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one letter to each square, to form four ordinary word

GUYGM

WITAA

NOYELL

RISEMY

NON SEQUITUR by Wiley

...AND NOTHIN' CAN RUIN MY ENJOYMENT OF NO MATTAH HOW BAD FALL! SAYS THIS WINTAH IS EXCUSE ME... CAN WE GET A TABLE FOR GONNA BE, THE BEST, MOST BEAUT-AH-FUL SEASON IS JUST STAHTIN' ... FIFTEEN?

ONCE AGAIN I STAND WAIT... ME TOO NO...WE'RE AND ME CAH-RECTED GOING TO HAVE A CANDIDATE'S MAKE DEBATE! THAT 17. ..18 O'IS WILEY INK, INC. 9-8 DIST. BY UNIVERSAL UCLICK

BLONDIE by Dean Young and John Marshall





"I DON'T WANT YOUTO CHANGE, YOU'RE ENOUGH OF A PROBLEM THE WAY YOU ARE!"

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DENNIS THE MENACE by Hank Ketcham

HI & LOIS by Chance Browne





CLING Jumbles: ADOPT INFECT BONNET Yesterday's

SCHOOL? FRUSTRATING:









THE FAMILY CIRCUS by Bil Keane

"Mommy, if you're wonderin' why I'm being so quiet, it's 'cause I'm taking a nap.'

PPA rare condition affecting language

Dear Dr. Roach: I am an DR. KEITH ROACH 84-year-old man diagnosed with primary progressive aphasia. The neurologist says that nothing can be done for it. What can you tell me about it? — J.M.M.

Primary progressive aphasia is, as its name states, a progressive inability to use words and language. It is not related to other neurological diseases. It is a rare disease, at least compared with Alzheimer's disease. The condition may begin as early as a person's 40s, and is caused by degeneration in nerve cells. In about 30 percent of people, PPA is caused by the same process as Alzheimer's disease, but in the common form of Alzheimer's, there are many neurologic problems besides

cific treatment for PPA, there

TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

The most important thing is to improve ability to communicate, using speech therapy (a speech and language pathologist is an essential part of your treatment team) and in some cases through the use of assistive technology.

I found some outstanding information, including advice for caregivers and family, at Northwestern University's website (http:// bit.ly/1HS1ONH). I found more information, including about support groups, at www. aphasia.org

DR. ROACH WRITES: A recent column on apparent TMJ pain generated many letthat his TMJ had been function and quality of life. conditions masquerading as the face. I also tell patients

blocked Eustachian tubes, food allergies and Eagle syndrome. A TMJ specialist, Dr. Carol Cunningham, wrote:

"I instruct patients to sleep on the edge of the pillow, and to make sure that the pillow ends even with their ear. They should have nothing touching (no pressure) on their face past the point of their ear. The facial muscles want to be neutral and relaxed during sleep. If pressure is exerted on the muscles by a pillow, hand or arm, then the muscle will try to get back to a neutral position. Most often this is done by clenching and grinding. Pressure can be exerted on the muscles and joint, and people who are stomach sleepcertainly are ways to improve trigeminal neuralgia. Other night from lateral pressure on caused by skeletal deformi-

TMJ that readers wrote to to be aware of what they are me about included migraine, doing with their teeth during the day. The only time teeth should touch is when you eat (and very briefly during certain words). During all other times, lips may be together, but teeth should not touch. Often, we will fabricate splints to relieve pain in the TMJ and muscles of mastication. After splint fabrication, we will see the patient on a weekly basis well-adjusted. Closing on the splint will change as the muscles relax and the joint seats to its normal position. We often complete therapy by adjusting the bite so that the teeth fit together as well with the splint as without. Sometimes, bite problems may need to be this results in pain. We see treated by restorative work. ters. One periodontist wrote a lot of [TMJ] problems in such as crowns or orthodontic treatment. In rare cases While there is not a spe- misdiagnosed, and he found ers, as this results in the jaw surgery may be indicated to relief when operated on for being torqued throughout the correct severe bite problems

Bridge by Frank Stewart

Cheerful optimism

Cy the Cynic says you can show him someone who is smiling, cheerful and optimistic, and he'll show you someone who has no idea what's going on.

