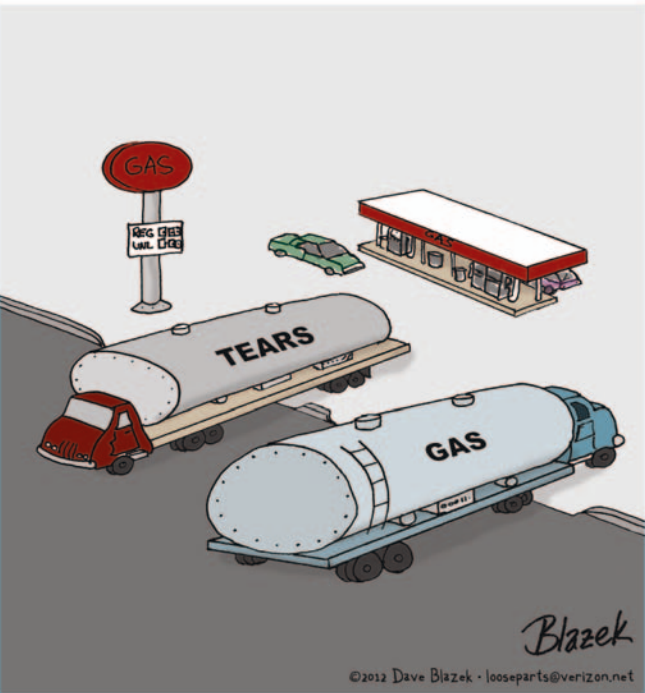
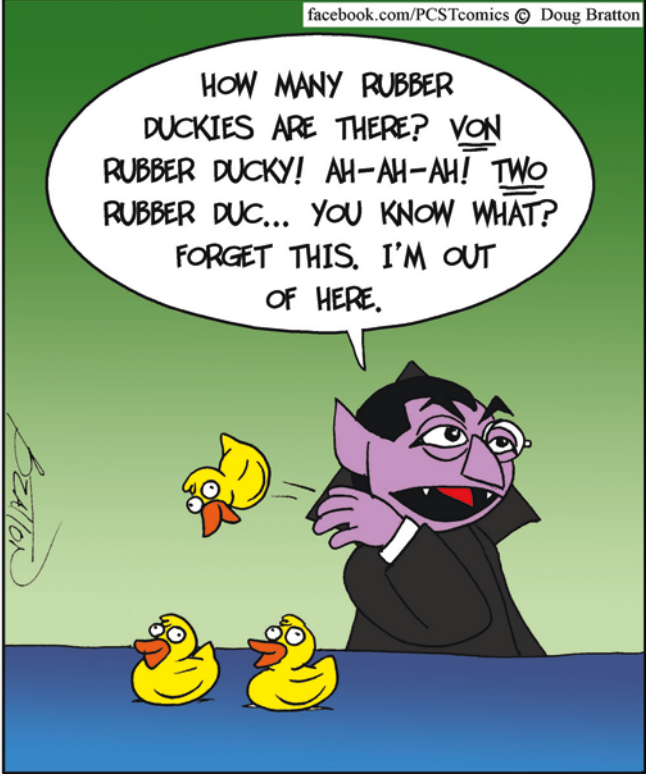


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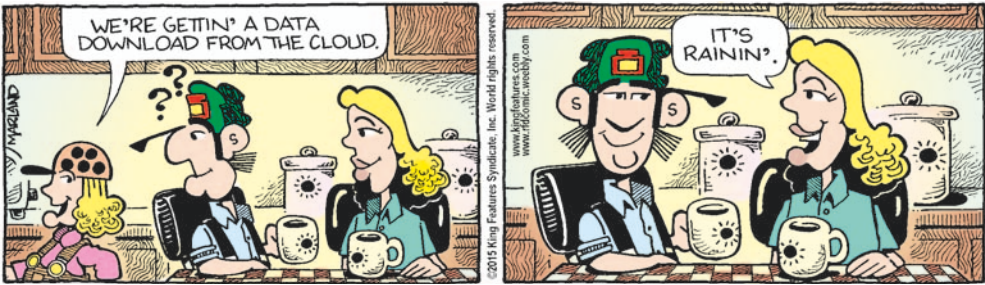


