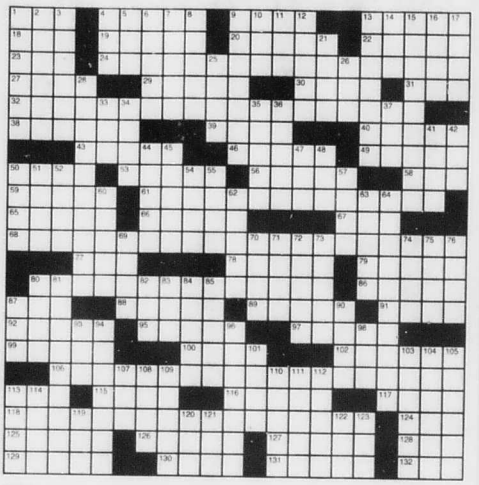
LOS ANGELES TIMES CROSSWORD

Is there an echo in here?



ACROSS

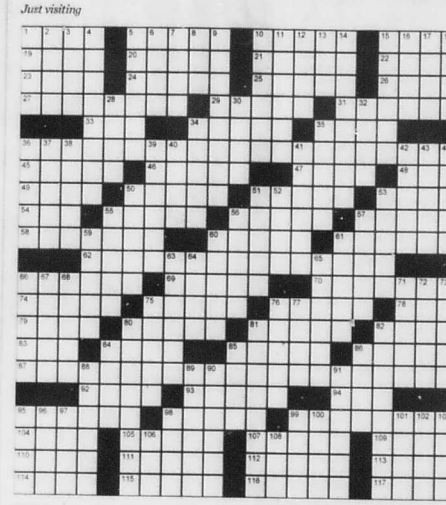
1. Application fig.
4. "Passing" actress Thompson
9. Hindi film star Rukh Khan
13. Guitar clamps
18. Rowboat propeller
19. 2019 animated Christmas film
20. Push to act
22. Anti-inflammatory brand
23. "And whatnot" abbr.
24. Gold, silver, or bronze?
27. Sewer
29. NBA great Curry
30. Viscous stuff
31. Under the weather
32. Candy heart, chocolate rose, or red velvet cupcake?
38. Tick away
39. Pledge in court
40. White-water conveyances
43. "Just in case" option
46. Not street-smart
49. Ermine in its summer coat
50. Philosopher Descartes
53. Nobel-winning physicist Paul
56. "River Spirit" author Aboulela
58. Address in a bar
59. At a distance
61. Corn dog, blooming onion, or caramel apple?
65. Thanks, in French
66. Bill of "Barry"
67. Middle-earth monster
68. Erratum, appendix, or reader testimonial?
77. ___ Speedwagon
78. Eucalyptus dweller
79. College softball career
80. Crack, streak, or fingerprint?
86. Charmin rival
87. Lass
88. Belly of "3 Body Problem"
89. Serpent
91. Hullabaloos
92. "Stayed still"
95. "I aspire to that" hashtag
97. Theater array
99. High-speed internet connection
100. Beret-stain Bear in a blue dress
102. Small handbag
106. Vitruvic balance, PayPal account, or Google Wallet funds?
113. U.K. mil. branch
115. Home of the Himalayas
116. Poopycock
117. Princess raised on Alderaan
118. Crane, hard hat, or cement mixer?
124. Psychedelics study subj.
125. Bellybutton type
126. Lasagna layer
127. Activist's focus
128. Novelist Harper
129. Animal evoked by a chess knight
130. Viewed
131. Without stopping
132. Nikon choice, briefly

