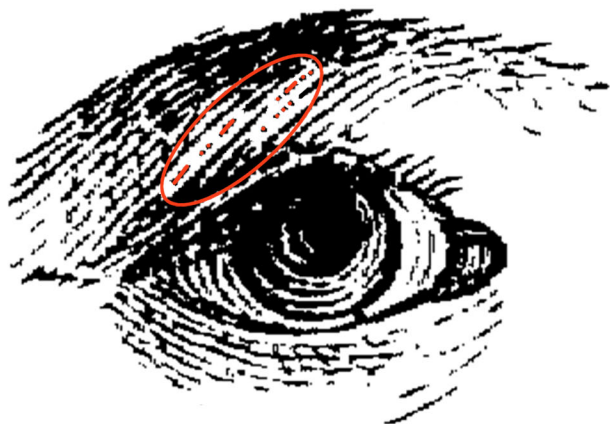


METAPUZZLER #000

'A GLIMPSE' SOLUTIONS

COVER

The eye graphic hides a hint in Morse code spelling out 'TITLES', indicating that the puzzle titles are important. Performing an internet search of the titles reveals them all to be poems in Walt Whitman's *Leaves of Grass*.



1. ETHIOPIA SALUTING THE COLORS

Searching the internet for some of the odd words and phrases in this puzzle will lead to the discovery that these are heraldic descriptions, and the puzzle title hints that flags are involved. Decipher the descriptions to find 12 country flags, then index into the names of the countries using the numbers in parentheses to get 'VERT A TOURTEAU', which clues the final solution: 'BANGLADESH'.

LATVIA (4)	=	V
ETHIOPIA (1)	=	E
NORFOLK ISLAND (3)	=	R
GIBRALTAR (7)	=	T
LAOS (2)	=	A
KYRGYZSTAN (8)	=	T
MOLDOVA (5)	=	O
ALGERIA (5)	=	R
BHUTAN (4)	=	T
EGYPT (1)	=	E
MONGOLIA (8)	=	A
LUXEMBOURG (8)	=	U

BANGLADESH

2. THE RUNNER

Each of the clues on the left matches one of the pictures on the right. Lines drawn between the matching pairs cross numbers that indicate the index of a letter to be taken from each answer. Those letters, when taken together, spell out 'A WRENCH TO THE AUSSIES' which, when paired with the only unmatched picture (K - a bridge), clues the final answer: 'SPANNER.'

1 - M (3)	=	FLAPPER	11 - N (2)	=	SHINER
2 - I (1)	=	WALKER	12 - E (5)	=	RUNNER
3 - D (6)	=	WOOFER	13 - L (2)	=	PATTER
4 - C (6)	=	FLIPPER	14 - P (2)	=	JUMPER
5 - R (4)	=	PAINTER	15 - Q (1)	=	SLIPPER
6 - J (1)	=	CHOPPER	16 - F (3)	=	DUSTER
7 - O (1)	=	HOPPER	17 - S (2)	=	SINGER
8 - A (5)	=	WHISTLER	18 - T (8)	=	OLD YELLER
9 - B (3)	=	GROWLER	19 - H (3)	=	WASHER
10 - G (1)	=	TIPPER			

A WRENCH TO THE AUSSIES = **SPANNER**

3. THESE CAROLS

Each picture portrays a person, place, or thing with some variation on the name 'Carol' in it. The dashes above each picture indicate the number of letters in the name, and the red dash indicates a letter to take from each answer. These letters together spell out 'WHEN ARE THEY PLAYED', cluing the final answer: 'CHRISTMAS'.

