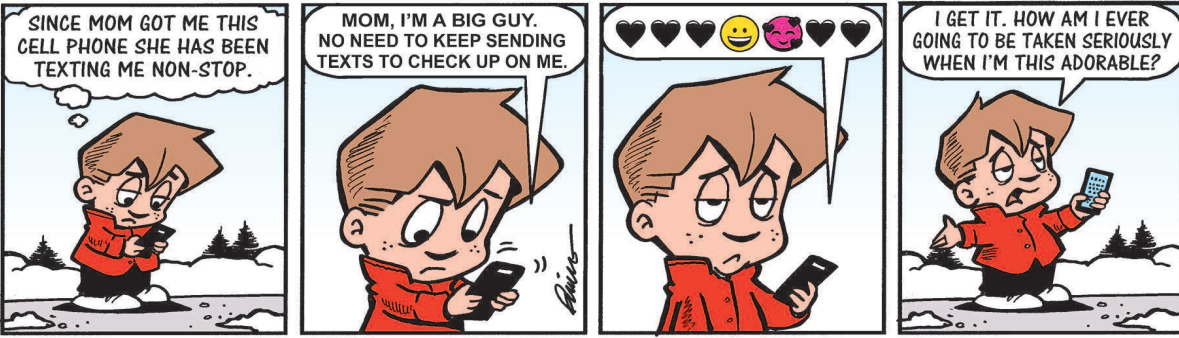


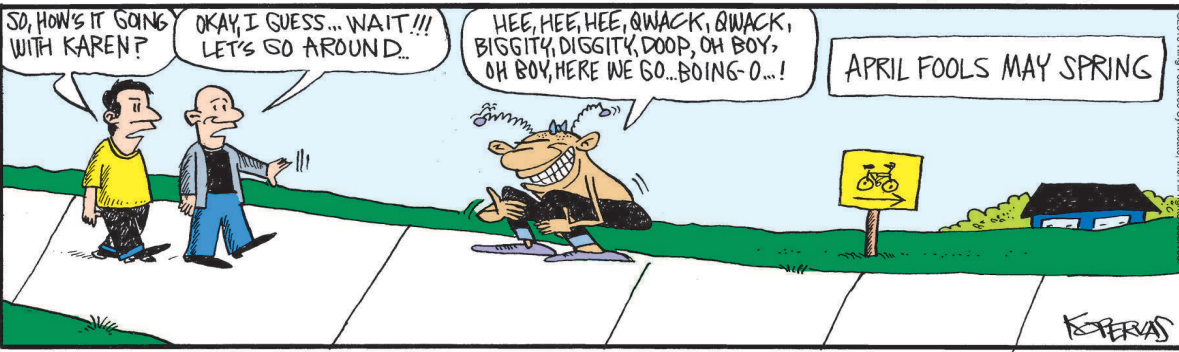
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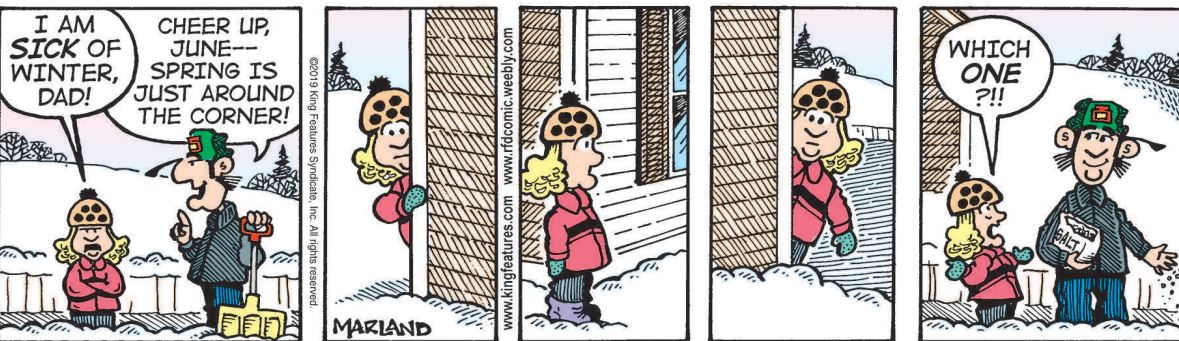
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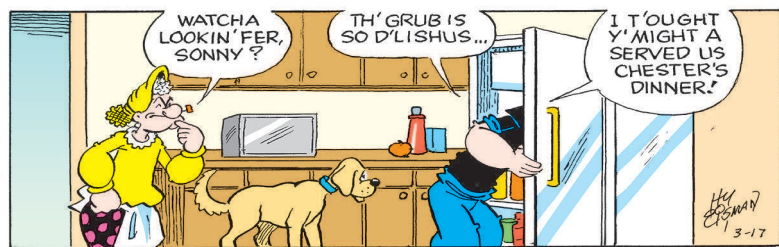
