

Daily Delight

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National Barcode Day

Have you ever noticed how something new sneaks into everyday life and winds up infiltrating our culture? Here's something you may not have thought about, the innocuous barcode had its humble beginnings in 1974. While the barcode was first invented in 1948, the first item to be "scanned" was a pack of gum in an Ohio grocery store back in 1974. Since that time, barcodes have been added to virtually every item we purchase and has become a way of life.

The newest change is that we now scan our own groceries and sundries. Who knows what changes we will encounter next? Next time you use or buy a product, take a peek at the barcode and remember how far we've come!



Today in History



In 1977, Elvis Presley performed for the last time in Indianapolis. After not performing for 7 years while acting, he returned to the stage in 1968, then started an extended Las Vegas residency. With sales of over 600 million units, Presley is one of the best-selling artists in music history.

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DID YOU KNOW?

More Than Words

Winston Churchill was a political titan who wielded a pen as skillfully as a cigar. A prolific author, he chronicled wars, history, and even his love for painting. In 1953, his masterful prose and defense of human values earned him the Nobel Prize in Literature. Surprisingly, the "British Bulldog" was reportedly a bit disappointed—he actually had his heart set on the Nobel Peace Prize!

TRIVIA

How many eyes does a bee have?

- A** two
- B** three
- C** four
- D** five

TODAY'S FUNNY

Just received a card full of rice.

It's from Uncle Ben.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you are a mile away from them, and you have their shoes."

-Jack Handey

WORD SEARCH

The Wild West



Native Americans

Manifest Destiny

Expansion

Gold Rush

Treaties

Cattle

Cowboys

Railroad

Settlers

Legacy

Chinese

Mexican

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.

			6			3	4	
6			2	5			9	
1	4	5				8		
	6				3	1		7
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		6		2	7			
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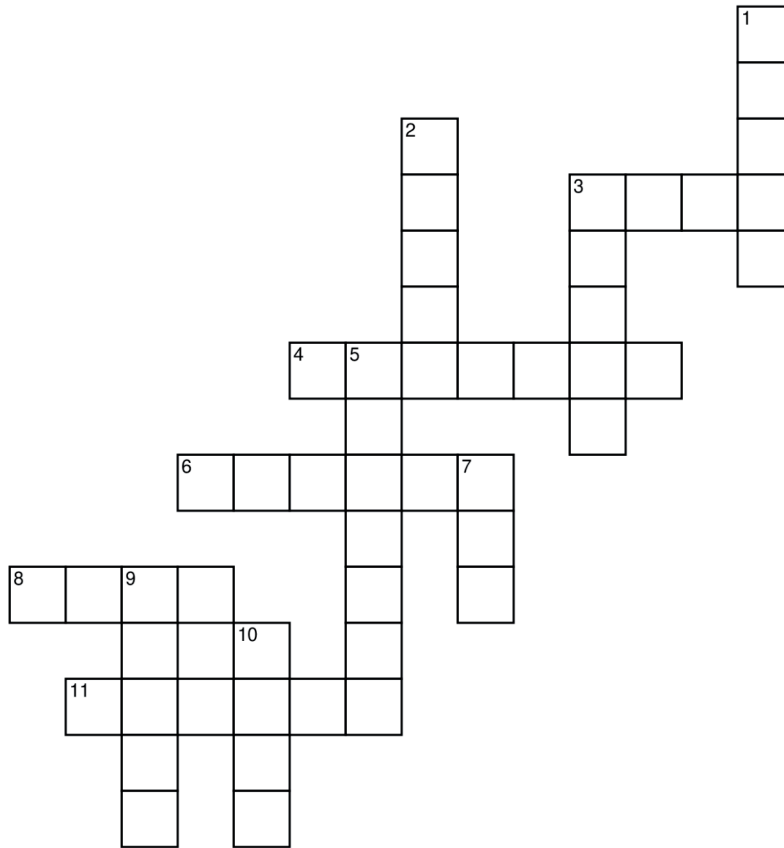
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			2	3		7		1
			4					9
4	8	3	7					

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

Ocean Life



Across

- [3] Circus performer
- [4] Flipper e.g.
- [6] Snapper or terrarium pet
- [8] School group
- [11] Seal's tusked kin

Down

- [1] Largest mammal
- [2] Reef material
- [3] Sushi choice
- [5] Squid's cousin
- [7] Long, snake-like fish
- [9] Offshore hazard
- [10] Killer whale

CRYPTOGRAM

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!

