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Nicolas Cage’s snake tried to hypnotise him

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Nicolas Cage’s pet snake tried to “hypnotise” him.

The 58-year-old actor has a range of animals at home, including a pig, a Maine Coon cat named Merlin, and terrapins, and the creatures have served as inspiration for his work over the years.

He said: “Sometimes the animals can help, especially the reptiles.

“At one time I had a cobra, and it would try to hypnotise me by showing me the pattern of an eye on its back and then turning around to attack.



Nicolas Cage

“I used that in ‘Ghost Rider’, that weird Axl Rose dancing and where my character would do then attack.”

When it came to making ‘Pig’, a “horrible nightmare” Nicolas had had about his feline friend proved invaluable to informing his performance.

He said: “Merlin was a big inspiration for ‘Pig’. When I first met [writer-director] Michael Sarnoski, we talked about what [my character] Rob is going through.

“Of course, it’s the loss of the pig but also some deeper grief from the past.

“I had this horrible nightmare about Merlin, and that was a gift, in a weird way, because I felt the loss as if something terrible had really happened to him.”

Daniel Craig prepares well for Knives Out monologues

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Daniel Craig puts a lot of effort into his ‘Knives Out’ monologues.

The 54-year-old actor reprises his role as sleuth Benoit Blanc in the sequel ‘Glass Onion’ and revealed that he puts a lot of preparation into the lengthy speeches where he explains how he has solved the murder mystery.

Speaking to ComicBook.com, Daniel said: “I work as hard as I can before we start to sort of get it into myself so it’s in my body, so that when we get to set, it sort of like, it’s not a thought.”

The former James Bond star relies heavily on director Rian Johnson and tries to ignore his alter ego’s distinctive accent during the monologues.

He explained: “I rely on Rian a whole heap. I, kind of, present

something, I’ll come and say, what about this? And then he goes, ‘Great, let’s try this and let’s try this.’ And it evolves as we shoot it, which is the best way.

“But I just wanna be as prepped as I possibly can so that I’m not having to think about the accent, think about the lines, it’s just, it’s there. It’s there on call. And then I can also throw it away and do something else.”

Rian also reflected on the amount of preparation Daniel does for the speeches and revealed that he always looks forward to the scenes in question.

The filmmaker said: “With the first movie and then also with this one, with that last section that you’re talking about, the thing I love about murder mysteries is the detective holding court and solving it at the end.



Daniel Craig

Gwen Stefani uses tabloid newspaper to decorate her bathroom

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Singer Gwen Stefani’s bathroom is decorated with tabloid newspapers.

Splitting her time between LA and a newly-built ranch in Oklahoma since tying the knot with country singer Blake Shelton, 46, in 2021, the 53-year-old pop star revealed that the pair decided to cover one of the bathrooms “wall to wall” with front pages, reports aceshowbiz.com.

“Blake and I will lay in bed and watch the tutorials of people that would take a palette and see what they would create with it. You know what we do have? When we built our house last year in Okla-

homa, one of the bathrooms going out to the pool is every single tabloid cover, made into wallpaper. You go in there and you’re like, ‘Oh my God.’ It’s pretty funny,” she said.

Meanwhile, the ‘Hollaback Girl’ hitmaker started her career as the lead singer of rock band ‘No Doubt’ and enjoyed massive success in the 1990s with songs such as ‘Don’t Speak’ but admitted that she has “no idea” if a reunion will ever come about but teased that “anything can happen.”

