# Daily Delight

**FRIDAY • DECEMBER 4 • 2026**

## Wear Brown Shoes Day

Did you know the term "brown shoe" originated in 1913 when naval aviators in San Diego started wearing brown leather shoes instead of black shoes to hide dust from the dirt airfield? Sailors on ships with lots of coal and tar wore black shoes. Today, aviators still wear brown shoes to distinguish themselves from the rest of the Navy.

Do you have a pair of brown shoes lying around somewhere? If so, while black is the most popular shoe color and white is right behind it, brown often gets overlooked. Brown shoes are earthy and natural to us. Darker shades of brown, like walnut or mahogany, are best for more formal occasions. Brown shoes pair well with earthy tones like khaki, olive, and brown. You can also wear brown dress shoes with gray or navy blue pants. Whatever the occasion, try brown ones today.



## Today in History

In 1927, jazz musician and composer Duke Ellington opened at the Cotton Club in Harlem. He won 14 Grammy Awards, including the Lifetime Achievement Award in 1966, the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1969, and a posthumous Pulitzer Prize Special Award for music in 1999.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

### Lost Urban Civilizations in the Amazon

Laser-mapping (LiDAR) beneath the dense forest canopy of Ecuador's Upano Valley revealed a vast, interconnected network of urban settlements dating back to 500 BCE. The society constructed more than 6,000 earthen platforms, sunken roadways, drainage canals, and ceremonial plazas across 115 square miles. The discovery overturned decades of academic assumptions that pre-Columbian Amazonian cultures were solely nomadic, proving they built complex agrarian cities that rivaled classical Mayan settlements.

## TRIVIA

On Sesame Street, who was Big Bird's friend that nobody else ever saw?

**A** Count von Count

**B** Elmo

**C** Snuffleupagus

**D** Grover

## TODAY'S FUNNY

I just got myself a new pet termite. His name is Clint...

*Clint Eats Wood!*

## TODAY'S WISDOM

*"There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humor."*
*– Charles Dickens*

# WORD SEARCH

## Hanukkah

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A S G J S V R V Z E L M L A T L Y D
A R E K O C I C N C S T E I E Z L J
X O L K J H W H Y S S T J D G G V N
L A T K E K I J H G S Z I M Y H D O
M B G D R L S K O S Q E M V R N T N
D R M W F K A I T B R X L B A N N S
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Q A P O H S S Q U R L E T H H B L P
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J S Z M K I D E B O R N L T N V Q A
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| Hanukkah | Menorah | Dreidel |
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# 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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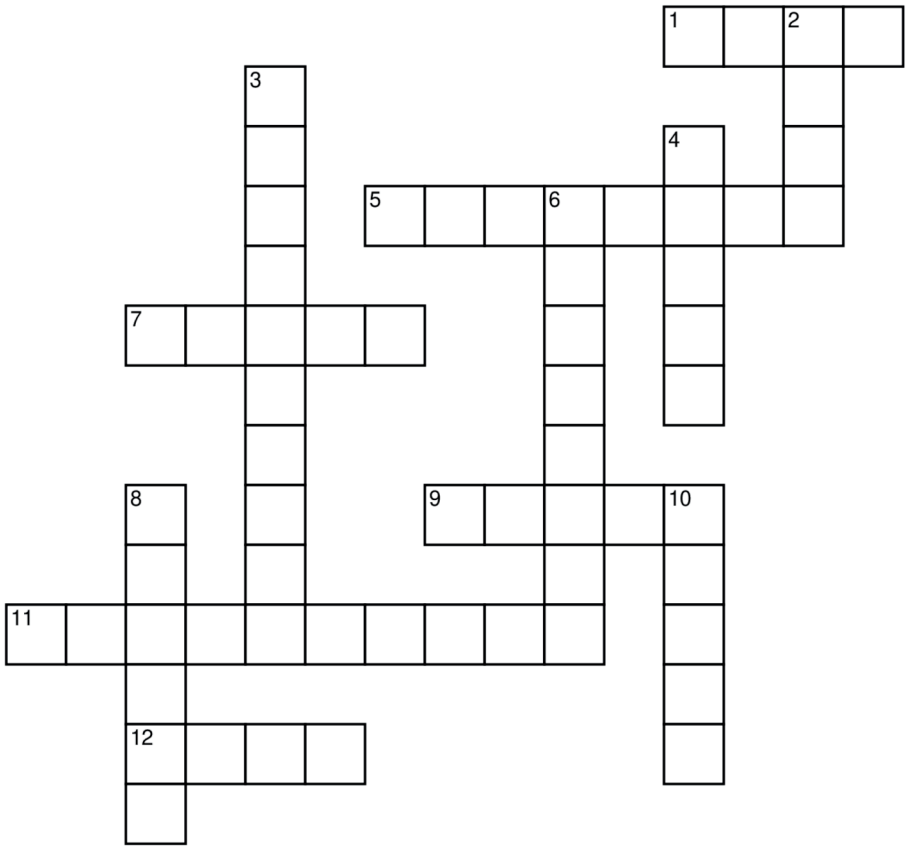
**Helpful Tip:**

