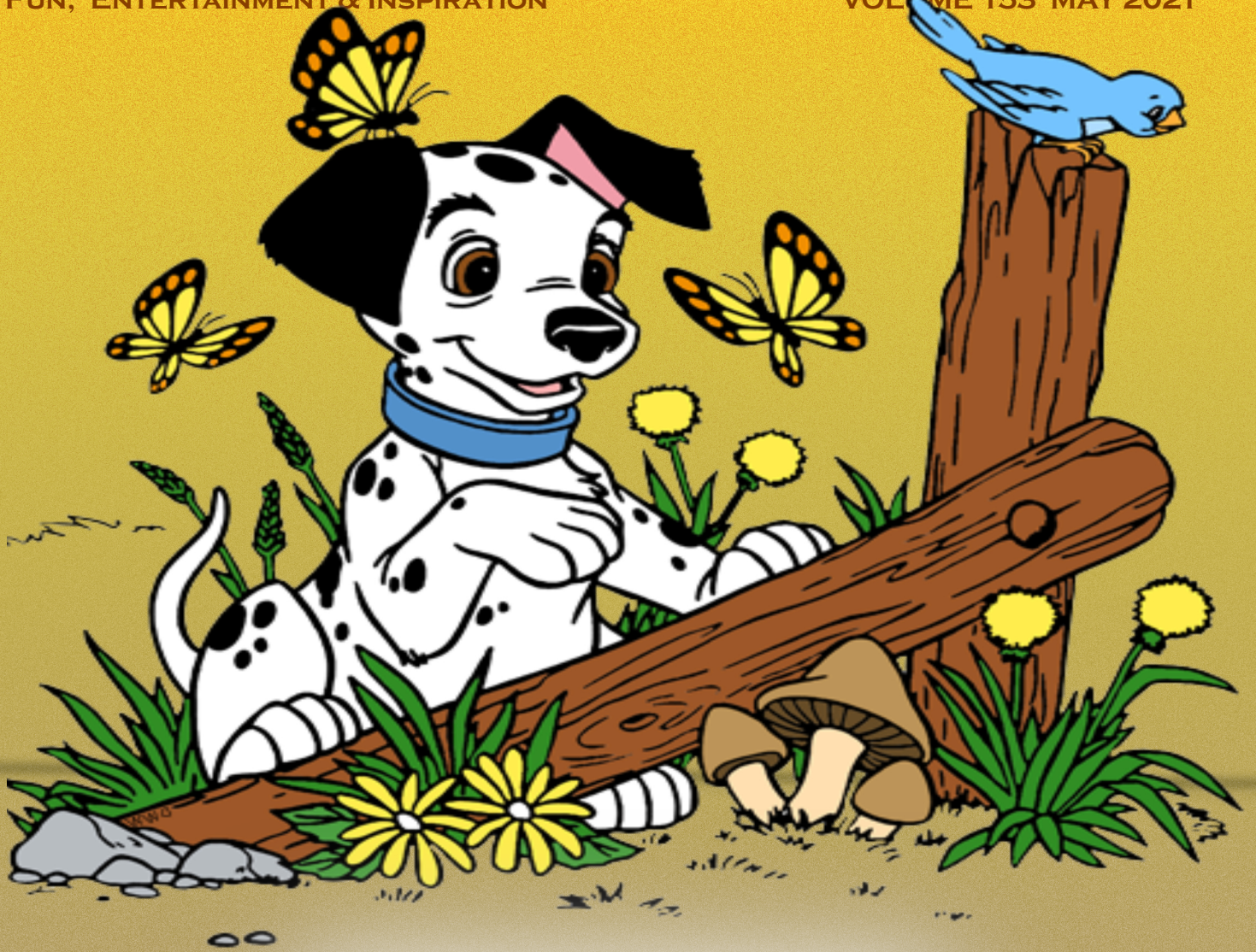


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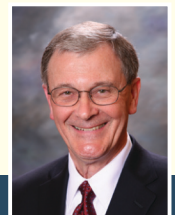


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WAITER: "I beg your pardon, Sir?"

CUSTOMER: "Taste it."

WAITER: "But, Sir, I can assure you that the soup is excellent."

CUSTOMER: "Taste it."

WAITER: "Sir, the soup was made this morning of the finest ingredients."

CUSTOMER: "Taste it!"

WAITER: exasperated, "All right, Sir, I'll taste it."

