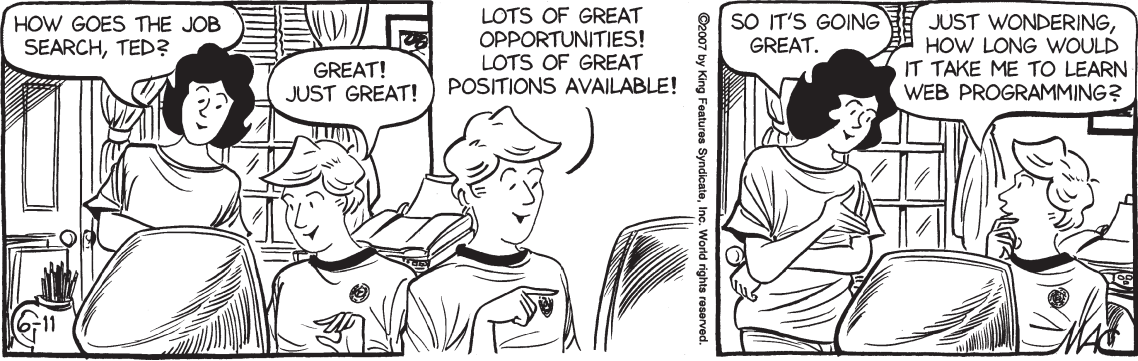
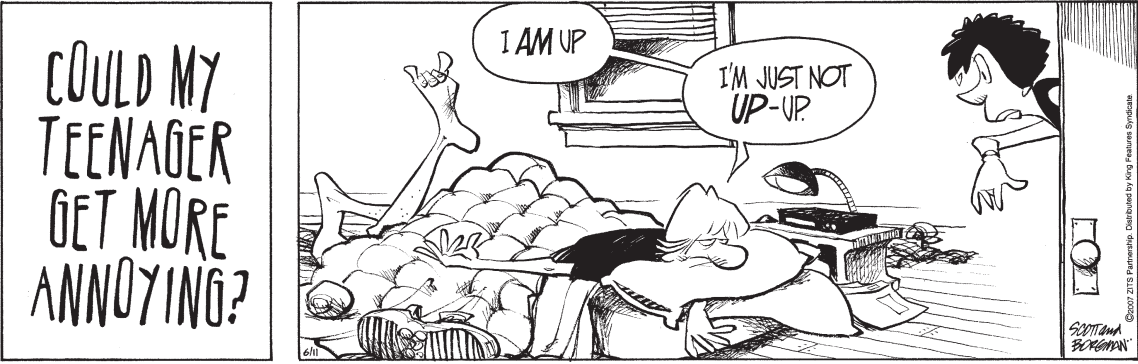


