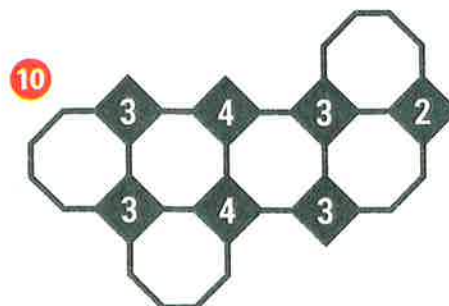
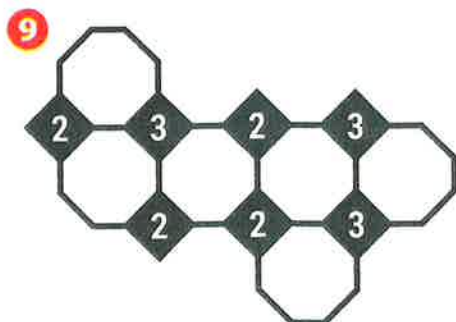
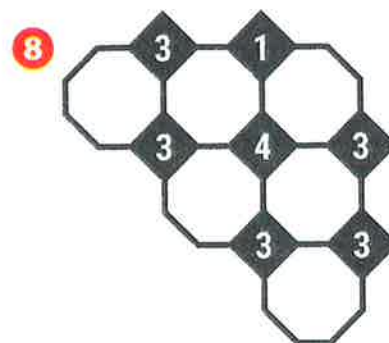
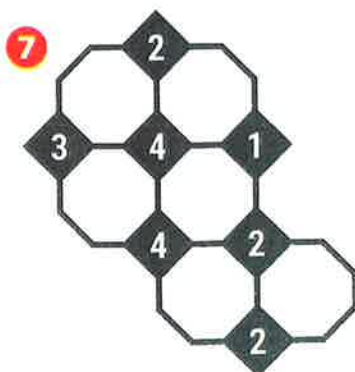
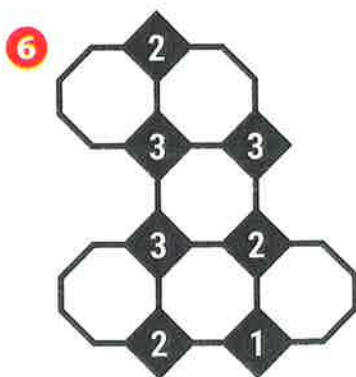
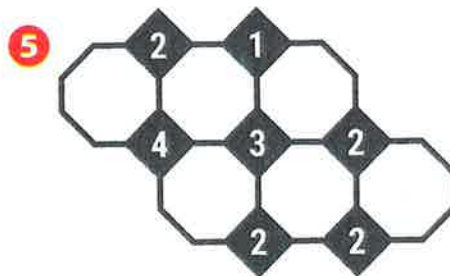
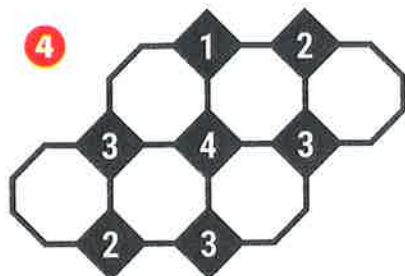
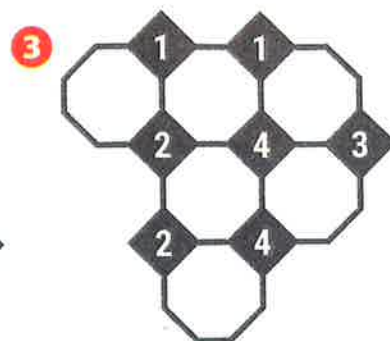
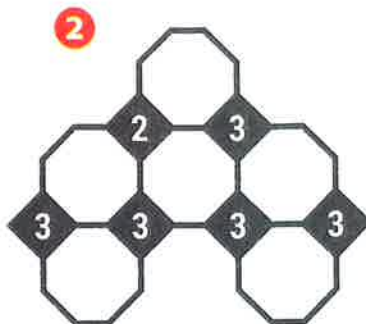
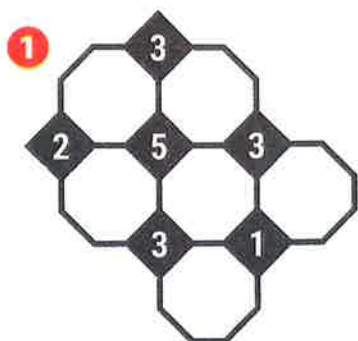


SNAKE RANCH



BY JIM WINSLOW

Each Stockade below contains, in its six Pens, six Venomous Vipers. Some Pens are empty; the others contain one, two, or three Vipers. Can you deduce the locations of all six Vipers in each Stockade? Use the numbers in the small squares as clues: Each indicates the total number of Vipers in the adjoining Pens. Boo-hiss if you give these a miss!



PAINT BY NUMBERS

These eight puzzles feature a unique blend of logic and art. The numbers are all you need to determine which squares should be filled in to form a picture. Here's how it's done:

The numbers outside each row and column tell you how many groups of black squares there are in that line and, in order, how many consecutive black squares there are in each group. For example, 4 5 9 2 tells you that there will be four groups that will contain, in order, 4, 5, 9, and 2 consecutive black squares. The fact that the numbers are separated tells you that there is at least one empty square between them. (There may also be empty squares at the ends of lines.) The trick is to figure out how many empty squares come between the black ones.

Here's a starting hint: When there's a single number in a row and that number is greater than half the number of squares in the row, you can fill in one or more center squares. For example, in the sample below (Figure 1), which is 10 squares wide, the sixth and seventh rows each have the number 8. No matter how you place eight consecutive black squares in a row, the middle six squares will be filled in (Figure 2). Similar logic can be used to start a line that has more than one number in it. In the sample, the third column contains the numbers 1 6. The single black square and the following empty square must take up at least two squares above the 6. No matter how they get placed, the fifth through eighth squares of the column will be black (Figure 3). Figure 4 shows the completed picture.

