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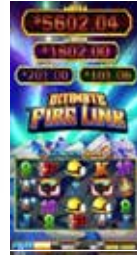
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1	Denise Foster	14	Lois Bruzek
2	Debbie Ziegler	14	Susan Delorme
3	Bob Fletcher	14	John May
4	Charles Halker	15	Ellen Fletcher
4	Madeleine Souliere	15	Irene Krystallidis
5	Charlie Mason	16	Phil Blye
5	Gary Murray	16	Noella Gallant
6	Robert Arcand	16	Jane Jensen
6	Jake Bubelis	18	Scott Small
6	Bernie Lake	18	Louis Vedrode
6	Alice Summers	19	Patricia Fleck
7	Brenda Gorseth	19	Fred Large
7	Mike Surano	19	Gerald Stone
7	Norma Surano	19	James Waterman
8	Lou Lowery	20	Thersa Stephens
8	Bryan Marshman	21	Howard Chesley
9	Dorraine Beleno	21	Ann Perry
9	Linda Hirst	22	Louie Renfro
9	Cheryl Kuhn	24	Joan Yarro
11	Steve Groh	25	Carol Szumita
11	Michael Jariz	26	Ron Gurney
11	Darcia Lange	26	Carolyn Mc Gann
11	Ed Muck	26	Karen Sullivan
12	Sue Berton Malenka	27	Rosemary Papadopoulos
12	Mike Martin	28	Al Noel
12	Mario Morra	31	Linda MacKenzie
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7	Harold & Mary Parr	1973
9	Gary & Ruth Sproule	1977
10	Roger & Kathy Chasse	1976
11	Doug & Jean Griffiths	1981
11	Steve & Julie Plaia	1982
11	John & Tina Provost	2010
13	Al & Sara Noel	1969
18	John & Sherry London	2004
20	David & Linda Hirst	
27	Murray & Arlene MacNeill	1980
28	Wayne & Debbie Stott	
31	Bruce & Tammy Ferriero	2021
31	Al & Sue Malenka	2019
31	Nick & Sandra Maniskas	
31	Mike & Lois Wilson	1977



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Glenn Gifford	5	339
Rachel Melanson	5	332

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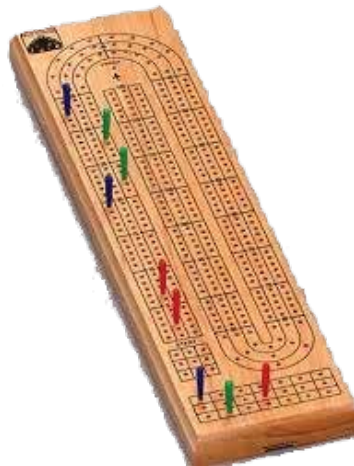
Rachel Melanson	7	120
Eva Szabo	7	119
Laurie Melanson	7	111

10/19/2022

Rachel Melanson	7	105
Claudette Morency	5	352
Lois Bruzek	5	328

10/26/2022

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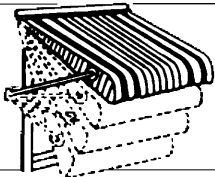
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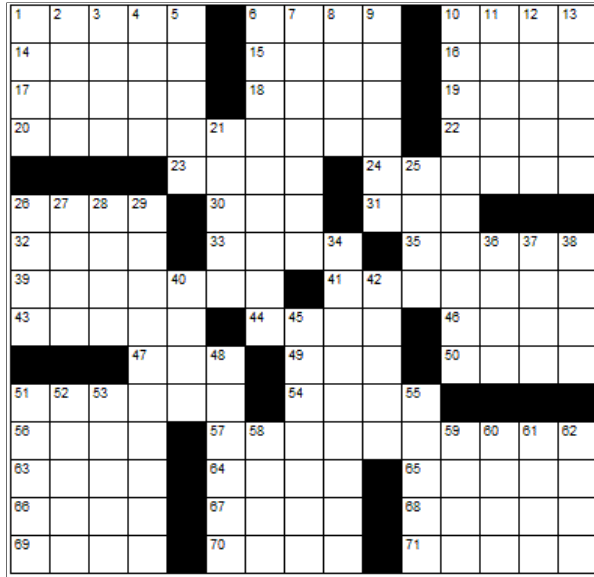


