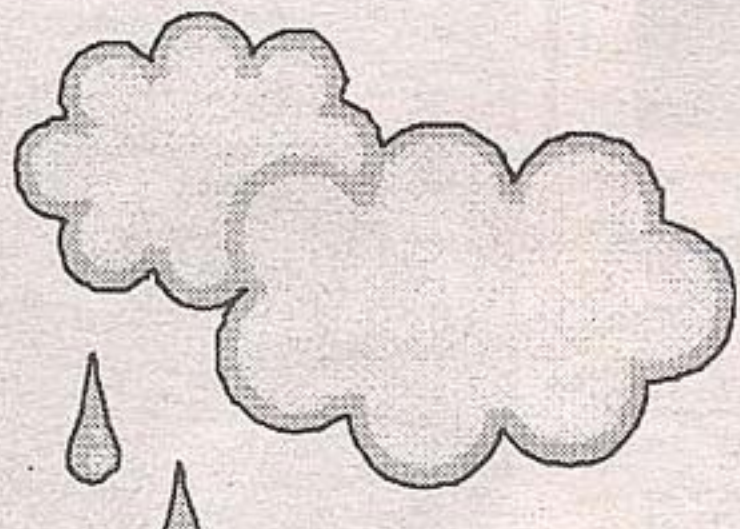


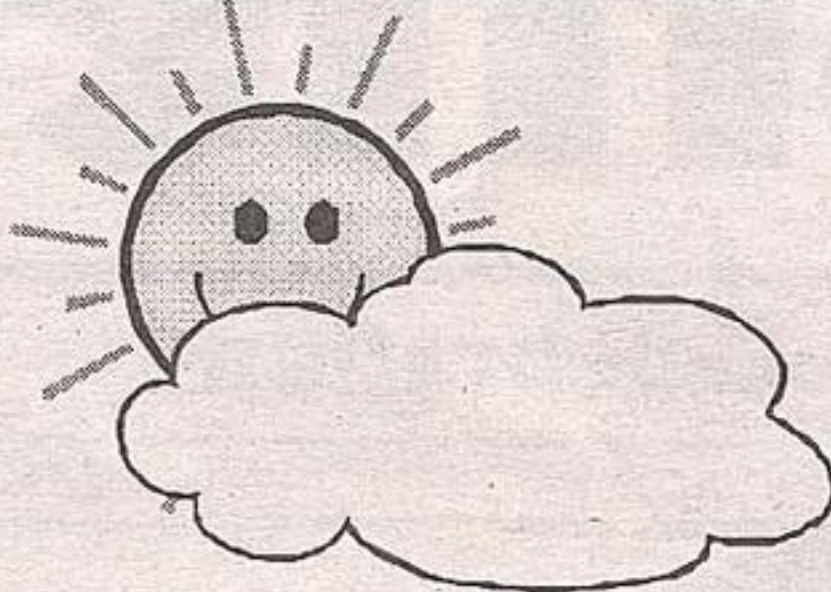
# 3 DAY WEATHER

## FRIDAY



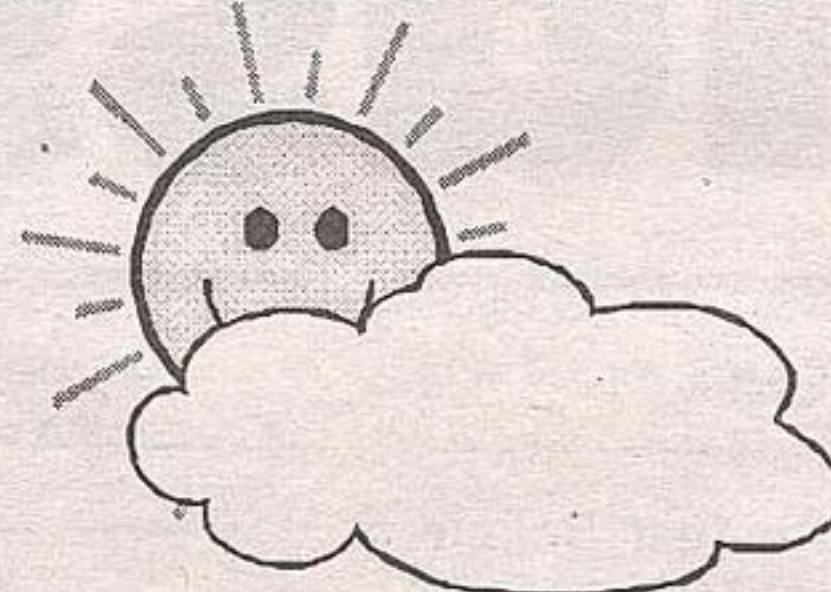
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High 2 / Low -4

