# Daily Delight

**THURDAY • JULY 31 • 2025** 

# **Uncommon Instrument Awareness Day**

We've all heard of the piano, violin, and guitar, but have you ever heard of a theremin? What about a hydraulophone? Or the djembe? No? For Uncommon Instrument Awareness Day, let's learn about these strange noisemakers. Known for its ethereal and extraterrestrial sound, a theremin is an instrument that is played without touching it, and it's one of the oldest electric instruments in the world. A hydraulophone, one of the most rare instruments, creates sound through the vibrations of running water. And the djembe is a goblet drum from West Africa that's played with the bare hands. When it comes to more mainstream instruments, the tuba, French horn, and bassoon are the least commonly played instruments. What's the strangest instrument that you've ever heard of?



# **Today in History**



In 2015, it was announced that American fashion designer Alexander Wang would be leaving Balenciaga as creative director. He is best known for his brand "Alexander Wang," as well as for his use of black fabrics. He was awarded the CFDA/Vogue Fashion Fund in 2008.

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#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### The Really Big Cheese

In 1835, President Andrew Jackson received a giant, 1,400-pound cheese wheel as a gift from a New York dairy farmer. The cheese, made by Colonel Thomas S. Meachum, was intended as a symbol of appreciation for Jackson's presidency. It was 4 feet in diameter and 2 feet thick. It was also wrapped with a patriotic belt. On Washington's birthday in 1837, the public was invited to come and enjoy the cheese.

#### **TRIVIA**

Who helped popularize Pop Art in America?

- A Jackson Pollock
- **B** Georgia O'Keeffe
- **c** Andy Warhol
- Roy Lichtenstein

#### **TODAY'S FUNNY**

Why don't some couples go to the gym?

Because some relationships don't work out!

#### **TODAY'S WISDOM**

"I wake up ready to fight, and I feel like I'm on the right side of history every day." - Chris Murphy

# **WORD SEARCH**

# Float a Scoop!

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| Wisner    | Black Cow | Cola    |
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| Dessert   | Drink     | Float   |
| Ice Cream | Beer      | Scoop   |
| Sweet     | Treat     | Vanilla |

# **SUDOKU**

#### **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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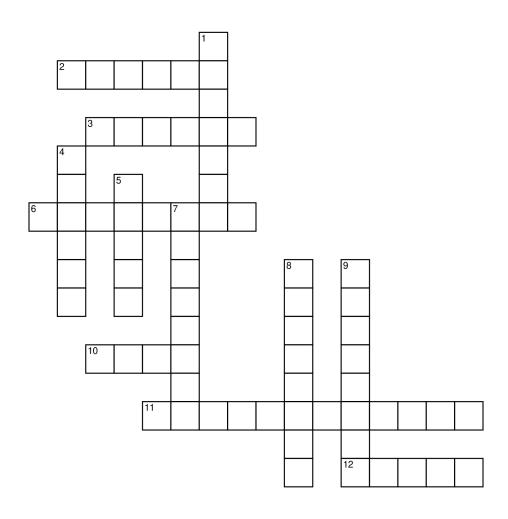
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### **Helpful Tip:**

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.

# **MINI CROSSWORD**

# **Essential Oils**



#### **Across**

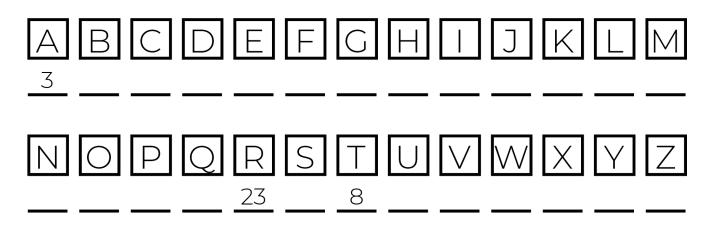
- [2] Mixtures
- [3] Hot toddy spice
- [6] Fragrant purple flower
- [10] Essential sources
- [11] Treatment using fragrance
- [12] Aroma

#### **Down**

- [1] Perfume
- [4] Botanist's concerns
- [5] Citrus fruit
- [7] Scent spreader
- [8] Treating mind, body, and spirit
- [9] Good health

## **CRYTOGRAM**

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!



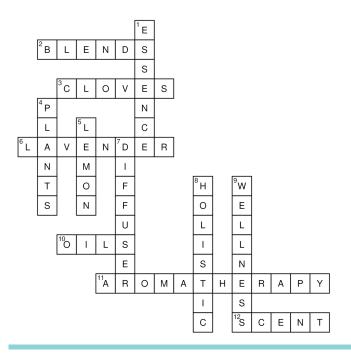


# **SOLUTIONS**

#### Trivia Answer: C

Warhol made Pop Art famous with bold images of celebrities and everyday items.

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