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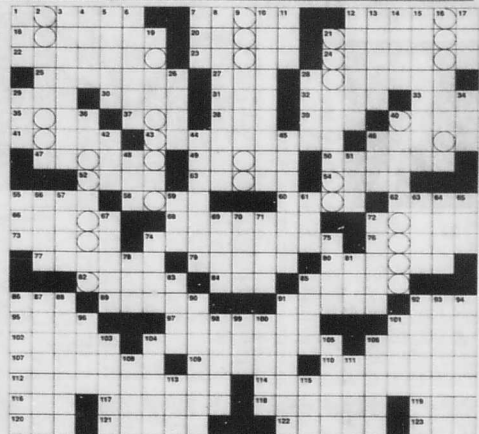
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SAVINGS PLAN

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John Rippe, of Silver Spring, Md., works in the Office of Protected Resources at the National Marine Fisheries Service. Jeff Chen, of Seattle, is a writer and prolific crossword collaborator. John specifically focuses on the 112-114 Across in his work, and this puzzle is a tribute to its impact.

- ACROSS**
- 1 First name in 1990s alternative rock
 - 2 Hat of Fame Qb John
 - 3 Showing embarrassment
 - 4 Enormous
 - 5 Target competitor
 - 6 Result of an iron deficiency?
 - 7 Back, in slang
 - 8 A.P. Stylebook entry that lost its hyphen in 2011
 - 9 Like Constantine from 1453 to 1522
 - 10 Under the counter, say
 - 11 One on the links?
 - 12 Carpenter's carve cutter
 - 13 Hagen who wrote "Respect for Acting"
 - 14 Lyric of "The Daily Show"
 - 15 Group of connected PCs
 - 16 Nashville attraction, with "the"
 - 17 Dust-up
 - 18 Something you might break into
 - 19 FedEx alternative
 - 20 John Denver's "Thank God _____ Country Boy"
 - 21 "Succession" family name
 - 22 App used to track fertility
 - 23 Joins a pot
 - 24 Response to "Are we there yet?"
 - 25 With sickly pallor
 - 26 Enjoys a home-cooked meal
 - 27 Psychoanalyst Alfred
 - 28 Submitted with TurboTax
 - 29 When "golden goals" are scored, for short
 - 30 Bel _____ cheese
 - 31 Covering for a pomegranate seed
 - 32 Capone adversary, informally
 - 33 Substance originally made with animal fat and wood ash
 - 34 Without much thought
 - 35 Wraps (up)
 - 36 Dirty water inside a ship
 - 37 Home to Millennium Park
 - 38 Swamp creature, informally
 - 39 Brew
 - 40 A hull market it is not!
 - 41 Bond, James Bond
 - 42 First and second bet
 - 43 Existential threat in 2023's "Don't Look Up"
 - 44 Spoke at length
 - 45 Martin & (beverage brand)
 - 46 Mythical bird
 - 47 Ship or a major tour
 - 48 Gas-station
 - 49 Mozart's "Così Fan Tutti"
 - 50 Cinked out
 - 51 Biden's signature 2022 legislation addressing rising prices, for short
 - 52 Once-popular rag style
 - 53 Outstanding
 - 54 With (to) (acknowledging)
 - 55 Bowed
 - 56 Disappear _____ like the circled creatures might do, if not for the 112-/114-Across
 - 57 Tiny "canvases" on which to paint
 - 58 Shows signs of disease
 - 59 Mission honored by the "Fallen Astronaut" lunar memorial
 - 60 With 114-Across, conservation law that celebrated its 30th anniversary in December 2023
 - 61 See 112-Across
 - 62 Before now
 - 63 Not fine
 - 64 New
 - 65 Sushi garnish
 - 66 Web portal with a butterfly logo
 - 67 Senator Joni of Iowa
 - 68 Screws, say
 - 69 Some U.K. Lords
 - 70 Social media symbols
 - 71 BEFORE: Coupon stipulation
 - 72 Greek heroine tormented by golden apples
 - 73 Salt, symbolically
 - 74 Signed
 - 75 Like Troy in the "Iliad"
 - 76 Pull (out), as a win
 - 77 City in San Bernardino County
 - 78 BEFORE: Game with annoying pop-ups?
 - 79 Turns off
 - 80 High-fashion initials
 - 81 Cardiac conduit
 - 82 Smith who wrote "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn"
 - 83 Member of an elite fighting force
 - 84 BEFORE: Theme Park chain
 - 85 QVC alternative
 - 86 BEFORE: Rear-end, e.g.
 - 87 BEFORE: Having physical form
 - 88 Bouncy melody
 - 89 Meeting places
 - 90 Basic cable channel
 - 91 Route
 - 92 BEFORE: Begin operating effectively
 - 93 BEFORE: December temp worker
 - 94 BEFORE: I.R.S. ID
 - 95 Like some ancient Greek poetry
 - 96 Game console that debuted in 2006
 - 97 Mobile platform
 - 98 Loose item at the bottom of a fast-food bag
 - 99 Basic cable channel
 - 100 AFTER: Try amount
 - 101 Soccer star _____ Morgan
 - 102 Scott in Offenbach
 - 103 Scat syllable
 - 104 Surfix with Paul or Marie
 - 105 AFTER: Slangy "Amen"
 - 106 Broadway
 - 107 Letters of success
 - 108 Theme park known for its international food
 - 109 "Are you out?"
 - 110 AFTER: Military pattern
 - 111 Two shakes
 - 112 Broodingnapian
 - 113 AFTER: Like some stanzas
 - 114 AFTER: Target of a facial cleanser
 - 115 Houston sch.
 - 116 Back, in a way
 - 117 Langston Hughes poem about racial inequality
 - 118 Baldwin who was the first to play Jack Ryan
 - 119 All together
 - 120 Horde
 - 121 Philip II of _____ father of Alexander the Great
 - 122 Pinnacle achievement, metaphorically
 - 123 Solar phenomenon
 - 124 How one might bolt upright
 - 125 "The Future of Law Enforcement," according to a 1987 movie
 - 126 Pop-ups can lead to them
 - 127 AFTER: Actress Rowlands
 - 128 Cuse
 - 129 Some linenmen: Abb.
 - 130 Scatterbrained
 - 131 Shakespeare title starter
 - 132 Get down, so to speak
 - 133 Extract
 - 134 Sallis in a zigzag way
 - 135 Cape Colony settlers
 - 136 Assistant of classic film
 - 137 Painter Mondrian
 - 138 Monopoly set, for short
 - 139 Before, to Shakespeare



