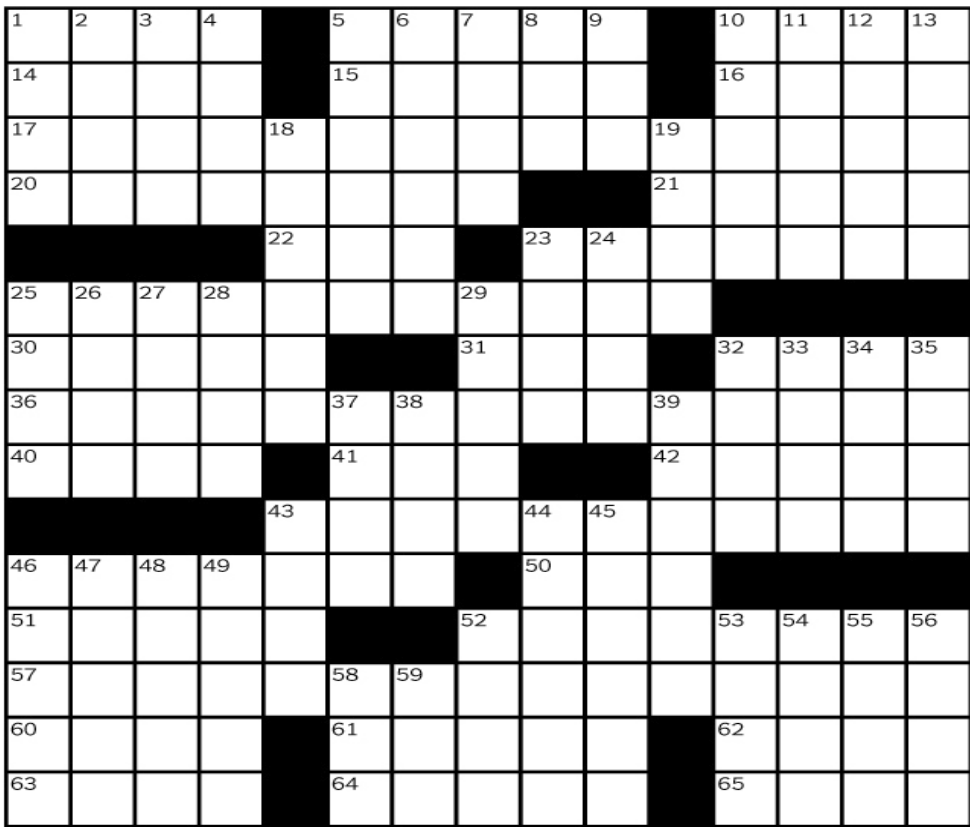


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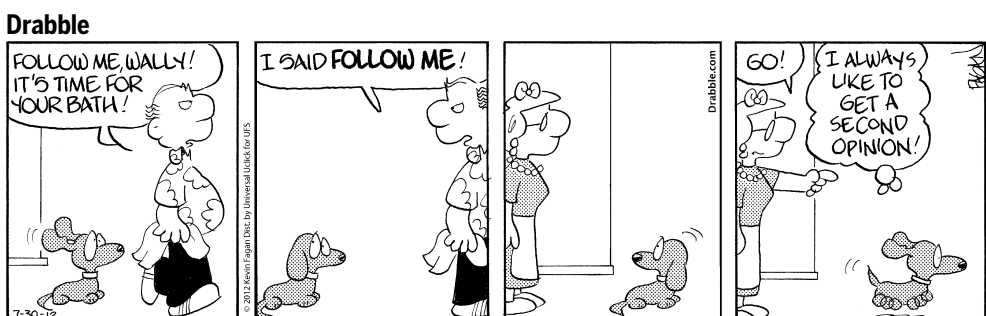
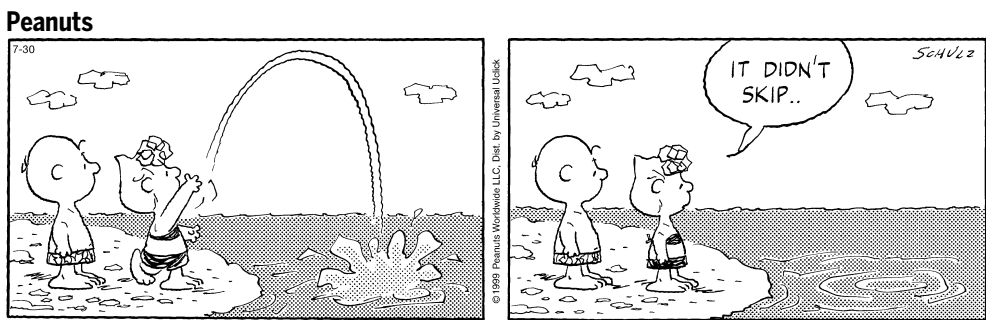
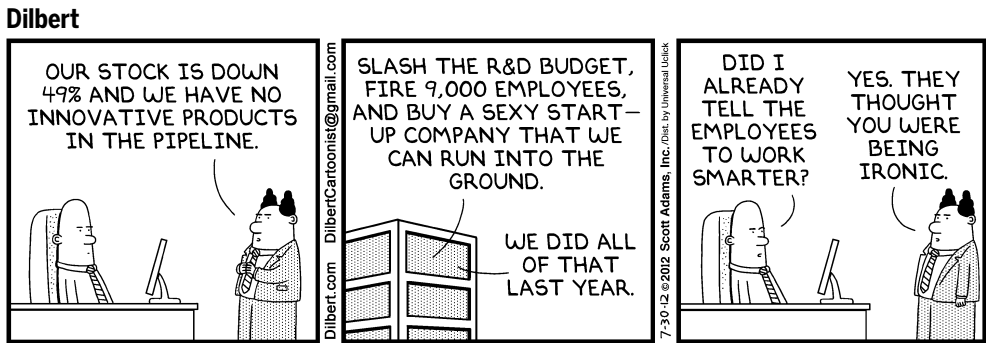
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 - 65 See 1-Across
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 - 3 With: Abbr.
 - 4 Science fiction writer Frederik
 - 5 Obi-Wan ___
 - 6 Over 300,000 of these appear in "Gandhi"
 - 7 Frozen beverage brand
 - 8 Like a matador's cape
 - 9 Successor of Muhammad, to Shiites
 - 10 Appraiser's figure
 - 11 Maiden name of Harry Potter's mother
 - 12 Present occasion
 - 13 Rear of many a book
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 - 19 Only
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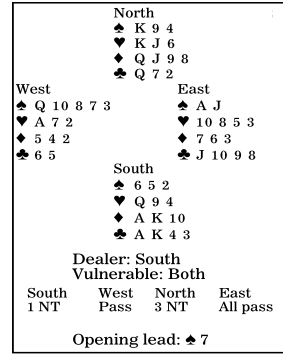


