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Following on from *Twilight* and *The Hunger Games*, new flick *Divergent* has seen teens across the world gain new heroes



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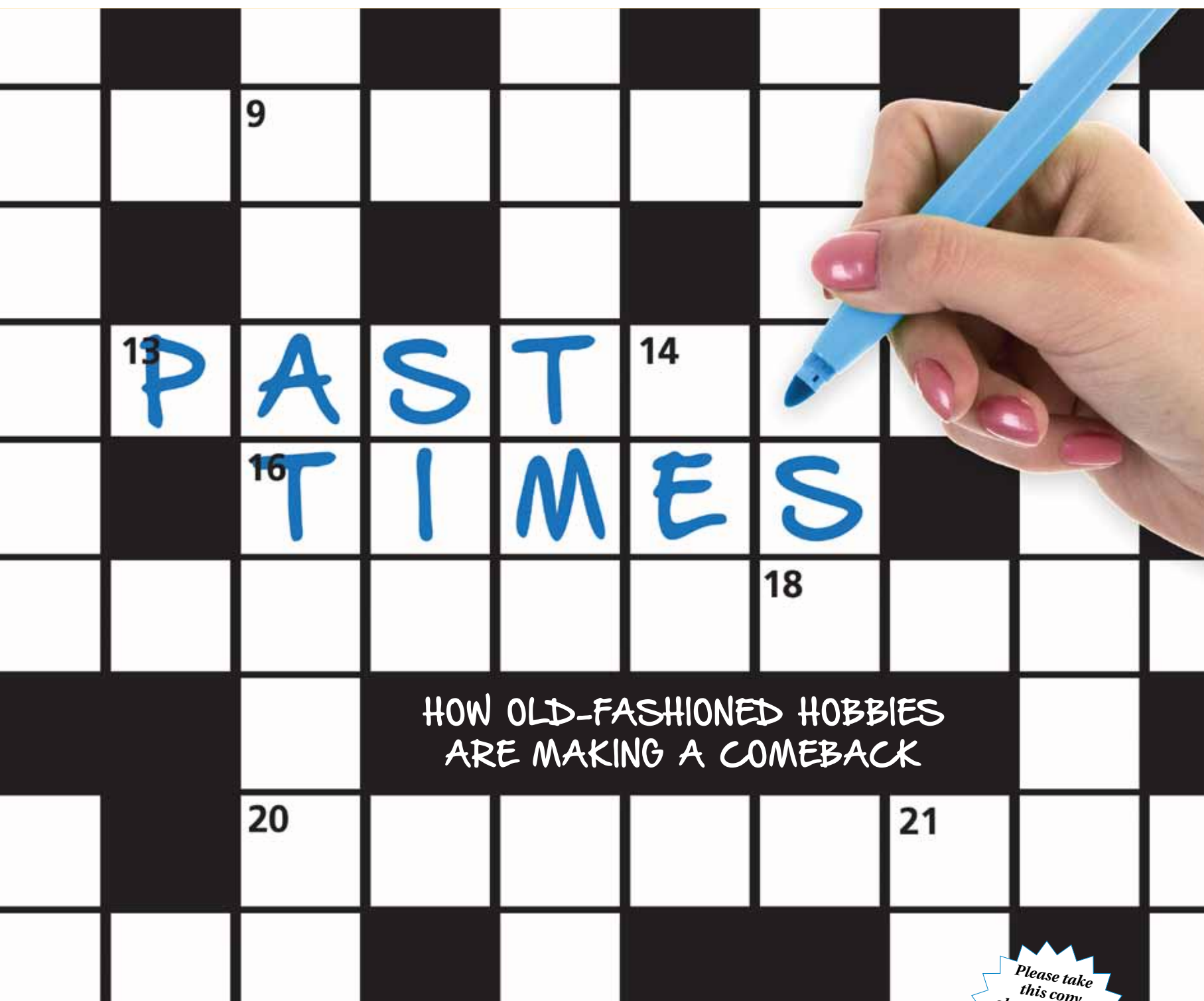
ON THE NOSE

Most of us probably take it for granted on a daily basis, but the ability to smell is one of the most valuable senses we have



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Letters

Email: letters@readme.ae

A selection of the letters we've received this week. Write in to have your say.

