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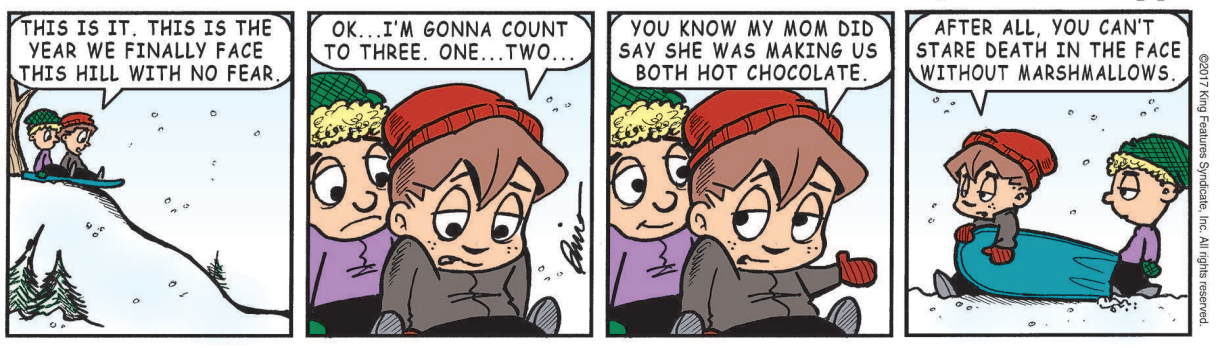


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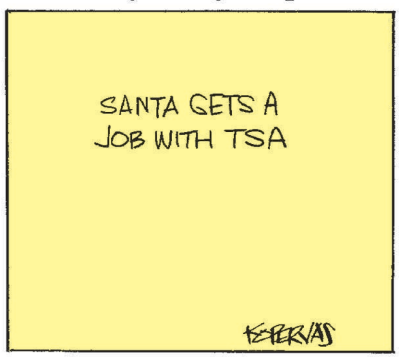


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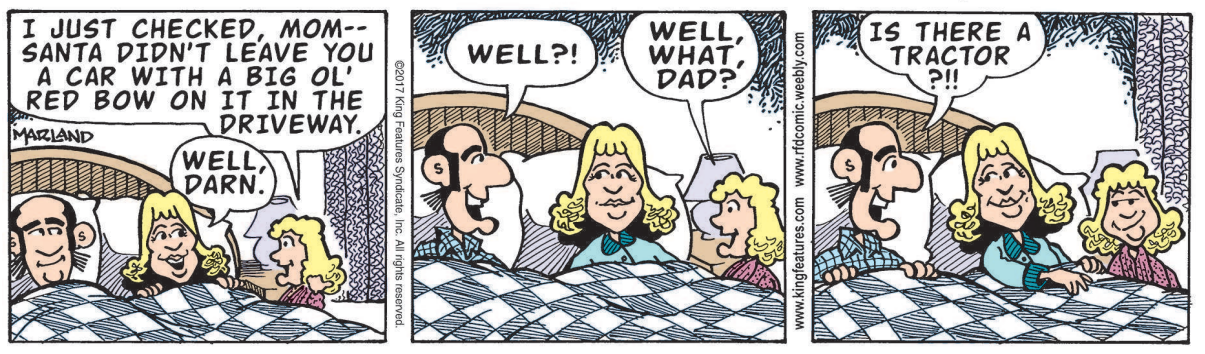


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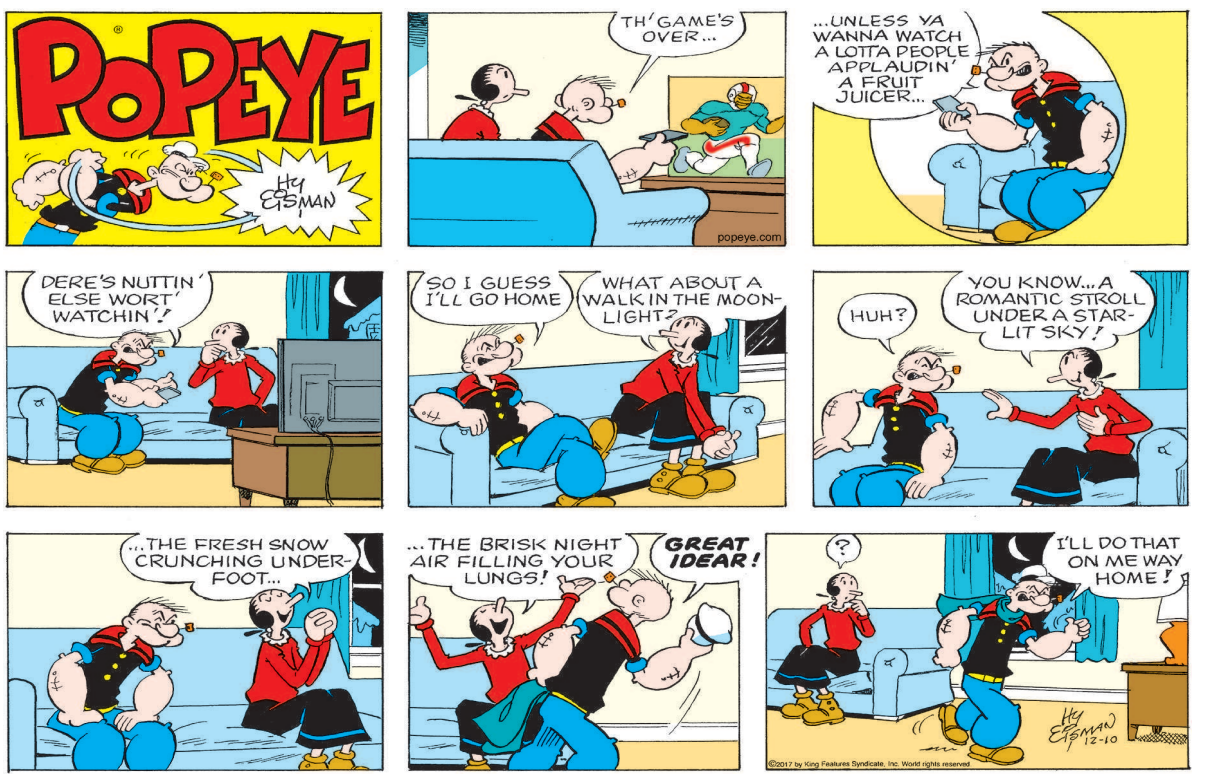


