

Non-Working Holiday

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"Hey boss, you won't believe it! I wasn't able to go meet up with everyone else today."

"Oh, oh no, what happened?"

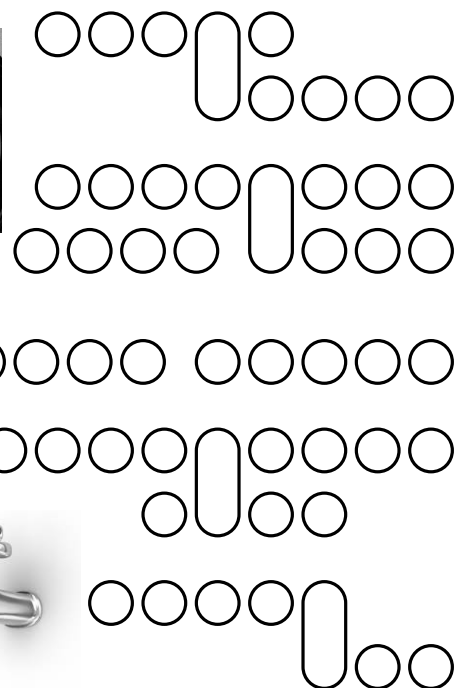
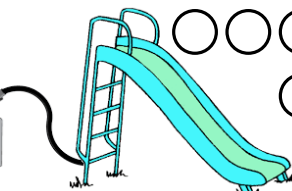
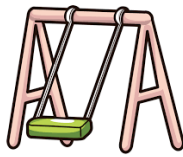
"Well, it's really a shame because everyone's been much friendlier lately, and we prepared all these fun games! Every employee made a different puzzle to represent themselves. Each puzzle has a final answer that is a five-letter word. After you figure out which employee made which puzzle, you can use all those five-letter words to reveal what went wrong today."

Match one of the randomly-ordered clues at the bottom to one of the rows of blanks.

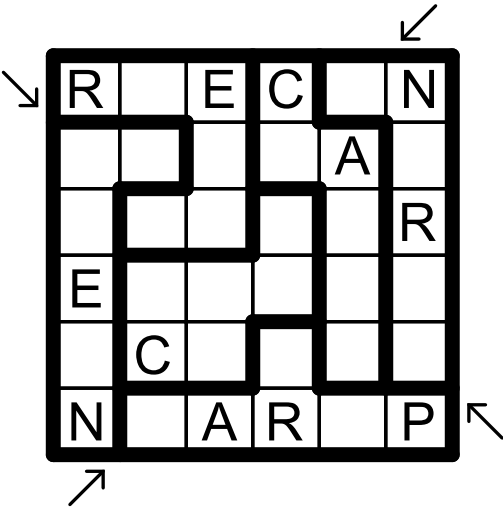
Clapping body part	_____ - _____ - _____	Lower button near an elevator
Shiba or corgi, e.g.	_____ - _____ - _____	"Hot" alternative to a burger
Verb in a wedding vow	_____ - _____ - _____	1,001 to Nero
Title for a nun	_____ - _____ - _____	Rule passed by a government
Small involuntary twitch	_____ - _____ - _____	Part of a foot

Cutthroat, like the business world • Game that starts with a hashtag? • Like clothes from an older sibling • Pippa, to Prince William • Song about music from "The Sound of Music"

The ten depicted items are all in the same category.



Place letters in the squares so that every row, column, and outlined shape contains the same six letters once each. When completed, one of the four arrows will be pointing to a common word written diagonally.



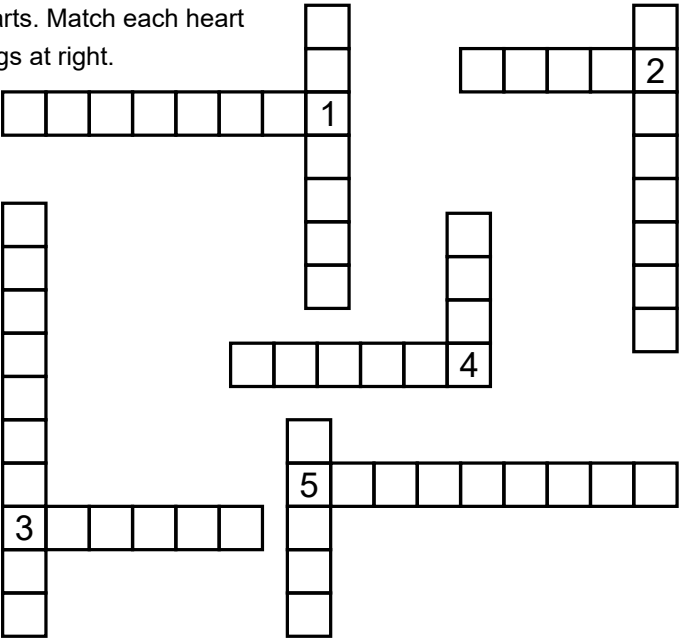
This employee says the first three letters of their name will be useful.

Extremely long period of time	_____ + _____ = _____	Company that merged with Mobil
File for rights to an invention	_____ + _____ = _____	Calm and forgiving
Wicked gnarly, dude	_____ + _____ = _____	Diameter halves
Powdered orange drink	_____ + _____ = _____	Moving along a runway
Rudely eyeballing	_____ + _____ = _____	Extremely hungry

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

Step in a duel or treasure hunt	_____	_____	The final frontier
747, for example	_____	_____	Earth, e.g.
Muscle-building drugs	_____	_____	Rocks in a belt
Large box for shipping things	_____	_____	Moon indentation
Del _____, California	_____	_____	Earth's neighbor

This employee didn't match up the right characters in the hearts. Match each heart to one of the crossings at right.



_____ Perform a plus sign's action

_____ What a container with a plus sign may contain

_____ Word represented by a plus sign

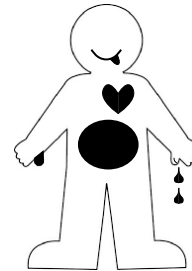
_____ Building that might be near a silo
 _____ Old type of poet, like Shakespeare
 _____ Unclothed

_____ Certain spouse
_____ Expansive
_____ Red or white liquid

_____	_____	_____	Folded art
_____	_____	_____	Bright red color
_____	_____	_____	Deep red color
_____	_____	_____	Leave deserted
_____	_____	_____	Destructive spree

Gardener: _____
Smooth talker: _____
Brave soldier: _____
Royal family: _____
Coward: _____

3rd letter
5th letter
5th letter
5th letter
6th letter



5-letter Answer

- [illegible]

[illegible]