horoscope

- Capricorn** (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)
Be extremely careful not to play favorites in your involvements with friends. If you do, knowingly or unknowingly, you won't like the results one bit.
- Aquarius** (JAN. 20-FEB. 19)
There's a chance you'll become involved in an endeavor in which all the real power will reside in the hands of another. Should this happen, don't fight what you can't change.
- Pisces** (FEB. 20-MARCH 20)
Historically, when you spend impulsively, you seldom walk away with a good deal. If you're not careful, it could be one of those times when you'll repeat this pattern.
- Aries** (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)
Friends who want to support you might turn reluctant if you come off as too self-serving. Do unto others as you would do unto yourself.
- Taurus** (APRIL 20-MAY 20)
The biggest thing you might have to overcome is a lack of belief in your capabilities. If you don't have any faith in yourself, why should others?
- Gemini** (MAY 21-JUNE 20)
Not everyone with whom you'll be involved will be in accord with your way of thinking, but show a willingness to have a meeting of the minds and good things will happen.
- Cancer** (JUNE 21-JULY 22)
If you're not careful, you could find yourself in the unenviable position of having others make all the decisions for you. Once you lose control, it could be difficult to regain it.
- Leo** (JULY 23-AUG. 22)
Onlookers might believe you to be a better talker than a doer. This can easily be corrected, however, if you act first and leave the conversation until later.
- Virgo** (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)
Exercise restraint in your commercial dealings and don't jump on the first offer you receive. Thoroughly study all that is involved, both the obvious points and the subtleties.
- Libra** (SEPT. 23-OCT. 23)
Friends and associates will quickly become rattled about a critical situation if you are too indecisive. Once you've studied the matter, make your best judgment call and abide by it.
- Scorpio** (OCT. 24-NOV. 22)
Manage the people in your charge with a gentle hand, because they will respond more favorably to kindness than to demands or anger.
- Sagittarius** (NOV. 23-DEC. 21)
Instead of handling your resources with prudence, you could easily succumb to your more extravagant impulses. Remember, what you waste now won't be there when you really need it.

bridge

Joan Rivers said (I know not about whom), "She doesn't understand the concept of Roman numerals. She thought we just fought in World War Eleven."



In bridge, we can rarely say "always" or "never." But there is one always: the Rule of XI.

If the lead is fourth-highest, the Rule of Eleven must work. Subtract the value of the card led from 11, and the result gives the number of cards higher than the one led in the other three hands.

If the lead is a very low card - a two, three or four - the rule rarely helps anyone. But when it is a seven or an eight, usually either third hand or declarer benefits from working out who has what.

In this deal, East is in the spotlight. Against three no-trump, West leads a fourth-highest spade seven. After declarer plays low from the dummy, how should East plan the defense?

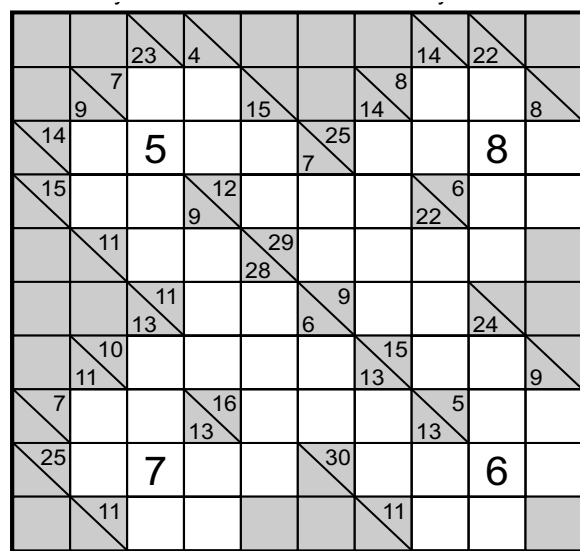
South is not fond of opening one no-trump with three low spades, but he has no choice. Seven from 11 is four.

And East can see all four of those higher spades: dummy's nine and king, and his jack and ace. So he knows that he can win the first trick with his jack. But what does he do next? Leave by the back door!

East should realize that to beat the contract, the defenders have to establish the spades and hope West regains the lead in time to cash the rest of the suit.

East must win trick one with his ace and return the jack. West overtakes with his queen to dislodge dummy's king. South will try the clubs, hoping for a 3-3 break, but then be forced to lead a heart, which West wins and cashes the rest of his spades. The defenders get one heart and four spades.

kakuro



A Kakuro consists of a playing area of filled and empty cells similar to a crossword puzzle. Some black cells contain a diagonal slash from top left to bottom right with numbers in them, called "the clues". A number in the top right corner relates to an "across" clue and one in the bottom left a "down" clue. The object of a Kakuro is to insert digits from one to nine into the white cells to total the clue associated with it. However no digit can be duplicated in an entry.

