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### LOCATION, Article/Paragraph

### CLUE (number of letters, first letter)

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|---------------------------|--|
| 1. P8 A lucky escape      | leave behind; ditch (7,a)  |
| 2. P9 30 years ago        | develop; advance; progress (6,e)                                 |
| 3. P9 150 years ago       | refusal to obey orders, usually by soldiers or sailors (6,m)     |
| 4. P9 70 years ago        | flowed slowly and in small quantities (5,o)                      |
| 5. P9 ... Monkey Day      | scattering; spreading (10,d)                                     |
| 6. P9 New Year's Eve      | celebrations (11,f)  |
| 7. P10 ... Bear It!       | being present in an unobtrusive way (7,l)                        |
| 8. P10 Pan Solo           | showing or feeling great mental or physical suffering (9,a )     |
| 9. P10 Upside-Down Art    | person in charge of the objects in a museum or art gallery (7,c) |
| 10. P11 ... Rodrick Rules | wishing evil to others; malicious; spiteful (10,m)               |

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## Vocabulary Constabulary (2)

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### LOCATION, Article/Paragraph

### CLUE (number of letters, first letter)

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| 1. P11 Scrooge           | a bad-tempered person; a grouch (10,c)                        |
| 2. P11 ... Chronicles    | accidentally; unintentionally (13,i)                          |
| 3. P12 3.                | make as high or great as possible (8,m)                       |
| 4. P14 What is Phishing? | risky; dangerous; unreliable (5,d)                            |
| 5. P15 Nativity          | ground-breaking; innovative; novel (13,r)                     |
| 6. P22 Nose-picking ...  | increasing; augmenting; building up (8,b)                     |
| 7. P23 1959 - Marfusha   | full of hostility or anger; belligerent (10,a)                |
| 8. P25 Beginnings        | change from a liquid or solid to a vapour (9,e)               |
| 9. P28 A solution ...    | put in place and prepared for use (9,i)                       |
| 10. P27 Relax            | something that affects you very strongly: overpowering (12,o) |

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LOCATION, Article/Paragraph	CLUE (number of letters, first letter)
1. P3 The verdict	person who deals with people tactfully or skilfully (8,d)
2. P3 Loss & Damage ...	destroys; ravages; makes desolate (10,d)
3. P4 ... Ads Ban	amusing in a clever or witty way (8,h)
4. P5 Ciúnas	someone or something that worries or upsets you (7,B)
5. P5 A Quiet Man	moved slightly upwards or to one side (6,t)
6. P6 8 Billion ...	rival; competitor (9,c)
7. P27 Be approachable ...	cheerful; enthusiastic; lively (6,c)
8. P28 Rhys Targets ...	succeeded; prevailed (9,t)
9. P28 The Wacky World ...	disturbed or hindered a course of action (10,i)
10. P31 1970: ...	spellbinding; hypnotic (11,m)

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## Edit the Editor (1)

Read through the article from this month's magazine and see if you can spot the 10 spelling mistakes.

### Taoiseach Barred (Page 4)

Taoiseach Micheál Martin had a small grin on his face in the Dáil when it was revealed to him that he had been barred from entering Russia because of Ireland's support of Ukraine.

He was not the only one targetted. Russia barred entry to 52 Irish officials, including Tánaiste Leo Varadkar. This was in response to western sanctions on Russia over the conflict in Ukraine. A statement said: 'Acting under orders from Brussels, Ireland is conducting an aggressive anti-Russian propaganda campaign.'

The Taoiseach had something to say himself about propaganda. He said the bands were part of the 'propaganda war waged by Russia'. He added: 'We all have to stand together across Europe on this.'

On his own banning, he said: 'I don't think I've ever been sancshioned before.' He sounded a little amused by this.

However, he said that the Government will call in the Russian Ambassador to give him the official response to the sanctions 'in no uncertain terms.'

Minister for Foreign Affairs Simon Coveney, also barred, said: 'Ireland will make no apology for being on the right side of history.'

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## Edit the Editor (2)

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### Burp! (Page 7)

Methane is a greenhouse gas that adds to climate change by trapping heat in our atmosphere. This gas is produced from human activities but also by several natural processes, such as decaying plants and even by cows digesting their food. That's right ... cow-burps cause the release of methane into the air!

But what's to be done about that? Cows have to eat! Scientists in New Zealand have been working on ways to reduce methane by controlling cow-burping. Their plan involves a probiotic named Kowbucha. The powder is mixed with liquid and fed to calves along with their regular food. So far, researchers say the methane produced through burping is down by about 20%.

They hope to be selling the product in stores by 2024. By 2025, New Zealand will be fining farmers whose animals give off too much methane. So, it's in everyone's best interest to make plans like Kowbucha work. Similar products are being tested in other countries for lower methane emissions from cows. In order not to affect the milk produced, probiotics are the top choice because they are natural and good for cows. Scientists are also looking for low-cost options to avoid placing an extra burden on farmers.