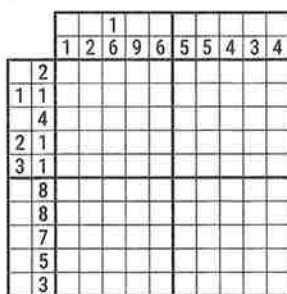


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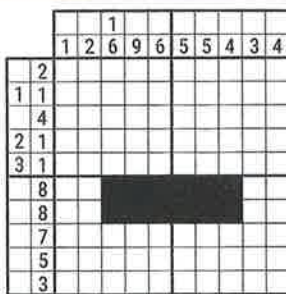


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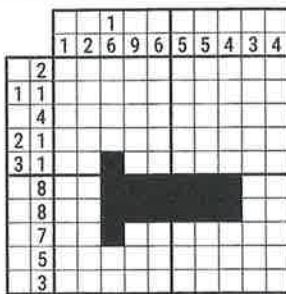


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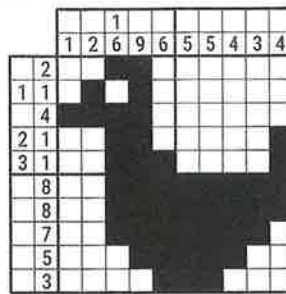
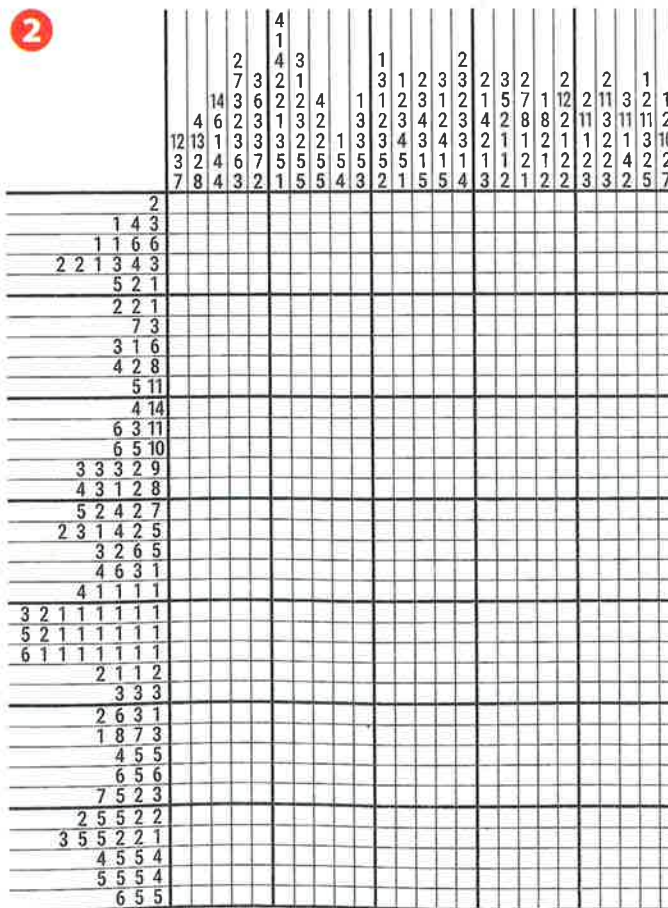
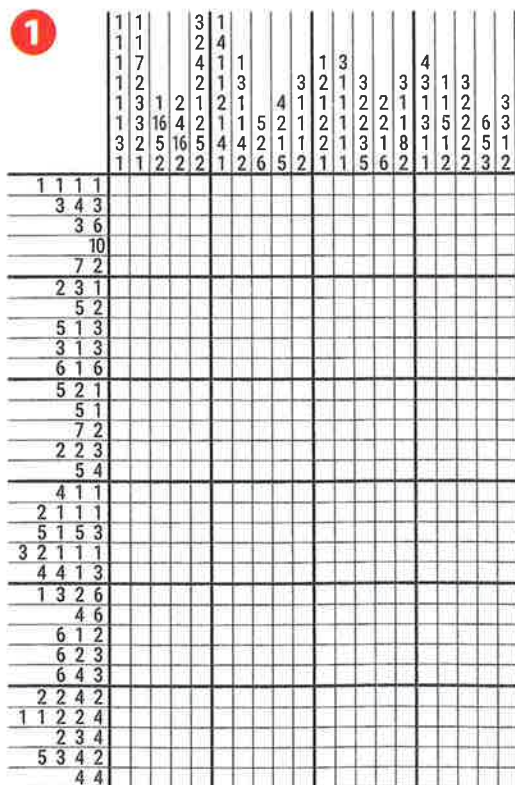


Figure 4



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HEY, BIG SPENDER!

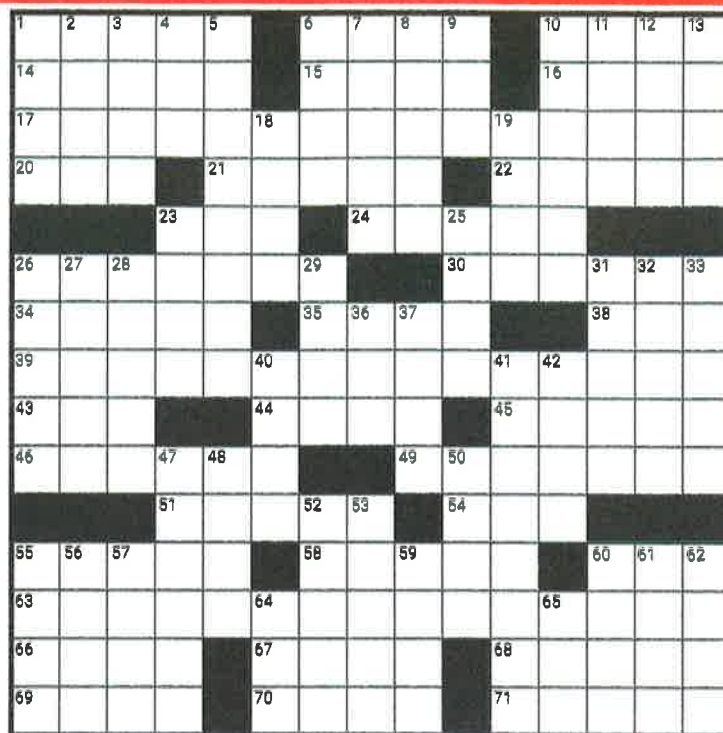
BY STANLEY NEWMAN

- ACROSS**
- 1 Deserve
 - 6 Gasp after running
 - 10 Partner of Crackle and Pop
 - 14 Honda's luxury vehicle division
 - 15 Dollar bills
 - 16 Come out of slumber
 - 17 Big spender's remark: 4 wds.
 - 20 Lawn-grower's shortcut
 - 21 "Peter, Peter, Pumpkin—"
 - 22 Appliances used on Thanksgiving
 - 23 Chum
 - 24 Smoothly polite
 - 26 Signed up for a subscription extension
 - 30 Experience again
 - 34 Musical set in Argentina
 - 35 Actor James ___ Jones
 - 38 *Angels & Demons* director Howard
 - 39 Big spender's remark: 4 wds.
 - 43 Hawaiian instrument, for short
 - 44 ___ and pieces
 - 45 Moon-related
 - 46 Peacefully tranquil
 - 49 Like a manor
 - 51 "___ luck!"
 - 54 Hockey rink surface

