

Whether you like wondering about words or focussing on figures, we've got a conundrum to get that grey matter working. So sharpen your pencil, keep your wits about you and get solving!

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CODE CRACKER

This one's a bit of a toughie, so keep at it. Each number represents a different letter of the alphabet; work out which number stands for which letter to fill in the crossword. We've given you three letters, all words are from a dictionary and we haven't used proper nouns. The puzzle doesn't necessarily use all letters of the alphabet. When you've cracked the code, fill in the answer.

CLUES										1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
										T	N	V	B	I	X	K	L	W	S
11	2	21	3	21	2		23	16	22	17	2	10		11					
U	N	E	V	E	N		O	R	G	A	N	S		U					
1			21		23	3	17		11			5		12					
T			E		O	V	A		U					F					
1	23	23	1	21	19		12	16	14	5	2	22		13					
T	O	O	T	E	D		F	R	Y	I	N	G		P					
21		9		4		12		21		19		15		14					
E		W		B		F		E		D		H		Y					
16		21		4	17	8	21	19		8		1		15					
R		E		B	A	L	E	D		L		T		H					
	23	19	21		22	11	1		1	21	21			16					
	O	D	E		G	U	T		T	E	E			R					
17			17	6	21		15	21	9			21		17					
A			A	X	E		H	E	W			E		A					
18	23	23	16		8	21	5		5	19	23	8		18					
M	O	O	R		L	E	I		I	D	O	L		M					
13			8	5	21		20	23	22			7		19					
P			L	I	E		C	O	G					D					
	9	15		10	21	17		10	7	5				20					
	W	H	Y		S	E	A		S	K	I			C					
3		11		13	10	17	8	18		5		4		21					
V		U		P	S	A	L	M		I		B		E					
23		8		5		16		11		8		17		22					
O		L		I		R		U		L		A		G					
19	21	17	8	21	16		5	22	8	23	23	10		23					
D	E	A	L	E	R		I	G	L	O	O	S		O					
7			23		11	16	2		23			21		24					
K			O		U	R	N		O			E							
17	8	5	22	15	1		2	17	4	4	21	19		25					
A	L	I	G	H	T		N	A	B	B	E	D							
ANSWER:																			
17	10	10	21	10	10														
A	S	S	E	S	S														

ANSWER: A S S E S S

ABCDEFGHIJKLMN O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

SUDOKU

A firm favourite – fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 to 9. Good luck!

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

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

JUMBLE SQUARE

Got your thinking cap on? Good! Rearrange the letters in each row to form a word. Write your answers into the blank grid. Once you have got all the words, the first letter from each word, when read down, will spell out the mystery keyword.

1	L	I	P	E	X
2	K	L	E	A	N
3	T	R	O	R	O
4	T	E	H	Y	M
5	U	Y	H	O	T

1	P	I	X	E	L
2	A	N	K	L	E
3	R	O	T	O	R
4	T	H	Y	M	E
5	Y	O	U	T	H

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