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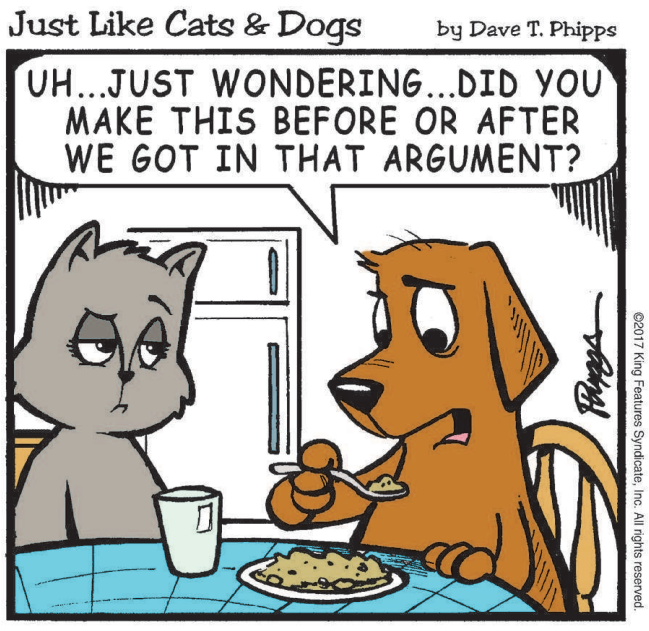



## LAFF-A-DAY

"I don't really *want* a new stove, I just like to play in the box!"

## 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!**

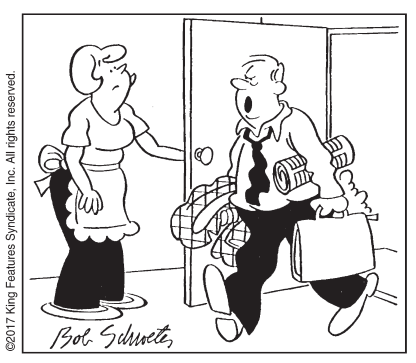
Sneer **PRIMES**

Twist **GLEAN**

Edge **FINGER**

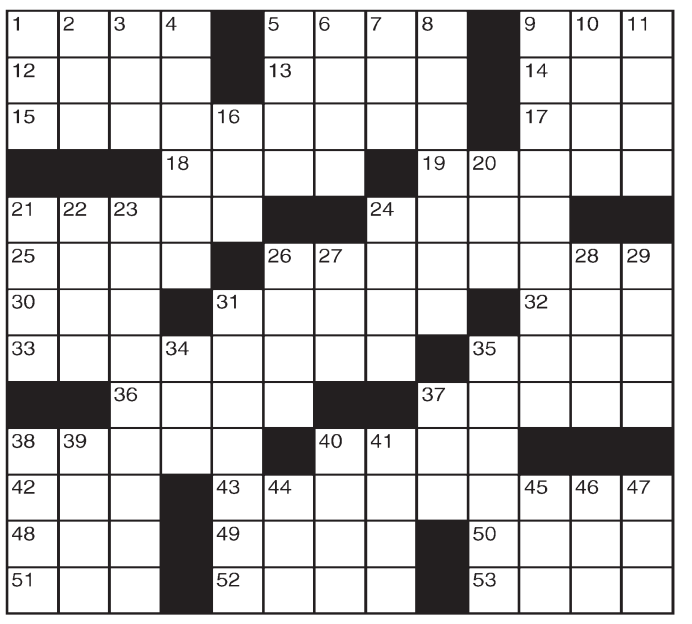
Avoid **REGION**

**TODAY'S WORD** ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____




**"I've been barred from another car pool — they won't put up with my _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _!"**