- 55 Geography reference book
- 58 Old-fashioned car starter
- 60 High ___ kite: 2 wds.
- 63 Big spender's remark: 3 wds.
- 66 Cleveland's lake
- 67 Shortly, in poetry
- 68 "Eight Days ___" (Beatles song): 2 wds.
- 69 Clothing, slangily
- 70 Salamander
- 71 The Mets and the Jets

DOWN

- 1 They say "Welcome" on porches
- 2 Canyon sound
- 3 Regretted
- 4 Tax-collecting agency: Abbr.
- 5 Detract (from): 2 wds.
- 6 Fence support
- 7 Poker pot contributions
- 8 India's first prime minister
- 9 Mao ___-tung
- 10 Rotate, as office chairs
- 11 Appoint
- 12 Related
- 13 Pooches and parrots, e.g.
- 18 Harvard rival



- 19 It makes the world go 'round
- 23 *SNL* cast member Davidson
- 25 Singer Guthrie
- 26 Uncle of storytelling fame
- 27 Draw forth
- 28 San Francisco footballer, for short
- 29 Lucy's husband
- 31 Dancer Castle

- 32 Spoken
- 33 Contest form
- 36 Picnic-invading insect
- 37 Colonial flagmaker
- 40 "Yeah, right!": 2 wds.
- 41 Halloween symbol: 2 wds.
- 42 Burlap fiber
- 47 Overjoys
- 48 Schnozzola
- 50 Add color to

- 52 Part of a play
- 53 Item in a quiver
- 55 Mightily impressed
- 56 Until, in ads
- 57 Put down, as carpeting
- 59 "___ She Sweet?"
- 60 Sailing
- 61 Goblet part
- 62 Makes inquiries
- 64 Mover's truck
- 65 Have debts

REIGNING CATS AND DOGS

BY ANNIE MULLIVER

Our four-legged friends are the stars of this puzzle—each clue below leads to a word, phrase, title, or name containing the word CAT(S) or DOG(S). For example, the answer to "Comic Western starring Jane Fonda and Lee Marvin" is CAT BALLOU, while "Utterly exhausted" would be DOG-TIRED. It's no pet-ty achievement if you can guess all 14.

1. Hottest, sultriest part of summer _____
2. Seuss creature played by Mike Myers in 2003 _____
3. Harry Chapin's biggest hit _____
4. 1997 Hoffman-De Niro comedy about a fake war _____
5. Allow a secret to become known _____
6. Led Zeppelin song that starts "Hey hey mama..." _____
7. Player who's expected to lose _____
8. The Borscht Belt's mountain range _____
9. Container for restaurant leftovers _____
10. Pulitzer-winning play by Tennessee Williams _____
11. First female Iron Chef _____
12. "Peace Train" singer, as he was known in 1971 _____
13. 2008 drama about a teenager from Mumbai _____
14. Slangy name for a WWII infantryman _____