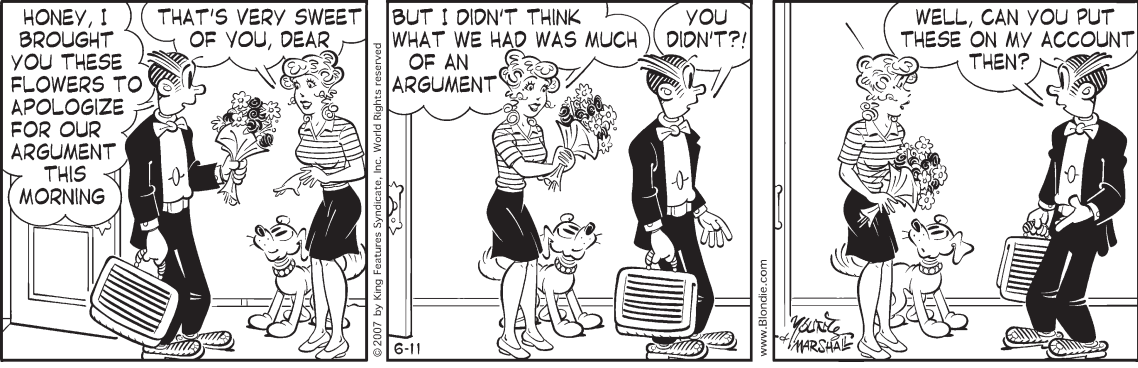
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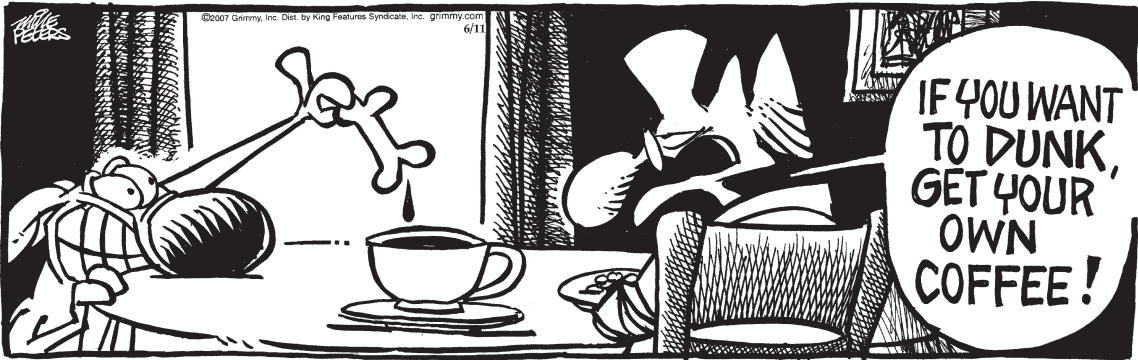
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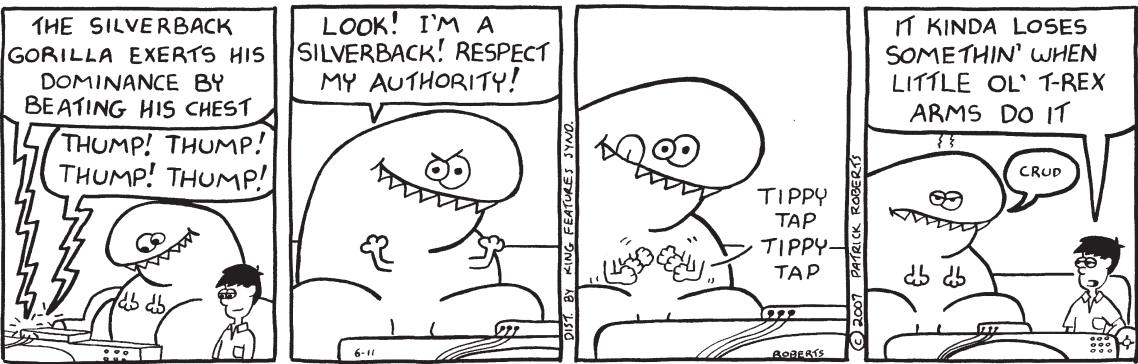
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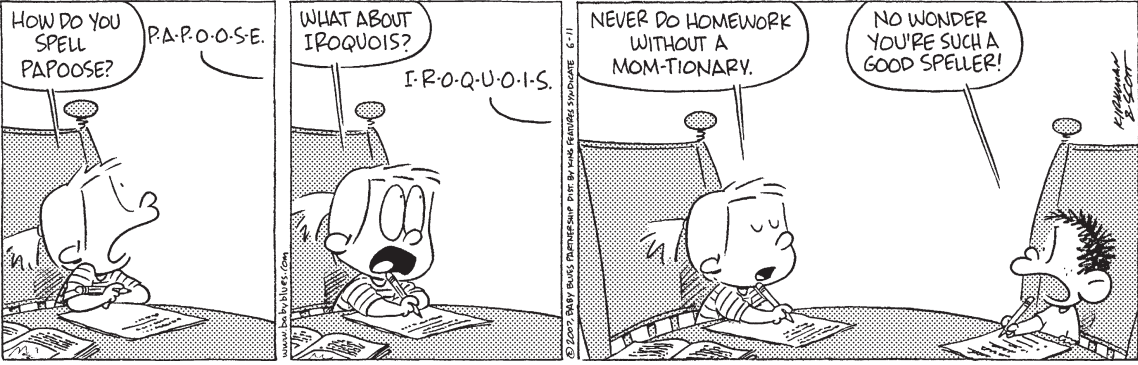
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Cryptoquip

TH T DNYM NQ MUUAU
NGASJ JKM YTQP AH GCAAP
OADMGAPB KNO, T UMIYAQ
TJ IASCP GM N JBRM-A JBRA.
Saturday's Cryptoquip: IN A TELEMARTETING
OFFICE, DO YOU SUPPOSE EMPLOYEES'
CO-WORKERS ARE CONSIDERED CALL-
LEAGUES?
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: U equals R

Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

		7		1		3		
	1	5				9	8	
6	9			7			4	2
			4		7			
4		8				2		3
			3		8			
1	3			5			6	8
	6	9				7	3	
		4		3		5		

Difficulty Level ★

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This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to today's Sudoku puzzle is right.

