

# Daily Delight

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## National Pecan Day

The pecan is a uniquely American nut, with a fan base that includes the likes of founding fathers Thomas Jefferson and George Washington. Centuries before European colonization, pecans were cultivated, processed, and consumed in America by native people. The word 'pecan' comes from a word used by the Algonquin to describe a nut that needs a stone to crack it open. The tribes valued pecans for their nutrition density, availability, ease of consumption, and fulfilling taste. Spanish colonists began cultivating large pecan orchards. By the 18th century, the commercialization of pecans began in the United States. Today, America is responsible for three-quarters of the world's pecan production. Pecans never fail to deliver a great taste! On National Pecan Day, Americans celebrate the only nut that's native to their land.



## Today in History



In 1828, the first American Dictionary was copyrighted by Noah Webster. It only sold 2,500 copies, even though it was a big place in history. He was awarded an honorary degree from Yale in 1822 & was elected to the American Philosophical Society in 1827.

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## **DID YOU KNOW? The Depression Created it!**

In 1928, Paul Galvin co-founded a radio parts manufacturing company with his brother Joseph. Facing the Depression, Galvin pivoted to making car radios, which became successful despite economic challenges. The team showcased the radio at a convention in 1930, leading to the birth of the Motorola company.

## **TRIVIA**

Mel Tillis had a number-one hit in February of 1981, singing about what type of rain?

**A** Hard Drivin' Rain

**B** Southern Rains

**C** Steady Rains

**D** Misty Rains

## **TODAY'S FUNNY**

My friend asked me to help him round up his 37 sheep...

*I said, "40."*

## **TODAY'S WISDOM**

*"Good judgment comes from experience, and experience comes from bad judgment."*

*- Rita Mae Brown*

# WORD SEARCH

## The Big Easy



Basin

Bayou

Cajun

Creole

Delta

Funk

Grits

Gumbo

Jazz

Music

Nawlins

Nola

# 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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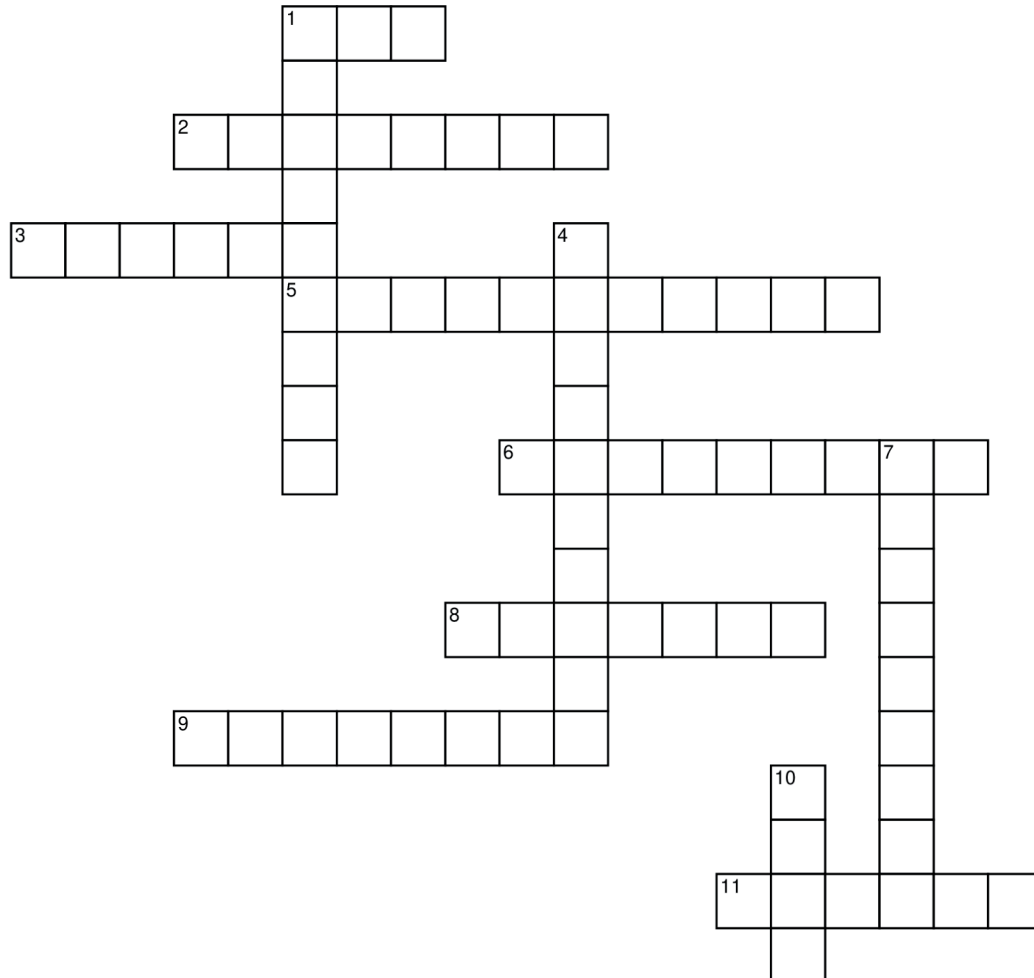
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## Helpful Tip:

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

## Germany



### Across

- [1] Competes with Volkswagen
- [2] Twisted to perfection
- [3] Tragic Olympics
- [5] Get your Bavarian beer here
- [6] Sausage to go with beer
- [8] A structure fit for Rapunzel
- [9] The most brilliant
- [11] Where a famous wall fell

### Down

- [1] Disorderly and deaf pianist
- [4] Suspenders hold these up
- [7] German staple entree
- [10] Can give you a belly

# 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.**

Did you spend time around water as a child?  
Was it a lake, a river, a pool, or the ocean?

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What sort of activities did you do?  
Did you learn to water ski or did you fish, etc.?

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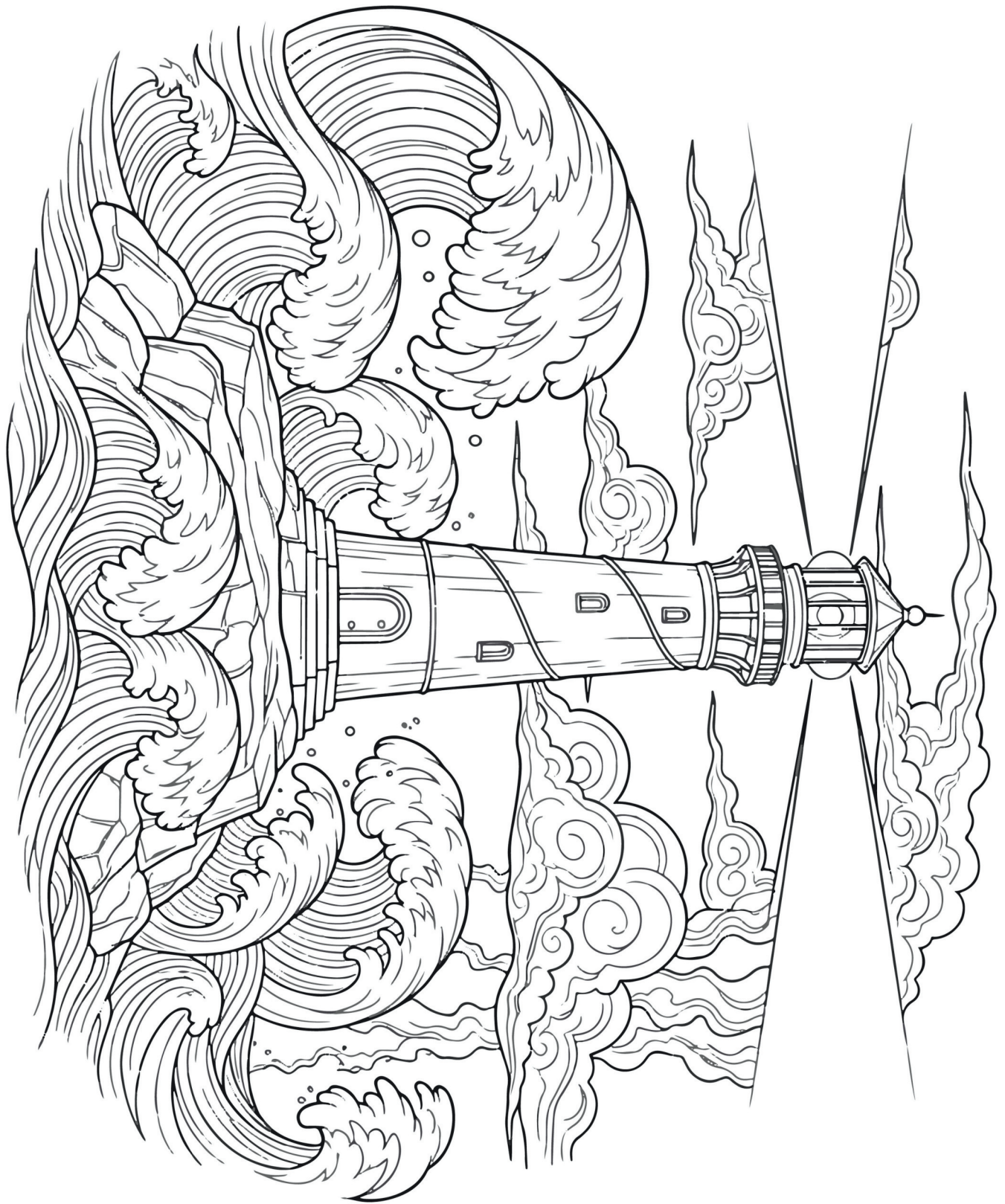
Where is your favorite place to go to be on the water?

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# SOLUTIONS

## Trivia Answer: B. Southern Rains

In 2012, after being in country music for over 50 years, Tillis was awarded the National Medal of Arts by President Obama.

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