



# MINI-SCANS 24

JULY 2022

## Becoming one of God's Friends



### I want to tell you about one of God's friends .....

...and we read about him in 1 Kings 17... where he strides onto the pages of Biblical history, in the King James version of the Bible, at least, introduced by nothing more than a conjunction:

*"And Elijah..."*

This is our first introduction to Elijah:

*"And Elijah..."*

And you might well say: *"And who?"*

**Elijah!**

*"Well, who's he?"*

The answer's very simple: **One of God's friends!**

All down the centuries, God has been talking to people.... and Elijah was part of that conversation.

And most of those who have been part of God's conversation have been numbered among His friends.

**And the wonderful thing is, that you and I may even now qualify to be one of His friends!**

Those through whom He can still accomplish His timeless ends:

*And Elijah* ....and Ian ...and Janet ...and Kevin... and Michael... and... even me... even you!

***God's friends!***

### HOW DO YOU BECOME A FRIEND OF GOD?

The answer's incredibly simple:

### BEING TOLD WHAT TO DO... YOU DO AS YOU'RE TOLD!

...crediting God with enough sense to know what He's at...

... and recognising all those illimitable resources He has that make it POSSIBLE for **YOU** to carry out that which He's told you to do!

This is beautifully explained in 1 Thessalonians 5:24:

*"Faithful is He that calls you ...."*

What else does He do apart from call you?

*"Faithful is He that calls you ... who will also DO IT!"*

In other words, there's nothing that God will call upon you to do, which He, *as God*, is not prepared to do **IN** and **THROUGH** You!

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## What is the weirdest island in the world?

There are many contenders. Here's one...

### Sable Island

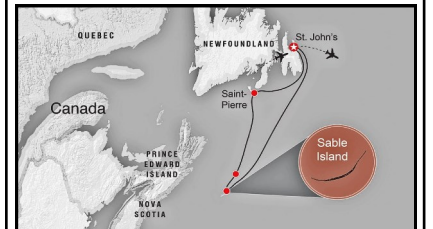


It's particularly weird because it **MOVES** about 200 metres (650 ft.) a year.

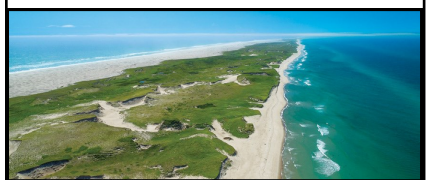
It is situated around 300 km southeast of Halifax, Nova Scotia. A narrow, crescent-shaped sandbar it has a surface area of about 34 km<sup>2</sup>.



The island's **only inhabitants** are grey seals and wild horses. Free to roam, they represent one of the world's last wild equine populations. Access to the island is controlled by Canada as a National Park, with access only from June to October.



An estimated 350 vessels are believed to have fallen victim to the island's sand bars. For this reason this place is nicknamed the **Graveyard of the Atlantic**.





## Elementary, my dear Watson

I first became a fan of Sherlock Holmes when I was at Uni in London. The bookshop there stocked the stories in paperback and I eagerly looked out for the next volume as I read my way through them.

Since then, and the expiry of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's copyright, I have eagerly sought out the latest pastiches (*stories written in the style of the original creator*) - and I have dozens of them.

One I read recently included a clue in the form of a biblical code. I have created an easy puzzle below based on this. Can you solve it? It's an old proverb (not biblical).

GE44:4-23+24

1SA19:8-2

IS7:18-9

EX16:31-20+21 2CH32:7-31+32

JN19:29-5

If you have not yet picked up the latest issue of the revamped SCaNS, extra copies are being printed and will soon be available for you at the back of church.

The Catch-Words puzzle solution accidentally omitted from SCaNS appears in this issue of Mini-SCaNS on page 8.