DOWN

1. "Faust" playwright
2. See 69-Down
3. Esoteric knowledge
4. MMA ref's call
5. Logical conclusion?
6. Final word
7. Reach, as a total
8. Tree native to the Rockies
9. Spicy Chinese cuisine
10. [strokes beard]
11. Tailless primate
12. Maze border, maybe
13. People spending the night out?
14. Pub quaff
15. Bite-size cake
16. Cameo shape
17. Promote
21. Thailand neighbor
25. ___ facto
26. Like a bass
28. Berry in a mill
33. CC or LV competitor
34. Viking drink
35. Birthplace of espresso
36. One taking things badly?
37. Put away leftovers?
41. Scale button
42. WashU's city
44. Not wide-ranging
45. Wide-ranging
47. With a layover in
48. Yale student
50. Putters on a farm?
51. Electric fencing equipment?
52. Snitch (on)
54. Automaker whose name means "listen" in Latin
55. Site to consult before buying new tech
57. Former Yankee slugger, familiarly
60. Like a fork
62. Preschooler's wheels
63. One side of a dime?
64. Plays it cool
69. With 2-Down, DC Comics superhero team
70. "My bi"
71. Flatbread made with maida
72. Username, perhaps
73. Thanks, in German
74. Old earbuds hookup
75. Not deceived by
76. Bar bowlful
80. Desert valley
81. "Don't worry about me"
82. Tail motion
83. ___-rata,
84. San Antonio landmark
85. "Interstellar" director
87. Emoji alternative
90. "To ___ their own"
93. Fish in baarn
94. Had a bad feeling about
96. Struck by Cupid's arrow
98. Extra special attention, for short
101. Lot of farmland, maybe
103. Immune system constituents
104. Sculptor's tool
105. Soccer shot not taken with the feet
107. CBS forensic franchise
108. Mint containers
109. Much sitar music
110. Tech giant whose logo depicts the Golden Gate Bridge
111. All abuzz?
112. Transition
113. Box score stat
114. Dad's sister
119. "Today's Wordle word is TRUE," e.g.
120. Bring a suit
121. Granita bits
122. QVC sister channel
123. AFC Richmond coach Lasso

THEME CROSSWORD

Just visiting



ACROSS

1. ___ of Avon
5. Lawyer's filing
10. Grew wan
15. Mild expletive
19. Jai ___
20. Great artery
21. Dunne or Papas
22. State of shaking
23. Dollar amounts
24. Plagiarize
25. Singer ___ Ronstadt
26. Sub ___ (covertly)
27. Stress
29. Pico de gallo
31. Country star Yoakam
33. "... I saw..."
34. Spartan serf
35. Kinship group
36. Start of a quip by 62 Across: 6 wds.
45. Nostrils
46. Savage
47. Motion picture
48. Of each, in Rx's
49. Indigo shrub
50. Mild cigar
51. Sword
53. Like a bayonne
54. "7 Faces of Dr. ___"
55. Fakes
56. "Night before christmas" poet
57. "Lorna ___"
58. Wood engraving
60. Viola da ___
61. Caught in the act
62. Speaker of the quip: 3 wds.
66. Gets metal from ore
69. Of sheep
70. Son of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra
74. "___ Bulba"
75. Pro wrestling venue
76. Retail events
78. ABA mem.
79. Morphology branch: Abbr.
80. Collect
81. Flavorful
82. Offensive remark
83. Inebriate
84. Wife of Geraint
85. "... moi, le deluge"
86. Footless creatures
87. End of the quip: 7 wds.
92. See
93. Father of Methuselah
94. ___ amas, amat
95. Charm
98. Arctic goose
99. Shandy ingredient
104. SWAT team action
105. Perpendicular to the keel
107. Kingdom
109. Garment fastener
110. "... There Was You"
111. Class
112. Come into play
113. Skeletal part
114. Gen. Robert ___
115. Ford that flopped
116. Weeks after
117. Get ready to fire

DOWN

1. Supporting structure
2. Reunion attendee, for short
3. Exit road
4. Muss
5. Hunting dog
6. Cousin to a wrap
7. Angers
8. Timetable abbr.
9. Vocal register
10. Cushion
11. Plant bristle
12. River in Siberia
13. Outcome
14. Time constraint
15. Audacious
16. Agitated
17. Common marsh plant
18. Unmixed, as liquor
28. An Olympian
30. Sunscreen ingredient
32. Diminish
35. Admonish
36. Altogether: 2 wds.
37. Island porch
38. Hunter in Greek myth
39. Flat at the poles, as a sphere
40. Metric measure
41. Dung beetle
42. Kind of magical card
43. Cat-___-tails
44. Specified
50. Best buds
51. Ice-cream dessert
52. Gray wolf
53. Sits for an art class
55. Highlanders
56. Food from heaven
57. Swindles
59. Brilliance
60. Investor's concern
61. Weary
63. Mahi-mahi
64. Currier's partner
65. "Sum of the parts" idea
66. Secret police
67. "... La Mancha"
68. Clio's sister
71. Sharp process
72. Musical work for students
73. Err
75. Good relation
76. Connor of "Terminator"
77. Mimic
80. Wherever
81. Ghostly
82. Recipe amount
84. Disney princess
85. Shortly
86. Gunner's nee
88. Moving piece on a dial
89. Lambaste
90. Nail polish
91. Whine
95. Prado's contents
96. Sandbox toy
97. Lots of dough
98. Truman's first lady
99. Cafe au
100. If not
101. Woody's son
102. Portuguese woman of rank
103. Mild oath
106. Spoiled
108. Time long gone

