

Island 9

Meta Puzzle: Axel-Hopper's Lament

Each answer is a synonym of an American Hockey League team. Use the judges score to determine which letter (first number) and order (second number).

Teach	6.0	Pirates	E
Beep beep	4.1	Roadrunners	D
Medusa	4.2	Lock Monsters	K
Opus	2.3	Penguins	E
Queen	1.4	Monarchs	M
Spree	4.5	Rampage	P
Bullwinkle	5.6	Moose	E
Eleventh Hour	2.7	Crunch	R

The answer is **Ed Kemper**.

Fourteen

Each line are five interlaced words...two rhyming pairs and one extra word. Each of these sets is from a Shakespearean sonnet. In parenthesis is the word used to rhyme with the leftover word.

husbandry & posterity, another & mother, womb (tomb)
chary & wary, slain & again, will (ill)
flowers & hours, upset & counterfeit, rhyme (time)
car & are, majesty & eye, pilgrimage (age)
sweetness & meetness, urge & purge, feeding (needing)
invoke & date, rehearse & verse, excellent (invent)
assured & recured, thee & melancholy, slide (abide)
astronomy & quality, derive & thrive, luck (pluck)
increase & decrease, cruel & fuel, content (ornament)
cloak & smoke, grief & relief, deeds (sheds)
veins & gains, cheek & seek, society (impiety)
betray & away, less & wantonness, state (translate)
usest & refusest, receivest & deceivest, poverty (injury)
memory & masonry, monuments & contents, burn (overturn)
ghost & boast, intelligence & thence, write (night)
wrong & young, paws & jaws, brow (allow)
slave & crave, beck & check, pleasure (leisure)
scorn & forsworn, acquainted & attained, fight (light)
fruit & mute, cheer & near, everywhere (year)

First letters spell TITANIA POSITIONALLY, which is **queen**.

Bullseye

Dartboard hits represent the letters that make up the answer words; there are however two separate dartboards in play.

Answers: entente, assays, LA Law, The The, Kafka, dikdik, kook, Zappa, error, deeded, toe-to-toe, penne, Annan, aye aye, zen, weeded, pompom, Kiwi, pop off, heel, melee, muumuu, Dr. Dre, Sak's, Emma

Hits in the outer ring count as doubles, hits in the inner ring count as triples. Through logic, it's possible to determine the letters of each dartboard. Taking the letters 1-20 from each dartboard, one gets:

TAKENAMEOFTHEPUZZLEM
AKEEYEWINKDROPSADDLE

Take Bullseye, replace EYE with WINK, drop the S and add LE to get **Bullwinkle**.

What's On The Radio?

The lyrics are from popular songs about cars and driving, put through the babelfish translator (going from English->Dutch->French->German->English). The songs are:

Pink Cadillac
Mustang Sally
American Pie
I Can't Drive 55
Dead Man's Curve
Car Wash
On The Road Again.
Bitchin' Camaro
road to nowhere
Fun, Fun, Fun
Maybelline
Car 54 Where Are You

The starred letters spell out PLAYMATES CAR SONG IT HIT NUMBER 4, which was the novelty song **beep beep**.

Oyster Shells

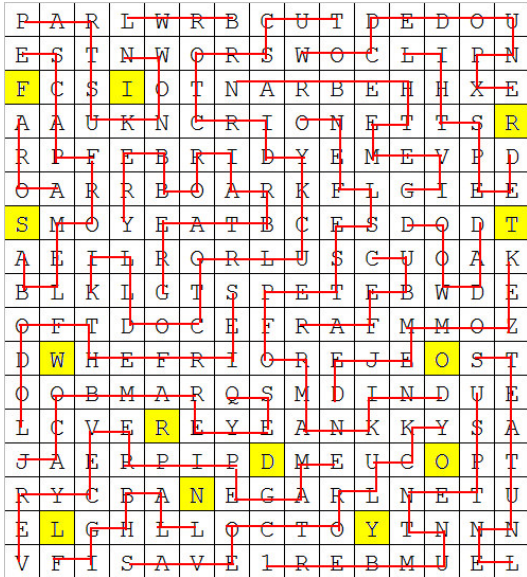
Outer Shell	Top of the Oyster	Bottom of the Oyster
Excuse	Judith	Norris
Warble	Honcho	Lathes
Kilter	Dialup	Awaken
Mingle	Gnosis	Mormon
Capris	Brooch	Effuse
Inches	Exceed	Dongle
Ladies	Fiasco	Espies
Broken	Captor	Bumper
Fiance	Minyan	Yester
Diaper	Killed	Evince
Judges	Adagio	Priest
Honest	Ladled	Osages
Gnomon	Inchon	Crypts
Adapts		

The first column consists of 1 word for each of the first 13 letters of the alphabet, and 1 extra word. Each top and bottom consists of the first three letters and last three letters of one of the oysters.

ADA	GIO	CRY	PTS
BRO	OCH	AWA	KEN
CAP	TOR	NOR	RIS
DIA	LUP	BUM	PER
EXC	EED	EFF	USE
FIA	SCO	EVI	NCE
GNO	SIS	MOR	MON
HON	CHO	PRI	EST
INC	HON	LAT	HES
JUD	ITH	OSA	GES
KIL	LED	YES	TER
LAD	LED	ESP	IES
MIN	YAN	DON	GLE

First letters of the inner parts spell GOT LESS CHILLEY and CAN BE EMPLOYED, clues for warmed and usable. Getting rid of warble (the last oyster) yields its pearl **Medusa**.