KENKEN MATH PUZZLE

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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

2-	3÷	3÷	1-
5-		32x	
6+		90x	3÷
16+	3-		9+
		30x	3÷
			3÷

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RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
- The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

MATH CHALLENGER

DIRECTIONS:

- Fill each square with a number, one through nine.
- Horizontal squares should add to the totals on right.
- Vertical squares should add to the totals on bottom.
- Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION.

Today's Challenge

Time 6 Minutes

11 Seconds

Your Working

Time Minutes

Seconds

4	5	25	
		22	
		24	
		26	
		22	
23	23	28	20
26	26	26	26

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KIDTOWN

FAKE SNAKES!

Some animals use camouflage to hide from creatures that seek to hurt them. Others use disguises to confuse and frighten their enemies!

The mimic octopus scares off predators by twisting and turning its body to imitate other sea creatures.

It extends out its arms to look like a flatfish, and it draws its arms together to form a wedge and swim in a rippling motion, which makes it look like a flatfish.

Sometimes the mimic octopus buries itself in the sand except for two tentacles, which predators mistake for dangerous sea anemones.

Another creature that does snake impressions is the Canadian tiger swallowtail caterpillar. When it senses a bird is near, it inflates the front part of its body to resemble the head of a snake!

By changing one letter in each row where indicated, turn FAKE into REAL.

We've given you a clue to each word in turn.

Can you find two mentions of the word REAL in today's paper? It could be a sports team, a TV show or something like the phrase REAL ESTATE.

FAKE

Baked dessert:

Storage box or container:

Group of actors in a production:

The price of something:

Outer garment:

Clutch around a casket:

Something that a vegetarian doesn't eat:

Breakfast, lunch or dinner, for example:

REAL