CHECKMATE » LAWRENCE STRIEGEL

Many hours into his quest to set a record for marathon chess-playing, an exhausted Tunde Onakoya says he was throwing up, hallucinating and feeling lightheaded, but still he moved the pieces.

The Nigerian chess organizer described those hardships after he and national master Shawn Martinez, a New York City chess coach, played amid the flashing lights and noisy hubbub of Times Square for 60 hours on April 17 through 20. They surpassed the old record of 56 hours, nine minutes and 37 seconds set by Puns Norwegians in 2018. The new record awaits official recognition by Guinness World Records.

Onakoya, 29, is the founder of the Nigerian charity Chess In Slums Africa, which uses the game to educate and win scholarships for impoverished children. He is also a board member of the Gift of Chess, a New York City charity that is trying to distribute 1 million free chess sets around the world to spread the game's educational benefits.

While setting a goal to raise $1 million through the marathon, Onakoya and Martinez got a start by raising $136,000, according to Gift of Chess founder Russ Makofsky.

In a video distributed by Makofsky, the players said drummers and musicians helped them keep up their energy.

"If you believe so much in something and you're willing to make such hard, painful sacrifices for it, people will be inspired to do the same," he said.

Nigerian President Bola Tinubu praised Onakoya for "sounding the gong of Nigeria's resilience, self-belief, and ingenuity."

Beginner's corner

Hint & explanation »
Make a double threat.

White forces mate

Black resigns

After 34. Rxf8ch
Graif

Adewumi

Adewumi v Graif

Below, two aspiring grandmasters, Nigerian immigrant Tani Adewumi of New York and William Graif of Canada, square off at a New York tournament earlier this year, with Adewumi winning.

