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## **Crossword Puzzle**

#### **CENTER OF ATTENTION** By Chandi Deitmer & Matthew Stock

- **ACROSS** Spot on a die
- 4 Heel's opposite
- 8 Relax 13 Broken bone's
- protector "You really think
- that of me?"
- Take care of
- 19 Casual layer 20 "Barbie Girl" band
- Growling or
- barking, e.g.?
- 23 Overacted
- 24 Hide furtively
- 25 Rebel leader in a
- space opera 26 Iowa crop
- 28 Existence fueled by rotini and tagliatelle?
- 30 Driveway mistake?
- 33 Thick lumps 34 Smidgens 35 Like the full-moon
- festival Boun That Luang
- 38 Morsels 41 Fig. calculated at a
- checkup 42 FYI kin 43 "You're talking to
- a haunted house expert here"? Obnoxious poster in the r/wellsfargo
- Reddit? 51 Over yonder
- Soft ball
- German "no" Unit in many a
- Zillow listing 58 Food drive
- donations "Parenthood"
- actress Whitman Back muscle. casually
- 62 Not again Rant against the

- 65 Target
- 66 SmackDown figures
- 68 Ultra big 69 Providers of room service for musicians' tours?
- 71 Street
- 72 Pocket-size 73 Ambulance fig.
- 74 Fashion monthly
- 75 " move" 76 Lucy of "Pretty
- Little Liars"
- monster 79 Boise State's home
- 81 Intense "don't blink" contests?
- 86 Opening dis at a roast?
- 90 Menopause
- treatment, briefly
- 91 Little taste 92 Himalayan creature
- 93 Like ears with studs 95 Crete's highest pt.
- 97 Was out 101 Erratic radiator?
- 103 Gigs as conductors and percussionists?
- 107 Suckling spot 108 "My mistake!"
- 109 Surrounding energy 110 Title girl in Kay
- Thompson books 112 Casualwear at the
- pub?
- 116 Climber's hold
- 117 Straightforward
- 118 Shrek and Fiona 119 Himalayan creature
- 120 Seep
- 121 Palms, e.g. 122 Group between boomers and
- millennials 123 Intel seeker

### **DOWN**

see ew: stirfried noodle dish

- 2 "If u ask me ... " 3 Jargon with terms
- ending in -ay
- 4 Born to be wild
- 5 2022 U.S. Women's Open golf champ Minjee
- 6 Going slowly 7 Forest spirit in a Miyazaki classic
- 8 Dot follower
- skirt 10 Collar attachment
- 11 Von Trapp
- daughter 12 Resulted in
- a radio station, e.g. 14 Word heard in a Spanish class roll

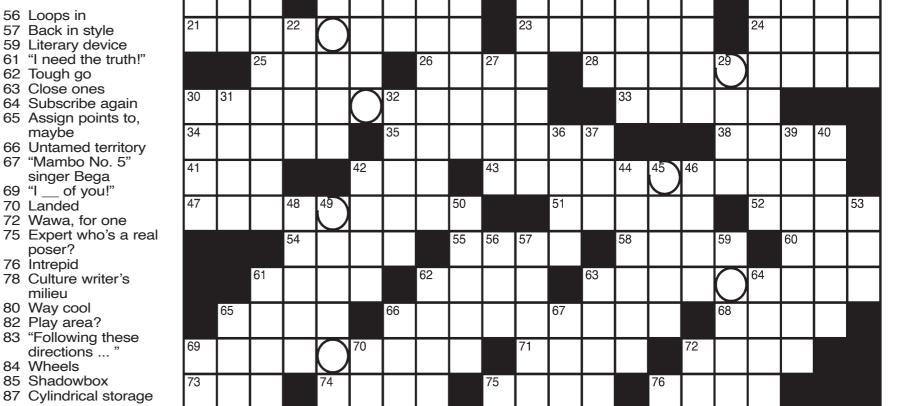
13 Four-letter name of

- call 15 Ride the waves
- 16 Confiscate 18 Backs (away)
- 19 Playwright Ibsen 22 Brand of hiking
- sandals 27 Naan kin
- 29 Jacobson of "Broad City"
- 30 The "Gee" in "Bee Gees'
- 31 Tomato type
- 32 Pop icon John 36 Put into a pot
- 37 Japanese drama 39 Epiphany trio
- 40 Italian 71-Across "The Vanishing Half" author
- Bennett 44 "Be ready to prove your age'
- 45 Comes apart at the 106 Tots, e.g. seams
- 46 Let out 48 Massage
- 49 "I have to know!"
- 50 Bowling alley lineup 53 ATM charge

