Pip Nash Puzzle Studio Sample Pack 1

A little bit of what you can achieve

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This book belongs to

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Stars show how hard each one is.

PUZZLE 1

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Christmas Decorations

12 words to find

Name _____ Date _____

T H P N S A I D O H E T H C E R G
O R A N G E S L I C E S Y E C C A
M N P T O E S R A T A H U R I V W
Q S E Q U I N S L U U S I N N D I
X I R R R W T R P I N E C O N E E
O I C I C L E S T S R E A T A R I
S B H N A T I V I T Y S E T M T S
D U A R R U S S N O W M A N O Y N
E N I T T M H M N E E I E E N D O
I T N E T T D K E T D R M K S S W
E I W P L P N Y R V D R A I T O F
S N I E Y G M B U T D F B H I D L
C G E E E I U D A H H X E O C E A
M W S I O I L M X E H O L G K W K
G T U S H R F H T H E C L O S H E
S E T K T E S T A R I N S R O N S
T N K F A I I N S X T D L H L H H

- [ ] Bells
- [ ] Bunting
- [ ] Cinnamon Sticks
- [ ] Icicles
- [ ] Nativity Set
- [ ] Orange Slices
- [ ] Paper Chain
- [ ] Pinecone
- [ ] Sequins
- [ ] Snowflake
- [ ] Snowman
- [ ] Star

PUZZLE 2

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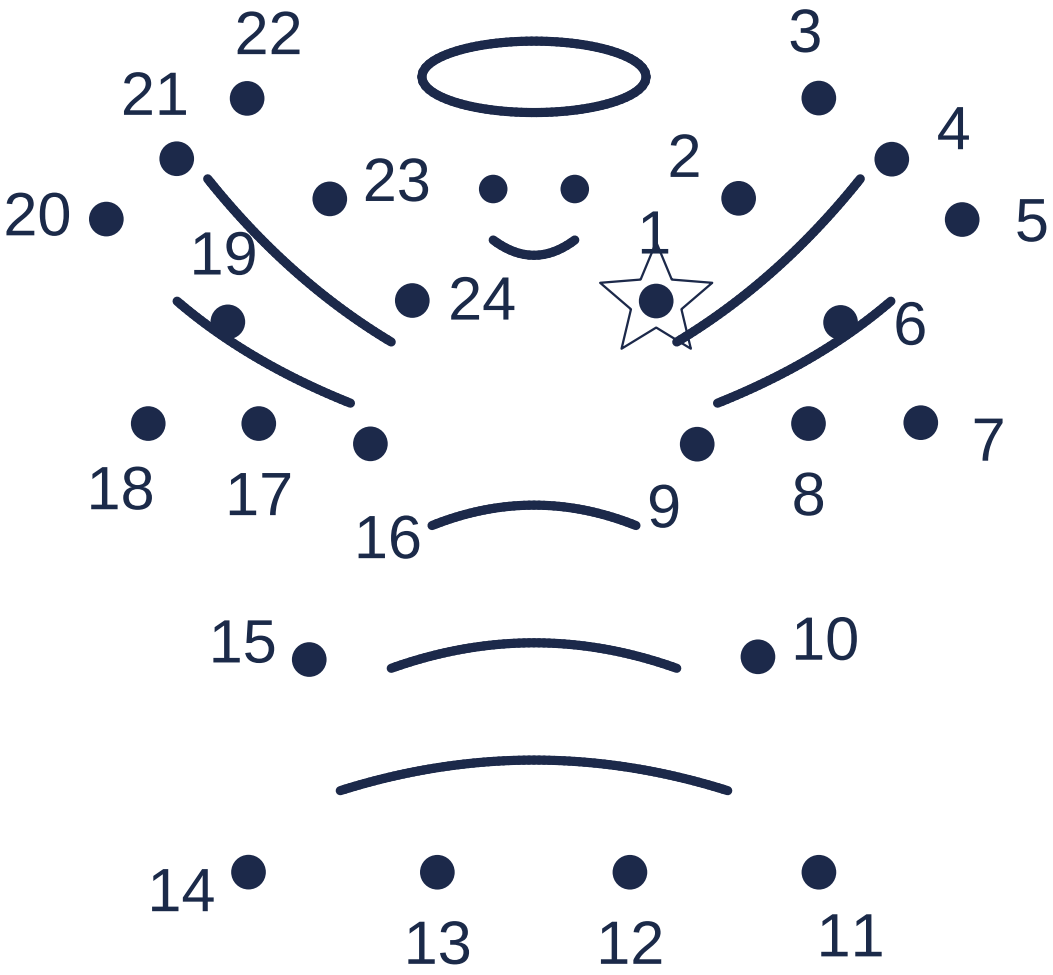
Angel

