Daily Delight

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National Thank You Note Day

A simple gesture like writing out and giving someone a thank you note can go a long way, especially during the holidays. On National Thank You Note Day, think about someone who has done, said, or given something nice to you and write them a little note to tell them you appreciate them. Perhaps they sent you a gift over the holidays or are the type of person who always seems to be there for you just when you need them the most.

Whatever the case may be, putting pen to paper, especially in this day and age where technology rules, is always a surefire way to make another person's day (and yours, too)!

Today in History

In 1966, the first day of the first Kwanzaa was celebrated in Los Angeles, California. The seven-day celebration was created by the chair of Black Studies at California State University at Long Beach, Maulana Karenga. He combined aspects of several different harvest celebrations.

TRIVIA

Which song hit the Australian Singles Chart on February 11th, 1985, and the US on August 3, 1985.

A Everything She Wants

B Shout

C Invisible

D Loverboy

DID YOU KNOW?
Snow Monkeys Unleashed

Japanese macaques, also known as snow monkeys, are native to Japan and are the northernmost non-human primate species. They are known for their thick fur, love of playing in the snow, and making snowballs. Initially thought to do it for warmth, it is now believed that they engage in this behavior for fun. Some scientists also suggest that their love of playing with snowballs is a form of social play.

TODAY'S FUNNY

Where did the herb garden go on holiday?

Bazil!

TODAY'S WISDOM

"May your walls know joy, may every room hold laughter, and every window open to great possibility."
- Mary Anne Radmacher

WORD SEARCH

CALGON TAKE ME AWAY

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P  F  B  W  W  T  B  Q  X  V  H  E  B  C
S  L  Q  U  I  E  T  A  W  E  O  C  E  B
S  O  I  L  B  Z  C  Y  U  B  V  C  W  O
S  O  O  Q  W  B  A  E  S  W  B  E  W  D
W  F  A  T  S  N  L  A  U  R  V  B  Y  G
W  A  A  K  H  X  G  E  D  D  W  K  S  F
U  H  T  R  B  I  O  A  S  A  J  T  A  X
B  E  B  E  X  O  N  B  Y  B  X  W  A  F
T  O  F  L  R  J  T  G  S  T  F  J  A  B
Q  N  W  A  B  Y  O  J  I  J  A  D  Y  L
I  H  W  X  H  H  L  J  W  B  E  W  G  S
W  A  E  X  L  D  A  E  B  J  W  D  B  J
E  E  D  C  E  A  W  U  B  W  Q  A  Y  N
X  X  V  W  S  C  Q  J  A  A  J  J  W  J
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BUBBLES	QUIET	SUDSY
CALGON	RELAX	WATER
LOOFAH	SOAK	SOOTHING
OIL		

How To Play:

Each 9x9 box is comprised of 9 smaller 3x3 boxes. Each of these smaller boxes must be filled in with numbers from 1-9. Each row and column of the larger 9x9 box should not have any numbers repeated.

Puzzle 1:

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

Puzzle 2:

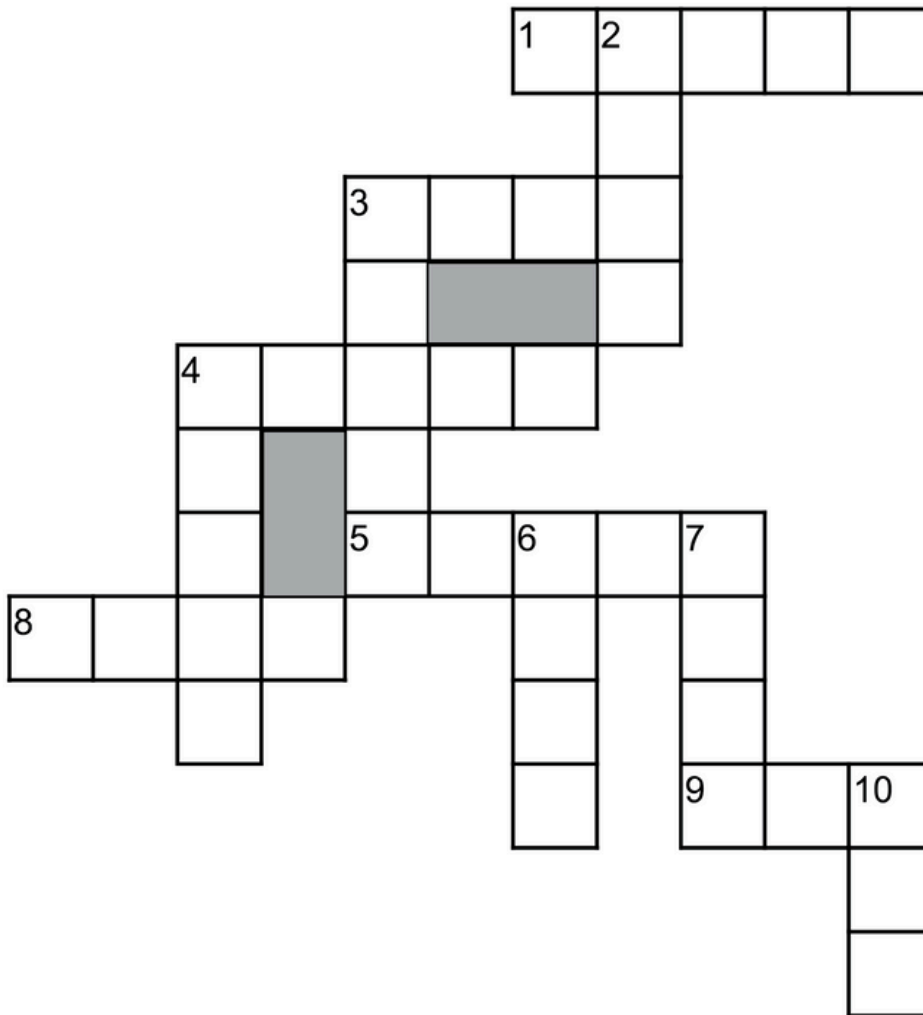| 9	8				5			
			8	4		7	9	
2					9		8	1
		1	3			9		7
		7		2		3		
	5		9	8			1	2
		8			6			
7	1							5
		9		7	8	2		

