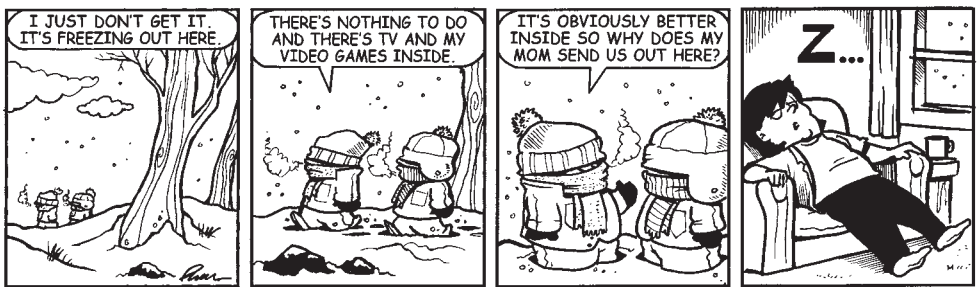


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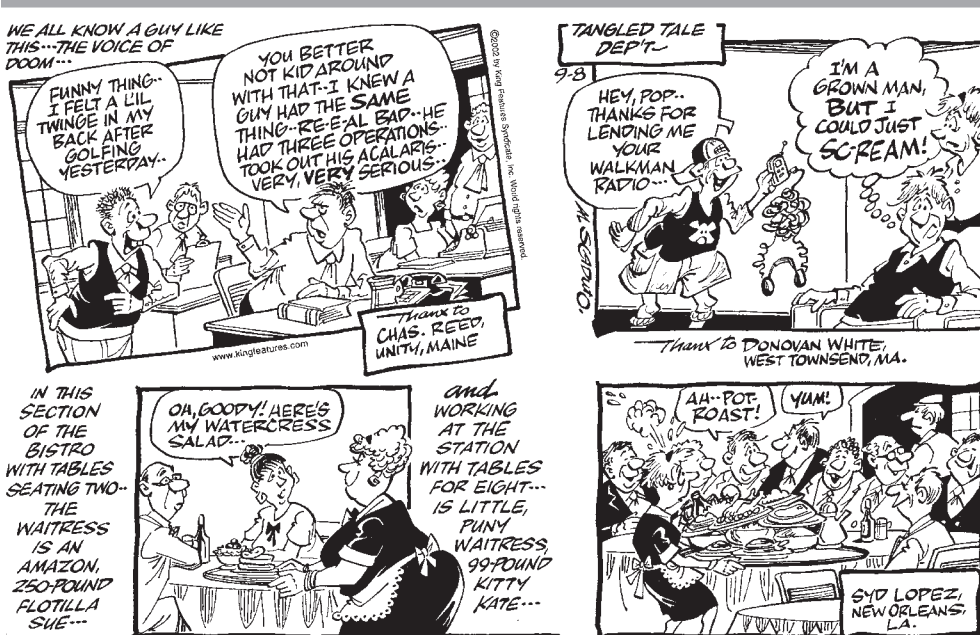
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★★★

SALOME'S STARS HOROSCOPE



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your natural Arian leadership qualities make you the person others will follow in tackling that important project. But don't get so involved in the work that you neglect your personal life.

right now. You would benefit both from a change of scenery and from meeting new people.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Aspects favor sorting through your possessions, both at work and at home, to start giving away what you don't use, don't need or don't like. Relax later with someone special.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) While things generally go well this week, a romantic situation seems to have stalled. But you can restart it if you want to. Then again, maybe this is a chance to reassess the situation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The issues are not quite as clear as they should be. That's why you need to avoid getting involved in disputes between colleagues at work or between relatives or personal friends.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A meeting that was promised quite a while back could finally happen. So be sure you're prepared with everything you'll need to make your case sound convincing and doable.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You'll get lots of support from others if you own up to your mistake quickly and include a full and honest explanation. Learn from this experience so that you don't repeat it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A workplace blunder could create a problem down the line unless you deal with it right now to see how and why it happened. Don't be surprised at what you might learn.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) There might be some early confusion over a major move, whether it's at work or at home. But once you get a full breakdown of what it entails, it should be easier to deal with. Good luck.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time to re-sort your priorities and see if adjustments are called for. Be honest with yourself as you decide what to keep, what to discard and what to change.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Creating order out of chaos, even in the most untidy spaces, should be no problem for organized Virgos. So go ahead and do it, and then accept praise from impressed colleagues.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Letting yourself be bathed in the outpouring of love and support from those who care for you will help you get through a difficult period sooner rather than later. Good luck.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Whether it's for business purposes or just for leisure, a trip might be just what you need

BORN THIS WEEK: You have an uncanny gift for reaching out to all people and creating bridges of understanding among them.

FLASHBACK BY MICK HARPER

1. Who wrote and released "Solitary Man" and when?
2. Which of these Elton John singles climbed the charts to No. 1 in the U.S.? "Rocket Man," "Daniel" or "Pinball Wizard"?
3. Name the artist who released "Laurie (Strange Things Happen)."
4. Which Dixie Cups song did the group claim came from their grandmother?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "You must leave now, take what you need, you think will last, But whatever you wish to keep, you better grab it fast."