Join the dots from 1 to 24, then colour it in.

Name _____ Date _____



Death at the Christmas Carol Rehearsal

Medium · 9 suspects · 5 clues ★★★☆☆

Name _____ Date _____

Trouble at the Christmas Carol Rehearsal in Mallowbury became tragedy when the choir treasurer was found dead in the vestry. The death had been arranged to resemble an accidental fall, but the examination showed that someone had deliberately caused it.

Rumours about a dispute about collection proceeds were already circulating. None established who was responsible. Ivy Marsh noticed an odd detail and promptly took it to the police.

EVIDENCE DISCOVERED

Event programme

Ivy Marsh found notes pencilled into an event programme in the programme for the local gathering. Beside the printed order of events, someone had written several potentially useful notes. Pencilled notes crowded the edge of an otherwise unremarkable programme. They were too precise to ignore.

Your task: find the killer. Every clue is true. Cross out each suspect who doesn't fit a clue; exactly one will be left.

Clues

1. The killer isn't Ralph.
2. The killer isn't wearing a green coat.
3. The killer doesn't have a rabbit.
4. The killer isn't Nina.
5. No one who is a builder and is wearing a red coat is the killer.

The suspects

1

Bertie Hughes

Builder

Grey hair · Bobble hat · No glasses · Red coat · Cat

Came by: Car

2

Celia Abbott

Builder

Brown hair · Flat cap · Glasses · Red coat · Cat

Came by: Bicycle

3

David Chapman

Vet

Blonde hair · Flat cap · No glasses · Green coat · Dog

Came by: Bus

4

Ella Jenkins

Plumber

Blonde hair · Flat cap · No glasses · Red coat · Cat

Came by: Car

5

Georgia Palmer

Carpenter

Grey hair · Sun hat · No glasses · Green coat · No pet

Came by: Car

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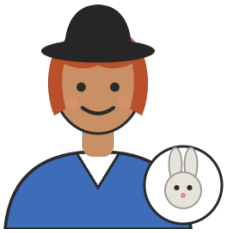

June Prowse

Builder

Red hair · Bowler hat · No glasses · Blue coat · Rabbit

Came by: Train

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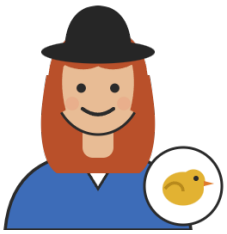

Nina Williams

Baker

Red hair · Bowler hat · No glasses · Blue coat · Bird

Came by: Train

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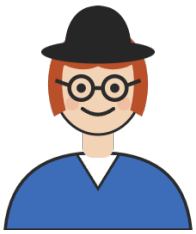