## Cooking Tip...

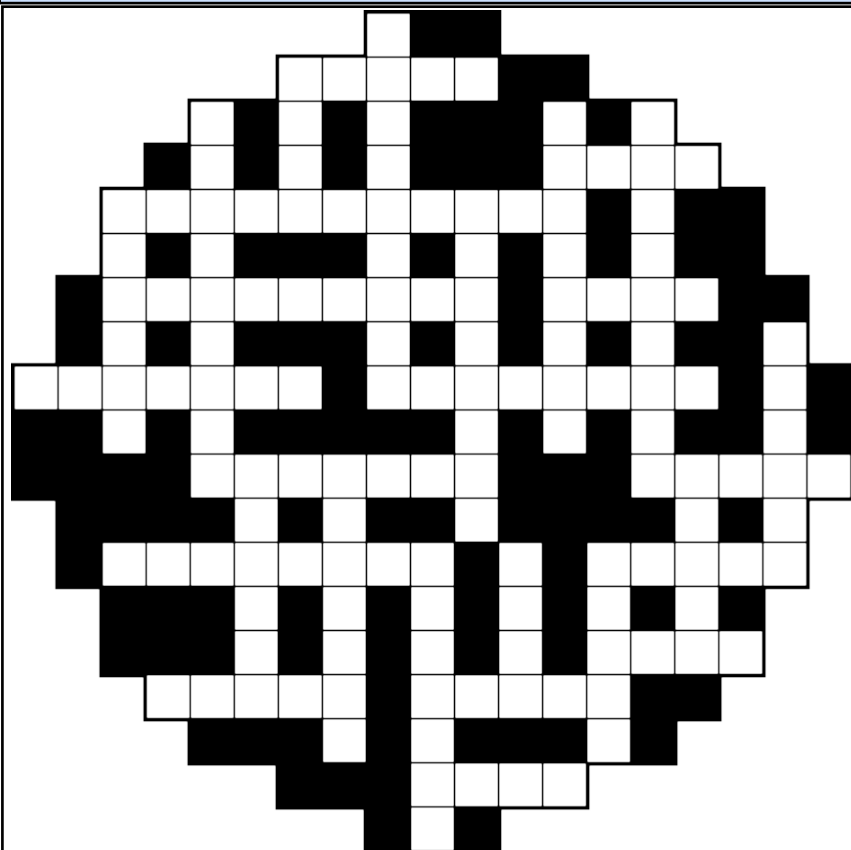
"To prevent your eyes watering when slicing onions dip them into boiling water for a few seconds..."

(NZ paper).



## Global Word Fit

Can you fit the words from the list correctly into the grid?



### 4 letters

APIA  
CHAD  
OHIO  
PERU  
SUVA  
UTAH

### 5 letters

ARUBA  
EGYPT  
GHANA  
MACAU  
MIAMI  
PRAIA  
SPAIN

### 6 letters

AUSTIN  
TAIPEI  
UGANDA

### 7 letters

AUGUSTA  
BEIJING  
URUGUAY  
YUCATAN

### 8 letters

HONDURAS  
PARAGUAY  
SRI LANKA  
TRINIDAD

### 9 letters

ARGENTINA  
MAURITIUS  
MILWAUKEE  
SANTORINI

### 11 letters

AFGHANISTAN



# God's Friends

(Continued from page 1)

He's both the Author and the Finisher of our faith

... He's the Beginning and the End...

... and He's everything in between. ...

... and God's friends simply find that out... act on the assumption that it's true... and let God do it!

For nine years, as Director of Training and Acting Warden of Evangelists I was privileged to spend time with groups of God's friends — people who believed that He was calling them into ministry... trying to help them discern God's will for their lives. And you can be absolutely sure that He did reveal His will for each one of them — as He did for Elijah — and will do for you.

As God said to Jacob:

"Look, I am with you, and I will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." *Genesis 28:15*)



Sometimes, God can be hard to understand — when things 'seemingly' go wrong or He says, "No!" and steers you away from what you 'think' is His will to something else that is even better. It may take some time to discover how God's plans for you are for your long-term good when all you are feeling now is confusion and frustration—and even pain.

"Lord, I want to be a computer engineer."

"Tough! I want you to be a teacher, a preacher and a writer."

"Steve—It's time for me to take your soul-mate wife Terry from you. You'll meet again in heaven, but Terry's friend, Sue, has been praying for a Christian husband—and I have chosen you. As I blessed your time with Terry, so I will bless your time with Sue. But, by the way, I'm also going to take your evangelism training role from you on the day Terry comes to me. Read Job. It will help. He's been there. He lost all that he loved in one day, too. My friend, I promise that I will be with you."

The Lord Jesus knew all about hurt and frustration when the people of His home town tried to kill Him when all He wanted to do was to teach and heal them (*Luke 4:16–30*).

It was the same when His family thought He was "out of His mind" (*Mark 3:21*) and tried to take Him away from a meeting where He was speaking... or, when His best friend betrayed Him.

Jesus knew all about the pain you feel, when you're hurt or confused.

