PUZZLES

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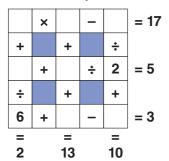
MIND THE GAP

Place a well-known three-letter word in the spaces of each row to complete the seven-letter word. Do it correctly and the shaded squares will spell out a word.

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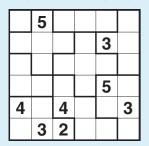
SET SQUARE

Place each of the digits 1 to 9 in the grid to make the sums work. We've started you with two numbers.



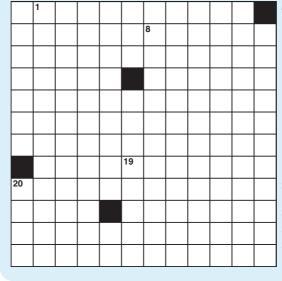
SUGURU

Each cell in an outlined block must contain a digit: a two-cell block contains the digits 1 and 2, a three-cell block contains the digits 1, 2 and 3; and so on. The same digit must not appear in neighbouring cells, not even diagonally.



SKELETON

With this puzzle the black squares have to be filled in as well as the words. For a start, four black squares and four numbers have been inserted.



ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Talent spotters 2 French castle
- 8 One who pens stories
- 9 Walk awkwardly
- 10 Absorb
- 11 Windflower
- 12 Look of contempt
- 15 Male rabbits
- 19 Repeated
- 20 Covered with blooms
- **21** Stir
- 22 Head count 23 Greatly

- 3 Clear (a drain)
- 4 Reddish turnips
- 5 Irritate
- 6 Hot spring
- 7 Customary
- 13 Snaring
- 14 Rotating visual sphere
- 15 Dogma
- 16 Bob (to royalty)
- 17 Bespatter
- 18 Inception

SPIRAL

In this spiral crossword the last letter of the previous clue forms the first letter of the next clue. The shaded diagonal will spell out an actor (6,7).

- 1 Areas inside a house (5)
- 2 Bulge, expand (5)
- 3 Sweet on a stick (8)
- 4 Common garden fruit tree (4)
- 5 Gave answers (to) (9)
- 6 Section of a large store (10)
- 7 Psychoanalyst, counsellor (9)
- 8 Small stirring utensils (9)
- 9 Wonderful, marvellous (6)
- 10 Australian curved weapons (10)
- 11 Mark of a wound (4)
- 12 Background reading and study (8)
- 13 London-style taxi (7,3)
- 14 Place to display large advertisements (9)
- 15 Godly nature (10)
- 16 Enjoying the taste of (9)
- 17 Common flowering patio plant (8)
- 18 German car make (8)
- 19 Competitive games (6)
- 20 Light frozen raindrops (10) 21 Serialised TV drama (4,5)
- 22 Book of photographs (5)
- 23 Twelve noon (6)
- 24 Feel longing (for) (5)
- 25 Idea, thought (6)
- 26 Closer (6)



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