

Some of you may have been spending time doing jigsaw puzzles lately but you've probably never wondered where or why they originated. They can be dated back to England in the 1760s, when maps were mounted on wood and cut into irregular pieces with a jigsaw. By fitting these pieces together, school students were engaging in a playful way to learn geography! First marketed as 'Dissected Maps', they have evolved into the complex puzzles that intrigue and frustrate us today and become known by the name of the tool that created them.

THE AUSTRALIAN THESAURUS OF COMPUTER TERMINOLOGY

Log On - Make the barbie hotter
 Log Off - Don't add any more wood
 Monitor - Keep an eye on the barbie
 Download - Get the firewood off the ute
 Window - What you shut when it's cold
 Screen - What you shut in the mozzie season
 Byte - What mozzies do
 Bit - What mozzies did
 Mega Byte - What Townsville mozzies do
 Chip - A bar snack
 Micro Chip - What's left in the bag after you have eaten the chips
 Modem - What you did to the lawns
 Dot Matrix - Old Dan Matrix's wife
 Laptop - Where the cat sleeps
 Software - Plastic knives and forks you get at McDonald's
 Hardware - Real stainless steel knives and forks from K-Mart
 Mouse - What eats the grain in the shed
 Mainframe - What holds the shed up
 Web - What spiders make
 Web Site - The shed or under the verandah
 Cursor - The old bloke who swears a lot
 Search Engine - What you do when the ute won't go
 Upgrade - A steep hill
 Server - The person at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
 Mail Server - The bloke at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
 User - The neighbour who keeps borrowing things
 Network - When you have to repair your fishing net
 Internet - Complicated fish net repair method
 Netscape - When fish manoeuvres out of reach of net
 Online - When you get the laundry hung out
 Off Line - When the pegs don't hold the washing up

QUICHE à la CONSTANCE

(a quick, easy and healthy recipe)

Take a regular quiche dish, put a good dob of butter in it and pop it in the microwave for 10-20 seconds, to melt the butter. Then swirl it around the dish to coat well the bottom and sides.

Put enough bread crumbs (gluten free or normal) in the dish to coat it and make a crust. Shake the dish and, providing you have melted enough butter, it will evenly cover.

Slice thinly a golden sweet potato, a carrot or an ordinary potato and put a layer of them on the base of the dish. Halve some slices to go around the sides and use small bits to fill in the gaps. Lightly season.

Sauté an onion, add some chopped bacon and fry. You can eliminate the bacon and add chopped ham later if you wish. Place a layer of this mixture on top of the sweet potato.

Now you can put a layer of thinly sliced tomato, sprinkled with some herbs and a little seasoning if you wish, or just put a last layer of some tasty grated cheese and then chopped parsley.

To complete, beat four eggs with enough milk to cover the layers (the amount will depend on the size of the dish). You can put some cream in the mixture if you wish. Add some seasoning, a pinch of nutmeg and pour this mixture gently over your layers. You can add a little plain flour (gluten free if necessary) or cornflour to the liquid.

Bake at 220°C until it has risen, is brown and it holds when you lightly press on it. It will not hold its height when it cools but the breadcrumbs and sweet potato form a nice base and the quiche will slice and lift out of the dish quite easily.

Enjoy!

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QUARANTINE originally described any period of duration (measured in hours, days, months or years) meaning '40'. It was believed that this number possessed supernatural power and could shield people from all kinds of evil. Biblical and historical examples include: Moses spent 40 days and 40 nights on Mt Sinai, awaiting God's revelation / The Israelites wandered through the desert for 40 years / Both Elijah (on his journey to Horab) and Jesus (during his temptation in the wilderness) fasted for 40 days / The period of Lent extends over 40 days / Widows in primitive tribes had to mourn their husbands for 40 days / To fight off plague brought by demons, sailors were quarantined for 40 days (magical superstition preceded medical wisdom) / A widow had the right to stay in the house of her deceased husband for 40 days / In 1348, Venetians introduced *quarantena* as a magical shield to ward off the Black Death. Present-day society still retains the word and the precaution.

After you've watched this video, you'll be glad that you're a retiree and don't have to work from home!

<https://twitter.com/dodo/status/1262387776147918859>



This week's musical interlude is something that you may never have seen or heard before. Click on the link to watch Katica Illényi play *O Sole Mio* on a theremin.

