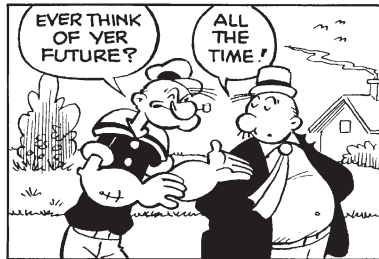
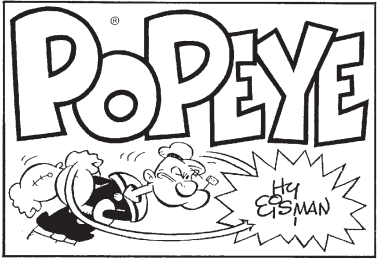
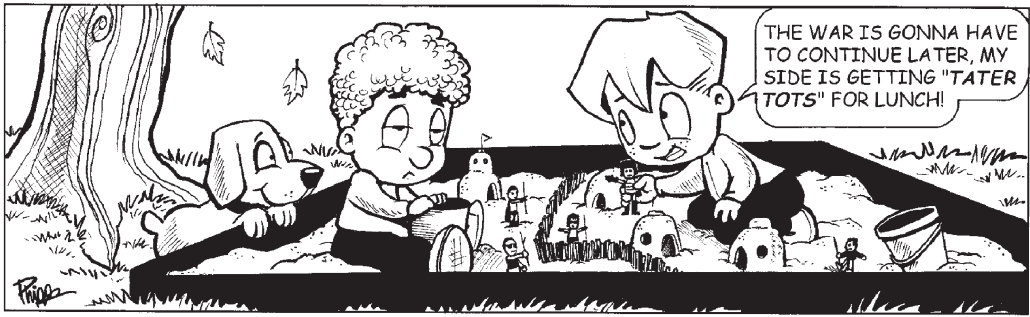


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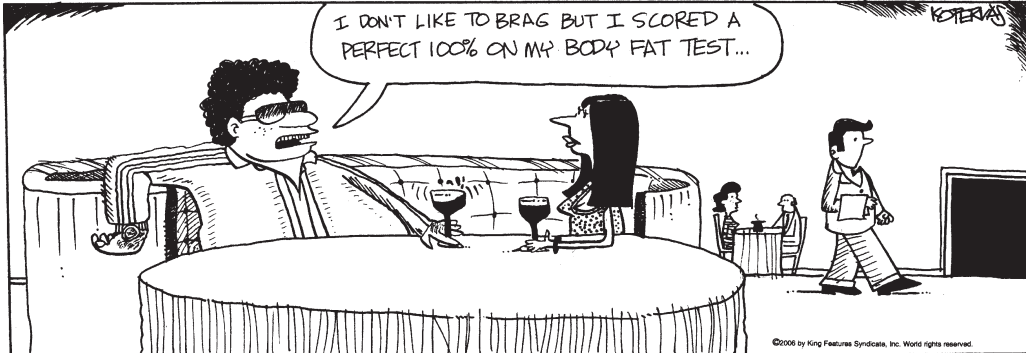
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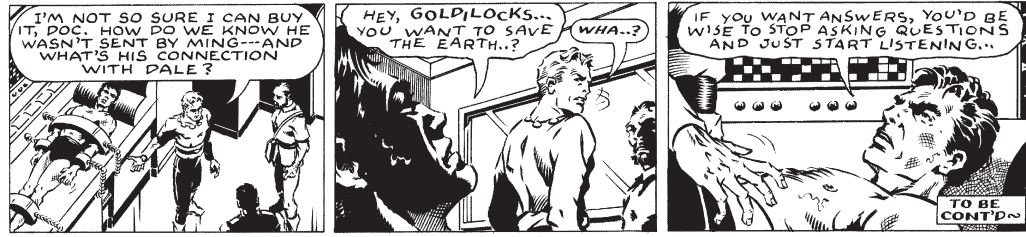
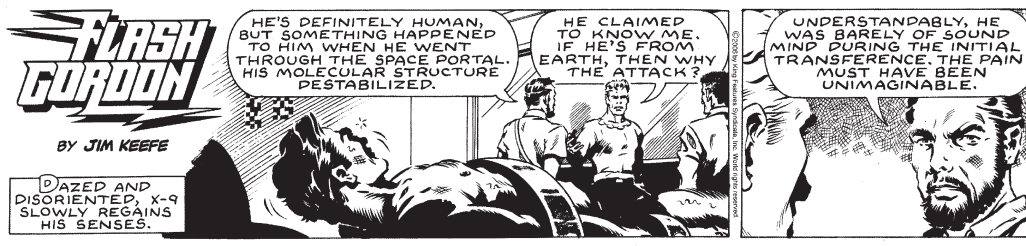
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SECRET AGENT X-9