ANSWERS
1. NEIL DIAMOND, IN 1966, IT WASN'T UNTIL MANY YEARS LATER THAT DIAMOND WOULD SAY HE REALIZED THAT HE'D WRITTEN THE SONG ABOUT HIMSELF.
2. NONE OF THEM, EVEN "CANDLE IN THE WIND" DIDN'T MAKE IT.
3. DICKEY LEE, IN 1965.
4. "KROOKO," THE GROUP WAS SUD BY JAMES CRAWFORD, WHO CLAIMED THAT THE SONG WAS ACTUALLY HIS SONG "JOCK-A-MO."
5. "IT'S ALL OVER NOW, BABY BLUE," BY BOB DYLAN IN 1965. THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN DEBATE ABOUT WHO DYLAN IS SAYING GOODBYE TO WITH THIS ONE. ONE GUESS IS JOAN BAIZ, WHO HE WAS DATING AT THE TIME. OTHERS THINK THE TARGET WAS HIS FOLK-MUSIC AUDIENCE, WITH "BABY" BEING HIS LAST ACOUSTIC GUITAR SONG.

SUPER CROSSWORD: SIX FROM THE FAB FOUR

- ACROSS**
- 1 Approach intrusively
 - 7 Lamentor's sound
 - 11 Process of going bad
 - 19 Attach with heat, as a patch
 - 20 Heart sections
 - 22 When shows are broadcast
 - 23 Butler or maid
 - 25 Fish also called a largemouth
 - 26 Mop
 - 27 At that point
 - 28 CNN anchor Burnett
 - 30 China's Mao —tung
 - 31 1960s reform movement in China
 - 38 "Sid the Science Kid" network
 - 41 Tracker maker, once
 - 42 Convert to the Koran's religion
 - 43 Chevy model
 - 45 Suffix with towel
 - 48 Korean, Thai or Chinese
 - 52 Precipitating heavily
 - 57 Big Apple sch.
 - 58 Off-white
 - 59 March composer John Philip
 - 60 Cease
 - 61 Lives (in)
 - 63 It lures fish
 - 65 Loss of memory
 - 67 Posed (for)
 - 68 "Stop thinking of me as so naive"
 - 74 "— recall ..."
 - 75 Headlined
 - 76 Dying words from Caesar
 - 77 Inflicts upon
 - 79 Honshu sash
 - 80 Small piece
 - 83 Ad biz prize
 - 87 Collaborator
 - 94 Correct copy
 - 95 Hitchcock classic
 - 96 Light blue avenue in Monopoly
 - 100 Neat — pin
 - 101 Announcer
 - 102 American flier with scarlet patches
 - 109 Special time
 - 110 Tabula —
 - 111 Postal letters
 - 112 Get in return
 - 116 Person petting
 - 120 What the last words of 23-, 31-, 52-, 68-, 88- and 102-
 - 124 Unusual
 - 125 1983 Streisand film
 - 126 Holy rings
 - 127 Property of a magnet
 - 128 Solar output
 - 129 Fully ready
- DOWN**
- 1 Bails out, e.g.
 - 2 Brag loudly
 - 3 Unconscious state
 - 4 Final non-A.D. year
 - 5 "Mayday!"
 - 6 Blast source
 - 7 — Picchu (Peruvian site of Incan ruins)
 - 8 Alternative venue
 - 9 Zip
 - 11 Mouth liquid
 - 12 Billy Joel hit
 - 13 Planet Mork came from
 - 14 Suffix with social
 - 15 Ad- —
 - 16 Flare violin
 - 17 Undercoat for painting on wood
 - 18 West German city
 - 21 People who mimic
 - 24 "What's — ya?"
 - 29 Brother or aunt: Abbr.
 - 32 Tangelo trademark
 - 33 Tilts one's body toward
 - 34 Bank claim
 - 35 Fleur-de- —
 - 36 Israeli arm
 - 37 Poke fun at
 - 38 Conduit
 - 39 Coll. hotshot
 - 40 Motivate
 - 44 Island near Venezuela
 - 45 College Web site suffix
 - 46 Set- — (sharp fights)
 - 47 Old United rival
 - 49 Oklahoma oil city
 - 50 Mosaic work
 - 51 Certain skin bulge
 - 53 "You — see this!"
 - 54 — Martin (cognac)
 - 55 British queen
 - 56 "Beware the — of March!"
 - 61 Coke Zero alternative
 - 62 Witch's blemish
 - 64 Secy., e.g.
 - 65 Moreover
 - 66 Vapor
 - 68 Land in water, in Italy
 - 69 Use, as a tool
 - 70 Sweat of one's —
 - 71 "Kill — killed!"
 - 72 Hold in check
 - 73 Small state ruled by a sovereign
 - 74 Eve's man
 - 78 Actor Max von —
 - 80 Rocker Barrett
 - 81 CBS drama
 - 82 Turn rancid
 - 84 Pet parasites
 - 85 With a sharp picture, for short
 - 86 Hymn start
 - 88 Epithet for Alexander
 - 89 Be a ratfink
 - 90 Alexis I, e.g.
 - 92 Jackie's hobby #2
 - 93 Offense
 - 97 Almost
 - 98 Six-pt. plays
 - 99 Cry like —
 - 100 Amply skilled
 - 102 Rundown
 - 103 Bards' Muse
 - 104 Singer Hall
 - 105 Oven maker
 - 106 Spiteful
 - 107 Passes idly, as time
 - 108 Dryly funny
 - 113 Slaughter of baseball
 - 114 James with a Pulitzer
 - 115 Discreet call
 - 117 MPG monitor
 - 118 Chaplin's title
 - 119 — fi flick
 - 121 Always, poetically
 - 122 Oldies group — Na Na
 - 123 "Tonka" star Mineo

Answers to the crossword puzzle will appear in Wednesday's paper.