Adewumi	Graif
1. e4	1... c5
2. Nf3	2... d6
3. d4	3... cxd4
4. Nxd4	4... Nf6
5. Nc3	5... Nc6
6. Bg5	6... e6
7. Qd2	7... a6
8. 0-0-0	8... Bd7
9. f4	9... Be7
10. Kb1	10... Nxd4
11. Qxd4	11... Qa5
12. Bc4	12... Nd7
13. Rhe1	13... Nc5
14. Qd2	14... Qc7
15. Bb3	15... Nxb3
16. axb3	16... Be7
17. Nd5	17... exd5
18. exd5	18... Nb4
19. Qe2	19... Bb7
20. Ne4	20... Qc5
21. Bxf6	21... gxf6
22. Rxe7+	22... Kxe7
23. Qe3	23... Qxd5
24. Rd1	24... Qc6
25. Bd4	25... Qb5
26. Qxb5	26... axb5
27. Rxd7+	27... Kxd7
28. Rd1	28... Ke7
29. Nxf6	29... Rhd8
30. Nxd5+	30... Kxf6
31. Nc7	31... Rac8
32. Ne6	32... Rxd1+
33. Kxd1	33... Kg5
34. Rxf8	34... Rxf8
35. Kd2	35... Kxf4
36. Ke3	36... Ke5
37. Kd3	37... Kd5
38. Kc4	38... Ke6
39. Kb5	39... Kd7
40. Kxb6	40... Kc8
41. Kc6	41... Kb8
42. b4	42... Ka8
43. b5	43... Kb8
44. b6	44... Ka8
45. Kb7	45... Ka7
46. Nd8	46... Ka8
47. Nc6	47... Ka7
48. Nb8	48... Ka8
49. Nd7	49... Ka7
50. Nf6	50... Ka8
51. Ng8	51... Ka7
52. Nh6	52... Ka8
53. Nxf7	53... Ka7
54. Ng5	54... Ka8
55. Ne6	55... Ka7
56. Nc7	56... Ka8
57. Nd5	57... Ka7
58. Nb4	58... Ka8
59. Nc6	59... Ka7
60. Nb8	60... Ka8
61. Nd7	61... Ka7
62. Nf6	62... Ka8
63. Ng8	63... Ka7
64. Nh6	64... Ka8
65. Nxf7	65... Ka7
66. Ng5	66... Ka8
67. Ne6	67... Ka7
68. Nc7	68... Ka8
69. Nd5	69... Ka7
70. Nb4	70... Ka8
71. Nc6	71... Ka7
72. Nb8	72... Ka8
73. Nd7	73... Ka7
74. Nf6	74... Ka8
75. Ng8	75... Ka7
76. Nh6	76... Ka8
77. Nxf7	77... Ka7
78. Ng5	78... Ka8
79. Ne6	79... Ka7
80. Nc7	80... Ka8
81. Nd5	81... Ka7
82. Nb4	82... Ka8
83. Nc6	83... Ka7
84. Nb8	84... Ka8
85. Nd7	85... Ka7
86. Nf6	86... Ka8
87. Ng8	87... Ka7
88. Nh6	88... Ka8
89. Nxf7	89... Ka7
90. Ng5	90... Ka8
91. Ne6	91... Ka7
92. Nc7	92... Ka8
93. Nd5	93... Ka7
94. Nb4	94... Ka8
95. Nc6	95... Ka7
96. Nb8	96... Ka8
97. Nd7	97... Ka7
98. Nf6	98... Ka8
99. Ng8	99... Ka7
100. Nh6	100... Ka8
101. Nxf7	101... Ka7
102. Ng5	102... Ka8
103. Ne6	103... Ka7
104. Nc7	104... Ka8
105. Nd5	105... Ka7
106. Nb4	106... Ka8
107. Nc6	107... Ka7
108. Nb8	108... Ka8
109. Nd7	109... Ka7
110. Nf6	110... Ka8
111. Ng8	111... Ka7
112. Nh6	112... Ka8
113. Nxf7	113... Ka7
114. Ng5	114... Ka8
115. Ne6	115... Ka7
116. Nc7	116... Ka8
117. Nd5	117... Ka7
118. Nb4	118... Ka8
119. Nc6	119... Ka7
120. Nb8	120... Ka8
121. Nd7	121... Ka7
122. Nf6	122... Ka8
123. Ng8	123... Ka7
124. Nh6	124... Ka8
125. Nxf7	125... Ka7
126. Ng5	126... Ka8
127. Ne6	127... Ka7
128. Nc7	128... Ka8
129. Nd5	129... Ka7
130. Nb4	130... Ka8
131. Nc6	131... Ka7
132. Nb8	132... Ka8
133. Nd7	133... Ka7
134. Nf6	134... Ka8
135. Ng8	135... Ka7
136. Nh6	136... Ka8
137. Nxf7	137... Ka7
138. Ng5	138... Ka8
139. Ne6	139... Ka7
140. Nc7	140... Ka8
141. Nd5	141... Ka7
142. Nb4	142... Ka8
143. Nc6	143... Ka7
144. Nb8	144... Ka8
145. Nd7	145... Ka7
146. Nf6	146... Ka8
147. Ng8	147... Ka7
148. Nh6	148... Ka8
149. Nxf7	149... Ka7
150. Ng5	150... Ka8
151. Ne6	151... Ka7
152. Nc7	152... Ka8
153. Nd5	153... Ka7
154. Nb4	154... Ka8
155. Nc6	155... Ka7
