

JUST LIKE CATS & DOGS by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



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: Q equals T

UGWFVO WGBY YEGW, DFOYQ C

JGVKY EP OCB BQCQFEV

CQQMVUCVQB JM FV TGDTMW-QE

-TGDTMW QWCPPFK?

During rush hour, might a bunch of gas station attendants be in pumper-pumper traffic?

Cryptoquip

SUDOKU

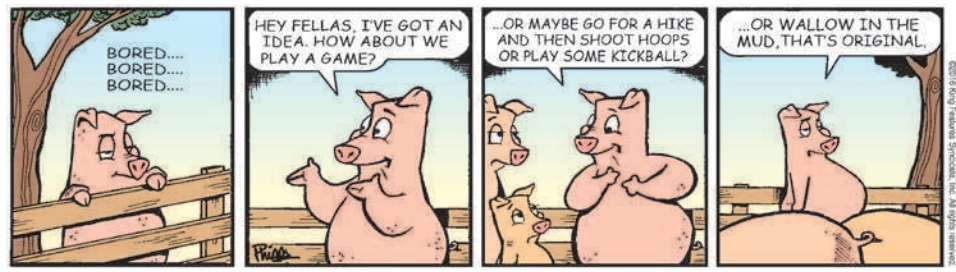
9x9 Sudoku grid with numbers 1-9 in various cells.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK ★ ★ ★

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FLASHBACK

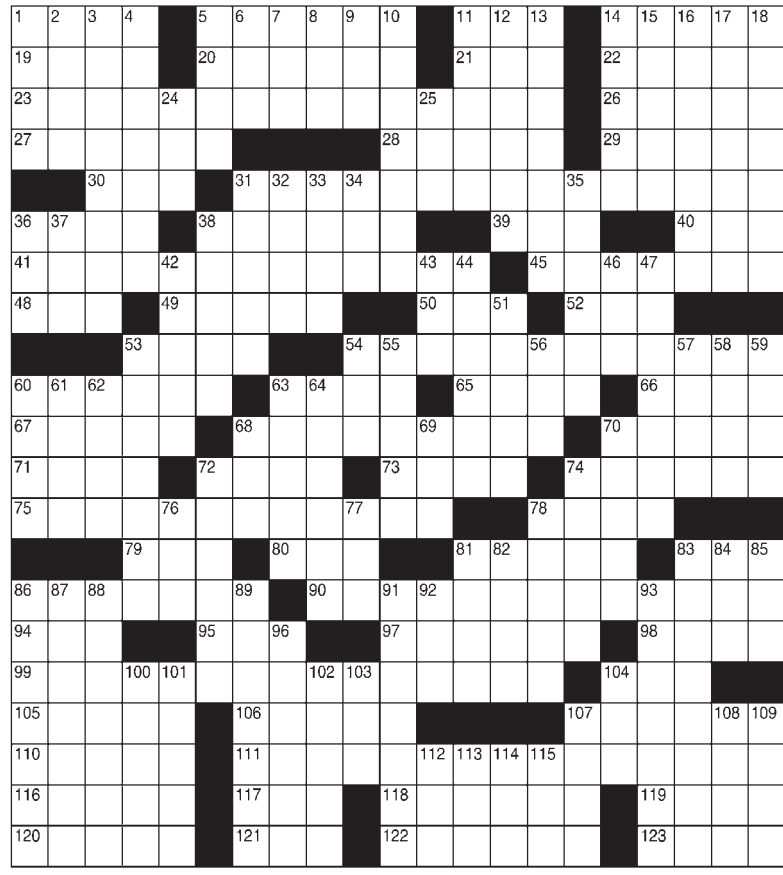
by Mick Harper

- 1. Who had a hit with "Year of the Cat"?
2. The year 1964 ended with the Beatles having a No. 1 song. What was it?
3. Name the group that had a hit with "Why You Treat Me So Bad"?
4. What singer was born Charles Weedon Westover?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I'm never gonna dance again, Guilty feet have got no rhythm, Though it's easy to pretend, I know you're not a fool!"

ANSWERS
1. Al Stewart, in 1976. The album version was 6 minutes, 40 seconds long, of which 4 minutes is instrumental.
2. "I Feel Fine," John Lennon kept playing with a guitar riff while the group recorded another song, and he eventually wrote this song just so he could use that particular riff.
3. Club Nouveau, in 1987. Their biggest hit, however, was Bill Withers' "Lean on Me" the same year.
4. Del Shannon, of "Runaway" fame.
5. "Careless Whisper," by George Michael in 1984. Although he was still performing with Wham!, Co-writer Michael later said that although the song has meant so much to so many people, it didn't help him as much as he thought it would. He released as a B-side, the single "I Wanna Be Good Like You" in 1985.