PENROSE LOOP



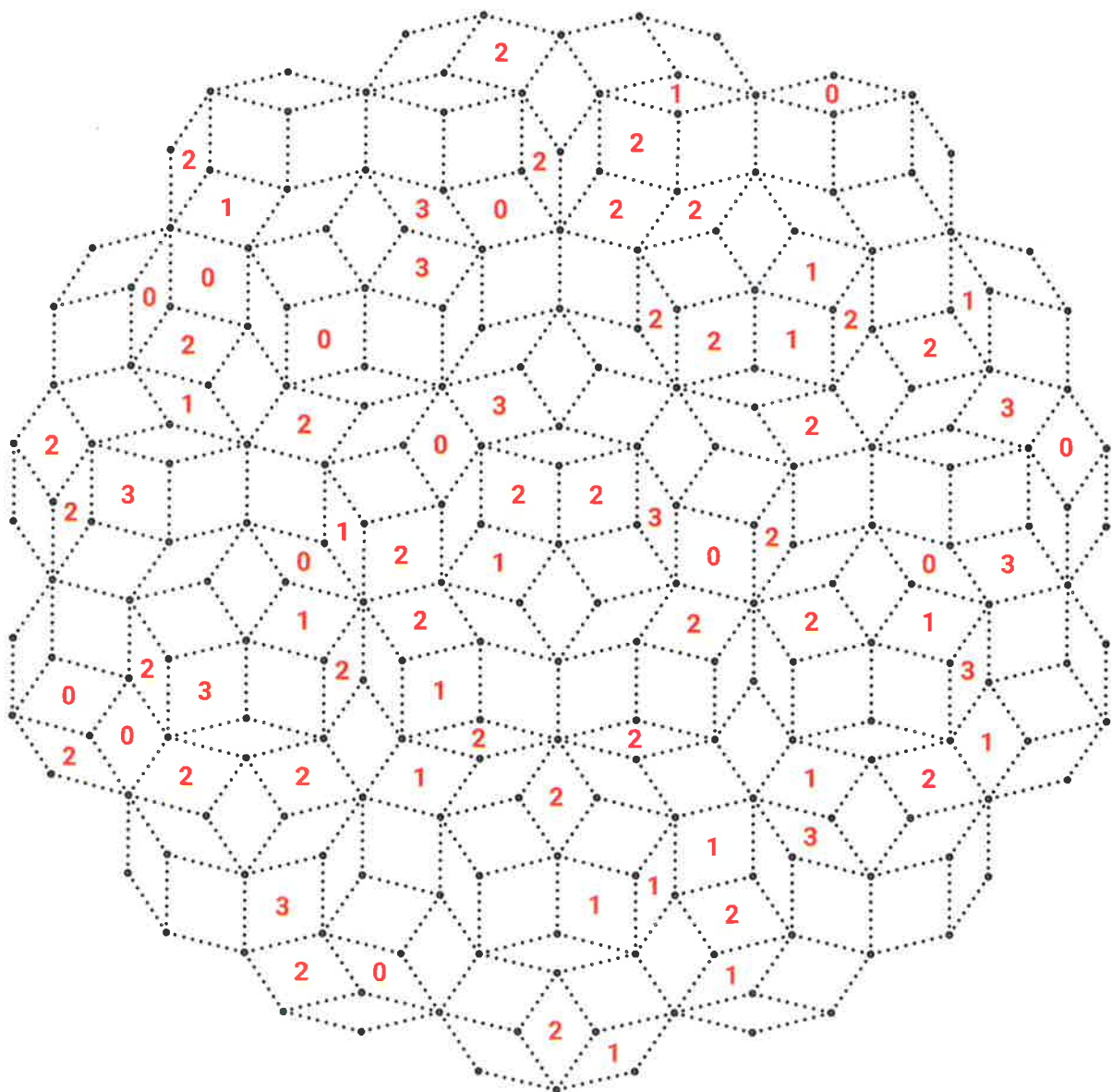
BY JIM BUMGARDNER

This is a slitherlink (also known as “fences”) puzzle with a twist: It is constructed on a grid made of Penrose tiles, as opposed to a rectangular grid. Penrose tiles are named for the English mathematical physicist Sir Roger Penrose, who investigated them in the 1970s. We think you will find that the Penrose tiles create some interesting complexities due to the variety of intersections that occur at the vertices.

Your goal is to fill in certain dotted line segments so as to create a meandering path that forms a single loop. The path cannot cross itself, form branches, or touch itself at corners. The numbers inside each rhombus indicate the number of line segments that must be drawn along the sides of that rhombus. Empty cells may be surrounded by any number of line segments (from 0 to 3).

There is one unique solution, which you should be able to find without guessing. You may find it helpful to mark segments that cannot be filled in. Need some solving help? Visit krazydad.com/slitherlink.

COORDINATES FOR PENROSE TILES PROVIDED BY CRAIG KAPLAN

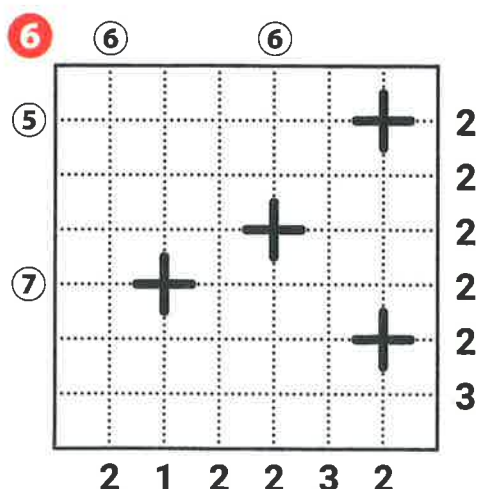
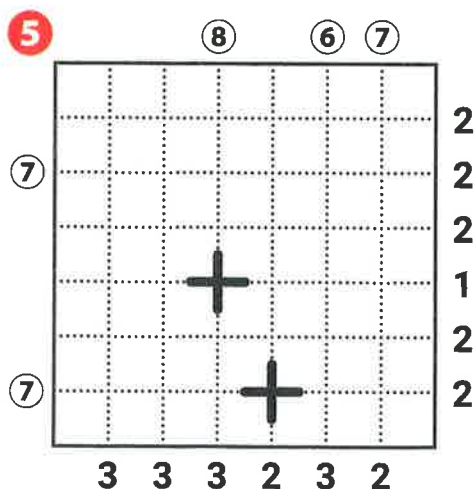
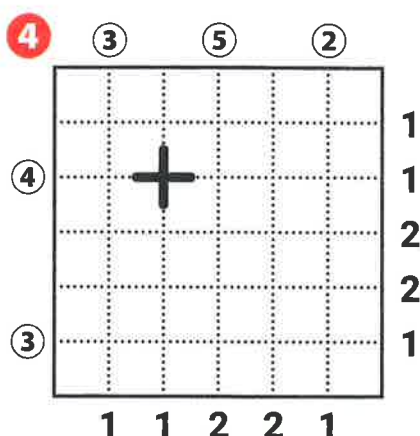
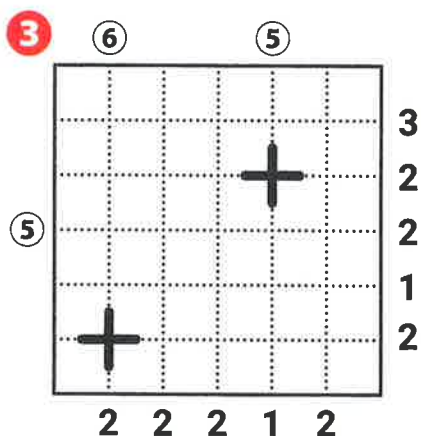
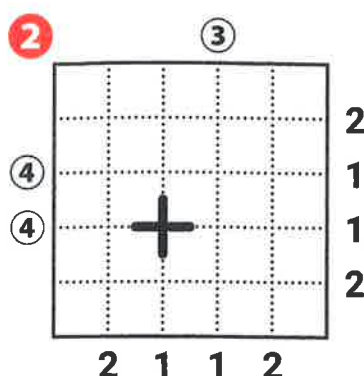
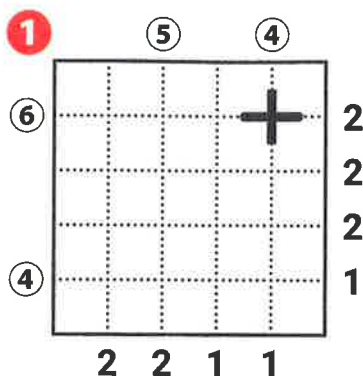
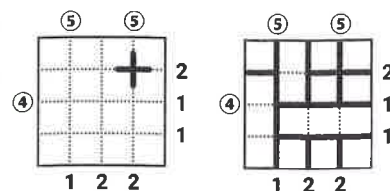


FISHING NET

BY RODRIGO JORQUERA JORQUERA

To solve these puzzles, draw horizontal and vertical lines along the grid provided so that the ends of each line intersect perpendicularly—in the form of a T—to the previously drawn lines. In other words, the solution can have no lines that cross each other, except for the intersections marked with the symbol **+**. At the start, the edges of the grid are considered to be previously drawn lines.

A puzzle is solved if it is not possible to draw more lines, and if the number of lines and the total number of intersections in each row and column is equal to the values indicated with a number and a number enclosed in a circle, respectively.

