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### Meta Puzzle: Passionate Lovers

The individual puzzles can all be paired off, with both items falling into the same category. There is a dictionary word defining a lover of items in that category.

METROPOLITAN/PAINTINGS	Fine art	DILETTANTE
BLUSH, ROSE	Wine	OENOPHILE
SMORGASBORD, RHUBARB	Food	GASTRONOME
DIZZY GILLESPIE, MONK	Jazz	JAZZIST
SYLVESTER, MORRIS	Cats	AILUROPHILE
PROOF, ANGLES	Math	PHILOMATH
SCHUBERT, CHOPIN	Classical Music	LONGHAIR

For each tile, the number is the Nth letter of one of two people in that couple. Unnumbered spaces spell **Don Juan**.

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### Harold's Puzzle

Each answer is the latter half of a well-known movie, where the first part is always a gerund.

Answers: (Swimming) To Cambodia, (Trading) Places, (Walking) Tall, (Blazing) Saddles, (Leaving) Las Vegas, (Boxing) Helena, (Romancing) The Stone, (Educating) Rita, (Pushing) Tin, (Finding) Nemo, (Driving) Miss Daisy, (Breaking) Away, (Kissing) A Fool, (Staying) Alive, (Running) Scared, (Raising) Arizona, (Coming) To America, (Being) John Malkovich

Taking the nth letter (from the parenthesis), you'll get STALLONE'S FIRST NAME which is **Sylvester**.

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### Ophelia's Puzzle

Trivia question answers in order: the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment, Apollo 13, The Last Supper, 14 Points, First Night, Last Tango in Paris, One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, Ten Cents A Dime, Leaderboard, 7-Up, Nine Inch Nails, Two Pair, Decathlon, 7 Days in May, petit fours, epicenter, secondary colors, George III

Paul Lynde is in the center, Richard Simmons is above him, and Triumph is either to his left or right. Tina Fey is right below Triumph, and on the left side of the board. Following the game, Topher is on the opposite side of Paul Lynde from Tina Fey. There are three women remaining, so Caroline Rhea can't be in the bottom row; she's in the top row. Montel can't be in the center, nor can Ellen Degeneres, Charo is. Following the game, Ellen is on the right, Montel on the left, giving us

T	RS	CR
TF	PL	TG
MW	C	ED

Each trivia answer involves a number, or position. Using that number as an index, one gets these letters in the two games.

TSC	IIN
TAE	INC
MON	TAE

Taking just X's, you'll get TICTACTOE; taking just O's, you'll get ISNINEMAN. Nine Man Morris is a game similar to Tic-Tac-Toe. The answer is **Morris**.

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### Opie's Puzzle

Answers to the clues are laughed, demeter, rec room, montana, android, dilutor, road map, pace lap, pass out, tuatara, arsenal, latinos, sounder, reasons, scuffed, dewlaps, sprouts, stewart, trieste, eternal. Answers are entered in a square adjacent to the inner circle, go out, and then come back in.

Letters in the outer squares spell GERTRUDE STEIN'S FLOWER, the answer to which is **rose**.

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### Roger's Puzzle

Cut out and fold the illustrations, inward for dotted lines, outward for dashed lines. Combining two of them together will create a cube of 3x3x3 size, with four dotted sides and two shaded sides.

Shaded letters fall on the faces 1 through 6. In order they spell **Chopin**.

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### Sophia's Puzzle

Clues: Willowy, hoagies, artwork, toucans, discord, on the go, torches, hashish, enjoyed, yoplait, hubris, addict, viewed, effuse, issuer, nibble, crafty, obtain, Murphy, miscue, orchid, nuclei

Acrostic: Idiots Delight. The Old Maid. Harvey. Wit. Buried Child. Seascape. Icebound. J. B.. Both Your Houses. Our Town. Lost In Yonkers. Fences. South Pacific. A Chorus Line. Craig's Wife. Why Marry.

Reading down first letters spell What do they have in common? All of the items are Pulitzer Prize winning players. Yellow shaded letters spell David Auburn's Play. David Auburn won a Pulitzer for **Proof**.

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### Alisha's Puzzle

This puzzle took a savage beating in the last days before release. Previously the puzzle had been a very pretty urn, with the normal clues in circles, the vowelless clues in curves, and the cryptogram forming tiers of the urn. The art program I had been using became unavailable. Whoops!