The theremin is named after its inventor, Léon Theremin, who patented the device in 1928. It is an electronic musical instrument that is controlled without physical contact by the performer.

The controlling section usually consists of two metal antennas that sense the relative position of the thereminist's hands and control oscillators, for frequency with one hand, and amplitude (volume) with the other. The electric signals from the theremin are amplified and sent to a loudspeaker.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nfh6UuJuU-U>

ODE TO THE SPELL CHECKER

Eye halve a spall ling chequer, it came with my pea sea

It plane lee marques four my revue, miss steaks eye kin knot sea

Eyes try khaki and tie pa word and weight four it two say

Weather eye am wrong oar write, it shows me strait a weigh

As soon as a mist ache is maid, it nose bee fore two long

And eye can put the ear oar rite, it's rare lea ever wrong

Eye have run this poem threw it, eye am shore your pleased two no

Its letter perfect awl the weigh, my chequer tolled me sew

HEAVEN IS WHERE

The police are British
The chefs are Italian
The mechanics are German
The lovers are French and
It's all organised by the Swiss

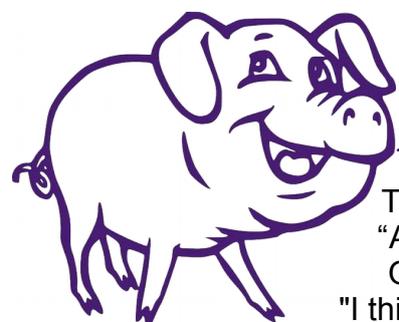
HELL IS WHERE

The police are German
The chefs are British
The mechanics are French
The lovers are Swiss and
It's all organised by the Italians

One day, a kindergarten teacher was reading the story of the *Three Little Pigs* to her class. When she came to the part of the story where the first pig was trying to accumulate the building materials for his home, she read, "...and so the pig went up to the man with the wheelbarrow full of straw and said,

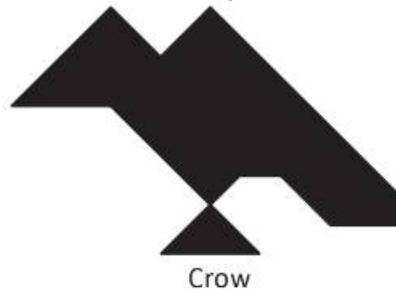
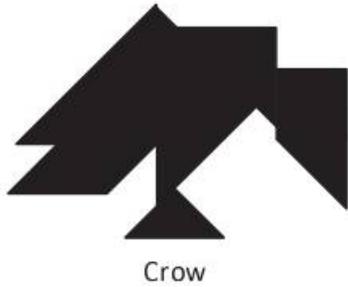
'Pardon me sir, but may I have some of that straw to build my house?'

The teacher paused, then asked the class, "And what do you think that man said?"
One little boy raised his hand and said, "I think he said... 'Bloody hell! A talking pig?'"



The Tangram Challenge

This week, try to recreate these shapes:



You must use all 7 tans, they must touch and they may not overlap. Note that the parallelogram may have to be flipped over  to create some of the shapes in the various challenges. If you need the template to make the 7 tans (pieces), please contact Cheryl via email (contact details on last page). Solutions in the next issue of KIT.

Where does the "Z" go (above or below the line) and why?

A E F H I K L M N T V W X Y

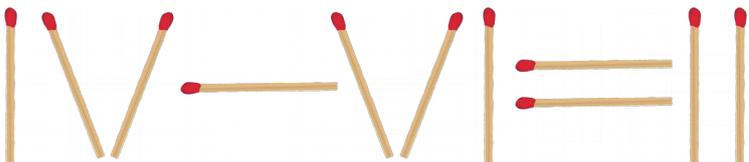
 B C D G J O P Q R S U

(Enid will award a prize to the first person who emails the correct answer to Cheryl)

PUZZLES

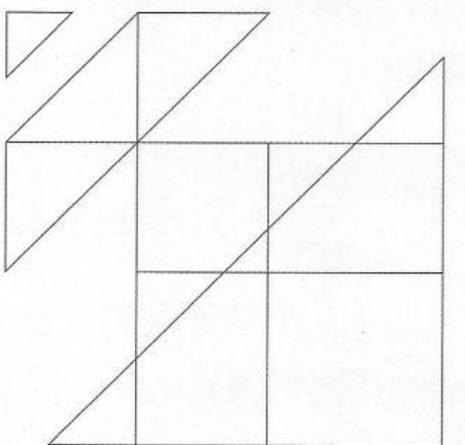
(solutions on last page)

Correct this equation by moving one match.



