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Christmas Vacation Brain Teasers Extra Credit

I love the holidays. Each year childhood memories flood my mind: stockings overflowing with candy (and oranges), bright lights twinkling on our "Charlie Brown" tree, family sharing smiles and laughter, and excitement of opening one present early. Once I had children of my own, I added to those memories: wrapping presents, making "Santa" noises, again family sharing smiles and laughter, and again selecting one present for them to open early. Now that my children have families of their own and live away from home, as my classroom students, you have become my "children," so it is with great sincerity that I wish for you happiness during our holidays as you build your own holiday memories. To keep my family tradition alive, I am giving you a present to open early...an opportunity for extra credit! Attached you will find several brain teasers to keep your mind relaxed yet active during our school break. Some brain teasers are more challenging than others, but I'm confident you'll find at least one that you'll enjoy. You may choose to skip this entire opportunity or you may choose to complete one or a combination including all 15 brain teasers. In order to earn the extra credit, you must have the correct answers for the entire brain teaser (all pages and/or puzzles). Although you may certainly complete the brain teasers on your own, they are much more enjoyable when you share them with your family... as long as you are a significant part of the deciphering conversation because after all, making memories with family is important.

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Total Possible Extra Credit Points: [] /100 pts

The only date you may submit completed brain teasers for extra credit is on Tuesday, January 2 at the beginning of class. Check them off on this form and attach this form to your completed brain teasers. Good luck and Merry Christmas! I hope you enjoy your present :>

Sincerely,



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Can you Name That Tune?

Each line below is a clue to a well-known yuletide song. You'll have to decode some lofty language to come up with the carols, so if you're ready...get humming! (Thanks to Reader's Digest 2006)



- 1. Listen to the celestial messengers produce harmonious sounds.
- 2. Embellish the interior passageways.
- 3. Twelve o'clock on a clement night witnessed its arrival.
- 4. The Christmas preceding all others.
- 5. Small municipality in Judea south of Jerusalem.
- 6. Omnipotent Supreme Being who elicits respite in distinguished males.
- 7. Nocturnal time span of unbroken quietness.
- 8. Obese personification fabricated of compressed mounds of minute crystals.
- 9. Tintinnabulation of vacillating pendulums in inverted, metallic, resonant cups.
- 10. In awe of the eventide characterized by religiosity.

Christmas Movie Quotes

Identify these popular Christmas movies AND fill in the blanks to their popular quotes using the words provided.

			Word Bank	<u> </u>		
Chocolate Shepherd Delusion Store		Emphasize Santa Holiday Family	Skipping Cheese Spirits Snow	Snowman Christmas Bounce Bell	Vermont Elves Teacher Whole	Planes Reality Corn Joyful
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	Daddy e:		every time a		rings, an angel ge	ts his wings.
	st like Santa's ney wanna hurt me			ells like)	and	everyone looks
	al, we e:		o not live only on	e day of the year. \	We live the	365.
6. What	's the matter? Hav	en't you ever seer	n a talking	before?	(Movie:)
				oack. (Movie:		
				the four main foo		candy canes,
	v nobody likes me e:			Se	eason to	it?
10. Blast	this Christmas mus	sic. It's	and triu	ımphant. (Movie: _)
	ve take a direct flig e:		, or do	o we have to chang	ge	in Denver?
12. Not to	oo hot. Extra		Shaken,	not stirred. (Movie	j:)
	e e:			Maybe Chr	istmasmeans a	little bit more.
14. You s	mell like beef and		·	You don't smell li	ke Santa. (Movie:)
15. You'r	<u></u>	Christmas! I	sn't that against	the law? (Movie: _)
16		is believing	g when common	sense tells you not	to. (Movie:)
	e:			of year, with all th	at	.
18. Didn'	l ever tell you abo	out Bumbles? Bum	nbles	(Movie	:)