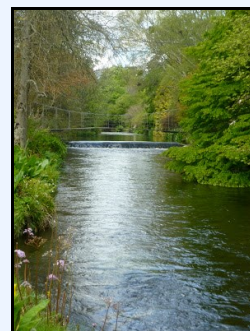
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# Seas, Rivers & Lakes Quiz

1. What are the **FIVE** oceans of the World?
2. Which of the **five Great Lakes** of North America would come first in an alphabetical list?



3. In which Ocean would you find **The Maldives**?
4. Into which sea does the **River Nile** flow?
5. What is the largest lake in **Scotland**?
6. Which two bodies of water does the **Panama Canal** connect?
7. Which seas does the **Suez Canal** connect?
8. The "**Puerto Rican Trench**" is the deepest part of which ocean?
9. In which country is **The Great Bear Lake**?
10. Which **SIX** countries border the **Black Sea**?
11. What is the **deepest lake** in the world?
12. Where would you find "**The Sea of Tranquility**"?
13. What is the largest lake in the **Lake District National Park**?
14. Which sea lies to the **North of Poland**?
15. Which European Country is known as "**The Land of a Thousand Lakes**"?
16. Between which two countries does "**The Skagerrak**" lie?
17. Which lake in **Ireland** is the largest in the British Isles?
18. Which sea separates **Australia** from **New Zealand**?
19. Which sea lies to the **north of Iran**?
20. The shore of which sea is said to be the **lowest point on Earth** not covered by water?
21. Which **FOUR** rivers are named in Genesis passing through the **Garden of Eden**?
22. What did the **Romans** call the Mediterranean Sea?
23. What are the **FIVE** main rivers of **Northamptonshire**?
24. When I was a boy out camping I swam in this Lancashire river near **Garstang**. It starts in the Forest of Bowland and enters the sea at Fleetwood. What is it called?



# God's Friends

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- But you see, He didn't come into this world to do His 'best' for you and for me!
- He didn't come into this world to do His 'best' for the Father!

He came into this world ...

- conceived of the Holy Spirit...
- in the borrowed womb of a teenage girl ...
- walking this earth clothed with your humanity and mine ...
- **AT ALL TIMES and IN ALL PLACES to let His Father DO... IN and THROUGH Him ... that for which the Father sent Him.**

For, as He said in John 5:30:

*"By Myself... I can do NOTHING!"*

And that's true of me.

And that's true of you.

**How do you become God's friend?**

You make yourself available to the One who, alone, dwelling in you, CAN - and WILL DO - the amazing things to which He calls you. And you start by regularly reading the Scriptures to allow the Holy Spirit to speak directly to you.

**Let God loose in your life!**

**Be prepared to take risks!**

Learn, when your mind says, "I can't do that!" to do it anyway, because He told you to do it and you trust Him

And then be amazed, as you look back, at what He has accomplished because you said, "OK, Lord. Do it! Here am I. Send me!"

(Next month: More specific help to discover God's Will/Plan for your life.)

Can you Spot TEN differences between the pictures?



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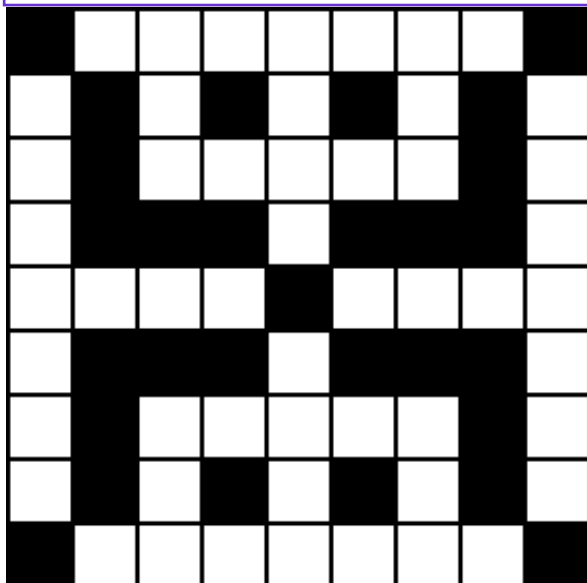
## UK Soccer Teams Quiz

1. Six Premier football teams are based in London. What are their names?
2. Where are these Queens located?
  - a. Queen of the South.
  - b. Queen's Park Rangers
3. Which two Welsh teams play in the English League.
4. Which two English teams play in the Scottish League?
5. Football team nicknames. Which team is known as....