SUPER CROSSWORD: GOLD-TRIMMED

- CROSS
1 In boots, e.g.
5 Accident
11 Leaf-cutting little colonist
14 Lend — (assist)
19 Roof border
20 Pungent yellow cheese
21 Corp. leader
22 Go-kart, say
23 Nickname for a really strong novelist?
26 The Carolinas, e.g., in Caen
27 Wings for women
28 Many a flower girl
29 Fen plant
30 Wilhelm's "the"
31 Return to get H.G. Wells' title Dr.?
36 Eschew
38 Topped party appetizer
39 — "won't!"
40 Prefix with 81-Across or 31-Down
41 British poet as a young badge earner?
45 "The Streak" singer Play
48 — "a living"
49 Company IDs
50 Arthur of old TV
52 Sister record co. of Virgin
53 Nudge
54 Neoprene produced at an Alabama university?
60 Italicize, e.g.
63 Whitman or Disney
65 Some HDTVs
66 Singular
67 Chicago airport
68 Baby kangaroo living on a Pacific island nation?
70 "Friday the 13th" villain
71 Ariel is one
72 Potter's dirt Shred up
73 Shred up
74 Most darling
75 Very breezy summer month?
78 Jay replaced by Jimmy Fallon
79 Greek letter
80 Min. fraction
81 Handed out playing cards
83 Item in a nest
86 Dunce
90 Convertible carriage used to transport popes?
94 Suffix in sugar names
95 Give support
97 Port in Italy
98 Greasy
99 Boyfriend who's always upbeat?
104 — rock (music style)
105 Hebrew letters after alephs
106 Exit opposite
107 Pilot planes
110 Opinions offered
111 Singer Gene who should never be forgotten?
116 Black in Bordeaux
117 Blvd. or rd.
118 Limited release?
119 — Sous-le-Vent (the Leewards)
120 Affirm
121 Cold War-era state: Abbr.
122 Train base
123 Safari shelter
DOWN
1 Late-night host Meyers
2 "How funny!"
3 Add's vocals
4 Denigrates
5 Cosmo, O and GQ
6 Suffix with fool
7 Grab a chair
8 Stable feed
9 Turkish title
10 Attacked like a lion
11 "The Mind of —" (PBS cooking series)
12 Former liberal, briefly
13 Many "Olé!" recipients
14 "Am not!" rejoinder
15 Spiteful sort
16 College life
17 Final profit
18 Creator of the Lorax
24 Private AOL exchanges
25 — "ToK" (Kesha hit)
31 Estimate
32 Not falling for
33 Ovine calls
34 Springfield storekeeper
35 Bishops' hats
36 — -fi film
37 Crude home
38 Diner hires
42 Almost there
43 Dwindle
44 Axon's place
46 Aussie bird
47 Tremolo's kin
51 Bowed head
53 Fluster
54 Resembling
55 One-eighty
56 Con's vote
57 Groundwork
58 Greek Cupid
59 Pay to live at
60 Large couch
61 What you used to be?
62 Bonged
63 Ragamuffins
64 100% wrong
68 — -bah
69 Pa Clampett of TV
70 Interim ruling group
72 11th-cen. king of Norway
74 Prison parts
76 Mu — shrimp
77 Wilhelm's "I"
78 Cake tier
81 Dunce
82 Allure rival
83 Fit to print, after revisions
84 Missy
85 84-Down's counterpart
86 Working farm horses
87 "It's finally clear to me"
88 Pork-filled pastry, e.g.
89 Rabbit head features
91 Put in cipher
92 "I knew it!"
93 Absence of restriction
96 Krispy Kreme inventory
100 One of Kirk's lieutenants
101 Blender brand
102 Ferret's kin
103 Wilhelm's "the"
104 Parade place: Abbr.
107 City in Iowa
108 Driving exam taker, often
109 Lead-in to "while"
112 Road topper
113 "... Mac — PC?"
114 Fabled flier
115 Reindeer cousin



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SALOME'S STARS HOROSCOPE



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Whether a waiting period is taking longer than expected, or just seems that way, the anxious Lamb would do well to create a center of calm within her- or himself, and not do anything rash.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Practical matters dominate the week, but cultural activities also are favored, especially those that can be shared with someone special in the Bovine's life. Some important news might be forthcoming.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You need to know more about a possible career move in order to see if it offers a real opportunity or just a change. You're sure to get lots of advice -- some of it good -- but the decision must be yours.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The arrival of hoped-for good news about a loved one dominates most of the week and provides a great excuse for the party-loving Moon Child to plan a special event to celebrate.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leos and Leonas rushing to finalize their plans might want to think about slowing down the pace, or risk overlooking an important consideration that could become a sore point down the line.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week's challenges call for logical approaches. But sentiment also has its place. Sharing memories with a special someone, for example, strengthens the bond between you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A brand-new approach to a problem could have a good chance of succeeding if it's based on a solid foundation of fact to strengthen its potential for standing up to scrutiny.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A favorable report should give your optimism an important boost as you confront another phase of a challenge. Don't be timid about accepting advice from someone you trust.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might want to target another goal if your current aim is continually being deflected. But stay with it until you find that first sign of an opening, and then follow through.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although offers of advice might not always please the usually sure-footed Goat, good counsel is always worth considering, especially from those whose experience can be invaluable.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't rush to make up for lost time. Your productivity can be measured not only by what you do, but how you do it. Move carefully until the job is done the way you like it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Emerging facts about someone you know might cause you to rethink your relationship. But remember to make judgments in context of a full situation, not just on scraps of data.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are known both for your love of acquiring beautiful things as well as for your generosity to others.

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Weekly SUDOKU ANSWER

Super Crossword

Answers



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