	CHRISTMAS CLASSICS TRIVIA
	ncluding Rudolph, how many reindeer pull Santa's sleigh?
	What was the name of the magician in Frosty the Snowman?
	How many "drummers drumming: are there in the song "The 12 Days of Christmas?"
	What does Alvin the Chipmunk want for Christmas in "The Chipmunk Song?"
	How many ghosts visit Scrooge in A Christmas Carol?
	What does Ralphie want for Christmas in the movie A Christmas Story?
	Where does the Grinch live?
	Where did the McCallister family go on vacation when they left Kevin along in <i>Home Alone?</i> _
,	What city was the baby Jesus born in?
	What three gifts did the wise men bring the baby Jesus?
	How did the shepherds find baby Jesus?
	Which state produces the most Christmas trees?
	What is the name of the elf who wants to be a dentist in <i>Rudolph the Red nosed Reindeer?</i>
-	The movie <i>Miracle on 34th Street</i> takes place in what city?
	Who kisses Lucy in A Charlie Brown Christmas?
	n the movie It's A Wonderful Life, how did George Bailey become deaf in one ear?
	What Christmas carol includes "figgy pudding?"
	What fruit does Santa's nose look like?
,	What is the name of the main character in Elf?
	Who kept time with the Little Drummer Boy when he played his drum for baby Jesus?

Link Winks

Each puzzle contains three clues. Your challenge is to solve the clues with answers that rhyme. The rhyming answers can be definitions, associations, or interpretations of the clues. Some answers may be proper nouns. All answers within one puzzle will have the same number of syllables. For example, *nose, rose* and *hose* could be a correct solution as could *jacket, racquet,* and *packet*. However, *scare, stare* and *beware* could not be a correct solution.

To journey A judge's mallet A type of road ma	aterial
	Fearless and daring Lacking warmth An Olympic medal
A presentA split in a relationAn elevator in En	
	Flower pollinatorsLeg jointsPod partners
The season of cold One who runs at f	full speed
	In good physical shapeIn good financial standingIn a secretive manner

Laughter A bed on a ship or train The distance around your mid	dle Your eyes do this You read this You move this on a chess board
SlumberAn animal that is shearedA sharp incline	To put on salt and pepper The power of intelligent thought A traitor's crime
A comic quality causing amusUnconfirmed gossipAn abnormal growth of cells	

Deducibles

The solution does not use any letter more than once, so any letter that appears more than once throughout the entire puzzle should be crossed out. Use the clues for each horizontal row to eliminate and sequence the letters in that row. Reveal the solution by writing the correct letter or letters from each horizontal row in the correct circles above. You may need to solve some clues before you can solve others.

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C	P	G	Q	${f V}$	\mathbf{E}	T	two correct, right place
В	${f V}$	A	${f V}$	J	P	X	two correct, right place
D	\mathbf{X}	H	\mathbf{N}	\mathbf{Z}	\mathbf{W}	R	one correct, right place
\mathbf{F}	${f L}$	\mathbf{M}	P	\mathbf{V}	Ι	Y	one correct, right place
$\widetilde{\mathbf{N}}$	\mathbf{C}	$\widetilde{0}$	\mathbf{P}	V	\mathbf{R}	\mathbf{D}	one correct, wrong place
\mathbf{Z}	\mathbf{W}	I	S	\mathbf{M}	H	\mathbf{Y}	two correct, right place
T	D	Н	\mathbf{F}	A	В	R	one correct, right place
${f V}$	\mathbf{Y}	A	В	K	${\bf Z}$	\mathbf{S}	one correct, right place
O	${f L}$	\mathbf{M}	\mathbf{F}	C	\mathbf{G}	\mathbf{E}	two correct, one right place, right order
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R	E T	C	A	H	N N	D	two correct, wrong place, wrong order
S	${f L}$	T	\mathbf{W}	F	K	O	two correct, right place
S H	L Y	T U	W G	F F	K Y	O W	two correct, right place one correct, right place
S H J	L Y G	T U X	W G M	F F T	K Y O	O W K	two correct, right place one correct, right place one correct, right place
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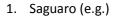
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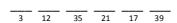
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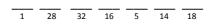
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Quotagrams

Fill in the answers to the clues. Then transfer the letters to the correspondingly numbered squares in the diagrams. The completed diagrams will contain quotations. Each letter from a quote will be used only once.







