

# Puzzle

## "Off-Color"

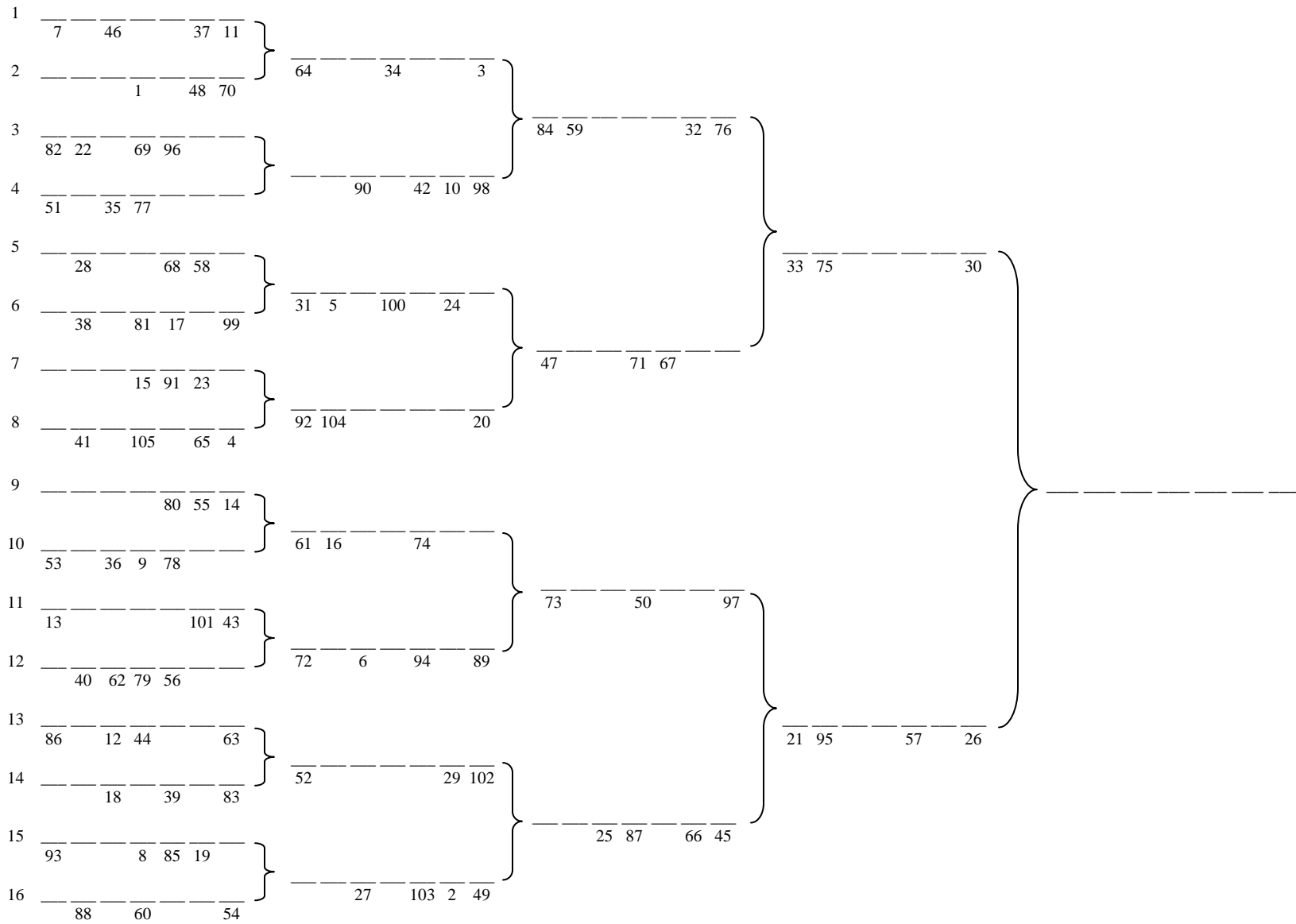
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**Instructions:** Write the words defined by the clues over the dashed lines on the next page. Letters that fall on numbered dashes should also be entered in the correspondingly numbered squares of the grid below. Letters that fall on unnumbered dashes of words joined by brackets should be anagrammed to form a new word and the word entered in the next column to the right. Words that belong in the leftmost column are defined by appropriately numbered clues, while anagrammed words, all but the last, are defined by unnumbered clues in random order. The grid, correctly filled in, will contain a list of words related to the last anagrammed word.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
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### Clues:

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| 1. Talk incoherently, getting mother down            | 9. Woman with child in stonework                          | Suddenly leave Virginia with a large mammal        | Game insect                             |
| 2. Synthesize hormone for bird                       | 10. Plot to bring back French wine in ice cream container | Fellow thug's coming of age?                       | Pledge note in writing                  |
| 3. Pastoral Massachusetts school's internal distress | 11. Suppress emotion during heavy fire                    | Sweet dromedary carries sun god                    | Arrival (are they listening?) still due |
| 4. Label for surgeon's first heart                   | 12. Thin shilling to loan shark                           | Errors include film footage of celestial event     |   |
| 5. Flying company's support system maybe             | 13. . . . who takes [piano] wrongfully                    | Compunction concerning code name                   |   |
| 6. Two guys for the road                             | 14. Rare-earth with herb a mark of sibilance              | Diva keeps time—for a cocktail                     |   |
| 7. Dismal card produced pained look                  | 15. Powwow about one kind of tree                         | Government agency, intervening in game, gets flute |   |
| 8. Posed bird with catcher—fiendish                  | 16. Anger before a disease                                | Molding of grain: diamonds                         |   |
|  |   | Investigative officer finds nothing in vertex      |   |
|  | Animal nurse carries powdered cocoa                       | Maleficent mingler could be cause of glitch        |   |



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