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### Free for All (Page 5)

Jurnalist Alex Meehan recently visited a very special place in Dublin: the Sikh temple in Sandymount where every Tuesday and Sunday the Sikh comunity feeds anyone who turns up and hunderds of people are served at a time. He had met some Sikh men at a supermarket, pushing trollies loaded down with frozen peas and litres of milk. 'This is for the langar – the free meals at the gurdwara,' one of them explained. (A gurdwara is a Sikh temple.) So, he went to check it out.

He found a peaceful prayer room and a kitchen that was 'a hive of activity' where voluntears were peeling and chopping massive amounts of vegatebles, making hundreds of chapatis (flatbread) at high speed, and filling pots so big it took two peopel to lift them. All the food was paid for by the community.

The first guru of the religon, Guru Nanak, offered free meals to everyone who visited him, regardless of their caste (level in society), gender or welth. Both emperor and servant got the same meal. The 2,000 Sikhs in Ireland keep up this amazing and caring tradition.

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Read through the words in the Word Bank first and make sure you understand them. Then, read the article. Make sure you think about the best place to put a word, not the first place. Careful as you go, as some words may fit in more than one place, while other words will only suit one.

### John Dillon

Ireland  
organisation  
elected  
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hovels  
land  
medicine  
important  
recovered

The Land League was one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ (1) movements in Irish history over the last several centuries. It was an \_\_\_\_\_ (2) which sought to protect the rights of tenant farmers all over Ireland.

One of the men at the forefront of this national movement was John Dillon. He was born in Dublin in 1851 and \_\_\_\_\_ (3) at Trinity College and later at the University of Louvain in Belgium, before qualifying as a surgeon.

He didn't practice \_\_\_\_\_ (4) for very long and, like his father before him, became heavily involved in Irish politics. He was first \_\_\_\_\_ (5) to the Westminster Parliament in 1880 but had to resign his seat three years later, due to ill-health. When he \_\_\_\_\_ (6), he was elected again in 1885 and served the people of East Mayo for 33 years, until he \_\_\_\_\_ (7) in 1918.

Along with Charles Stewart Parnell and Michael Davitt, John fought tirelessly for the tenant farmers of \_\_\_\_\_ (8). These farmers were the poorest of the poor, who worked endlessly on the \_\_\_\_\_ (9) to enable them to support their families and pay their rents to the landlords. Every year they faced the prospect of eviction from their miserable \_\_\_\_\_ (10) if they didn't have their rent on time.

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### Baseball Prediction

#### Word Bank

believe

dream

champions

before

donated

engineer

headlines

predicting

photograph

coincidence

An American baseball fan was called psychic after \_\_\_\_\_ (1) the Chicago Cubs' World Series victory twenty-three years \_\_\_\_\_ (2) it happened.

Michael Lee was graduating from high school in 1993 when he left a message under his \_\_\_\_\_ (3) in the school yearbook. It read: 'Chicago Cubs. 2016 World Champions. You heard it here first.'

And \_\_\_\_\_ (4) it or not, the Cubs did indeed win the World Series on November 2, 2016!

Michael's yearbook profile made \_\_\_\_\_ (5) before the Cubs victory after an old school friend shared it online. But Michael didn't feel comfortable talking about it until he was sure his team were \_\_\_\_\_ (6). 'I didn't want to be a distraction,' he told reporters. 'The players shouldn't be asked about my prediction.'

Michael, who was then a 41-year-old software \_\_\_\_\_ (7), said the vision of the Cubs winning big in 2016 first came to him in a childhood \_\_\_\_\_ (8). But he was not taking credit for the Cubs first World Series victory in 71 years. 'I think this is really a very extreme \_\_\_\_\_ (9),' he declared at the time.

Michael put his new-found fame to good use by selling t-shirts with his yearbook prediction on the front. The profits were \_\_\_\_\_ (10) to charities that tackled bullying. That was a classy move, Mike!

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### Sphagnum Moss

#### Word Bank

weight

pressure

microscopic

plants

usually

grow

layer

roots

surface

floats

Sphagnum moss is the living moss that grows on top of a bog. It loves the acidic bog and won't \_\_\_\_\_ (1) where there is lime in the water. Sphagnum moss loves water. These mosses can hold up to 20 times their own \_\_\_\_\_ (2) in water inside their cells.

When you walk across a bog, the \_\_\_\_\_ (3) feels bouncy under your feet. This is because the sphagnum moss is floating on a thick layer of very wet, partly rotted \_\_\_\_\_ (4). sometimes the moss grows in small patches, but it is usually found growing in a dense clump. It grows so close that it forms a cushion-like 'bog rug' that \_\_\_\_\_ (5) on top of the water.

Sphagnum moss has very shallow \_\_\_\_\_ (6). Its leaves are very small and are sometimes slightly toothed. They are \_\_\_\_\_ (7) light green, but some species have yellow, pink, deep red, or brown leaves.

Sphagnum mosses produce tiny spores in little capsules. As the spores ripen, \_\_\_\_\_ (8) builds inside the capsules. Eventually, the lids of the capsules blow off and the spores are sent flying through the air.