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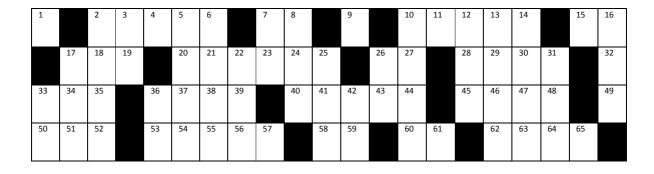


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5. Pacific island

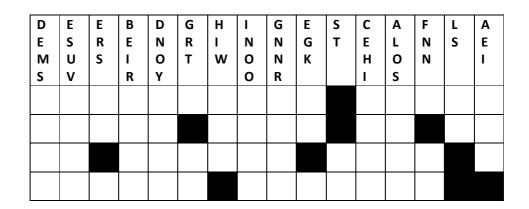
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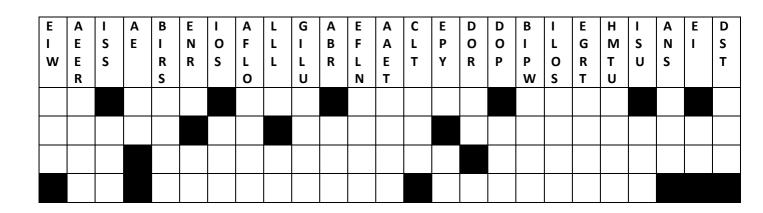


Quotefalls

The letters in each vertical column go into the squares directly below them, but not necessarily in the order they appear. A black square indicates the end of a word. When you have placed all the letters in their correct squares, you will be able to read a quotation across the diagram from left to right.

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Vacation Fun

The Story

On a recent trip to Transylvania, Bertram, Vincent, Borka, Peter and Fred became vampires. Their last names were Luther, Pratt, Kane, Locke and Knight, but not necessarily in that order. One of them was bitten by a wandering vampire and he in turn bit one of his companions, who in turn bit another companion, who in turn bit another, who in turn bit another until all were infected. They discovered good things and bad things about being vampires. The good things were flying, sleeping all day, living forever, biting people in the neck and nice teeth. The bad things were boring food, no suntan, your friends were all pains in the neck, coffin repair and changing into a bat all the time. Based on the clues, match the vampires with their last names, the correct order of infection and each vampire's likes and dislikes.

The Clues

- 1. Kane, Bertram, Knight and Fred were not bitten 1st on the vampire bit parade.
- 2. Vincent had not infected anyone yet, but Peter was the one who infected Bertram.
- 3. Bertram was not named Luther or Locke and he was infected after Borka and Fred were infected.
- 4. Borka was not Locke, and Vincent was not Knight.
- The last two vampires to be infected liked either sleeping all day or living forever and disliked either the lack of a suntan or the pain in the neck friends.
- 6. The vampire who enjoyed biting people and disliked changing into a bat was not infected 1st or 2nd.
- 7. Kane did not like sleeping all day, the vampire bitten 1st loved the flying and Fred enjoyed repairing his coffin.
- 8. One vampire, who was not infected last, really disliked not having a suntan more than anything else

Bertram	Vincent	Borka	Peter	Fred
Luther	Luther	Luther	Luther	Luther
Pratt	Pratt	Pratt	Pratt	Pratt
Kane	Kane	Kane	Kane	Kane
Locke	Locke	Locke	Locke	Locke
Knight	Knight	Knight	Knight	Knight
1 st				
2 nd				
3 rd				
4 th				
5 th				
Flying	Flying	Flying	Flying	Flying
Sleeping all day				
Living forever				
Biting people				
Nice teeth				
Boring food				
No suntan				
Friends a pain				
Coffin repair				
Changing to bat				

Chasing Yourists

The Story

Five environmentally committed married couples decided to go on a safari together to view the wild creatures in their natural habitat. One exciting day they decided to split up into five groups to go view the animals, and they also decided that no husbands and wives would go out together that day. All ten people, in groups of two, were chased by warthogs, baboons, hyenas, lions, and jackals. The married couples were Bart and Sybil, Ricky and Leah, Arthur and Edith, Ralph and Alicia and Oscar and Harriet. Their guides were Bo, Leo, Manley, Sam and Curtis. The guides all yelled something to the people as the animals started to chase them. They yelled "yikes," "jeepers," "don't worry," "chill out," and "run faster." Based on the clues, match the animals with the names of the people they chased, their guides and what the guides yelled.

