Daily Delight

TUESDAY • DECEMBER 31 • 2024

Unlucky Day

Uh oh! Don't look now but it's Unlucky Day. Unfortunately, not every day can be lucky or unlucky for you, today is the unluckiest day of all. Maybe it's because 31 is just 13 in reverse, or maybe that is just a coincidence. Either way, it's probably in your best interest to get out everything you have that is lucky, be it a penny, a rabbit's foot, or something else entirely in hopes of avoiding as much bad luck as possible.

There is a silver lining to this otherwise dark cloud of a day, though, and that's the fact that once you get through it, Unlucky Day won't come around again for another year. Good luck! You're going to need it!



Today in History



In 1957, sprinter Bobby
Morrow was awarded the
James Sullivan Memorial
Trophy by the AAU.
Morrow won three gold
medals at the 1956
Olympics and was named
"Sportsman of the Year"
by Sports Illustrated. He
was inducted into the
National Track and Field
Hall of Fame in 1989.

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DID YOU KNOW? Unraveling the Mystery

French aviator and author Antoine de Saint-Exupéry disappeared during a reconnaissance flight in 1943. Theories about his disappearance included being shot down, losing control, and taking his own life. In 1998, a fisherman found his ID bracelet, and in 2002, his plane was recovered by scuba divers. A German man named Horst Rippert claimed to have shot the plane down. Although investigators found no holes in the wreckage, it is now established that Saint-Exupéry perished at sea.

TRIVIA

Which American author, poet, editor, and literary critic wrote "The Oval Portrait"?

- A Edgar Allan Poe
- **B** Ray Bradbury
- **c** Toby Barlow
- D Clark Ashton Smith

TODAY'S FUNNY

What will happen if you play tug of war with bacon?

You will get pulled pork.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"The new year begins in a snowstorm of white vows."
- George William Curtis

WORD SEARCH

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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.

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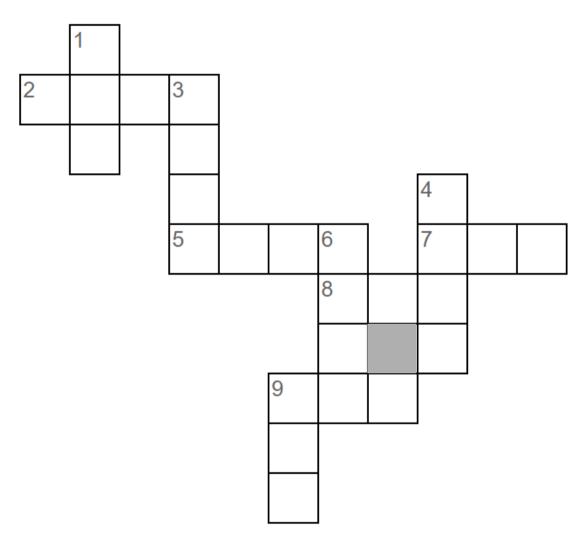
Helpful Tip:

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:

EXAMINE



Down

- 1. See the target
- 3. Specified test
- 4. End of prayer
- 6. Human title
- 9. 2 different things put together

Across

- 2. Thats not yours its.....
- 5. To be nasty
- 7. To the limit
- 8. Weapon to cut wood
- 9. Male

Spotlight Trivia

Winter Animals

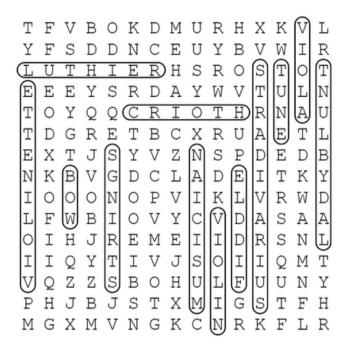
1. Which animal's fur turns wh	ite in winter?
A. Caribou C. Cottontail Rabbits	B. Harp seal D. Arctic foxes
2. How do emperor penguins k	ceep their eggs warm during
A. Build a nest C. Bury their eggs	B. Incubate under their brood patch D. The male sits on the egg
3. How long can harp seals stay	y underwater?
A. Up to 1 minute C. Up to 2 hours	B. Up to 15 minutes D. Up to 12 hours
4. Where do polar bears get the	e water they need?
A. Sea water C. Seagulls	B. Seal blubber D. Ice
5. What do penguins eat?	
A. Plants C. Plants and meat	B. Fish D. They only drink water

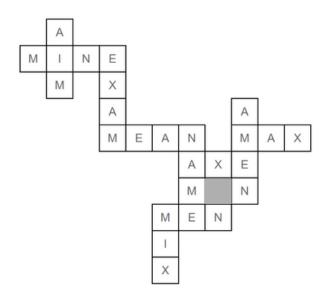


SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: A

Poe's short horror story was originally published in April 1842.





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5	1	3	8	6	7	4	9	2
9	4	2	1	3	5	8	6	7
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Spotlight Trivia:

- 1. D Arctic foxes
- 2. B Incubate under their brood patch
- 3. B Up to 15 minutes
- 4. B Seal blubber
- 5. **B Fish**