DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add coints of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-coint 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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**AVEEW** 

**TLOAT** 

**CHROCS** 

**SNENUK** 



to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ABOVE TWANG INLAND TRAUMA The handsome bounty hunter was a -

### COULD GO EITHER WAY, BUT I'M GUESSING IT MEANS WINTER MIGHT BE COLDER NORMAL

**BLONDIE** by Dean Young and John Marshall



NON SEQUITUR by Wiley





#### **DENNIS THE MENACE** by Hank Ketcham



"YOUR MOM SURE KNOWS HER WAY AROUND THE KITCHEN."

" AND DOWN TO THE BAKERY, TOO."

# HI & LOIS by Chance Browne THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME AGAIN.

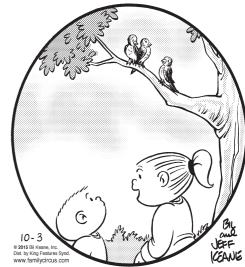


HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Chris Browne





THE FAMILY CIRCUS by Bil Keane



"We're lucky, PJ! Of all the trees in the neighborhood to visit, those birds picked OURS!

## Sexting yes or no; dodging norovirus

Q: I read about a study that said sexting was not only an acceptable behavior, but good for relationships as well. What is this world coming to? Doesn't it lead to risky sexual behavior? — Mildred F., Willoughby, Ohio

Sounds like you're referring to the results of a survey done by researchers at Drexel University that examined "possible positive effects of open sexual communication with a partner." They found that for adults in committed relationships (and that's the key), there's nothing wrong with "sending, receiving or forwarding sexually explicit messages, images or photos through electronic means." In fact, for those in a relationship, sexting was associated with greater sexual satisfaction. So in that context, it's just another form of good old-fashioned communica-



**DOCTORS OZ AND ROIZEN** 

loving relationship.

However, for vulnerable Control and Prevention, from teens and young adults, there are serious risks associated with sexting. It's been associated with unprotected sex, unplanned pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Parents need to make it clear that it's not good for their kids. It can be easily shared lasting consequences.

Q: Our kids gave us a tion, something that we have Caribbean cruise for our 40th always advocated for a healthy, wedding anniversary so we distress (vomiting and diar-

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this winter. But I'm concerned about those norovirus outbreaks that have hit cruise ships. Am I overreacting? — Jo J., Brookings, South Dakota

get vour concern. According to the Centers for Disease 2004 through 2014 there were confirmed outbreaks

of the norovirus on cruise lines. But the good news is that the number of norovirus outbreaks per year has come down almost every year since 2004, when there were 36. Last vear there were nine. Now and can't be erased. Act like you have less than a 1 percent a grownup, and things should chance of contracting gastrobe fine. If you don't, it'll have enteritis from any cause on an

can get some sunshine rhea). It's extremely contafire aboard ship, spreading Johann Wolfgang von Goethe. from contaminated surfaces, heart, wrote the physician and air, food or water.

-If someone you're around becomes ill, wash your hands versality, as expressed by the frequently and use hand in which chees is a sea sanitizer before eating; make an elephant can bathe. sure your food is cooked piping hot; and consider using attests to this essential truth plastic-wrapped plastic uten- with its motto: "Gens una sils. Underwashed silverware sumus" (We are one people). seems to be a major vehicle for transmission.

—If it breaks out onboard play and sports sustain, enhance ship, make sure you don't and celebrate individual and coltouch your face with your lective life. hands unless they are freshly washed. Consider wearing a joyful activity of children; at the mask and gloves when out other a prototype for war. and about. Stay out of places people gather.

But none of that should functions. But still, the norovirus is keep you from heading for the no fun. It lasts for one to three high seas! South Dakota and no less than Napoleon, Peter the days and causes acute gastric all 49 other states get hit with Great and Robert E. Lee — have noro-nausea too!

#### Chess

by Shelby Lyman

"Chess is the touchstone of 6 gious and moves like a brush- the intellect," we are told by 5

It is also an affair of the 4 r, food or water.
So here's how to reduce who declared unbashedly that 2 your chances of getting infect"Chess like love, like music, has
the power to make men happy." Many are attracted to its uni-

in which a gnat can drink and

The World Chess Federation

Chess is above all a manifestation of the play and sport--If it breaks out onboard ing instinct. Inextricably linked,

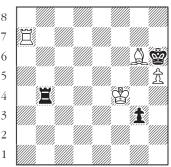
At one extreme is the benign,

Princes have been trained in the intricacies of the game so as to better carry out their princely

Military leaders and rulers carried chess sets into battle.