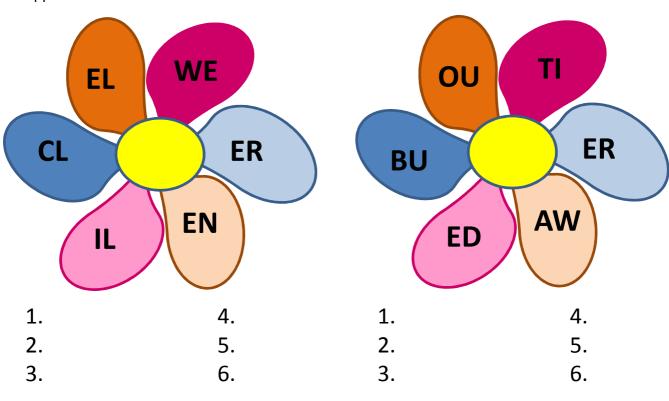
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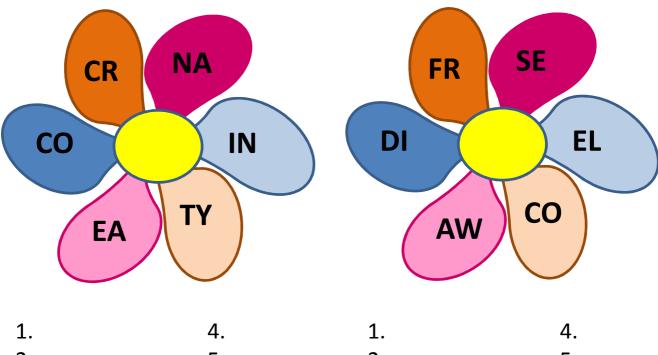
- 1. No husbands were chased with their wives, and the hyenas, lions and jackals did not chase Bart, Ricky, Sybil or Leah.
- 2. Sybil's guide was Manley who yelled "yikes" when the baboons chased them.
- 3. Arthur was chased with Harriet, Ralph was chased with Edith, while Oscar was chased by lions
- 4. Arthur's guide Leo was a bit optimistic when he yelled "don't worry."
- 5. Ralph's guide yelled "run faster," and it was not either Sam or Curtis.
- 6. Edith was not chased by jackals, Leah's guide was not Curtis, and Alicia's guide did not yell "jeepers."

Warthogs	Baboons	Hyenas	Lions	Jackals	
Bart Bart		Bart	Bart	Bart	
Ricky	Ricky	Ricky	Ricky	Ricky	
Arthur	Arthur	Arthur	Arthur	Arthur	
Ralph	Ralph	Ralph	Ralph	Ralph	
Oscar	Oscar	Oscar	Oscar	Oscar	
Sybil	Sybil	Sybil	Sybil	Sybil	
Leah	Leah	Leah	Leah	Leah	
Edith	Edith	Edith	Edith	Edith	
Alicia	Alicia	Alicia Alicia Alicia		Alicia	
Harriet	Harriet	Harriet	Harriet	Harriet	
Во	Во	Во	Во	Во	
Leo	Leo	Leo	Leo	Leo	
Manley	Manley	Manley	Manley	Manley	
Sam	Sam	Sam	Sam	Sam	
Curtis	Curtis	Curtis	Curtis	Curtis	
"yikes"	"yikes"	"yikes"	"yikes"	"yikes"	
"jeepers"	"jeepers"	"jeepers"	"jeepers"	"jeepers"	
'don't worry"	"don't worry"	"don't worry"	"don't worry"	"don't worry	
"chill out"	"chill out"	"chill out"	"chill out"	"chill out"	
"run faster"	"run faster"	"run faster"	"run faster"	"run faster"	

Petal Pairs:

For each of the flowers, can you find two letters which, when placed in the center, will form three six-letter words? Each word starts in a darker petal and ends in the lighter petal which is directly opposite.