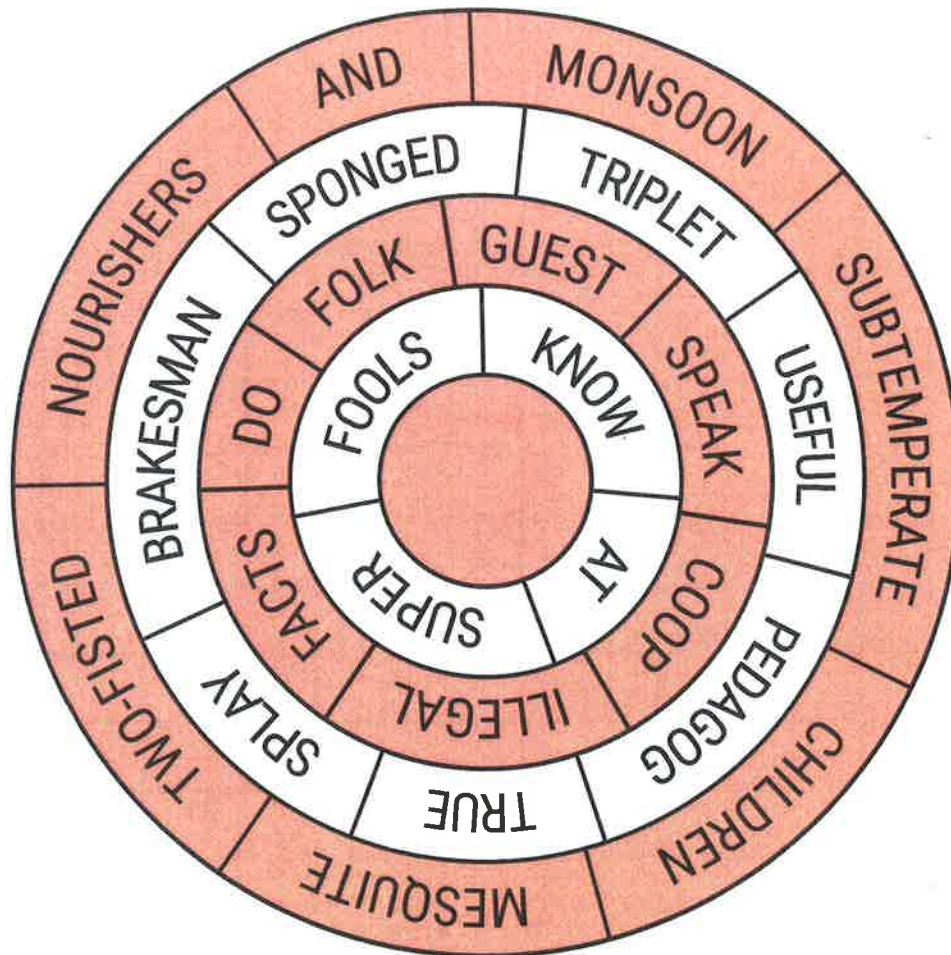


BULL'S-EYE 20 QUESTIONS



BY WILL SHORTZ

Here's a test of your word "marksmanship." The answer to each of the 20 questions in the puzzle is one of the words in the bull's-eye target. Each answer scores a "hit," which you may cross off in the target since no answer word is used more than once. When all the clues have been answered, the five unused words will form an old proverb.



WHICH WORD...

1. can have the word WORD inserted somewhere within it to create a new word?
2. would sound like a word meaning "adolescent" if pronounced with a lisp?
3. contains within it, reading from left to right in consecutive letters, six different pronouns?
4. sounds like a "sick bird"?
5. would become a new word if you changed its E's to O's?
6. can be anagrammed into the name of one of the states, with one letter left over?
7. would, if it were written as a telephone number, contain six of the same digit?
8. looks like a radio station's call letters both forward and backward?
9. would become a word meaning "generous one" if there were no R at the end?
10. would become the name of a metal if you shifted each of its letters three places down the alphabet?
11. consists only of letters (three or more of them) that when printed in lowercase contain enclosed spaces (like b, o, q, etc.)?
12. can be prefixed with 13 different letters of the alphabet to make common new words?
13. consists of a preposition inside a word meaning "bent"?
14. can either precede or follow the word "house" to make familiar new words?
15. does not mean "small journey" despite how it looks?
16. would sound like a new word if you pronounced its second syllable first?
17. consists of a series of three-letter words spelled backward?
18. would become a new word if you inserted a hyphen somewhere within it?
19. has all its letters in reverse alphabetical order?
20. is an anagram of the initial letters of the five remaining words?

STRAY CATS

BY FRED PISCOP

ACROSS

- 1 Former Swedish automaker
- 5 Fact-fudger
- 9 What "to err" is
- 14 Ballet bend
- 15 Hard-to-resist impulse
- 16 Cause to chuckle
- 17 Verdi opera set in Egypt
- 18 "All gone!" sound effect
- 19 U.S.-Canada-Mexico treaty until 2020
- 20 Ella Fitzgerald specialty: 2 wds.
- 23 Fragrant evergreen
- 24 One in a high-IQ society
- 25 Corn serving
- 27 Vote of approval
- 29 Segments of sentences
- 33 "No bet": 2 wds.
- 37 Jamie of M*A*S*H
- 39 Wayne's World costar Carvey
- 40 Actors in an epic film, perhaps: 3 wds.
- 43 Cavern comeback
- 44 Copier paper purchase
- 45 Printer's equipment
- 46 First-rate
- 48 Rower's need
- 50 Long, long time
- 51 Jai alai baskets
- 56 Comics bark