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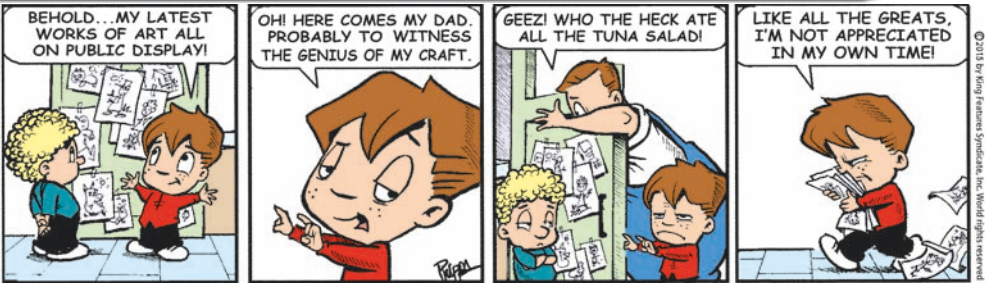
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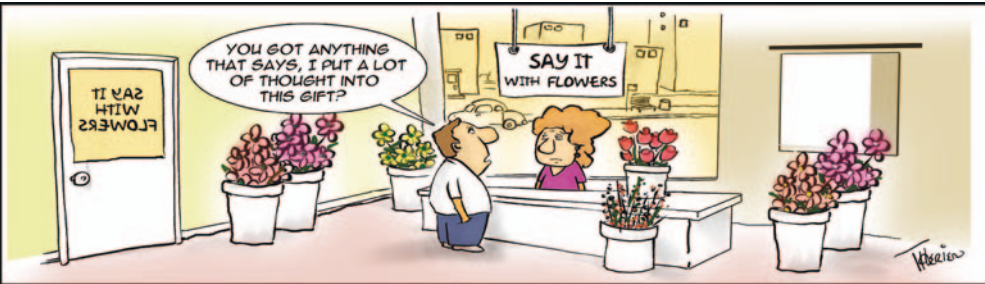
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK ★

SALOME'S STARS HOROSCOPE



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Starting something new is always exciting for the adventurous Aries. And here's the good news: This time you might be able to get some assistance in helping you finish what you've started.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Put your day-dreaming penchant on hold for now, and face the facts as they are, not as you'd like them to be. Your customary hardheaded approach to "deals," etc., is called for.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Problems beyond your control might delay some of your plans. But things should start to get back to normal by midweek. The weekend could bring an unexpected (but welcome) visitor.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's a good time to buckle down and tackle those unfinished tasks so you'll be ready to take on other projects. The week's end could bring an invitation from a most surprising source.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Mixed signals could create a few stressful moments for the Lion. But by midweek, explanations should help ease the tension. The weekend is party time! Share it with someone special.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) This is a good "catching up" week for finishing tasks, calling old friends and maybe reading that book you haven't opened yet or renting that movie you wanted to see again.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Money matters should be worked out, even if it takes

time away from a more romantic situation. Better to settle things before feelings turn hard and angry on all sides.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A job-related problem could turn out to be less troublesome than it seemed at first. Just a few moments of talk 'twixt the parties resolves everything to everyone's satisfaction.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The Sagittarian Archer takes aim at health and fitness issues this week. Watch your diet, and try to put more exercise time into your typically busy schedule.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) As you continue to focus on a career or job change, it's a good time to look over some of your rarely used skills and see where they can fit into your future workplace plans.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A loved one's health might be worrisome, but there's good news by midweek. Expect people who share your ideas and your goals to try to contact you by the week's end.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A colleague's request that makes the typically perceptive Pisces feel uncomfortable is a request you probably will want to turn down. The weekend favors family get-togethers.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for making others feel warm and wanted. Even newcomers will feel like old friends.

FLASHBACK BY MICK HARPER

1. Name the Cuban song made famous by the Sandpipers.
2. Which Al Green song was covered by both Foghat (1976) and the Talking Heads (1978)?
3. Who released "What Becomes of the Broken Hearted"?
4. Paul Rodgers was lead singer for which hard rock '70s band?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Going where the weather suits my clothes, banking off of the northeast wind, Sailing on a summer breeze, and skipping over the ocean like a stone."

1. "Guantanamera" in 1966. Widely covered, the song's title translates into "She from Guantanamo." In Cuba there was a lawsuit, finally settled in 1993, about who had originally written the song in 1929.
2. "Take Me to the River," written by Green in 1974.
3. Jimmy Rufin, in 1966. The song originally had a spoken intro, which was replaced with an extra-long instrumental.
4. Bad Company.
5. "Everybody's Talkin'" by Harry Nilsson in 1966, netting a Grammy for the song in the film

ANSWERS

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