# Daily Delight

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## **National Dog Day**

This day is going to the dogs. It's National Dog Day, an August 26 holiday. This day is intended to appreciate dogs for all that they do for us. In addition to giving love and companionship, dogs help us in countless ways. They serve as watchdogs for our safety, guide the blind, aid in search and rescue, and detect bombs and drugs. A dog can even be a "wingman" for a single person.

National Dog Day was created in 2004 by Colleen Paige, a pet and family lifestyle expert and animal advocate. It is celebrated to draw attention to the number of dogs in shelters and to encourage adoption. The holiday has grown and is now celebrated worldwide. It has contributed to the adoption of approximately one million dogs in the U.S. since its inception.



# **Today in History**



In 1873, American educator Susan Blow started the 1st successful free kindergarten in the U.S. in a suburb of St. Louis, Missouri. She directed and taught a kindergarten class consisting of forty-two students. In 1874, Blow opened a training school to accommodate kindergarten teachers.

senior living activity assistant



# **DID YOU KNOW?**Bogart a Lover of Chess

In "Casablanca," Humphrey
Bogart famously plays chess, a
detail that may have been
added to the script to cater to
his passion for the game. In his
youth, he reportedly hustled
opponents for dimes in New
York parks and Coney Island. A
chess tournament director and
an active member of a
Hollywood chess club, he once
shared in a 1945 interview that
he played almost daily,
considering chess one of his
main interests.

#### **TRIVIA**

Which iconic MLB mascot has a large baseball for a head?

- A Mr. Met
- **B** Pirate Parrot
- **c** Rangers Captain
- **D** TC Bear

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

What do you call two birds in love?

Tweethearts!

## **TODAY'S WISDOM**

"Your second-hand bookseller is second to none in the worth of the treasures he dispenses."
- Leigh Hunt

# **WORD SEARCH**

#### BY THE SLICE!

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| Pizza    | Cheese   | Crust      |
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| Dough    | Sauce    | Basil      |
| Sicilian | Toppings | Mozzarella |
| Italv    | Slice    | Herbs      |

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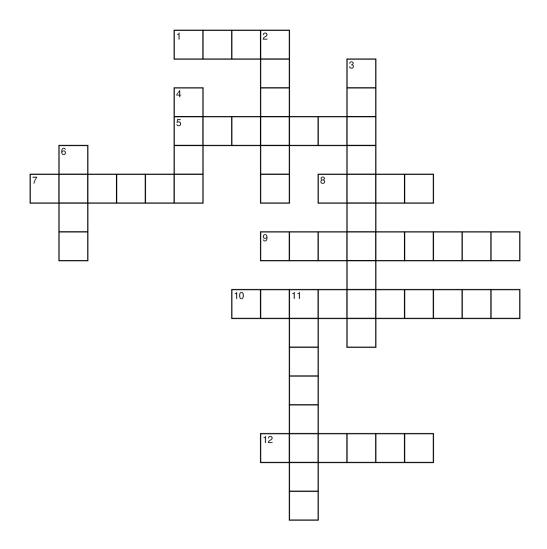
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#### **Helpful Tip:**

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**

# **Absorbent Items**



#### **Across**

- [1] Scraps
- [5] Purifying organs
- [7] Weevil's target
- [8] Pottery material
- [9] Where kitty goes
- [10] Cleaning cloth material
- [12] Beach item

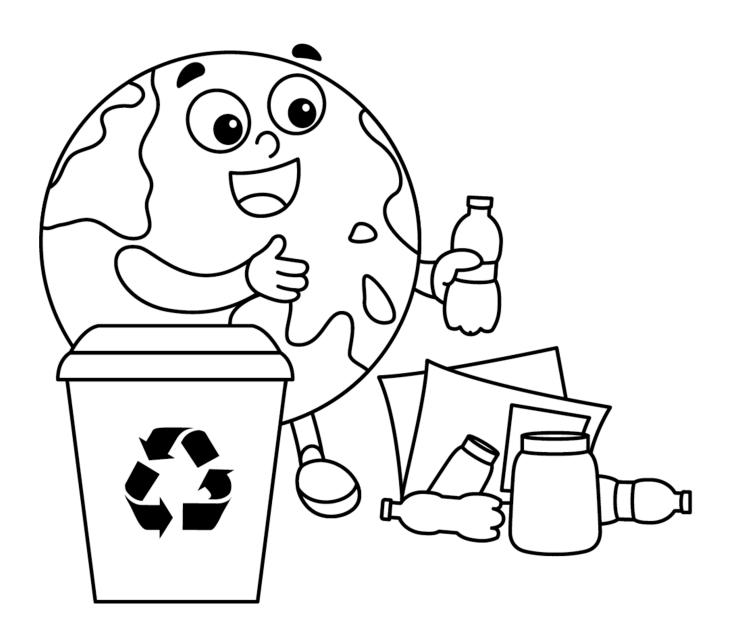
#### **Down**

- [2] Kind of cake
- [3] Attic energy-saver
- [4] Dermatologist's concern
- [6] Oak or elm
- [11] Barbecue item

# **Conversation Starters**

Use the following conversation prompts to start a discussion with friends or family! You may also use the provided lines to answer the questions on your own if you prefer.

| Has faith or spirituality played a role in your life?   |
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| Is there something you used to fear, but don't anymore? |
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| What's something you're grateful for today?             |
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# **SOLUTIONS**

#### Trivia Answer: A

Mr. Met is the official mascot for Major League Baseball's New York Mets. Mr. Met first appeared in 1963 as a cartoon drawing in programs.

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