



Free Sample Puzzle

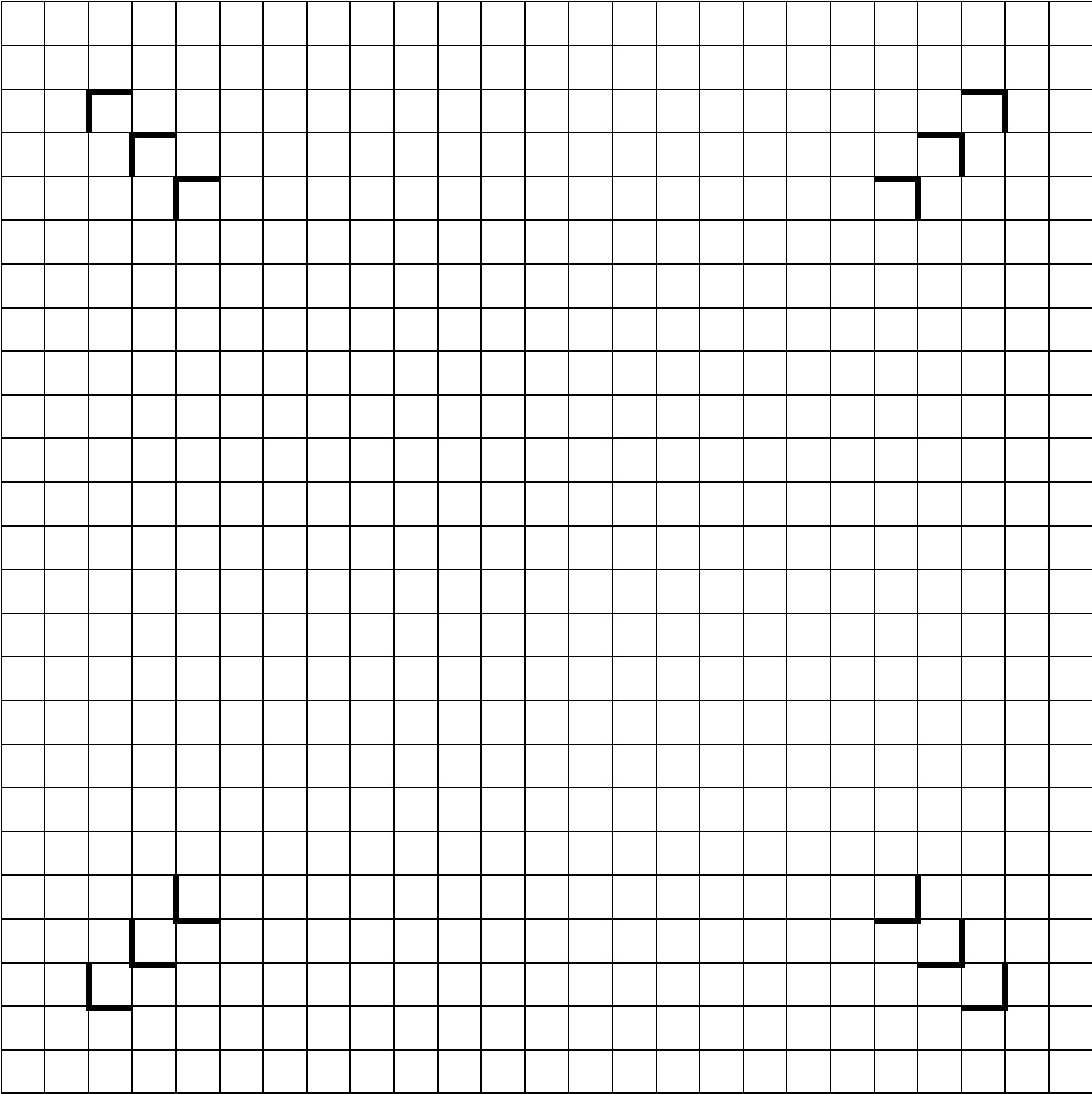
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Diagramless puzzles are an under-appreciated niche in the world of crosswords. Compared to a regular crossword, even a cryptic crossword, diagramless puzzles look unapproachable. There's a big blank grid, a bunch of clues, and no clear relationship between them. But hidden in that blank grid is an extra dose of logical reasoning and a fun challenge.

This, Puzzazz's first book of diagramless crosswords, contains 25 mostly themed crosswords by Carol Lachance. All but one are rotationally or mirror-image symmetric.

Roy Leban, Puzzazz Founder

If you're solving on paper rather than in the Puzzazz app, you may use any graph paper to solve, but you may find the grid on the next page convenient in helping minimize erasing. The full grid is 25×25, and the heavy corners indicate the sizes of 21×21, 19×19, and 17×17 grids.



Mix-up

17x17

Across

- 1 The ____ ' Spoonful (rock band of the '60s)
- 6 Blue movie of 2009?
- 8 Australian with an inaccurate common name
- 11 Information unit
- 14 Abbr. on a bizcard
- 15 Run away
- 17 Highland dance
- 18 Ice skater Midori
- 19 Silent film star Theda
- 21 Blow off steam
- 22 Nursery spinner
- 23 Crispy strip
- 24 Titanic's SOS
- 25 Desilu co-founder
- 27 Unable to stay still
- 28 Fizzy bar stock
- 30 "I Am Woman" singer Helen
- 32 Heartbreaker
- 33 Type of pop fly: abbr.
- 34 New Zealand parrot
- 35 State travel org. covering LA and SF
- 38 Sound you don't want your car engine to make
- 40 Like a hot toy at Christmas
- 43 Home of Jar Jar Binks
- 46 Nassau Coliseum, e.g.
- 48 Donnie with a vicious rabbit friend

- 49 Steal the throne
- 50 Harry known for making impossible bottles
- 51 "____ Kick Out of You"
- 52 Frau's "Nope!"
- 53 Vowelless John Wayne movie
- 54 Hunger after
- 55 Skipper's heading
- 57 Letter of credit?
- 58 Fabled racer
- 59 An orange it's not
- 62 Dallas Cowboys coach Tom
- 63 County name in England and five East Coast states

Down

- 1 Resident of Vientiane
- 2 "Bravo! Bravo!," e.g.
- 3 Hotel frill
- 4 Writer Calvino of "The Periodic Table"
- 5 Grab
- 7 One who calls foul or fair
- 8 Frat party need
- 9 Capital on the Hudson
- 10 Flinch, say
- 11 Book promo
- 12 "Holy smokes!"
- 13 "Perception" ailer
- 16 Cupid's counterpart
- 17 Quack

- 20 "____ Given Sunday"
- 21 Ms. Fitzgerald
- 22 Runners' goals
- 23 One-star
- 24 Media watchdog agcy.
- 25 Historic Turkish city
- 26 Mrs. Ethan Frome
- 29 The Buckeyes of the Big Ten
- 31 Pop
- 35 Bistro menu
- 36 "My Way" composer
- 37 Flurry of confusion
- 38 Eye part
- 39 Chop off, like a branch
- 41 Mystery writer's award
- 42 Actress Quinlan who was on "The Bold and the Beautiful" from 1995 to 2006
- 43 Lady of habit
- 44 Very confused
- 45 Constructed
- 47 Ask about
- 51 "This American Life" host Glass
- 53 Outward appearances
- 54 Castro's partner
- 56 8x10, e.g.
- 60 "Dungeon Maker" maker
- 61 Greek goddess of the night