Curiously, in our fiercely competitive world of today knowl-Scrabble Solution edge of chess is an asset proudly listed on a resume. According to the Wall St. Journal, more than 250,000 Linked-In profiles include a special interest in the game as an item of potential interest to an employer.

Chess, which is growing by leaps and bounds in popularity, is more relevant to our lives than we might think.



b c d e f WHITE'S BEST MOVE?

Below is a win by Veselin Topalov against Shanglei Lu from the FIDE Word Cup in Baku Azerbaijan. Topolov

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1. e4	c5
2. Nf3	d6
3. d4	cxd4
4. Nxd4	Nf6
5. Nc3	a6
6. Be2	g6
7. Be3	Bg7
8. Qd2	Nc6
9. f3	d5
10. exd5	Nxd5
11. Nxc6	bxc6
12. Bd4	Bxd4
13. Qxd4	O-O
14. 0-0-0	Be6
15. Qc5	Qb8
16. g3	a5
17. Na4	Rd8
18. a3	h5
19. Rd2	Qc7
20. R(h)d1	h4
21. f4	R(a)b8
22. c4	Nf6
23. Qe5	R(d)c8
24. Nc5	Bf5
25. Qxc7	Rxc7
26. Na6	Black resig

SOLUTION BEGINNER'S CORNER: 1. Be4! (blocks check with the threat of Rh7 mate) [Perez-Ponsa '15].

#### The Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Fan out! 8 Flattery intended to
- persuade
- 15 Impair continuously
- 16 The Heart of Dixie
- Georgia's neighbor
- Alpine singer
- Sinclair Lewis book 19 Choler 21
- 22 Begged 23 Deli bread choice
- 24 "The Age of Bronze" sculptor
- NASA's orbiting 26 outpost
- 27 Elation 29 Widen
- Bikini tops 30 31 Roman historian
- 32 Non-believer
- 35 Unity
- 36 Locks and shocks Dark heavy viscid substances
- 38 Finds a new tenant for a flat
- 39 up (admit)
- 40 Large extinct bird
- Releases 44 Kind of sister or
- story? 45 Devitalizes 46 Floor-cleaning
- tool

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ERIKAS

N O R

F F S E T

1 0

- 47 Conjecture
- 50 Even more windy

T|E|N|C|O|M|M|A|N|D|M|E|N|T|S

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SESAME

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L A R I C

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sos

53 Maiden turned into a spider

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GENE

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S T R U T

52

- 54 Rhine temptress

- Yesterday's Puzzle Solved
  - SODDEN TUMULT ORE
- Garlic shrimp dish Deep pinks ANTALIZERS 3 Military forces LOBBYER CREOLE Statistical inclination 34 POMPEYOWLY Oodles and oodles E T G O A E R O N Revise a manuscript Collars again

H|A|G| R|H|I|N|A|L

Name on a check Heaps 10 Little guy 11

55 More puny

example

**DOWN** 

56 Miss Havisham's

adopted daughter

Torte or tart, for

- First name in honesty 12 Confirm 13 Honorable
- retirement title Scarcity
- Center of a hurricane Extrusion gadgets

Well, a bit, but we

average seven-day cruise.

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	539	JATOT	PAR SCORE 165-175						
•	19	EACK 4 =	H O S T A G E						
•	13	BACK 3 =	M O O D 2 X						
•	78	EACK 2 =	G2 A1 Z10 E1 T1 E1						
	87	EACK 1 =	A S E X U A L						
		OCEAND GRAND GRAMS SOLUTION							

## **BEETLE BAILEY** by Mort Walker I THINK YOU'LL THANKS LOVE IT, SIR



**SNUFFY SMITH** by Fred Lasswell





### **Conceptis Sudoku**

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27 Quantities of ground

Operates with a

Carvey and Ivey

Telethon backdrop

Vibrating musical

Beau Brummell, for

One with two cents

Under siege

Chopper pad

40 Five iron, once

to put in?

Put forward

Assad's domain

47 Dishonorable man

Katzenjammer

One of the

Religious factions

beam

Aquiver

effects

one

48 Accurate

kids

Itty-bitty

Down with

something

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

2	9	1	5	8	6	3	4	7
6	7	5	4	9	3	8	2	1
8	3	4	7	2	1	9	6	5
5	1	8	2	3	4	7	9	6
7	4	9	8	6	5	2	1	3
3	6	2	1	7	9	4	5	8
1	5	7	9	4	8	6	3	2
4	2	3	6	5	7	1	8	9
9	8	6	3	1	2	5	7	4
Difficulty Level ★★★★							10/02	

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