

What's On

contract bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

How many points does the responder indicate by his rebid in each of the following three sequences?

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| Opener | Responder |
| 1. 1♦ | 1♠ |
| 2♦ | 2NT |
| 2. 1♥ | 2♥ |
| 3♠ | 4♥ |
| 3. 1♣ | 1♦ |
| 1♠ | 3♠ |
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1. Ten to 12 points. Two notrump in this sequence is strictly invitational. By bidding two diamonds, opener announced a hand of minimum opening strength (13 to 15 points) and a willingness to have the bidding stop if responder holds a weak hand.

If in these circumstances responder now bids two notrump, he is saying in effect that game — preferably in notrump — is still possible if opener has maximum values for his two-diamond rebid (i.e., closer to 15 points than to 13). Opener may then pass two notrump or, with an appropriate hand, bid three clubs, diamonds, hearts, spades or notrump.

Typically, responder might have any of these hands:

- ♠ J9763 ♥ KQ6 ♦ J4 ♣ A85
- ♠ KJ84 ♥ AJ3 ♦ Q2 ♣ 9862
- ♠ K1098 ♥ Q96 ♦ Q73 ♣ A104

2. Eight to 10 points. Responder's

two-heart bid shows six to 10 points, including distributional values. When opener now bids three clubs, he is presumably trying to ascertain whether responder has minimum or maximum values for his two-heart bid, and he would like any close decision to be resolved by responder's club holding. Three clubs is forcing, and responder then indicates how good or bad his two-heart bid was by bidding game with a good hand or retreating to three hearts with a poor one. A jump to four hearts could be made with any of these hands:

- ♠ 10 ♥ Q853 ♦ 108742 ♣ KQ4
- ♠ Q852 ♥ K96 ♦ 9642 ♣ K2
- ♠ A963 ♥ J754 ♦ 72 ♣ Q104

3. Thirteen to 15 points. The jump-raise in spades shows four-card support and the values needed for game. (However, since many now play this bid as merely invitational, showing 11 or 12 points, you should discuss this with your partner.) As the opening bidder has not yet indicated whether he started with minimum or maximum values, it is helpful to him — for game or slam purposes — to know approximately what to expect from responder for the jump-raise. A typical three-spade bid might look like:

- ♠ KQ62 ♥ Q75 ♦ AJ94 ♣ 108
- ♠ A764 ♥ 93 ♦ AK872 ♣ 74
- ♠ J982 ♥ K4 ♦ KQ953 ♣ K6

Tomorrow: The extra ounce of effort.

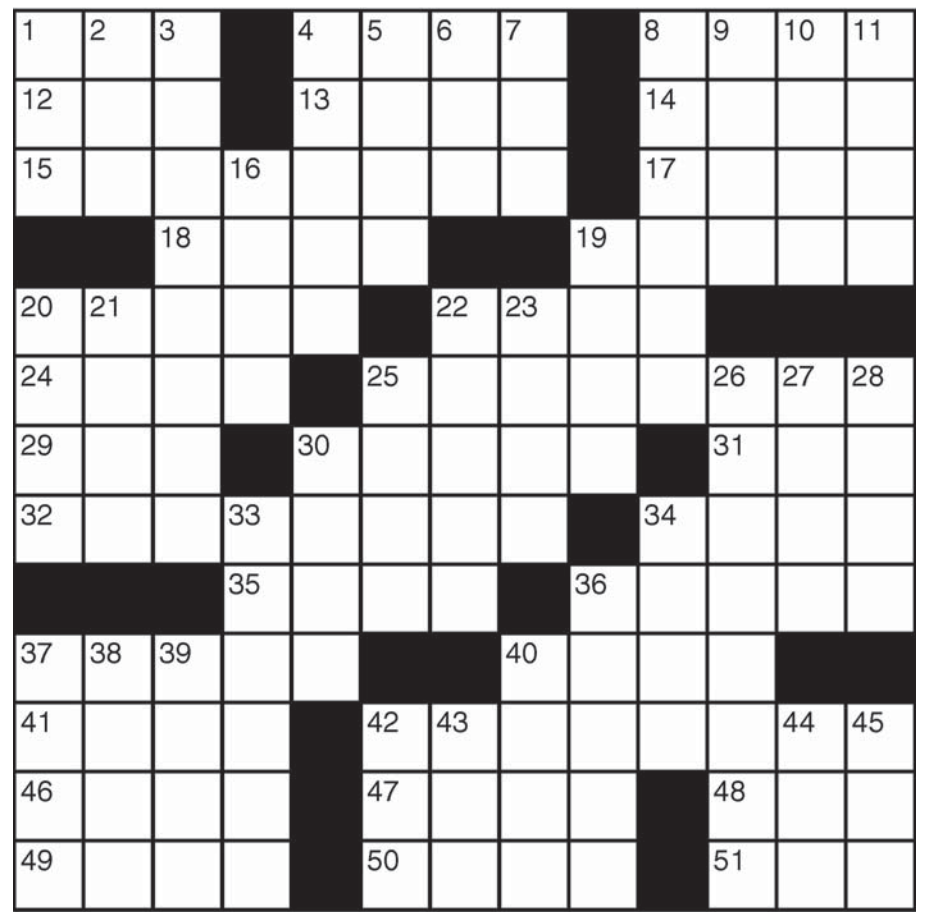


Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign post is shorter. 2. Top of hammer is smaller. 3. Bush is larger. 4. Leg is larger. 5. Foot is moved. 6. Shirt is shorter.