The spores grow into sphagnum moss plants. The tops of the mosses continue to grow upwards, while the lower parts die and become a new \_\_\_\_\_ (9) of peat.

All the larger plants on the bog grow on the Sphagnum moss. Tens of thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ (10) plants and animals live on it too. These in turn provide food for all the other organisms which live on the bog.

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## Quiz-32

This month's 32-quiz is based on the 32 pages of TPP, E.g. The answer to Q.7 can be found on page 7.

1. How many lights are there on the Christmas tree?
2. In what county is Templemore?
3. Who is the Secretary General of the United Nations?
4. On what date will Leo Varadkar become Taoiseach?
5. What is a Sikh temple called?
6. Humpback, blue, and fin whales are examples of \_\_\_\_\_ whales.
7. Jeff \_\_\_\_\_ founded Amazon.
8. In what county is Blessington?
9. What was the text on the first ever text message?
10. In what European country is the city of Düsseldorf?
11. Who created the character Ebenezer Scrooge?
12. What alloy is the engine of the Ferrari F8 Tributo made from?
13. What is a John Deere 6610?
14. This type of crime is committed using a computer.
15. What was the colour of the paper crown in Beth's Christmas cracker?
16. What Christmas present did Cliona's daddy get?
17. What does Sandra put on top of her hot chocolate?
18. Where did Lochlainn have the incident with the giraffe?
19. In what European country is the city of Florence?
20. What is the answer to question 3 in Question Time?
21. What is the solution to 15 DOWN in the crossword?
22. How long is an aye aye's middle finger?
23. What animals were the first creatures from Earth to orbit the Moon?
24. In what county is Belmullet?
25. These rabbit-like animals are found on the Isla Incahuasi and the Isla del Pescado.
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27. What adults talk about all the time.
28. What is a Maasai village called?
28. In what US State is the city of Phoenix?
29. Mo Nerney plays intercounty football for what team?
30. The last non-European country to win the World Cup – in 2002.
31. Zinedine Zidane played for this country.
32. What is the solution to 32 Across in the crossword puzzle?

\* There is no page 26 in this month's TPP and there are two pages numbered 28. We're convinced we numbered the pages correctly. However, we are a little bit suspicious that Nollaig, our mischevious elf on the shelf, may have been up to his old tricks again.

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## Christmas Quiz ... as easy as A, B, C

While you're patiently (yeah, right!) waiting for December 25, we thought test your Christmas knowledge with our festive quiz – a question for each day of December, right up to the big one.

1. How many days in total are there in the month of December?
2. In what language is 'Noël' the word for Christmas?
3. If you're standing under this plant at Christmas, you are invited to kiss the person you're standing with. Only if they agree, of course!
4. Which Dr Seuss character stole Christmas?
5. How many 'lords are a-leaping' in the song 'The Twelve Days of Christmas'?
6. What is the name of Kristoff's reindeer in the Disney movie *Frozen*?
7. Santa Claus is also known as Saint \_\_\_\_\_.
8. What type of red-breasted bird often appears on Christmas cards?
9. What is the name of the character played by Will Ferrell in the Christmas movie *Elf*?
10. What was Scrooge's first name?
11. In what region does Santa live?
12. Santa has nine reindeer. Can you name the one beginning with B?
13. Which type of bird is traditionally eaten on Christmas Day?
14. What is the missing word for this Christmas carol: 'O little town of \_\_\_\_\_'?
15. What might you find hanging on your mantelpiece on Christmas Eve?
16. How many points does a snowflake have?
17. What is the Irish word for Christmas?
18. How many bungling burglars are there in the movie *Home Alone*?
19. What name is given to December 26 in Ireland?
20. In which country does Christmas Day occur first: Ireland or New Zealand?
21. Who hosts *The Late Late Toy Show*?
22. How many 'Days of Christmas' are there in the famous Christmas song?
23. What brought Frosty the Snowman back to life?
24. Which one of these was a gift for baby Jesus from the three kings?

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## Word Search

All the words in the word search can be found in this month's Feature 'A Creative Christmas Treat'.

There are 20 words listed below. Can you find them?

Beard  
Bells  
Cheer  
Chimney  
Christmas

Crackers  
Cranberry  
Dinner  
Family  
Jesus

Manger  
Merry  
Party  
Presents  
Santa

Shepherds  
Snow  
Surprise  
Tree  
Turkey



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## Sudoku

Each of the 9 boxes must contain the numbers 1 – 9. When you fill them in, you will then see that each line going across and each line going down also contains the numbers 1 – 9.

Easy

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## Let's Talk

It's good to talk ... especially if the teacher invites you to. Here are some suggestions and topics that you could talk about for the next 10 or 15 minutes. Remember to give your partner or people in the group time to talk and try not to think about what you want to say while the other person is talking. Instead, *really* listen to what they are saying.

World population growth is something we should be concerned about.

Guinea pigs are better than hamsters.

Noise should be banned on all public transport.

Junk food ads should be banned.

Drone taxis are an excellent idea.

