

Daily Delight

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International Day of Veterinary Medicine

Animals, especially pets, are some of the most beloved things in the human race. Most everyone seems to have a sweet spot for them, so there must be people out there who are trained to keep them healthy and happy. On the International Day of Veterinary Medicine, we celebrate those who dedicate their lives to treating and caring for the animals of the world. Veterinarians never stop educating themselves to stay up-to-date with the most advanced ways to tend to animals' needs. They also help to keep pet owners informed so they can make the best choices for their pets. Show your veterinarian your appreciation for them today, or take some time to read up on the newest innovations in veterinary medicine.



Today in History



In 2013, Mike Ditka's #89 jersey was retired by the Chicago Bears. He coached the Bears for 11 years and the New Orleans Saints for 3. Ditka was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1986 and the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1988 as the first tight end to receive the honor.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Canada's Southern Comfort

Did you know that despite its massive size, 90% of Canada's 40 million residents live within 100 miles of the U.S. border? This extreme population cluster isn't an accident; the vast majority of the country is simply too cold and rugged for large-scale agriculture or settlement. In fact, Canada's three vast northern territories—Yukon, the Northwest Territories, and Nunavut—are home to a combined population of just 128,000 people, leaving the "Great White North" mostly empty.

TRIVIA

This singer made it to the top of the charts when "Knock Three Times" became number one for him and his group in 1971. Who was he?

- A** Rob Grill
- B** Lou Christie
- C** Tony Orlando
- D** Del Shannon

TODAY'S FUNNY

What does Frosty's mom put on her face at night?

Cold cream.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"Blackberry winter, the time when the hoarfrost lies on the blackberry blossoms; without this frost, the berries will not set. It is the forerunner of a rich harvest."

- Margaret Mead

WORD SEARCH

Eggnog



Bourbon

Cinnamon

Cocktail

Cream

Drink

Festive

Holiday

Milk

Nutmeg

Rum

Yolks

Sugar

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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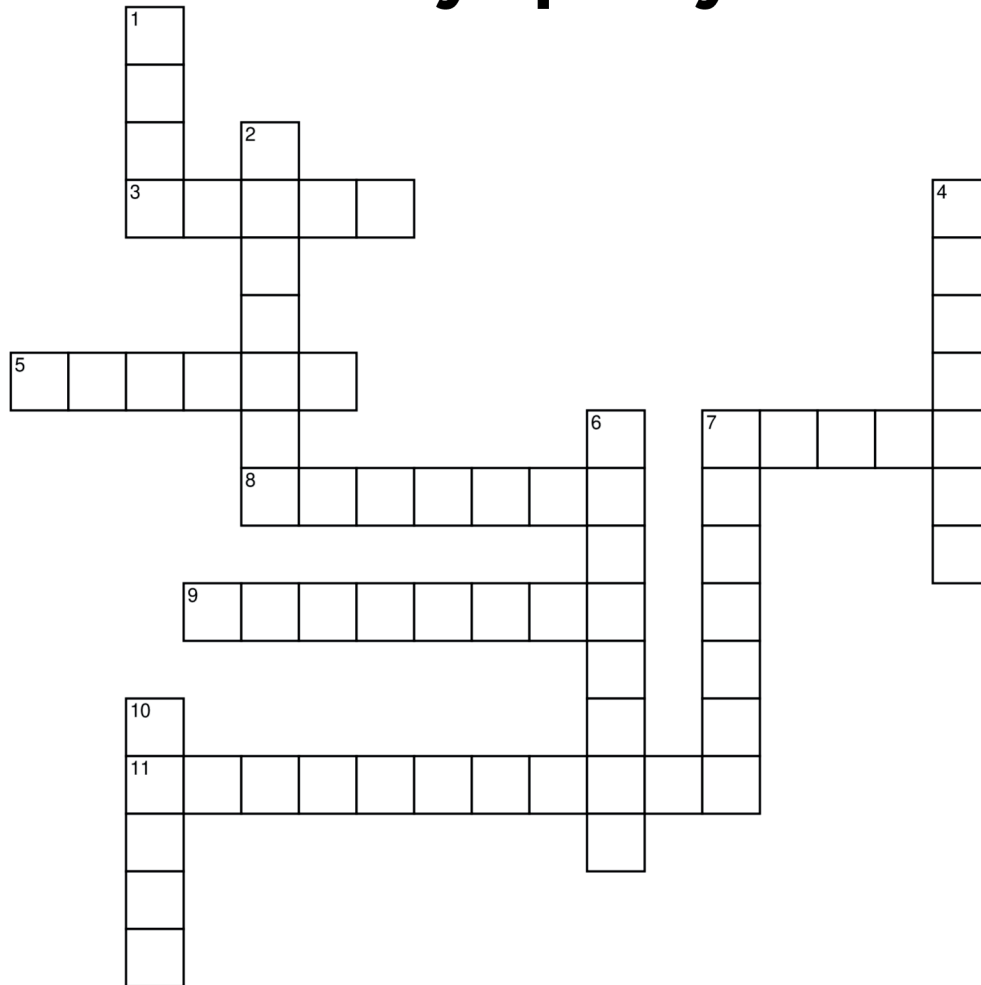
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Helpful Tip:

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

The Symphony



Across

- [3]** Brass wind musical instruments
- [5]** Renowned classical composer
- [7]** Written music notation
- [8]** A skilled music conductor
- [9]** People watching a performance
- [11]** Tools used to make music

Down

- [1]** Famous German composer
- [2]** List of performance pieces
- [4]** A live music performance
- [6]** A section of a composition
- [7]** Guitars and Harps have these
- [10]** A large keyboard instrument

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.

Do you know what AI intelligence is? What effects do you think it could have on our society?

Do you think AI will change education or specific industries?

Would you like to have a human-like robot in your home? What are some things you ask them to do?





SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: C

"Knock Three Times" by Tony Orlando is a catchy 1970s hit about secret love, featuring a memorable, rhythmic chorus.

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N Z C N D R P U Y E L J R N I M J G
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