Eugene Sheffer Crossword



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| ACROSS | 37 Dwarf planet | 3 Food seekers | 21 Classic theaters |
| 1 "Bow-wow!" | 40 Pleads | 4 Ill will | 22 Mexican snacks |
| 4 Boutique | 41 Activist Parks | 5 Bee's home | 23 Algerian port |
| 8 Fall (over) | 42 Guarantee to be true | 6 Indivisible | 25 Give up |
| 12 Privy | 46 Computer brand | 7 Signing need | 26 Selects on a ballot |
| 13 Freshener | 47 Hit on the noggin | 8 Capital of Rwanda | 27 Help a crook |
| 14 Shake-speare villain | 48 Lennon's love | 9 British noble | 28 — bean |
| 15 Pardoned | 49 Green shade | 10 Alike (Fr.) | 30 Comic strip |
| 17 Seize | 50 Flag creator | 11 High tennis shots | 33 Golden Horde |
| 18 Initial chip | 51 Uncivilized | 16 Wildebeests | 34 Unuttered "alas" |
| 19 Niagara sight | 1 TV alien | 19 Twain hero | 36 Bushel quarters |
| 20 Scalawag | 2 Aussie hopper | 20 Lee-way | 37 Baby carriage |
| 22 Work hard | | | 38 Crazy |
| 24 Poetic tributes | | | 39 Exploits |
| 25 Fair | | | 40 Chignons |
| 29 Not 'neath | | | 42 TiVo precursor |
| 30 Pie nut | | | 43 Tic-tac-toe win |
| 31 Kimono closer | | | 44 "— Clear Day" |
| 32 Elephant's ancestor | | | 45 Squabble |

Solution time: 25 mins.



Yesterday's answer 11-8

11-8 CRYPTOQUIP

S W B L N Z J G Z M C O L S G W J R N J
 G W I N L G N O P E D R X X J D X W M
 X I M L B N L X W M I M L E L X S W C
 X T H X P T : O X H M E O M N L .

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE ECCENTRIC MAN DECIDED HE WOULD ONLY CONSUME COINS AND PAPER MONEY. HE WENT ON A CASH DIET.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals U

Word by Word

Sun (شمس) **Shams**

There is nothing new under the sun. Laisa that al shams jadeed.

Numbers ليس تحت الشمس جديد.

8314 Eight thousand three hundred fourteen

٨٣١٤ Thamaniyat alaaaf wa thalath maah wa arbaata ashar



"No, I never played house... but have you ever played condominium?"

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General

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ladies wing activities for the member's family. IEL Kuwait Chapter has facility to register student members for AMIE Examination for those interested in pursuing career enrichment.

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Reception; Auditorium show; (according to age group); Touring the Mosque; Q & A; Art workshops; (according to age group — between 5 and 18 years old); Snack break; Distribution of the Grand Mosque publications and souvenirs; End of tour.

Age group: 5 to 9 years old: Morning: 60 visitors max; Evening: 20; 10 to 15 years: Morning: 100 visitors max; Evening: 45; 16 and above: Morning: 140 visitors max; Evening: 105;

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 ■ Foods and drinks are not allowed inside the prayer halls.

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Notes: 1. Please send your story only to the above mentioned email. Story shared in Instagram, Facebook or Twitter will not be considered.

2. Please write your story or memory and sign it with your full name, and your contact number.

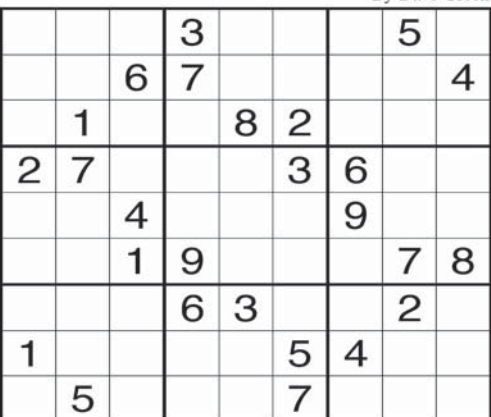
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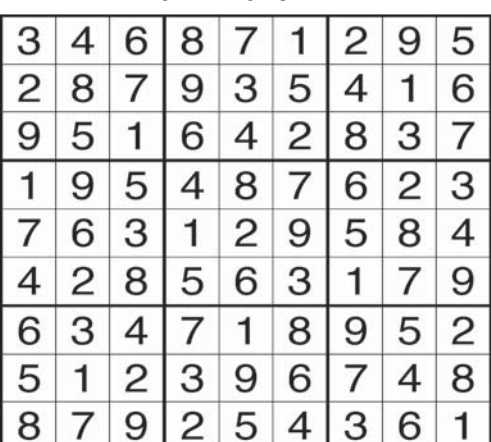
Conceptis Sudoku

The grid must be so completed that every row, column and 3x3 box has every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive

By Dave Green



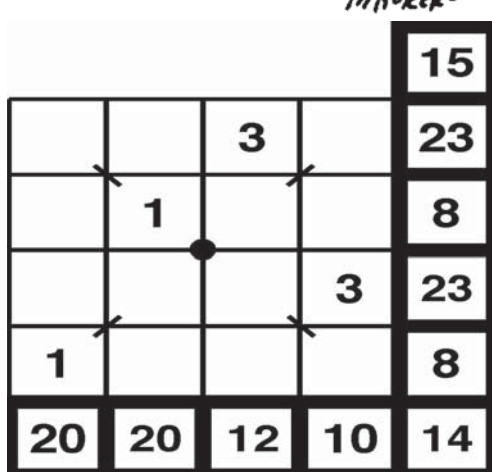
Answer to yesterday's puzzle



Difficulty Level ★★★

Challenger

By Louis Morier



DIRECTIONS:

Fill each square with a number, one through nine.

■ Horizontal squares should add to totals on right.

■ Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom.

■ Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION.

Today's Challenge

Time 9 Minutes

2 Seconds

Your Working

Time ___ Minutes

___ Seconds