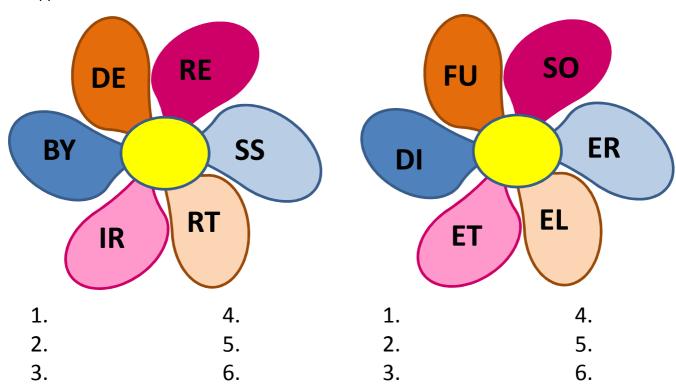


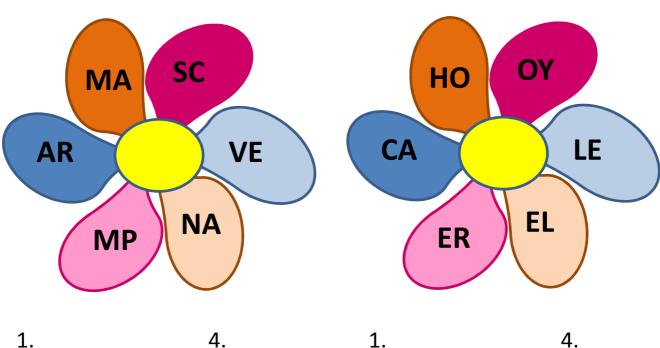


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	6.	3.	6.	

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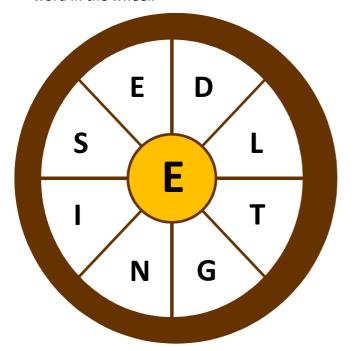
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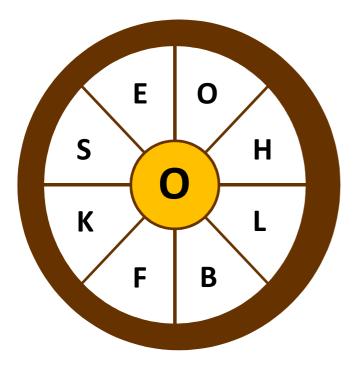
Word Wheel:

How many words of three or more letters can you make from those in the wheel, without using plurals, abbreviations or proper nouns? The central letter must appear once in every word and no letter in the wheel may be used more than once. You must <u>also</u> identify the one nine-letter word in the wheel.



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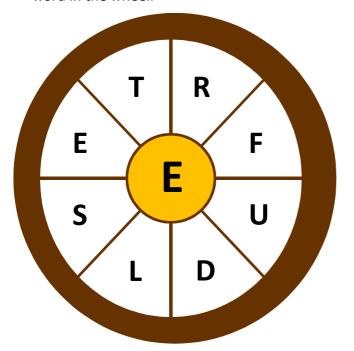