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

Friday's solution

language tips

BETTER CHINESE

1. 三国 (sān guó)
Three Kingdoms

东汉末年, 诸侯纷争, 逐步形成了由曹丕, 刘备, 孙权建立的三个政权——魏国, 蜀国, 吴国。这一时期被称为三国时期。(dōng hàn mò nián, zhū hóu fēn zhēng, zhū bù xíng chéng le yóu cáo pī, liú bēi, sūn quán jiàn lì de sān gè zhèng quán — wèi guó, shǔ guó, wú guó。zhè yí shí qī bèi chēng wéi sān guó shí qī。)

At the end of the Eastern Han Dynasty, wars broke out among the feudal lords. The land was divided by Cao Pi, Liu Bei, and Sun Quan into three kingdoms: Wei, Shu and Wu. This period has been called the Three Kingdom Period.

2. 曹操 (cáo cāo)
Cao Cao

曹操是曹丕的父亲, 汉魏间著名的政治家, 军事家, 文学家。(cáo cāo shì cáo pī de fù qin, hàn wèi jiān zhù míng de zhèng zhì jiā, jūn shì jiā, wén xué jiā。)

Cao Cao, Cao Pi's father, was the famous politician, writer, and military strategist.

3. 曹冲 (cáo chōng)
Cao Chong

曹冲是曹操最小也是最聪明的孩子, 聪明过人, 可惜12岁的时因病死去。(cáo chōng shì cáo cāo zuì xiǎo yě shì zuì cōng míng de hái zi, cōng míng guò rén, kě xī 12 suì de shí yīn bìng sǐ qù。)

Cao Chong was the youngest and the favorite son of Cao Cao. He was very clever. Unfortunately, he died of a disease when he was only 12.

— From Read stories and learn Chinese, by Li Jin and Tian Zhihua, Beijing Language and Culture University Press.

BETTER ENGLISH

鞋子“不合脚”英文怎么说

1. Nearly four in 10 women buy shoes knowing they do not fit. 近四成的女性在购买鞋子时明知不合脚也会购买。
2. They are willing to wear uncomfortable shoes as long as they are fashionable. 只要鞋子够时尚, 她们宁愿忍受不适之苦。
3. Many of us find it hard to resist a bargain and the latest fashion must have, but it's important to remember that by buying ill-fitting shoes, you're not only going to end up in discomfort, but you are also putting your health at risk. 许多人很难拒绝特价商品以及最新必备鞋款的诱惑, 但是这些人必须牢记, 购买不合脚的鞋子不仅会令自己感觉不适, 还会对健康造成危害。
4. Although "killer" high-heels can cause problems, slip-on shoes are one of the worst culprits, as they cause the foot to slide forward and cramp the toes. 尽管“惊悚级”高跟鞋会导致各种足患, 但是无带、平底轻便鞋更堪堪让人意想不到的足病的“罪魁祸首”之一, 因为穿上这些鞋子走路时脚容易往前滑, 由此会导致脚趾抽筋。
5. Worst of all are court shoes, as they are low-fronted, giving no support to the foot, and tend to be too narrow in the toe. 最糟糕的鞋子则是船鞋, 因为它们通常为浅口鞋, 对脚起不了任何支撑, 而且脚趾处过窄。
6. Many people are wearing the wrong sized shoes on a daily basis without even realizing it. 很多人每天穿着并不适合自己尺码的鞋子, 但是却浑然未觉。
7. For frequent, everyday wear, women should choose a low-heeled shoe - no higher than 4 cm, with a rounded toe. 女性平日里频繁穿着的鞋子应当选择不高于四厘米的低跟鞋, 而且鞋子的脚趾部位为圆形。
8. Last of all, if your new shoes are giving you hell, don't hesitate to throw them in the garbage can! 最后, 如果你的新鞋让你穿起来很不舒服, 不要犹豫, 把它扔进垃圾箱吧!

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