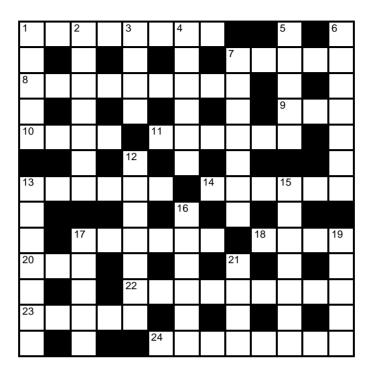
## **SPANISH-ENGLISH**



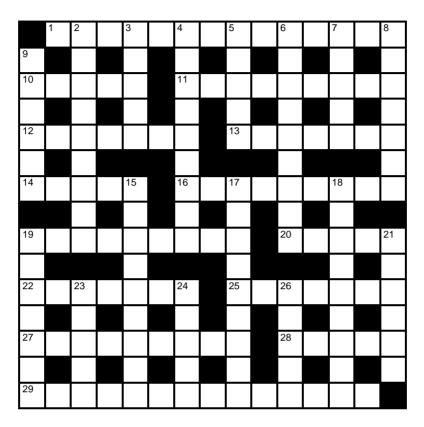
#### **Across**

- **1** Juntos (8)
- **7** Voz (5)
- 8 En alguna parte (9)
- 9 Lata (de comida) (3)
- **10** Royal (4)
- **11** Gypsy (6)
- 13 Mantequilla (6)
- 14 Monederos (6)
- **17** To attract (6)
- **18** Grey (4)
- **20** Of the (3)
- 22 Following (9)
- 23 Sudor (5)
- 24 Sótano (8)

## Down

- **1** To cough (5)
- 2 Gimnasta (7)
- 3 Población (4)
- 4 To choose (6)
- **5** Grandson (5)
- 6 Cacahuetes (7)
- 7 Come here! (3,4)
- **12** El más caro (7)
- **13** Floor tile (7)
- **15** Raro (7)
- **16** Tongue (6)
- **17** Callejón (5)
- **19** Dulce (5)
- 21 Mordedura (4)

## **QUIZWORD**



#### **Across**

1 Which former British athlete is best known as the first man to run the mile in



less than four minutes? (5,9)

What name for an upright support, generally a tripod, which is used for displaying and/or fixing something resting upon it, is derived from the old Germanic word for 'donkey'? (5)

- 11 What name is usually given to British lords or ladies whose title cannot be inherited? (4,5)
- 12 Which verb can mean both 'scrape or rub as if to relieve itching' and 'postpone indefinitely or annul something that was scheduled'? (7)
- 13 Which verb that means to shorten (a text or film) by omission of words without

sacrifice of sense? (7)

- 14 What was the nickname of the former American professional basketball star who played for the Los Angeles Lakers during the 1980s and early 1990s, Earvin Johnson? (5)
- 16 What name was given to the temple towers of the ancient Mesopotamian valley and Persia (Iran), having the form of a terraced pyramids of successively

receding stories? (9)

- 19 In typography, what name is given to a typeface that does not have the small, short lines at the end of strokes, such as Helvetica, Ariel and Tahoma? (4,5)
- 20 Which city in the state of North Rhine-Westphalia, north-west Germany that was heavily bombed in World War II, has been appointed European Capital

- of Culture for 2010? (5)
- 22 On a weather map, what name is given to lines on a map connecting points having the same atmospheric pressure? (7)
- 25 What name is often applied to a facility or programme designed to provide a caring environment for meeting the physical and emotional needs of the terminally ill? (7)
- 27 Which type of gundog has varieties called Chesapeake Bay, curly coated, flat coated, golden and Labrador? (9)
- 28 What name is usually given to a condensed but memorable saying embodying some important fact of experience that is taken as true by many people? (5)
- 29 Paresthesia is the medical name for which pricking tingling sensation in a limb growing numb or recovering from numbness? (4,3,7)

#### Down

- 2 What is the name of the female sex hormone that is secreted by the ovaries and is responsible for the development and maintenance of the female sexual characteristics?
- 3 Which word, derived from the French for 'splinter' or 'burst', means a way of doing something with a lot of style, especially in order to attract attention comes from? (5)
- 4 According to tradition, who, along with Caspar and Melchior, made up the Three Wise Men or Magi? (9)
- 5 By what abbreviation is the trade pact signed in 1992, intended to eliminate most tariffs and other trade barriers on products and services passing between the US, Canada, and Mexico usually known? (5)
- **6** Which verb means to ask someone for something