8	4	7	9	1	2	3	5	6
2	1	5	6	4	3	9	8	7
6	9	3	8	7	5	1	4	2
3	2	6	4	9	7	8	1	5
4	7	8	5	6	1	2	9	3
9	5	1	3	2	8	6	7	4
1	3	2	7	5	9	4	6	8
5	6	9	2	8	4	7	3	1
7	8	4	1	3	6	5	2	9

Difficulty Level ★

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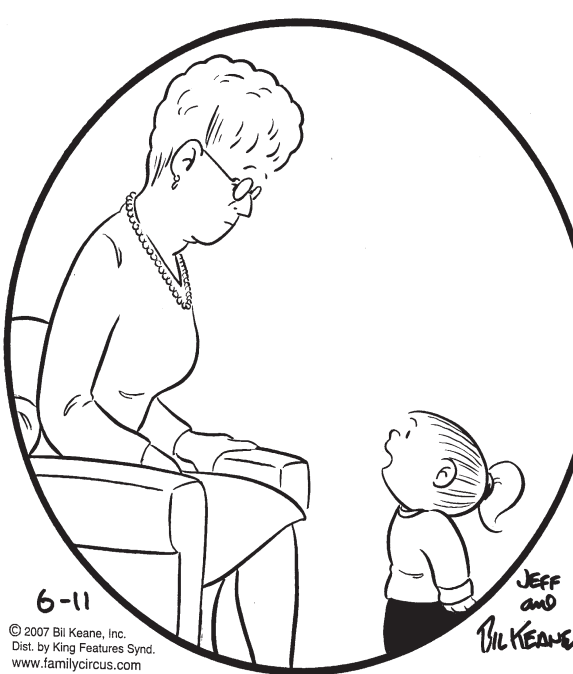
Bridge

West dealer.
North-South vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ 10 9
♥ A K J 9 7 6 2
♦ A 4
♣ J 3
WEST
♠ K Q J 8 7 6 4 2
♥ 4
♦ K J 5
♣ 6
EAST
♠ 3
♥ 8 5 3
♦ Q 10 8 7 6 2
♣ 9 7 5
SOUTH
♠ A 5
♥ Q 10
♦ 9 3
♣ A K Q 10 8 4 2
The bidding:
West
1 ♠
4 ♠
5 ♠
6 ♠
Pass
7 ♠
Dble
North
2 ♥
4 NT
Pass
Pass
6 NT
Pass
Pass
East
Pass
Pass
Pass
Pass
Pass
Pass
Pass
South
3 NT
Pass
6 ♣
Dble
Pass
7 NT
Opening lead — king of spades.

Famous Hand

My brother, Mike, is the source of this deal, which he played in a pair championship some years ago. He held the North hand and overcalled one spade with two hearts.
South now had a wide choice of bids. He realized his side had a game, but he had no way of knowing where. One possibility was to cuebid spades to try to find the best landing place. Another possibil But South decided the best score at match points might lie in notrump. Accordingly, he jumped to three notrump, running the risk that the diamond suit might be run against him.
West, not vulnerable, bid four spades, and Mike bid four notrump. This was not Blackwood, but merely a raise in notrump. West then bid five spades, which Mike passed. The pass was meant to encourage his partner to go on — otherwise, he would have doubled. South accepted the invitation, revealing his club suit for the first time.
West then bid six spades, doubled by South, but Mike, unwilling to accept a small penalty in lieu of a slam, converted the double to six notrump. After East and South passed, West reasoned that the slam would surely be made, so he pushed on to seven spades.
Once more Mike made an invitational pass, which South again accepted, bidding seven notrump. West doubled, but declarer had three more tricks than he needed. The stop-and-go manner in which the laydown grand slam was reached is surely one of the strangest this department has ever heard of.

Family Circus • Bil Keane



“Grandma, could I have that necklace when it gets too small for you?”

Crossword

ACROSS
1 Mediocre
5 Treasure seeker's aid
8 Singer Suzanne
12 Tubular pasta
14 "American"
15 Grandly dramatic
16 "Arri-vederci"
17 Homer's interjection
18 Fine fish container?
20 Bonfire residue
23 Half (Pref.)
24 Rain in buckets
25 Best
28 Shade tree
29 Cove
30 Stolen
32 The great outdoors
34 Darling
35 N.Dak.
36 Horror-film villain
37 Past
40 Varnish ingredient
41 Laugh-a-minute
42 Phone-company employee
47 Desire
48 Break
49 Afternoon get-togethers
50 Dandy
51 Staircase component
DOWN
1 Sis' relative
19 Send forth
20 Gorilla
21 Unaccompanied
22 Camel feature
23 Bowler's problem
25 Occasionally
26 Throat-clearing sound
27 Silty soil
29 Part of the loop
31 Attempt
33 Overacts
34 Old gold coins
36 Artist
37 Very dry, as champagne
38 Green land
39 Spiritual discipline
40 Bound
43 Aye voter
44 Egyptian boy king
45 Raw rocks
46 Agent, for short
Solution time: 24 mins.
Saturday's answer 6-11

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12				13				14		
15								16		
			17			18	19			
20	21	22			23					
24				25				26	27	
28			29					30	31	
	32	33					34			
		35				36				
37	38	39			40					
41				42	43			44	45	46
47				48						
49				50			51			

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