

Daily Delight

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National Play Tennis Day

Whether you prefer full-court tennis, table tennis, or lawn tennis, Play Tennis Day is a day to get a friend, pick up a racket, grab a ball, and enjoy this fun sport.

Introduced to America by Mary Ewing Outerbridge, modern-day tennis originated in England and has since gone on to become one of the most popular sports to play and watch in the world!

What makes tennis so special is that people of all ages can play it. Millions of people, both young and old, love to play tennis, so why not join them in doing so today? If you can't, watch someone who can. Tennis is enjoyed by players and spectators alike!



Today in History



In 1954, a group of children received the first injections of the new polio vaccine. The Jonas Salk vaccine was developed at the Virus Research Lab at the University of Pittsburgh by a group of American virologists, including Jonas Salk, and it took place at Arsenal Elementary School in Pittsburgh, PA.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Bearded Beauties: A Hairy Competition

Bearding is a growing trend, with dedicated websites and grooming companies for enthusiasts. The pinnacle of this passion is the World's Beard and Mustache Championships, held every two years across Europe, the U.S., and Australia. Offering titles in 16 categories, competitors can choose from natural styles or creative configurations, including freestyle competitions for unique designs.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"Nothing will kill what you've been called to do more than comparing yourself to someone else."

- Beth Moore

TRIVIA

What did the Little Mermaid trade to obtain legs?

- A** Her tail
- B** Her fins
- C** Her voice
- D** Her powers

TODAY'S FUNNY

I'm afraid for the calendar...

Its days are numbered.

WORD SEARCH

6-Letter



Afford

Answer

Author

Before

Bronze

Campus

Cheese

Decade

Deputy

Estate

Extend

Flavor

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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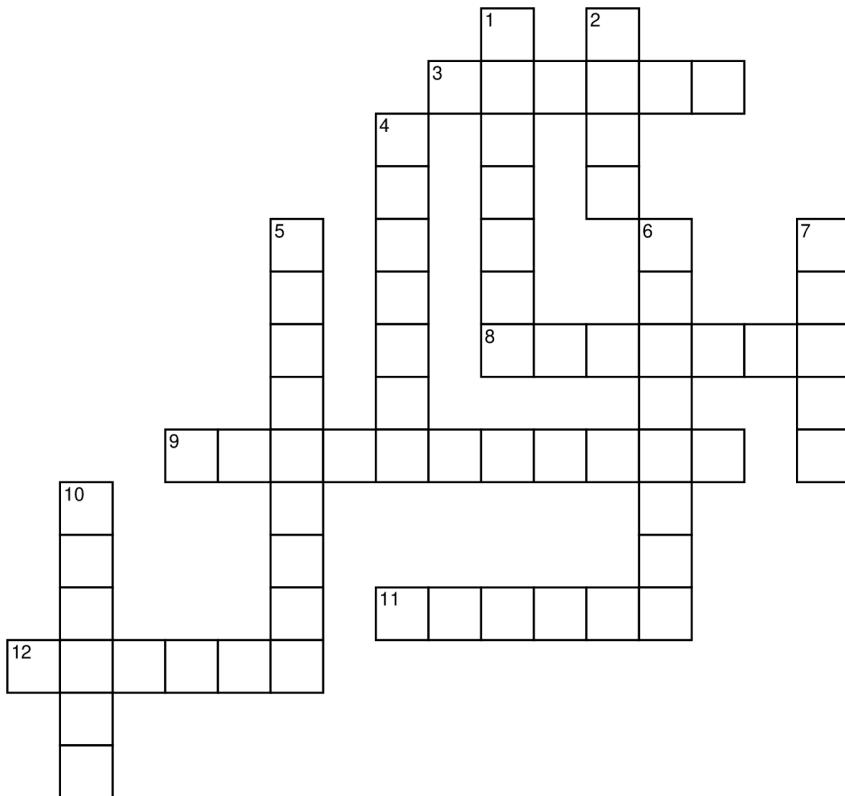
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Helpful Tip:

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

Famous Composers



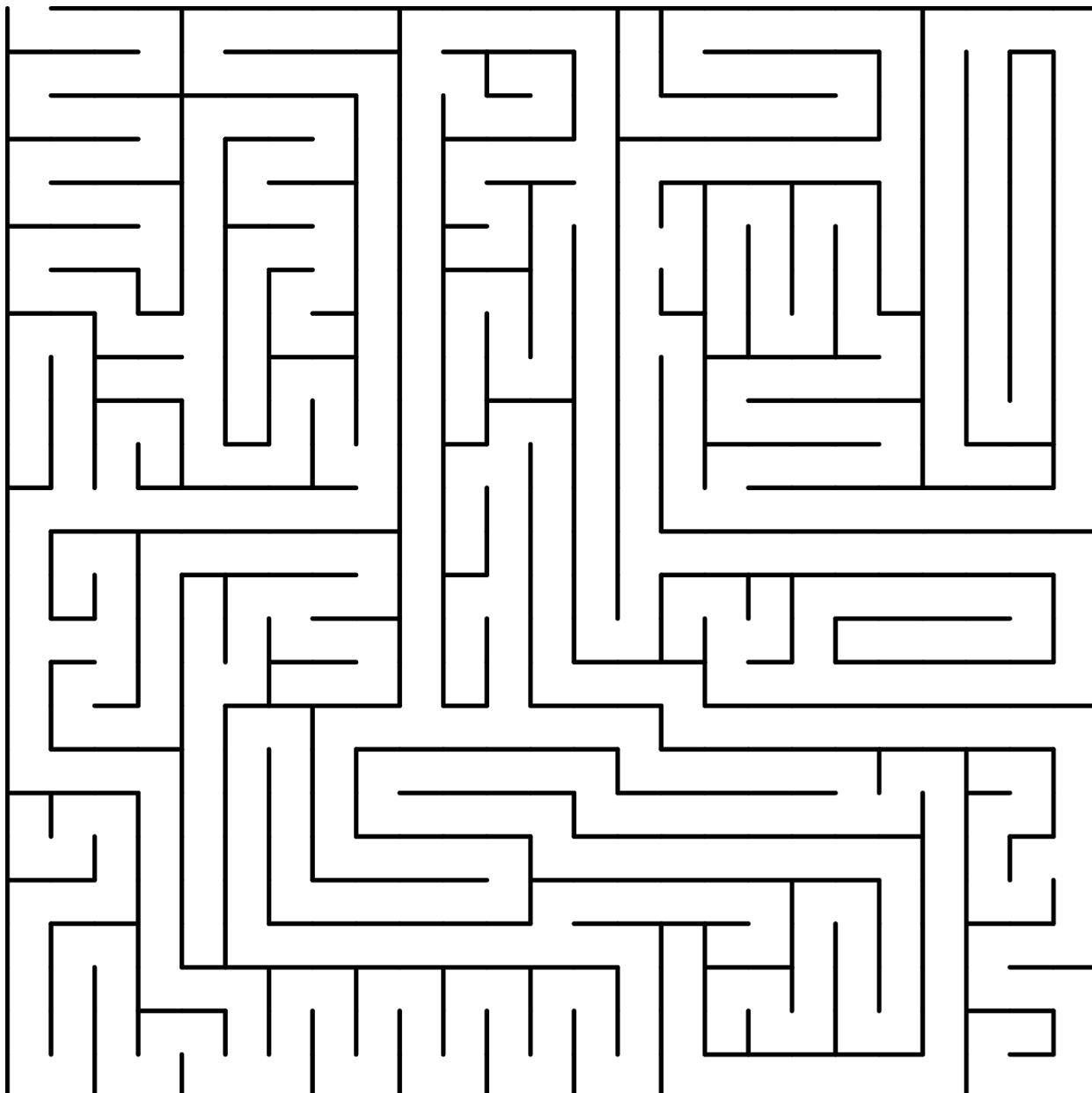
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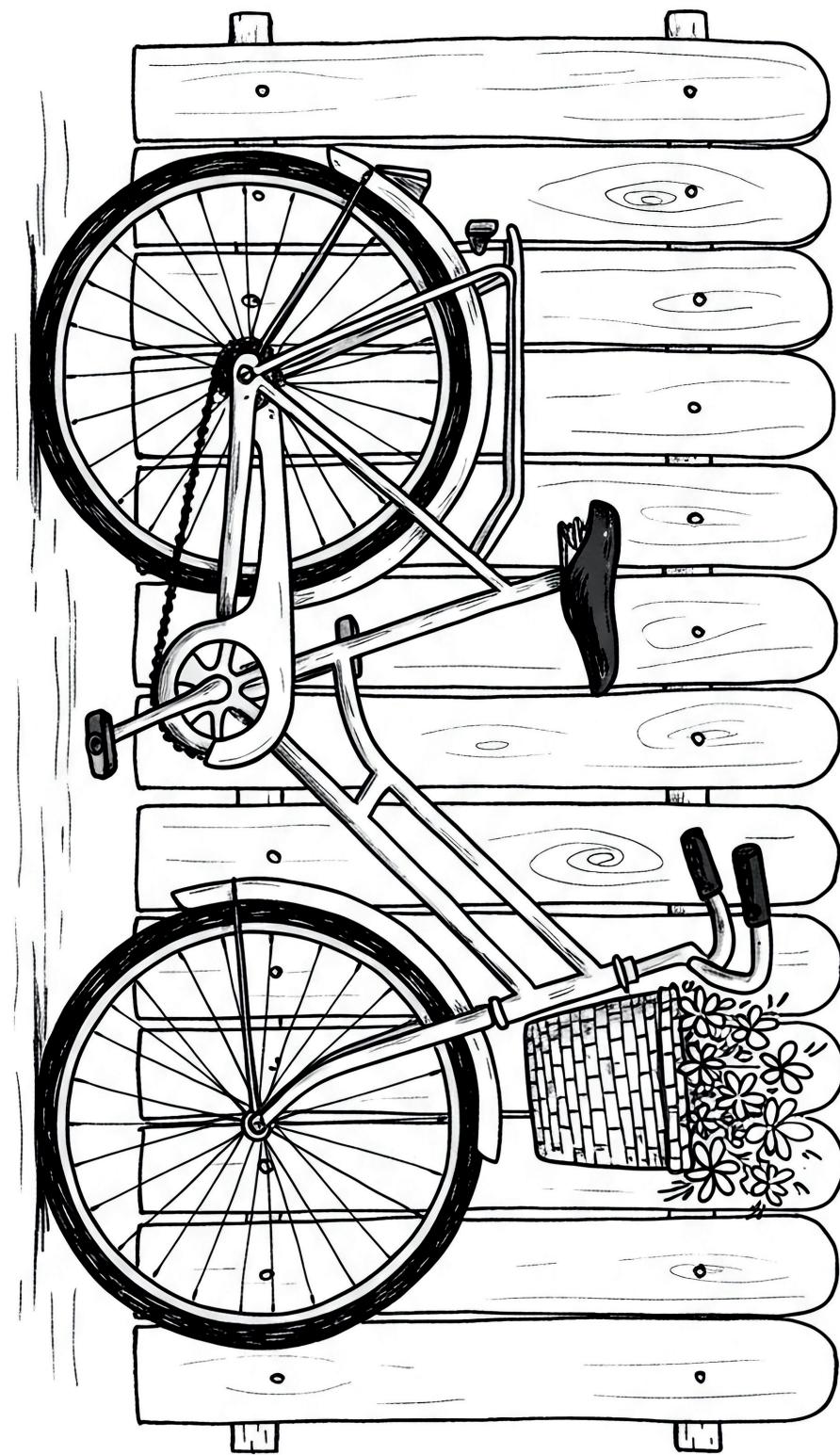
- [3] Austrian composer of "Magic Flute"
- [8] Composed "Clair de Lune" piece
- [9] Composed "Swan Lake" and "Nutcracker"
- [11] Created the "Ride of the Valkyries"
- [12] Polish composer of "Minute Waltz"

Down

- [1] Wrote "Fanfare for the Common Man"
- [2] Johann Sebastian
- [4] Known for his "Four Seasons" concertos
- [5] German composer "Ode to Joy"
- [6] Austrian composer of massive symphonies
- [7] "Father of the Symphony" composer
- [10] Composed "Lullaby" and "Hungarian Dances"

MAZE





SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: C.

The Little Mermaid longed for the prince and visited the Sea Witch. The witch helps her by selling her a potion that gives her legs in exchange for her voice.

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