Helpful Tip:

If you get stuck, try asking yourself "Where can I place number X in this row or column?" Scan to see if the number is already in that row, column, or box.

WORD JUMBLE

Every answer uses only the letters in the word:

COMPLAIN

Down

2. Light source
3. Grip together
4. Simple
6. Small metal spike
7. Cut
10. Snooze/sleep

Across

1. Assertion of the truth
3. Feelin of peace
4. Baby Grand
5. Showing fear
8. Physical letter
9. Fasten together

CRYPTOGRAM

Each number stands for a letter. The correlating number for 3 of the letters has been provided as a starting point. Find the numbers in the puzzle and write the assigned letter. Single letters and word length are all hints. Be sure to keep track of what numbers are used for each letter to decode the message!

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
2	__	__	__	__	__	__	__	__	__	__	__	__

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
9	__	__	__	__	5	__	__	__	__	__	__	__

11 3 17   21 2 9   13 3 22

21 22 15 17 5   2

21 22 18 9 11 2 10 9   25 17 24 10 9 5

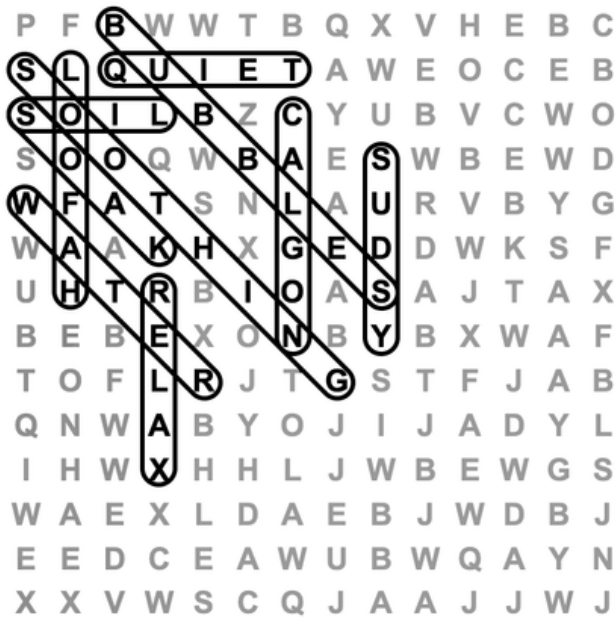25 6   14 2 23 23 6 10 9 24
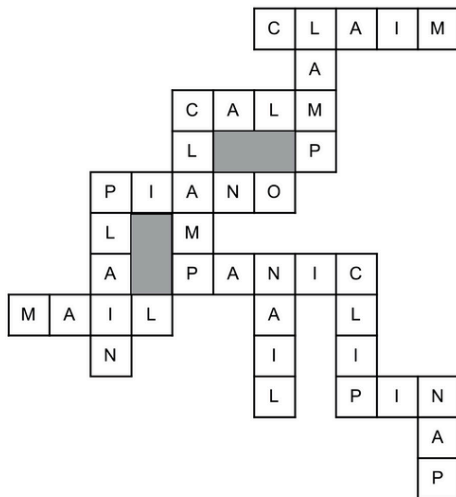
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COZY
AND
WARM

Trivia Answer: B

"Shout" from Tears for Fears was number one on both the Australian Singles Chart and the US Charts in 1985.

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

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

Word search solution with circled words: QUIET, SOIL, etc.

Crossword solution:
CLAIM, CALM, PIANO, PANIC, MAIL, PIN

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
2	25	14	4	17	7	24	3	10	20	16	1	21

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
9	22	8	12	23	5	11	18	15	13	19	6	26

THE MAN WHO MOVES A MOUNTAIN BEGINS BY CARRYING AWAY SMALL STONES