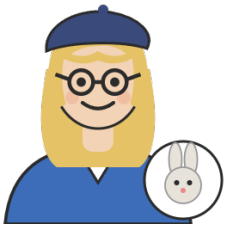
Ralph Ward

Plumber

Red hair · Bowler hat · Glasses · Blue coat · No pet

Came by: On foot

9



Willow Bradley

Builder

Blonde hair · Beret · Glasses · Blue coat · Rabbit

Came by: Train

The killer was: _____

PUZZLE 4

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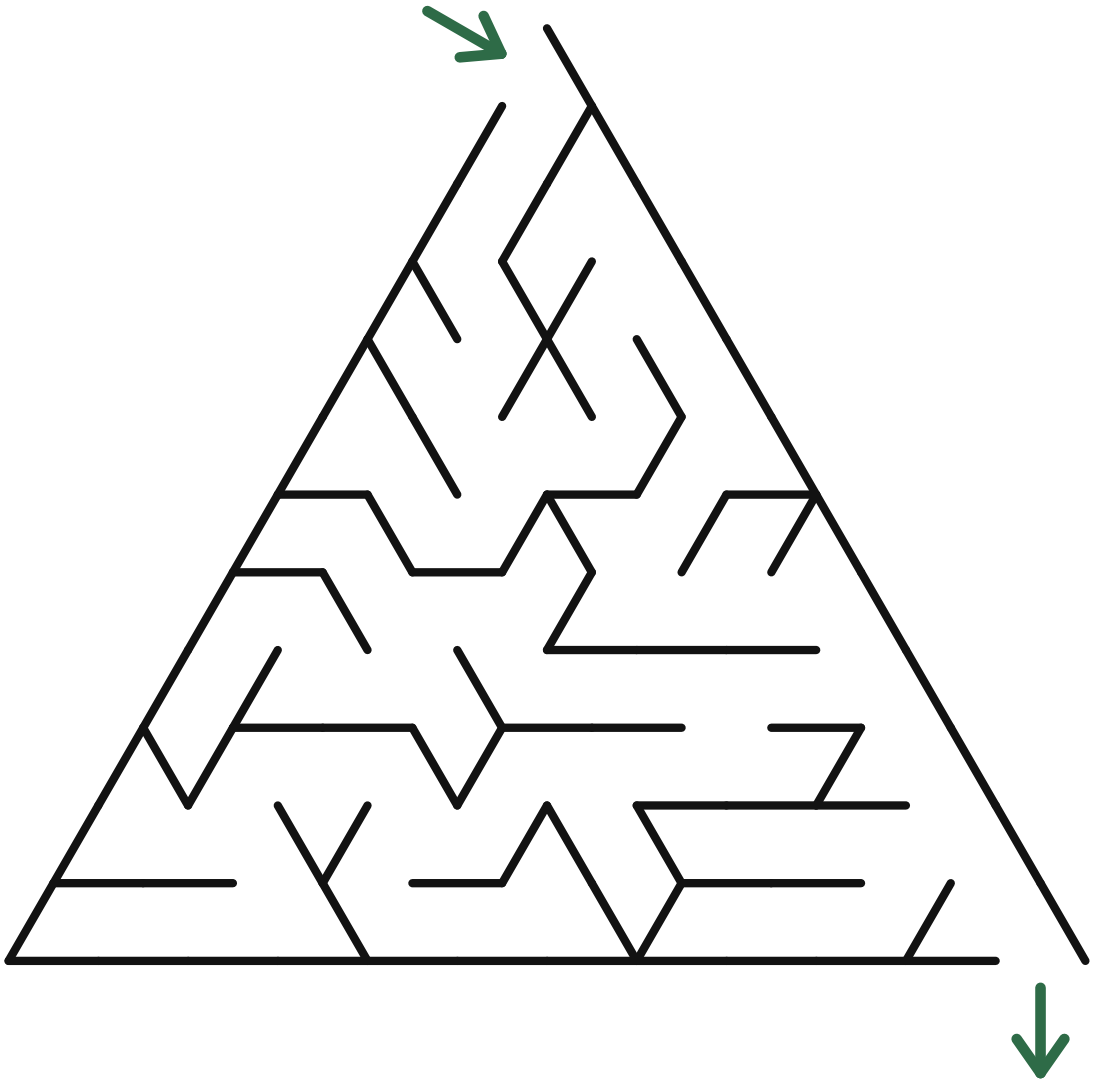
Medium maze

Find the way through the triangle, from the arrow in to the arrow out.

Name _____ Date _____



PUZZLE 5

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15×15 Codeword

Every number stands for a different letter. Use the starter letters to crack the code, writing each letter you find in the key.

