

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!

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

ANSWER:

B E T T E R

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N 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!

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

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

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	T	Y	T	E	P
2	P	L	I	M	E
3	C	O	G	I	L
4	O	O	T	D	U
5	R	A	T	T	I

1	P	E	T	T	Y
2	I	M	P	E	L
3	L	O	G	I	C
4	O	U	T	D	O
5	T	R	A	I	T

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