TRAFFIC WOES

I have lived in Discovery Gardens for one year now and I face rash and dangerous drivers every day. People are just not ready to follow the rules and there is no law and order during rush hours. As the exit and entry for Discovery Gardens is single, the traffic is immense. But driving in the wrong lane and changing lanes without even indicating is just not acceptable. Come on, people, and show some patience and self-consciousness.

A.L.

CHANGING WEATHER

The heat is in the air. As the weather is rapidly changing

we should gear up for the sunny humid days in the coming months. I think the best way to keep going will be to keep the body well hydrated all the time. I look forward to some tips and tricks from *Read.* on this topic.

Mustafa



IN A JAM

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Have you ever been the victim of a computer virus attack and suffered data loss as a result?

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- No

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Coming up this week



TODAY

As the weather starts to turn, residents of Dubai are making the most of the last few weekends of the outdoor season before the heat hits the city. If you're one of many who don't have access to a garden, the various parks of Dubai offer the perfect place to gather with friends and family for a breath of fresh air. And, from cable cars to ice-skating, boating and beaches, there's plenty to keep all ages amused at these inner-city sanctuaries.



MONDAY

She's the matriarch of modern cinema, with an appeal that spans all ages. While most of us will know her as M from *James Bond*, Dame Judi Dench has plenty more strings to her bow. Take a look back at her career.



TUESDAY

As much as they may gross many people out, the natural substances created by our bodies are a marvel of human evolution. From earwax to sweat, mucus to tears, these natural body products are designed to protect.



WEDNESDAY

If you've got a long-haul flight ahead of you, the last thing on your mind might be looking after your body in the air. Follow these tips for first-class comfort whatever cabin you're in.



THURSDAY

If you're looking to fill a few lazy evenings, a box set is the perfect way to switch off for many. From 1960s ad execs to chemistry teachers turned bad, here's our top 10 TV super series.

Facebook chatter

Here's what you have been saying on the *Read*. Facebook page.

(Responses only edited for length)

What would be your dream job and what would be your nightmare job?

My dream job is to become a pilot, nightmare is 'no job'.
— **Aparna Kantipudi**

My dream Job is to work with Sheik Khalifa Hospitals in the UAE. And my worst job is to work as a home care nurse in UAE.
— **Evang David Ndukauba**

My dream job is to work with Emirates Airlines in the airport.
— **Mhussain Patav**

My dream job is to be a soldier as I can protect and defend my coun-

try Kenya and my nightmare job is soldier as I can b killed when am on duty protecting and defending my lovely country!

— **Johnny Bravo Munge**

Are you more likely to be early or late for a meeting or event? Which is more probable and do you think timekeeping is important?

Being late in a meeting causes frustration bt when u reach early and hav to wait for it to start then ur



CAREER CHOICE

whole energy goes down. Dats my personal experience, so not be late not to be early just be on time!!

— **Soni Hamdi**

Punctuality in a way reflects your personality. I make sure I come early for a meeting than embarrass myself for being late.

— **BOnsai Blando- Remigoso**

We all know that time is a limited resource. Once we lost it, we can never make up for it. So, it's very essential to learn how to manage our time properly. Being late relative to meeting others is an act of total disrespect, lack of love, and arrogance.
— **Arman Hossen**

If you are asked to do something beyond your duty at work, do you quietly oblige or are you the type to say something?

Everyone should think out of the



TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

box so it depends on the nature of task. I will do it to help my employer, my company, and most importantly if my conscious says it's right.
— **Tabish Jamal**

If the company will benefit and I can do it then no questions asked, I'll follow!
— **Joie Talana Eva**

If I can I oblige, but if I can't I will not do it.
— **Avie Arrabis Roda**

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Huggies Super Flex
Jumbo Ass'd.



AED **149** | سيارة اطفال بوش اون
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Cradle and Mosquito Net



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4 Lulu Center & Supermarket Karama	Al Karama		
5 Lulu Hypermarket Arabian Center	Al Rashidiya		

Red Line Green Line



Talent in action

The upcoming edition of the Gulf Film Festival is all set to celebrate the future stars of cinema.

While the glitz and glamour of the Dubai International Film Festival (DIFF) marks the highlight of the cinema scene in our city for many, there is in fact another occasion—bought to Dubai by the same people behind DIFF—that highlights the importance of film in the region.

The Gulf Film Festival is a non-profit cultural event that was created to celebrate the impressive standard of films produced within the region. The festival also provides an opportunity for the rest of the world to discover unknown talent, as well as offering a vital showcase to filmmakers from the GCC and beyond.