## King Crossword



**ACROSS**

1 Muse's instrument
5 Renders speechless
9 Obtain
12 Billions of years
13 Future stallion
14 Multipurpose truck
15 Avocado dip
17 Top card
18 Singles
19 Gordon and Ginsburg
21 Mad
24 It begins at 40
25 Toe woe
26 Zigzagged on skis
30 Eggs
31 Actress Witherspoon
32 Past
33 Clothing
35 Story line
36 "— She Sweet?"
37 Instant
38 From then on
40 Icelandic epic
42 Industrious insect
43 Port city of Ecuador
48 Eisenhower
49 Being, to Brutus
50 — Major
51 Caustic solution
52 "— of Our Lives"
53 Shade trees

**DOWN**

1 Lower limb
2 Thee
3 Genetic letters
4 Accompany to a party
5 Pinnacle
6 Courts
7 Right angle
8 Germ-free
9 Central American nation
10 Leave an impression
11 Golf gadgets
16 Whatever number
20 Aliens' craft
21 Enthusiastic, plus
22 PBS science show
23 Insure
24 Glasgow girl
26 Transmitted
27 Allow
28 Hollywood clashers
29 "... — protest too much"
31 Went back on an agreement
34 Karaoke need, for short
35 Award for a dentist?
37 Med. approval org.
38 Take to the seas
39 Black
40 Simple
41 Coloring agents
44 Can. neighbor
45 Web address
46 Doctrine
47 — Vegas

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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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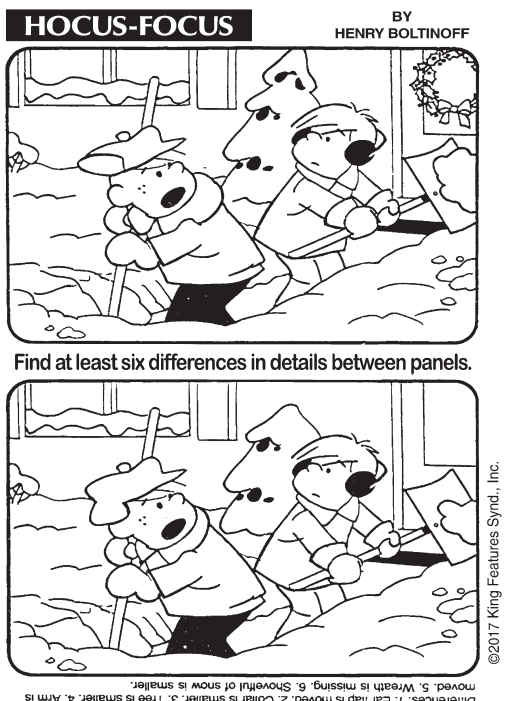
## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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Differences: 1. Ear flap is moved. 2. Collar is smaller. 3. Tree is smaller. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Wreath is missing. 6. Shovelful of snow is smaller.

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## 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: **Y** equals **I**

PEWA OILKYGYAT YZ CLAZIR ZW BIYGI ZSI RLF, L VOIBSCLZIO VYBS EOWDEZKF TWZ PE LAR UOYIR "ULOE RYID!"

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## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MONEY: What was the common currency in Portugal prior to the euro?
2. MOVIES: What 1990s horror movie featured Henry Winkler as the principal of Woodsboro High School?
3. THEATER: What musical included the characters of Maria Rainer and Captain Georg von Trapp?
4. ANATOMY: What are the names of the arteries that supply blood to the head and neck?
5. MEASUREMENTS: What does an isobar represent on a map?
6. LANGUAGE: What word represents the letter R in the NATO Phonetic Alphabet?
7. GEOGRAPHY: What is the significance of the 38th parallel north?
8. FAMOUS QUOTES: What 20th-century politician once said, "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion, but not his own facts"?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where does the Oberammagau passion play take place every 10 years?
10. ASTRONOMY: What is the only constellation of the Zodiac representing an inanimate object?

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**Trivia Test Answers**

1. Escudo
2. "Scream"
3. "The Sound of Music"
4. Carotid
5. Atmospheric pressure
6. Romeo
7. It forms the border between North and South Korea.
8. Daniel Patrick Moynihan
9. Germany
10. Libra (the scales)

## — King Crossword — Answers

**Solution time: 21 mins.**

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| L | Y | R | E | | A | W | E | S | | G | E | T |
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| A | N | G | R | Y | | L | I | F | E | | | |
| G | O | U | T | | S | L | A | L | O | M | E | D |
| O | V | A | | R | E | E | S | | A | G | O | |
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| I | K | E | | E | S | S | E | | U | R | S | A |
| L | Y | E | | D | A | Y | S | | E | L | M | S |

## Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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

## CryptoQuip answer

Upon realizing it wanted to seize the day, a freshwater fish promptly got up and cried "Carp diem!"

## SCRAMBLERS *Today's Word*

1. Simper; 2. Angle; 3. Fringe; 4. Ignore

**SNORING**