Daily Delight

THURSDAY • DECEMBER 31 • 2026

Unlucky Day

Uh oh! Don't look now, but it's an Unlucky Day. Sounds ominous, right? But we promise it's not! Today is a day to reflect on the past year and forget your misfortunes. Take a moment to shake out all of the "bad" from the year. Trade your grudges and pessimism for a new, positive outlook on the clean slate that tomorrow brings!

Today reminds us that life goes on. So put the past year behind you and turn your thoughts to the goals, plans, and hopes of the new year. Make achievable goals for yourself. Maybe you want to increase your daily water intake (we all know we need to!) or maybe you just want to pick up the phone and call loved ones more often. Whatever your goals may be, know that the new year is what you make it, so make it a lucky one!



Today in History

In 1957, sprinter Bobby Morrow was awarded the James Sullivan Memorial Trophy by the AAU. Morrow won three gold medals at the 1956 Olympics and was named "Sportsman of the Year" by Sports Illustrated. He was inducted into the National Track and Field Hall of Fame in 1989.

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DID YOU KNOW?

A Sticky Situation

On January 15, 1919, a massive storage tank burst in Boston’s North End, sending a destructive wave of molasses through surrounding streets. The disaster killed twenty-one people and injured many others. Buildings and vehicles were damaged as the thick syrup swept through the neighborhood. What sounds like a bizarre accident became a deadly industrial tragedy and a lasting example of the importance of construction safety and oversight.

TRIVIA

Which Broadway musical's plot is centered around the auditions for a Broadway musical?

A My Fair Lady

B A Chorus Line

C Evita

D Sunset Boulevard

TODAY’S FUNNY

Why did the man sprinkle sugar on his pillow on New Year's Eve?

He wanted to start the year with sweet dreams!

TODAY’S WISDOM

“A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.”

— Charles Darwin

WORD SEARCH

New Year's Eve

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

Gold
Start
Celebrate
Festive
Black
Midnight
Party
Kiss
New Years
Ball
Fireworks
Hat

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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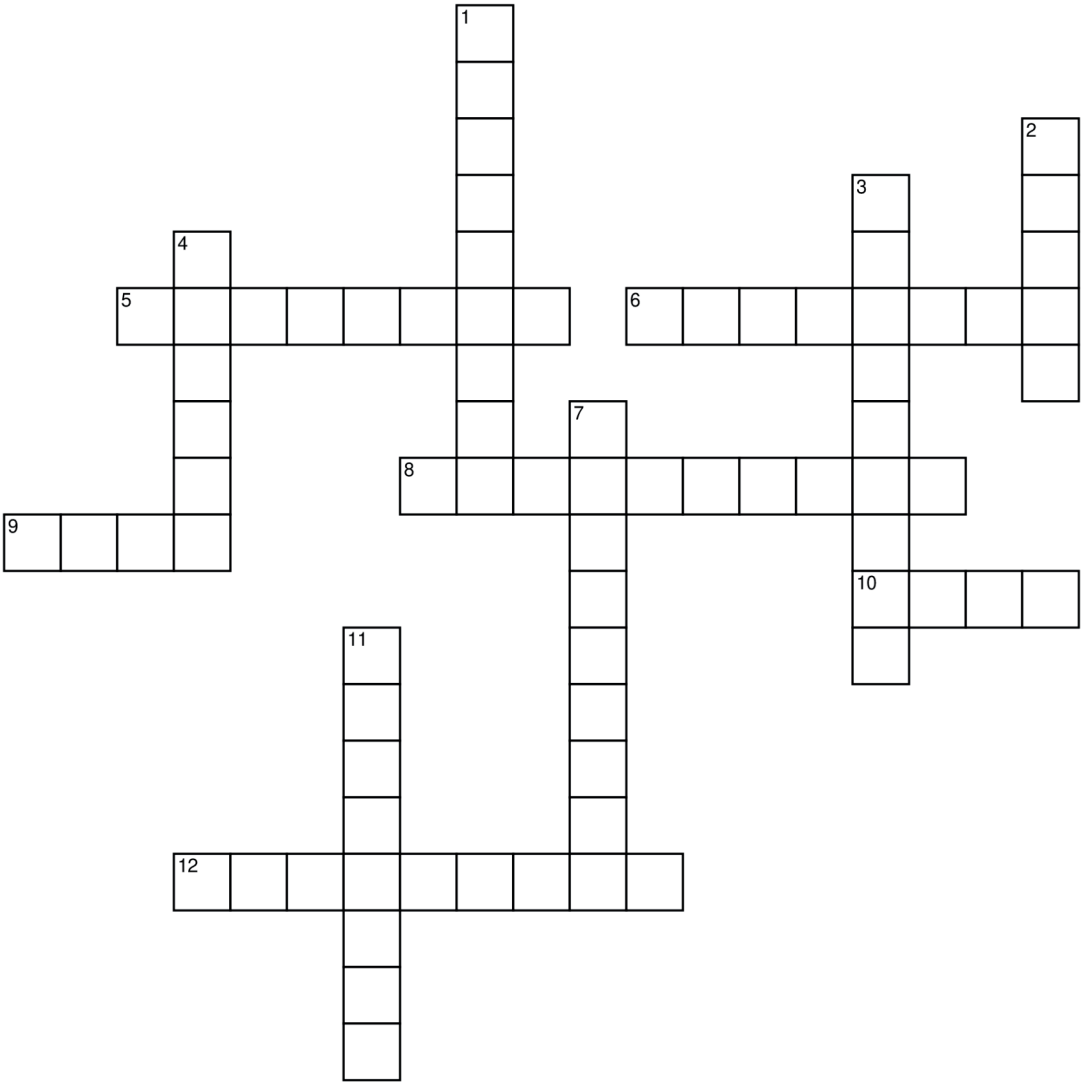
Helpful Tip:

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.

CROSSWORD

New Year's Eve



Across

[5] Used for appointments
[6] Recollections
[8] A goal or promise
[9] Auld Lang __
[10] What Sleeping Beauty received
[12] Where a story starts

Down

[1] Sparkling wine
[2] Raised gesture for celebration
[3] Explosive displays of lights
[4] Procession with floats
[7] Before a ball drop
[11] The start of a new day

SPOTLIGHT TRIVIA

2026 Award Winners

1. Which film won Best Picture at the 2026 Academy Awards?

   A. Sinners
   B. Hamnet
   C. One Battle After Another
   D. Marty Supreme

2. Which team won Super Bowl LX in February 2026?

   A. Kansas City Chiefs
   B. Philadelphia Eagles
   C. Philadelphia Eagles
   D. Seattle Seahawks

3. Which three countries co-hosted the 2026 FIFA World Cup?

   A. Spain, Portugal, and Morocco
   B. United States, Brazil, and Mexico
   C. United States, Canada, and Mexico
   D. Canada, France, and United States

4. Who won the Academy Award for Best Actor in 2026?

   A. Leonardo DiCaprio
   B. Michael B. Jordan
   C. Timothée Chalamet
   D. Ethan Hawke

5. Who received the 2026 Nobel Peace Prize?

   A. António Guterres
   B. Maria Ressa
   C. Navanethem "Navi" Pillay
   D. Volodymyr Zelenskyy



SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: B
The show "A Chorus Line" sheds some critical light on the hardships that hopeful cast members face before they become the glittering stars.

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G V C C V J E P M Y M W U X Y C I D

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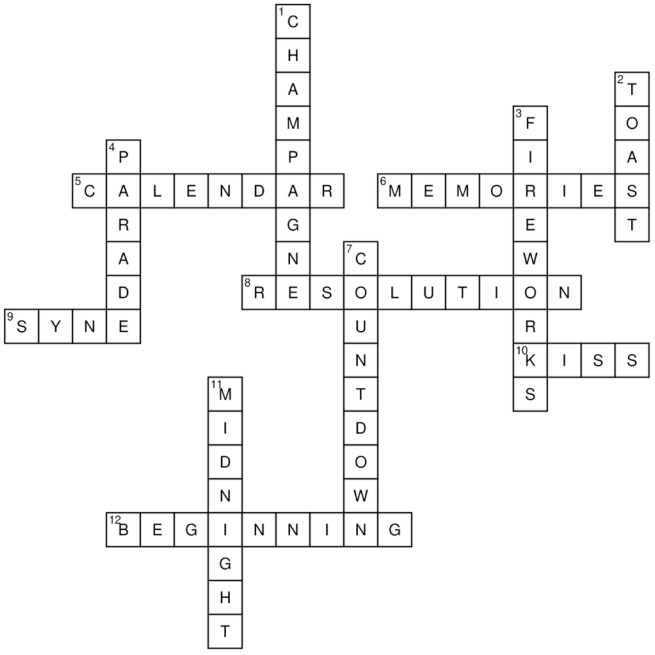

Spotlight Trivia:

1. C
2. D
3. C
4. B
5. C