Now, as the festival gets ready to return for its seventh edition, excitement is building among the local

film industry. As well as a series of awards up for grabs to those creating cinematic works within the Gulf region, the festival will also provide many other opportunities, including interaction with other industry players and workshops with filmmakers.

And, for those who may not be directly involved with filmmaking yet who still want to explore the best of what Arab cinema has to offer, free screenings for all films will take place throughout the event. And, with 169 films from 43 countries set to feature in this year's programme, there is plenty to be discovered.

One of the highlights looks set to be the winner of Best Film in the shorts category at DIFF 2013, *The Lost Voice*. Directed by Bavi Yassin, the film tells the story of a famous Iraqi singer whose life is changed beyond recognition after she is forced to leave her native country.

And Emirati filmmakers also look set to be represented strongly throughout the festival, with works from Nujoom Al Ghanem, Khalid Al Mahmood, and one of the UAE's most prominent directors, Ali Mostafa, also set to intrigue and invoke discussion.

As the popularity of filmmaking grows within the region, the 2012



ATTENDEES AT LAST YEAR'S FESTIVAL



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edition of the festival also introduced The Gulf Film Market—a new platform aimed towards further developing the existing film industry within the GCC by providing training, mentorship and funding for film professionals at all levels of their career.

And it looks as though the good work is set to continue for this upcoming edition. Masoud Amralla Al Ali, festival director says: “We received overwhelmingly positive feedback on our sixth edition and our first Gulf Film Market which we hope to grow year on year in response to the needs of GCC filmmakers.”

He adds: “Our focus for the seventh edition of GFF is to contribute as much as possible to building on that structure, and, as the industry matures, we hope to see incredible output from film professionals in the region and bringing their work to screens in the UAE.”



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Waking up to smell

Scientists find that their understanding of scents has, until now, been wide off the mark.

The human sense of smell does not get the respect it deserves, according to new research by New York's Rockefeller University that also revealed how scientists have until now been completely off the mark in their understanding of how we detect odours.

Researchers at the university tested volunteers' ability to distinguish between complex mixtures of scents, finding the human sense of smell can detect more than one trillion odour mixtures—far more than the hitherto accepted number of just 10,000.

In fact, even one trillion might be on the conservative side, according to Andreas Keller, who led the study. "The message here

“We have more sensitivity in our sense of smell than for which we give ourselves credit. We just don't pay attention to it and don't use it in everyday life.”

THE SCIENCE BEHIND SMELL

is that we have more sensitivity in our sense of smell than for which we give ourselves credit. We just

don't pay attention to it and don't use it in everyday life," Keller said.

The quality of an odour, in fact, has multiple dimensions. This is because the smells we encounter in real life are composed of complex mixes of molecules, not simply one scent. For instance, the characteristic scent of rose is made up of 275 components, but only a small percentage of these dominate the perceived smell. That makes odour much more difficult to study than vision and hearing, which

Scent links

Recognising that you are losing your sense of smell may be one warning sign that dementia could appear within the next 10 years, according to a new study by researchers at Stockholm University. However, it is important to note that most people who experience a diminished sense of smell do not go on to develop dementia, even when their risk is elevated.

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require us to detect variations in a single dimension.

To overcome this complexity, Keller combined odours and asked volunteers whether they could distinguish between mixtures that contained some components in common. "Our trick is we use mixtures of odour molecules, and we used the percentage of overlap between two mixtures to measure the sensitivity of a person's sense of smell," explained Keller.

The results of the study, published just earlier this month in the journal *Science*, showed that while the individual volunteers' performance

Senseless existence

For some people, smell is one sense that they have learnt, or are learning, to live without. Loss of the sense of smell is called anosmia, while a reduced sensitivity to smells is called hyposmia.

Anosmia can occur in two main ways. The first is known as congenital anosmia, and is a very rare condition in which individuals are unable to smell from the day they are born. If anosmia is present from birth and not linked to any other condition, it is said to be due to errors during the development of the olfactory system - the system that enables us to taste and smell.

However, anosmia can also occur at a later stage in life, usually through injury. A broken nose, for example, may cause the olfactory system to be damaged, greatly reducing—or even completely diminishing—a person's sense of smell.

The loss of the ability to smell can greatly affect anosmia sufferers, as food loses most of its flavour, warning smells—such as gas or burning—cannot be detected, and memories that would normally be triggered by smell on longer have an association.

