

# Steve's Online Puzzles & Other Stuff—58

“Greater love has no man than this”

**EXPLORER ERNEST SHACKLETON** headed an Antarctic expedition attempting to reach the South Pole in 1908.

They came closer than any before but, 97 miles short of the pole, had to turn back to reach their ship, the Nimrod.

In his diary Shackleton told of the time when their food supplies were exhausted save for one last ration of hardtack, a dried sort of biscuit, that was distributed to each man.

Some of the men took snow, melted it, and made tea while consuming their biscuit. Others, however, stowed the hardtack in their food sacks, saving it for a last moment of hungry desperation.

The fire was built up, and weary, exhausted men climbed into their



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sleeping bags to face a restless sleep, tossing and turning. Shackleton said that he was almost asleep when out of the corner of his eye, he noticed one of his most trusted men sitting up in his bag and looking about to see if anyone was watching.



Shackleton's heart sank within him as this man began to reach toward the food sack of the man next to him. Shackleton watched as the man opened the food sack and took his own hardtack and put it in the other man's sack.

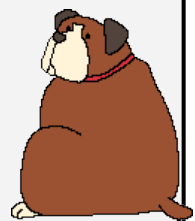
## What a wonderful world!



“I suffer so much from static electricity in my clothes and on me that when I kiss my boyfriend goodnight I give him violent shocks which run up our noses! There is a definite crackle and it really hurts! My boyfriend is beginning to think it's not worth it.”

(Letter in Woman's magazine)

A dog ate 16 bread rolls and a loaf left in front of the fire to rise. But the 3lb of dough kept on rising inside her, so the dog expanded like a balloon! The owner found her pet lying helpless on the floor with her legs in the air. Taken to a vet because of fears about her heart, the vet observed that the dog was going down slowly so no treatment was needed. Her owner commented, “She gobbles anything!”



# Spot the Difference

Spot 7 differences between the two pictures.

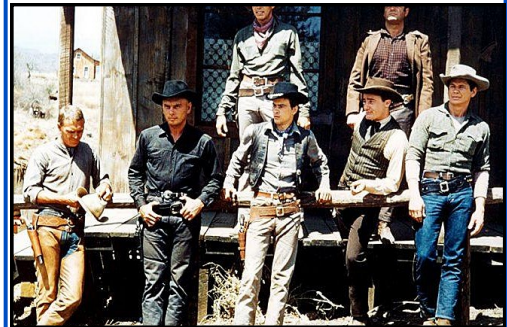


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## What do You Know?

1. How is the Greek island of KERKIRA better known to holiday makers?
2. What is the medical name for the children's disease chickenpox?
3. What name is given to the wife of an Earl?
4. Name the songs with "Yellow" in the title that were hits for the following  
(i) Elton John (1973),  
(ii) Mitch Mitchell (1955),  
(iii) Coldplay (2000),  
(iv) Christie (1970), and  
(v) Bombalurina (1990).
5. Misogyny is the hatred or contempt of women and girls, but what is the hatred or contempt of men and boys?
6. Who was Henry VIII's second wife?
7. Which country won the first soccer World Cup?
8. Name the actors that played *The Magnificent Seven* in the film of the same name.



9. How would you write the number 847 in Roman numerals?
10. Which UK road sign is a different shape to all the others?
11. Who was killed in a plane crash on February 3rd 1959 near Clear Lake, Iowa?
12. Who was the first unseeded Wimbledon men's single champion?
13. Name the two books of the Old Testament that are women's names.
14. The island of Trinidad lies off the coast of which South American country?
15. What are the chemical symbols for the following elements (i) Sodium, (ii) Iron, (iii) Magnesium, (iv) Radon and (v) Antimony?
16. How many crotchets are there in a semi-breve?
17. Which EIGHT counties that play first class cricket do NOT have shire in their name?
18. In which village does Postman Pat deliver the mail?
19. What are the five "cinque ports"?
20. What is the young of a salmon called?