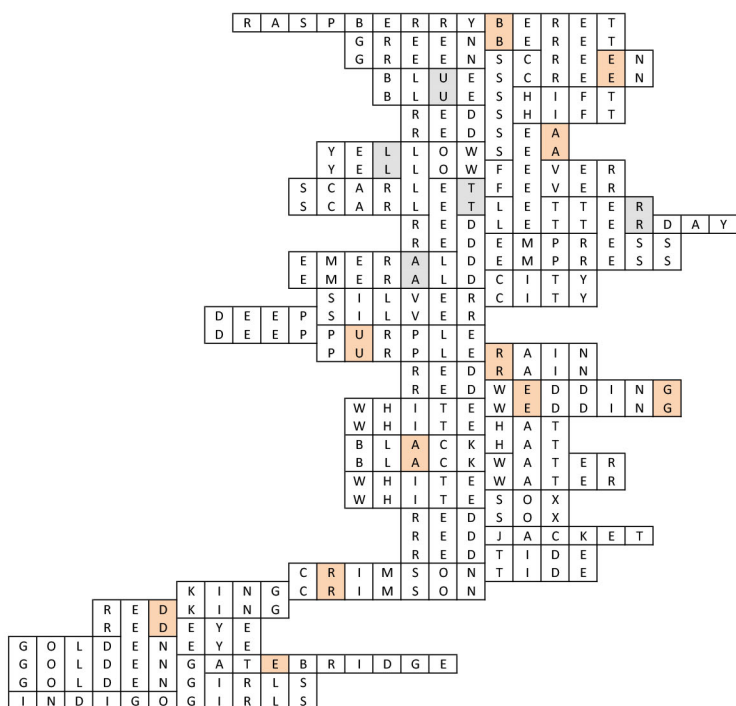
LEWIS Carroll
Notre Dame's Carroll HALL
Carol BURNETT
Carole KING
Carol I OF ROMANIA
Carroll O'CONNOR
Carol ANNE
P.J. Carroll & Company LIMITED
Carol CHANNING
HURRICANE Carol
Carroll UNIVERSITY
PETE Carroll
Carole LOMBARD
THE PRICE OF SALT (alternately titled 'Carol')
Carol MOSELEY-BRAUN
Carroll COLLEGE
Carol BRADY

WHEN ARE THEY PLAYED = **CHRISTMAS**

4. RED JACKET (FROM ALOFT)

Each line clues an answer containing a color. These may then be fit into the grid, with common letters indicated by letter columns spanning two or more row heights. Once the grid is complete, the gray cells spell out 'ULTRA' and the orange cells 'BEAUREGARDE', cluing the final answer: VIOLET.

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| 1. RED SOX | 20. DEEP PURPLE |
| 2. RED RAIN | 21. DEEP SILVER |
| 3. GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE | 22. RED EMPRESS |
| 4. BLUE SHIFT | 23. RED KING |
| 5. WHITE HAT | 24. GOLDEN GIRLS |
| 6. PURPLE RAIN | 25. KING CRIMSON |
| 7. RED WEDDING | 26. GOLDENEYE |
| 8. EMERALD CITY | 27. RED TIDE |
| 9. INDIGO GIRLS | 28. RED SHIFT |
| 10. GREEN SCREEN | 29. BLACKWATER |
| 11. BLUE SCREEN | 30. WHITEWATER |
| 12. EMERALD EMPRESS | 31. CRIMSON TIDE |
| 13. BLACK HAT | 32. RED JACKET |
| 14. WHITE SOX | 33. SCARLET LETTER |
| 15. RED SEA | 34. WHITE WEDDING |
| 16. RASPBERRY BERET | 35. YELLOW SEA |
| 17. RED EYE | 36. SCARLET FEVER |
| 18. GREEN BERET | 37. YELLOW FEVER |
| 19. SILVER CITY | 38. RED LETTER DAY |



ULTRA / BEAUREGARDE = **VIOLET**

5. SHAKSPERE-BACON'S CIPHER

The pictures in the title are of William Shakespeare and Sir Francis Bacon, and the quote in the body of the puzzle is from Ignatius Donnelly's 1888 work, *The Great Cryptogram: Francis Bacon's cipher in the so-called Shakespeare plays*. The quote has a message encoded in Bacon's Cipher using uppercase and lowercase letters: "IF BY YOUR ART MY DEAREST FATHER YOU HAVE PUT THE WILD WATERS IN THIS ROAR ALLAY THEM TRIED TO KEEP SHIP FROM SINKING". The first part of the message is a quote from Shakespeare's 'The Tempest', and the second part of the message clues the character who tried to keep the ship from sinking in the first act of that play, yielding the final answer: the **BOATSWAIN**.

