ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS

THE NAME IS THE GAME  Richard E. Douglass

2. Performing Arts: Grace Note, Baby Grand, Clara Nett, Cora Liszt, Amanda Lynne, Isabella Carillon, Paddy Doo, Q. Card, Lincoln Center, Bessie Mae Mucho
3. Communications: Tab Lloyd, Flo Chart, Penny Dreadful, Ann Thology, Hack Writer, Art Director, Bess Celler, Bill Board, Eddy Torrial, Mike Fright
5. Transportation: Mack Truck, Mercedes Benz, Morris Minor, Gabriel Schalk, Austin Healy, Carmen Ghea, Lionel Trayne, Errol Plane, Cab Stand, Ethel Lene
8. Retailing: Kay Mart, Emery Board, Johnny Pott, Link Chain, Montgomery Ward, Allen Wrench, Brooks Brothers, Morris Chair, Hack Saw, Abbey Wrentz, Sterling Silver
10. Meteorology: Gale Winds, Ella Mentz, P. Souper, Ty Phoon, Harry Kane, Rip Tide, Hugh Middity, Sir Occo, Sonny N. Warner
11. Religion: Gloria Mundy, Rosa Crucian, Gideon Bible, Father Figure, Elder Berry, Benedict Chun, Gilead Baum, Anna Baptist, Faith Ann Begorrah, Cardinal Sin, Dominic Vobiscum, Bene Brith

BIOGRAPHICAL LINK-O-GRAMS  Boris Randolph


SOUP TO NUTS: A POE-PUREE OF PUNS  Fred Abrams

1. The author is Eddie Poe 2. He suffered the slings and arrows of outrageous Fortunato 3. F was partially plastered when M met him and totally plastered when F left him 4. He wanted to put F down by giving him up for Lent 5. To have him set down permanent roots 6. It was a very grave matter 7. It has a very nutty flavor 8. F preferred the grape to the gripe 9. He treasured the berry and buried his treasure (Fortunato) 10. M deposited his Fortunato there 11. It petrified him, although he was already stoned 12. He was too stoned to realize that he was getting plastered 13. Root beer (root bier) 14. His name contains "tun" (cask) 15. He wept profusely as the tiers rose above his head 16. An old wino newly bottled up 17. He was mortified 18. He had neglected to purchase "no vault" insurance 19. "I ain't got no body" 20. No one has been able to decrypt it 21. County Cork 22. By using a skeleton key 23. "Did your mortar come from Ireland?" 24. Caskade 25. It was the best place for debasement

KICKSHAWS  Richard Lederer

Compound Paradoxes: 1. darkroom 2. hot dog 3. cupboard 4. homework 5. highway 6. bathroom (in fact, a bathroom may not even be a room since a dog can go to the bathroom under a tree) 7. near-miss

Unnegatives: inane, inert; immaculate, impeccable; irrefrangible; uncouth, unkept; nonchalant, nondescript; dishevelled, distraught; anonymous, amorphous; defunct, deficient. Unnegatives with il-, an assimilated form of in-, appear to be the most elusive; the best I can offer are illimitable and illicit, the rareness of whose positives makes them very close to extinct

Un + Nouns: unrest, untruth, unbirthday (from Alice in Wonderland), unperson (from 1984), unCola

Unreversative un's: unloosen, unravel

Converting Prefixes: belittle, embody, afoot, bewitch, disable, enlarge, acknowledge, encourage, endanger

Feminine and aviatrix, blooming, & kitchen

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Eponyms: 1. gargantuan, utopia, babe, knife, jim dandy, goth, philistine

Capitonyms: b
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ON AGAIN, OR

1. on the level 2. on top 3. on hoist 4. on the hill 5. on the edge 6. on all fours 7. on the wing 8. on the wing 9. on the wing 10. on a high horse 11. on the wing 12. on the wing 13. off one leg 14. off all legs 15. off the mark 16. off the mark 17. off the mark 18. off the mark 19. off the mark 20. off the mark 21. off by a mile 22. off the mark 23. off the mark 24. off the mark 25. day off 26. day off 27. on the level 28. on the level 29. on the level 30. on the level 31. gone off 32. gone off 33. gone off 34. gone off 35. gone off 36. off the scent 6. off the scent 7. off the scent 8. off the scent 9. off the scent 10. off the scent 11. off the scent 12. off the scent 13. off one's scent 14. off one's scent 15. off one's scent 16. off one's scent 17. off one's scent 18. off one's scent 19. off one's scent 20. off one's scent 21. off by a mile 22. off by a mile 23. off by a mile 24. off by a mile 25. off by a mile 26. off by a mile 27. off by a mile 28. off by a mile 29. off by a mile 30. off by a mile
Feminine and Diminutive Suffixes: actress, spinster, majorette, aviatrix, blonde, comedienne, czarina, masseuse; booklet, duckling & kitchenette. -ette appears in both lists.

