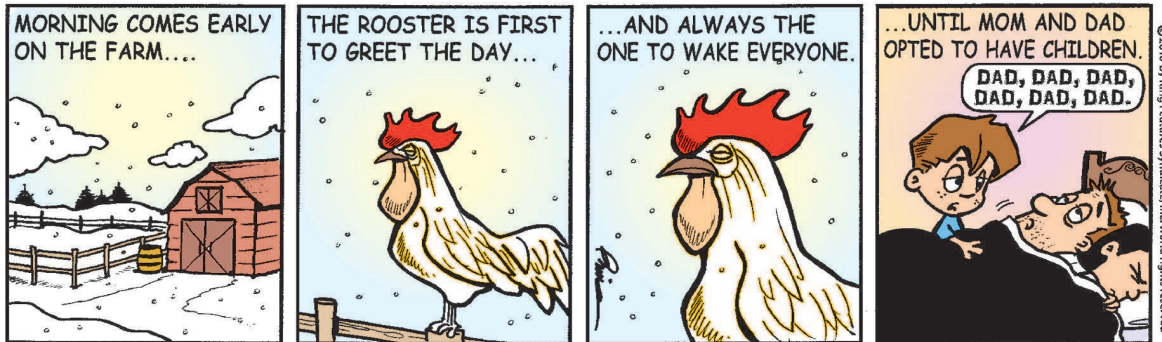


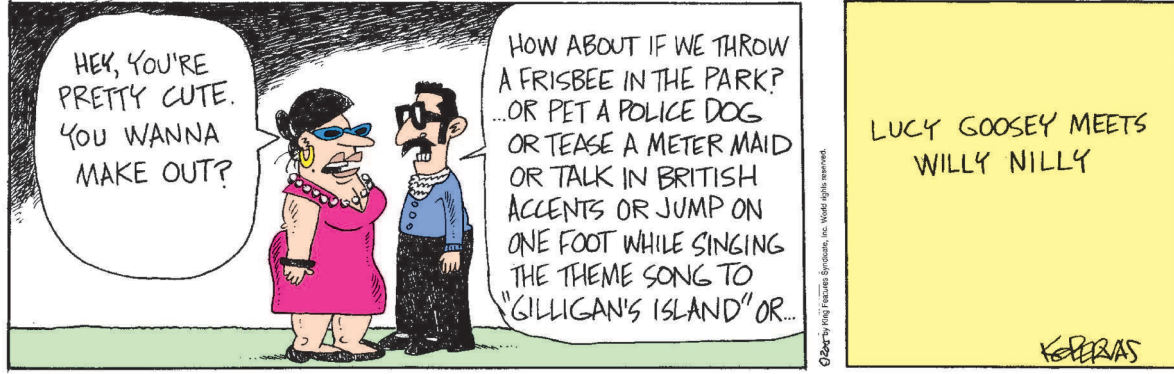
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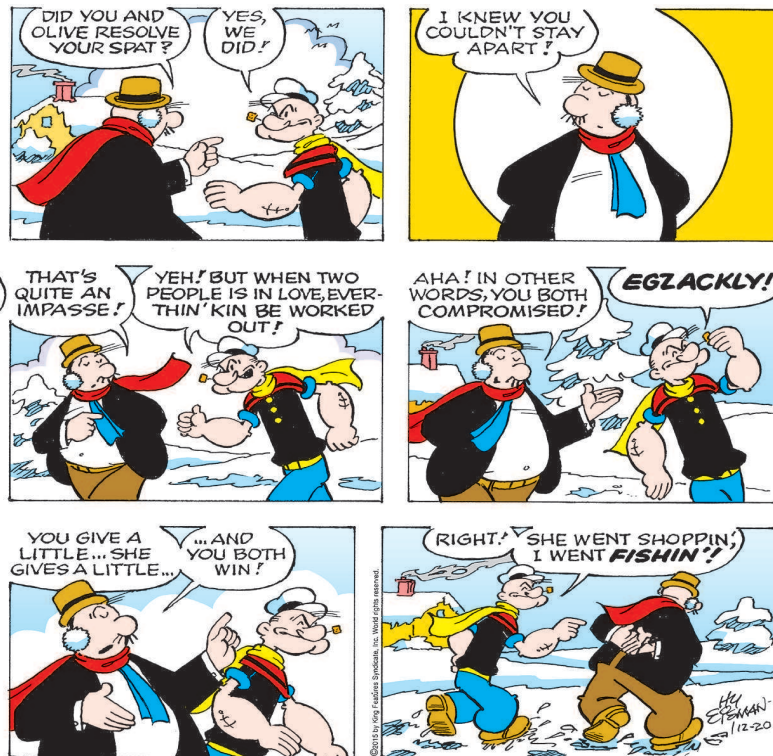
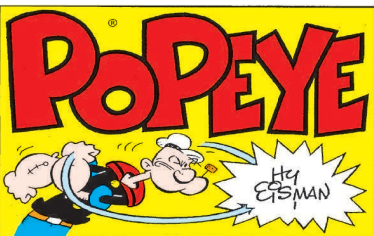
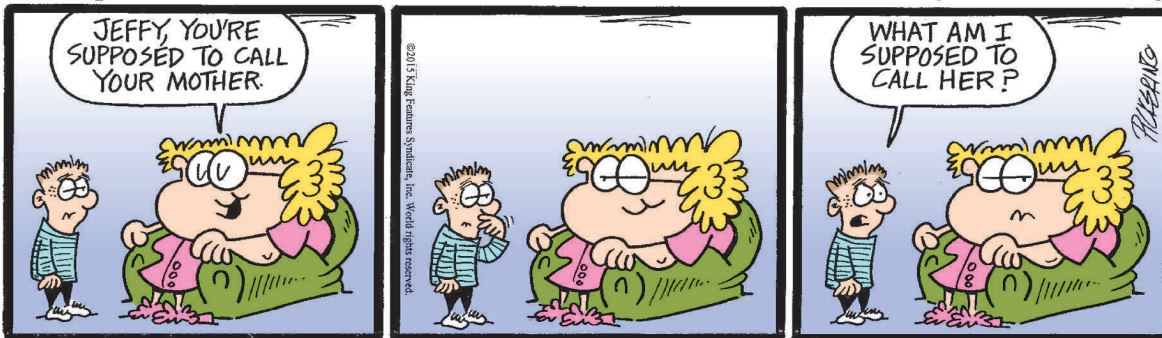
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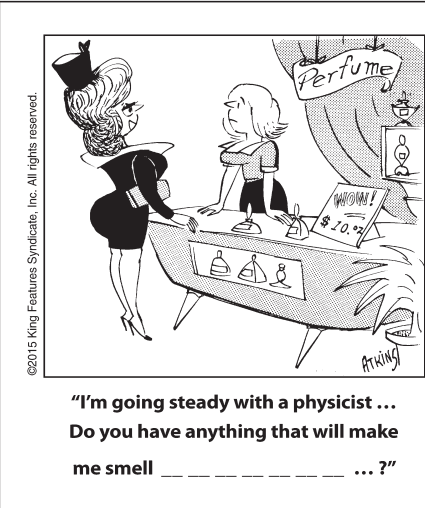


Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Agile
RIMBLE

Alike
QUALE

Secret
VECTOR

Smart
STATUE

TODAY'S WORD

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King Crossword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			
12				13					14				
15			16						17				
18							19	20					
21							22		23	24	25		
26	27	28				29			30				
31					32				33				
34					35				36				
37					38				39				
40									41		42	43	44
45	46	47					48	49					
50							51				52		
53							54					55	

ACROSS

1 Lustrous black
 4 Corned beef concoction
 8 Into the sunset
 12 Unoriginal one
 13 La Scala show-stopper
 14 Related
 15 Vitamin B-1 deficiency
 17 Kindly bloke
 18 Submit
 19 Pi follower
 21 Schedule abbr.
 22 Moulin Rouge dance
 26 Book of maps
 29 Yank
 30 Discoverer's cry
 31 Seethe
 32 Historic boy king
 33 "Big Brother" host Julie
 34 Census datum
 35 Census datum
 36 Ad for an upcoming broadcast
 37 Chocolatey treat
 39 401(k)

