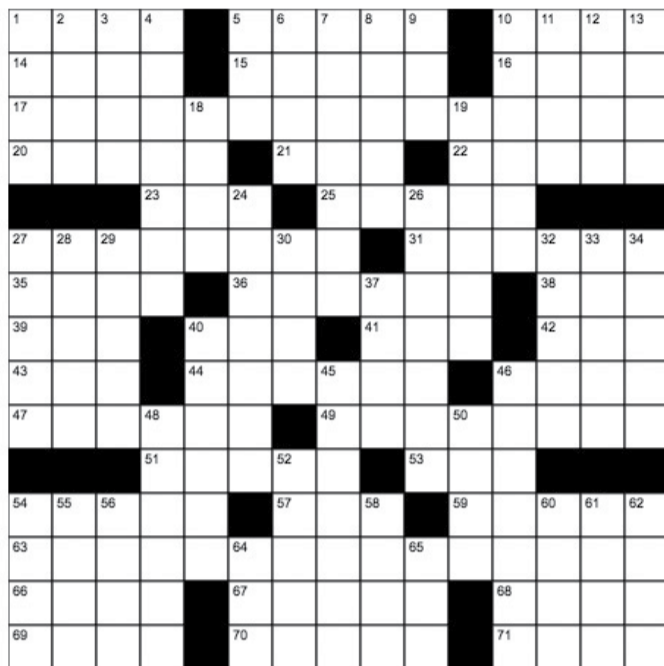


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Down

1- Hustles; 2- Buck follower; 3- Web address starter; 4- Not anywhere; 5- D-Day craft; 6- Horton Hears ___; 7- One who plays the long-necked guitar; 8- Pays to play; 9- D.C. advisory grp.; 10- Bring forward; 11- One who has something coming?; 12- Part of A.D.; 13- Panhandles; 18- Woe ___!; 19- Almost; 24- Small, sassy woman; 26- Power plug transformer; 27- Big name in copiers; 28- "Fear of Flying" author Jong; 29- Triumphant cries; 30- Work the soil; 32- Chilly; 33- Actress Oberon; 34- Sensitive spots; 37- Customer; 40- Italian sausage; 45- Saliva; 46- Subscription continuation; 48- Talks; 50- Singer Vikki; 52- Lake in the Sierra Nevada; 54- Sounds of disapproval; 55- Oklahoma Indian; 56- 1982 Disney film; 58- In the blink ___ eye; 60- Alley; 61- Sea birds; 62- "What I Am" singer Brickell; 64- Baseball execs; 65- Acapulco gold;

Across

1- "All the Way" lyricist Sammy; 5- Father of Leah and Rachel; 10- Captain of the Pequod; 14- ___ take arms against...; 15- Graceful birds; 16- Sandy tract; 17- In spite of; 20- Second-year students, for short; 21- Sugar suffix; 22- Continental cash; 23- 911 respondent; 25- Sir ___ Newton was an English mathematician; 27- Falls back; 31- Visions; 35- Dies ___; 36- Established procedure; 38- Summer sign; 39- El___ (Spanish hero); 40- Letters on a Cardinal's cap; 41- Engage in espionage; 42- Watchdog warning; 43- Andean tuber; 44- Ready to go; 46- Irritate; 47- An-

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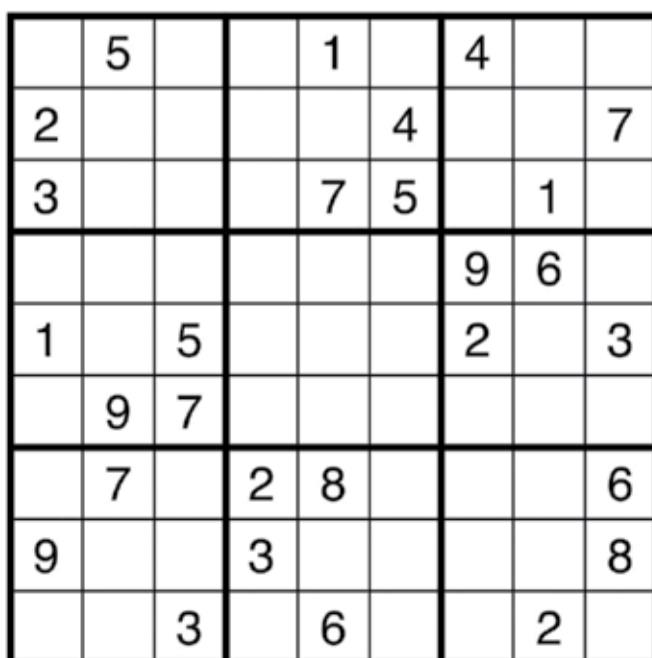
WORD OF THE DAY