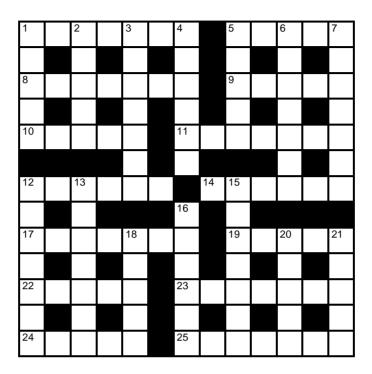
- continuously in an annoying or unreasonable way? (9)
- 7 Which river flows largely through the Southern Uplands of Scotland for a distance of 155 kilometres (97 miles) before entering the North Sea in north-east England? (5)
- 8 By what name are thin slices of bacon or ham broiled or fried usually known?

  (7)
- 9 What name is normally given to things that are thrown from a ship and float on the sea towards the shore? (6)
- 15 San José is the capital of which small country on the Central American isthmus, between Nicaragua and Panama? (5,4)
- 17 Which two-word phrase used to describe a present, generally of inferior quality that should be accepted in an uncritical manner, completes the phrase 'never look a [what] in the mouth'? (4,5)

- 18 If hibernate means 'to pass the winter in a torpid or resting state', which similar word means 'to pass the summer in a state of torpor'?

  (9)
- 19 Which item of horse riding equipment is also the name of the innermost ossicle of the middle ear in humans? (7)
- 21 By what name are the daughters of your brother or sister usually known? (6)
- 23 Which adverb means 'many times at short intervals'? (5)
- 24 Which verb can mean both 'spent less' and 'refrained from harming'? (5)
- 26 Which word can precede: by, down, fast, firm, guard, in, out, still and up? (5)

## **Quick Word**



#### **Across**

- 1 Small short-tailed furry-footed rodent (7)
- **5** Additional payment (5)
- 8 On the verge of (7)
- 9 Text of a popular song (5)
- 10 Finnish steam bath (5)
- **11** Moving and bending with ease (7)
- 12 Large semiaguatic rodent (6)
- **14** Unstable situation of extreme danger (6)
- **17** Terrifyingly horrible to the senses (7)
- **19** Acute contagious virus disease (5)
- **22** Group of people sharing common ancestry (5)
- **23** Pullover (7)
- **24** Sediment contained in a liquid (5)
- **25** Something that baffles understanding (7)

#### Down

- **1** Makes a logical connection (5)
- 2 Sound made by a cat (5)
- 3 Produce a copy of (7)
- **4** Man supported by a woman in return for his attentions (6)
- **5** Spherically shape objects (5)
- 6 Easily agitated (7)
- **7** Favourable outcome (7)
- 12 Narrow-minded (7)
- **13** Extreme greed for material wealth (7)
- **15** Jumpsuit for infants (7)
- **16** Substance used to make plaster of paris (6)
- 18 Travels about on foot (5)
- 20 Bishop's tall pointed hat (5)
- **21** Lost animal (5)

## **CROSS CODE**

Each number in our Cross Code grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, in this week's puzzle, 23 represents S, so fill in S every time the figure 23 appears.

You have two letters in the control grid (S and Z) to start you off, so enter them in the appropriate squares in the main grid and then use your knowledge of the English language to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.

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1	2	3	4	<sup>5</sup> Z	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	<sup>23</sup> S	24	25	26

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

## **COSTA BLUFFING**

Costa Bluffing is our very own version of the old television favourite Call My Bluff. Below are three obscure words, each with three different definitions, obviously only one of which is correct. You have to guess/deduce which is the true one.

#### 1. Immerd

- a. a boorish slob
- b. a woman ineligible for marriage
- c. to cover or submerse in manure

#### 2. Jirble

- a. to make something soft and pliable
- b. to smear with grime and mud
- c. to spill liquid, or to transfer liquid between containers