A B C D E F G H I J K L M

— 2 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

— 24 — — — — — 23 — — — — — — — — — —

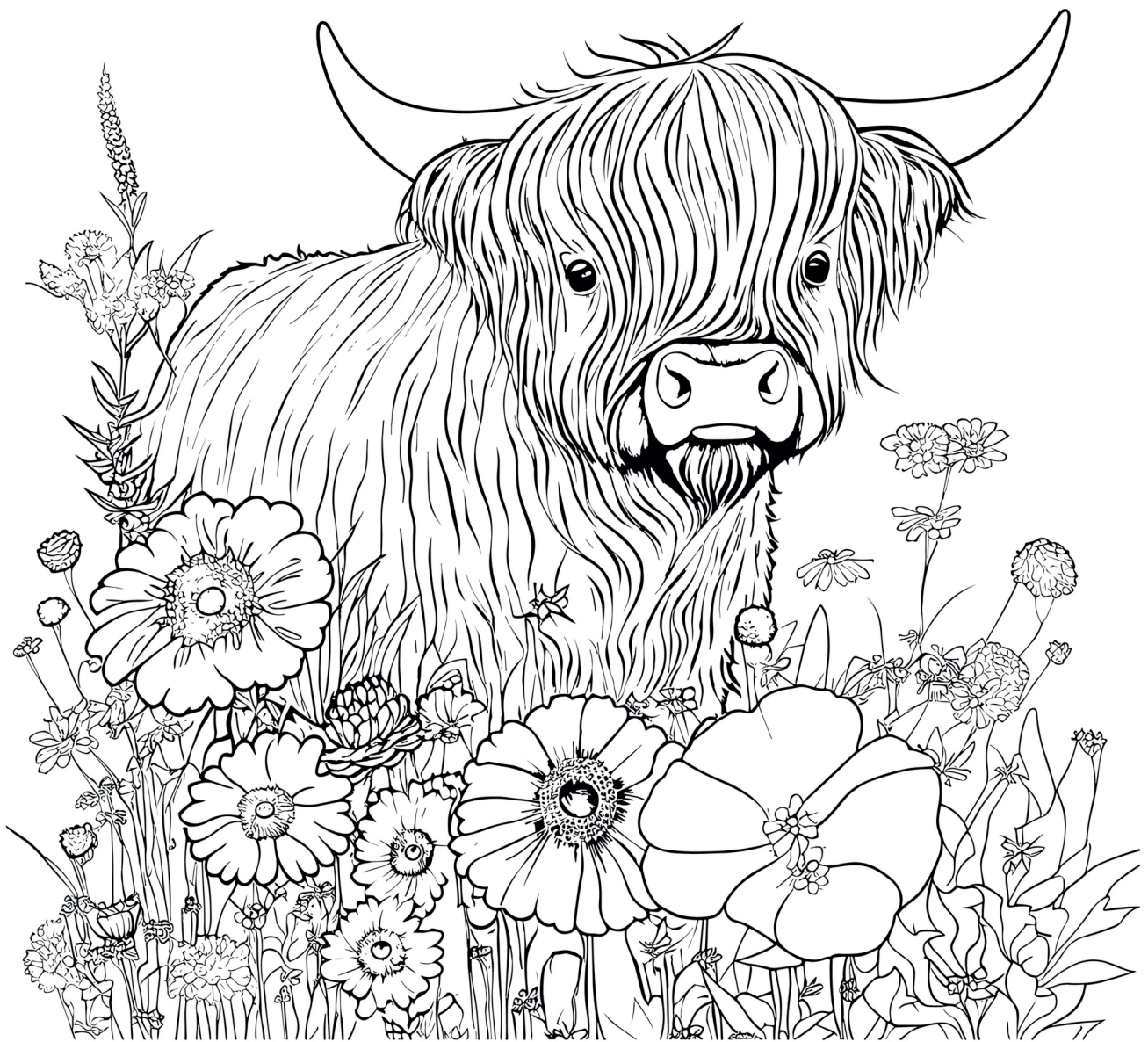
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22 25 20 19 9 23 16 25

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22 24 7 23 20 23 13!



SOLUTIONS

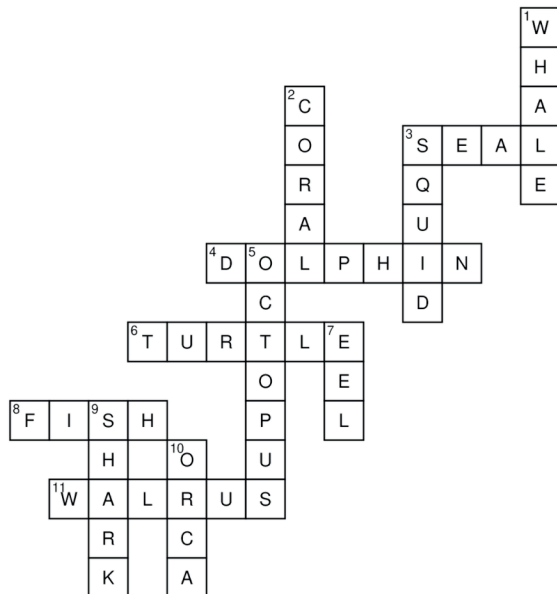
Trivia Answer: D.

Eyes – Incredible as it may seem, the honey bee has FIVE eyes, two large compound eyes, and three smaller ocelli eyes in the center of its head.

L U N R K M J B Y P F K G G E S O K
 E X P A N S I O N H G M E J T K G K
 J J K I D E E Y I X F E A N H E W I
 E B F L J J Z G T L C X U A L S K D
 X Q Y R O N R M S W X I M T A E V W
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1	7	2	4	5	6	3	8	9
4	8	3	7	9	1	6	2	5



A B C D E F G H I J K L M
 20 2 13 11 25 8 21 16 10 4 5 22 15

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
 9 24 12 3 19 7 23 17 6 1 18 26 14

W H Y C O U L D N ' T T H E
 1 16 26 13 24 17 22 11 9 23 23 16 25

B A D S A I L O R
 2 20 11 7 20 10 22 24 19

L E A R N T H E
 22 25 20 19 9 23 16 25

A L P H A B E T? H E G O T
 20 22 12 16 20 2 25 23 16 25 21 24 23

L O S T A T C !
 22 24 7 23 20 23 13