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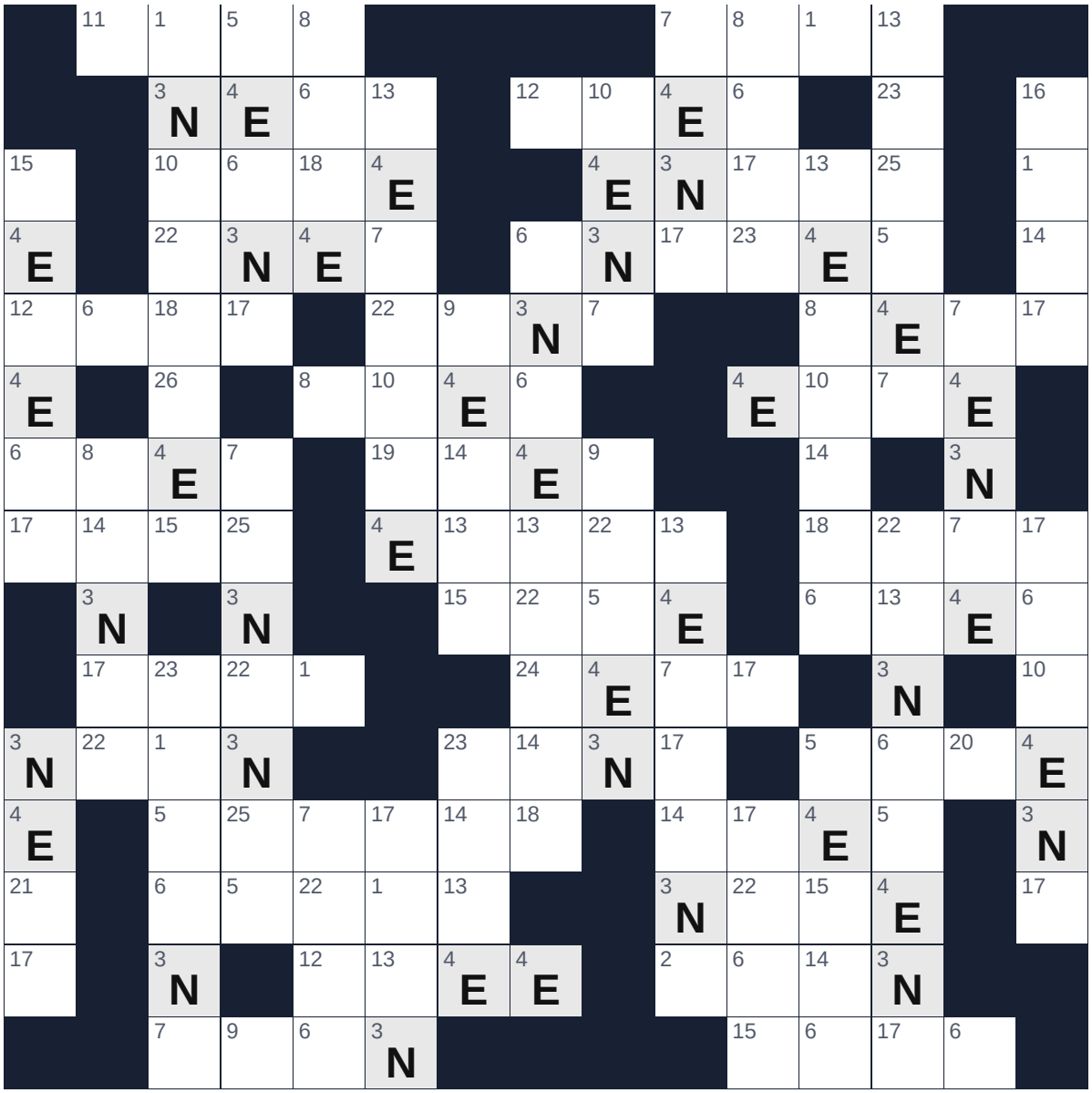