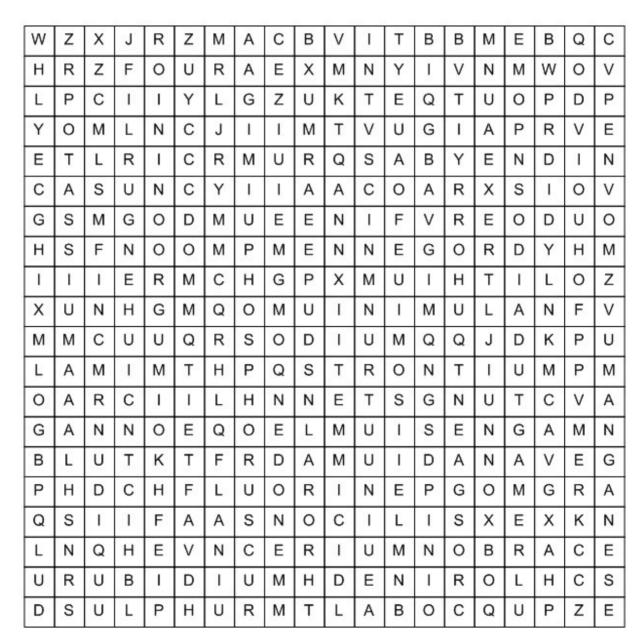
#### 3. **Keb**

- a. a ewe that has aborted its lamb
- b. the shades of green describing plants and vegetation
- c. yesterday evening

## **WORD HUNT**

## Element-ary, my dear Watson

In this week's Word Hunt we are delving into the world of chemical elements. There are more than 100 known substances (of which 92 occur naturally) that cannot be separated into simpler substances and that singly or in combination constitute all matter found in the Earth's crust. From oxygen, which makes up around 46 per cent of our planet, to the soft silvery metallic poor metal, gallium, which does not occur in nature, but as the Ga (III) salt, in trace amounts in bauxite and zinc ores, see how many of the 35 you can find.



oxygen silicon aluminium iron calcium sodium potassium magnesium titanium hydrogen phosphorus manganese fluorine barium carbon strontium sulphur zirconium

tungsten vanadium chlorine chromium rubidium nickel zinc copper cerium neodymium lanthanum yttrium nitrogen cobalt lithium niobium gallium

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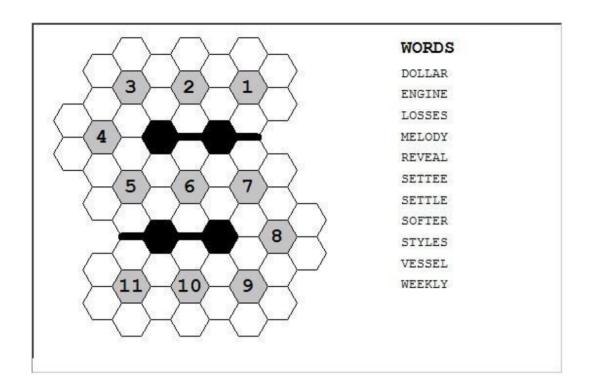
## THE YEAR IN QUESTION – 2008 (Part Three)

- 1. Which film director and producer relinquished his role as artistic adviser for the Beijing Olympic Games in protest at the Chinese government's handling of the Darfur conflict in Sudan?
- 2. Which German-owned discount supermarket chain reported a 20 per cent INCREASE in sales in June?
- 3. Which global financial-services firm, founded in Alabama in the 1850s, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in September?
- 4. Which of the Channel Islands held its first fully democratic elections under a new constitutional arrangement in December, thus becoming the last European territory to abolish feudalism?
- 5. Which UK radio station changed its name to Absolute Radio in September?
- 6. Who did Rachel Riley replace after 26 years in the job?
- 7. Who wrote the autobiographies (a) Speaking for Myself, published in May and (b) Prezza: My Story: Pulling No Punches, published in June?
- 8. Why did two of Mark Rothko's abstract paintings attract particular attention in an exhibition at Tate Modern?
- 9. Fred Thompson, Duncan Hunter, Jim Gilmore, Tommy Thompson, Sam Brownback, Tom Tancredo, John H Cox, Rudy Giuliani, Mike Huckabee, Ron Paul and Mitt Romney all failed in their bid to become what?
- 10. In the only referendum to be held by a European Union member state on the treaty, which country voted to reject the Treaty of Lisbon in June?

## **S-WORDS**

The purpose of this S-Words puzzle is to find and place 11 words on an s-shaped grid. Each word around a cell is of six-letters, two of these letters overlap with the adjacent cell. Letters are always placed clockwise.

To start you off, word 1 is **ENGINE**, now using your knowledge of the English language, work out where the other 10 should go.



# SUDOKU (Medium)

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# SUDOKU (Difficult)

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## a9gram

How many UK English words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in our a9gram puzzle? In making each word the letter may be used only once (unless the letter appears twice). Each word must contain the centre letter (in this case T) and there must be at least one nine-letter word. No proper nouns or plurals are allowed, although words that are mainly known in the plural like billiards, clothes, measles and thanks are permitted.

Target:

Average: 7 Good: 9

Very good: 12 Excellent: 15

