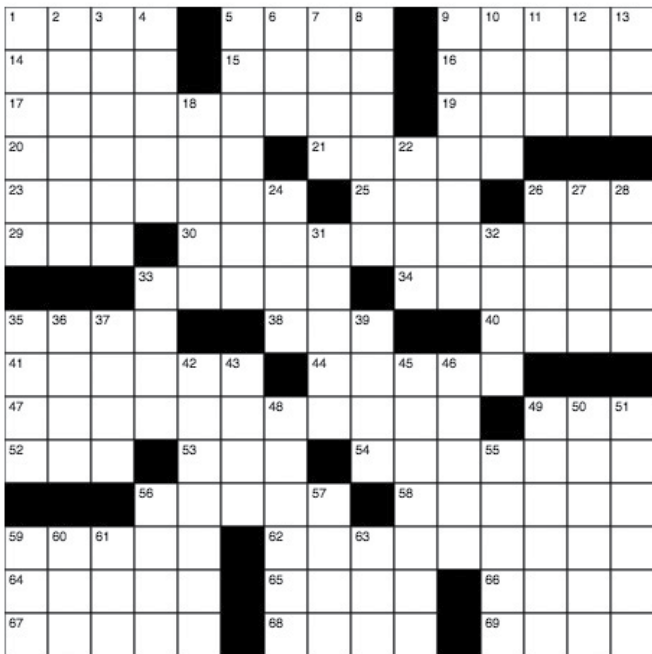


CROSSWORD



Across

1- Small gull; 5- Imitator; 9- Groomer; 14- Sheltered, at sea; 15- Bangkok native; 16- Stair part; 17- Short-sleeved shirt; 19- Brainstorms; 20- Narcotic; 21- Money bag; 23- Deceive; 25- Small island; 26- Legal conclusion?; 29- Commercial; 30- Pathfinder; 33- Minute Maid Park player; 34- Hit the roof; 35- Disfigure; 38- "The X-Files" extras; 40- ___ avis; 41- Verdi title bandit; 44- We ___ please; 47- Asian country; 49- Distant; 52- Mao ___-tung; 53- Belief system; 54- Destruction of the natural environment; 56- Frog sound; 58- Did penance; 59- Ditto; 62- Nonsense; 64- Sourtasting; 65- Fancy jug; 66- ___ boy!; 67- Marisa of "My Cousin Vinny"; 68- Pro or con; 69- Internet writing system that popularized "pwn3d" and "n00b";

Down

1- Puget Sound city; 2- Cobra, e.g.; 3- Negligent; 4- Sherpa's home; 5- Deep down; 6- ___ Beta Kappa; 7- Tombstone lawman; 8- Established procedure; 9- Stiff coarse hair; 10- Travel on; 11- Employ; 12- Poseidon's realm; 13- Timecard abbr.; 18- Cancels a dele; 22- Barbecue fare; 24- Challenge; 26- Poet Pound; 27- Fortuneteller; 28- Mother of the Valkyries; 31- Bits; 32- Dynamic beginning; 33- Eastern nanny; 35- Potatoes' partner; 36- Pound sounds; 37- "Splendor in the Grass" screenwriter; 39- Word that can succeed building, web or burial; 42- Capital of Kenya; 43- Not ___ many words; 45- Ghastly; 46- Govt. security; 48- Likenesses; 49- Measurable; 50- ___ Fideles; 51- Linux variety; 55- Reef material; 56- An apple or a planet will have this at the centre; 57- New Zealander; 59- Floor covering; 60- Green prefix; 61- President pro ___; 63- Pickup truck feature;

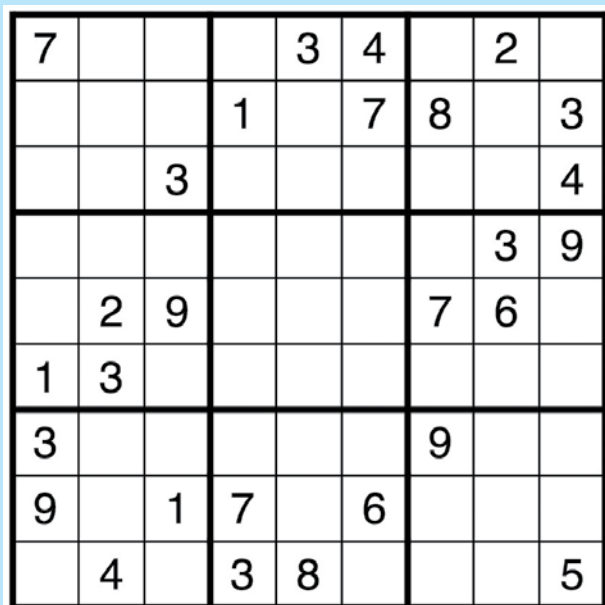
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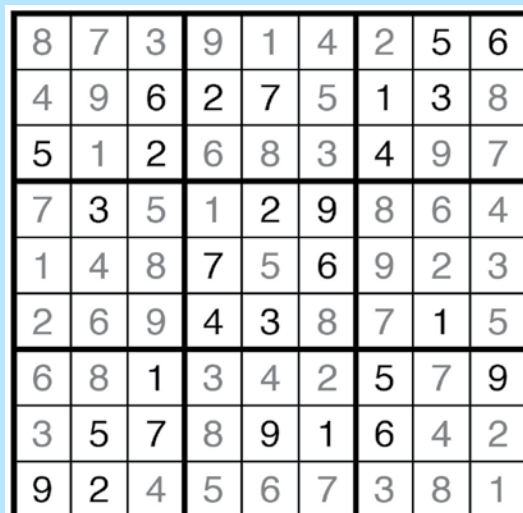
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How to play:

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

Your star today

(Mar 21st - Apr 20th)



You're likely to feel pulled in two directions today. You're at a high point in your career and don't want to lose the momentum. At the same time, you feel strongly that you'd like to spend extra time with your loved ones. If only you could be in two places at once! Have you considered telecommuting for the next few weeks?

(Apr 21st - May 21st)



The energy is unusually slow, causing you to drag and your productivity to suffer. There isn't much you can do about it. Priorities your tasks so you accomplish what absolutely needs to be done. Everything else will have to wait until your "get up and go" returns tomorrow. In the meantime, energize yourself as much as possible with good nutrition and a brisk walk.

(May 22nd - Jun 21st)



Trips will likely be mired in mechanical difficulties and delays of all types. You'll get to your destination eventually, but you're going to have to be patient. If you're heading to the airport, be sure to bring a book - a long one - to make the wait more bearable. If you're just heading across town, bring along your favourite music.

(June 22nd - July 23rd)



Don't take anything at face value today. There's an air of misinformation and misunderstanding, so avoid gossip. This could be easier said than done, as all the social events of the next several days put you in constant contact with known chatterboxes. Be pleasant, smile, and nod, but don't ask any leading questions. Once you get them started, these people keep talking!

(July 24th - Aug 23rd)



Visits with friends and family are highlighted today. Regardless of whether they come to you or you go to them, you're bound to have a delightful evening. This is exactly what you need after the frustration of a long day, complete with delays and mechanical difficulties. Put it all behind you. Pass the pizza, refill the glasses, and enjoy some deserved downtime.

(Aug 24th - Sep 23rd)



Your energy could be low today, making this an ideal day to stay in and read or get any paperwork finished. It isn't glamorous, but at least it doesn't require much energy. Any writing you need to do will be clear and fluid. You have a gift, and today it's magnified. You should make good use of this auspicious day.

(Sep 24th - Oct 23rd)



You may feel frustration and loneliness today. All you want is to spend a quiet evening with your romantic partner, but you can't find him or her anywhere. Planes are late and rush-hour traffic is especially bad. Cell phones don't help. Your friend may as well be on the Moon. Take heart and know that you're missed just as much. When you do reconnect, the reunion will be electric!

(Oct 24th - Nov 22nd)



You may feel like the walls are closing in on you. Don't let it happen. Do whatever you need to do to rejuvenate your spirits and motivation. You may have gotten bogged down in some rather dull responsibilities or obligations. You're too bright to squander your mind that way. Take a break from routine and go for a night on the town. You'll enjoy dancing the night away!

(Nov 23rd - Dec 21st)



Today could be a strange day as you find it increasingly difficult to concentrate. This is unlike you. You're usually efficient and levelheaded. Blame it on the planets. Their configuration is the cause of the lethargy and ennui. Accept the fact that you won't be moving at your usual pace. You can make up for lost time tomorrow.

(Dec 22nd - Jan 20th)



You and your loved one might find it difficult to connect today. You're busy with personal issues and obligations. While you have every intention of getting together for dinner, you don't seem to be able to connect. It's frustrating, but keep trying. When you finally do get together, the companionship will more than make up for the wait!

(Jan 21st - Feb 19th)



You have a generous spirit, but today you may be worried that you've been too generous. If you bought someone a large gift, you might be concerned that you've gone overboard. It's too late to return it. Don't worry about it too much. Your mate will love your thoughtfulness - and your credit card bill won't come for another month!

(Feb 20th - Mar 20th)



You've always been practical when it comes to financial matters, but sometimes consumerism can cause you some stress. Of course you want to show the special person in your life how much you care, but do you need to spend a lot of money to prove it? Find a balance you can both live with. You don't need to buy a car. A small token of thoughtfulness would be appreciated.