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Loners.....5.....Murray MacNeill
1st Place.....71.....Nickie Malenka
2nd Place65.....Paul Hopkins
3rd Place.....64.....Bill McIntosh HH 13
4th Place64.....Mary Jo Ward HH 11
5th Place.....60.....Marlene Holton



01-15-25

Loners.....4.....Gus Agostinelli
1st Place.....66.....Gary Sproule
2nd Place61.....Carole Tricco
3rd Place.....58.....Bill Kohls
4th Place54.....Pat Peever
5th Place.....53.....Paul Hopkins

01-22-25

Loners.....8.....Carol Tricco
1st Place.....68.....Lou V. "Go Blue"
2nd Place60.....John Tricco
3rd Place.....56.....Gary Sproule
4th Place55.....Doris Lanthier
5th Place.....54.....Mike Pitz

1-29-25

Loners.....5.....Al Malenka
1st Place.....68.....Donna Tarvin
2nd Place62.....Jessica Keyes
3rd Place.....61.....Mike Pitz
4th Place60.....Sherry London
5th Place.....57.....Gus Agostinelli

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Thank you to all that join us on Wednesday evenings starting at 6:00 PM, to play this fast and fun game. You just never know when a really good night of cards will befall on you. I know I always feel very positive about each deal until I pick up my 5 card hand. Then it is like Hahaha!! I just keep trying. We can always have hope!

We had a lovely turnout for our Christmas Party. So nice to see so many participants with such delicious shared dishes. Always a special festive and tasty card night.

Thank you to the Nichel Bingo players that also come to Euchre, setting up the table and chairs.

Al and I really appreciate your help!!

We love you all and wish you a very Fun and Exciting month of March. I know many of you leave for the North very soon. Please be Safe driving or flying back to family and friends . God bless and keep you healthy and happy 'till we meet again on Wednesday Nights ♥

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1/8/2025

Simone Dawson	6	228
Chuck Davis	6	214
Joe Dawson	5	294

1/15/2025

Joe Dawson	5	340
Chuck Davis	5	312
Ruth Sproule	5	321

1/22/2025

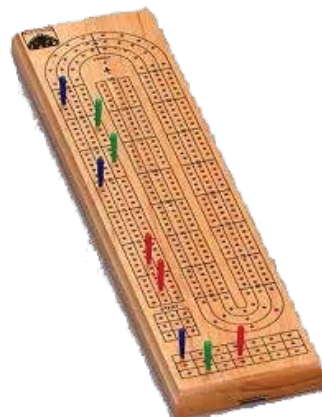
Debbie MacKenzie	8	
Rose Paquette	6	205
Joanne Lavigne	6	202
Ruth Sproule	4	428