Temporary anosmia can also be caused by a cold or allergy, however in these cases the sense of smell will usually return of its own accord. Occasionally, a person with permanent anosmia will regain his or her sense of smell spontaneously, but unfortunately, the condition cannot always be treated successfully.

may have varied greatly, on average they were able to tell the difference between mixtures made up from as much as 51 per cent of the same components.

Once the mixes presented to the participants shared more than half of their components, however, fewer volunteers were able to distinguish the difference between them. This was true for mixes made up of 10, 20 and 30 odours.

By analysing the data yielded from

the study, the researchers were then able to calculate the total number of distinguishable mixtures.

However, like many elements of our being, the sense of smell is constantly evolving as time moves forward and the world in which we live changes. It is possible that our ancestors had much more use and appreciation for our sense of smell than we do. Humans' upright posture lifted our noses far from the ground where most natural smells

originate, and more recently, modern conveniences such as refrigerators and showers have effectively limited the amount of odours that we are exposed to on a daily basis in the modern world.

"This could explain our attitude that smell is unimportant, compared to hearing and vision," Keller said.

He added: "Nevertheless, the sense of smell remains closely linked to human behaviour, and studying it can tell us a lot about how our brains process complex information. The results of this study are a step toward an elusive quantitative science of odour perception that can help drive further research."

So, while it may be something that most of us don't even think about on a regular basis, if at all, getting a sudden whiff of a bad smell or enjoying a deep inhale of your favourite perfume is, in fact, a highly complex process. And, although it may not be given as much credit as its aural and visual counterparts, the sense of smell plays just as big a role in how we go about our daily lives. ●

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A COMPLEX PROCESS

TRAVEL NEWS

Rotana opens unique hotel at KidZania facility

Rotana has launched its new hotel in KidZania, The Dubai Mall. The hotel's design reflects the layout of an authentic Rotana property with a dedicated space for a lobby, Zen the spa and restaurant lookalikes.



Children aged four to 16 years now have the opportunity to participate in three 20-minute role-playing activities in the hotel, including functioning as a receptionist, room reservation, restaurant officer and as housekeeping operatives. Each activity is designed to introduce budding hospitality professionals to the working atmosphere at Rotana and the skills they would need to succeed in the hospitality industry.

"Rotana has always invested in developing fresh talent and the new hotel in KidZania offers a fun platform for children interested in the hospitality industry. It gives them an opportunity to get a first taste of what it is like to work at a hotel and discover the various roles involved," said Omer Kaddouri, President & CEO of Rotana.

"This is a one-of-its kind project and we are extremely excited about this new opening. This comes as part of our corporate social responsibility and our focus on children and their education as a way to enhance their future lives for a better world," added Kaddouri.

"KidZania provides a unique educational environment for children enabling them to gain first-hand experience of various real world professions and occupations in a fun way," said Maitha Al Dossari, CEO, Emaar Retail.



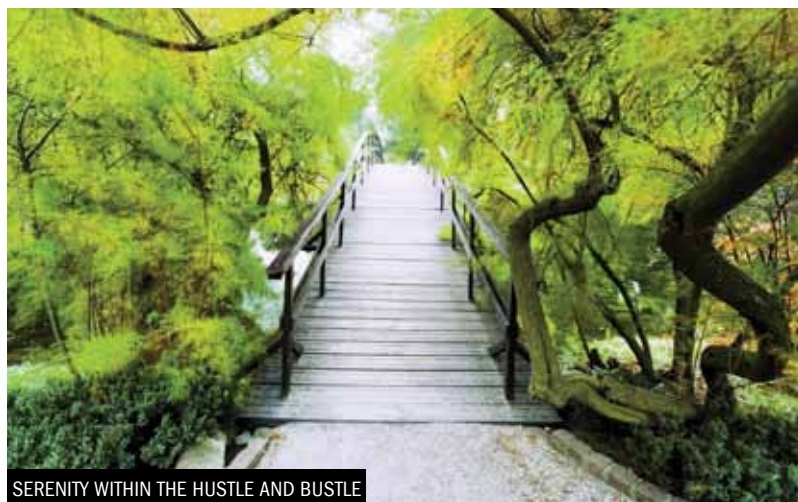
Tokyo's grand impact is incomparable to anywhere else in the world.

A mighty city of 35 million within its metropolitan reach, Tokyo is not everybody's cup of tea. For those who prefer peace over scale, there are plenty of other destinations in Japan's vast archipelago to explore, but for travellers craving the absolute maximum city, the country's capital is the pinnacle of urban exploration.