She told WSJ Magazine, “What are the odds of anything? I was just on ‘The Drew Barrymore Show’. She was one of my favourite celebrities when I was a little girl, and now I was just on the show with her. Any-Gwen Stefani



CINEMA

SHOTGUN WEDDING

(PG-15) (COMEDY/ACTION/ROMANTIC) (NEW)
JENNIFER LOPEZ, JOSH DUHAMEL, JENNIFER COOLIDGE
OASIS JUFFAIR (ATMOS): 12.00 + 2.15 + 4.30 + 6.45 + 9.00 + 11.15 PM
OASIS JUFFAIR (VIP): 11.30 AM + 1.45 + 4.00 + 6.15 + 8.30 + 10.45 PM
CITY CENTRE: 10.30 AM + 12.45 + 3.00 + 5.15 + 7.30 + 9.45 + 12.00 MN + (12.30 MN THURS/FRI)
SEEF (I): 12.30 + 2.45 + 5.00 + 7.15 + 9.30 + 11.45 PM + (12.30 MN THURS/FRI)
WADI AL SAIL: 12.15 + 2.30 + 4.45 + 7.00 + 9.15 + 11.30 PM

SHALABY

(PG) (ARABIC/COMEDY/DRAMA) (NEW)
KARIM MAHMOUD ABDEL AZIZ, RUBY, BAYOUMI FOUAD
OASIS JUFFAIR: 12.15 + 2.30 + 4.45 + 7.00 + 9.15 + 11.30 PM
CITY CENTRE: 12.30 + 2.45 + 5.00 + 7.15 + 9.30 + 11.45 PM
SEEF (I): 10.30 AM + 12.45 + 3.00 + 5.15 + 7.30 + 9.45 + 12.00 MN
WADI AL SAIL: 12.00 + 2.15 + 4.30 + 6.45 + 9.00 + 11.15 PM

THE SMURFS: NEXT ADVENTURES

(G)(ANIMATION/ADVENTURE/COMEDY) (NEW)
SANDRA ASRATIAN, VINCENT BROES, TESS BRYANT
OASIS JUFFAIR:(KIDS CINEMA):12.00 + 2.00 + 4.00 + 6.00 + 8.00 + 10.00 PM
CITY CENTRE:11.00 AM + 1.00 + 3.00 + 5.00 PM
SEEF (II) : 10.30 AM + 12.30 + 2.30 + 4.30 + 6.30 + 8.30 + 10.30 PM
WADI AL SAIL: 10.30 AM + 12.15 + 2.15 + 4.15 PM

SUMMIT FEVER

(PG-15) (ADVENTURE/DRAMA) (NEW)
FREDDIE THORP, RYAN PHILLIPPE, HANNAH NEW
OASIS JUFFAIR: 12.30 + 3.00 + 5.30 + 8.00 + 10.30 PM
CITY CENTRE: 10.30 AM + 3.30 + 8.30 PM
SEEF (II):11.30 AM + 2.00 + 4.30 + 7.00 + 9.30 + 12.00 MN
WADI AL SAIL: 6.15 + 8.45 + 11.15 PM

OH MERI LAILA

(PG-13) (MALAYALAM) (NEW)
ANTONY VARGHESE, SENTHIL KRISHNA, NANDU
OASIS JUFFAIR:2.45 + 8.15 PM
SEEF (I): 12.30 + 3.15 + 6.00 + 8.45 + 11.30 PM



AL HAMRA :ON THURS 29th: 12.00 NOON + 3.00 + 6.00 PM
AL HAMRA :FROM FRI 30th : 12.00 NOON + 9.00 PM

RAANGI

(15+) (TAMIL) (NEW)
TRISHA KRISHNAN, ANASWARA RAJAN, JOHN MAHENDRAN
FROM FRI 30th
SEEF (I):2.00 + 7.15 PM

SEMBI

(PG-15) (TAMIL) (NEW)
ASHWIN KUMAR, KOVAI SARALA, JEEVAN
FROM FRI 30th
SEEF (I): 11.15 AM + 4.30 + 9.45 PM

DJINN

() (MALAYALAM) (NEW)
SHINE TOM CHACKO, SIDHARTH BHARATHAN, SOUBIN SHAHIR
FROM FRI 30th
OASIS JUFFAIR:12.00 + 5.30 + 11.00 PM
SEEF (I): 12.45 + 3.30 + 6.15 + 9.00 + 11.45 PM
AL HAMAR:3.00 + (12.00 MN FRI)