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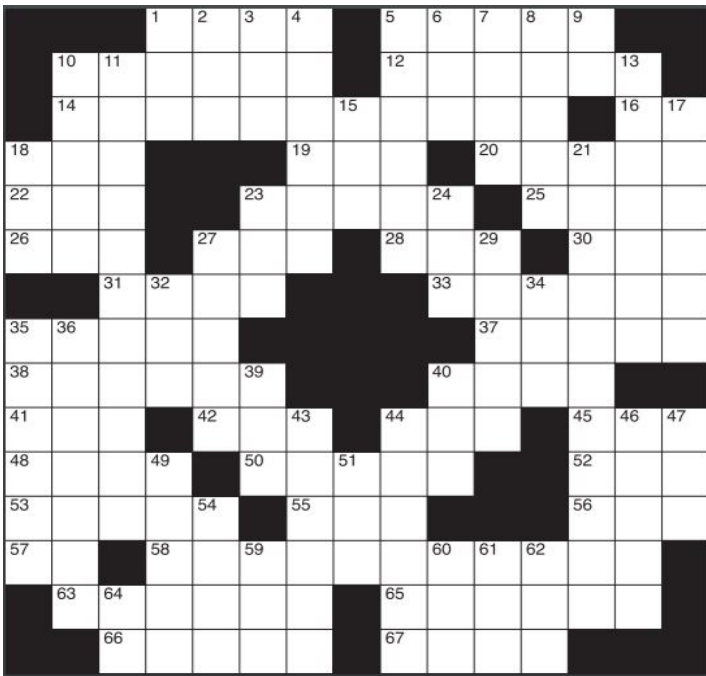
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- 5. Lifts and moves heavy objects
- 10. Hyundai sedan
- 12. Wear away by erosion
- 14. Arranged alphabetically
- 16. Top prosecutor
- 18. ___-de-sac: Short dead-end street
- 19. Digital audiotape
- 20. Linguistics pioneer
- 22. Singer DiFranco
- 23. Arms of the sea
- 25. Near-reach weapon (abbr.)
- 26. Ballplayer's accessory
- 27. You get one at the beach
- 28. U.S. founding father
- 30. W. Australia indigenous people
- 31. Amounts of time
- 33. Put on the shelf
- 35. Russian dynasty member
- 37. City along the Elbe River
- 38. A peninsula between the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf
- 40. Actor Damon
- 41. ___ King Cole, musician
- 42. Company that rings receipts
- 44. Scatter
- 45. Basics
- 48. Part of a door
- 50. Indicating silence
- 52. Moved quickly on foot
- 53. Monetary units
- 55. A place to crash
- 56. Many subconsciouses
- 57. Group of countries
- 58. About line of latitude
- 63. Female follower of Bacchus
- 65. A dentist can treat it
- 66. Dull brown fabrics
- 67. Int'l nonprofit

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Midway between northeast and east
- 2. Partner to cheese
- 3. One from Utah
- 4. A way to move
- 5. Playing cards
- 6. Baseball stat
- 7. Long river in western Asia
- 8. Grandmothers
- 9. Entertainment legend Sullivan
- 10. Steam bath room
- 11. One who kills
- 13. Food
- 15. Swiss river
- 17. Fleet
- 18. Taxi
- 21. Working class
- 23. More (Spanish)
- 24. High schoolers' test
- 27. Large heavily built goat antelope
- 29. Murdered in his bathtub
- 32. Tease good-naturedly
- 34. Morsel
- 35. Cause persistent resentment
- 36. A radioactive element
- 39. Perform in a play
- 40. Witty remark: Bon ___
- 43. A great place to kayak
- 44. Conclude by reasoning
- 46. In an unfavorable way
- 47. Complex of nerve tissues (abbr.)
- 49. Machine for making paper
- 51. Feline
- 54. Yugo's hatchback
- 59. Check
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4. I could care less
I couldn't care less
5. Espresso — *Espresso*
6. Pacifically — *Specifically*
7. Ex Cetera — *Et Cetera*
8. I seen it — *I saw it*
9. Of utmost importance
Of utmost importance
10. I need to lay down
I need to lie down

Asking "Who ought to be boss?" is like asking "Who ought to be the tenor in a quartet?"

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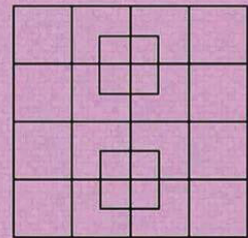
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Aunt T's Kitchen

BACON PEA SALAD

Ingredients

- 4 cups frozen peas (about 16 ounces), thawed
- 1/2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup ranch salad dressing
- 1/3 cup chopped red onion
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 4 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled



Directions

1. Combine the first 6 ingredients; toss to coat. Refrigerate, covered, at least 30 minutes. Stir in bacon before serving.