- 56 Loops in
- 57 Back in style
- 59 Literary device 61 "I need the truth!"
- 62 Tough go
- 63 Close ones 64 Subscribe again 65 Assign points to,
- maybe 66 Untamed territory
- 67 "Mambo No. 5" singer Bega
- 69 "I \_\_ of you!" 70 Landed
- 72 Wawa, for one 75 Expert who's a real poser?
- 76 Intrepid 78 Culture writer's
- milieu 80 Way cool
- 82 Play area? 83 "Following these
- directions ... 84 Wheels
- 85 Shadowbox
- structure 88 Lifted
- 89 Verifiable 94 Collection of farm-
- fresh produce 95 Persian greetings?
- 96 Adhesive strip
- 98 Throw out 99 Big name in seltzer 100 Rib eye alternative
- 102 Takes to the cleaners
- 103 Folded food 104 100 cents
- 105 "Lucky" Grammy winner Jason
- 111 Close fam member 113 Film with the Oscar-winning
- song "Naatu Naatu" 114 Recruit
- 115 \_\_ blue

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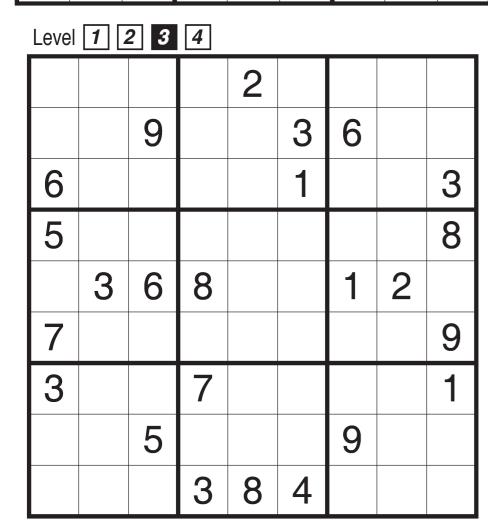
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## Sudoku

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### **Jumble**

#### THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME TUMB By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

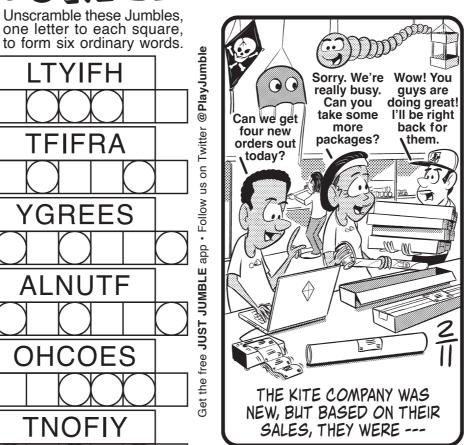
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# Last Week's Jumble Answers



## **Answer:**

**POETRY DIVERT BRANCH POISON EXPIRE GROWTH** 

Capitalizing the first letter of certain

names, nouns, etc. is the -

**PROPER** THING TO DO

# **Last Week's Crossword Answers**

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# Thursday's Horoscope

(2/15/2024)Benefits flow through family this year. Realize domestic dreams through consistent action. Shared finances could seem inconsistent. Shift travel or study directions this winter, before a communications breakthrough. Resolve a creative challenge next summer,

before your investigation reveals treasure. Home renovation and connection flowers Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 9 — Develop lucrative projects. Don't launch prematurely. Work out communications in advance. Refine the messaging. Anticipate questions and prepare responses. Edit carefully.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 9 — Talk about passions and dreams. Forgive miscommunications. Ignore rumors or gossip. Focus on personal priorities. Determine the plan and put pieces in place. Act strategically.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Today is a 6 — Take a refreshing pause. Intuition leads to powerful insight. Recharge while awaiting developments. Don't make assumptions. Monitor conditions closely. Rest and revise plans. Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is a 7 — Share encouragement and support with friends. Don't get pushy.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — Navigate professional projects around a challenge. Don't push someone who's not ready. Wait for better conditions to advance. Reinforce basic structures behind the scenes. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — Find a comfortable spot to pause your journey. Traffic delays or

Patiently resolve misunderstandings or awkward situations. Keep your bargains and agreements. Find laughter

blocked conditions encourage patience and alternative plans. Explore options. Find hidden beauty nearby. Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — Slow to reduce stress. Financial misunderstandings could get expensive. Practice extra patience, especially with your partner. Save time and money by avoiding arguments.

other by practicing patience and compassion. Help out with practical logistics. Rest and recharge together Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — Prioritize practicalities for your work and health. Slow for complications. Avoid accidents or mistakes. Revise routes, equipment and plans. Wait for better conditions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — You're especially clever. Find alternative routes around creative

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Take it easy with your partner. Avoid sensitivities. Support each

barriers. Work could interfere with play. Resolve romantic challenges in communication. Express your love and Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Home provides comfort and stability despite changes. Practice

patience and humor, especially with family and children. Look for the absurdity and find laughter. Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — Practice diplomacy, especially with controversial situations. Misunderstandings and lies abound. Patiently provide a calming influence. You may need to repeat yourself.

Choose words strategically Check back in the coming weeks. We will be featuring daily horocopes online on our website.