Every third line is a different type of clue: the normal clues all lead to three letter answers with both the second and third letters vowels. In order, AAA, DAO, EAU, FEA, GEE, JEU, KIA, LIE, MII, NIO, ROI, SOO, and VUE. From here one can fill in the blanks with BAE, CAI, etc.

The curvy clues, which are all vowelless, have the following answers.

SOFT ROCK (Radio music format that includes Billy Joel)  
BACKSPIN (Possible rotary motion for a cue ball)  
WEST WING (Rob Lowe left this show to do *The Lyon's Den*)  
HAMPSTER (Kid's pet similar to a gerbil)  
DOGFIGHT (Battle between two planes)  
LONG JUMP (Part of a decathlon that has a running start)

REST STOP (Place on the highway to refuel and relax)  
PREGNANT (With child)  
NEW WORLD (The Americas, in the eyes of the Europeans)  
GOLDBLUM (Actor Jeff of Transylvania Six Five Thousand)  
FOLK SONG (If I Had a Hammer", for example)  
ABSTRACT (Salvador Dali style)  
BRUSSELS (Capital of Belgium)

Each of the answers has two vowels. (Note that Y does not appear in the answers, although it does appear in some clues.) Decoding by vowel pairs, one gets SCHBRTIFITSAV, or SCHBRT, if it's a V. V in the grid is UE, so adding U and E to these letters gives **Schubert**.

(Errata: Early versions had Churlish as the last answer; this however was incorrect.)

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### Teresa's Puzzle

This is a simple math substitution puzzle, except it's in base 13. The cards represent base 13 numbers. In order from 0 to C: 7, J, 10, 6, 8, 5, A, 4, K, 9, Q, 2, and 3.

The cards on the right represent numbers from 1 to 26 (in base 13 of course), and spell out **smorgasbord**.

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### Helena's Puzzle

Outer perimeter: From clockwise top left, Early Edition, Foreign Correspondent, All The President's Men, Eight is Enough, The Naked Truth, Superman, Suddenly Susan, The Paper, The Odd Couple. Inner: Bloom County, Lou Grant, Brenda Starr, Spiderman.

Each of these features a newspaper or magazine. [Chicago Sun-Times, New York Globe, Washington Post, San Francisco Gazette, Comet, Daily Planet, The Gate, New York Sun, New York Herald, Bloom Beacon, Los Angeles Tribune, The Flash, Daily Bugle.] Matching them up with the blanks will result in the starred letters spelling out MAYA GALLOS MAG. On Just Shoot Me, the name of the magazine is **Blush**.

Notes: Bloom County had both the Bloom Beacon and Bloom Picayune as their newspaper, but in that particular strip, taken from Opus's Olive Loaf Vigilante days, includes the title Bloom Beacon. How I thought anyone would get Foreign Correspondent is beyond me.

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### Lizzie's Puzzle

Answers to the clues (clues are in alphabetical order by answer): American Eagle, black death, blowhard, bootblack, bullhorn, cooking oil, courtship, deadhead, death blow, earring, fitting room, free trade, hardtack, half rest, headstone, home cooking, horn pipe, K-Tel, *Night Court*, North American, other half, papl bull, pipe fitting, play dead, raw sugar, rest home, ring true, search engine, secret agent, shape up, shipshape, Special K, *Star Search*, Stone Cold, sugar free, Telstar, true north, underplay, up root

These can be joined together to form series. Each of these series matches the license plates with the first and last word matching the numbers, and middle four words matching the four letters.

Arkansas: Special K Tel Star Search Engine  
Florida: Under Play Dead Head Stone Cold  
Indiana: Papal Bull Horn Pipe Fitting Room  
Massachusetts: Ear Ring True North American Eagle  
Nevada: Raw Sugar Free Trade Secret Agent  
Oklahoma: Boot Black Death Blow Hard Tack  
Utah: Other Half Rest Home Cooking Oil  
West Virginia: Night Court Ship Shape Up Root

First letters of the first words and last words spell SUPERBON/ECREATOR. Answer is **Dizzy Gillespie**.