6. SONGS OF PARTING

Each album shown in the puzzle has a song which may be considered a 'song of parting':

- The Jackson 5 in Japan* - 'Never Can Say Goodbye'
- George Strait - *Twang* - 'Beautiful Day for Goodbye'
- The Breakfast Club Soundtrack* - 'Don't You Forget About Me'
- The Sound of Music Soundtrack* - 'So Long, Farewell'

- Rush - *A Farewell to Kings* - 'A Farewell to Kings'
- Fleetwood Mac - *Rumours* - 'You Can Go Your Own Way'
- Earth, Wind & Fire - *I Am* - 'After the Love Has Gone'
- Ozzy Osbourne - *Blizzard of Ozz* - 'Goodbye to Romance'
- The Eagles - *On the Border* - 'Already Gone'
- The Beatles - *Magical Mystery Tour* - 'Hello, Goodbye'

- Sting - *The Dream of the Blue Turtles* - 'Consider Me Gone'
- Pink Floyd - *The Wall* - 'Goodbye Blue Sky'
- David Gates - *Goodbye Girl* - 'Goodbye Girl'
- Jeff Buckley - *Grace* - 'Last Goodbye'

- Fiona Apple - *Extraordinary Machine* - 'Parting Gift'
- Alison Krauss & Union Station - *Every Time You Say Goodbye* - 'Every Time You Say Goodbye'
- Billy Joel - *Turnstiles* - 'Say Goodbye to Hollywood'
- Rhianna - *Talk That Talk* - 'Goodbye'

- Elton John - *Goodbye Yellow Brick Road* - 'Goodbye Yellow Brick Road'
- Paul Young - *The Secret of Association* - 'Every Time You Go Away'
- Clay Walker - *She Won't Be Lonely Long* - 'Like We Never Said Goodbye'
- Violent Femmes - *Violent Femmes* - 'Gone Daddy Gone'

6. SONGS OF PARTING (cont.)

The boxes at the bottom of the puzzle, which correspond with the albums above, contain numbers indicating a letter to be taken from each song in word-letter format. The first four groupings of letters represent musical notes with the superscripted lowercase 'b's as stand-ins for the 'flat' notation. These notes, when played, reveal the familiar strains of the chorus of "Na Na Hey Hey Kiss Him Goodbye" (Na na na na / na na na na / hey hey hey / goodbye). The band that originally recorded this was STEAM, which is the final answer.

CDF FGA^bA^b CB^bG GE^bF BAND = **STEAM**

7. 'A GLIMPSE' METAPUZZLE

Following up on the cover hint of 'TITLES', searching the internet for any of the puzzle titles will reveal that they are all titles of poems in Walt Whitman's *Leaves of Grass*.

The top half of the metapuzzle takes letters from the other six puzzle answers (BANGLADESH, SPANNER, CHRISTMAS, VIOLET, BOATSWAIN, and STEAM) in (puzzle number)-(letter index) format. When decoded, the eight lines read as follows:

WHITMAN
 ARCHIVE
 DOT
 ORG
 SLASH
 ARCHIVE
 ONE (DIGIT NOT WORD)

ONE EIGHT NINE TWO

The first seven lines should be read as a URL: whitmanarchive.org/archive1 and the last line as the year 1892. The bottom half of the puzzle is a book cipher using the 1892 version of *Leaves of Grass* from the whitman.org website. By navigating the site through Whitman's Works > Poetry > Leaves of Grass > 1892 > 1891-92 Text, the correct version of the poems will be reached.

The book cipher is in page-line-word format, and can be decoded as follows:

FLOWERS IN TITLE LAMENT TO BEARDED FOUR
 SCORE PRESIDENT

The 'bearded four score President' is Lincoln. Whitman wrote several poems eulogizing Lincoln, but the one with flowers in the title is 'When Lilacs Last in the Door-yard Bloom'd,' leading to the final metapuzzle answer of:

LILACS