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A1

E1

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F4

C3

2nd Letter Double

A1

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W4

M3

R1

D2

S1

Triple Word Score

E1

I1

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W4

C3

Triple Word Score

I1

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L1

Triple Word Score

PAR SCORE 150-160

BEST SCORE 238

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE® Players Dictionary, 5th Edition.

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RACK 1

RACK 2

RACK 3

RACK 4

FOUR RACK TOTAL

TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

CREMY

HEOSU

BTHOLC

HLIFTY

Print answer here:

Answers tomorrow

Saturday's

Jumbles: STUNG CRIMP EATERY EXODUS

Answer: He couldn't train for the marathon because his cold had to — RUN ITS COURSE

NON SEQUITUR by Wiley

BLONDIE by Dean Young and John Marshall

HI & LOIS by Chance Browne

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Chris Browne

DENNIS THE MENACE by Hank Ketcham

THE FAMILY CIRCUS by Bil Keane

Diphtheria and pneumococcal vaccines

Dear Dr. Roach: My wife is 69 and had diphtheria as a small child.

She was told that she should never have a vaccination or combination vaccination that contains a diphtheria toxoid.

Five years ago, she was given the pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23), which contains no diphtheria toxoid combination.

She had no side effects and was told she should have a follow-up vaccination of the same formula at age 69 to act as a booster.

Three weeks ago, she visited a pharmacy and, after disclosing in her medical history that she'd had diphtheria and was allergic to penicillin, they vaccinated her with PCV13, which does contain the combination booster for diphtheria.

The PCV13 is new on the market and was introduced in August 2014. The bottom line

DR. KEITH ROACH
TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

is that now she is experiencing just about every side effect listed, including tinnitus, and it appears a war is going on in her body.

Her doctor has no recommendation as to how to counteract the side effects of being vaccinated with the incorrect vaccine, except to live with it and hope that the side effects eventually dissipate.

Do you have any recommendations or input as to how long it will continue? — C.T.P.

It sounds like you have been given some misinformation. I did not find any information suggesting that people with a history of diphtheria should not be given the vaccine; however, people who have had a severe reaction (anaphylaxis) to a diphtheria-toxoid-con-

taining vaccine should not get the PCV13.

Diphtheria is now very rare in North America, but even before your wife was born, it was a major cause of disease and death, with over 200,000 cases in the U.S., and over 15,000 deaths.

Diphtheria causes a severe throat infection that can affect breathing. Most U.S. and Canadian physicians have never seen a case, a triumph of vaccination.

You mention two pneumococcal vaccines, PCV13 and PPSV23. The current recommendation is to give a dose of PCV13 in adults over 65 who have not previously received PCV13, followed six to 12 months later by a dose of PPSV23.

An adult over 65 who had a PPSV23 vaccine should get a PCV13 at least a year after the most recent dose of PPSV23. Some people younger than 65 with certain medical condi-

tions that increase risk for pneumococcal disease should get the PCV13 followed by the PPSV23. Neither of these vaccines contains diphtheria vaccine.

Side effects from the PCV13 vaccine are usually mild, and include fever, fatigue, headache, and muscle and joint aches.

I have never heard of these side effects going on for three weeks, and I would be concerned that an unrelated illness started about the time she got the vaccine.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Health newsletters may be ordered from www.rbmall.com.

Bridge
by Frank Stewart

Breaking and entering

Monday, January 19. It was hot in Los Angeles. We were working the daywatch out of Burglary. The boss is Captain Stewart. My partner's Bill Gannon. He's a good player. My name's Friday.

We got a call about a case of breaking and entering at a Glendale club. We checked it out. The suspect was still playing. One of his opponents spoke with us.

"It was terrible, officer."

"Just the facts, ma'am."

"I was declarer at four hearts, and West led a diamond to East's bare ace. My contract looked safe since West had no entry to give East a diamond ruff. I would have led a club as East, but he led the deuce of spades!"

South played the jack, but West's queen covered. When East took the king of trumps, he led a second low spade, and West won with the ten and led a diamond for East to ruff. Down one.

"East is guilty of forcible entry. Cuff him."

We arrested East on a charge of forcing an entry to West's hand. The judge said he wished he defended so well.

one diamond, you bid one spade, he rebids two diamonds and you try 2NT. Partner then bids three spades. What do you say?

ANSWER: This situation is uncomfortable, but your partner promises enough extra values to accept your try for game, and his bid of three spades is logically forcing. If it were not, you might wind up at three spades with a flimsy trump suit. Bid 3NT and hope for the best.

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH		EAST
♠ K 9 7 4		♠ A 8 6 2
♥ A J 8		♥ K 5 4
♦ K 4		♦ A
♣ K Q J 4		♣ 9 8 6 5 2

WEST		SOUTH
♠ Q 10 5		♠ J 3
♥ 7 2		♥ Q 10 9 6 3
♦ 9 8 7 6 5 2		♦ Q J 10 3
♣ 7 3		♣ A 10

North	East	South	West
1 NT	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	All Pass		

Opening lead — ♦ 9

The Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

1 Mimicked

5 Treat with derision

10 Gets on in years

14 Vender's success

15 International prize

16 Twaddle

17 Capable of operating independently

19 Dull blue

20 ETA word

21 Dueling sword

22 Is overly theatrical

24 Noxious swamp gases

26 Sporty Mazda

27 Not to mention

30 Flowers to wear

33 Hawaiian hardwood

36 Wedding token

37 Baez or Rivers

38 Bedeck

39 Pester continuously

40 Capital of Belarus

41 Ninny

42 U2 singer

43 Encourages in crime

44 Letters on shoe boxes

45 By oneself

47 Annexed

49 In a class by ____

53 Alternative to standard medicine

55 List of dishes

57 Commit slander

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Saturday's Puzzle Solved

AGLETHEREAFTER

TRUTHOVERBORNE

LOTTEWATERRATS

ESHARP GIRT

IVEEELS CNOTES

SERFREEBOOT

UNASTROPS MCP

RONDOORWAY IER

ERSUNFAIR CRO

DRAFTTEES REP

ESSENE ESNE OBO

GAEATRIBES

ENGROSSED VOILAS

STAMMERED AATALL

TOREADORS LALAS

1-18

DOWN

1 State in northeast

2 "Gloria ____"

3 Jovian satellite

4 Lion's hideaway

5 Exhibit a short fuse

6 Porter of notes

7 Orchestra member

8 Low-lying wetland

9 Running off

10 Head of a monastery

11 Fly solo

12 Coal ending?

13 "(____) Having My Baby"

18 Humiliate

23 Actress West

25 Drink noisily

26 Genghis Khan, for one

28 Infamous Benedict

29 Jungle vine

31 "____ of Eden"

32 Calligrapher's fluids

33 Zap with light

34 Brickell or McClurg

35 Macaulay Culkin movie

37 Is in accord

40 Site of the Palazzo Ducale

42 Black mark

45 Pitches in print

46 Sounded like a pig

48 Enjoys a sumptuous repast

50 Wed on the wing

51 Like some paper

52 Grazes

53 Hawaiian port

54 Algerian port

55 Tailless housecat

56 Otherwise

60 Bairn-sized

61 Blue

Scrabble Solution

PAR SCORE 150-160

2nd Letter Double

3rd Letter Double

4th Letter Double

5th Letter Double

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BEETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker

SNUFFY SMITH by Fred Lasswell

Conceptis Sudoku

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Difficulty Level ★

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved

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Difficulty Level ★★ ★★

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