Daily Delight

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International Monkey Day

On December 14th, 2000, an art student at Michigan State University by the name of Casey Sorrow drew a monkey on his friend's calendar. After sharing a laugh, he decided to take the drawing to illustrator and printmaker Erik Milliken, and from there, International Monkey Day, or World Monkey Day, was born. Originally known as just "Monkey Day, it's unknown how it became an international holiday, but whatever the case, it's a great day to go ape over monkeys and their related cousins.

Monkeys are intelligent, playful creatures who are well-liked by most of society, so celebrate monkeys of all kinds today and maybe try drawing a monkey yourself! At the very least, take some time to monkey around.



Today in History

In 2013, Indian-born British-American biologist Venkatraman Ramakrishnan was named as one of the 25 Greatest Global Living Indians by the NDTV Channel. He earned the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 2009 and worked as a staff scientist at Brookhaven National Laboratory for 12 years.

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DID YOU KNOW?

An Upright Canine

Did you know that Snoopy, the beloved Peanuts beagle, wasn't always the character we know today? Creator Charles Schulz originally named him "Sniffy" and for years drew him as a silent dog who walked on all fours. Snoopy gradually evolved, beginning to communicate through thought bubbles before eventually standing up on two legs. This transformation unlocked his rich fantasy life, allowing him to become the iconic WWI Flying Ace and imaginative philosopher we adore.

TRIVIA

Who does “The Beast” transport?

A The Pope

B The King of England

C President of the US

D Bill Gates

TODAY’S FUNNY

How do you organize a space party?

You planet.

TODAY’S WISDOM

"On the highest throne in the world, we still sit only upon our own rear."
- Winston Churchill

WORD SEARCH

Winter Sports

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

Skiing
Snowboarding
Ice Skating
Sledding
Hockey
Skates
Gloves
Mittens
Snowball
Winter
Cold
Fun

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.

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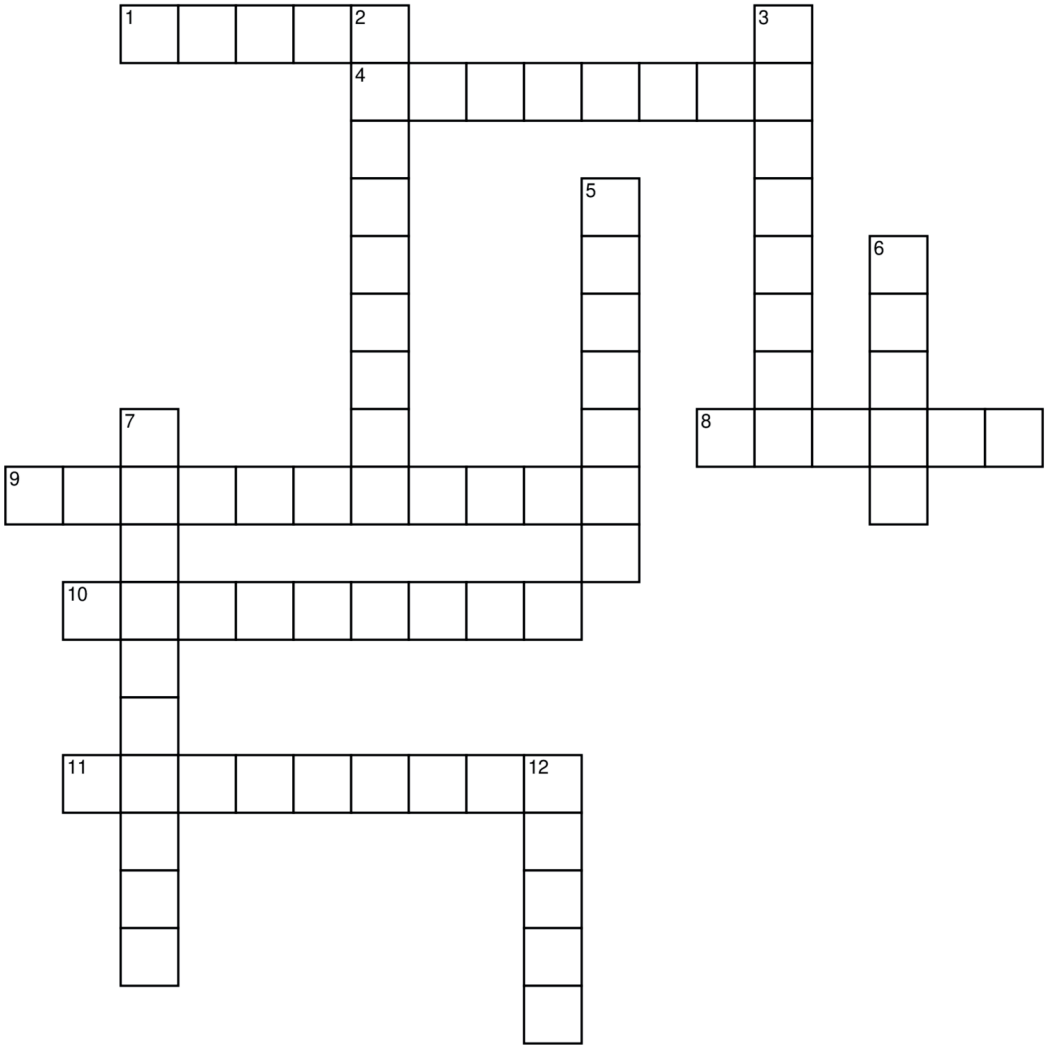
			6		9			
2				1	3			8
9	4					6		
8		3	5				2	
4								
		8	2		5	3		
	9		7			8	6	2