Regardless

Definition
1: despite everything
Did You Know?
Regardless is rather simply derived from the noun regard (meaning "attention" or

"concern") plus -less—nothing too shocking about that. But poor regardless became embroiled in a usage scandal through no fault of its own when people began using regardless as its synonym (probably blending irrespective and regardless). Irrelevant originated in dialectal American speech in the early 20th century, and usage commentators have been decrying it since the 1920s, often declaring "there is no such word." Irrelevant does exist, of course, but it tends to be used primarily in speech and it is still considered non-standard. Regardless is preferred.

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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



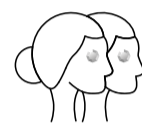
Aries

Suddenly things are coming to a head for you. The drama is escalating and you aren't sure if you can remember all your lines. Take things one step at a time. Deal with the issues as they come. If you get ahead of yourself, you might be overwhelmed by what you fear will be a more daunting situation than you can handle.



Taurus

A great deal of attention will centre on your emotions today, although being centred in and of itself will be quite the challenge. You may feel like a yo-yo under the mercy of someone else's hand. Don't fall prey to victimization.



Gemini

Maintaining equilibrium might not be the easiest task today, but if anyone can do it, you can. You may find that others' strong opinions are cropping up and challenging your ego. You have a great deal of ammunition in your arsenal. You'll find that you can learn quite a bit by accepting this challenge.



Cancer

Desire is the name of the game for you today. If you want it, you can get it, but it won't come easily. The prize will go to the person who desires it the most. Show the people around you how much you can accomplish. You'll impress others with your incredible drive and determination.



Leo

Today will be like playing a game on your home field. You have fans out there supporting you and you know the territory. Take advantage of the little things that you have going for you. There is a dramatic force at work that may be erratic but extremely powerful as long as you can maintain control.



Virgo

Enlist the help of others today. You'll find that information exchange is the key to putting the last few puzzle pieces into place. Doing things on your own is important and necessary. At some point you need to realize that the next major step requires a certain amount of input from others.



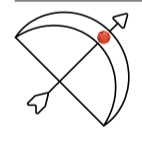
Libra

This is an excellent day for you, so live it up! Your ego is strong, and beautiful things are flowing your way in general. You should enjoy a good mood that will attract favourable people and situations. There is virtually no limit to the expansiveness of this day.



Scorpio

Your emotions may be a bit erratic. It could be hard for you to focus on anything today. Things continue to shift from one topic to the next with little resolution of any. Others aren't apt to be very sympathetic to your feelings, so don't expect them to be. You'll only be setting yourself up for disappointment.



Sagittarius

There is an extra blast of wind to fill your sails today, so make sure you've got both hands on the steering wheel. Whichever way your rudder is pointed is the direction you'll go. Once you get on your course, it will be difficult for you to readjust your position, so make sure that your compass is properly set.



Capricorn

The day's energy is erratic and you're apt to jump all over the place. Don't worry about trying to firm up any plans at this time. You may feel like you're trying to grab a slippery fish with butter on your hands. If this is the case, don't worry about it. Let the fish swim away for now and relax.



Aquarius

Get up and get going today. You have no time to lose. Your quick mind will be busy working on many tasks, but this suits you just fine. You're well equipped to deal with the many frantic situations that are apt to crop up. There is a great deal of strength to your emotions that you can use to connect with others and communicate your thoughts in a healthy manner.



Pisces

Your heart may experience some wild fluctuations today. It may seem as if your emotions are on a runaway train with no track. If so, the best thing to do is sit by yourself and write. Compose a letter, song, or journal entry. You'll find that you're much less confused than you thought. When in doubt, consult someone you love and trust. Go with your instincts.