TRIANGLES

Count the number of triangles in this shape.



24	?	21
22		45
5	38	17

Work out the logic behind this square and find the MISSING NUMBER



Solar Flare



Silver Flash



Super Future



Sky Fly

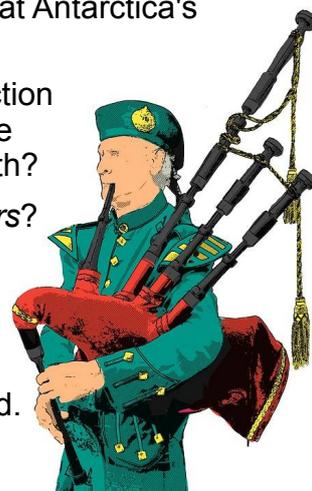


Storm Force

Which horse is the ODD ONE OUT?

QUIZ - NEIGHBOURS

- Which of these is NOT a province of Papua New Guinea?
a) East New Britain b) Northern Highlands c) West New Britain d) New Ireland
- Papua New Guinea is home to the Hooded Pitohui. What is this bird's unique feature?
- Where is Norfolk Island's sea port? a) Headstone Point b) Cemetery Bay c) Slaughter Bay
- What official language/s is/are recognised on Norfolk Island?
- The coldest temperature ever recorded on Earth was registered on 21 July 1983, at Antarctica's Vostok station. Was it a) minus 69.2 °C b) minus 79.2 °C c) minus 89.2 °C ?
- Why is the Antarctic Peninsula referred to as being in West Antarctica and the section directly south of Australia is referred to as East Antarctica when, if you stand at the South Pole, you are at the southernmost point on Earth and every direction is north?
- What is the name of the Labrador Retriever dog featured on the TV series *Neighbours*?
- Indonesia is home to about 400 volcanoes. How many of them are active?
a) 127 b) 227 c) 327
- True or false? The flags of Indonesia, Monaco and Poland are the same.
- True or false? New Zealand is home to the steepest residential street in the world.
- Per capita, are there more Scottish piping bands in New Zealand or in Scotland?



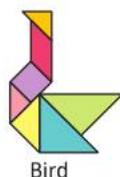
Have you ever had a sinking feeling when things have gone wrong?



I contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.

~ Winston Churchill

Solutions to last week's Tangram Challenge



Bird



Swan



Lion



Butterfly

We welcome U3A Wanneroo members' contributions to KIT

Please email your submission/s to one of the editors:

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PUZZLE SOLUTIONS MATCHSTICKS: see diagram below TRIANGLES = 13 (9 x 1 area, 3 x 3 areas, 1 x more than 3 areas) MISSING NUMBER = 29 (Add together the corner squares of each row or column in a clockwise direction. Put the sum in the middle of the next row or column) ODD ONE OUT = Sky Fly (no vowels in the name) **QUIZ ANSWERS** 1. b) Northern Highlands 2. It is the world's only poisonous bird. 3. Although these places are all located on Norfolk Island, it has no sea port. Due to the rugged coastline, large ships must anchor at least 1km offshore. Goods are ferried on small lighters to the tiny docks at Kingston or Cascade Pier, where an antiquated crane hoists the goods ashore. 4. There are two official languages: English and Norfolk. Norfolk is a Creole language and a blend of 1700s English and Tahitian. 5. c) minus 89.2°C 6. It's based on the prime meridian, an imaginary line which passes through Greenwich in the UK at 0° of longitude. Standing at the South Pole, facing towards Greenwich, everything to your left is west Antarctica and everything to your right is east Antarctica. 7. Bouncer 8. a) 127 9. Partly true. Indonesia's flag is the same as Monaco's but Indonesia's is slightly wider. Poland's flag would be the same if it was flipped vertically (see image below). 10. True. Baldwin Street, located in Dunedin, South Island has a gradient of 38 degrees. 11. New Zealand