SOLUTION: SEE PAGE 0.1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9

SCRABBLE GRAMS SOLUTION							
W4 E1 B3 L1 I1 K5 E1	RACK 1 =	82					
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G ₂ A ₁ L ₁ L ₁ O ₁ P ₃	RACK 3 =	9_					
A ₁ D ₂ V ₄ I ₁ S ₁ E ₁ E ₁	RACK 4 =						
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"My DAD says there's a couple CHEAP SKATES OVER HERE. IF THEY'RE MY SIZE ... I'LL BUY 'EM FROM YOU."

DENNIS THE MENACE by Hank Ketcham



(Answers tomorrow) BRAND KETTLE JOVIAL Jumbles: ABACK The bunny had a problem changing the flat.
Thankfully, he could call a — JACK-RABBIT

HI & LOIS by Chance Browne I DEFINITELY BELIEVE IN EQUAL PAY FOR WOMEN





HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Chris Browne





THE FAMILY CIRCUS by Bil Keane



"Now my tummy is really happy it's so hungry.'

Bacterial infection requires antibiotics

Dear Dr. Roach: I am an 80-year-old woman in good health. After numerous CT scans, a PET scan and a bronchoscopy, it was determined that I have MAI. I am aware that the standard treatment is 18 months of antibiotics. Can you tell me what side effects I can expect if I go ahead with this treatment? I am not comfortable taking all these antibiotics, as I am a person who shuns medication in general at my age. — J.R.

Mycobacterium avium and Mycobacterium intracellulare are bacteria that are related to tuberculosis. They are so similar that they usually are not differentiated, and go by the collective abbreviation MAI (for Mycobacterium aviumintracellulare) or MAC (for Mycobacterium avium complex). Infection with either one leads to symptoms. In people with lung disease, especially from smoking, infection leads

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to progressive lung damage. In

people with HIV infection or a lung transplant, the disease can be rapidly progressive.

But for those with no lung disease (usually older women), its most common symptom is chronic cough that has characteristic findings on X-ray. This last sounds like your situation. Most people get fever, and some have night sweats or weight loss. It's also common to have fatigue, or just to feel bad (malaise).

The diagnosis is made by laboratory identification of the bacteria from the bronchoscopy specimen. Not everybody needs treatment. You told me you are in good health, but not about is recommended for people with symptoms and because annoying to serious. Your treatment may reduce ongo-

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sensitivity of the organism, but one common regimen is clarithromycin, rifampin and ethambutol. Most people will have negative cultures in four to six months, but it's recommended that they continue therapy for an additional year to be sure of a cure.

Possible side effects include stomach upset or nausea, abnormalities in liver function, low white blood cell count and vision changes. Most of these side effects can be managed, but some are serious, so monthly monitoring during treatment is essential.

As always, it's a balance between the benefits of the treatment (getting rid of an with enough symptoms that good place to start. it led to many diagnostic tests doctor should help you work

ing lung damage. The choice through this balance. For of antibiotics depends on the most people, it's of greater benefit to treat.

> Dear Dr. Roach: I have a friend who is always cold and has a rash, which he scratches until he is raw. His doctor many times," a player at the club told me, "that I don't refer to them as put him through some tests but can't find what is wrong.

People who are always cold may have low thyroid levels or a low blood count (anemia). Low thyroid levels often lead to dry and itchy skin, while some kinds of anemia lead to skin itchiness.

Testing thyroid hormone levels and getting a CBC (complete blood count, which is a and went down. test for red blood cells, white infection, presumably one blood cells and platelets) is a

However, a careful history any symptoms. Treatment before getting the answer) and and examination of your side effects, which range from friend's skin also might give additional clues to some lesscommon causes.

Bridge by Frank Stewart

Traditional errors

"I've made certain mistakes so

mistakes any more. I call them

'traditions.' Certain types of mistakes are common: playing too fast, failing to count, missing easy inferences, overusing conventions. Against today's four hearts, West led the ace and another club, and South won and drew trumps. He ruffed dummy's last club, cashed the A-K of spades and exited with a spade. South hoped West would win, but when East won with the nine and shifted to a diamond, South lost two diamonds

What mistake did South make?

SPADE LOSER

A frequent error in dummy play is the failure to play a loser on a loser. After South draws trumps, he can take the K-A of spades and lead dummy's eight of clubs. When East discards, South discards his spade

West wins but, as it happens, he has no more spades. He must lead a diamond, letting South's king score, or lead another club, conceding a ruff-sluff.

DAILY OUESTION

You hold: ♠J7 ♡5 ♦ AQ85 ♣ A J 10 7 5 3. You open one club,

your partner responds one spade, you rebid two clubs and he tries 2NT. What do you say?

ANSWER: Partner's 2NT invites game, but since your values are minimum, you can't accept. Your rebid of two clubs suggested a sixcard suit; nevertheless, rebid three clubs. Notrump doesn't look right. It's possible that you have a better contract at diamonds, but you can't look for it.

South dealer Both sides vulnerable

> **NORTH** ♠ A 8 3 ♥ Q J 9 7 3 ♦ 9 3

WEST **EAST** ♥ 82 **♦ AQ85** ♦ J 10 6 2 ♣ A J 10 7 5 3

> **SOUTH** ♠ K 5 2 ♥ A K 10 6 4 ♦ K 7 4 ♣KQ

South West East North All Pass

Opening lead - A

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BEETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker WHAT2



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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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