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**Word Workout**

**We give you the meaning, you find us the word.**

Find the page, article or paragraph in News Flash and find the words to match the meanings given below. The number of letters and the starting letter of the solution are in brackets after each clue.

**LOCATION, Article/Paragraph** **CLUE (number of letters, first letter)**

1. P4 Record for Irishman unusual and surprising (10,r)
2. P5 Bears close street can’t guess what they are going to do (13,u)
3. P6 … to show it! with a leg on each side(7,a)
4. P14 Point 14 presentation of something in open view (7,d)
5. P15 … a Tsunami alongside a large body of water (5,c)
6. P18 Point 4 able to come up with great new ideas (8,c)
7. P20 in need of fixing / broken down (9,d)
8. Backpage different challenges or types of activities (5,t)

**Your answers In alphabetical order**



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1. P4 Eco-Friendly Tillage the process of gathering crops(9,h )
2. P5 First Actual Millipede individual parts or pieces (8,s)
3. P7… *the Rocky Mountains* relatives or descending from (8,a)
4. P13 Point 9 a playful adventure or trick (6,c)
5. P18 Point 6 at the back end of an animal (4,h)
6. P19 Point 2 goes up to a high level (5,s)
7. P20 narrow body of water (6,c)
8. Backpage items in the way to move around or jump over (9,o)

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2. P5 Extremely Cool Cars broken or no longer able to be used (7,d)
3. P8 …not visible make fun of (4,m)
4. P12 Point 2 feel or show great joy or delight (6,r)
5. P18 Point 9 to move in a smooth manner, without effort (7,g )
6. P19 Point 1 a plan of action (8,s)
7. P21 Madden an educated guess about what may happen (7,p)
8. Backpage to start from (10,o)

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**So Many Mistakes**

**Read through the article taken from this month’s issue and see if you can spot the 8 spelling mistakes.**

**Bears Close Streets**

Police in Chesapeake, Virginia, USA, clozed a street in the city after for black bears were discovered napping in a tree on Monday December 27.

Chesapeake Animal Services (CAS) askt residents of the street to remain inside and the public to stay away from the area. ‘Black bears can be unpredictable, especially wen sows (mothers) have cubs,’ CAS oﬃcials posted on Facebook.

‘Bears are very good climers, and these four are likely to climb down and walk away when they are ready,’ Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources chief Gray Anderson sed. ‘A momma bear and tree very healthy young cubs have made their way up a tree. Our expectation is, if we leave them alone, they’ll climb down and go back to their natural habitat.’

Mr Anderson was spot on – the bears vacated they’re perch at midnight and headed for the hills.

**Misspelt words Correct Spellings**



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**Eco-friendly Tillage Farming**

Eugene Ryan is a tillage famer from Portlaoise, Co. Laois. He grows barley, wheat, oats and oilseed rape, witch are planted in spring and harvested in otum.

Eugene is one of a group of Irish tillage farmers who sows ﬂowers and plants in his feilds which grow through autumn and winter when his crops have bin harvested. This means that his ﬁelds are no longer bear in winter but are covered in a blanket of colorfull vegetation.

The colourful winter ﬂowers not only look good, but have created a new habitat for insects and wildlife. Bees and pheasants in particular love them and can be seened in huge numbers around the farm. The ﬂowers take in carbon dioxide and produce oxygen and so reduce the tillage farmer’s carbon footprint.

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**Strange Requests**

Hotel staf are always available to help their guests. They make sure that guests have a comfortable room for the nite, a nice dinner in the evening, a tasty breakfast in the morning and, of course, a paddling pool for there pet fish!

What? That sounds crazy, don’t it? But it happened at a Travelodge hotel in England. In 2021, staﬀ members at the Travelodge hotel chane had some very strange requests – won guest wanted to have afternoon tee with pandas, while another wanted a shooting star arranged for 10 p.m.

Well, 2021 wuz a very strange year!

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**Fill in the Blanks**

**Read through the words in the Word Bank first, then read the article. Make sure you think about the best place to put a word, not the first place. Take your time as some words may fit in more than one place, so choose carefully.**

**Neighbours to the Rescue**

**WORD BANK**

provided

clearing

home

escape

brigade

rebuilding

thankful

neighbours

Roscommon Town man Tom Hill had a lucky \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when his house was destroyed in a fire on October 25, 2020. Thanks to his wonderful \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 74- year-old Tom was back in his newly decorated home in the days coming up to Christmas.

Tom’s neighbours began \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ debris from the gutted house as soon as the fire \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ left the scene. Local builders, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, plasterers, painters and other willing workers soon set about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the house as shops in the town \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ materials.