The best Christmas movie of all time is ... because

A hacker is a career option.

Cyber bullying isn't real bullying.

The best Christmas song is ...

Dolly Parton is a modern-day saint.

We have the best Christmas traditions at our house, like ....

I'm loving the World Cup footage.

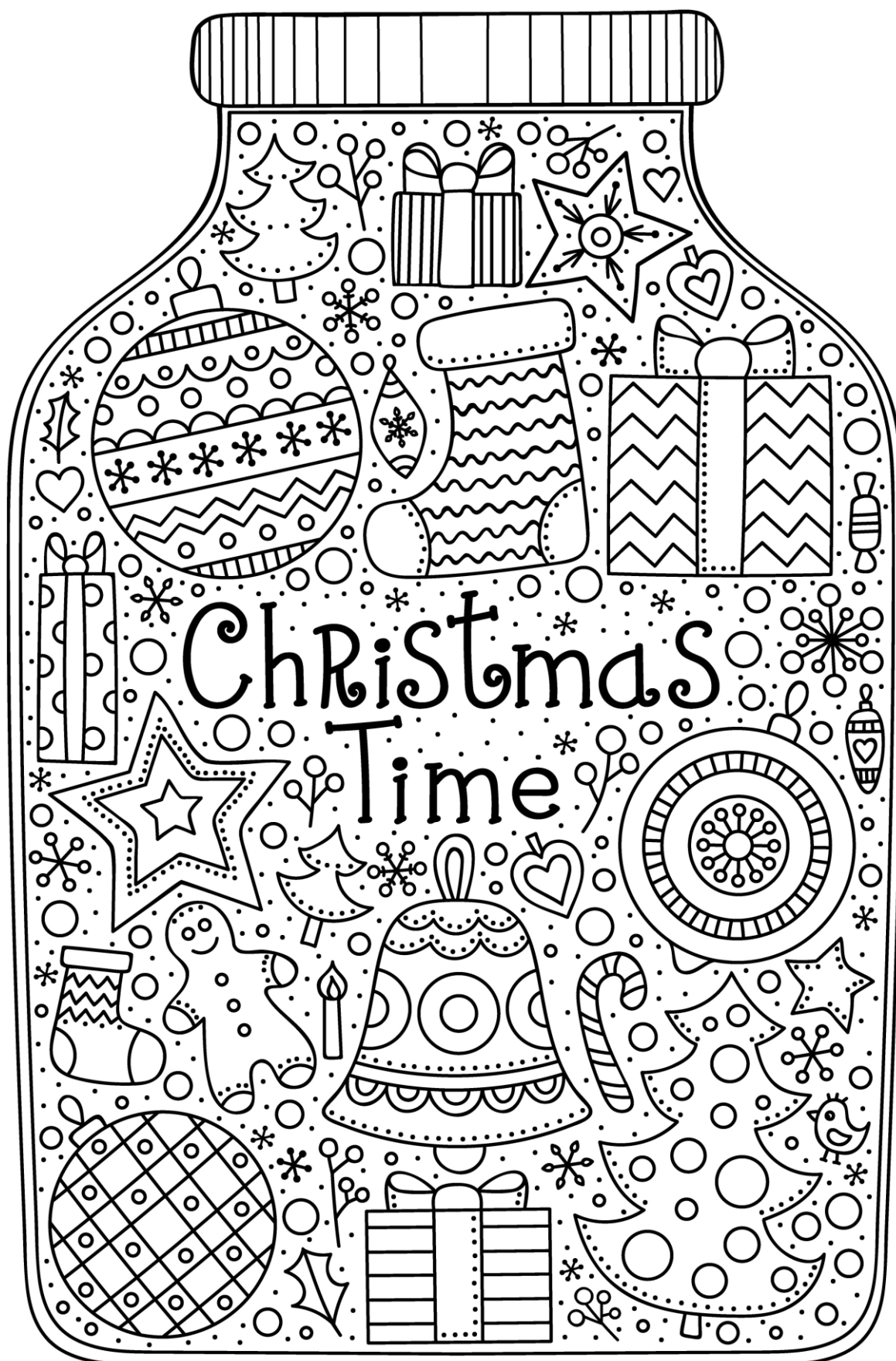
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## Crack the Quote

In this month's Crack the Quote, an inspiring quote or message is waiting to be cracked. When you solve it, see if you can come up with an illustration that you think captures the essence and meaning of those words.

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## Christmas Colour



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## Come Dine with Me

This month's issue, as always, is packed full of inspirational stories about amazing people. Imagine you were going to host a fancy dinner party. Which two people would you choose from this month's issue (dead or alive) to join you at your table? We would like a brief explanation of your choices and three questions that you would ask them to get the conversation flowing!

Name of Guest One:
Reason:
Questions you'd ask:

Name of Guest Two:
Reason:
Questions you'd ask:

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## Drama Time

Each month, we invite you and your class to base your drama lesson on a theme from The Primary Planet.

This month, we are turning our attention to the news section, both national and world news, as a starting point. We challenge you to create a short piece of drama, involving an array of characters, to demonstrate one of the news stories covered. To help you, should you need it, we have provided some ideas below.

