ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS

THE "A" GAME  Richard Lederer

1 assail a sail  2 attack a tack  3 adore a door  4 apprise a prize  5 acclaim a claim  6 amass a mass
7 a head ahead  8 aboard a board  9 a cent assent  10 accrue a crew  11 acquire a choir
12 a count account  13 address a dress  14 a broad abroad  15 a fair affair  16 affirm a firm
17 arrange a range  18 a gent agent  19 align a line  20 allay a lei  21 a loan alone
22 a lure allure  23 a rye awry  24 a loft aloft  25 around a round  26 a wash awash
27 appoint a point  28 a peal appeal  29 appall a pall  30 announce an ounce  31 allot a lot
32 amaze a maize  33 award a ward  34 await a weight  35 avoid a void  36 a chord accord
37 a verse averse  38 a ray array  39 assign a sign  40 adieu a dew  41 a noise annoys
32 attract a track  33 amuse a muse  34 assist a cyst  35 a gain again  36 a miss amiss
37 abrade a braid  38 abash a bash  39 arraign a rain  50 abut a butt

KICKSHAWS  David Morice

Elementary, My Dear Watson  To each letter of the alphabet assign the number of the earliest
entry in the periodic table whose abbreviation contains that letter (e.g., since Na, which is
element 11, is the smallest-numbered element containing an A, A=11). J is undefined because
it does not appear in the element abbreviations. Q is similarly missing from the classical
element names, but in a new nomenclature element 114 is called ununquadium (Uuu).

Naming the Letters  In the first set, each letter appears in the word that names it (A=ungrAph);
in the second set, each letter doesn’t appear.

Suffixed amalgamate, macadamize, highwayman, sandbagged, ransacking, laundrymen,
chuchyard, classicism, descendant, trafficked

Man About Town  gunman, taxman, badman-madman, preman, cragman, swingman, washman,
woman, scowman, batman

Bananagrams 11  Ed Conti

1 no, on  2 tuna, aunt  3 blow, bowl  4 cocaine, oceanic  5 indicatory, dictionary  6 remain., marine
7 dread, adder  8 organ, groan  9 dew, wed  10 tuna, aunt