Guess the name of these Hollywood movies from the dialogues below;

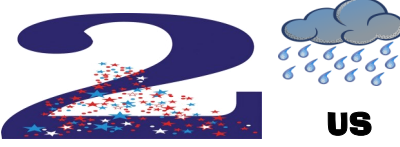
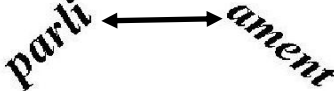






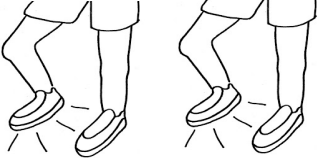


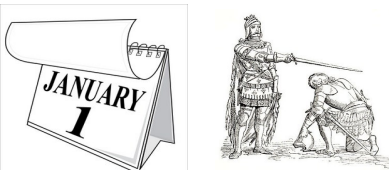

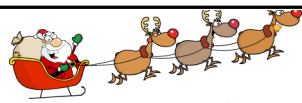


1. "I'm gonna make him an offer he can't refuse."
2. "I feel the need... the need for speed."
3. "You can't handle the truth!"
4. "My mama always said, life was like a box of chocolates. You never know what you gonna get."
5. "May the force be with you."
6. "They may take our lives, but they will never take... our FREEDOM!"
7. "Wax on, wax off."
8. "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn."
9. "I see dead people."
10. "You got a dream...you gotta protect it."

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# ROYAL DINGBATS—1

As we look forward to next year's Queen's Platinum Jubilee here's the first of a series of Royal Dingbats of things related to the Queen. Say what you see to solve the puzzles.

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**"When Andrea got married, she asked to wear her mother's wedding dress.**

When she tried it on for the first time I was sitting with Mother in the living room as Andrea descended the stairs. The gown was a perfect fit on her petite frame. Mother's eyes welled with tears. I put my arm around her.

"You're not losing a daughter," I reminded her in time-honoured fashion. "You're gaining a son."

"Oh, forget about that!" she said with a sob. "I used to fit into that dress!"

*(From Mikey's-Funnies)*



**All this in four minutes?**

During the 'Cold War' it was estimated that we would have 4 minutes warning before a bomb exploded. This impossible advice was given out of ignorance of the reality:

"As soon as you know an H-bomb is on the way, run out and paint your windows with a mixture of whitewash and curdled milk to deflect dangerous rays. Soak your curtains and upholstery with a solution of borax and starch to prevent fire."



*(Reynolds News)*

# PUZZLE ANSWERS

## Hollywood

- The Godfather
- Top Gun
- Few Good Men
- Forrest Gump
- Star Wars
- Braveheart
- Karate Kid
- Gone with the Wind
- The Sixth Sense
- The Pursuit of Happyness\*  
*(\*Deliberately misspelled.)*

## Dingbats—The Queen-1

- "Long to reign over us"
- Opening Parliament.
- Lady in Waiting.
- Tower of London.
- The Changing of the Guard.
- Seventy years on the throne.
- "Long live the Queen".
- "For Queen and Country".



- The Elizabeth Cross. This award was launched in 2009. It is granted to the next of kin of Armed Forces personnel killed on operations or as a result of terrorism as a mark of national recognition for their loss. This is the first time since the George Cross was instituted in 1940 by King George VI that the name of a reigning monarch has been given to a new award. It is available to the families of those who died in conflicts dating back to 1948.
- Stamps.
- Sand-ring-ham.
- Cutting Ribbons.
- New Year Honours.
- The Commonwealth.
- Christmas Broadcast.
- Head of State.
- A mother.
- The Order of the Garter.