Idea 1: You're a reporter at COP 27.

Idea 2: Practise and perform a Christmas poem – it can be one from this issue or one of your own.

Idea 3: You're the voice of the Irish Alexa.

Idea 4: You're a commentator at the World Cup Final.

Idea 5: What other clever solutions can you come up with for LionAid?

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## Did You Know?

Every issue of your *Primary Planet* is packed full of facts and figures. Why not record the top 4 things that you learned from this issue. When you do, make sure to create an illustration to go with each one. When you are finished, share and discuss your choices with your classmates. We have added our favourite one below. You'll see I didn't just copy it from *TPP*, I wrote it out in my own words. Always a great idea when doing a project.

Did You Know?

On December 3, 1992, Neil Papworth sent the first ever text message. The famous message simply said, 'Merry Christmas'. He sent it to one of his bosses. Neil's text wasn't answered of course – no one else knew how to text at the time – but someone rang and told him that the message had been delivered. Hard to believe, isn't it?

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## Deich gCeist

Tá siad simplí agus tá na freagraí le fáil in *The Primary Planet* na míosa seo.

1. Tá **dealbh** de Virginia Woolf ar bhruach na habhann seo i Londain.
2. Rugadh Dame Ninette de Valois sa chontae seo.
3. Téacsáil Neil \_\_\_\_\_ an chéad teachtaireacht téacs in 1992.
4. Tá **grianstad an gheimhridh** ar an lá seo in 2022.
5. Bhí COP27 sa tír seo i mí na Samhna 2022.
6. Ar an 4 Nollaig, 1872, bhí an long seo **ag imeacht le sruth** gan criú ar bord gar do **na hAsóir**.
7. Cén tír a bhuaigh an Corn Domhanda in 1986?
8. Cónaíonn an aye-aye – speiceas **léamar** – ar an oileán seo.
9. Cén tír ina bhfuil Amboseli National Park?
10. Imríonn David Clifford peil idirchontae don fhoireann seo.

### Foclóir

**Dealbh** – statue

**grianstad an gheimhridh** – the winter solstice

**ag imeacht le sruth** – drifting

**na hAsóir** – the Azores

**léamar** – lemur

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## What's in the News?

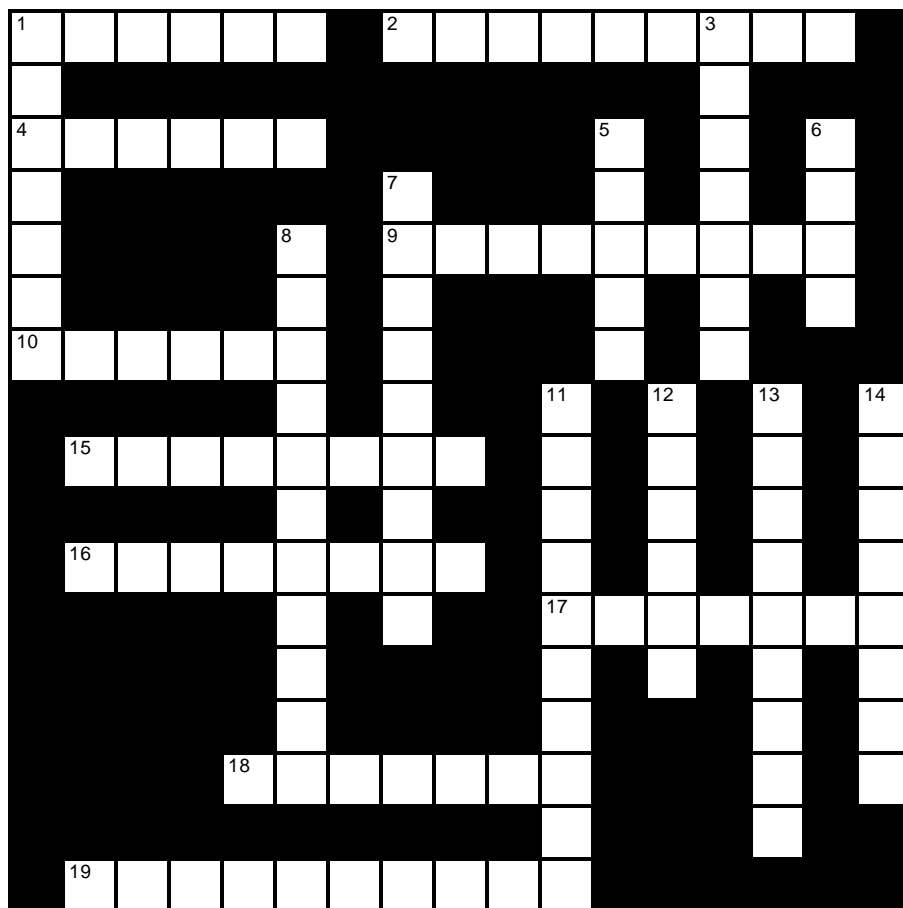
How well have you read *The Primary Planet* this month? Here, in 'What's in the News', as well as testing your memory and retention skills, we also test your imagination and creative skills. This activity is based on our National and International news sections. Read the articles and answer the following questions.