HAY AND STRAW

Ingredients

- 1 package (16 ounces) linguine
- 2 cups julienned fully cooked ham
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 3 cups frozen peas
- 1-1/2 cups shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1/3 cup heavy whipping cream



English Garden Peas

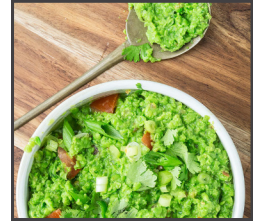
Directions

1. Cook linguine according to package directions. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, saute ham in butter for 3 minutes. Add peas; heat through. Drain linguine; toss with the ham mixture, Parmesan cheese and cream. Serve immediately.

GREEN PEA GUACAMOLE

Ingredients

- 2 cups frozen green peas, thawed
- 1 teaspoon crushed garlic
- 1/4 cup fresh lime juice
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 tomato, chopped
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/8 teaspoon hot sauce
- Sea salt



Directions

Blend the peas, garlic, lime juice, and cumin in a food processor until smooth. Transfer the mixture into a bowl and stir in the tomato, green onion, cilantro, and hot sauce. Add salt to taste. Cover and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes, to allow the flavors to blend.

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Ingredients

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 4-1/2 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
 1 medium onion, chopped
 2 teaspoons olive oil
 1-1/2 cups uncooked arborio rice
 1/2 cup dry white wine or additional reduced-sodium chicken broth
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 3 cups fresh baby spinach
 1 cup frozen peas
 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese



Directions

1. Place asparagus in a steamer basket; place in a small saucepan over 1 in. of water. Bring to a boil; cover and steam for 2-3 minutes or until crisp-tender. Set aside.
2. Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, heat broth and keep warm. In a large nonstick skillet coated with cooking spray, saute onion in oil until tender. Add rice; cook and stir for 2-3 minutes. Reduce heat; stir in the wine, salt and pepper. Cook and stir until all of the liquid is absorbed.
3. Add heated broth, 1/2 cup at a time, stirring constantly. Allow the liquid to absorb between additions. Cook just until risotto is creamy and rice is almost tender. (Cooking time is about 20 minutes.)
4. Add the spinach, peas, cheese and reserved asparagus; cook and stir until heated through. Serve immediately.

Aunt T's Kitchen

GREEN PEA CASSEROLE

Ingredients

1 (15 ounce) can baby peas, drained
 1 (2 ounce) bottle diced pimento peppers, drained
 1 (5 ounce) can sliced water chestnuts, drained
 1 (10.75 ounce) can condensed cream of celery soup
 1/2 cup chopped onion
 1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
 2 cups crushed buttery round crackers
 1/2 cup margarine, melted



Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C).
2. In a medium bowl, mix together the peas, pimentos, water chestnuts, cream of celery soup and onion. Pour into a 1 1/2 quart casserole dish. Top with shredded cheese. In a separate bowl, mix together the cracker crumbs and margarine; sprinkle evenly over the cheese.
3. Bake for 30 to 40 minutes in the preheated oven, until browned and bubbly.

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 always desire more than
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**Q: As people age, do they sleep more soundly?
A: Yes, but usually in the afternoon.**

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1. America is capitalist and greedy - yet half of the population is subsidized.
2. Half of the population is subsidized - yet they think they are victims.
3. They think they are victims - yet their representatives run the government.
4. Their representatives run the government - yet the poor keep getting poorer.
5. The poor keep getting poorer - yet they have things that people in other countries only dream about.
6. They have things that people in other countries only dream about - yet they want America to be more like those other countries.