DOWN

1 Pokes
 2 Duel tool
 3 Gull's cousin
 4 Customs
 5 Gladiators' venue
 6 Knightly address
 7 Tonsorial task
 8 Cart
 9 — out a living
 10 Sermon subject
 11 Stick with a kick
 16 Perfect
 20 Crone
 23 Silver salmon
 24 Throat-clearing sound
 25 Taboo act
 26 Common
 27 Takeout order
 28 Property claim
 29 Monkey suit
 32 Sawbuck
 33 Muscle woe
 35 "Help!"
 36 Rap sheet data
 38 Sheetload of cookies
 39 Gold mold
 42 \$50, in "Monopoly"
 43 Unattractive
 44 Unrivaled
 45 Recede
 46 Hearty brew
 47 Toper
 49 Big fuss

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

		8		1	7	2		
4			3					5
	1			8				3
		3	6					7
			9			5	4	1
6				4				2
7					3	9		
	2	1	9					6
	9			6				4

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

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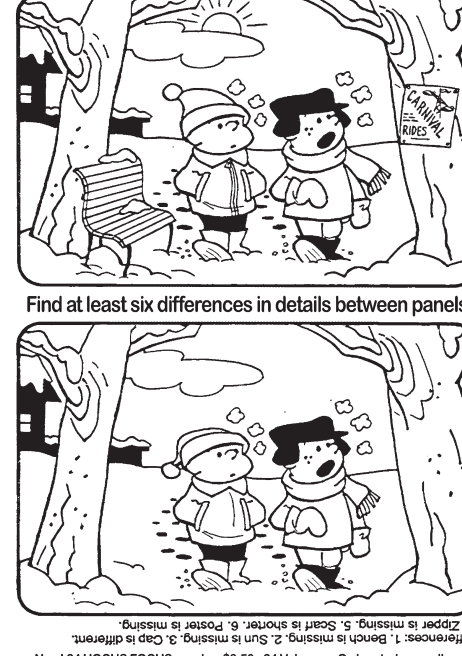
Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: What is "Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek's country of birth?
 - ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of bacteria called?
 - SCIENCE: What is converted into alcohol during brewing?
 - PSYCHOLOGY: What is it called when someone has a phobia about touching money?
 - MUSIC: How many members are in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir?
 - MYTHOLOGY: What was the domain of the Roman goddess Trivia?
 - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was Canada's first national animal?
 - LANGUAGE: What does it mean to be flagitious?
 - ENTERTAINERS: What age did comedian Jack Benny always claim to be?
 - GEOGRAPHY: Where is the island of Alcatraz located?
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

10. San Francisco Bay
 9. 39
 8. Wicked
 7. The beaver
 6. Sorcery and witchcraft
 5. 360
 4. Chrematophobia
 3. Sugar
 2. A culture or colony
 1. Canada
- Trivia Test Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

8	6	1	7	4	5				
8	3	6	7	4	8	3	6		
7	4	8	6	5	3	6	1	2	
6	5	7	1	4	8	3	2	9	
2	8	6	7	3	5	4	6	1	
1	3	4	2	6	9	5	8	7	
6	9	1	5	4	8	2	6	7	3
4	7	2	3	6	1	5	8		
3	6	8	5	1	7	2	9	4	

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: J equals P

SQKOUUQC BQALZG RV K
 YAQJH QB JZQJOZ PXQ XKG
 RZSLZL PZKAV QB OZKACUCY:
 RQAZG QB ZGHSKIUQC.

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SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word

3. Covert; 4. Astute

CryptoQuip

Coalition formed by a group of people who had become weary of learning; Bored of Education.

Answer

Cottage Grove Sentinel + **shoppe** Keep it local.

Find local businesses. shoppelocal.biz

www.shoppelocal.biz