## Cross-WISE—3

There are no clue numbers in the grid. Use your powers of deduction to put the right words in the correct positions in the grid.



1. One of the two horizontal 7-letter words is floor coverings and the other is mariners.
2. One of the two vertical 7-letter words is a direction indicator and the other is tropical birds.
3. One of the 5-letter words is salary increase and the other is items of footwear.
4. The 4-letter words are couple; close by; fossil fuel; summit.
5. The two 3-letter words on the left are the atmosphere and a large body of water.
6. The two 3-letter words on the right are an item of neckwear and a Knight's title.

## Code Word Challenge

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
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6		23			10		17		4		4		4
7	25	4	24	26	8	15		4	5	11	26	4	16
8	4		12		7		9		24			7	
9	21		24			14	21	24	25	10	7	20	8
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11	8		10		22		24	21	21	4	17	20	6
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13	16	19	4		24			4	16	9	11	26	8
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M

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
				T	H	G						

Enter the letter in each circled cell in the order given below to reveal a themed answer:

5D	11K	10G	3B	5H	7K	7M	2G	3M	11A	4I	5B

## The Cathedral is full of dinosaurs!

**T**he Cathedral is full of dinosaurs – and no, that's not a dig at my colleagues, I hasten to add!

No, this summer, we're hosting the **Natural History Museum's Killer Question** exhibition, which explores what the famous T Rex was really like and shows what he/she and a number of other of these ancient creatures possibly looked like.

**What on earth has this to do with the Cathedral's primary purposes** of worship and mission you may ask. Is this just a money-making gimmick, and has the Cathedral lost its spiritual bearings?

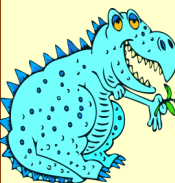
**Well let's first of all be honest** enough to say that we are hoping to make quite a lot of money from the exhibition and from the thousands of visitors who come to see it. And that will be quite an important element in helping to keep the doors of the Cathedral open 365 days a year, the roof on, its staff paid and its ministry resourced. But it's not just about the money. We believe this is a real missionary opportunity.

**Many people never darken the door of a Church building**, of any sort, from one year to the next. Even rites of passage like weddings, funerals, christenings are becoming increasingly secularized and coming to church is no longer the norm. Events and exhibitions like this however, bring a huge number of families and young people through our door and into our extraordinary and awesome space, which dinosaurs or not, unmistakably speaks of Christ at the centre of all



that we are about. Visitors entering the West Door won't see a dinosaur they will see the great cross that hangs at the head of the nave – and the figure of Jesus whose death and resurrection is at the heart of our faith.

**Our past experience.** (we have hosted space capsules, moons and Gaia earth in recent years) tells us that coming to the Cathedral offers many people a chance (an excuse maybe) to connect to the faith we proclaim; to light a candle, say a prayer, have a conversation with a chaplain. It really can be a small step (perhaps the first) on the journey of faith.



**And as for dinosaurs** – well it also gives an opportunity to dispel some of the myths about science and religion, for example that the Church doesn't "believe" in evolution. Perhaps it will help us make the connection with the really important issues about the extinction of species, which isn't something that only happened millions of years ago. It's happening now – and what are we planning to do about it and the big issues of bio-diversity and climate change?

**Widening our imaginations, encouraging questions**, attracting new people, engaging creatively with those who come, and also supporting our mission financially. We think that's a win win!

Happy holidays to those having them

God bless you

*Chris Dalliston, Dean of Peterborough*

**Exhibition runs 18 July-3 Sept. Booking in advance recommended. Details at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/cathedral-dinos](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cathedral-dinos)**



# Don't rely on gossip—check out the facts!



For more than twenty-five years, Dr. Thomas Shipp was pastor of a great and caring congregation that began in his living room and grew to more than eight thousand members. Although in constant demand as a speaker, he often went to small churches on preaching missions.

One Sunday evening he drove from Dallas to a small town to preach.

Some people standing around in front of the church said, "Preacher, see that house over there (next-door to the parsonage, and the church)? A woman lives there with her seventeen-year-old daughter. A man drives up at ten o'clock every night. He leaves the next morning at two-thirty."

They told Shipp that the girl was going to Kansas City and that everyone knew why she was going. She was "in trouble." Furthermore, they implied that the man who came each night was responsible.

Shipp watched.

