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decaying clothing. He was using a chisel to chip away at a headstone.

"We thought you were a ghost! What are you doing to that tombstone in the middle of the night?"

"My wife misspelled my name!"

That Sucks

A vampire bat came flapping in from the night covered in fresh blood and parked himself on the roof of the cave to get some sleep.

The other bats smelled the blood and began hassling him about where he got it. He told them to knock it off and let him get some sleep but they persisted until finally he gave in.

"OK, follow me," he said and flew out of the cave with hundreds of bats behind him. Down through a valley they went, across a river and into a forest full of trees.

Finally he slowed down and all the other bats excitedly milled around him. "Do you see that tree over there?" he asked.

"Yes, yes, yes!" the bats all screamed. "Well," the bloodied bat said,

" I SURE DIDN'T!"





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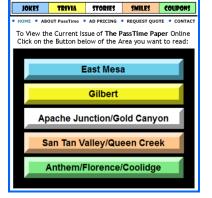
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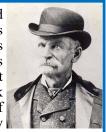
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* On Nov. 3, 1883, California bandit and stagecoach robber Black Bart, born Charles E. Boles and famous for his daring as well as his habit of occasionally leaving short poems at the scenes of his crimes, held up his last stagecoach. While he initially made a quick getaway, he was done in by the handkerchief with a laundry mark he'd inadvertently dropped and spent four years in San Quentin prison.



- * On Nov. 5, 2024, former President Donald Trump was elected to a second term in office, becoming the first president to serve nonconsecutive terms since 1892
- On Nov. 4, 1928, Arnold Rothstein, a legendary New York



gambler with a fortune estimated at about \$50 million, was shot during a poker game at Manhattan's Park Central Hotel. He died in the hospital two days later without revealing the name of his assassin, though the fellow gambler who'd invited him to the game was tried for the crime, and acquitted.

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- * On Nov. 8, 1970, Tom Dempsey, a professional football kicker, though he was born with no toes on his right foot, launched a 63-yard field goal in his custom shoe and set a new NFL record, beating the previous record by seven yards.
- * On Nov. 6, 1977, the Toccoa Falls Dam in Georgia collapsed just hours after a volunteer fireman inspected it and found everything in order, with 39 people dying in the resulting flood.
- * On Nov. 7, 1943, Roberta Joan Anderson, now known to the world as Joni Mitchell and dubbed the greatest female guitarist of all time by Rolling Stone magazine, was born in Fort MacLeod, Alberta, Canada. She cemented her status in the music world as a composer rather than performer, with David Geffen of Geffen Records noting in 1994 that, "Even

though we lost money on every one of her records, we always treated Joni as one of the most important artists in the world."

* On Nov. 9, 1956, French philosopher and author Jean-Paul Sartre, a long-time admirer of the Soviet Union, denounced both the USSR and its communist system following the Soviet invasion of Hungary.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

I DON'T KNOW WHY IT WON'T WORK. EITHER THIS COMPUTER HAS GOTTEN TOO OLD OR WE HAVE.



MAY THE LORD OUR GOD BE WITH YOU

Crossword

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆ ◆ ◆

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: M equals S

MYVTT PVZGJJQ MOSRZWRZJ

EWJ ZRVPWRM WAM YJMG

SJERZHOT HJZY AQ GWR HVTT

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- **1. COMICS:** What is Thor's home planet?
- **2. LITERATURE:** Which of Charles Dickens' novels has a character named Miss Havisham?
- **3. ANATOMY:** What is the largest muscle in the human body?
- **4. MOVIES:** In the movie "Zombieland," what sweet treat is Woody Harrelson's character searching for?
- **5. ASTRONOMY:** What is the largest moon of Jupiter?
- **6. TELEVISION:** How does George Costanza's fiancee die on "Seinfeld"?
- **7. ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a quahog?
- **8. GEOGRAPHY:** How many countries does the Amazon River and its tributaries flow through?
- **9. ENTERTAINERS:** Where is Elvis Presley's home, Graceland?
- **10. SCIENCE:** What is the study of clouds called?

7. Type of clam.
8. Nine (Peru, Colombia, Brazil, Ecuador, Bolivia, Venezuela, Guyana, Suriname and French Guiana).
9. Memphis, Tennessee.
10. Nephology.
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6. Poisoned by licking cheap wedding invitation envelopes.

Ganymede.

4. Twinkies.

2. "Great Expectations." 3. Gluteus maximus.

1. Asgard. 7. "Great Expectation

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Answers

Al in Everyday Life: How Artificial Intelligence is Quietly Making Your World Better

Artificial intelligence (AI) is no longer a futuristic dream. It's here, it's everywhere, and it's woven into the routines of everyday people. You may not see it, but AI is working behind the scenes—from the moment you wake up to the moment you go to bed—making life easier, safer, and more personalized.

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FEW THINGS ARE SCARIER THAN HUNDREDS OF OVERTIRED KIDS IN COSTUMES ALL HYPED UP ON SUGAR

CryptoQuip answer

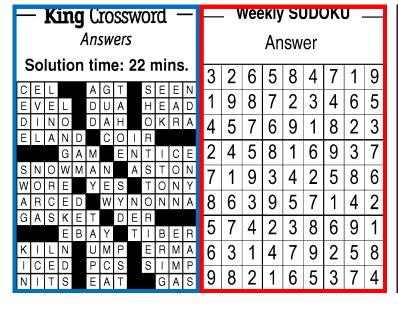
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By Lucie Winbourne

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* The average freediver can hold their breath for approximately 10 minutes, much longer than the average healthy, fit human but well short of the Guinness World Record time of 22 minutes.

* During the Middle Ages, the majority of western maps placed east rather than north at the top.

* Diamonds are the only gem made of a single element, at nearly 99.95% carbon, the most commonly found element on Earth.

* After the axle, the first wheels did not appear on any mode of transportation, but on a child's toy. Scholars estimate that it took another three centuries after wheels were used in pottery and toymaking for them to be applied to transportation.

* The Great Pyramid at Giza has over 2 million stone blocks, each with an average weight of more than 2 tons.

* Two days after Alexander Graham Bell died at his summer home in Nova Scotia on Aug. 2, 1922, all telephone service in the United States and Canada was suspended for a full minute at the precise moment when he was lowered into his grave.

* Just 10% of an incandescent light bulb's energy produces light. The remaining 90% produces heat.

* At the 2007 French Open, Venus Williams' serve sent the ball flying at 129 miles per hour, the second fastest serve by a woman ever recorded. It was also

the fastest recorded in a

)) = main draw match at that
time.

* Most people think you gain 5 to 10 pounds over Thanksgiving, but you'll be glad to know the average amount is really just a single pound.

Thought for the Day: "I'd rather attempt to do something great and fail than to attempt to do nothing and succeed." --Robert H. Schuller

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