59 Does as expected: 3 wds.

63 Food at a restaurant "bar"

65 Antioxidant-rich berry

66 Sunburn soother

67 .jpg or .gif file contents

68 Message on a Post-It

69 Trevi Fountain city

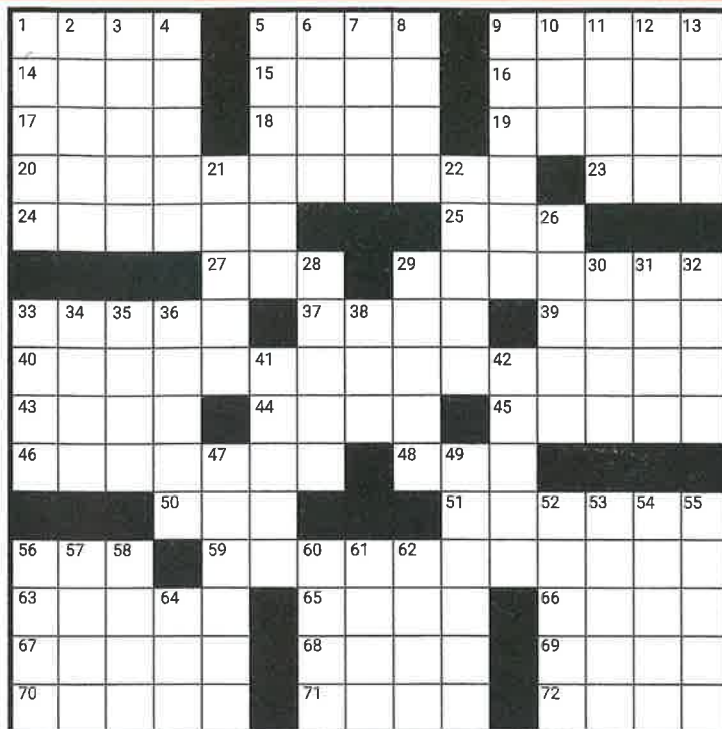
70 The "A" in FAQ

71 Marquee-topping name

72 Rice Krispies sound

DOWN

- 1 Involuntary twitch
- 2 Visitor to Wonderland
- 3 Quinn of *Elementary*
- 4 Is victorious over
- 5 Like a wolf
- 6 Part of a golf club set
- 7 Bug-eyed
- 8 Mortgage adjustment, briefly
- 9 Airplane's shelter
- 10 Thurman of the *Kill Bill* movies
- 11 Misplay, as a grounder
- 12 ___ Spumante
- 13 Close at hand
- 21 Final word: Hyph.
- 22 Jacket style named for an Indian leader



26 Air traffic control device

28 Subsequent to

29 "Coming up next" ad

30 Having all one's marbles

31 Brings to a halt

32 Back talk

33 Adds frosting to

34 19-Across was one

35 Tennis great Arthur

36 Made off with

38 Cry of discovery

41 Money in Paris, once

42 Spending binge

47 Filled with cargo

49 More painful

52 Practices in a ring

53 Hawk's gripper

54 Bakery allure

55 Tough to climb, in a way

56 Myanmar's continent

57 Ewes' mates

58 Harsh criticism

60 Sunbathes

61 One from Glasgow

62 "See you later," to a Brit: 2 wds.

64 It's just a number

DECIPHERER WANTED

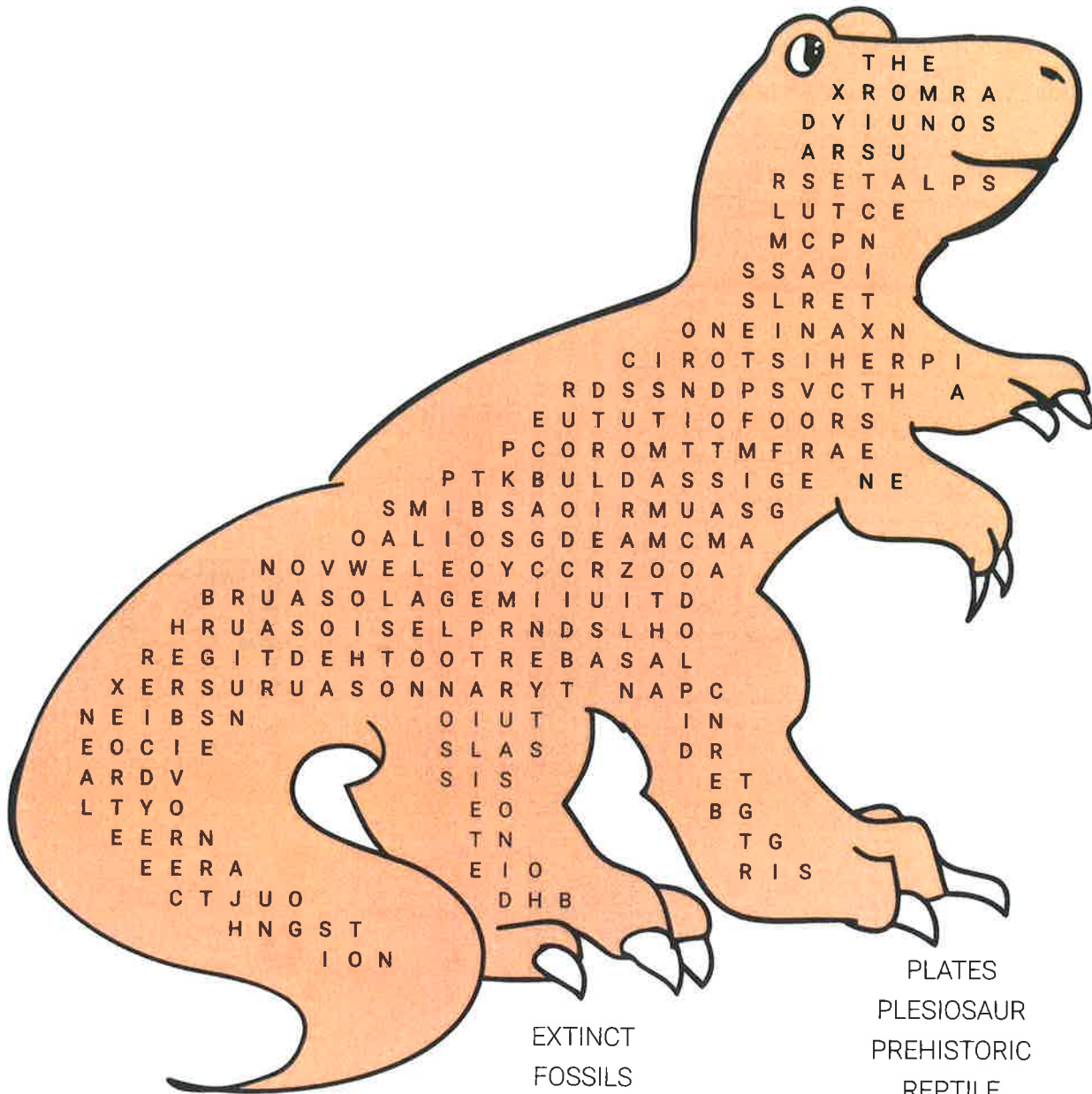
BY RICK KAPLAN

The following clues all lead to words that end in ERER. For example, the answer to the clue "Gambler" would be WAGERER. Can you be a successful answerer and guess all 14?