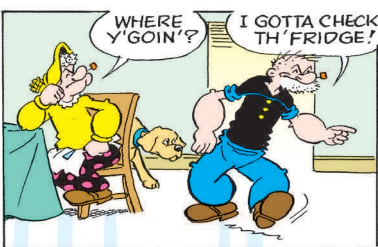
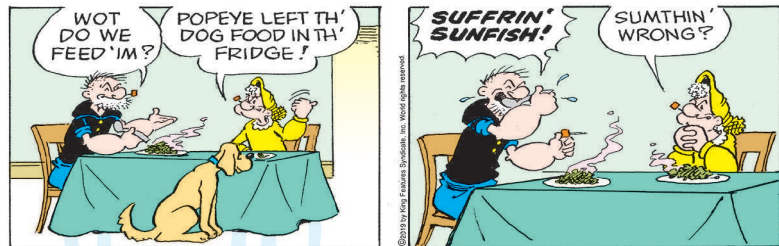
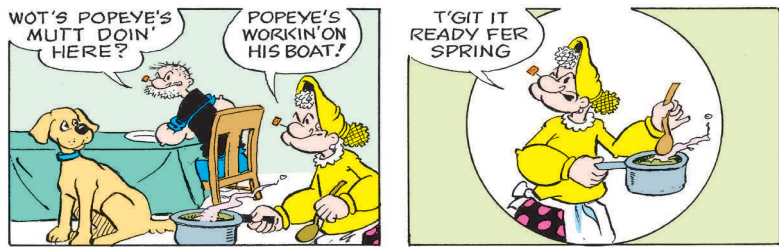
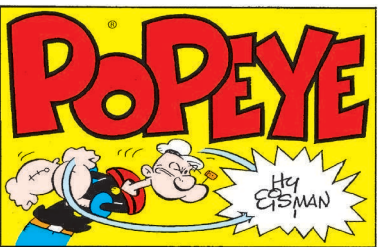
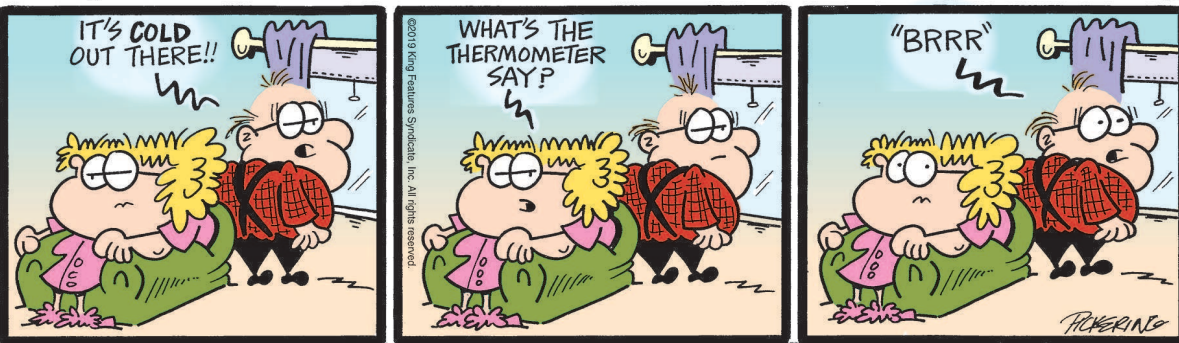
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Just Like Cats & Dogs