Tom said he could not be more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to all his good friends and neighbours. ‘They have done so much for me and my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is now better than it ever was – its brand new and better than ever!’ he exclaimed.

**(News Flash, Jan 2020)**

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**Newgrange Online**

December 21 – the shortest day of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the northern hemisphere – is called the winter solstice. It is only around this date each year that something \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ happens at the stone-age monument at Newgrange, County Meath.

**WORD BANK**

special

event

world

year

chamber

doorway

online

sunrise

Just after \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and lasting for 17 minutes, the light from outside makes its way through a slit above the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ called the roof-box, travels along the 19m-long passage and illuminates the burial \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Each year the Office of Public Works (OPW), who look after Newgrange, allow up to 30 people to enter the passage tomb to see this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. However, due to Coronavirus restrictions, the OPW moved this year’s event \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with a live stream going out from Sunday 20 to Tuesday 22. This allowed people from all over the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to witness this wonderful sight.

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**Chilean President Fined**

The president of Chile, Sebastian Pinera, was fined €2,800 recently for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a selfie on a beach without wearing a mask. The South-American \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has strict rules on mask wearing in all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ areas, no matter who you are.

**WORD BANK**

country

mask

walking

posing

woman

sunny

picture

public

Mr Pinera explained that he had been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ alone along the beach near his home when a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ recognised him and asked for a photograph together. The selfie shows the president and the woman standing close to each other on a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day, with neither wearing masks. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ later appeared on social media.

President Pinera apologised for not wearing a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and handed himself in at his local police station.

**(News Flash, Jan 2020)**

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**Weekly Quiz Answer Sheet**

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**Quiz 24**

**This month's 24-quiz is based on the 24 pages of TPP. E.g. The answer to Q.7 can be found on page 7.**

1. Where can we find this month’s featrie about 2022?

2. What can we find on page 20?

3. What are the names of the two baby pandas born in France?

4. In which city was the tallest Christmas tree in the world erected?

5. What type of car were most of the ones that were damaged by ice?

6. How old was Isabella when sh ehad a tumour removed from near her spine?

7. What year did Isabella marry Dr Bishop?

8. How many pictures did Monet paint of the water lilies?

9. Which picture represents mí Dheireadh Fómhair?

10. What 4 letters have the Belgian couple used to name all of their children?

11. How many animlsa are there in the Chinese New Year calendar?

12. What anniversary of the Death of Ernest Shackleton are we marking this month?

13. What is special about this year’s All-Ireland finals?

14. Where is the FIFA World Cup being held this year?

15. What do the people of El Salvador do with the izote?

16. What animals are in this month’s ‘Spot the Difference’?

17. What letter must all words contain for the word workout?

18. What are colugo’s closest relatives?

19. What goes hand in hand with friendship?

20. In the name Angkor Wat, what does Wat mean?

21. How old was John Madden when he died?

22. Where is AFCON ’22 being held?

23. Where is Mona McSharry from?

24. Where did Kaninhoppning start?

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**Word Search**

**There are 21 words hidden but only 20 are listed below. Can you find the mystery word?**

*Clue – A plankton population that suddenly booms*

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16. Nooshy

17. Alfonso

18. Hollywood

19. Ash

20. Klaus

11. Norman

12. Darius

13. Porsha

14. Jimmy

15. Crawly

6. Gangsters

7. Rosita

8. Meena

9. Performers

10. Redshore

1. Buster
2. Theatre
3. Glamorous
4. Gunter
5. Calloway

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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.**

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**Design a Poster**

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**Design a poster to show your top 5 things to see, do or follow in 2022. You can use the ideas from this issue or you might have some reasons of your own. Remember to make your ideas clear and easy to read.**

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**Crack the Joke**

**In this month's Crack the Joke on Page 17, a funny joke is waiting to be cracked. When you solve the code and reveal the gag, see if you can come up with a drawing/illustration that you think best captures the joke.**

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**Have Your Say**

**Based on articles from this month's mag, we want you to think about some of the issues that arise. Remember, when you are trying to put forward an opinion, or an argument, make sure you know your facts and figures and be clear in how you feel about a certain topic and why. Here are some questions and statements you and your class might like to consider thinking about and discussing. Some you will agree with, some you clearly won't!**

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| 1. Breaking world records is impossible and a waste of time. |
| 2. I think all pets should be kept on leads, including hamsters and lizards. |
| 3. My Chinese New Year animal really describes my personality. |
| 4. Sequels to great movies like Sing are always better than the original. |
| 5. El Salvador sounds like an excellent holiday destination. |
| 6. I would be proud if my town won ‘tidiest town in Ireland’. |
| 7. Colugos would make great pets. |
| 8. I want to start a Kaninhoppning league in Ireland. |

