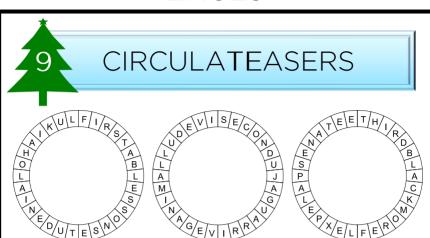
STONE



In this puzzle you had to solve cryptic clues and fit them into the circles provided. The only way to make them fit was to overlap the words by two letters, like in the title of the puzzle.

Once the circles are filled, the dots on the outside correspond to GIE BUN FPS – but if we order them by the starting word of each circle (first, second third), we get BUNGIE FPS. Bungie is a games company that has made several First Person Shooter games, and the FPS we are after here that they have made is HALO, another type of circle.

Clues were provided in alphabetical order of their answers, which may have helped you if you spotted it. The clue answers are as follows:

- Imply charm when Democrat is replaced by Republican = ALLUDE (ALLURE R-> D)
- Almost half of Alabama surrounds Ohio and says hello from another
- state = ALOHA (ALA around OH)
- Creature is excited Somalian? Not so! = ANIMAL (Anag. of SOMALIAN missing SO)
- After pirate's call, civvies regularly dock = ARRIVE (ARR + alternate letters of CIVVIES)
- Trump's reaction to Stormy Daniels? Endless! =
- DENIAL (Anagram Daniels missing S)

 Construct river bordering six sons = DEVISE
- (DEE around VI and S)
 Get worse, remove head and pass = ELAPSE
- (RELAPSE missing R)Moving duet has note for composition = ETUDE •
- (Anag. of DUET + E)

 Remove fish without experience = EXPEL (EEL
- around XP)

 Poem that could come from a lofty pigeon, say =
- HAIKU (Sounds like HIGH COO)
- Cat car = JAGUAR (Double definition)

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- At first Karl Imhoff treated flu internally with ice cream = KULFI (KI surrnounding Anag. of FLU) Confused lioness misses one tutorial = LESSON (Anag. LIONESS missing I)
 - Sausage that could produce jaundice with hard water = NDUJA (Anag. JAUNDICE missing ICE) Beginning of working television? = ONSET (Double definition)
- Author's hollow red book without extra (1,1,9) = R
 D BLACKMORE (RED hollowed out + B + LACK
 + MORE)
- Umpire has Latin law it's instinct! = REFLEX (REF + LEX)
- People of power seen at broadcast = SENATE (Anag. SEEN AT)
 - Building that's a strong accompaniment, according to May? = STABLE (Brexit reference. Sigh.)
- Gear parts found in the mouth = TEETH (Double definition)
 - Vehicle containing, for example, no meat or dairy = VEGAN (VAN around EG)

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