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Since starting my job at what I lovingly call 'The Puzzle Factory', the number of puzzles I solve at home has gone down quite a bit, which is understandable. But at the moment I'm making an exception for the 200th edition of **The Magpie** crossword magazine, out this month! If you like hard cryptic crosswords - and I mean HARD - head over to piemag.com to see a sample of the things they do. They publish five unusual cryptic crosswords and one 'number' crossword per month for those who like maths and logic - I highly recommend the magazine. An easier version of a crossword you could see in The Magpie is on Page 2 of this issue. You can find me on Twitter, @peakespuzzles. If you enjoy Peake's Puzzle Page, please consider leaving a tip at ko-fi.com/danielpeake.

Thanks! --Dan 'Crosswordy' Peake

In each clue in this puzzle two answers have been merged into one. For example, the answer to:

This Whopper of a fast food chain wanted to be like you in The Jungle Book (6,4,5)

is **BURGER KING LOUIE**. Can you work out the answers to the six clues below? Answer lengths have been given to help you.

- This Spanish port wanted to Dance Wiv Me - on Holiday - Bonkers! (8,6)
- This sinking hazard at the beach offered air raid protection during the Second World War (14,7)
- This transport for The Doctor weighs one kilogram for women in athletics (9)
- This common brown seaweed engages in illegal business, such as making money from threatening people (20)
- This sauce that often accompanies lamb saves people in Thunderbirds (14,6)
- This is a test of precision with words with Maurice, Robin and Barry (8,3,4)

ANSWER MERGE

Solve the anagrams below to reveal **13 words associated with beer and brewing**. Each anagram has one extra letter that isn't used. In order, these extra letters spell out an answer to the question underneath.

- PLUMP _____
- RANK DATA _____
- GAMED _____
- KINDER _____
- REAL _____
- WET BERRY _____
- SHACK _____
- TUNA _____
- BLARNEY _____
- SLY TEA _____
- REAL RIB _____
- COOL HALF _____
- INEPT _____

What do you call a 20ft-tall beer bottle? (5,4,4)

PUNAGRAM

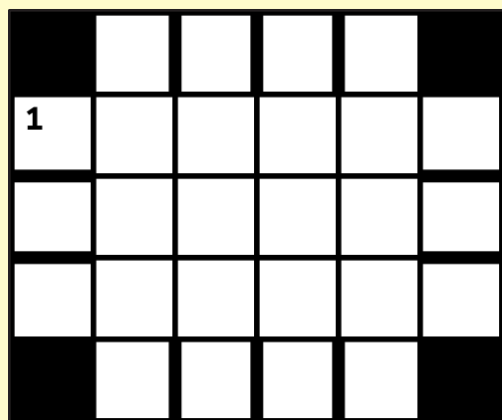
Each clue leads to a six-letter answer. Cross off one letter in each column for those answers. No letter can be crossed off twice. Remaining letters in each column will spell out one final word.

A	E	A	A	C	E
B	L	A	D	E	H
D	O	E	I	E	R
E	R	I	N	G	S
H	R	L	R	L	S
S	W	O	S	T	S

- Violation of rules
- Card game
- Google's drawing of the day
- Playground items
- WWII faction

CROSS OUT

CRYPT-CROSS



Only the position of 1 Across has been given in this cryptic crossword - you will need to figure out where the other clues will fit. As an additional hint, the top line will form a four-letter word.

- **1 Across:** Uninteresting drilling
- Decay, put arsenic in and bake
- Destroying read-only memory, missing conflicted Lord Mayor becomes foe!
- Naked Marie is given direction to stand
- Put together messy diaper
- Six nearly certain to return with a cold, perhaps
- Suppose donkey sits on bend with setter



Pair up the clues below such that the answer to one clue can become the answer to the other when its middle letter is removed. For example, 'Avoid' could be paired with 'Venetian title, formerly' as DODGE becomes DOGE when the middle letter of dodge is removed. One clue is left over - its answer is four letters. What five letter word could it become if a letter was inserted into its middle?

- Achieves a state of zen
- Basic mathematical operation
- Broadcast a signal
- Butcher's knife
- Canoe, for example
- Dependence on a substance
- Exaggerating an emotion
- Eye-opening
- Gets too hot
- Giving too much money
- Has more food than is healthy
- Idiots
- Intelligent
- Is the go-between, in an argument
- Latter Day Saints
- Molten rock
- Right to an invention
- Sacha Baron Cohen character
- Spice Girls hit
- Sturnus vulgaris
- Sudden blast of wind
- The ability to live forever
- The state of being wicked
- Tolerant, or someone sick
- Went in front of, in astronomy

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	27				
28				29				
30					31			

This puzzle represents a four-word phrase. Some answers are too long for their grid entry, and two answers are abbreviations.

Across

- 1 Winding snake has weapons that can unlock a computer
- 10 Fool in sticky substance
- 11 Excited Bavarian removes unusual bra of a bird
- 12 Chessman, King, not during the day
- 13 Tart is irrational on the radio
- 14 Horrendous scare worries

- 15 Red planet, hot, and not with this?
- 16 Always cut the head off
- 18 Follows old boy? Yes, unfortunately
- 21 Number admitted average emblem
- 23 After 'after', it's all gone!
- 25 Panties in a twist without a part of the foot
- 28 Pleasant place in France
- 29 Woman found in canal
- 30 Old Welshman, partially contrary and smutty
- 31 Made new lady's title

Down

- 1 Vice-president is worth very little
- 2 An Australian singer in a nearby continent
- 3 Silver underneath small dip
- 4 Globe is special in this location
- 5 Sidekick asks which programmes are being broadcast tonight
- 6 Nothing against naked hump in a cell
- 7 Model's on current holiday
- 8 One farmyard - busy place for cows (2 words)
- 9 Console unhappy Ness
- 17 View endless hole over church
- 19 Swerve around learner and merge
- 20 Grab bulk without energy
- 21 Follow rump
- 22 Aware of novel, by the sound of it
- 24 Display every other beer
- 26 Texan town rises, missing everything? That's depressing
- 27 Levy one hired vehicle

AM: 10th, 4th, 1st, 18th, 3rd, 12th
 C-C: b2, c5, d5, f2, f3
 P: 8, 1, 11, 3, 9
 CO: Leftovers
 MM: 5-letter word

