

Daily Delight

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National Tattoo Day

Tattooing, in one form or another, has been around for thousands of years. They can tell stories, commemorate a person or event, or simply be art—it is up to the person getting inked. Today, every city and small town has a shop or two, but there was a point in the United States' history when tattoos and tattoo shops weren't so prevalent.

The first shop in the United States was opened in 1846, with the first electric tattoo gun inspired by Thomas Edison's electric pen being introduced in 1891. By 1975, there were only 40 tattoo artists in operation, but by 1980, there were over 5,000. Talk about a big jump! Some people celebrate National Tattoo Day by getting inked. Do you have ink?

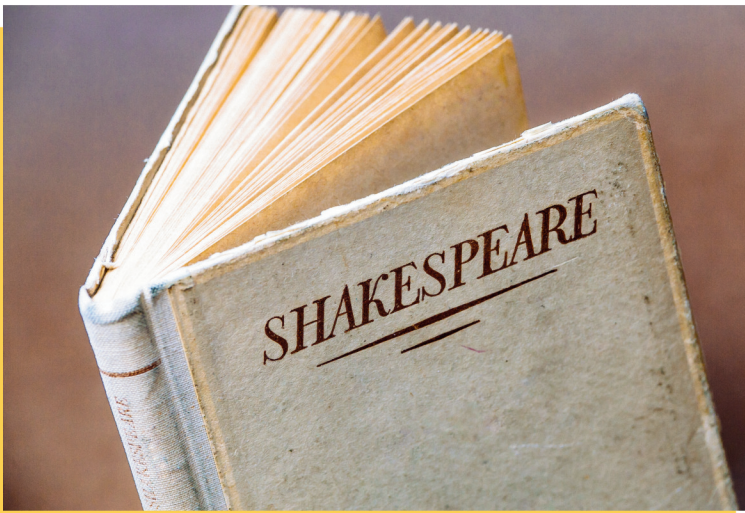


Today in History



In 1988, American track and field athlete Florence Griffith Joyner (Flo-Jo) set a 100-meter women's record of 10.49 at the Seoul Olympics, where she won three gold medals and set two world records, turning her into an international sensation. Joyner retired suddenly in 1989.

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DID YOU KNOW?

The Lost Shakespeare Play

Most of Shakespeare's work has survived centuries, and readers can still read his plays today - but the major exception seems to be Cardenio, an apparent full-length play that scholars are only aware of due to records. Some scholars believe the play, sometimes called The History of Cardenio, was based on the story of Miguel de Cervantes's Don Quixote.

TRIVIA

What was the secret service codename for President Ronald Reagan?

- A** Eagle
- B** Searchlight
- C** Lancer
- D** Rawhide

TODAY'S FUNNY

What kind of waves do you find in a small ocean?

Micro-waves!

TODAY'S WISDOM

If you must look back, do so forgivingly. If you must look forward, do so prayerfully. However, the wisest thing you can do is be present in the present...gratefully.

- Maya Angelou

WORD SEARCH

Prosecco!



Italian

Prosecco

Veneto

Bubbles

Cheers

Drink

Flute

Mimosa

Sparkling

Summer

Wine

Pizazz

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.

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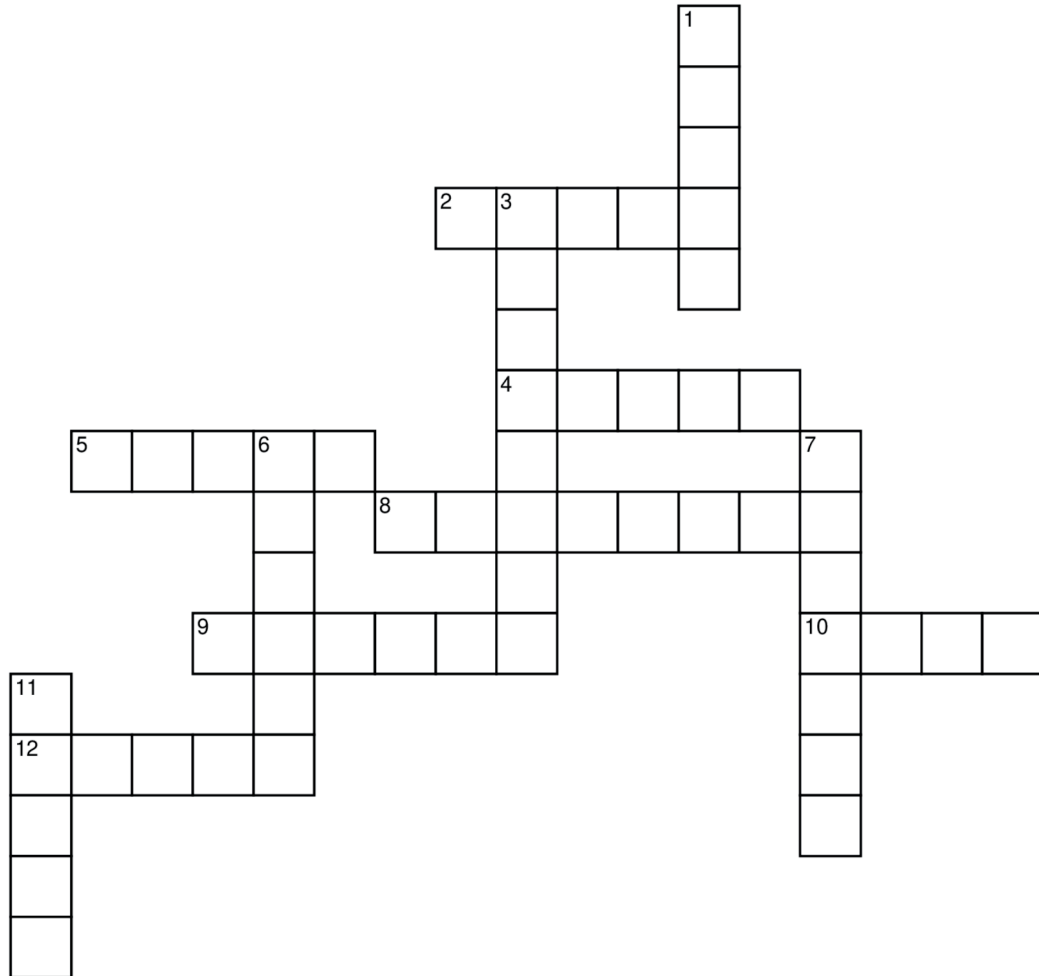
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6	2	5		4		9	1	8
	5	3	8			4		9
4						2	8	7
7	6	8	9	2	4	3		

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

Marching Band



Across

- [2] Soundtrack of life
- [4] Woodwind, musical pipe
- [5] Pace
- [8] Traveling fair
- [9] Relay race items
- [10] Stair part
- [12] Marksman's tool

Down

- [1] 3rd Month
- [3] Costumes
- [6] Traffic Stopper
- [7] Turner ___ Movie
- [11] Percussion instruments

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
—	3	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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19	12	26	20	1	4	12	10	12	9	20	5	23
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20	22	5	20	24	7	19	12	26	20	1	4
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12	3	25	17	5	20	1	4	12	5	5	7	23
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20	1	22	11	12	5	5	7	16	20	1
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23	25	6	14	3	14	12	20	1
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