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### Lottie's Puzzle

The sets and their images are:

Colors	Cyan, Yellow, Black	Magenta
Rock groups	Who, Police, Doors	Eagles
Hits in baseball	Single, Double, Homer	Triple
Chinese zodiac	Tiger, Monkey, Dragon	Rabbit
Shoes	Boot, Mule, Pump	Oxford
Cartoon Mice	Dot, Jerry, Itchy	Pinky
Sesame Street	Grover, Count, Big Bird	Oscar
Calif. Basketball	King, Clipper, Warrior	Laker
Elements	Krypton, Silver, Helium	Iodine
Monopoly Pieces	Wheelbarrow, Car, Shoe	Top Hat
Gods	Diana, Vulcan, Pluto	Apollo
Bible books	Job, Samuel, Judges	Numbers

First letters of the misordered images spell **Metropolitan**.

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### Nate's Puzzle

Clue answers: volante, topics, not all, outies, cistern, exalts, erinite, cablets, lentil, aerates, scenic, slakes, eisner, cresase, elands, soirees, dancers, lidless, sateen, siecles, ensnarl, series, Enrico, dorsal, oneiro-, Dorca's, Lindor, rose ear, ironic, largos, heroin, actors, loaner, vireos, octane, Liston

The possible added letters are L and R. Other letters are  
1-18: O 19-36: E  
1-12: R 13-24: T 25-36: S  
Even: S Odd: N  
Red: I Black: A

Individual letters, starting with 15, spell V PLUS XI, BLACK, RED, ODD, TEN, RED, ODD, EIGHT, EVEN. Taking these specific letters spell out **paintings**.

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### Moog's Puzzle

Numbers in the right hand column indicate which letters to take from the specific answers. For example, 53 for California indicates that you should take the 5<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> letter to get FL.

Categories and lists: (resulting phrase)

- \*\* A state with a coastline: California, North Carolina, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Alaska (FLORIDA)
- \*\* A card game: Euchre, Canasta, Solitaire, Fantan, Spades (HEARTS)
- \*\* An unusual pet: Alligator, jaguar, orangutan, aardvark (IGUANA)
- \*\* A country in Africa: Sudan, Zimbabwe, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Angola (NAMIBIA)
- \*\* Something you read in the newspaper: Crossword, Ann Landers, Movie Listings, Obituaries, Op-Ed, Box Scores (WANT ADS)

\*\* An event you might dress up for: Wedding, Funeral, Interview, Reunion (DINNER)

\*\* A musical instrument: Guitar, Cymbals, Accordion, Snare Drum, Rattle (TAMBOUR)

In each case, the numbers do not add up to 100. Subtracting the totals from 100 give a single-digit number. Using that as an index to the final answers provides the letters **rhubarb**.

### Stan's Puzzle

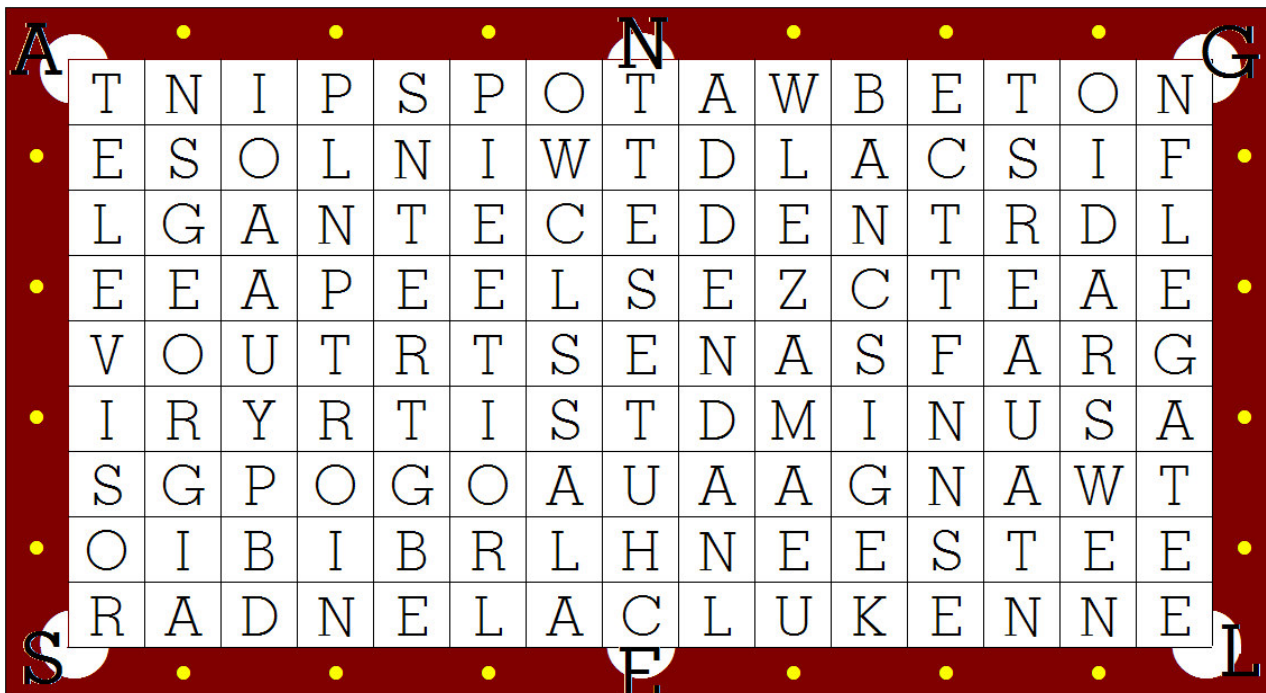
A straightforward cryptogram: the first eight letters of the alphabet decode as NETWORKS.