1/29/2025

Claudette Morency	7	111
Rose Paquette	6	212
Joanne Lavigne	6	191

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March Anniversaries

2	Bill & Jacqueline DeBar	1963
5	Bob & Rhoda Knauff	2011
15	Bob & Beverly Benkowski	
15	Dan & Brenda Gorseth	1999
15	Al & Ginny Zurfluh	
17	Steve & Linda Raimondi	2004
18	Ranier & Lisa Kimmell	2010
19	Dennis & Debra Karch	2005
19	Jonathan & Melissa Pierson	2015
26	Mike & Diane Warby	1982
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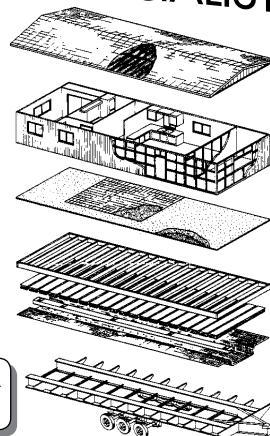
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| 13 | Wade Wilson | 27 | Jennifer Brown |
| 14 | Jason Nieves | 27 | Simone Dawson |
| 14 | Binky Paulus | 27 | Larry Wagoner |
| 15 | Jim Bailey | 28 | Bonnie Carroll |
| 17 | Susan Balomenos | 28 | Diane Lessa |
| 17 | Pat Jackson | 28 | Steve Raimondi |
| 18 | Nellie Daum | 28 | Donna Reid |
| 18 | Chuck Davis | 28 | Faye Wentz |
| 18 | Margo Piche | 30 | Lois Cordle |
| 19 | Pat Peever | 30 | Jim Ruhlin |
| 19 | Trish Perrigo | 31 | Bert Cordle |
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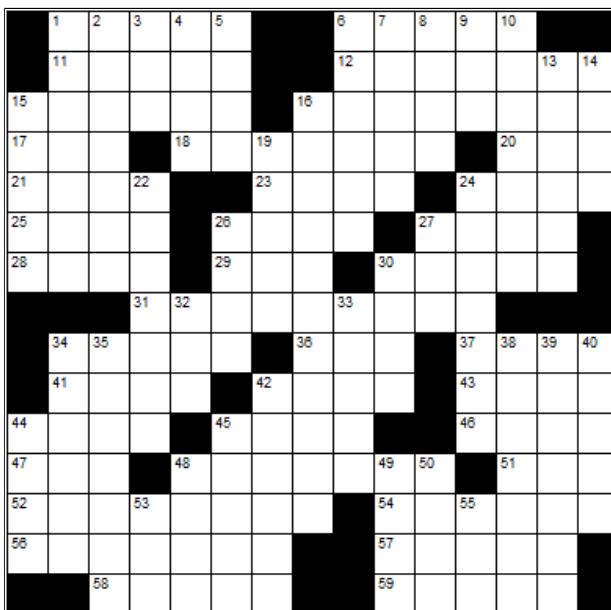
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25. Diva's solo
26. Applications
27. Dregs
28. Jump
29. Anagram of "Eat"
30. Destitute
31. Book of scriptures
34. A rustling sound
36. Guff
37. Frosts, as a cake
41. Expresses relief
42. Assistant
43. Naked
44. Teller of untruths
45. Skin disease
46. Smile
47. Paintings
48. Spartan
51. Stomach muscles, for short
52. Menacing
54. Roam
56. Tales
57. Ancient Roman magistrate
58. Rips
59. Genders



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1. Relaxation
2. Inability to remember
3. Frozen water
4. Anagram of "Dear"
5. Sandwich shop
6. Water vapors
7. Joyous
8. Jittery
9. Falsehood
10. Despised
13. Apprehensive
14. Flower stalk
15. Flower feature
16. Style of train
19. Artist's stand
22. More content
24. Searching
26. Mormon state
27. Fifth sign of the zodiac
30. No
32. South southwest
33. Basin for washing anal area
34. Apparition
35. More of the same
38. Able to be healed
39. Comestibles
40. Feeling
42. Entry
44. Young woman
45. Daisylike bloom
48. Largest continent
49. Ticks off
50. An abandoned calf or lamb
53. Anger
55. Combine



March



Crossword





March Major Holidays

Monthly Observances

Women's History Month
National Nutrition Month
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Irish American Heritage Month
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Weekly Observances

Sea Week (March 2–10)
Chocolate Chip Cookie Week (March 3–9)
Women in Construction Week (March 3–9)
National Agriculture Week (March 17–23)
National Cleaning Week (March 24–30)



Daily Observances

March 1: National Peanut Butter Lover's Day, World Compliment Day
March 3: World Wildlife Day, National Anthem Day
March 8: International Women's Day
March 14: Pi Day
March 17: St. Patrick's Day
March 20: International Day of Happiness, First Day of Spring
March 23: National Puppy Day
March 26: Make Up Your Own Holiday Day

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St. Patrick's Day:

Historical Background: Saint Patrick, who lived during the 5th century, is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland. He used the shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity, which is why the shamrock is a symbol of the holiday².



Religious Observances: Traditionally, St. Patrick's Day was a religious feast day. Many people attend church services, and Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol are often lifted for the day¹.

Cultural Celebrations: The day is marked by parades, festivals, wearing green attire, and displaying shamrocks. In many places, rivers and landmarks are dyed green to celebrate¹².

Global Celebrations: While it originated in Ireland, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated worldwide, especially in countries with large Irish communities like the United States, Canada, and Australia¹².

Fun Facts:

First Parade: The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place in 1601 in what is now St. Augustine, Florida².

Green River: In Chicago, the river is dyed green every year to celebrate St. Patrick's Day².

St. Patrick's Day is a vibrant celebration of Irish culture and heritage, enjoyed by people of all backgrounds.