Over 500 years old, Tokyo grew from the small fishing village of Edo and came to prominence in the early seventeenth century. Today, it is the biggest conurbation in the world, and something this big is pretty hard to ignore.

With so many people living shoulder to shoulder, one might expect Tokyo to consist of much the same madness as other crowded Asian cities, but that is absolutely not the case. Indeed, Tokyo's teeming streets are unexpectedly calm and well

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SERENITY WITHIN THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE

Cost cuts

Not so long ago, Tokyo was well known for its massive cost of living, but years of deflation and Japanese economic hardship have brought down the expense of visiting considerably, to the point that Tokyo is now comparable to other large cities.

ordered, not least because of the unwritten rule that pedestrians must follow lane discipline by walking on the far left of a pavement, only venturing right when they need to "overtake" slower ramblers.

Yet, all around them, is a very Asian mishmash of tall, futuristic buildings, traditional places of worship, beautiful gardens veiled in calm and eateries every few metres.

Eating is one of Tokyo's favourite pastimes, with Japan's most famous delicacies done better even at tiny pavement restaurants than at even the most expensive restaurants elsewhere in the world. From a thick bowl of miso ramen noodles to sushi made with the freshest tuna known to man, food plays a massive part in Japanese life.

And so does karaoke. The Japanese always-working stereotype might well be true, but there is always time for a spot of heartfelt singing between ledger entries, and a visit to Tokyo could never be complete without a trip to a karaoke venue. Also, by stealing away down one of the city's many hidden side streets that lead to secluded gardens and cherry orchards, you can forget the massive level of humanity and commerce around you.

This is the nature of Tokyo: one minute it is urban madness, the next



it is pastoral serenity. No two faces of the city are ever the same, making it an experience like no other for any traveller, no matter how seasoned they may be.

The district of Chiyoda is the seat of Japanese political and economic power, and is home to the Imperial Palace and the parliament buildings in Nagatacho. Meanwhile, neighbouring Shinjuku is host to luxury hotels, futuristic skyscrapers, thousands of shops and restaurants, and Kabukicho, Tokyo's most vibrant nightlife district.

A few blocks to the south, Shibuya is a fashionable shopping district, and Meguro is a residential district with plenty of parks and museums to enjoy. Together, these sections within the heart of Tokyo represent just a tiny fraction of what the city has to offer for intrigued travellers. ●

“Indeed, Tokyo’s teeming streets are unexpectedly calm and well ordered.”

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NEWS ON WHEELS

Al Habtoor Motors unveils Mitsubishi Grand Sale offer

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From low prices of Dh36,900 for the new Mitsubishi Mirage, Dh39,400 for the newly launched Attrage to Dh47,200 for the popular Fortis, the Mitsubishi sedans offer a range of features and high performance.

SUV lovers can opt for the all-new Outlander for Dh85,000 and the ever popular Pajero for Dh93,000. Both the SUVs are available with a free five years warranty.

Elaborating on the Mitsubishi Grand Sale, Joe Rogan, Sales Director of Al Habtoor Motors, noted: "With the new Mitsubishi Grand Sale, Al Habtoor Motors is making a bold move to offer more with the newly launched models.

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Reviewing the brand new Mercedes C Class is actually pretty tricky. There's nothing incredibly outstanding about it at all, but by the same token there is absolutely nothing wrong with it either.

What the company has done is take the already excellent C Class and redesign it to be, well, another excellent C Class. The new one does everything the old one did, but a little better than before. The net result is a

class-leading, ultra-refined German saloon, which is exactly what we expect from Mercedes. It's hard to get too excited. In fact, it'd be more fascinating if it wasn't very good.

Design-wise the new C Class looks like a neater and more current version of the old car. Buyers get the choice of two distinctively different grills, one of which has neat, folding louvres, lowering the drag from the front of the car. Clever.

The C also carries over a number of innovations from the S Class, including the telematics, the stunning sound system and the clever perfumer in the glove box.

The C also features the Mercedes Intelligent

Drive system, bringing many of the clever active safety and comfort systems to the smallest saloon among the range.

Despite all these extra gadgets, weight has been cut by up to 100kg, despite the car getting slightly taller, longer and wider. This translates to a nimble feel on the road and suspension that is clearly not overworked. For getting across a continent quickly, it's hard to beat a Mercedes.

