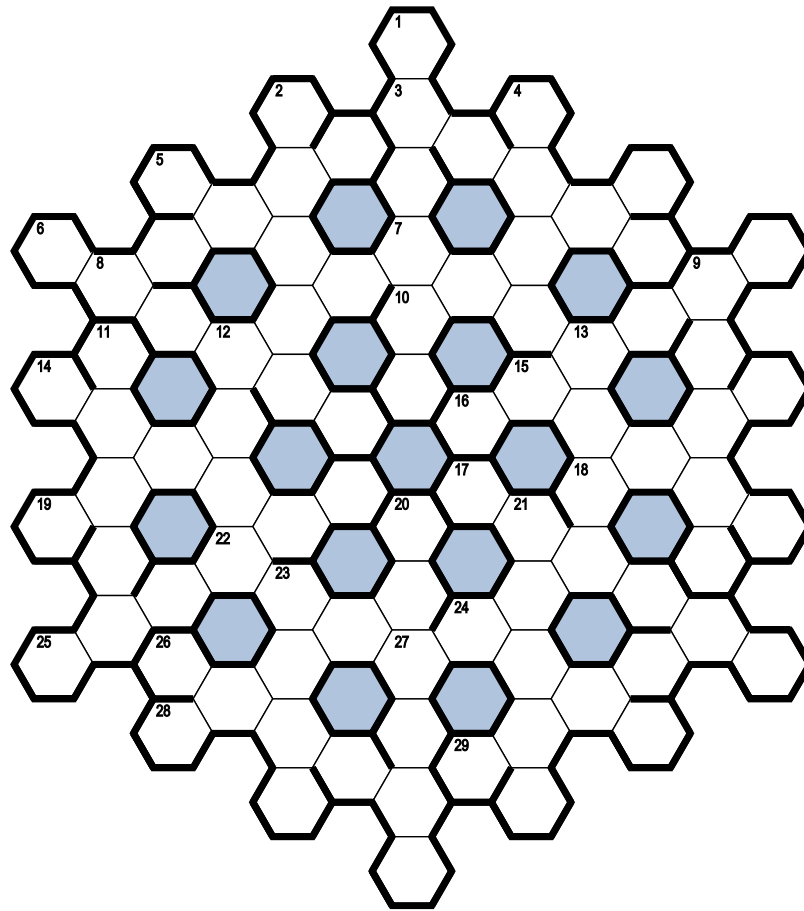


Cryptic Snowflake 2024-01

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Some wintry fun, what do you get? (5) Answers are filled in three directions: up-right, down-right, or down.



Up-Right:

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| 8 | In the midst of Yahoo absorbing Netflix, finally ('5) | 19 | Talks about returning purse to sister (4) |
| 12 | Female relative has stewed tuna (4) | 25 | Somehow, Laura only ran out with everyone but me (3,3) |
| 10 | Better hospital with a large emergency room (5) | 27 | Swindler gives up leader to police (4) |
| 16 | Spotted excerpt of musical I composed (6) | 28 | Green light from alien having spinning butt (5) |
| 18 | Overheard cry at a golf course from quartet (4) | 29 | Mike and I said, "Boast of predecessor to phone and film" (5) |

Down-Right:

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| 3 | Topless gal goes without German lotions (5) | 15 | Garlic sauce from a mixture of oil and dash of ipecac (5) |
| 5 | Holy mountain tops of Zimbabwe, Indonesia, or Nepal (4) | 17 | The right to choose? No point, unfortunately (6) |
| 6 | Heartbeats give out here - time's up (2,4) | 22 | Troop leaves Monday with a bow (4) |
| 7 | Giant section of constellation in retrograde (4) | 24 | Every individual cross replaces a scratch (4) |
| 14 | Bell I damaged by mudslinging (5) | 26 | Fantastic reunion, or leaving from boredom (5) |

Down:

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| 1 | Dirty pictures interfering with why he came back (6) | 12 | A half-season far from shore (4) |
| 2 | Scrap from bottom of the tux, fixed up with love (2,3) | 13 | Flit around to get a ride (4) |
| 4 | Catalog a bit of bread (4) | 20 | Cultural icon threatens liberal, ignoring senator (6) |
| 9 | Waterproof coat unlike every other (5) | 21 | Regularly speak to idol in an outdoor area (5) |
| 11 | Irrational character with an old keyboard (5) | 23 | Bolted to king or queen, for example (4) |