Cy is a cynic all right. When he was today's North, he and South got to a good slam, and West led a spade. When South saw dummy, he was to ensure that the splint is cheerful, etc., while Cy wore his usual look of gloom.

South took the ace of spades and cashed the A-K of trumps. When East discarded, South ruffed his jack of spades in dummy and tried a diamond to his queen. West took the king and cashed his high trump, and South went down three and was less cheerful.

"I knew it," Cy growled.

CAREFUL

South succeeds with a careful crossruff. After he wins the first trick, he continues thus: ace of diamonds, king of spades to pitch dummy's last diamond, diamond ruff, ace of hearts, heart ruff, diamond ruff.

South then ruffs a heart with his ace of trumps, ruffs a spade and ruffs a heart with his king. The queen of trumps is his only loser.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold: A A A A J 10 8 6 3 \diamondsuit 5 3 \clubsuit 9 8 7 4. You are the dealer, both sides vulnerable. What do you

ANSWER: I know successful experts who would open one heart with even fewer values. They would not open a weak two-bid, in part because the hand has two Quick Tricks — a bit too much defense in their view. (Some of their weak twobids are strikingly weak.) I would open two hearts. This hand looks to me like a sound weak two-bid.

South dealer Both sides vulnerable

♥ AJ 10 8 6 3 ♦ 5 3

WEST **EAST**

SOUTH ♦ K J 10 \heartsuit 2 ♦ A Q 10 8 ♣ A K J 10 6

South West North East Pass **Pass** Pass Pass 3 NT Pass 4 🚓 Pass All Pass

Opening lead — ♠ 4

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The Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS 1 Molt

- 5 Listen!
- 9 Crouch down 14 Corduroy
- characteristic Dewitt Clinton's
- canal
- 16 Unusual collectible 17 Aces
- On or off road 18 19 Conveniently
- available
- Marine crustaceans 20
- lacking pincers Scatterbrained
- 24 Shunner Deplaned in a flash 28
- 32 Praiseful poem
- 33 Lover's quarrel 37 Gardner of movies 38 "Ninotchka"
- filmmaker Lubitsch 40 Pulp producer?
- Surpass 44
- 45 Deadlock
- Capital of Norway 46 47 Feeling peaked
- 48 Beatles movie In true-blue fashion
- Propels skyward 59 Swimmer's propeller
- 63 Michelangelo masterpiece
- 66 Acceptable
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- Chart holder
 - 70 Hide Type of rug or code
 - 71 Knot on a tree Okinawa port
 - 72 Knock for a loop Yesterday's Puzzle Solved
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- 73 Capri, for example **DOWN**

HAIRY

s M O K

- Capital of Vietnam 3 Choose
 - Cubicle furniture 5 Big sandwich 6 Part of U.A.E.

Excalibur or

Rhindon, e.g.

- 7 Lips 8 Didn't give up Ricky of "The Champ"
- Resembling 11 Large vase 12 Helping hand
- 13 Gift for a kid 21 Potash
- 22 Celebration night Things to avoid 25 Ford flop
- 26 Prefix with rocket or 27 active 29 Punch quickly 30 Spacewalk, to

NASA

31 Desert bloomers 9/8

- 33 Go bad Sao
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- 42 D.I.Y. buy 43 Internet Quarterback 49
- Manning Cicely and Mike
- 50 Urban railways 53 Daisylike flower
- Giraffe's cousin Torch jobs 57 Immune system member 58 Ray
- 60 Three-handed card game Home to Honolulu 62 Meg of the movies
- Cribbage item Anderson or Fleming

65 NASA's ISS partner

Difficulty Level ★★

Scrabble Solution

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SNUFFY SMITH by Fred Lasswell





Conceptis Sudoku

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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

9	3	5	2	7	4	8	6	1
4	1	2	8	5	6	7	3	9
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