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 that Come in Pairs



### Across

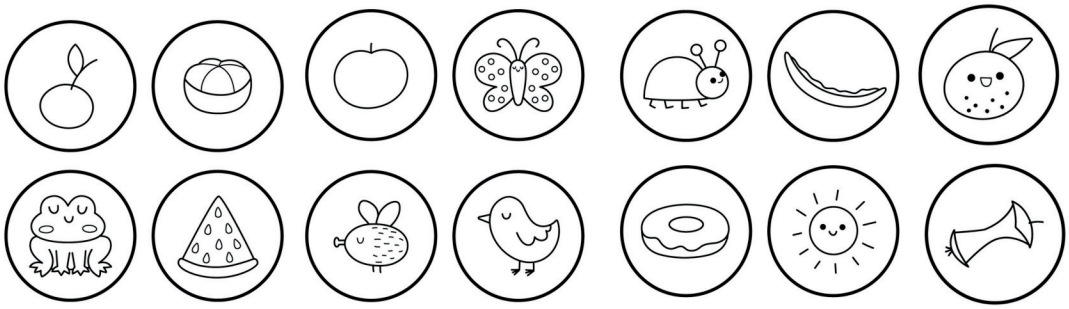
**[1]** End of legs
**[5]** Plucking tool
**[7]** Clinton's pet cat
**[9]** Crew members
**[11]** Asian Utensils
**[12]** What you hear with

### Down

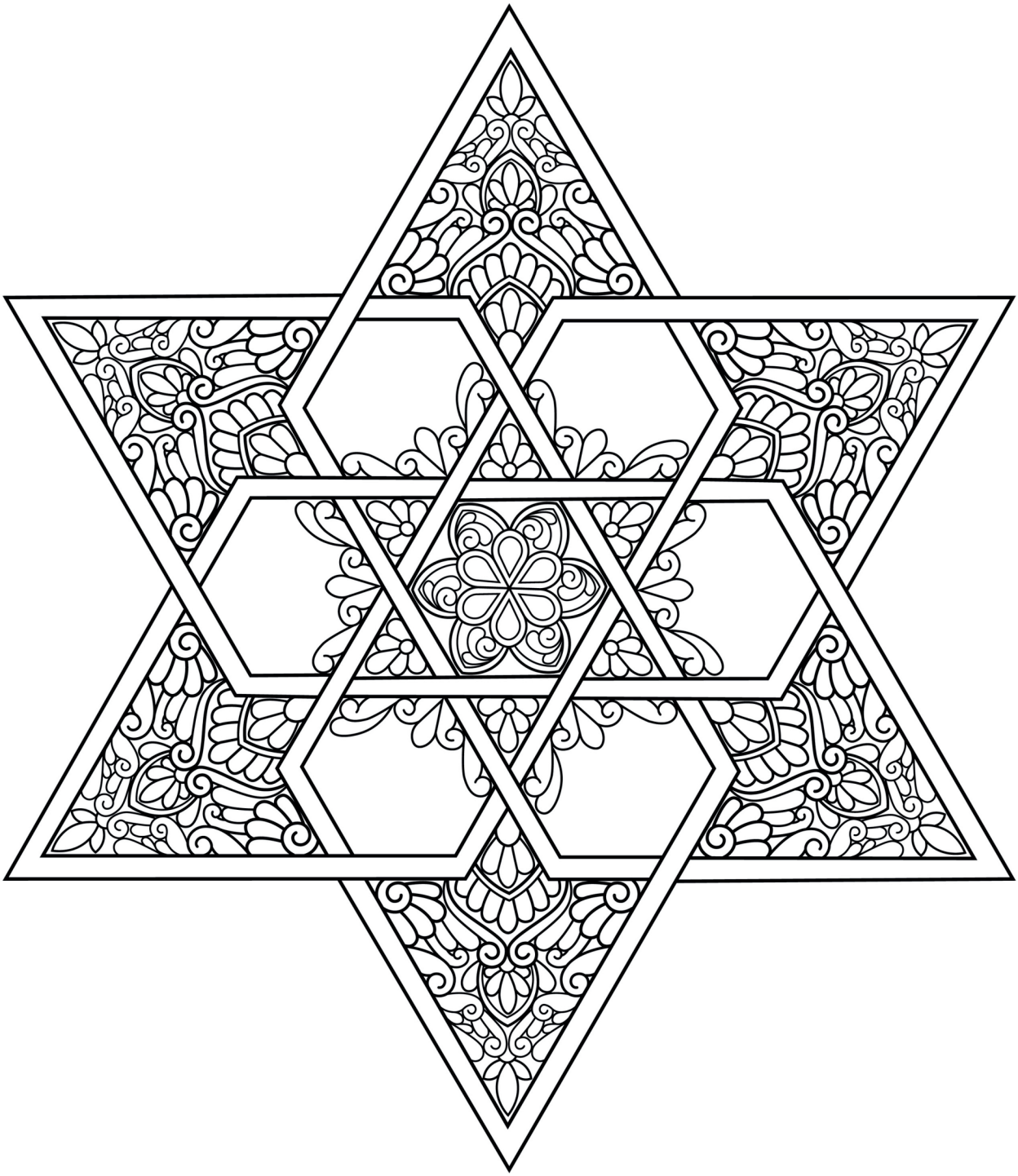
**[2]** Where tears fall from
**[3]** Aids for distant birdwatching
**[4]** Wranglers, e.g.
**[6]** Studs or hoops
**[8]** Finger coverings
**[10]** What you might walk a mile in

# SEEK AND FIND

**Find the hidden objects in the picture.**







# SOLUTIONS

**Trivia Answer: C**

Mr. Snuffleupagus from 'Sesame Street' was originally a friend of Big Bird's that everyone else thought was imaginary. It was decided that other people should see him to encourage children to talk about any abuse they might have suffered.

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L T P Q P K N O R I I O A K B G E I
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