you're not in the room, as in an email or text situation, humor is a risk. The level of risk is commensurate with the payoff.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your fantasy life is going strong. As for these castles in the air -- maybe you can't live in them, but some of the ideas are practical enough to apply once you touch back down

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your mood: ambitious. You'll push yourself. Because going after the larger experiences of life takes a great deal of focus and energy, it will require you to cut out distractions and bring your lower appetites into control.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Unless you are a DJ or a children's party character, it's probably not your job to make the people around you happy. So why not go where (SET ITAL) you're (END ITAL) the happiest? Only you know the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Life gets messy. The unexpected bumps, spills and overlaps are clues that we are, indeed, alive. Your mettle will be tested, and you'll get the opportunity to tidy up, compartmentalize and prove just how cool you can be.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). New projects gather steam. The work is really just beginning, but encouraging early results are a glimpse of what you'll get if you keep this up for the long haul.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The stage is set for rivalries to play out. Emotions run hot, alliances have been formed and the stakes are high. Even so, it's not too late for mediation, negotiation and peaceful dealmakind

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Shared creativity is a bond. Writing can unite people. Art can flirt with your eyeballs. A song can pierce you straight through and connect you with invisible thread to the others who hear

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). As for the

burdens laid on you by society, there's always a way around it. If you can't see it from where you stand, seek a perspective shift. Reading, travel and interviewing others are all valid ways to get there. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If no one asks a

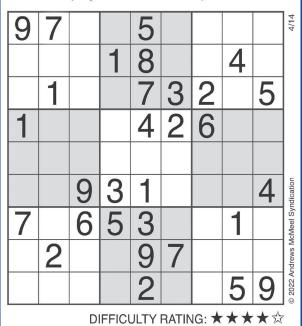
question, nothing gets done. And if people keep asking questions, nothing gets done. Progress is asking the right question at the right time and getting answers before you move on to the next question.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You know what it's like to be the one who loves more, sacrifices greater and maximizes small returns. But don't worry; this will not be your destiny forever. Prepare for huge love

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You will somehow be able to see things as your loved one does and though you may not entirely agree, your understanding of the other point of view will lift the relationship to a new level

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 15). You'll be publicly praised -- an event that makes such an impression, it alters the course of your work. Relationship building culminates in a lucrative deal. Though you're very strategic in some areas of life, when it comes to love, all game goes out the window. You simply give everything and joy spills everywhere. Pisces and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 2, 14, 38 and 17.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022 Pink Moon Musings



only to provide an alibi for all the random despair you are going to feel anyway." Can you think of times when you felt a certain way first and looked for reasons later? The full moon in Libra, the sign of relationships, offers the opposite directive -- claim hope and watch it blossom in your life

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Life is bustling and you'll do what you can. As for the rest, instead of saying "I don't have time," try more empowering language like, "this is not my priority right now" and feel like an absolute boss.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Communicate about money. If you're making wise decisions but your loved ones aren't on the same page, they could counter your actions and thwart your progress. Alignment creates momentum. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Humans often equate

attractiveness with goodness, but the correlation doesn't exist. Though appearances may afford you many clues as to a person's character traits, you'll have to look deeper to know how good someone is. CANCER (June 22-July 22). You've a talent for understanding just how much you can and should take on. It's natural to want to distance yourself from a harsh reality or distract yourself from pain.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). To believe in your ability to sense what the right thing to do is and trust yourself to act accordingly promotes confidence in who you are now. For even more confidence, extend the same courtesy backward to Past You. No regrets. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As you make more of a distinction between what you have to do and what you choose to do, you understand that the list of "have-to's" is actually quite small. You'll examine your reasons for continuing with certain

a price. The highs and lows will be extreme and acute. But feeling everything life has to offer is better than the alternative -- walking around as though programmed, like a numb zombie-robot. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). We want what

seems somewhat, but not entirely inaccessible.

Complete inaccessibility inspires derision. Desire

will be ignited where beauty meets the unfinished or unpolished. Rawness makes a thing accessible. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're highly influential today. With power comes responsibility. Before you make your pitch, lead your team or get involved in any situation, stop and ask yourself

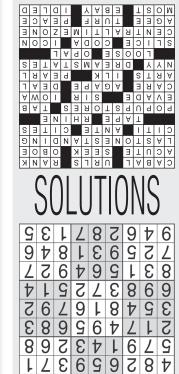
what's best for all. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even though a job is nearly complete, the refinements take almost as much time as the job itself did. Tending to details is hard work, but also very worth the effort.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're still navigating the complex matrix of another person. You'll never know it completely, but your willingness to try will keep the relationship fresh.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Because you feel less pressure to conform to norms today your approach to problems will be very different. You'll skip the usual solutions and come up with inventive and amusing fixes

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 16). You'll experience many environments and get the best of every world. Chaotic challenges shape you; calm, supportive places allow for intensive, focused work. You are brilliant without trying to be or do anything other than what comes naturally. Someone will travel far to see you -- the ultimate compliment. Scorpio and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 28,

contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.



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- gender-neutral
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- 7 Take a breather 8 "Go for it!"
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- influenced "The Thinker" sculptor
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- mall 12 Zilch 13 They're "stood on"
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