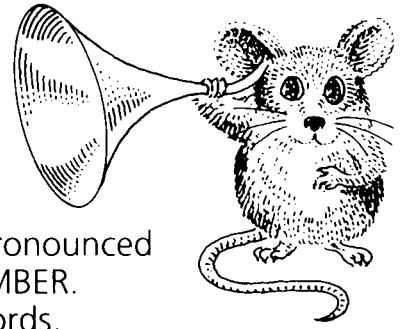
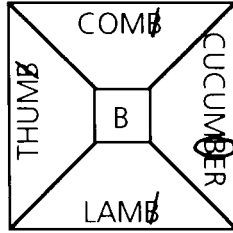


Silent letters





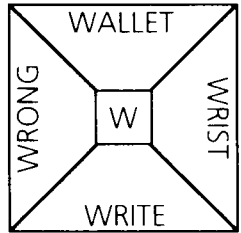
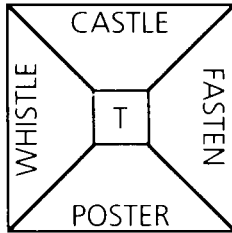
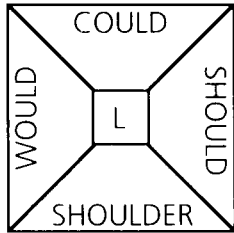
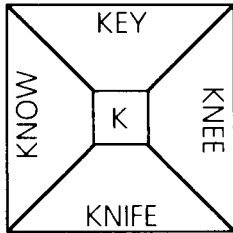
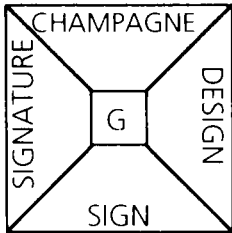
Look at this group of four words:



The letter B is only pronounced in one word: CUCUMBER. In the other three words, the letter B is silent: COMB, LAMB, THUMB.

Mark the words in these groups in the same way. In each group:

-  circle the letter in the word in which it is pronounced.
-  cross out the letter in the three words in which it is silent.



These pictures represent some of the words in the six groups.

For each one, write the correct letter in the square.

Solutions

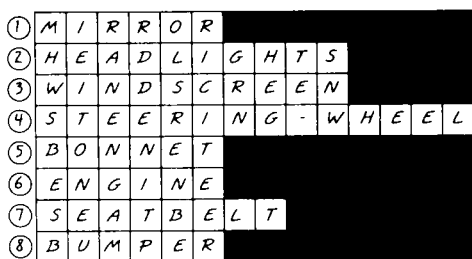
Doctor!

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1. Use a pen.
2. When did *what* happen?
3. I know, doctor. I've been ill.
4. Well, you've got it again.
5. I'm nervous too. It's the first operation I've ever done.
6. Who said that?
7. That's fantastic! I've never been able to play it before.
8. Next!

Numberplates

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Note: In American English, *license plate* is used instead of *numberplate*; also, *windshield* is used instead of *windscreen*, and *hood* instead of *bonnet*.

Absurd Riddles

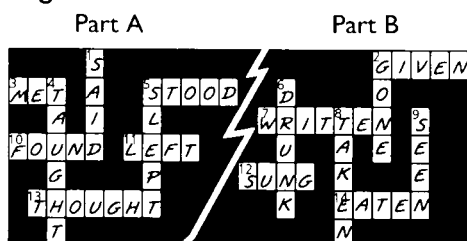
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1. A tomato in a lift.
2. A man on a horse.
3. An omelette in a washing machine.
4. A penguin on rollerskates.
5. A zebra with a trumpet.
6. A bird in a submarine.
7. A rabbit on a motorbike.
8. A giraffe with a microphone.

The answer to the question *What is big and yellow and eats rocks?* is *A big yellow rock-eater*.

Crossword in Two Halves

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All the verbs are irregular, but:

- for the verbs in Part A, the Past Simple and the Past Participle are the same: *meet/met/met*, *say/said/said*, *stand/stood/stood*, etc;
- for the verbs in Part B, the Past Simple and the Past Participle are different: *give/gave/given*, *go/went/gone*, *write/wrote/written*, etc.

Film Encyclopedia

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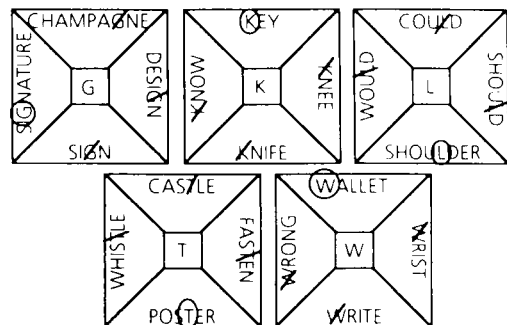
1. THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER.
2. THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN.
3. THE MAN FROM LARAMIE.
4. THE MAN ON THE EIFFEL TOWER.
5. THE MAN WHO WATCHED TRAINS GO BY.
6. THE MAN IN THE BACK SEAT.
7. THE MAN WHO SHOT LIBERTY VALANCE.
8. THE MAN IN THE WHITE SUIT.

Answer to question:

The hidden word in each title is *who*: THE BOY WHO STOLE A MILLION, THE GIRL WHO HAD EVERYTHING, THE SPY WHO LOVED ME, THE WOMAN WHO CAME BACK.

Silent Letters

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1. B
2. K
3. T
4. K
5. T
6. B
7. B
8. B
9. G
10. K
11. W
12. W
13. L

Remember these useful rules:

- In *-mb* at the end of a word, the *b* is always silent.
- In *-gn* or *-gne* at the end of a word, the *g* is always silent.
- In *kn-* at the beginning of a word, the *k* is always silent.
- In *wr-* at the beginning of a word, the *w* is always silent.
- In *could*, *should* and *would*, the *l* is always silent.
- In *-st-* in the middle of a word, the *t* is usually pronounced, but it is silent in some words.

Football Team

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