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

Reading Maps



Across

[1] Course of travel
[4] Horizontal map lines
[8] Meaning of symbols
[9] Latitude and longitude
[10] Vertical map lines
[11] Significant sites

Down

[2] Height above sea level
[3] Border around the map
[5] Used for navigation
[6] A locator map
[7] Surface features of land
[12] Ratio on a map

Test Your Knowledge

Solve the questions below to test your knowledge and give your brain a workout!

She was the quintessence of political professionalism. Quintessence means...

A. Core
B. Essence
C. Antithesis

The typewriter was invented in what US state?

A. Rhode Island
B. Maine
C. Wisconsin
D. Michigan

Solve the math problems:

$$\begin{array}{r} 13 \\ \times\ 8 \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} 68 \\ +\ 253 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 622 \\ -\ 47 \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} 630 \\ \div\ 15 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

How many brains and how many hearts does an octopus have?

A. 3 brains, 3 hearts
B. 9 brains, 3 hearts
C. 2 brains, 2 hearts
D. 1 brain, 1 heart



SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: C

The United States presidential state car (nicknamed "The Beast", "Cadillac One", "First Car"; code-named "Stagecoach") is the official state car of the president of the United States.

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

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

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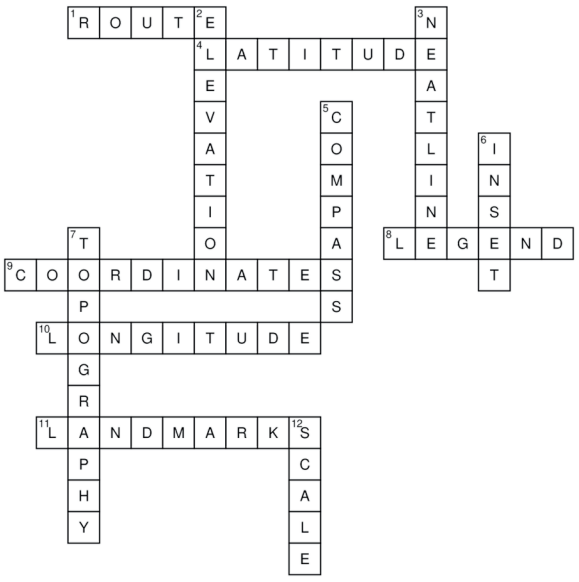
3	9	5	7	4	1	8	6	2



Answer:
B. Essence

Answer:
C. Wisconsin

13 x 8 = 104

68 + 253 = 321

622 - 47 = 575

630 ÷ 15 = 42

Answer:
B. 9 brains, 3 hearts
One heart is used to pump blood around the body, while the other 2 pump blood directly to the gills. Octopuses have 9 brains with one central brain used for overall control.