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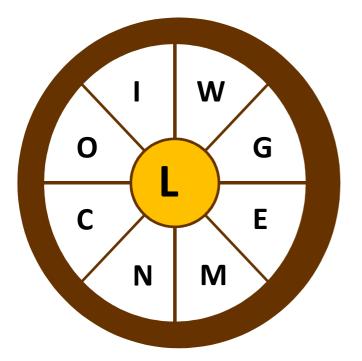
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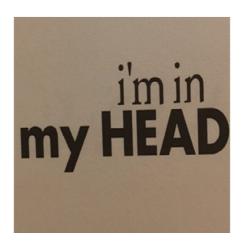
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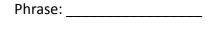
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Phrase: _____

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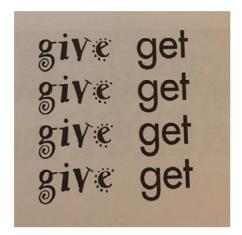
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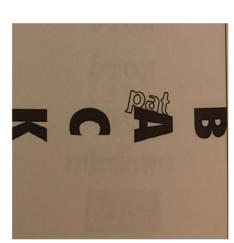
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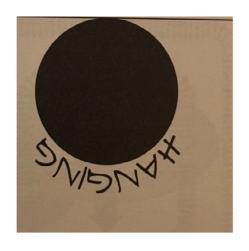
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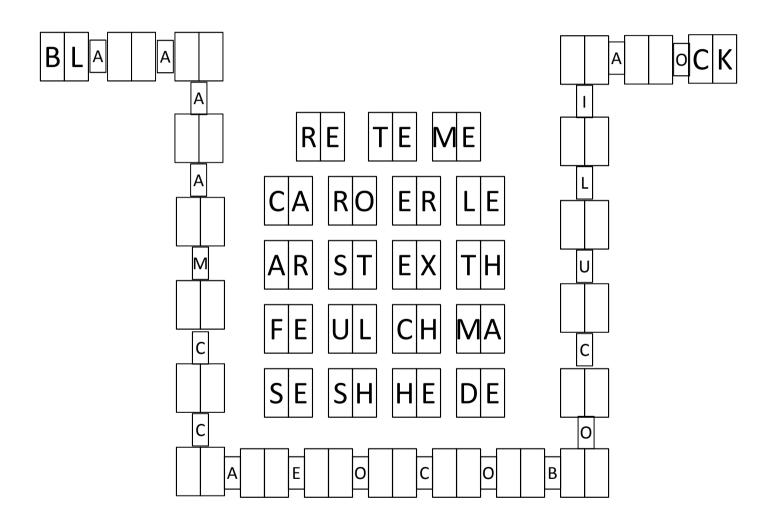
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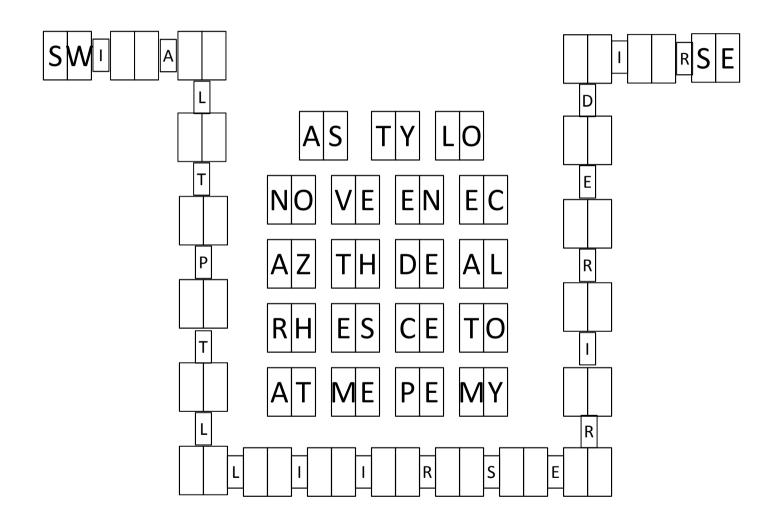
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Honeycomb Loops

Draw a continuous loop which passes through no hexagon more than once. A value within a cell indicates the number of adjacent hexagons through which the loop passes. The loop cannot pass through a numbered cell, nor make a "V" turn. A "V" turn consists of passing from one cell into another, and then back into a cell adjacent to the first.