## Midweek Activities Resumed at St. Columba's

All in the Hall except where stated

Mondays: 10.30-11.30am — 'The Sweat Shop'

Mondays: 5.00-9.30pm — Katrina's School of Dancing

Tuesdays: 5.00-9.00pm — Katrina's School of Dancing

Wednesdays: 10.30-12.00noon — The Food Bank (in Church)

Wednesdays: 7.00-8.30pm — Judo

Thursdays: 6.30-9.30pm — 'The Sweat Shop'

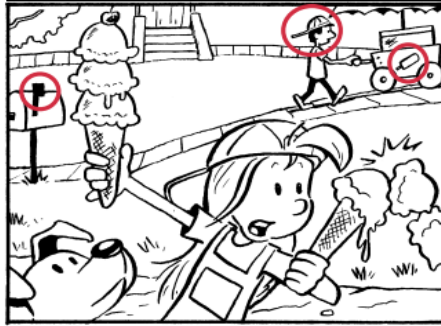
Saturdays: 9.00-12.00noon — Romanian Orthodox Church (in church)

Sundays: 12.30-3.00pm — Jesus Christ Pentecostal Church (in church)

Sundays: 2.00-4.00pm — Viking Re-Enactment Group.

Two Alcoholics Anonymous groups also meet, but for obvious reasons we don't say when. Details from Vicar.

## Spot the Differences



## EASY WORD SEARCH

Can you find the words listed below? They may be horizontal, vertical, forwards or backwards. No diagonals.

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

**BENCH HOOK, BRAD AWL, CENTRE PUNCH, CHISEL, COPING SAW, DIVIDERS, DRILL BITS, FILE, G CRAMP\*, HACKSAW, HAND DRILL, JUNIOR HACKSAW, MARKING GAUGE, MARKING KNIFE, PLANE, SCRIBER, STEEL RULE, TENON SAW, TRY SQUARE, VICE.**

\* The word 'clamp' tends to be used in engineering while 'cramp' tends to be used in woodworking, although to a large extent, the two terms are interchangeable

## What do You Know?

- KERKIRA is better known as Corfu.
- Varicella.
- A Countess.
- (i) Elton John = "Good-Bye Yellow Brick Road", (ii) Mitch Mitchell = "Yellow Rose of Texas", (iii) Coldplay = "Yellow", (iv) Christie = "Yellow River" (v) Bombalurina = "Itsy Bitsy Yellow Polka Dot Bikini".
- The hatred or contempt of men and boys is Misandry.
- Anne Boleyn.
- Uruguay.
- Yul Brynner, Steve McQueen, Charles Bronson, Robert Vaughn, Brad Dexter, James Coburn and Horst Buchholz.
- 847 is DCCCXLVII.
- The STOP sign. It's an octagon.
- Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, The Big Bopper [J.P. Richardson] and the pilot Roger Peterson.
- Boris Becker.
- Ruth and Esther.
- Venezuela.
- (i) Sodium = Na, (ii) Iron = Fe, (iii) Magnesium = Mg, (iv) Radon = Rn and (v) Antimony = Sb (from its Latin name Stibium).
- Four.
- Durham, Kent, Essex, Sussex, Surrey, Middlesex, Somerset and Glamorgan.
- Greendale.
- The Cinque Ports are a historic group of coastal towns in Kent, Sussex and Essex: Hastings, New Romney, Hythe, Dover and Sandwich. (*The name is Norman French, meaning "five ports".*) In 1155 a Royal Charter established the ports to 'maintain ships ready for the Crown in case of need'. Their chief obligation was to provide 57 ships for 15 days' service to the king annually, each port fulfilling a proportion of the quota. In return they received the following privileges: Exemption from tax and tolls; self-government; permission to levy tolls, punish minor offences, breaches of the peace, and those who shed blood or fled justice; to detain and execute criminals both inside and outside the port's jurisdiction; and take possession of lost goods unclaimed after a year (e.g. floating wreckage (*flotsam*), and goods thrown overboard (*jetsam*—from which we get *jettison*)).
- A Smolt.

## Dim in more than one way!!

"If it wasn't for those bright sparks who discovered electricity in what is aptly named the dim and distant past, we'd be watching television by candlelight every night of the week."

Manchester Evening News & Chronicle

(ME, as teacher, 'Aarrghhh!' — 'THINK, boy!')