1. Read the article 'Call for Ads Ban'. Are you in favour of banning the advertising of junk food to under-18s. Give reasons for your answer.
2. Read the article 'Taoiseach Barred'. What changes would you make If you were Taoiseach?
3. Read the article 'Free For All'. Write five things you think you might like, and five things you think you might dislike about being a journalist.
4. Read the article 'Ciúnas'. Use your research skills to find and record (in your own words) ten facts about trains.
5. Read the article 'A Quiet Man'. If you were a sculptor, what person – alive or dead – would you create a sculpture of? Why would you choose that person?
6. Read the article 'Surprise on the Sea Floor'. Write ten things you have learned from reading this article.
7. Read the article 'Philanthro-what'. Make a list of ten questions you would like to ask any of the celebrities named in this article.
8. Read the article 'Taxi Drone Test Flight'. Do you think Taxi Drones are a good idea? Give reasons for your answer?
9. Read the article '8 Billion ... and Counting'. Christmas is a celebration of the birth of Jesus. Design a Christmas card for someone who is special to you.
10. What was your favourite news story in this month's TPP? Why?

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## Know Your Sport

How well have you read this month's sports news? Here, in Know Your Sport, we're testing your memory and retention skills. We've based this crossword on the pages from our sports section. Can you complete it?



### Across

- 1 Hurler of the Year 2022 (6)
- 2 Challenge Cup rugby team: \_\_\_\_\_ Falcons (9)
- 4 The FIFA World Cup Final venue: \_\_\_\_\_ Stadium (6)
- 9 The FIG World Artistic Gymnastics Championships were held here last month (9)
- 10 This island was Ireland's training base for the 2002 World Cup Finals (6)
- 15 Mikey Butler's team (8)
- 16 Gaelic Footballer of the year 2022 (8)
- 17 The No 1-ranked rugby team in the world at the end of 2022 (7)
- 18 Gaby Lewis is a top performer in this sport (7)
- 19 Ladies Gaelic Football Senior Players' Player of the Year 2022 (10)

### Down

- 1 FC Smorgon are a soccer club from this country (7)
- 3 Leinster and Munster meet at \_\_\_\_\_ Park on St Stephen's Day (7)
- 5 Hat-trick hero of the 1966 World Cup Final (5)
- 6 The only player to win three World Cup medals (4)
- 7 This Palace hosts the World Darts Championship (9)
- 8 World Rugby Men's Player of the Year 2022 (3,3,5)
- 11 Irish winner of the Charles Schwab Championship last month (10)
- 12 Type of horse used by gymnasts (6)
- 13 Bláithín Bogue's football team (9)
- 14 Scorer of the infamous 'Hand of God' goal (8)

# ANSWERS #117

## Vocabulary Constabulary

1. abandon 2. evolve 3. mutiny 4. oozed 5. dispersing 6. festivities 7. lurking 8. anguished 9. curator 10. malevolent	1. curmudgeon 2. inadvertently 3. maximise 4. dodgy 5. revolutionary 6. boosting 7. aggressive 8. evaporate 9. installed 10. overwhelming	1. diplomat 2. devastates 3. humorous 4. bugbear 5. tilted 6. contender 7. chirpy 8. triumphed 9. intervened 10. mesmerising
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## Cloze Test

1. important 2. organisation 3. studied 4. medicine 5. elected 6. recovered 7. retired 8. Ireland 9. land 10. hovels	1. predicting 2. before 3. photograph 4. believe 5. headlines 6. champions 7. engineer 8. dream 9. coincidence 10. donated	1. grow 2. weight 3. surface 4. plants 5. floats 6. roots 7. usually 8. pressure 9. layer 10. microscopic
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## Editing

1. revealed 2. targeted 3. officials 4. response 5. aggressive 6. campaign 7. bans 8. sanctioned 9. Ambassador 10. apology	1. trapping 2. atmosphere 3. processes 4. release 5. controlling 6. calves 7. regular 8. fining 9. interest 10. burden	1. Journalist 2. community 3. hundreds 4. trolleys 5. volunteers 6. peeling 7. vegetables 8. people 9. religion 10. wealth
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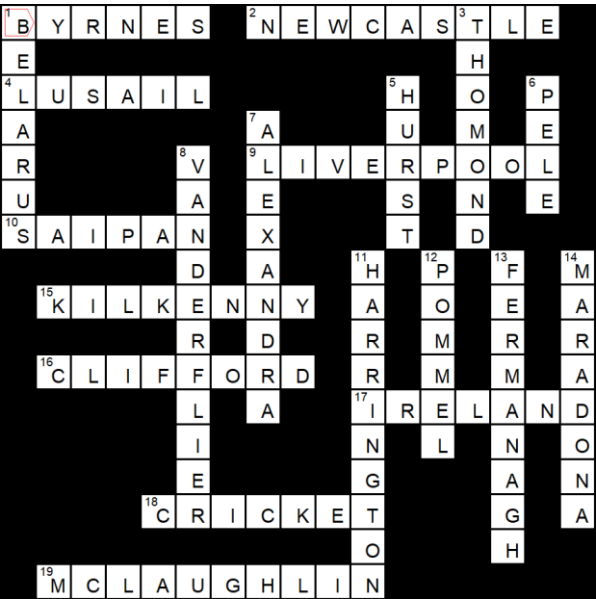
# Deich gCeist