The code

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		N	E									

14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

Letters used

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

PUZZLE 6

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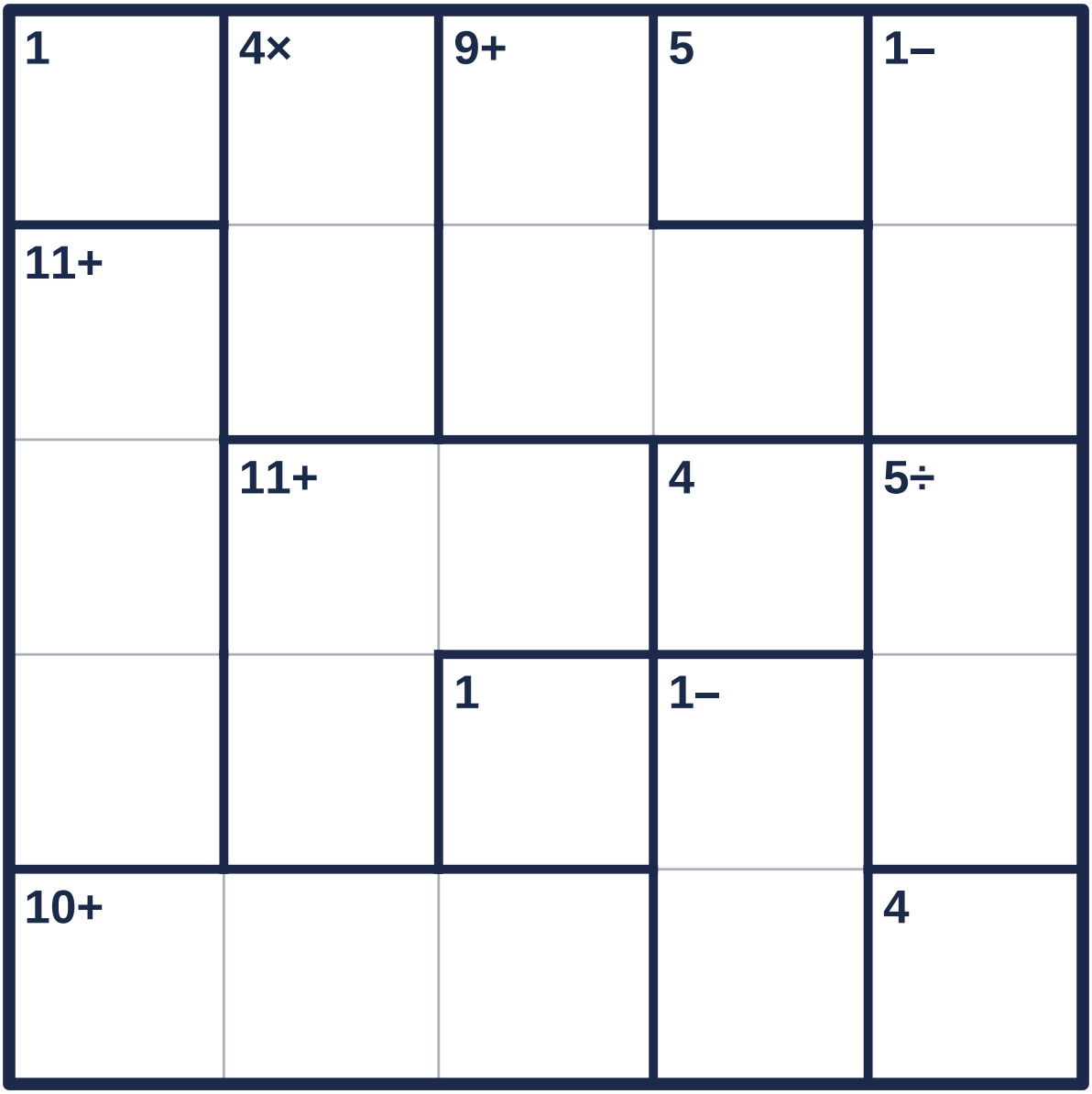
5×5 Number Cage

Each row and column holds 1 to 5 once. The numbers in a cage must make its target: + add, – take away, × multiply, ÷ divide.