The interior is also stunning, as all Mercedes interiors tend to be. In fact, most room, when compared to the bigger E Class, seems to have been taken from the boot space, which is still bigger than the previous C.

Dark matte or gloss walnut finishes cover the surfaces and the switchgear is all neat and tidy. The one exception is the cruise control stalk, which is annoyingly hidden behind the steering wheel. The driver also now gets an excellent heads up display.

Launch engines include a 1.6 four-cylinder unit in the C 180 and a 2.0 litre four-cylinder motor for the C 200. The smaller engine pushes out 156hp, whilst the C 200 gets 184hp. It doesn't necessarily sound like much, but both cars have more than enough

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Mercedes continues down the road of continuous improvement with the new C Class saloon.

"The new one does everything the old one did, but a little better than before."

Top of the class





grunt for highway cruising and nipping around in the city.

One of the only complaints is that the whole of the Mercedes saloon range is now very difficult to tell apart. There doesn't really seem to be any key design cues between each model so, from a distance, it's pretty hard to spot the E and the C apart. Even the S is very similar until you view it up close.

This won't bother buyers, but it doesn't mark this out as a car for anyone who is looking for something a bit different.

That said it's hard to fault something that does the job of being a luxury saloon so well.

For Mercedes, it seems to be a case of business as usual. ●

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TECH NEWS

Galaxy NotePRO (12.2) unveiled with widescreen display

Samsung has launched its new Galaxy NotePRO (12.2). Featuring the world's first 12.2-inch WQXGA widescreen (16:10) display, the Galaxy NotePRO (12.2) offers clear resolution (2560x1600) with more than four million pixels, making it the ideal platform for every type of content creation and consumption. The larger viewing area allows users to enjoy full HD video play and view even more information at a glance.



The Samsung Galaxy NotePRO (12.2) comes equipped with productivity tools to help users to manage both their personal and professional lives. For professional life, the Galaxy NotePRO (12.2) comes pre-loaded with Cisco WebEx Meetings platform, a leading web conferencing solution. For the first time on Android tablets, users can now also share anything on their screen as well as starting a WebEx meeting from a contact list.

Users who endlessly juggle tasks between work and home will also benefit from the tablet's multi window feature, which enables users to split the screen into four different windows, and an innovative virtual keyboard, which provides ample space to type comfortably. Add to this the remote PC feature, and users can access their home or office PC directly through the Galaxy NotePRO (12.2) to seamlessly edit and save files remotely.

Accessories include the Samsung S Pen, to deliver a more responsive, productive and overall efficient tablet experience with access to features such as Action Memo, Scrapbook, Screen Write and S Finder. In addition, Pen Window enables users to simply draw a window of any size on the screen.

Tech's new reality

Facebook's purchase of Oculus VR confirms Mark Zuckerberg's faith in virtual reality's old and unfulfilled potential.

So it's official: virtual reality is the next big thing in the tech world. This is because Facebook paid an enormous \$2 billion to acquire Oculus VR—a massive 833 times the amount the startup acquired from Kickstarter through crowd funding in 2012.

But still, virtual reality is by no means a new idea, and for many, it conjures images of 1980s techsters pulling on oversized headsets to become part of a virtual world. But, despite all the hype surrounding it, virtual reality never really took off.

Neither did it gain much traction in the mid-'90s, when Nintendo launched its Virtual Boy device, nor did it do so a decade later, with headset-less virtual worlds such as Second Life.

Indeed, virtual reality has always been a shiny showcase for the potential of gaming technology, but it has yet to fulfil its promise. Perhaps this is because we have all been looking at it the wrong way? Facebook co-founder Mark Zuckerberg might have an insight, as he often does.

Whereas virtual reality has traditionally been seen as a gaming medium, it could be much more than that according to Zuckerberg, who has a pretty impressive track record when it comes to detailing the future.

He said: "This is just the start. After games, we're going to make Oculus a platform for many other experiences. Imagine enjoying a court-side seat at a game, studying in a classroom of students and teachers all over the world or consulting a doctor face-to-face—just by putting on goggles in your home."

"Whereas virtual reality has traditionally been seen as a gaming medium, it could indeed be much more than that alone."

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Virtual insanity

Other companies are competing with Oculus VR in the virtual reality space, including True Player Gear, with its much-hyped prototype gaming headset, and even Sony, which recently revealed its own virtual reality headset for the Playstation 4, called Project Morpheus. There are suggestions, too, that Microsoft might be developing something for Kinect.