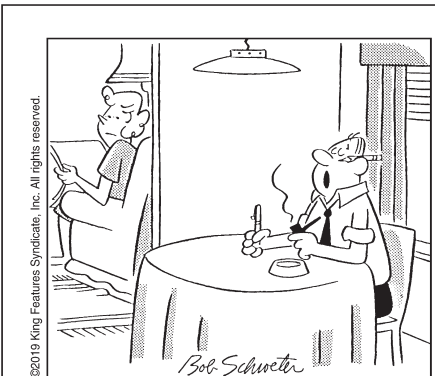
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LAFF-A-DAY



"I am NOT an underachiever — my teacher is an overexpecter!"



"I'm ready, dear—bring me the bills, the checkbook and the _____."

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!

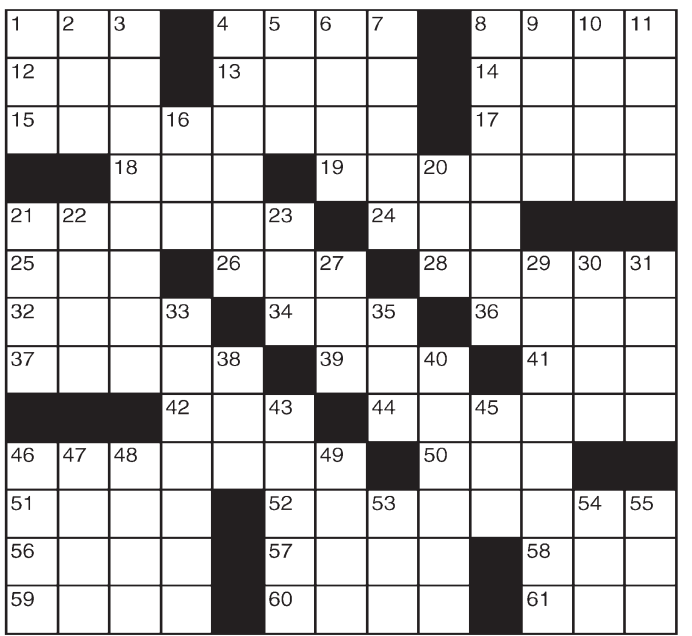
- Abuse: UNSHIP
- Excite: RIPEINS
- Rock: KEASH
- Cover: CINEW

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Jewel
- 4 Appointment
- 8 Con job
- 12 Boxing leg-end
- 13 Big story
- 14 — Major
- 15 Medieval entertainer
- 17 Anger
- 18 " — lazy river ..."
- 19 Extreme
- 21 Assault
- 24 Heavy weight
- 25 Hawaiian neckwear
- 26 With it
- 28 Complete range
- 32 Exam format
- 34 Illustrations
- 36 Soybean
- 37 Eastern potato (Var.)
- 39 LummoX
- 41 Profit
- 42 Needlefish
- 44 Aplenty
- 46 Graham of "Monty Python"
- 50 Bay State sch.
- 51 Humdinger
- 52 Alternatives to station wag-ons