156. Nb8	156... Ka8
157. Nd7	157... Ka7
158. Nf6	158... Ka8
159. Ng8	159... Ka7
160. Nh6	160... Ka8
161. Nxf7	161... Ka7
162. Ng5	162... Ka8
163. Ne6	163... Ka7
164. Nc7	164... Ka8
165. Nd5	165... Ka7
166. Nb4	166... Ka8
167. Nc6	167... Ka7
168. Nb8	168... Ka8
169. Nd7	169... Ka7
170. Nf6	170... Ka8
171. Ng8	171... Ka7
172. Nh6	172... Ka8
173. Nxf7	173... Ka7
174. Ng5	174... Ka8
175. Ne6	175... Ka7
176. Nc7	176... Ka8
177. Nd5	177... Ka7
178. Nb4	178... Ka8
179. Nc6	179... Ka7
180. Nb8	180... Ka8
181. Nd7	181... Ka7
182. Nf6	182... Ka8
183. Ng8	183... Ka7
184. Nh6	184... Ka8
185. Nxf7	185... Ka7
186. Ng5	186... Ka8
187. Ne6	187... Ka7
188. Nc7	188... Ka8
189. Nd5	189... Ka7
190. Nb4	190... Ka8
191. Nc6	191... Ka7
192. Nb8	192... Ka8
193. Nd7	193... Ka7
194. Nf6	194... Ka8
195. Ng8	195... Ka7
196. Nh6	196... Ka8
197. Nxf7	197... Ka7
198. Ng5	198... Ka8
199. Ne6	199... Ka7
200. Nc7	200... Ka8
201. Nd5	201... Ka7
202. Nb4	202... Ka8
203. Nc6	203... Ka7
204. Nb8	204... Ka8
205. Nd7	205... Ka7
206. Nf6	206... Ka8
207. Ng8	207... Ka7
208. Nh6	208... Ka8
209. Nxf7	209... Ka7
210. Ng5	210... Ka8
211. Ne6	211... Ka7
212. Nc7	212... Ka8
213. Nd5	213... Ka7
214. Nb4	214... Ka8
215. Nc6	215... Ka7
216. Nb8	216... Ka8
217. Nd7	217... Ka7
218. Nf6	218... Ka8
219. Ng8	219... Ka7
220. Nh6	220... Ka8
221. Nxf7	221... Ka7
222. Ng5	222... Ka8
223. Ne6	223... Ka7
224. Nc7	224... Ka8
225. Nd5	225... Ka7
226. Nb4	226... Ka8
227. Nc6	227... Ka7
228. Nb8	228... Ka8
229. Nd7	229... Ka7
230. Nf6	230... Ka8
231. Ng8	231... Ka7
232. Nh6	232... Ka8
233. Nxf7	233... Ka7
234. Ng5	234... Ka8
235. Ne6	235... Ka7
236. Nc7	236... Ka8
237. Nd5	237... Ka7
238. Nb4	238... Ka8
239. Nc6	239... Ka7
240. Nb8	240... Ka8
241. Nd7	241... Ka7
242. Nf6	242... Ka8
243. Ng8	243... Ka7
244. Nh6	244... Ka8
245. Nxf7	245... Ka7
246. Ng5	246... Ka8
247. Ne6	247... Ka7
248. Nc7	248... Ka8
249. Nd5	249... Ka7
250. Nb4	250... Ka8
251. Nc6	251... Ka7
252. Nb8	252... Ka8
253. Nd7	253... Ka7
254. Nf6	254... Ka8
255. Ng8	255... Ka7
256. Nh6	256... Ka8
257. Nxf7	257... Ka7
258. Ng5	258... Ka8
259. Ne6	259... Ka7
260. Nc7	260... Ka8
261. Nd5	261... Ka7
262. Nb4	262... Ka8
263. Nc6	263... Ka7
264. Nb8	264... Ka8
265. Nd7	265... Ka7
266. Nf6	266... Ka8
267. Ng8	267... Ka7
268. Nh6	268... Ka8
269. Nxf7	269... Ka7
270. Ng5	270... Ka8
271. Ne6	271... Ka7
272. Nc7	272... Ka8
273. Nd5	273... Ka7
274. Nb4	274... Ka8
275. Nc6	275... Ka7
276. Nb8	276... Ka8
277. Nd7	277... Ka7
278. Nf6	278... Ka8
279. Ng8	279... Ka7
280. Nh6	280... Ka8
281. Nxf7	281... Ka7
282. Ng5	282... Ka8
283. Ne6	283... Ka7
284. Nc7	284... Ka8
285. Nd5	285... Ka7
286. Nb4	286... Ka8
287. Nc6	287... Ka7
288. Nb8	288... Ka8
289. Nd7	289... Ka7
290. Nf6	290... Ka8
291. Ng8	291... Ka7
292. Nh6	292... Ka8
293. Nxf7	293... Ka7
294. Ng5	294... Ka8
295. Ne6	295... Ka7
296. Nc7	296... Ka8
297. Nd5	297... Ka7
298. Nb4	298... Ka8
299. Nc6	299... Ka7
300. Nb8	300... Ka8

