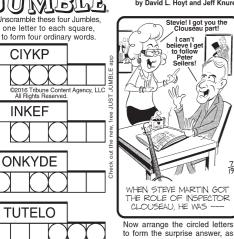
point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE Players Dictionary, 5th Edition.

Answer below

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suggested by the above cartoon

ONION WICKED CASINO Jumbles: KNOWN The woodpecker hoped the tree would be home for a long time, — KNOCK ON WOOD



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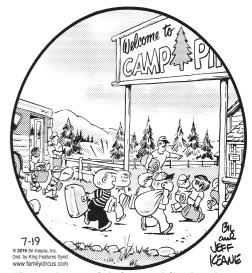


DENNIS THE MENACE by Hank Ketcham



"WELL, I THOUGHT I HEARD A NOISE, AND IT TURNED OUT TO BE MY STOMACH GROWLING FOR A MIDNIGHT SNACK."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS by Bil Keane



"I was homesick for a while, but I got over it when the bus pulled out and I couldn't see my mom waving.'

Needles and fainting are frequent pair

Dear Dr. Roach: Yesterday, my 11-year-old son had his well-child visit. His doctor informed us that he needed his DTAP, hepatitis A and meningococcal vaccines. My son hates shots. During his previous set of shots, he vomited and almost passed out. This time around, he actually did pass out.

What concerns me most is that when he passed out, his body stiffened and his arms reached out, while his body started to bend backward. His eyes started to roll back in his head.

It was enough that the nurse giving the vaccine yelled out for help. It lasted for about 60 seconds before he woke up and asked what was going on. I've never seen anyone do that when passing out. I just wanted some insight into what that could have been. — J.H.

DR. KEITH ROACH

TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

vaccines, and it can happen to both sexes.

The incidence increases with age, except for a peak in women ages 15-24. Getting an injection and seeing or giving blood are common triggers of fainting (also called syn-

Before fainting, most people have a sensation of lightheadedness, nausea, yawning, feeling warm, and vision and hearing changes (especially tunnel vision and a rushing sound in the ears).

People witnessing a faint often notice abnormal movements, including jerking movements and eve-rolling.

Dilated (enlarged) pupils sometimes noticed by careful observers.

Seeing it happen to your common adverse reactions to the most serious complication become blocked. This usually

head when falling.

He should consider getting future vaccines while lying

Dear Dr. Roach: Three months ago, I had a gallbladder operation. A plastic stent was placed. My primary doctor said

not to worry about having it removed, but I've heard otherwise. So far, I haven't had any pain. I'd like your opinion. A stent is a tube, usually

plastic, placed inside a structure to keep it open. In the case of the gallbladder, a stent may be placed at the site of a blockage, and the bile fluid moves through it. Stents may be placed through the skin, by an endoscopy or during an open surgery.

About 10 to 30 percent of Fainting is one of the most child can be terrifying, but the time, the stent itself may

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usually is hurting the face or causes pain, and may cause jaundice (yellow color of skin and eyes) or other symptoms (presumably the same or similar to the symptoms you had requiring the initial surgery). If that's the case, the stent may need to be replaced.

The surgeon who placed the stent is the right person to ask about replacement, because your primary doctor (like me) may not have all the information or experience necessary.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med. cornell.edu or request an order form of available health newsletters at 628 Virginia Dr., Orlando, FL 32803. Health newsletters may be ordered from www. rbmamall.com.

Bridge

by Frank Stewart

Baleful looks

'My wife and I played in a duplicate game," a reader's e-mail states, "and declarer made a game against us in this deal. I wanted to discuss my wife's defense, but she gave me one of her patented technically-you-may-be-right-butproceed-down-this-path-at-yourperil' looks, so I let the matter drop."

My fan's wife led the jack of hearts against four spades.

"I won the next heart with the king," my fan writes, "but declarer ruffed my ace and led a trump. When my wife played low, he mulled and put up dummy's king; he thought my wife had the ace since I hadn't opened the bidding. (Too bad he didn't play her for A-Q-6.) Our queen and ace fell together on the next trump.'

MISDEFENSE

South judged well, but I'll have to risk a baleful look from West by saying she misdefended.

If South holds the queen of trumps, West's play is moot. But if East has it, West must rise with the ace on the first trump and lead a fourth heart, promoting East's queen of trumps for the setting trick.

DAILY QUESTION

♦ A ♣ A K Q 9 3. You open one

club, your partner responds one heart,

you jump to two spades and he raises to four spades. What do you say?

ANSWER: Some players would pass, treating partner's jump to game as a "fast-arrival" action that denies interest in a higher contract. In my view, your partner has shown strong spades and is not averse to hearing you try for slam. I would test the water with a cue bid of five diamonds.

East dealer N-S vulnerable

> NORTH **♦** K J 5 2 ♥ Q 6 4 ♣ A K Q 9 3

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♥ **53** ♦ K Q 10 6 South West North Pass **Pass**

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SCKABBLE GRAMS SOLUTION





SNUFFY SMITH by Fred Lasswell





Conceptis Sudoku

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Difficulty Level ★★

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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