Name _____ Date _____



PUZZLE 7

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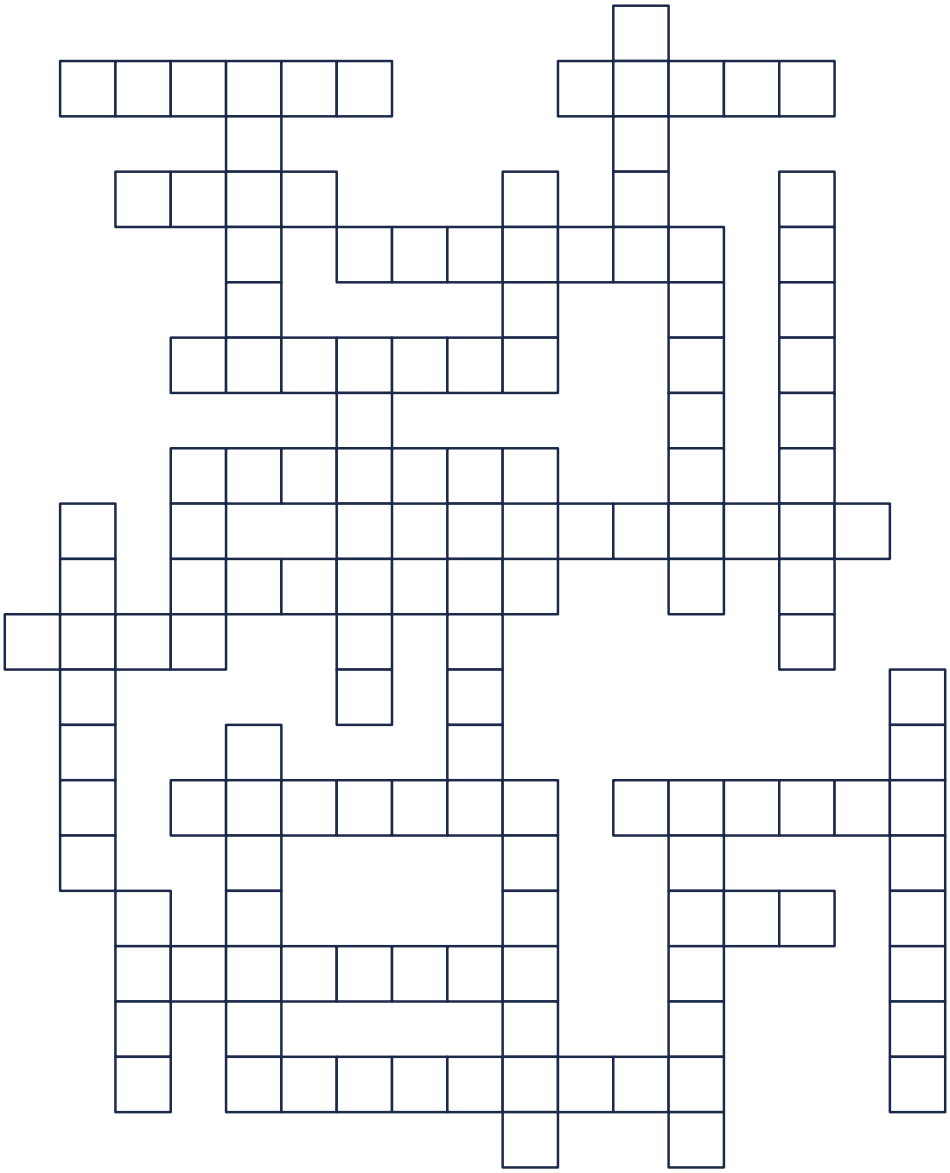
Christmas Decorations

Fit all 28 words into the grid. One is in already.

Name _____ Date _____



3 LETTERS

IVY

4 LETTERS

BOWS
CRIB
GOLD
STAR
TAGS

5 LETTERS

HOLLY
ROBIN

6 LETTERS

RIBBON
SILVER
TINSEL
WREATH

7 LETTERS

BERRIES
BUNTING
CANDLES
CRACKER
GARLAND
GLITTER
ICICLES
LANTERN
SEQUINS
SNOWMAN

7 LETTERS (cont.)

SPARKLE
TWINKLE

8 LETTERS

PINECONE
REINDEER

9 LETTERS

MISTLETOE
SNOWFLAKE

PUZZLE 8

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9×9 Sudoku

Fill every row, column and 3×3 box with 1 to 9.