1. Thames	2. Co. Chill Mhantáin	3. Papworth	4. an 21 Nollaig	5. an Éigipt
6. Mary Celeste	7. an Airgintín	8. Madagascar	9. an Chéinia	10. foireann Chiarraí

# Quiz-32

1. 6	2. Tipperary	3. Antonio Guterres	4. December 17
5. a gurdwara	6. baleen	7. Bezos	8. Wicklow
9. Merry Christmas	10. Germany	11. Charles Dickens	12. inconel
13. tractor	14. cyber crime	15. red	16. a bucket
17. marshmallows	18. the kitchen	19. Italy	20. 13
21. Pony	22. 8 cm	23. tortoises	24. Mayo
25. viscachas	26.	27. The weather	28. A manyatta
29. Laos	30. Brazil	31. France	32. stable

# Know Your Sport



## Go Figure

1. There are three ducks, one in front of another.
2. Sunday
3. 4100
4. Remove F and E. ~~FIVE~~ = IV is the Roman numeral for 4

## Count Down

$$8 \times 7 = 56 \quad 56 \times 5 = 280$$

$$(3 \times 6) + 1 = 19$$

$$280 - 19 = 261$$

## Sudoku (TPP page 20)

6	7	1	8	3	4	5	2	9
3	9	5	7	2	6	8	1	4
4	2	8	1	9	5	7	3	6
9	5	6	3	4	8	1	7	2
7	8	3	9	1	2	4	6	5
1	4	2	5	6	7	3	9	8
5	6	4	2	7	3	9	8	1
8	3	9	6	5	1	2	4	7
2	1	7	4	8	9	6	5	3

## Futoshiki (TPP Page 20)

4	1	2	3
2	4	3	1
1	3	4	2
3	2	1	4

## Crack the Quote

Minds are like parachutes. They work better when open.

### Sudoku (Easy)

1	6	8	7	9	2	4	5	3
4	7	2	5	3	8	1	6	9
9	5	3	6	1	4	8	7	2
6	2	7	8	5	3	9	1	4
3	9	4	1	2	6	7	8	5
5	8	1	9	4	7	2	3	6
8	4	5	3	7	9	6	2	1
2	1	6	4	8	5	3	9	7
7	3	9	2	6	1	5	4	8

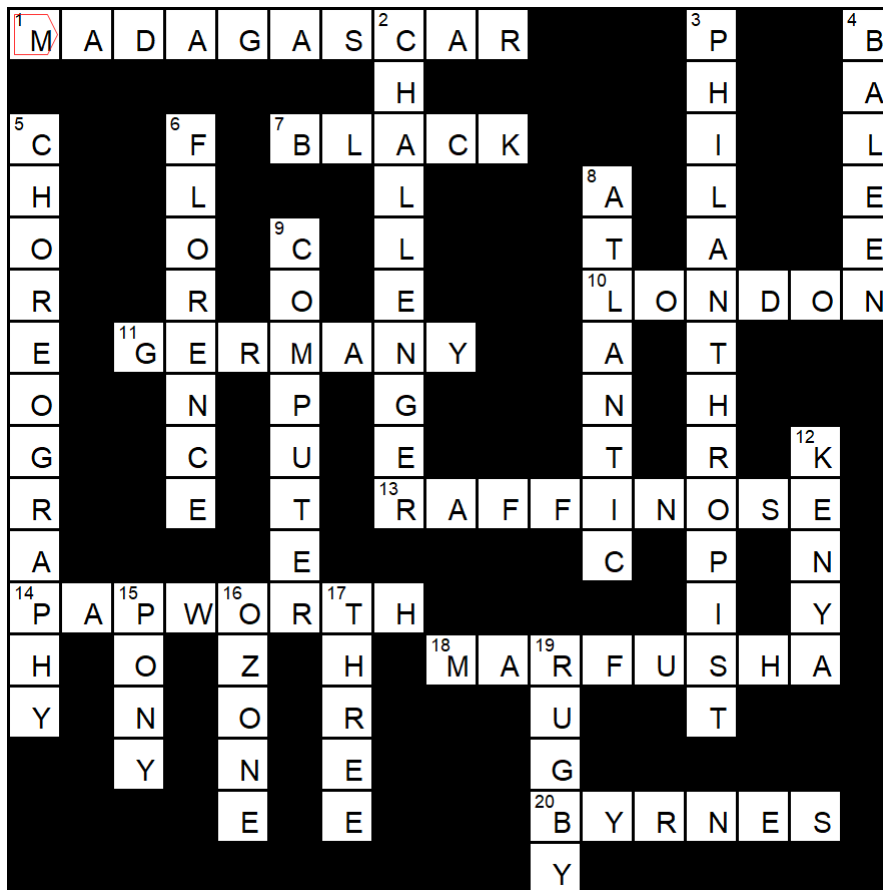
### Sudoku (Hard)

