

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	O	H	P	W	D	E	R	A	F
8	9	19	15	7	18		14	9	10	10	17	7	11						
R	A	N	G	E	S		B	A	F	F	L	E	I						
2		7		17	9	20	9	18		12		19	12						
O		E		L	A	M	A	S		U		N	U						
9	14	9	18	7	6		15	11	9	19	1	18	13						
A	B	A	S	E	D		G	I	A	N	T	S	Y						
20		8		15			6		15			12	14						
M		R		G			D		G			U	B						
7	18	18	9	13	18		7	7	8	11	7	8	15						
E	S	S	A	Y	S		E	E	R	I	E	R	G						
6			19	9	11	8		12				7	16						
D			N		A	I	R		U			E	C						
	14	7	6		19		7		14	2	13		17						
	B	E	D		N		E		B	O	Y		L						
1	9	8		7	6	11	16	1		8	7	10	18						
T	A	R		E	D	I	C	T		R	E	F	S						
	6	8	13		4		1		5	7	1		19						
	D	R	Y		P		T		W	E	T		N						
11			7		11	16	7		3			16	20						
I			E		I	C			H			C	M						
18	2	19	19	7	1		6	8	2	5	18	13	21						
S	O	N	N	E	T		D	R	O	W	S	Y							
17		2		9			9		2			15	22						
L		O		A			A		O			G							
9	20	14	12	18	3		9	11	8	20	9	19	23						
A	M	B	U	S	H		A	I	R	M	A	N							
19		17		7	9	8	17	18		7		7	24						
N		L		E	A	R	L	S		E		E							
6	7	7	4	17	13		4	7	9	19	12	1	25						
D	E	E	P	L	Y		P	E	A	N	U	T	26						

ANSWER:

A S S I S T

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

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	D	E	D	O	G
2	D	U	R	R	E
3	H	I	C	Y	T
4	J	A	N	N	I
5	L	O	K	A	A

1	D	O	D	G	E
2	R	U	D	E	R
3	I	T	C	H	Y
4	N	I	N	J	A
5	K	O	A	L	A

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