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CONFLICT

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Did you know that all successful movies and stories revolve around conflict? Go back and watch your favorite movie or read your favorite book, and at some point, there is conflict that propels the characters through the rest of the story line to a grand finale. Our lives are very similar in that through conflict we take different directions. Now I can already hear what you are saying to yourself right now, "Josh no one likes conflict!" I get it, conflict makes us uncomfortable especially when it affects us personally. Most of us do everything we can to avoid conflict in our daily lives, but I want to ask you about what is going on in your soul. Deep in the areas of your life that you don't talk about. The Apostle John wrote in John 1:4-5, 'In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. 'These words were spoken of Jesus Christ and the conflict with the state of the world. Think about what it is like to be in a movie theater during the day and when the movie is over you leave all to be blinded by the outside sun because your eyes adjusted to the dark room. Talk about conflict, if it wasn't for having to buy another ticket, I think we would prefer for the moment to run back inside as fast as we can. Unfortunately, in life we can't run back inside, we have lives to live, people who depend on us, we must move forward with life. However, people still choose to put their life on hold because of conflict. We need to learn to allow Jesus' permission to shine His light into all the areas of our heart. To the places we hold deep wounds of hurt that seem to not heal, the areas of bitterness and anger of past wrong doings. These are all things Jesus wants to address and heal but it means addressing the conflict. There is a choice we must make, a choice that is uncomfortable for a season, but brings about such a bountiful reality. The darkness that you hold and harbor in your life has no hold too great for the Light of Jesus to break free. John said, "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." You know what that tells me? No matter how long darkness has and continues to fight against Jesus, darkness cannot win. Take courage in that, allow the Holy Spirit to reveal the Light of Jesus in your situation. Your story is not over, ask Jesus to be your director.

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Hearing God's Voice

By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.



Is this me, Is this the enemy, or is this God? This is a common struggle for many. Maybe you said "Is something wrong with me? I can't seem to hear Him!". We all want to hear the Savior's voice. And who doesn't want that? After all, Heavenly Father said of Jesus, "This is my beloved Son: hear Him" (Mark 9:7). "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me:" John 10:27

We try to hear through prayer, the hope is that if we are constantly talking to God, we will hear Him. So, we pray fervently and frequently. The Bible says, "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17), so we do so almost literally.

Other times we try through listening, to find a quiet place to meditate on Scriptures. But yet we hear these voices from within.

We do a good job identifying wrong from right. Our greatest struggle is identifying "what is good from what is right". We can be busy doing good things, but is it the right thing?

Some say follow your heart, Jeremiah 17:9 says, "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked". Our enemy the devil has the ability to transform into an angel of light" (2 Corinthians 11:14).

The Holy Spirit speaks to our born-again spirit, our born-again spirit sends the information to our soul (mind, will, emotion and intellect). The soul is being integrated in the things of God and may at times refer to old patterns, experiences, or emotions.

I encourage you to always compare the voice to the Scriptures. The words recorded in the Bible come directly from the mouth of God (2 Timothy 3:16), so you can be sure He's talking. Unlike other sources, when you listen to these words, you can be sure they are true (John 17:17). This allows you to hear Him with certainty!

Here is a simple way to "test the spirits whether they are of God" (1 John 4:1). If it doesn't agree with what God has already spoken in the Bible, it's not to be trusted. If the voice you've been listening to tells you to look within yourself, follow your feelings or keep putting more pressure on you to "try harder" or "do better" in order to gain his favor, you're not listening to your loving Shepherd.

"God bless you, your family and keep you all in His care".

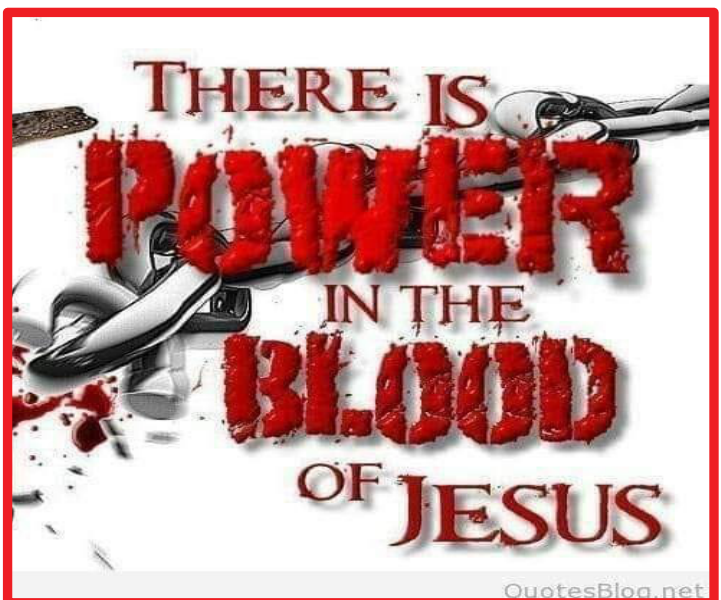
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"No," said the husband, "a 1979 Cadillac!"



A man tells a Rabbi. "I have a strong desire to live forever. What

can I do?"

"Get married," replies the Rabbi.

"And will I live forever?"

"No, but the desire will disappear."

Scooby Doo's Real Name

Scooby Doo is a mystery solving Great Dane who first appeared on television in 1969. Along with his friends Fred, Daphne, Velma, and Shaggy, Scooby Doo drove

around in the "Mystery Machine" (a 1972 Ford E200 Econoline van) solving crimes. However, Scooby was just a nickname. His official name was Scoobert Doo.