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- 19. Scent
- 20. Encouraged
- 22. Twinge
- 23. Formerly (archaic)
- 24. Come forth
- 26. Russian emperor
- 30. Form of "to be"
- 31. Zero
- 32. After-bath wear
- 33. Linguistic unit
- 35. Andean animal
- 39. Marjoram
- 41. Calmed
- 43. Moon of Saturn
- 44. Distribute
- 46. Require
- 47. British rule in India
- 49. Joke
- 50. Sounds of disapproval
- 51. Handgrip
- 54. Death notice
- 56. Absent Without Leave
- 57. Spin-like
- 63. Domestic
- 64. Slaloms
- 65. Love intensely
- 66. Ages
- 67. Celtic language
- 68. Employ again
- 69. Crimsons
- 70. Type of sweet potatoes
- 71. Donkeys



DOWN

- 1. Lack of difficulty
- 2. Urban renewal target
- 3. Belgrade native
- 4. Therefore
- 5. Inscribed pillar
- 6. Showroom
- 7. Flower box
- 8. Chills and fever
- 9. Make unhappy
- 10. Fuel
- 11. Radiolocation
- 12. Beside
- 13. Get together
- 21. Illustrated
- 25. Grinder
- 26. Gait faster than a walk
- 27. Fern clusters
- 28. Assist illegally
- 29. Irrespective
- 34. Data arrays
- 36. Affirmatives
- 37. Docile
- 38. Combines
- 40. Nitpicky to a fault
- 42. In accordance with law
- 45. Conceit
- 48. Sports pullover
- 51. Bigot
- 52. Mindful
- 53. Wanderer
- 55. Coronet
- 58. Gumbo ingredient
- 59. Lyric poems
- 60. French for "We"
- 61. Rear end
- 62. Dregs



December
Crossword





Quotable

Gifts

Christmas gift suggestions: To your enemy, forgiveness. To an opponent, tolerance. To a friend, your heart. To a customer, service. To all, charity. To every child, a good example. To yourself, respect.

— **Oren Arnold**

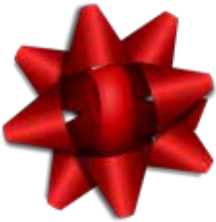


Each day comes bearing its own gifts. Untie the ribbons.

— **Ruth Ann Schabacker**

You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.

— **Kahlil Gibran**



All you have shall some day be given; therefore give now, that the season of giving may be yours and not your inheritors.

— **Kahlil Gibran**

Christmas Day

I sometimes think we expect too much of Christmas Day. We try to crowd into it the long arrears of kindness and humanity of the whole year. As for me, I like to take my Christmas a little at a time, all through the year. And thus I drift along into the holidays—let them overtake me unexpectedly—waking up some fine morning and suddenly saying to myself: “Why this is Christmas Day!”

— **Ray Stannard Baker, pseud. David Grayson**

“Maybe Christmas,” he thought, “doesn’t come from a store. Maybe Christmas... perhaps... means a little bit more.”

— **Dr. Seuss, from How The Grinch Stole Christmas**

Simple things

When we recall Christmas past, we usually find that the simplest things—not the great occasions—give off the greatest glow of happiness.

— **Bob Hope**

Compulsory holiday

A lovely thing about Christmas is that it’s compulsory, like a thunder-storm, and we all go through it together.

— **Garrison Keillor**



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After you decide what kind of party you're going to have, make a list of everything you will need. Then cross off everything that you already have and estimate the cost for each item you need. Add a few dollars for the inevitable extras that will pop up. If the estimated cost is over your budget for the party, then you can start eliminating things on your list until you get the figure you need.

A few facts about mistletoe

According to AllThingsChristmas.com, mistletoe has been revered since 200 years before the birth of Christ. Druid priests used it as part of their winter celebrations. The plant, which stays green all year even though it has no roots, was thought to be magical.

The Howstuffworks Web site says that Mistletoe is a parasitic plant. It lives in trees, and one mistletoe plant can grow on top of the other.

There are several stories that link mistletoe to the ritual of kissing under it. One is the myth of Frigga, the Viking goddess of love. Frigga's son was killed by his blind brother (who was actually tricked into shooting a dart of poison from the mistletoe into his brother.) Frigga was so stricken with grief that she cried and when her tears fell on a mistletoe plant the berries were turned from red to white (there are both red and white mistletoe berries) and this brought her son back from the dead. From then on Frigga kissed everyone who walked beneath the mistletoe because she was so grateful to have her son back.