Sure enough, at exactly ten o'clock, a man



drove up and went inside. But he was gone in the morning. Next day, almost everywhere Dr. Shipp went, people talked about this girl.

Shipp asked the local pastor: "Have you ever been over to see the family that lives next-door?"

The pastor protested, "Man, I wouldn't be caught dead in that house!"

So Shipp decided he would go himself.

Tom had a passion for reaching out to those with problems. The "others-orientation" of the church he helped found on the appropriately named Lovers Lane in Dallas was most dramatically and impactfully experienced by alcoholics and their families seeking freedom from addiction. It was said in the mid-1960's that it had the fourth largest Methodist congregation, with over 300 families of people struggling with alcoholism who had found sanctuary there. The "others-orientation" was also seen in its bold steps toward integration of people of different races in the tense civil rights driven decade of the 1960s.

Tom introduced himself at the door

"You don't know me; I'm Tom Shipp from Dallas, Texas. I'm over here preaching in the church. I understand your daughter left town this morning. I just wanted to come by and let you know that I was thinking of you. This must be a difficult day for you. I don't even know your name, but I'm praying for you today."

The woman broke down in tears. When able to regain her composure, she explained, "I don't know what I am going to do without my daughter."

Inside the house, Tom discovered a third person, the 85-year-old grandmother. The girl's father had died some years back. So the mother and daughter had come to this house to live with Grandma because Grandfather was also dead.

Then Grandmother suffered an illness that demanded round-the-clock care. So the mother was completely confined to the house.

No one in the community saw her. The daughter did all the shopping.

That evening, Tom arranged for a sitter for

the grandmother so the mother could attend the revival meeting.

Tom introduced the woman to the congregation. "I want you to meet your neighbour and my new friend."

This is a great night in her life.

She lives next-door to the parsonage.

Her daughter had to leave home this morning because they no longer had food to eat, and no one in this town would give the girl a job. Therefore, the daughter has to go to another town to work and send back money for her mother's and grandmother's living.

Grandmother, who lives in the same house, is eighty-five years old and requires constant care.

Your neighbour says she doesn't know what she would do, if it weren't for her brother who drives 120 miles every night and stays with Grandma between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 2:30 a.m. while my friend gets four and a half hours of sleep.

The reason this night is special to her is because it's the first time she has been back in this church since she was six years old, when her father was the founding pastor of this church!

As Tom often said to his own congregation,

"We are here for people who need us. If we aren't here for people who need us, then why are we here?"

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up" (Ephesians 4:29)

But if you must gossip—at least check out the facts so you don't defame the innocent!

## SUDOKU

The rules of Sudoku are simple. Place a digit from 1 to 9 in each empty cell so every row, every column, and every 3 x 3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

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

# Hidden Objects Puzzle



banana



snail



carrot



party hat



cane



grapes



fan



flashlight



flower



belt



pine tree



ice-cream cone



pail



suitcase



clock



ladder



button



butterfly



ladybug



boot



toothbrush



seashell



Art by Mervie Gallagher-Cole

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## And God created woman

"...a fair-haired, blue-eyed girl ... she weighed only seven tons." *(Tasmanian paper)*

"He heard the clock strike the hour—and moments later, Monica in the doorway." *(Woman)*

"Arthur was seriously burned...when he came into contact with a high voltage wife." *(Surrey paper)*





## Puzzle Answers

### Quiz

1. The 5 oceans are Arctic, Atlantic, Indian, Pacific and Southern.
2. Lake Erie.
3. The Maldives are in the Indian Ocean.
4. The Mediterranean.
5. Loch Lomond.
6. Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea.
7. The Red Sea and Mediterranean.
8. The Atlantic.
9. Canada.
10. Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine, Russia, Georgia and Turkey.
11. Lake Baikal in Russia.
12. On the Moon.
13. Lake Windermere.
14. The Baltic Sea.
15. Finland [actually there are 187,888 lakes in the country].
16. Denmark and Norway.
17. Lough Neagh.
18. The Tasman Sea.
19. The Caspian Sea.
20. The Dead Sea.
21. Pishon, Gihon, Tigris, and Euphrates.
22. Mare Nostrum ("Our Sea").
23. The Rivers Tove, Great Ouse, Avon and Nene all have their sources in the southern and western upland areas of the county. The River Welland forms part of Northamptonshire's northern boundary and flows north-west to the Wash.
24. The River Wyre.