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Patrick%27s_Day

<https://www.history.com/topics/st-patricks-day/history-of-st-patricks-day>

Lighthearted St. Patrick's Day jokes

Why do leprechauns love to garden? Because they have green thumbs!



What kind of spells do leprechauns use? Lucky charms!

Why don't you iron four-leaf clovers? Because you don't want to press your luck!

What do you call a fake Irish stone? A shamrock!

Why did the leprechaun go outside? To sit on his patio!

How can you tell if an Irishman is having a good time? He's Dublin over with laughter!

What do you get when you cross a four-leaf clover with poison ivy? A rash of good luck!

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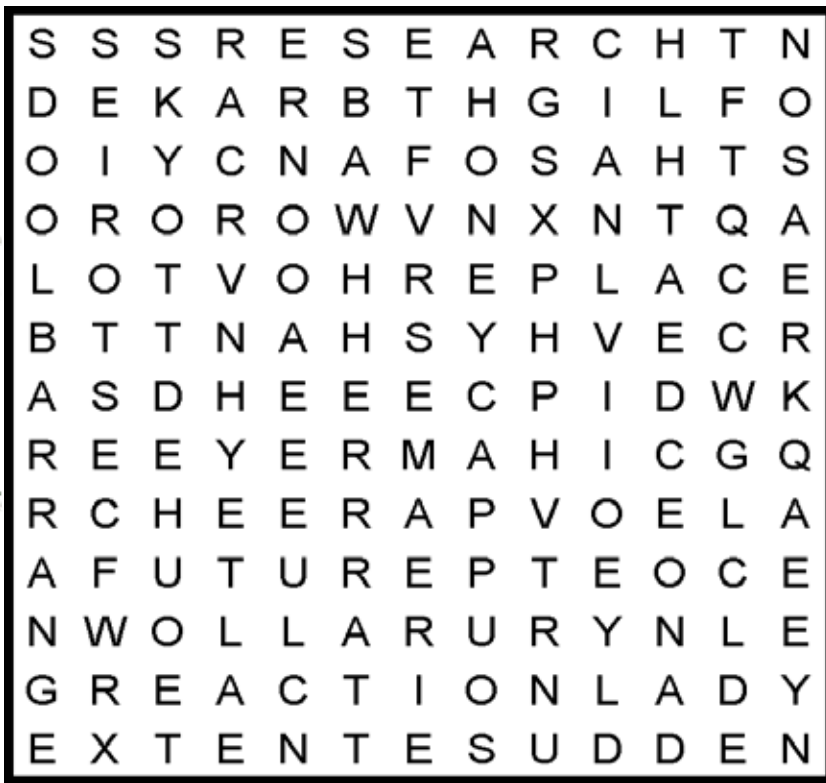


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Using format to inspire funny writing



Need to write something funny for the company newsletter? Why not trying using a humorous format, suggests humor writer Tim Bete, director of University of Dayton's Erma Bombeck Writers' Workshop. Bete's work has been published in the Christian Science Monitor and more than a dozen parenting magazines. He is also the author of *In The Beginning...There Were No Diapers*.

Bete says there are three parts to humor pieces: the topic, the format and the individual jokes. Formats help tie pieces together and make them coherent, Bete says. Don't wait for the world's funniest idea to strike you before you start writing, he says. Starting with structure and letting the humor come through is much more effective. Here are a few of the formats he recommends to get you writing.

1. **The Diary Format.** This format gives you a chronological structure to build on. "Day 1: Day 2; etc.
2. **The Advice Format.** This parodies the "Dear Abby" style.
3. **The How-Not-To-Format.** This might be in the vein of how to buy the worst birthday present in the world, etc.
4. **Parody interview format.** An interview, for example, of the mother who always buys the worst Christmas presents every year.
5. **Quiz Format.** This might be a quiz that helps you determine whether you've picked the world's worst Valentine's Day gift or not.

Using formats, Bete says, often generates ideas that don't fit neatly into the template. But who cares — you're writing, and that's what counts.

For more information on humor writing, Tim Bete and the Erma Bombeck Writers' Workshop, go to www.humorwriters.org or www.timbete.com.

On loving your enemy

Love your enemies. It makes them so damned mad.

— **P.D. East**

On understanding

I know that you believe you understand what you think I said, but I'm not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant.

