Daily Delight

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Take It In The Ear Day

Hear ye! Hear ye! Lend me your ears, because today is Take It In The Ear Day! What does that actually mean? Nobody knows who invented it or why, but if you have a clue, we're all ears.

Whatever the backstory, treat today as a reminder to listen far more than you speak. Most of us jump at the chance to talk, but genuine connection and real learning only happen when we quiet down and tune in. Spin a favorite record, sit with someone's story without planning your next reply, or simply take in the everyday sounds around you. You might just catch something you've been tuning out all along.



Today in History

In 1957, "The Sound of Jazz" was broadcast live on CBS. The all-star program featured swing-era and contemporary jazz artists, including Count Basie and Billie Holiday. Basie was a jazz pianist, bandleader, and composer who collaborated with greats like Frank Sinatra and Bing Crosby.

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DID YOU KNOW?

His Song, Her Hit

Did you know that Patsy Cline's iconic 1961 ballad, "Crazy," was written by a young, struggling Willie Nelson? Before he was a music legend, Nelson was working multiple jobs in Houston when he penned the tune. After he moved to Nashville to work as a songwriter, the song was passed to Cline. Her rendition became a massive crossover success, reaching number two on the country charts and becoming a top 10 pop single.

TRIVIA

From which language does the word "budget" originate?

A German

B Chinese

C French

D Yiddish

TODAY'S FUNNY

What did the ocean say to the shore?

Nothing, it just waved.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"Even the darkest night will end and the sun will rise."
- Victor Hugo, Les Misérables (1862)

WORD SEARCH

Whiners

B U G R I Z Z L E I Q V Z E W N H G
H N R S E I O S N F C O M P L A I N
K D D O K E Q A I B L F F C B O J I
L S N J N Y R F H V F H F Y A M U K
K L U B P Q P I W M X H L S Y E D W
H A Z L O F G J M B N I Y J T B J A
B M C L L T R I X O V A R Z M Y N U
U E D I G E I F G A M T I M C I P Q
K N C R Y N P Z C I V K X X R Q P S
Y T Y H P U E S R O C Z E G D W N P
K I T S D Z L I T T H M H N O Z J K
U G L P P C U W T V K W C R W B C C
C B B P Z C B I R V L F A U C A T T
H P R O T E S T N T J L Y U F X I H
K L A K N X I Z H O F P L S H S V T
L A K E Q R I E Y I A R L O G L G D
K M R K V E T C H Z S R E I E C O L
H W W M R Y D I B O H P B Z Z Q V Q

Bellyache
Bemoan
Cavil
Complain
Gripe
Grizzle
Kvetch
Lament
Shrill
Squawking
Whine
Protest

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

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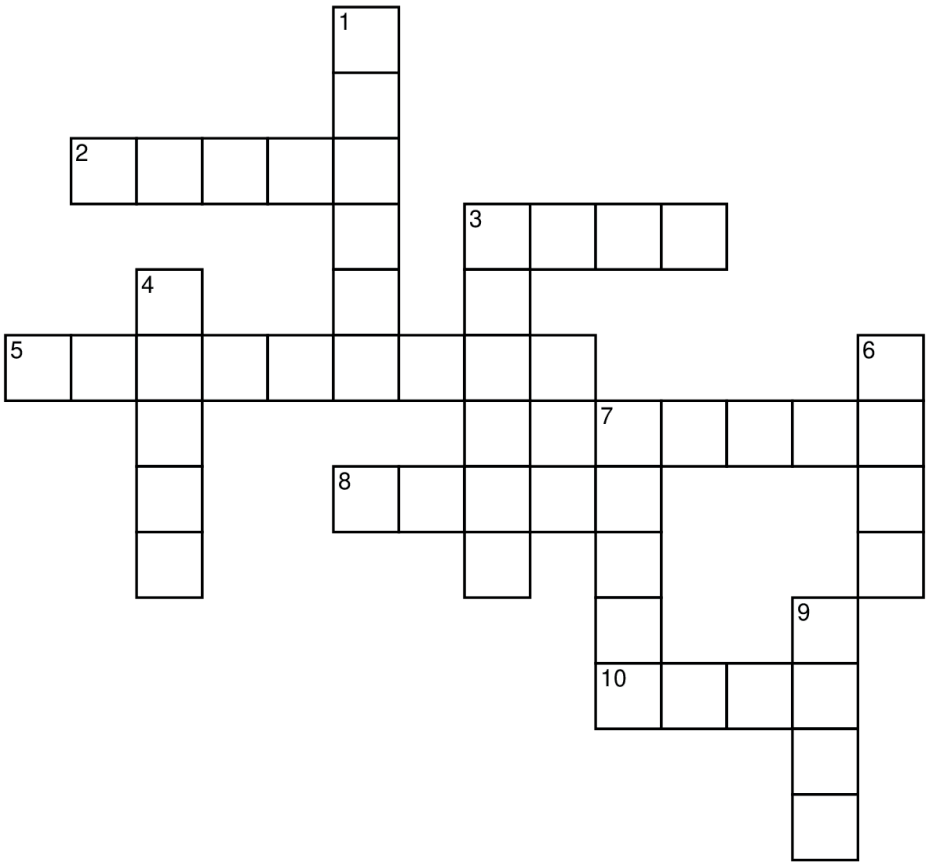
	9	5	4	2	3		8	
8	6			5				
9			3			4		
				6				
3		6		4	8			7
		9			4	2		
		4			6	3		1
5		1	2			6	9	