## SATURDAY



Sunny Breaks  
High 3 / Low -2

## SUNDAY



Partly Cloudy  
High 1 / Low -1

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# HOROSCOPES

December 20-26

### ARIES - March 21/April 20

Don't beat around the bush when talking with a close friend about a personal problem. Just tell him or her exactly what's on your mind. He or she won't be upset with you. As a matter of fact, he or she will want to help you rectify the situation. A loved one needs a shoulder to cry on. Be supportive.

### TAURUS - April 21/May 21

Stand tall when a business acquaintance accuses you of unscrupulous dealings. You know that you didn't do anything wrong. If you explain yourself, your superiors will believe and support you. An old friend asks a favor of you. Try to help him or her, because you two used to be very close. Virgo plays an important role.

### GEMINI - May 22/June 21

You need to think fast on your feet when it comes to a family matter early in the week. Others are counting on you to keep the situation under control. Just remain calm, and you'll come up with the answer. That special someone hasn't called in a while. Don't worry; he or she has been busy. Your relationship is fine.

### CANCER - June 22/July 22

Don't wear your heart on your sleeve, Cancer. Keep that special someone wondering about you until you know that your feelings are reciprocated. A friend asks a favor of you. Don't immediately say yes, because there is some danger involved. Try to help him or her come up with a different way to handle the situation.

### LEO - July 23/August 23

This is your week to roar, Leo. Everything is going your way at work and at home. Enjoy it, and pamper yourself a little. Spend some time with friends whom you haven't seen in a while. They have some interesting news to tell you. Sagittarius plays a key role late in the week.

### VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

A minor problem with an acquaintance ends up working itself out early in the week. So, don't worry about it. Everything is going to be fine. A loved one asks for your input about a family gathering. Be honest — even if he or she won't like what you have to say. Scorpio is involved.

### LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Keep your wits about you this week, Libra. A "friend" tries to pull the wool over your eyes when it comes to a personal matter. Don't let him or her. Instead of believing the lies, think logically. That special someone takes you out late in the week. Enjoy yourself.

### SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Don't try to be someone you're not when you meet an interesting person late in the week. Scorpio. He or she will see right through your charade. Just be yourself, and you're sure to make a good impression. A close friend needs someone to talk to. Be there for him or her.

### SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

While you face a lot of setbacks at work this week, Sagittarius, try to remain optimistic. Just work diligently, and you'll make progress. The higher-ups will be impressed with how much you're able to accomplish. Aquarius plays an important role on Wednesday.

### CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Don't be stubborn when a family member tries to tell you what to do. Listen to what he or she has to say, and you'll realize that you can't handle the situation on your own. Let him or her know how much you appreciate the help. That special someone plans a romantic getaway. Enjoy!

### AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Be cautious when it comes to a business proposition. It's really not all that it's cracked up to be. Look at the pros and cons, and you'll see that there are a lot of risks involved. Turn to a loved one for romantic advice. He or she has your best interest at heart. Cancer plays a key role in your professional life late in the week.

### PISCES - Feb 19/March 20

All eyes are on you when it comes to an important financial decision this week. Pisces. Make an informed decision, and think about what's best for everyone involved. The person whom you've been seeing wants to intensify the relationship. Say yes.

### FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

#### DECEMBER 20

Uri Geller, Psychic

#### DECEMBER 21

Samuel L. Jackson, Actor

#### DECEMBER 22

Diane Sawyer, Journalist

#### DECEMBER 23

Jim Harbaugh, Football Player

#### DECEMBER 24

Mary Higgins Clark, Author

#### DECEMBER 25

Annie Lennox, Singer

#### DECEMBER 26

Phil Spector, Music Producer

## How to Keep Your Christmas Tree Healthy, Safe and Beautiful This Year

Nothing brings back happy holiday memories like the smell of a real Christmas tree in your home. However, nothing adds frustration to the Christmas season like premature needle loss or a tree that simply dries out. Taking a few simple steps can help ensure a healthy green tree throughout the season.

### Choosing The Right Christmas Tree

In a typical Christmas tree lot, you'll find several tree varieties, and of course, they come in all shapes and sizes. Some are easy to hang ornaments on (like the Noble Fir, Balsam and Fraser Fir), and others are much fuller and denser (like the Plantation Douglas Fir and Grand Fir), better lending themselves to decorating with garland or rope-type decorations. It's a personal preference as to which one better suits your needs.

Choose a tree that doesn't have any brown or broken branches. If the tree is tied or wrapped up, open it up so that you can see what it will look like in your home. "Spin" the tree around so that you can see all sides of the tree, checking to ensure that there aren't a lot of dead needles on the branches. After you select your tree, ask the tree-lot operator if it can be tied or wrapped for ease of transporting it home on your car roof or in the trunk.

Always place the tree on your car roof or in the trunk with the butt pointing towards the front of the car to minimize needle loss or stress on the branches. Make sure you secure the tree well to keep it from falling off and causing possible dangerous situations for other drivers.

### Christmas Tree Safety Tips

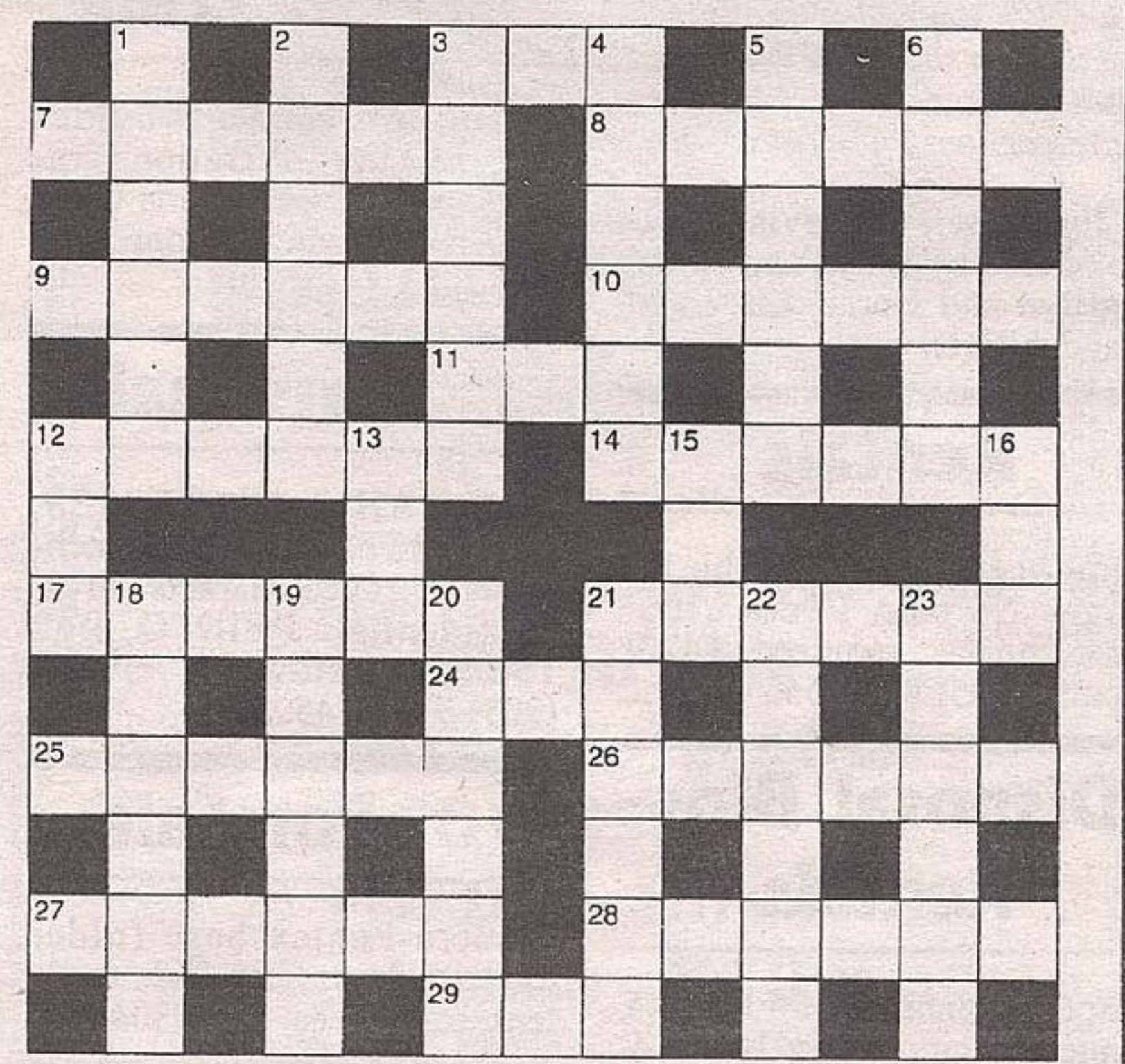
A dry Christmas tree can ignite and go up in flames in as little as 30 seconds. The most obvious way to avoid a fire is to keep open flames far from your tree. To safeguard it from sparks, don't operate a fireplace in the same room. Place the tree away from heat sources and air ducts/vents to minimize drying out. Always turn off tree lights at bedtime and when you are away from home.