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The principle is also illustrated in George Bernard Shaw's play *Pygmalion*. In that story, Eliza Doolittle, a Cockney flower girl, is taken on by a professor who says that he can pass her off as a duchess. He pulls it off, but Eliza has this to say to his friend: "You see, really and truly, apart from the things anyone can pick up (the dressing and the proper way of speaking and so on), the difference between a lady and a flower girl is not how she behaves, but how she's treated. I shall always be a flower girl to Professor Higgins, because he always treats me as a flower girl, and always will, but I know I can be a lady to you because you always treat me like a lady, and always will."

In an experiment conducted in 1968 by psychologist Robert Rosenthal, the same principle was illustrated. All of the children in the experiment were given a nonverbal test of intelligence. This test was disguised, according to Rosenthal, as a test that could predict whether or not a child would bloom intellectually. About 20 percent of the children in the study were chosen randomly. The teachers of these children were told that according to their test scores these children were about to undergo an intellectual growth spurt and make surprising gains over the next eight months. There was no difference in the children from the experimental group and the control group—except what their teachers thought about them. Finally at the end of the school year, the children were retested. Rosenthal says he found that the children who were in the experimental group, where false high expectations had been planted in their teachers' minds, showed significantly greater gain than the control group.

Are you unwittingly expecting too little out of the people in your life? Are you imposing your belief about someone in a way that is holding him or her back?

On pessimism

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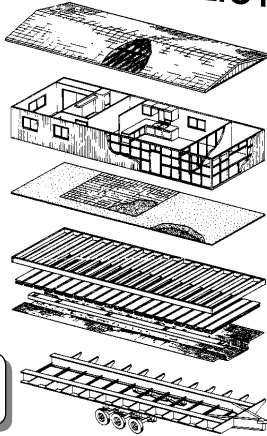
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A young boy and his grandfather were taking a walk through the mountains. The boy was looking at the mountains when he tripped and fell down. As he fell he called out, "I'm afraid."

To the boy's surprise he heard his words come back to him from the mountain, "I'm afraid."

Startled and frightened, the boy called out—"Who is there?"

Again his words traveled back to him asking the same question he had asked—"Who is there?"

The boy was angry now at whoever was evading answering his question, "Chicken," he called out.

"Chicken," the response came back to him.

The boy looked frightened and asked his grandfather what was happening.

The old man laughed and said to listen. He called out, "You are wonderful!"

The voice answered back, "You are wonderful!"

The grandfather smiled and said, "You're amazing!"

"You're amazing!" came tumbling back out of the mountains.

The boy looked back at his grandfather, still wearing a look of confusion. "I do not understand, grandfather," the boy said.

The old man laughed again, and said, "My child, this is called an echo. But pay attention, because it is really life.

"Life will give back to you everything you say and do. Life is a reflection of our thoughts and actions.

"So if you want other people to do your bidding and think well of you, then you must think good thoughts about others and do good deeds for other people.

"If you want other people to be better at what they do, then you must make yourself better at what you do.

"Remember, life gives you back everything you give to it. Your life will be a reflection of you."



Before you can inspire with emotion, you must be swamped with it yourself. Before you can move their tears, your own must flow. To convince them, you must yourself believe.

— **Winston Churchill**

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- Safely store and prepare food. Perishables need to be refrigerated or frozen within two hours of preparation or shopping. Always make sure you use separate areas to prepare raw and cooked foods. Remember to never place cooked food back on a cutting board or surface where something raw has been. Wash your hands, utensils and cutting boards frequently while you are preparing foods. Use hot soapy water.
- Make sure that the internal temperature of the foods you cook reaches a high enough temperature to kill bacteria. Use a food thermometer so that you can check internal temperatures accurately. Make sure you check in several places so that you get a true reading. Don't partially cook your food with the plan to finish cooking it later. This could encourage the growth of harmful bacteria.
- To transport food safely you will need to keep your hot foods hot and your cold foods cold. Use coolers for cold foods and make sure the temperature is 40 degrees or below. Keep your hot foods at a temperature of 140 degrees. Wrap it well and place it inside an insulated container.
- When you reheat your food make sure you bring it up to a temperature that makes it hot and steamy. Just warming it up is not safe. Bring the temperature of the food up to 165 degrees. Soups, sauces and gravies need to be brought to a boil.
- Use steam tables or warming trays to keep your hot foods hot—that means at or above 140 degrees. Keep your cold food at or below 40 degrees.
- If you know that food has been left out at room temperature for more than two hours, the safest thing to do is throw it out. If you have leftovers, you will want to place them in shallow containers and refrigerate or freeze them immediately.



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