— **Robert McCloskey**

On the road less traveled

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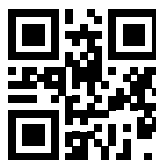
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- I'll get a world record for this.
- I'm making a citizen's arrest.
- I've seen this done on TV.
- I wonder where the mother bear is.
- That's odd.
- That stuff only happens in the movies.
- The odds of that happening have to be a million to one.
- These are the good kind of mushrooms.
- This doesn't taste right.
- Well, we've made it this far.
- What does this button do?
- What duck?
- I think it's dead.
- It's only a little one.
- Does this go any faster?
- No, Tony, I don't have your money.
- I built it myself.
- I don't need a helmet.



A matter of taste

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"Well, my family asked me to come. They think I'm nuts because I absolutely love shoes."

"Hmm," said the doctor, "that seems awfully petty of them. I myself have a taste for good shoes."

"You do!" the patient exclaimed. "Do you like them boiled or lightly breaded and fried?"
— As retold from Good Clean Jokes, by Anna Kostick, Charles Foxgrover and Michael J. Pellowski





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Women's History Month

Women's History Month is celebrated every March to honor and recognize the contributions and achievements of women throughout history. It began as a week-long celebration in 1981 and was expanded to a month-long observance in 1987.



Key Aspects of Women's History Month:

- **Educational Programs:** Schools, universities, and organizations often host events, lectures, and activities to educate people about women's history and the ongoing struggle for gender equality.
- **Honoring Pioneers:** The month highlights the accomplishments of trailblazing women in various fields such as science, politics, arts, and social justice.
- **Cultural Celebrations:** Many communities organize parades, exhibitions, and performances to celebrate women's contributions to culture and society.
- **Advocacy:** women's rights and issues like gender discrimination, pay equity, and reproductive rights.

Notable Figures Often Celebrated:

- **Susan B. Anthony:** A key figure in the women's suffrage movement.
- **Marie Curie:** Renowned physicist and chemist who won two Nobel Prizes.
- **Rosa Parks:** Civil rights activist known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery Bus Boycott.
- **Malala Yousafzai:** Education activist and the youngest-ever Nobel Prize laureate.

Women's History Month is a powerful reminder of the impact women have had on shaping our world and the importance of continuing to strive for gender equality.

International Women's Day:

Theme for 2025: The theme for IWD 2025 is "Accelerate Action"¹. This theme emphasizes the need for swift and decisive steps to achieve gender equality, highlighting the importance of addressing systemic barriers and biases that women face.

Historical Background: The first IWD was celebrated in 1911, supported by over a million people. It has since grown into a worldwide movement, with events and activities taking place in many countries².

Global Celebrations: Events include rallies, conferences, performances, and community gatherings. These activities aim to celebrate women's achievements and raise awareness about ongoing gender issues.

Call to Action: IWD is not just about celebration; it's also a call to action for accelerating gender parity. This includes advocating for women's rights, challenging gender stereotypes, and supporting women's advancement in all areas of life.

Source: <https://www.internationalwomensday.com/2025theme>



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Pointers on how to say I'm sorry - the right way

If you've been on planet Earth for long, you know that apologies are an important and necessary way for humans to maintain long-term relationships. And, as Dawn Friedman points out in a piece titled "Forgive yourself" in Yoga Journal, when it's not done well then you know how much it matters to do a good job when you apologize. There are many things that can botch a heartfelt apology and make it appear half-hearted. Here are three recommendations from Friedman on how to deliver a winning apology:



- Take responsibility. Tell the person the apology is aimed at that exactly what you are sorry for. "I'm sorry I lost control of my temper the other night." Stay away from excuses like "I've been fighting with my husband a lot and I just lost it." Stick with what happened and don't blame your shortcoming on anything or anyone else.
- Acknowledge that you've hurt the other person. Say "I know I hurt you." Avoid saying "You seemed offended from what I said."
- Let the other person know that you have good intentions for the future. Be specific. Say "I will remember how much I've hurt you. I will also remember that you don't like to be criticized publicly." This is better than just saying you'll try not to do it in the future.

If you can't say something nice ...

A teacher was meeting with the father of a boy in her class.
"Well," said the teacher, "there's one thing I can say about your son."



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