CROSS WISE 3

C	A	R	P	E	T	S
I	C	I	A	I	P	A
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### Catch-Words Puzzle solution missing from SCanS 150

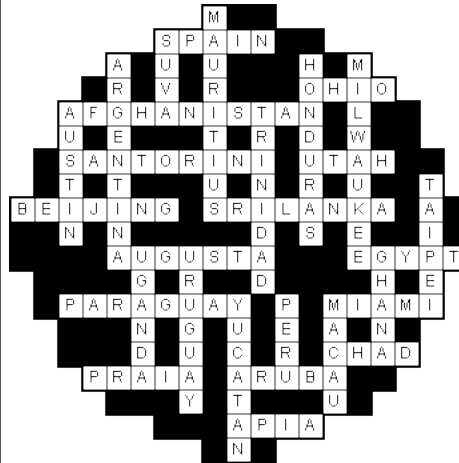
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### Elementary, my dear Watson

Genesis 44:4 words 23+24  
 1Samuel 19:8 word no. 2  
 Isaiah 7:18 word n. 9  
 Exodus 16:31 words 20+21  
 2Chronicles 32:7 words 31+32  
 John 19:29 word 5

You catch  
 more  
 flies  
 with honey  
 than with  
 vinegar

### Global Word Fit



### SUDOKU /rpg3

3	6	7	4	8	1	2	9	5
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6	7	3	9	1	2	8	5	4
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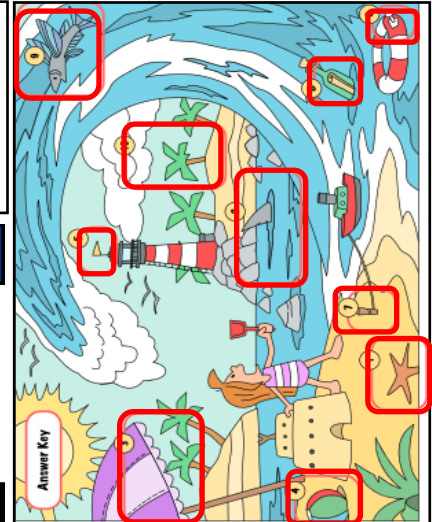
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Keyword: FOREHAND

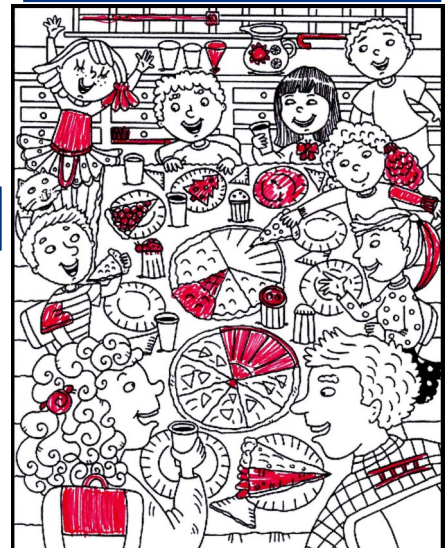
"Mrs Gumedra told the Herald that she was ashamed and embarrassed to hear that she and her husband were dead." (Zimbabwe Herald)