1. Long-winded lawmaker attempting to thwart a bill _____
2. Sofa stuffer _____
3. Person who's just hanging around _____
4. Praise giver, often with insincere overtones _____
5. Mickey Mouse served as an apprentice to one _____
6. Processor of dirty clothes or counterfeit money _____
7. 1962 Dion hit, with "The" _____
8. More honest and heartfelt _____
9. Word after *The Horse* in the movies or *Dog* on TV _____
10. Exchanger of goods or services for other goods or services _____
11. More shrewd _____
12. Prehistoric human who might not have been a hunter _____
13. Trash flinger _____
14. Food preparer at large gatherings _____

PUZZLOSAURUS

Most of what we know about prehistoric times has been learned from bones and fossils dug up by inquisitive archaeologists. Buried in this Tyrannosaurus Rex diagram are the 30 prehistoric and dinosaur-related words and phrases listed below. How many of them can you find? Each is hidden horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, but always in a straight line.



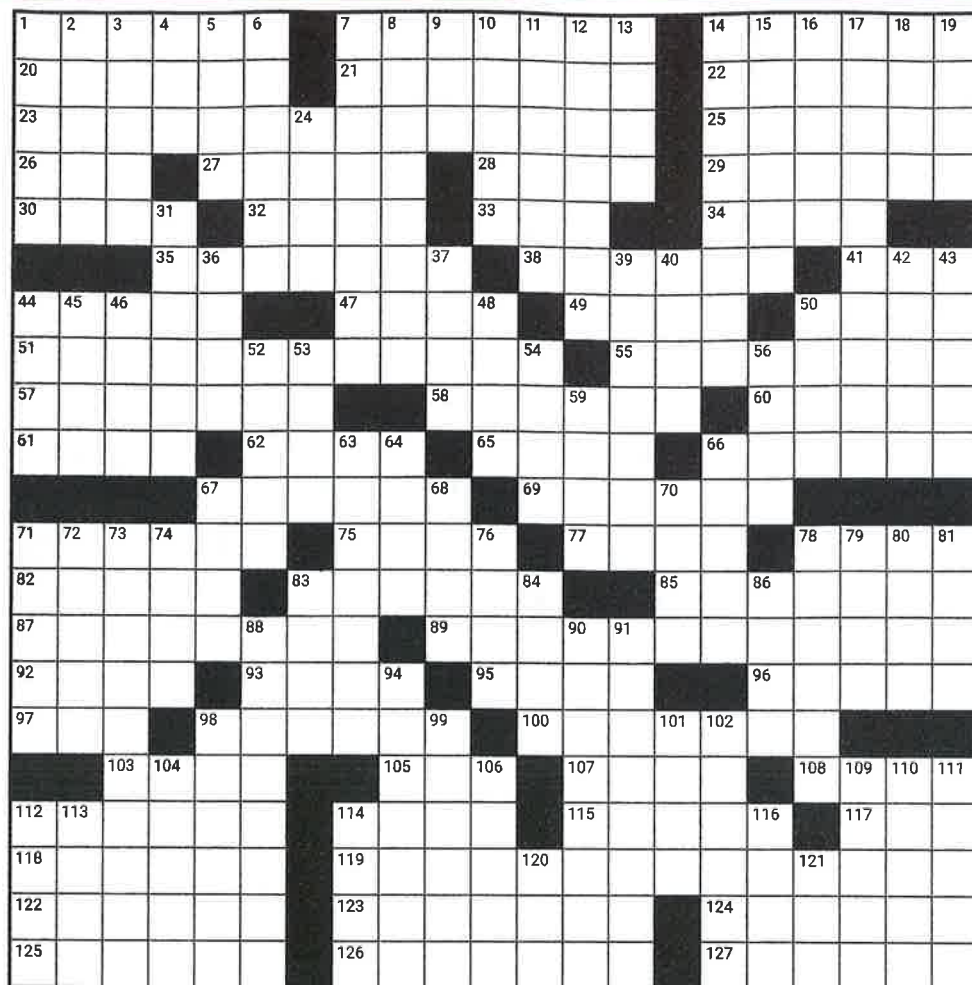
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IGUANODON
LIZARD
MAMMOTH
MASTODON
MEGALOSAUR
MUSEUM
PALEONTOLOGY

PLATES
PLESIOSAUR
PREHISTORIC
REPTILE
SABER-TOOTHED TIGER
STEGOSAURUS
SWAMP
TAIL
TEETH
TRIASSIC
TRICERATOPS
TYRANNOSAURUS REX

ACROSS

- 1 Tangle up
 7 Stew veggie
 14 Fruit measure
 20 Affected
 21 Paint thinner ingredient
 22 Fight
 23 Alternative to a thinking cap?
 25 Vague threat
 26 Jargon suffix
 27 Intellivision rival
 28 Playboy
 29 Dramatist Ernst
 30 Satellite of Jupiter
 32 James Bond's alma mater
 33 May honoree
 34 Film composer Schiffrin
 35 Curious
 38 Comet's teammate
 41 FDR prog.
 44 Warrants and subpoenas
 47 Charity
 49 Refusals
 50 *The Guns of August* figure
 51 Discover aviation?
 55 Spa employee
 57 As one
 58 Disturber of the peace
 60 Watch setting?
 61 Intrusive
 62 Pack firmly
 65 Fizz preceder
 66 Cedar Island's river
 67 Sea skeletons
 69 Mawkish
 71 E-flat equivalent
 75 Coconut fiber
 77 Culture medium
 78 Chicago Sky's org.
 82 Lariat
 83 Cadence
 85 Genteel eatery
 87 Reception aids
 89 Lion tamer's first lesson?
 92 71-Across, e.g.
 93 Ides rebuke
 95 Asian range
 96 "___ come to my attention..."
 97 Tulsa sch.
 98 Legion of Mary prayer
 100 Radius, for one
 103 Fulda feeder
 105 Mormon Church, for short
 107 Quick on the uptake
 108 Brewski
 112 Thief Lupin