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**Did You Know?**

**Every issue of your News Flash 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 draw 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 the book, I wrote it out in my own words. Always a great idea when doing a project.**

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| Did You Know?  El Salvador is an extremely poor country. A large number of people there do not make a lot of money and need to scrimp and try to survive on less that €1 per day! |
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**What’s in the News?**

**How well have you read this month's paper? Here, in Question Time, as well as testing your memory and retention skills, we also test your imagination and creative skills. We base this activity on our News Round section. Read the articles and answer the following questions.**

1. Read the Picture Special. Where did loads of santas go skiing or snowboarding for charity?

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1. Read ‘World Record for Irishman’. How many holes did Mick play in the 7 days?

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1. Read the article ’ Eco-friendly Tillage Farming’. Which wildlife in particular love the winter flowers?

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1. Read the article ‘Christmas Tree Sales Increase’. How much money did Irish people spend on home- grown trees in 2021?

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1. Read the article ‘Bears Close Street’. What are mother bears called?

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1. Read the article ‘World’s First Actual Millipede Discovered’. How many legs exactly does the newly discovered creature have?

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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 base this activity on the pages from our sports section. Read the articles and answer the following questions.**

1. Read the article ‘AFCON ’22 is here! Which team remains favourite for this year’s tournament?

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1. Read the article ‘UEFA Champions League Final 16’. How many times did the draw have to take place?

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1. From the same article, who is Lionel Messi’s new club?

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1. Read the article ‘GAA’s Players of Year Announced’. What position does Cian Lynch play for Limerick?

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1. From the same article, which county does the GAA footballer of the year play for?

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1. Read the article ‘Wacky World of Sport’. How far away is the island in the Netherlands from Dundee?

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1. Read the article ‘Mona’s Magic’. Where is the swimmer Ellen Walsh from?

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1. Read the article about Kaninhoppning. How many world records does Dobby hold?

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**Answers**

**Word Workout**

#1 #2 #3

1. remarkable
2. unpredictable
3. astride
4. display
5. coast
6. creative
7. disrepair
8. tasks
9. exported
10. damaged
11. mock
12. rejoice
13. gliding
14. strategy
15. predict
16. originated

1. harvested

2. segments

3. ancestry

4. capers

5. hind

6. soars

7. canals

8. obstacles

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#1 #2 #3

1. farmer

2. which

3. autumn

4. fields

5. been

6. bare

7. colourful

8. seen

1. staff

2. night

3. their

4. doesn’t

5. chain

6. one

7. tea

8. was

1. closed

2. four

3. asked

4. when

5. climbers

6. said

7. three

8. their

**Fill in the Blanks**

#1 #2 #3

1. posing

2. country

3. public

4. walking

5. woman

6. sunny

7. picture

8. mask

1. escape

2. neighbours

3. clearing

4. brigade

5. rebuilding

6. provided

7. thankful

8. home

1. year

2. special

3. sunrise

4. doorway

5. chamber

6. event

7. online

8. world

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**Quiz 24**

17. the letter ‘e’

18. primate

19. fun

20. temple

21. 85

22. Cameroon

23. Sligo

24. Sweden

9. pumpkin

10. a l e x

11. 12

12. 100th

13. Held in the summer

14. Qatar

15. They eat it

16. rabbits

1. Pages 12-14
2. Gaming zone
3. Little snow / cotton flower
4. Seattle
5. Nissans
6. 19 yrs old
7. 1881
8. Over 250

**Sudoku**

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**What’s in the News? Know Your Sport**

1. Maine, USA

2. 2001

3. Bees & Pheasants

4. €25 million

5. sows

6. 1306 legs

1. Algeria
2. Twice
3. Paris Saint Germain
4. Centre forward
5. Tyrone
6. 600 km
7. Dublin
8. 2

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**Wordsearch (mag)**

Qr code

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**Spot the Difference**

Diagram

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**True or False:**

False. Sellotape was invented by an Irish woman in 1865. False, it was invented by Londoners Colin Kinninmonth and George Grey in 1937.

False. Your heart keeps beating non-stop, 24-7 until the day you die. It is made from a type of muscle called cardiac that never needs to rest.

False. Bulls are colour blind.

False. The next number after 999,999,999 is 1 billion (1,000,000,000).

False. Chinese Mandarin is the most widely spoken language in the world.

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**Wordsearch (resource pack)**

Shape

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**Word Workout:**

Questions

**Crack the Joke**

Why did the man get fired from the calendar factory?  
He kept taking days off every month.