### Spot the Differences

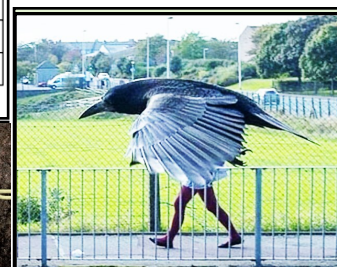


### Hidden Objects



### Soccer Teams

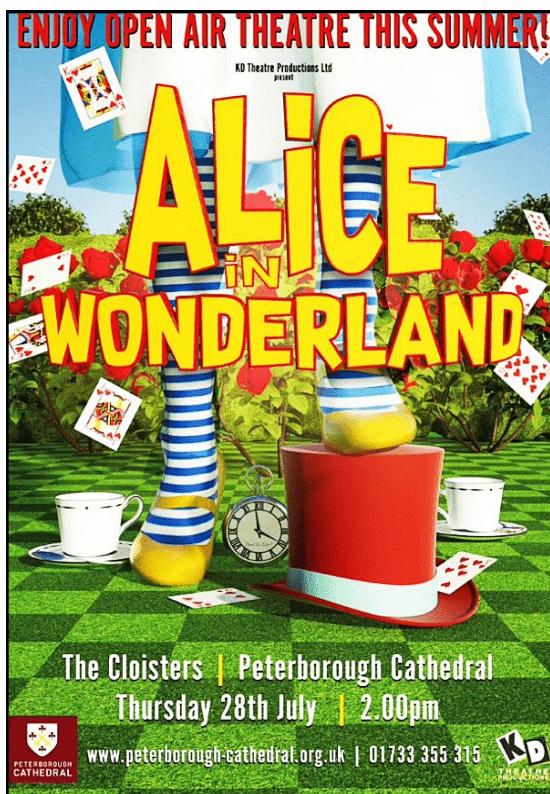
1. Arsenal, Chelsea, Crystal Palace, Fulham, Tottenham Hotspur, West Ham United.
2. a) Scotland (Dumfries); b) London.
3. Cardiff City, Swansea.
4. Berwick Rangers and Tweedmouth Rangers (both located 2 1/2 miles outside the Scottish border).
5. i) Eagles=Crystal Palace & Bedford Town; ii) Toffees=Everton; iii) Seasiders=Blackpool; iv) Tractor Boys=Ipswich; v) Hornets=Watford; vi) Canaries=Norwich; vii) Diamonds=Rushden & Diamonds; viii) Foxes=Leicester City; ix) Hammers=West Ham United; x) The Gunners=Arsenal.



What are the odds?



## Outdoor Events in July at Peterborough Cathedral



Join Alice down the rabbit hole in her magical adventures through Wonderland in this brand-new open-air adaptation of Lewis Carroll's family favourite 'Alice In Wonderland.'

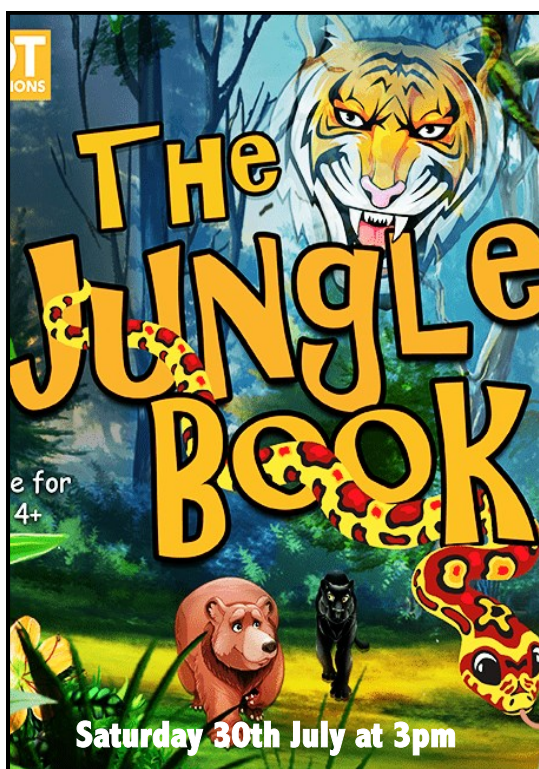
Discover the madness of the tea party and meet the Mad Hatter, The White Rabbit, Cheshire Cat and the Queen of Hearts plus many larger-than-life characters along Alice's journey.

This exciting and playful take on the tale features a professional cast of energetic performers, catchy new songs and lots of humour that will entertain and delight the whole family! Don't be late for this very important date!

"DOT Productions return with their own adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's 'The Jungle Book'.

Join Mowgli as Bagheera and Baloo help him on his journey through the jungle back to the man-village. Watch as they encounter the monkeys, run from Shere Khan the tiger and get hypnotised by Kaa the snake.

A fun family show that takes you on a rollercoaster adventure! Brought to the stage by a cast of 5 actors, this production is sure to entertain the smallest to the eldest of your wolf pack."



Could a Cockney Flower girl really be transformed into a Fair Lady?

DOT Productions return in their 12th year of touring with their own adaptation of a well-loved classic, George Bernard Shaw's Pygmalion.

Will professor of phonetics Henry Higgins transform Eliza Doolittle enough to convince upper-class society that she is one of them, or will Eliza never forget who she really is? Pygmalion explores the English class system with all of its petty attitudes and posturing. Full of wit & wisdom Shaw exposes the hollowness at the heart of that society, but it is not just about accents or class. It is about the battle of the sexes, of control! Brought to the stage by a cast of 5 actors and DOT's unmistakable entertaining style this is not to be missed.

This are all Open Air Events please bring blankets or seating and provision in case of rain! (Ha! Ha!)