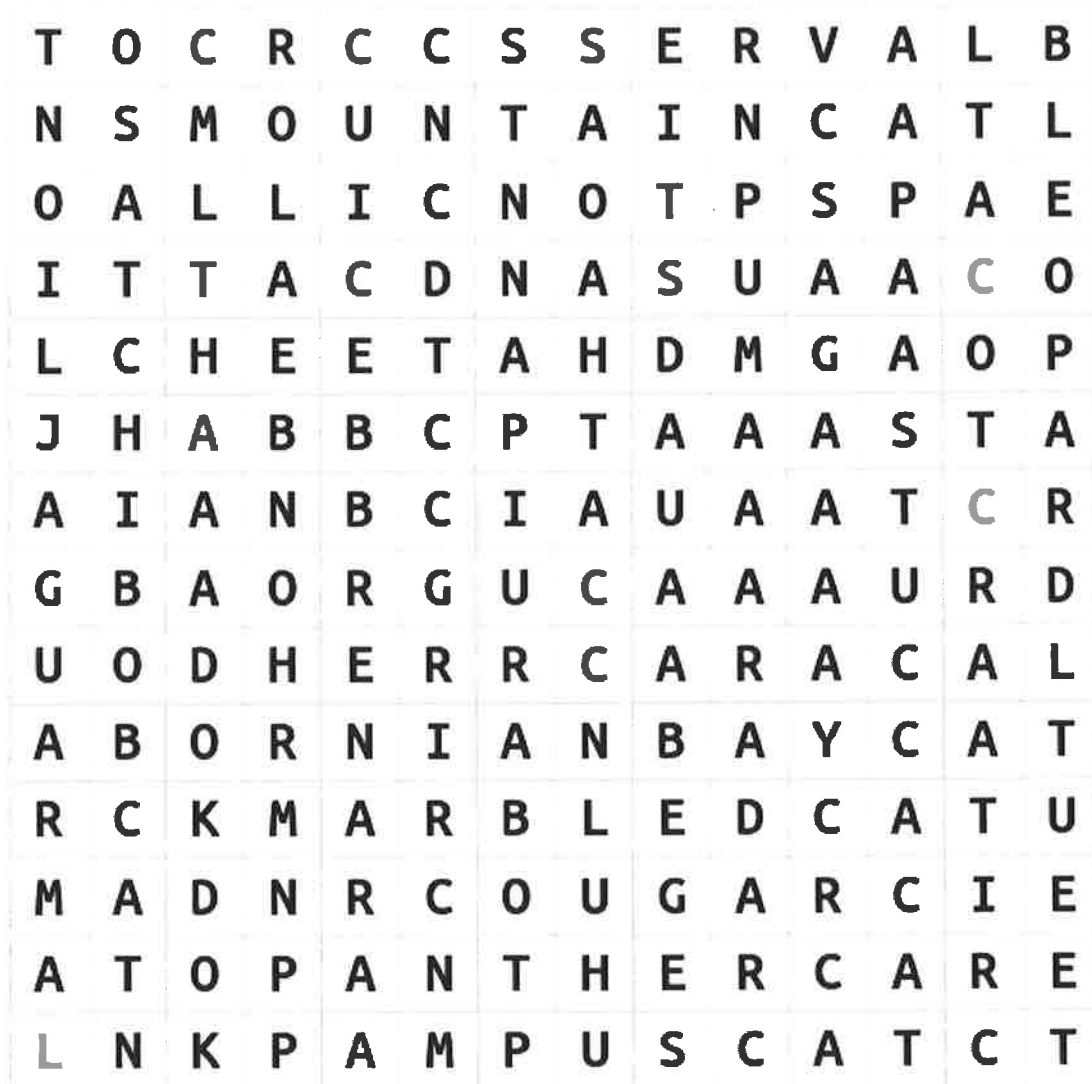
- 114 "___ Only Just Begun"
 115 Bearded
 117 That's a laugh
 118 Her looks could kill
 119 Hirsute guardian?
 122 Periods of truce
 123 He jumps to conclusions
 124 Promise
 125 Most sneaky
 126 1994 Jim Carrey comedy
 127 Hamlet, to Claudius

DOWN

- 1 Ricky's landlady
 2 Symbol of Wild West justice
 3 Lowed
 4 IAD abbr.
 5 Chesterfield, e.g.
 6 Displeased fan, maybe
 7 Protective, as a saint
 8 Slowly, and with difficulty
 9 Maxwell
 10 Drang's partner
 11 Contemptible
 12 Heartless
 13 Flipper pelican
 14 Futile
 15 Flap
 16 Sabrina's charm
 17 Armor in an old castle, often
 18 Latin being
 19 Unwelcome look
 24 Pro ___
 31 Off track
 36 General ___ chicken
 37 Saudi somebody
 39 Message spun into Charlotte's web
 40 Get wind of
 42 Old hat
 43 Mountain ridge
 44 One of a journalistic quintet
 45 City west of Sparks
 46 Big name in pet food

- 48 Prune
 50 Minnow eater
 52 Photog's concern
 53 Cold feet
 54 Melchior's gift
 56 Influence
 59 One-third of a WWII movie title
 63 Jason Voorhees' weapon
 64 Gimmick
 66 Fling
 67 Ocean Spray prefix
 68 Jedi's counterpart
 70 Way to go
 71 Clog buster
 72 Wences, for one
 73 Complement to Casual Friday?
 74 Suit to ___
 76 Mother of the gods
 78 Dashes off
 79 *The Good Wife* actor Chris
 80 Leather wine pouch
 81 Adams and Grant
 83 "Round and Round" band
 84 Roman geographer Pomponius ___
 86 Related
 88 Turkey, Lebanon, Syria, etc.
 90 476 to 1000, roughly
 91 Clock-puncher's labor
 94 See Spot run?
 98 Perfumes with patchouli
 99 Counsel
 101 Relax, as rules
 102 Kind of band
 104 Low card
 106 Blood fluids
 109 "I guess so"
 110 Tractor man
 111 Termagant
 112 Bandstand equipment
 113 Country dance
 114 One of a journalistic quintet
 116 10 ccs., e.g.
 120 Singer Sumac
 121 Cookbook abbr.

Wild Cats



PANTHER
 JAGUAR
 CHEETAH
 SAND CAT
 ONCILLA
 PUMA
 MARBLED CAT
 SERVAL
 LEOPARD
 TIGER
 MOUNTAIN CAT
 COUGAR
 BORNIAN BAY CAT
 PAMPUS CAT
 KODKOD
 CARACAL
 LION
 BOBCAT

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Baby Animals

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 DUCKLING
 CUB
 CHICK
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