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

Things to Brush



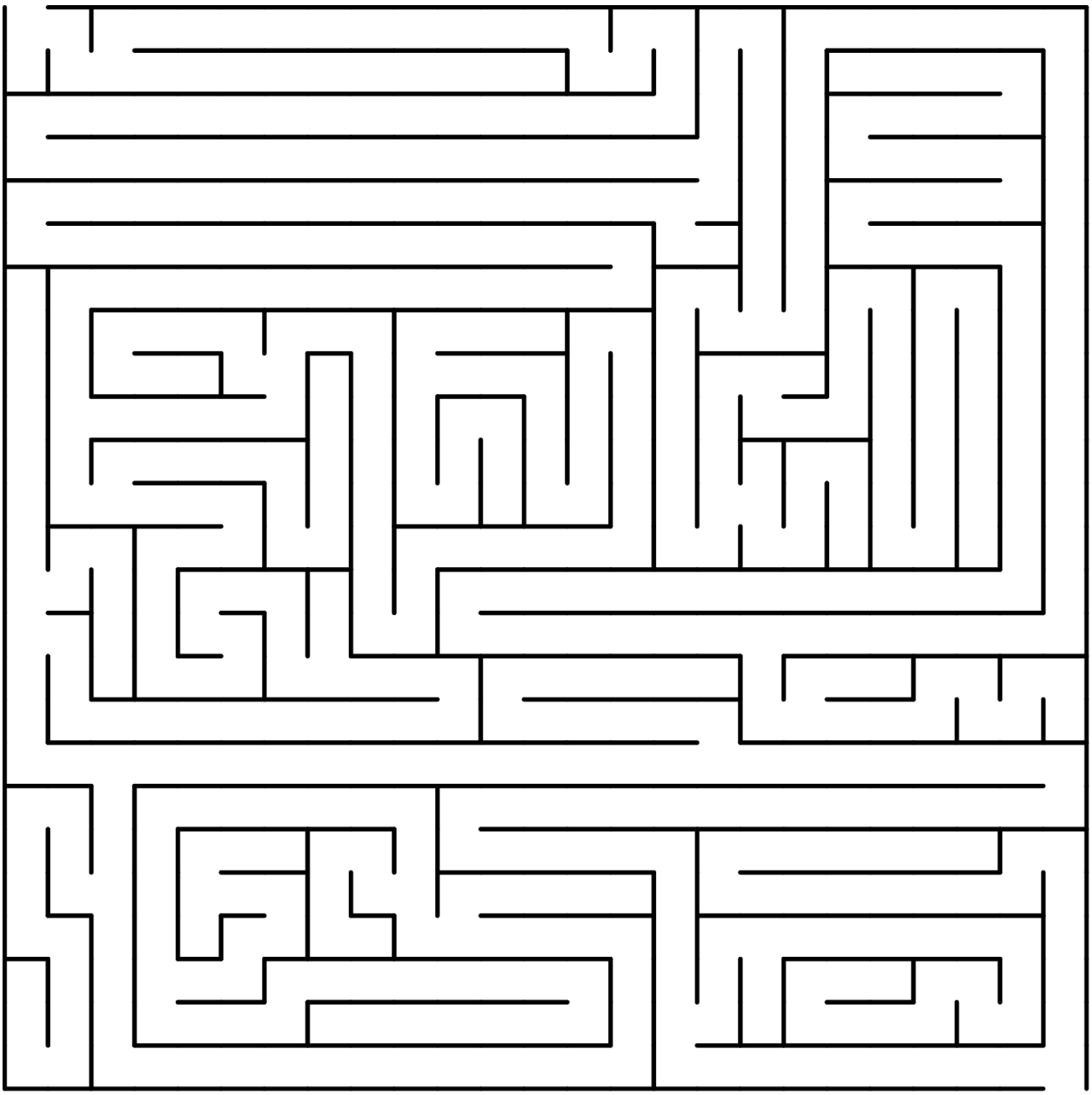
Across

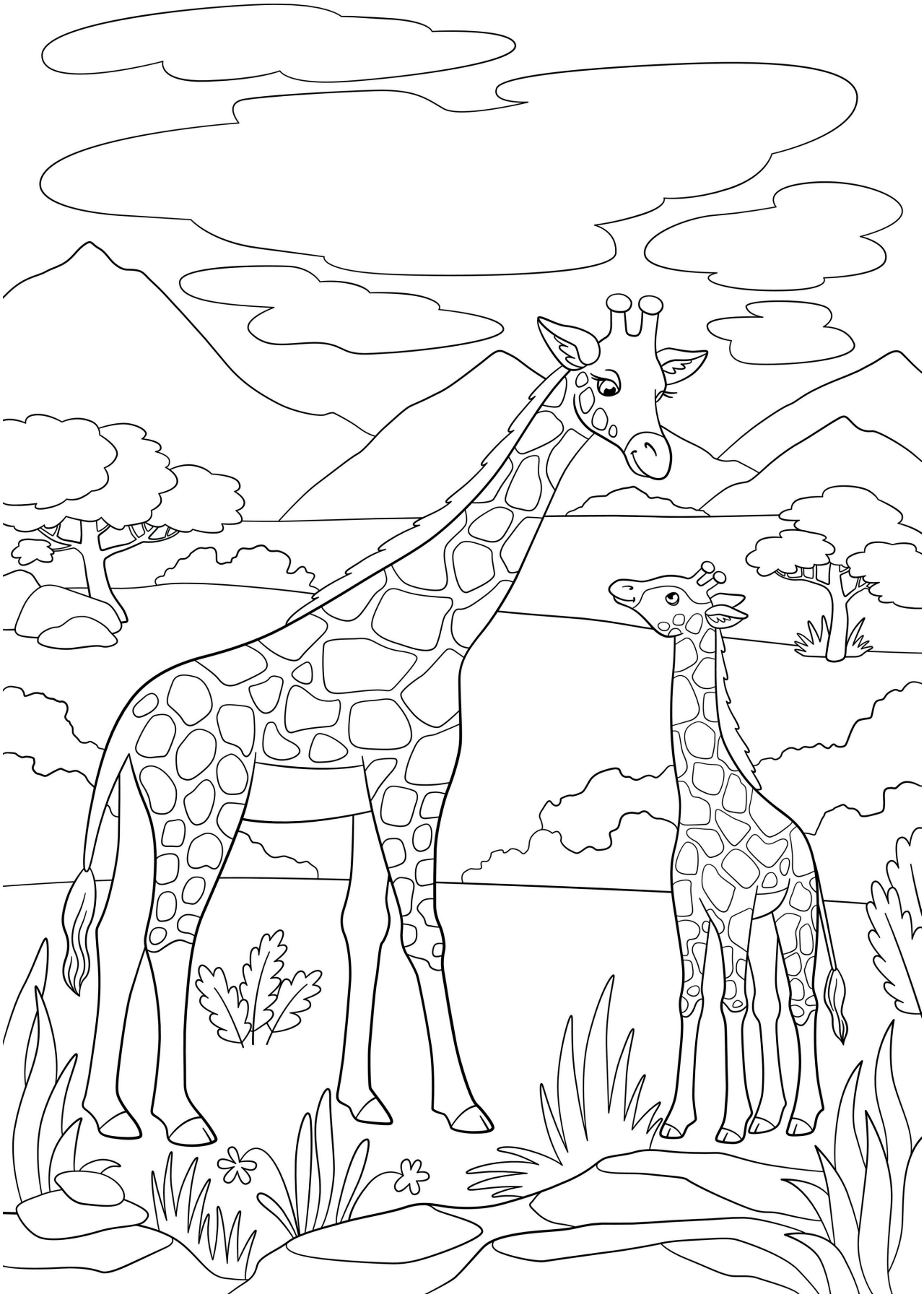
[2] Astonish
[3] It grows on you
[5] Makes a home livable
[7] Glove material
[8] Canines
[10] Wine container

Down

[1] Rug
[3] Stable group
[4] Outdoor cooker
[6] "No _____ allowed"
[7] Loafers
[9] Flurry

MAZE





SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: C

It comes from the Old French word bougette, which means "small leather bag" or "pouch."

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H N R S E I O S N F C O M P L A I N
K D D O K E Q A I B L F F C B O J I
L S N J N Y R F H V F H F Y A M U K
K L U B P Q P I W M X H L S Y E D W
H A Z L O F G J M B N I Y J T B J A
B M C L L T R I X O V A R Z M Y N U
U E D I G E I F G A M T I M C I P Q
K N C R Y N P Z C I V K X X R Q P S
Y T Y H P U E S R O C Z E G D W N P
K I T S D Z L I T T H M H N O Z J K
U G L P P C U W T V K W C R W B C C
C B B P Z C B I R V L F A U C A T T
H P R O T E S T N T J L Y U F X I H
K L A K N X I Z H O F P L S H S V T
L A K E Q R I E Y I A R L O G L G D
K M R K V E T C H Z S R E I E C O L
H W W M R Y D I B O H P B Z Z Q V Q

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5	8	1	2	3	7	6	9	4