HOROSCOPE » JACQUELINE BIGAR

Today's Birthday » You are political, intense and resourceful. You have excellent problem-solving skills. You are quick-witted, resourceful and adaptable. This is the first year of a new nine-year cycle for you. Expect adventure and major changes. Be ready to take action. Define your goals. Prepare to take on a leadership role.

The stars show what kind of day you'll have: 5-Dynamic, 4-Positive, 3-Average, 2-So-so, 1-Difficult.

Aries » March 21-April 19 › ★★★★ Your ability to schmooze with neighbors, siblings and relatives will be profitable to today. You might be able to set in motion ideas or plans that will favor you in the future.

Taurus » April 20-May 20 › ★★★★ You are the financial wizard of the zodiac. Today you might see very clever ways of how to boost your earnings in the future. This might involve your interaction with authority figures.

Gemini » May 21-June 21 › ★★★★★ This is a powerful day for your sign. Look around you, because you can make improvements in your immediate environment, especially ones that will have a long-term benefit for you.

Cancer » June 22-July 22 › ★★★★ You're enjoying the company of younger people. You're also ambitious to achieve things right now. Nevertheless, today your inner, private world is an important priority.

Leo » July 23-Aug. 22 › ★★★★ This is the perfect day to think about how to turn your hopes and dreams for the future into a reality. This might involve your interaction with groups.

Virgo » Aug. 23-Sept. 22 › ★★★★ In some way, it's possible that you might have a conversation or some influence with an authority figure, or you might make a decision that changes your life direction in the future.

Libra » Sept. 23-Oct. 22 › ★★★★★ Something related to publishing, the media, medicine, the law or perhaps higher education and getting further training or learning might be a powerful consideration for you today.

Scorpio » Oct. 23-Nov. 21 › ★★★★★ This is an excellent day for discussions about shared property, inheritances, taxes, debt or anything that you own jointly with others. Whatever you set in motion today will have an impact on your future.

Sagittarius » Nov. 22-Dec. 21 › ★★★★ Your relationship with a friend or a partner is important right now. A discussion might take place now that takes things in a new direction. Whatever you do will impact your long-term future.

Capricorn » Dec. 22-Jan. 19 › ★★★★ TThis is the perfect day to think about what you can do to improve your health, because this will be a long-term benefit for you — not something temporary. Likewise, some of you will see ways to improve your job.

Aquarius » Jan. 20-Feb. 18 › ★★★★★★ Your dealings with children today could be important because you might set a precedent that unfolds in the future. Likewise, your romantic connections are also important today.

Pisces » Feb. 19-March 20 › ★★★★★ Family discussions are important today. Likewise, decisions that you make about family and your home will have long-term implications. Think about what you want for yourself and your family down the road.

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

LODNEO
CINDUT
TCOLBH
GCORRE
COLIAS
LNEFEN

(Get the free JUMBLE app • Follow us on Twitter @Key Jumble)

THEY FORGOT WHAT WAS NEEDED TO CONNECT THE ELECTRIC GUITAR, SO ---

©2024 Tribune Content Agency, LLC. All Rights Reserved.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

WUZZLES

Each Wuzzle is a word riddle which creates a disguised word, phrase, name, place, saying, etc. For example, NOON (SOON) = GOOD AFTERNOON.

1. H_2OLE

2. 77

Print Your Answers Here:

1.
2.

6/2

ANSWERS

Looking for the solutions to the crossword puzzles, Wuzzles and Jumble? You'll find them on D2.