Name _____ Date _____

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

Answers

1. Christmas Decorations

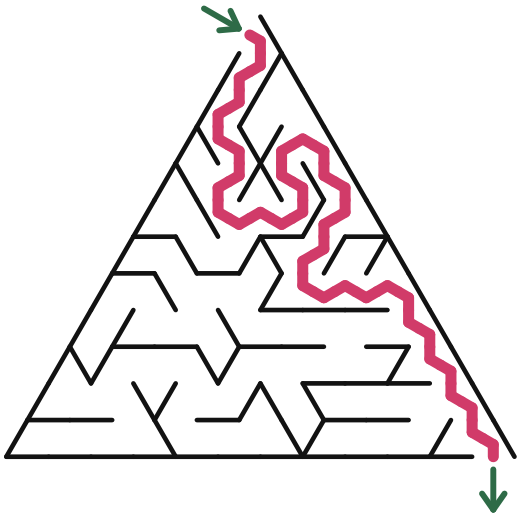
T H P N S A I D O H E T H C E R G
O R A N G E S L I C E S Y E C C A
M N P T O E S R A T A H U R I V W
Q S E Q U I N S L U U S I N N D I
X I R R R W T R P I N E C O N E E
O I C I C L E S T S R E A T A R I
S B H N A T I V I T Y S E T M T S
D U A R R U S S N O W M A N O Y N
E N I T T M H M N E E I E E N D O
I T N E T T D K E T D R M K S S W
E I W P L P N Y R V D R A I T O F
S N I E Y G M B U T D F B H I D L
C G E E E I U D A H H X E O C E A
M W S I O I L M X E H O L G K W K
G T U S H R F H T H E C L O S H E
S E T K T E S T A R I N S R O N S
T N K F A I I N S X T D L H L H H

2. Angel

3. Death at the Christmas Carol Rehearsal

The killer was Ella Jenkins, the plumber.

4. Medium maze



Answers (continued)

5. 15×15 Codeword

■	J	U	M	P	■	■	■	■	S	P	U	R	■	■
■	■	N	E	A	R	■	F	L	E	A	■	H	■	Q
D	■	L	A	C	E	■	■	E	N	T	R	Y	■	U
E	■	O	N	E	S	■	A	N	T	H	E	M	■	I
F	A	C	T	■	O	W	N	S	■	■	P	E	S	T
E	■	K	■	P	L	E	A	■	■	E	L	S	E	■
A	P	E	S	■	V	I	E	W	■	■	I	■	N	■
T	I	D	Y	■	E	R	R	O	R	■	C	O	S	T
■	N	■	N	■	■	D	O	M	E	■	A	R	E	A
■	T	H	O	U	■	■	B	E	S	T	■	N	■	L
N	O	U	N	■	■	H	I	N	T	■	M	A	Z	E
E	■	M	Y	S	T	I	C	■	I	T	E	M	■	N
X	■	A	M	O	U	R	■	■	N	O	D	E	■	T
T	■	N	■	F	R	E	E	■	G	A	I	N	■	■
■	■	S	W	A	N	■	■	■	■	D	A	T	A	■

6. 5×5 Number Cage

1 **1**	4× **4**	9+ **2**	5 **5**	1– **3**
11+ **5**	**1**	**4**	**3**	**2**
2	11+ **5**	**3**	4 **4**	5÷ **1**
4	**3**	1 **1**	1– **2**	**5**
10+ **3**	**2**	**5**	**1**	4 **4**

7. Christmas Decorations

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	T	I	N	S	E	L				H	O	L	L	Y						
				I							B									
		G	O	L	D				S		I					M				
				V		B	U	N	T	I	N	G				I				
				E					A			L				S				
			C	R	A	C	K	E	R			I				T				
						A						T				L				
			T	W	I	N	K	L	E			T				E				
		S		A			D		A		W	R	E	A	T	H				
		N		G	A	R	L	A	N	D			R			O				
	B	O	W	S			E		T							E				
		W					S		E								P			
		M				B			R								I			
		A		S	E	Q	U	I	N	S		R	I	B	B	O	N			
		N			R					P			C				E			
			C		R					A			I	V	Y		C			
			R	E	I	N	D	E	E	R			C				O			
			I		E					K			L				N			
			B		S	N	O	W	F	L	A	K	E				E			
									E				S							

8. 9×9 Sudoku

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