AVATAR: THE WAY OF WATER

(PG-15) (ACTION/ADVENTURE/FANTASY)
SAM WORTHINGTON, ZOE SALDANA, SIGOURNEY WEAVER
OASIS JUFFAIR: 12.00 + 3.45 + 7.30 + 11.15 PM
OASIS JUFFAIR (3D): 11.00 AM + 2.45 + 6.30 + 10.15 PM
CITY CENTRE: 1.15 + 5.00 + 8.45 + (12.30 MN THURS/FRI)
CITY CENTRE:(ATMOS): 12.45 + 4.30 + 8.15 + 12.00 MN



CITY CENTRE (IMAX3D): 12.15 + 4.00 + 7.45 + 11.30 PM
CITY CENTRE:(3D): 11.45 AM + 3.30 + 7.15 + 11.00 PM
SEEF (I): 1.00 + 4.45 + 8.30 + (12.15 MN THURS/FRI)
SEEF (II): 12.30 + 4.15 + 8.00 + 11.45 PM
SEEF (II) (3D):11.30 AM + 3.15 + 7.00 + 10.45 PM
WADI AL SAIL: 11.45 AM + 3.30 + 7.15 + 11.00 PM
WADI AL SAIL (3D): 10.45 AM + 2.30 + 6.15 + 10.00 PM

KAAPA

(PG-15) (MALAYALAM)
PRITHIVRAJ SUKUMARAN, ASIF ALI, INDRANS
OASIS JUFFAIR: 11.30 AM + 2.15 + 5.00 + 7.45 + 10.30 PM
SEEF (II): 12.00 + 2.45 + 5.30 + 8.15 + 11.00 PM
AL HAMRA :ON THURS 29th: 9.00 + 12.00 MN
AL HAMRA :FROM FRI 30th : 6.00 PM

PUSS IN BOOTS: THE LAST WISH

(PG) (ANIMATION/ACTION/ADVENTURE/COMEDY)
ANTONIO BANDERAS, SALMA HAYEK, OLIVIA COLMAN
CITY CENTRE: 12.00 + 2.15 + 4.30 + 6.45 PM
SEEF (II): 11.30 AM + 1.45 + 4.00 + 6.15 + 8.30 + 10.45 PM
WADI AL SAIL: 10.45 AM + 3.45 + 8.45 PM

CIRKUS

(PG) (HINDI/COMEDY/DRAMA)
RANVEER SINGH, JACQUELINE FERNANDEZ, POOJA HEGDE
OASIS JUFFAIR:11.30 AM + 2.15 + 5.00 + 7.45 + 10.30 PM
SEEF (II): 12.00 + 2.45 + 5.30 + 8.15 + 11.00 PM



WADI AL SAIL:1.00 + 6.00 + 11.00 PM

MINDCAGE

(PG-15) (THRILLER/CRIME)
JOHN MALKOVICH, MARTIN LAWRENCE, MELISSA ROXBURGH
CITY CENTRE: 7.00 + 9.15 + 11.30 PM
SEEF (II): 11.45 AM + 2.00 + 4.15 + 6.30 + 8.45 + 11.00 PM

DETECTIVE KNIGHT 2: REDEMPTION

(PG-15) (ACTION/THRILLER)
BRUCE WILLIS, COREY LARGE, LOCHLYN MUNRO
CITY CENTRE:11.15 AM + 4.45 + 10.15 PM
SEEF (II):12.45 + 5.00 + 9.15 PM

BLACK PANTHER: WAKANDA FOREVER

(PG-13) (ACTION/ADVENTURE/THRILLER/DRAMA/SCI-FICTION)
ANGELA BASSETT, LETITIA WRIGHT, WINSTON DUKE
CITY CENTRE: 1.30 + 7.00 PM
SEEF (II): 10.30 AM + 1.30 + 4.45 + 8.00 + 11.15 PM