2	1	7	5	8	6	9	3	4
3	9	4	2	7	1	8	6	5
5	6	8	9	4	3	2	1	7
8	7	1	4	3	5	6	9	2
9	2	3	7	6	8	4	5	1
6	4	5	1	9	2	7	8	3
4	5	2	6	1	9	3	7	8
7	3	9	8	5	4	1	2	6
1	8	6	3	2	7	5	4	9

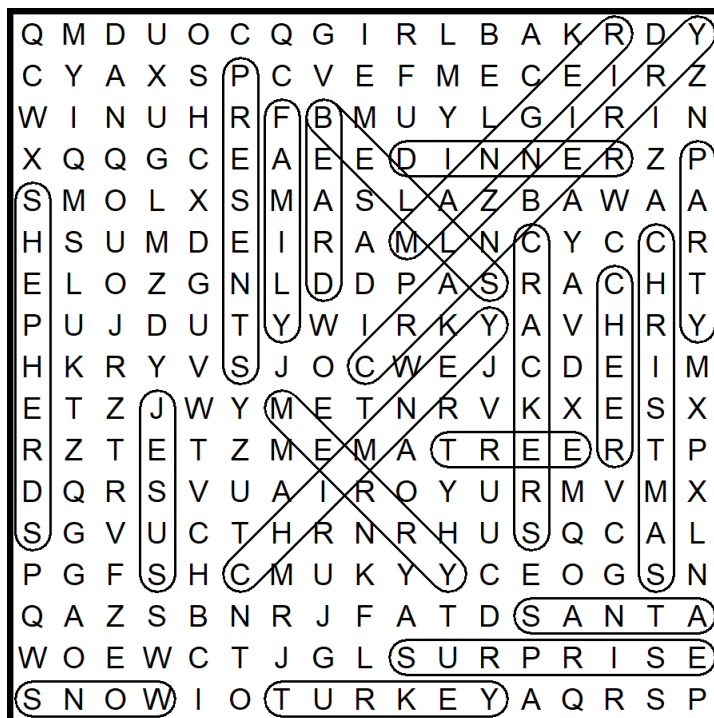
### Maths Story

1. Monday
2. 10 m
3. 13
4. 15 km
5. 7 hrs 26 mins
6. 96
7. 386
8. 469

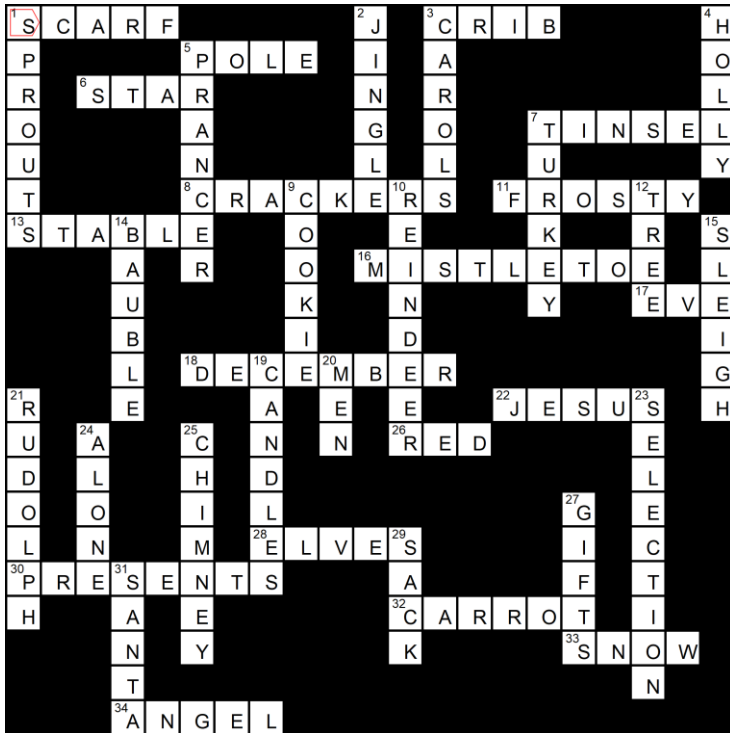
## Crossword (TPP Page 21)



## Word Search



# Christmas Crossword (TPP Page 32)



## Christmas Quiz

1. 31
2. French
3. Mistletoe
4. Grinch
5. 10
6. Sven
7. Nicholas
8. Robin
9. Buddy
10. Ebenezer
11. North Pole
12. Blitzen
13. Turkey
14. Bethlehem
15. Stocking
16. 5
17. an Nollaig
18. 2
19. St Stephen's Day
20. New Zealand
21. Ryan Tubridy
22. 12
23. a hug
24. Myrrh