- The L Word (Showtime)
- Six Feet Under (HBO)
- Desperate Housewives (ABC)
- Strong Medicine (Lifetime TV for Women)
- Design on a Dime (HGTV)
- Shotgun Journal (Outdoor Channel)
- Girlfriends (UPN)
- Queer Eye and the Straight Guy (Bravo)
- Farscape (Sci Fi)
- Girls Behaving Badly (Oxygen)
- South Park (Comedy Central)
- Kim Possible (Disney)
- Epicurious (Travel Channel)
- Tilt (ESPN)
- Forensic Files (Court TV)

Reading the first letters of the networks for each show, you'll get SHALHOUB'S OCD TEC. This is **Monk** (a show on the USA network).

### Milt's Puzzle

Answers start in the numbered squares and go in any of the eight cardinal directions, bouncing off the cushions if necessary. Six answers are too long to fit. The extra letters will fall into the pockets. The letters in order spell **angles**.



1. TE(LEVI'S/n)OR, NO+NETS; 2. NIPSeY; 3. S+POT; 4. TO(PS+PI)N; 4. TWE(E/n)TY; 5. ADDENDA\*; 6. BANCS (*banks* hom.); 6. BE(TO)N; 7. NOT E (pun); 7. coNFLuence; 8. LOSE (*loos* hom.); 9. enTWINed; 10. C+RAGS; 11. SCA(L)D; 12. FISCAL\*; 13. larGEORGIAnt; 14. ANT(ECE)DENT; 15. LEG+A+TEE; 16. E+GO; 17. hyANNisport; 18. S+EZ; 18. SLEEP (rev.); 19. TACKychaSTE; 20. VEAL (only once "reveal"); 21. TROI\*; 22. RECTAL\*; 23. ACTS OF DEFIANCE\* 24. SA+NEST; 25. ANGEL-HAIR PASTA\*; 26. RED SEA (seared); 27. GRAF (*graph* hom.); 28. I TinereaRY 29. TAR+E; 30. DUL(L)BOY\* 31. MI+NUS (rev.) 32. haSTENS; 33. PIER (pun) 33. POG+O (rev.) 34. GRA(H+A)MS; 34. GRUEL\*; 35. A+MUSE; 36. TWA+NG; 36. T.A.G.; 37. duBIOus; 37. BO(T+T+LED+W)ATER; 38. BI+BI; 38. BOSE (*beau's* hom.); 39. HAMSTRING\*; 40. NA+IF 41. IN(s)URE; 41. ES+TEE; 42. resTAUrant; 43. DISRUPTION\*; 44. L+END; 45. A+CLUb; 45. dALAS; 46. CALENDARS\*; 46. CHUTES (*shoots* hom.); 46. C(L)OTTAGE; 47. fLUKE; 48. KEATS\*; 48. KENNEL (*ken'll* hom.); 49. NEWSRADIO\*