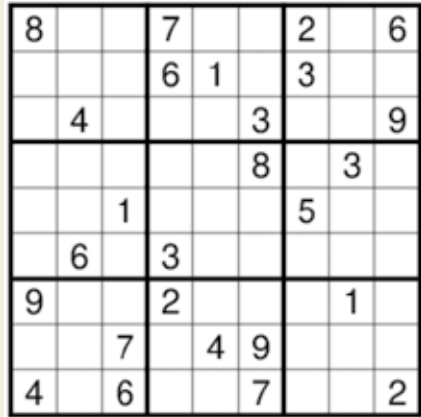
AS GOOD AS DEAD

(PG-15) (ACTION)
MICHAEL JAI WHITE, TOM BERENGER, LUCA ORIEL
CITY CENTRE: 9.00 + 11.00 PM
SEEF (II): 10.45 AM + 3.00 + 7.15 + 11.30 PM

BLACK ADAM

(PG-13) (ACTION/ADVENTURE/FANTASY)
DWAYNE JOHNSON, ALDIS HODGE, NOAH CENTINEO
CITY CENTRE:1.00 + 6.00 + 11.00 PM

SUDOKU



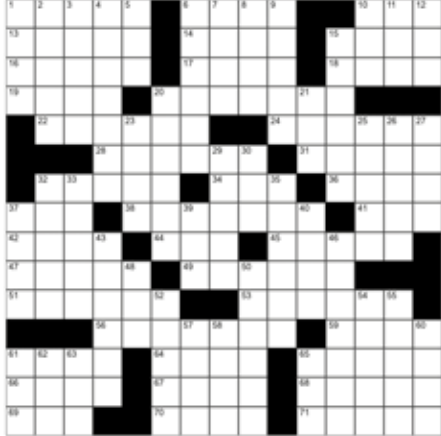
Yesterday’s solution



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.

CROSSWORD



Across

1- Goes out with; 6- CPR experts; 10- Possesses; 13- Really bother; 14- Still life subject; 15- Soft shoes; 16- Very hard mineral; 17- Bibliography abbr.; 18- Poker stake; 19- Show to a table; 20- Knotty; 22- Strikes; 24- Takes by theft; 28- Enough; 31- Old French expression meaning “goodbye”; 32- Part of Hispaniola; 34- Diamond authority; 36- Sign; 37- Embrace; 38- Confide; 41- Unit of energy; 42- One of the Baldwins; 44- One of the Gershwins; 45- Some locks; 47- Capital on the Red River; 49- One of the Furies; 51- Sagacious; 53- Intones; 56- Flair; 59- Jets or Sharks; 61- Word that can precede hygiene, tradition and agreement.; 64- Switch back?; 65- Lute of India; 66- White House staffer; 67- House rodents; 68- Honshu port; 69- Rock’s _ Fighters; 70- Tibetan oxen; 71- Cut into small pieces;

Down

1- Goes out with; 2- Chair designer Charles; 3- Starters; 4- Cocktail; 5- Porcine pad; 6- Nevertheless; 7- First name in spydom; 8- Nicholas II was the last Russian one; 9- Vends; 10- Sweetie; 11- Do one’s part?; 12- Wind dir.; 15- Got by; 20- Third sign of the zodiac; 21- JFK posting; 23- Carry; 25- Actress Anouk; 26- Ogles; 27- Had the mic, say; 29- Bucolic; 30- Flightless bird; 32- Hawaiian dances; 33- Representative; 35- Human mind; 37- Gag reflex?; 39- Musical syllable; 40- See yal; 43- Pair; 46- Not so short; 48- Give _ rest; 50- Resounds; 52- Antagonist; 54- Golden Horde member; 55- Reptile; 57- Type of song, to be sung solo; 58- Rooster; 60- Diploma holder; 61- Bumbler; 62- _ Grande; 63- Flurry; 65- Distress call;

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