Stingy



As hinted by the flavortext, the grid contains numerous Cheapsass games. In each case, there is a letter missing from the game.

- A(G)ora
- Br(A)wl
- Cube Far(M)
- D(E)adwood
- Dej (S)em Mozek
- Escap(E) From Elba
- Figh(T)ball
- G(I)ve Me The Brain
- Great Brai(N) Robbery
- Jacob Mar(L)ey Esq
- Kill Doctor Lucky: Dir(E)ctor's Cut
- Li(G)htspeed
- Lo(R)d Of The Fries
- One F(A)lse Step For Mankind
- Parts U(N)known
- Save (D)octoer Lucky
- Stea(M) Tunnel
- U.S. P(A)tent Number 1
- Unexp(L)oded Cow
- Very C(L)ever Pipe Game

The extra letters spell "game set in LeGrand Mall," Extra messages spell First Word Only. The game is Spree: Hong-Kong Edition. The answer is **Spree**.

aboutTurn is...

This is an extended playfair cipher using all 36 digits and letters. Starting with the assumption that the first word in each sentence is an interrogative pronoun should allow solvers to break into the key.

The decoded questions are:

1. What network aired "21 Jump Street" and "Beverly Hills 90210" (the keyword for this playfair cipher)? **Fox**
2. What is James Bond's agent number? **007**

3. In Internet Relay Chat, what is the abbreviated term for "thanks" (as opposed to "thank you")? **10X**
4. What is the first name of the sitcom character who's agent number was 86? **Maxwell**
5. What instrument, a membranophone, was invented by Alabama Vest in the 19th century and first publicized at the Georgia State Fair? **Kazoo**
6. Which president is on the 2-dollar bill? **Jefferson**
7. What is the street address for Britain's prime minister? **10 Downing Street**
8. On what date in 1957 did Ghana become the first African country to declare its independence from the United Kingdom? **March 6**
9. What element has an atomic weight of 238 and atomic number of 92? **Uranium**
10. What website, founded by Col Needham in 1990, claims to provide data for over 400,000 movies? (domain name only) **imdb**
11. What term for a monster truck refers to 4-wheel drive? **4x4**
12. What 1968 film, featuring a computer named Hal 9000, included the opening of "Thus Sprach Zarathustra"? **2001**
13. What channel changed its name from Sight On Sound when it expanded nationally August 1, 1981? **MTV**
14. Who played Ling Woo between 1998 and 2001 on the television series Ally McBeal? (last name only) **Liu**

Matching the letters with the squares, the two dark squares spell OX070XXWKZJF0WH6IU1B4X21TVIU. This decodes to "Follow-up to 1993's The 7th Guest," the answer to which is **The Eleventh Hour**.

Diagramless

Greek letters stand for the following numbers:

$$\iota = 2 \quad \phi = 3 \quad \chi = 4 \quad \alpha = 5 \quad \varepsilon = 6$$

$$\varphi = 7 \quad \gamma = 8 \quad \delta = 9 \quad \eta = 10$$

Parts of speech are represented by different parts of an equation.

$$\langle \rangle = \text{to be} \quad = \text{regular verb} \quad - \rangle = \text{conjunction}$$

$$x = \text{noun} \quad y = \text{verb}$$

$$\sin() = \text{adjective} \quad \cos() = \text{adverb} \quad \log() = \text{preposition}$$

$$+ \# = \text{article} \quad \#! = \text{interjection}$$

Solving the larger equation will reveal that $\alpha y = \text{teach}$

What's Mine Is Yours?

Punky Brewster (played by Soleil Moon Frye on the TV show Sabrina)

Marvin Lee Aday (Meatloaf, who played Eddie (on the show Frasier) in Rocky Horror Picture Show.

Gene Kelly (who played D'Artagnan, which was played by Chris O'Donnell, who played Robin, who was played by Burt Ward, who played The Pope in "Hot Under the Collar")

Lorenzo Lamas (Tom Chisum, in the movie Grease)

Jacob Marley (portrayed by Alec Guinness, who played Obi-Wan Kenobi, also played by Ewan McGregor, who played James Joyce in Nora. James Joyce inspired The Dead, the last film by John Huston, whose first film was The Maltese Falcon)

Jason Alexander (played Boris Badenov in Rocky and Bullwinkle, originally voiced by Paul Frees, who wrote and directed The Beatniks, episode 415, a transposal of Fahrenheit 451)

Joe Montegna (played Dean Martin, who played Little John in Robin and the 7 Hoods, which was based on Alan Hale Sr. Little John)

Kevin McHale (Boston Celtics, featured in Celtic Pride, starring Dan Aykroyd, who played Mack Sennett in Chaplin. Mack's name in At It Again was Sack Mennet.)

Ryan McNeal (who played James Edmunds in Burn, Hollywood, Burn, a movie about the Alan Smithee tradition in Hollywood which became a real Alan Smithee movie. The director in question was played by Eric Idle, who appeared in 99's South Park movie)

In each case, take the first name if the year is on the left, the last name for years on the right. Each is the first part of a movie title in that year where the name is possessive. In order:

Brewster's Millions, Marvin's Room, Kelly's Heroes, Lorenzo's Oil, Jacob's Ladder, Jason's Lyric, Joe's Apartment, McHale's Navy, Ryan's Daughter. First letters of the add-ons spell MR HOLLAND who had an **opus**.