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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one letter to each square, to form four ordinary word **TECOT**

MURST

MERHOC

KAWYLE

HI & LOIS by Chance Browne

DID YOU REMEMBER TO PICK

UP SOME ONIONS ON YOUR WAY

HOME?

NON SEQUITUR by Wiley

SOMETHING'S GOING

ON ... IT'S SWARMING WITH REPORTERS OUT THERE, BUT I

CAN'T TELL WHY

DIDN'T YOU ASK ME TO WHEN I LEFT

FOR WORK

MORNING

I DON'T SEE ANY SMOKE

OR HEAR SIRENS, SO IT'S NOT A CALAMITY

WHAT KIND OF

SPORTS OR PAPARAZZI?

NEWS EVENT ..





SEE? THERE'S THE PROBLEM...YOU DIDN'T CALL TO REMIND ME WHEN I WAS

I NEED MONEY MORE OFTEN THIS LATE IN

THE SUMMER

9-22 "I FEEL SORRY FOR ANY CIRCUS THAT HE RUNS OFF TO JOIN."

DENNIS THE MENACE by Hank Ketcham



THE DAIRY FARMER WAS MAKING HUGE PROFITS, HE LOYED HIS ----Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

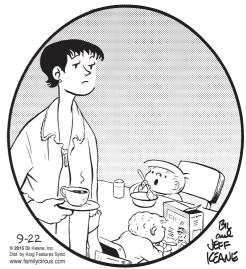
Print answer here: Jumbles: PLUMB RURAL ACCENT BOUNTY They could sail their new boat from Key West to THE LAWN DOESN'T NEED TO BE MOWED AS OFTEN THIS LATE MY IN THE SUMMER.

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Chris Browne





THE FAMILY CIRCUS by Bil Keane



"Oh yeah! Last night's baby sitter told me she won't baby-sit us again. She plans on being busy from now on."

Strange 'pimples' may be a rare disease

Dear Dr. Roach: After having several strange-looking "pimples" on my thighs and one on my face, I was told it is lymphomatoid papulosis.

One or two people in a million are diagnosed with this. I know that it is not contagious, but what is it?

What causes it, how is it treated, and what can I do to avoid these? They take weeks to heal. — R.R.

Lymphomatoid papulosis is a rare disease. It is in the category of cutaneous lymphoproliferative disorders. It is a chronic disease, and lasts years or even decades.

The underlying cause is not known exactly, but it is related in many ways to other lymphoproliferative diseases. such as mycosis fungoides and Hodgkin's lymphoma.

The cells of the skin lesions you notice have similar genetic rearrangements as lymphoDR. KEITH ROACH

TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

Fortunately, LyP has an excellent prognosis, although people with LyP are at increased risk for developing one of these serious conditions.

The papules of LyP can appear on the extremities or the hands and face, and less commonly on other places on the body.

They may start off as small red papules, get larger and then crust over. Often, several exist at different stages.

Diagnosis may not be easy, as it takes an experienced dermatopathologist (pathologist with special training in skin diseases) and enough tissue to look at the genetics of the

Treatment is not necessary for every person with LyP. But for those who do require it, one might be ultraviolet-light tion. The pain nerves to your

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may require methotrexate, but this needs to be managed by an expert.

Experts have recommended six-month visits to evaluate for early signs of enlarging lymph nodes, which might indicate the development of a lymphoproliferative disorder.

Dear Dr. Roach: Last year, my husband was seriously ill from a bacterial infection in his gallbladder.

After inserting a drainage tube, they removed his gallbladder. He has done quite well, except for a strange side effect: Whenever he eats, it causes his left shoulder to

Also, when he lies on his right side, it seems to hurt his left shoulder. Do you have an explanation for this mystery?

I have a possible explana-

treatment. More severe cases skin and bones are referred to as parietal pain fibers, and these localize very well: If your left toe hurts, there's usually a problem with your

left toe. The nerves to the organs are visceral fibers, and they do not localize well in the

Pain in the heart can feel like it's in the left upper arm, the left side of the chest or the upper abdomen, depending on who you are.

Pain from the gallbladder most commonly shows up in the right upper quadrant of the abdomen, where it is located directly under the liver, but frequently feels like it is coming from the shoulder. This is called "referred" pain.

Right-shoulder pain is still think that your husband is feeling some referred pain, perhaps from some scar tis-

The less they know

Bridge by Frank Stewart

Cy the Cynic insists that it's a scientifically proven fact: The less people know, the more they think they know.

Today's West led the ten of hearts against 3NT, East overtook with the jack and South ducked. When East returned a heart, South took the ace and led the queen of diamonds. West played low, but when East won, he had no more hearts. So South won the spade return, lost a diamond to West's king and had 10 tricks.

"Why bother to lead a second heart?" West asked.

"I know enough to return my partner's lead," East shrugged.

SIDE ENTRY

East knew less than he thought. He nore common than left, but I can place West with at most six highcard points. No matter whether West has A-Q-10-9-x of hearts and no side entry or Q-10-9-x-x plus one entry, the defense can't beat 3NT with heart

East's best chance is to shift to Scrabble Solution clubs at Trick Two — to the nine as a 'surrounding" play to trap dummy's eight. No matter how South proceeds, the defense can take five tricks before South takes nine.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold: • 10 7 6 3 🗘 J 7 ♦ A 7 2 ♣ Q 9 7 6. The dealer, at

your left, opens one heart. Your partner doubles, and the next player bids two hearts. What do you say?

ANSWER: Bid two spades. You must not risk selling out to two hearts when your side probably has an eight-card spade fit and a fair share of the high-card strength. It's unpleasant to bid with such a ratty suit, but what you are really doing is "supporting" the suit your partner's double implied.

South dealer Both sides vulnerable

> NORTH ♠KJ2 ♡ K 6 2 ♦ 10984

♣ A 8 2 **EAST ♠** 10 7 6 3 ♥ Q 10 9 8 5 ♡ J 7 ♦ K 63 ♦ A72

> SOUTH **A** A Q 8 5 ♥ A43 ◊ Q J 5 ♣ K 10 4

♣Q976

South West North East 1 NT All Pass Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — ♥ 10

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38 Jam or pickle "Taxi" co-star Carol 39 40 Quechuan speaker One of the

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Band of a rainbow 47 48 Wise man Novelist Segal

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69	9	KACK 3 =	P3 L1 A1 T1 E1 A1 U1					
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SNUFFY SMITH by Fred Lasswell





Conceptis Sudoku

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Difficulty Level ★★

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.

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved

6	8	5	9	1	7	4	3	2
3	1	4	2	8	5	7	9	6
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9	4	6	1	2	8	5	7	3
8	2	3	5	7	9	6	1	4
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Difficulty Level ★