Position electrical light cords and extensions so that no one can trip over them. To prevent trees from tipping over, use a stand that will support the tree well and keep it balanced. Tighten the tree-stand screws into the trunk securely, distribute ornaments evenly and keep extension cords out of high traffic areas.

Always cut off 1 inch to 3 inches of the butt of the tree to create a fresh cut just before you place the tree in a stand. Add water immediately to prevent a seal from forming that will prevent the ready absorption of water.

### Keep The Tree Well Watered

To reduce safety hazards and to keep trees looking their best, keep them well hydrated. The average Christmas tree "drinks" between 2 pints and 1 gallon of water per day. On the first day, it may draw more than a full gallon! A common cause of tree "dry out" and premature needle loss simply is allowing the tree to run out of water. When this happens, the tree forms a seal that chokes it off from drawing any additional water.



### CLUES ACROSS

- 3. Follows Sigma
- 7. React in a certain way
- 8. Clipped
- 9. Shadows
- 10. Chicory
- 11. Sense organ
- 12. Feelings of blame
- 14. Fiend
- 17. Feels
- 21. Knight's garment
- 24. Oklahoma city
- 25. Manufactured home, for one
- 26. Evil spirit
- 27. Private
- 28. Oblong cream puff
- 29. Blue

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Jelly ingredient
- 2. Animals sought for their fur
- 3. Strains
- 4. Bunk bed parts
- 5. Unfolded
- 6. Individuals
- 12. U.S., Latin America, Canada belong to it
- 13. Supplement with difficulty, \_\_\_ out
- 15. Doctors' group
- 16. Small amount
- 18. Deserved
- 19. Expedition
- 20. Usually with wooden soles
- 21. Labeled
- 22. Like baby talk
- 23. Dried fruit

CLUES ACROSS SOLUTIONS DOWN

- 1. Pecan
- 2. Sables
- 3. Tenses
- 4. Uppers
- 5. Budded
- 6. Selves
- 12. OAS
- 13. Eke
- 15. AMA
- 16. Tad
- 18. Earned
- 19. Saran
- 20. Sabots
- 21. Tagged
- 22. Babbie
- 23. Raisin

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