Married or Divorced

In my Sunday school class the focus was marriage or divorce, "The rapidly increasing divorce rate," remarked one member of the group, "indicates that America is indeed becoming the land of the free." "Yes," replied the prosaic friend, "but the continued marriage rate suggests that America is still the home of the brave."



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Wackie Wordies

Answers on page 29

Each of the puzzles below provides a visual representation of a common word or phrase.
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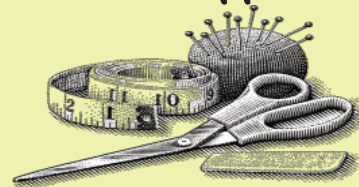
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comes.

Senate Slander

A member of the United States Senate, known for his hot temper and acid tongue, exploded one day in mid-session and began to shout, "Half of this Senate is made up of cowards and corrupt politicians!"

All the other Senators demanded that the angry member withdraw his statement, or be removed from the remainder of the session.

After a long pause, the angry member acquiesced. "OK," he said, "I withdraw what I said. Half of this Senate is NOT made up of cowards and corrupt politicians!"

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to work in the yard and garden? (Of course by the time this article is published the weather could be very different, but after all, this is ALABAMA!) If you are in an apartment, you can use pots and seeds for those veggies and flowers. If you haven't ever tried gardening, and would like to try, start slow. It can be addictive! And good therapy! Every effort is a learning experience, maybe some positive, some negative, but for sure something has been learned.

Here are some of the lessons this gardener has learned:

- Over-watering kills more plants than under-watering!
- Plants in clay pots dry out faster.
- Some plants need a lot of sun, some need part shade, some need mostly shade.

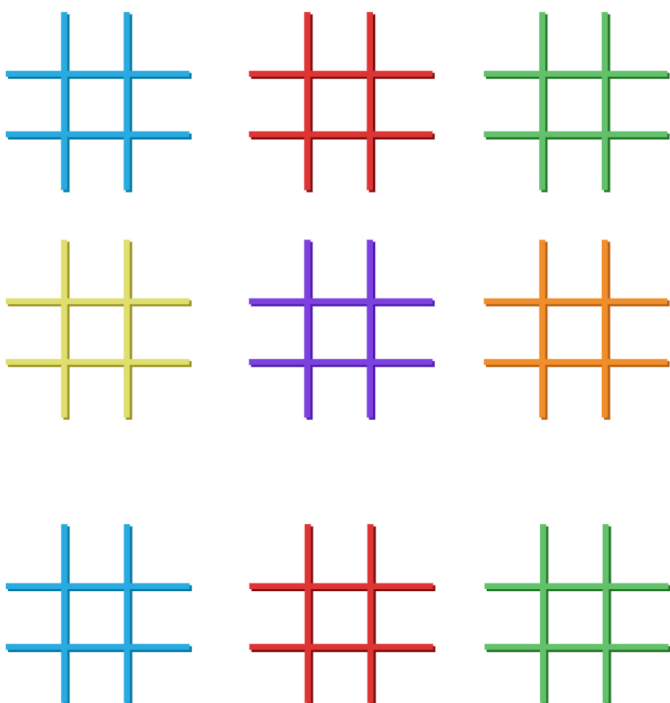
- Soil in the pot or garden needs to be a healthy mix of sand, peat and/or sphagnum moss, clay, and compost (decaying leaves, manure, veggie scraps).
- Blueberries need very acid soil! Get your soil tested, it should be around pH 4.5 to 5.5. Coffee grounds are good for them.
- Herbs add lots of flavor and help eliminate the need for salt! They are more tasty if not over-watered.
- Windy days dry out plants quickly.
- Fish emulsion is a good organic fertilizer for plants. Sprayed on or poured on the roots. BUT:
 - Dogs, cats, raccoon, and foxes will dig up plants with fish emulsion poured on the roots!
 - Compost piles are great for fertilizing everything organically. The bugs and earthworms help break down the scraps, and they aerate the soil. Never put meat or greasy cooked food in the compost. Add old decomposed leaves and grass, some shredded paper to keep your compost from smelling bad.

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(solutions)

1. Fall over backward
2. Broken promises
3. Thin-skinned
4. He's on a short leash
5. Double talk
6. Sign on the dotted line
7. Credibility gap
8. Going against the current
9. Raised eyebrows
10. Case in point
11. Dashing hopes
12. Up-to-date



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