Contronymic Suffix: -ee, as in employee, "one who is X'd," and escapee, "one who X's."

Noun Agency Suffixes: beggar, braggart, parliamentarian, commentator, maniac, beautician, Jacobean, escapee, reverend, comedienne, respondent, majorette, masseur, masseuse, alcoholic, czarina, Benedictine, barrister, Laborite, aviatrix, starlet

Commercial Suffixes: The most popular seems to be -ex. A partial list: Kleenex, Timex, Memorex, Rolex, Cutex, Kotex, Windex, Pyrex

Eponyms: 1. bedlam, donnybrook, babel, pandemonium 2. pander, gargantuan, quixotic, pants, scrooge, malapropism, braggadocio; utopia, babel, pandemonium, illlputian 3. bill club, clubby, jack knife, jim dandy, johnnycake, timothy, tomboy 4. bohemian, boor, goth, philistine, spartan, tartar, turk, vandal, yankee

Capitonyms: begin, august, ravel, levy, nice


ON AGAIN, OFF AGAIN Leonard R. N. Ashley

1. on the level 2. on the other hand 3. on the house 4. on the up 5. on the sly 6. on the nail 7. on the loose 8. on balance 9. on one's own 10. on a spree 11. on tick 12. on and off 13. on the rocks 14. on all fours 15. on the QT 16. on the spur of the moment 17. on the wing 18. on the up and up 19. on edge 20. on the dot 21. on the air 22. on all 23. on guard 24. on the rocks 25. on the verge 26. on the wagon 27. on the make 28. on one's high horse 29. on the alert 30. on good terms 31. on its last legs 32. on the carpet 33. on the cards 34. on the beat 35. on the ball 36. on the lookout 37. on the jump 38. on the mend 39. on the run 40. on the shelf 41. on the wane 42. on the prowl 43. on to a good thing 44. on show 45. on the road 46. on the way out 47. on the job 48. on the dole

1. gone off 2. offhand 3. off the peg (or shelf) 4. off the cuff 5. off the scent 6. off guard 7. off the top of one's head 8. off the point 9. off the handle 10. off the wall 11. off the rails 12. off the mark 13. off one's chest 14. off at a tangent 15. off the trail 16. off the list 17. off one's head 18. off and on 19. offed 20. off the tee 21. off by a mile 22. called off 23. off drugs 24. off one's game 25. day off 26. cut off 27. far off 28. way off 29. off one's rocker 30. off the beam 31. off-color 32. off the record 33. off to a good
start 34. off-hand 35. off the beaten path 36. off the map 37. off and running 38. carry off 39. write off 40. sign off 41. off-year 42. off-white 43. off-track betting 44. offstage 45. off-chance 46. take off
47. turn off 48. payoff 49. stand-offish 50. off-key

IN OTHER JOURNALS

Logophile, The Cambridge Journal of Words and Language (47-49 Caledonian Road, London N1 9BU; $12 for four issues per year) has a new 9 1/2" x 6 1/2" format with 58 pages per issue, much like Word Ways. The latest issue (Volume 3, Number 2, 1979) contains articles on

- language reform (The Queen's English Society, devoted to promoting good English usage; Esperanto; Interlingua)
- the weird word-coinages of Thomas Urquhart (1611-1660), a literary antecedent of James Joyce
- the possible use of computers to ease the editorial burden of collecting and sorting citation slips for a new dictionary
- language spelling-sound changes over the centuries, and the tangled and false etymologies that result
- Frisian, English's closest cognate

Verbatim, The Language Quarterly (Essex, CT 06426; $5 for four issues per year) continues to publish 20 pages per issue in a newsletter format. The latest issue (Volume 4, Number 2, Autumn 1979) contains articles on

- euphemism, particularly as expressed in advertising and in modern American literature (Updike, De Vries, Nabokov)
- preposition pollution (misuses such as 'alert citizens of the danger' instead of 'to the danger')
- junctures (ambiguous-sounding phrases, such as 'All-over Twist' or 'Michael row the boat ashore' -- he will?)
- the difficulty facing the fiction-writer of one culture who attempts to reproduce the dialogue of another
- theological bafflegab
- the colorful locutions and malapropisms of an old family retainer in England
- The Dictionary of American Regional English (DARE), with an appeal for citations of various phrases ('dollar store', 'dead cat on the line') and for alternatives of others ('Indian burn - snake bite - ?')
- 'dystopia' and 'cacotopia', jargon-words derived by analogy with Utopia

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