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YOU ARE MR. ...? YES--YOU CAN CALL ME OBEYTER... IT'S NOT MY NAME, BUT I'LL DO.

DURING RAYMOND'S TENURE ON "SECRET AGENT X-9" HE WORKED SIMULTANEOUSLY ON TWO OTHER COMIC STRIPS... ...INTERNATIONAL ADVENTURER "JUNGLE JIM" AND A SCI-FI STRIP CALLED "FLASH GORDON".



LAFF-A-DAY



"If we want to go home in time for dinner, one of you will have to swallow your pride."

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

B	E	G	F	A	R	J	O	S
O	V	U	M	A	G	E	U	N
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Answer to last week's puzzle

Salome's Stars

For the Week of May 5, 2006

Aries (March 21 to April 19)

You're the first sign in the Zodiac and like to take the lead wherever you go. But this time, you'd be wise to follow someone who has much to teach you.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)

Your adversary hasn't given up trying to undermine you. Continue to stay cool -- someone in authority knows what's happening.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20)

Spring debuts with a positive aspect for relationships. Paired Twins grow closer, while the single set finds new romance -- perhaps with a Leo or Libra.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22)

Wavering aspects this week mean weighing your words carefully to avoid misunderstandings.

Leo (July 23 to August 22)

You could soon be on a new career path in pursuit of those long-standing goals, but don't cut any current ties until you're sure you're ready to make the change.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22)

A former colleague wants to re-establish an old professional connection. It would be wise to make the contact, at least until you know what he or she is planning.

Libra (September 23 to October 22)

A relationship that survived some rocky moments could be facing a new challenge. Deal with the problem openly, honestly and without delay. Good luck.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21)

A recent and much-appreciated change in the workplace inspires you to make some changes in your personal life as well. Start with a plan to travel more.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21)

A friend needs your kind and caring advice, but you need to know what he or she is hiding from you before you agree to get involved.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19)

Your circle of friends continues to widen. Expect to hear from someone in your past who hopes to re-establish your once-close relationship.

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18)

Your aspects favor the arts. Indulge in whatever artistic expression you enjoy most. A workplace situation will, I'm pleased to say, continue to improve.

Pisces (February 19 to March 20)

Warning! Your tendency to let things slide until the last minute could have a negative effect on a relationship that you hope can develop into something meaningful.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- Low poker hand
- Pocket watch chain
- Liniment target
- Discourteous
- Jima
- "Take -Train"
- Press
- Unambitious types
- Half a winter twosome
- Piano style
- Tinkerbell's handful
- Black bird
- Sails near the stern
- Coaster
- Lubricate
- Packs cargo
- Shelter
- Rosary component
- Running shoes
- Miller Sebastian
- Deserve
- Missouri tribe
- Revolt participant
- Picket line group
- Story
- Tardy
- Actor McBride
- Authentic
- Mine diggings
- Heavy weight
- Egg part
- Bedspread fabric
- Roll-call reply
- Bridge position
- Bookkeeper (Abbr.)
- Fifth Avenue
- Hum
- Bawl
- Fame
- Trawler gear
- Hooter
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- Diet doctor
- Robert
- Moines
- Wrap of India
- Orphaned cattle
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- Overly proper one
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