

Mapping Your Way

ONCE AGAIN WE HAVE A PUZZLE CREATED BY BOB FINK AND JERRY MICCOLIS. Bob designed the grid and wrote most of the clues; Jerry came up with a good number of clues. Eric Klis and I helped with editorial comments and test solving.

In this puzzle, you, the solver, will find that four of the clue answers will not fit into the grid. Every letter goes into the grid; it's up to you to figure out how. Hints for doing this are provided.

Once you have completed the grid, you then have to unlock the map's secret. To do this, start at the square in the lower left-hand corner and enter the map heading east. You then move along straight lines through the map, turning as indicated when you land on squares which contain "mapping directions." As you proceed, you will find several spots "marked." Here you will dig, one level deeper each and every time you encounter a "marked spot," to find the letters that spell out what is buried in the map.

There are two proper nouns and one two-word answer. All other words are playable in Scrabble, and every letter is used at least once. Ignore punctuation, as it is often used to deceive.

Across

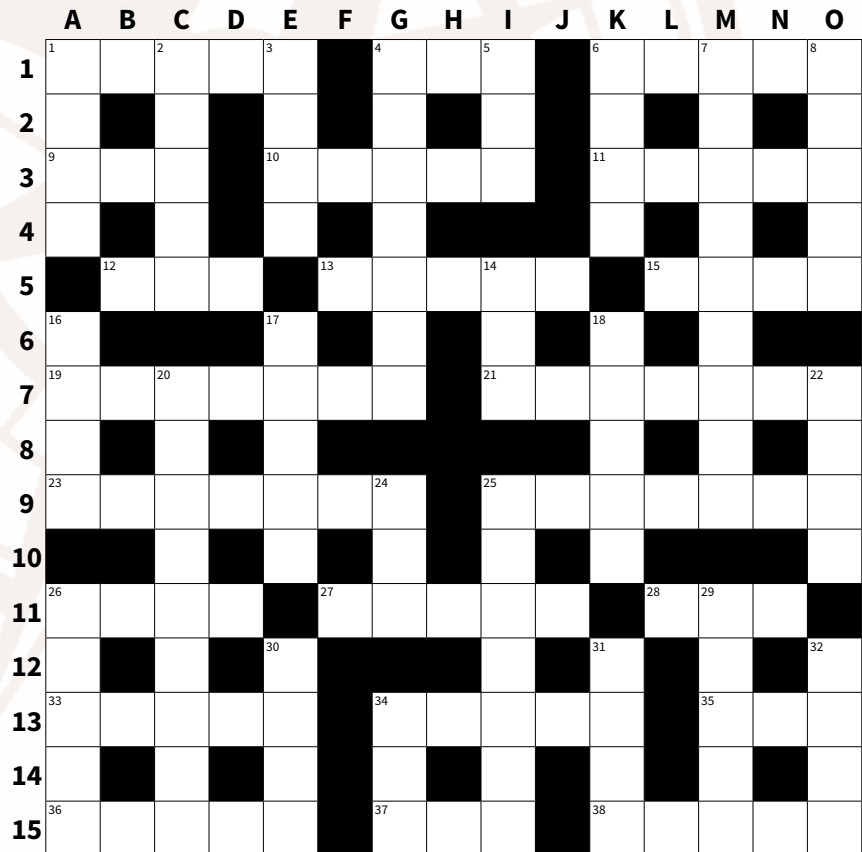
1. Spacious Camp Lee Center (5)
4. Low moon not quite full (3)
6. Donkey found in shortened tunnel (5)
9. Run around jar (3)
10. Bubbly for each one of Kentucky's guardians (5)
11. Lumberjack cut head off IRS agent (5)
12. Watch and hear me subjectively (3)
13. Dumps Jill (for the most part) and starts to tour solo (5)
15. Break for naps at sea (4)
19. Confused expert leads Tempest's first appearance (7)
21. Nun wed at complex is not desired (8)

23. Phobias develop as Dot grows older (7)
25. Bend backward for heartless recurring love (7)
26. Bit of strange time (4)
27. Burning, Erica cut Emily in the midsection (5)
28. Apple kernel found in horse edifice (4)
33. Broadcast Jimmy's jackpot (5)
34. Drive confused composer (5)

35. Again, tennis opening love - love (3)
36. Entire heads of Triassic octopi toured around Libya (5)
37. Touchdown includes a drop (3)
38. Bungling in apartment (5)

Down

1. Liquid remaining in a quaff after full female leaves (4)
2. Cuts up yard flower (5)
3. Sextop exhibits arrangement (4)
4. Communist unknown in New York college (7)
5. Roxy nipped street drug (3)



HINTS

1. Two letters can fill one grid square
 2. The four grid squares that require two letters are: K6, J7, E8, and L11
 3. All grid squares that contain two letters will be filled with ordinal directions
 4. Any X you encounter is a "marked spot" and you will "dig" down into the grid squares below any you encounter that contain an X

6. Picnic fare for unruly child (4)
7. Red radical Minotaur is a thinker (9)
8. Admit grownups without limits (3,2)
14. Centaur hides Greek letter (3)
16. Went quickly after taking hearts of Casper and Freddy (4)
17. Take back Rene and two leaders from General Electric (6)
18. 80's timepiece example (6)

20. Fanatic former spouse set trim randomly (9)
22. Picked sage from tangled rag weeds (4)
24. Attack snitch oddly (3)
25. Changed wheels then went to bed (7)
26. Criticism with strange pun inside it (5)
29. A stand-in, in the middle of his texting, upset Art (5)
30. Stumbled loudly over branch (4)

31. Mickey's girlfriend voiced dwarf (4)
32. Poor town habit (4)
34. Animal doctor is ex-military (3)

What is buried in the map?

Previous Issue's Puzzle—Crypto Acrostic

1. KHAKIS—kishka anagram
2. EVADED—EVAD + ED
3. NIMBLE—deNIM BLEnd
4. NYMPHO—N + Y + MPH + O
5. EFFACED—jEFF + ACED
6. DISCOMFORT—DISCO+ M + FORT
7. YAHOO—narY A HOosier
8. ADVISE—adhesive anagram - he
9. TAINT—Double Definition
10. UNEARTH—near hut anagram
11. SHEIK—chic homonym
12. NITWIT—NITW + IT (twin anagram)
13. ANYHOW—mANY HOWl
14. GEISHA—miraGE IS Hallucinatory
15. REWARD—drawer reversed
16. ATTAINS—ATlas mounTAINS
17. DAWDLE—waddle anagram
18. UNWIND—dUaNe WaIt NeDs
19. ATROPHIED—ipod hater anagram
20. TITHE—TI + THE (IT reversed)
21. ITCHINESS—bITCHINESS
22. OLDEST—cOLDEST
23. NANNY—N(ANN)Y

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