- 56 Israeli airline
- 57 Carbon compound
- 58 Where (Lat.)
- 59 Roll up
- 60 Almost black
- 61 Knock
- 9 Gator's cousin
- 10 Largest continent
- 11 Shoppers' mecca
- 16 Hot tub
- 20 Pooch
- 21 Lotion additive
- 22 Expression
- 23 Sedona auto-maker
- 27 Expert
- 29 Labyrinth
- 30 Addict
- 31 Carry
- 33 Humorous hoax
- 35 Playground game
- 38 Aries
- 40 Kin
- 43 Japanese noodles
- 45 Actress Ullmann
- 46 Staff leader?
- 47 Streaming video giant
- 48 Winged
- 49 1492 craft
- 53 Penultimate mo.
- 54 Cagers' org.
- 55 Try the tea

DOWN

- 1 Leg, slangily
- 2 Yale student
- 3 Little details
- 4 Break off
- 5 Spring mo.
- 6 Layer
- 7 Brilliance
- 8 Older spelling for a South American

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

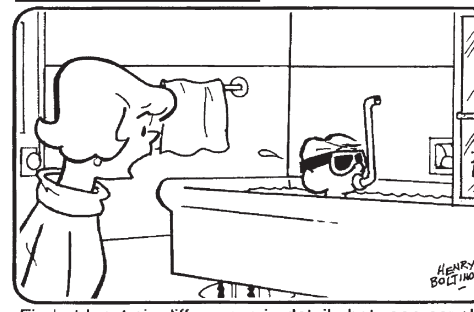
by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: Which film with a literary title won the 1999 Oscar for Best Picture?
- ANATOMY: What gives red blood cells their color?
- FOOD & DRINK: What spice gives Hungarian goulash its characteristic flavor?
- HISTORY: Who were the two women who tried to assassinate President Gerald Ford on two separate occasions in 1975?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of swine called?
- ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system (other than Earth) is known as the "Blue Planet"?
- LANGUAGE: What does the Latin word "veto" mean?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the fastest growing plant in the world?
- LITERATURE: Which children's fantasy series featured a ship called "The Dawn Treader"?
- MUSIC: What was English singer Billy Idol's name at birth?

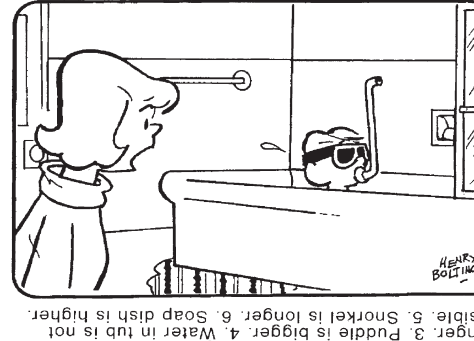
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Towel is missing. 2. Mom's hair is longer. 3. Puddle is bigger. 4. Water in tub is not visible. 5. Snorkel is longer. 6. Soap dish is higher.

- "Shakespeare in Love"
- Hemoglobin
- Paprika
- Sara Jane Moore and Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme
- A sounder
- Neptune
- To forbid or prohibit
- Bamboo
- "The Chronicles of Narnia"
- William Broad

Solution time: 25 mins.

G	E	M	D	A	T	E	S	C	A	M
M	I	N	I	S	T	R	E	L	I	C
U	N	I	P	I	C	A	L	I	C	A
A	T	N	O	A	K	T	H	G	A	W
O	R	A	L	A	V	E	M	I	S	T
E	M	E	R	O	A	F	T	E	R	E
C	H	A	R	A	M	A	N	I	N	I
L	U	L	I	N	I	W	A	N	I	A
U	B	I	T	O	N	E	L	E	M	E
F	U	R	L	A	N	V	A	L	H	A

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: H equals Y

- BQ HMP ALL JLCCBAD QPZLA
- LZRKRUBKS QJMZ AMZLUDBKS,
- WMPFC HMP WRFF UDLZ JMAL-
- WMFMJLC SRALA?

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ASPIRINS
Today's Word
solution
1. Punish; 2. Inspire; 3. Shake; 4. Wince

King Crossword

Answer

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

Weekly SUDOKU
Answer
If you see reddish fumes emanating from something could you call them rose-colored gases?