ZUCKERBERG PREDICTS BIG THINGS

day on Facebook. What if it was truly engaging and immersive, rather than a filtered version of your real self?"

The challenge now for Oculus and its new parents is to prove that virtual reality can move into the mainstream—something it has never come close to achieving. Facebook clearly has faith by investing billions.

As Zuckerberg predicted: "One day, we believe this kind of immersive, augmented reality will become a part of daily life for billions of people." ●

This was a sentiment echoed by Oculus's founder, Palmer Luckey, when he was interviewed by tech site *Fast Company* in 2013.

"Right now you have very abstract social networks. So it will be interesting to see what happens if virtual reality ever progresses to the point where you can have a realistic way of interacting," he said.

"The only difference is that you can be whoever you want to be, instead of whatever cards you got dealt in real life. It's the stuff of science fiction, but we are not too far away. People already spend hours a



NO LONGER THE STUFF OF SCIENCE FICTION?

Tech beat



GAMERS FAVOUR ADS

The majority of gamers prefer to play games with advertising than to buy them outright with no ads. According to a survey by IHS Technology, 86 per cent of respondents declared they are happy with pop-ups. Moreover, 66 per cent "want more opportunities to earn reward through ads".

US FONT SAVINGS

An American teenager has claimed that America would save \$400 million each year simply by changing the typeface of its official documents. Currently, the US government uses Times New Roman, but by switching to Garamond, it would save 24 per cent of its consumption of ink.



BB TO RESURRECT 9900

BlackBerry will bring back the Bold 9900, which was originally launched three years ago. The company's chief executive, John Chen, told CBCNews that the move was to appease long-time owners who preferred the old model's physical keyboard and trackpad, even though the latter cut into its display size.



GOOGLE TO SPY ON STAFF

Google intends to "spy" on its employees for the next 100 years, in a bid to find out the secrets to keeping them happy and more engaged in their work. The tech giant's SVP of people operations, Laszlo Block, told the Harvard Business Review that Google had embarked on a "major long-term study aimed at understanding work".

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Blast from the past

We take a look at some of the old-fashioned hobbies currently making a comeback.

There are certain hobbies that may have become obscure over the past couple of decades with modern advancements and technology. However, these so-called 'old fashioned' hobbies have recently enjoyed a revival among all age groups and continue to flourish in the present day due to their timeless appeal. To take a break from technological overload, why not go old-school with one of these relaxing pastimes?



Knitting

Many people may think that knitting is only a hobby for the older generation, but it has been gaining popularity with young DIY types for the past few years. It can be a great way to relax and be productive at the same time. With just two primary stitches, it's easy enough to learn the basics. You can then get creative and make presents for your friends, their children and yourself—think knitted cardigans and woolly dolls for convenient and personal gifts. Go online and watch an easy 'how to' tutorial or get someone to show you how to work the needles.

Crosswords



Before TV, the internet and social media, many people would curl up with a good crossword. If you are a beginner, choose puzzles that are challenging but not impossible. Try our crossword at the back of this magazine to start with, or purchase a crossword puzzle book and work your way through the different levels. Crosswords are a great way to broaden your mind and challenge yourself on a daily or weekly basis.

Cross-stitching and embroidery



Not so long ago, sewing, embroidery, cross-stitching and a range of other useful skills were taught in schools, particularly to young girls who were expected to have such talents. If you want to try a new hobby to occupy your time, then cross-stitching may be for you. The beauty of this creative hobby is that you can do it almost anywhere and carry the materials in your bag. It isn't time dependent so you can pick it up at any time and continue where you left off until you have a beautiful stitched image. Cross-stitching has been around for decades, with patterns ranging from simple name tags to copies of famous paintings. You don't need to be an expert to start; you can pick up a starter kit from any craft store and get into cross-stitch within an hour. Choose something that appeals to you, such as a humorous picture or quirky pattern. Most kits will include a single sewing needle, a single piece of mesh, coloured threads and a pattern to work from. Likewise, embroidery is surprisingly easy to learn and is a great way to customise your clothes, accessories and home décor.

Model train building

For men who love automobiles, a model train set is the perfect hobby to enjoy. No matter what age, young or old, the builder within you can create complete replicas of real-life trains for your home railway. Start from scratch and complete your model by painting it before using it on the tracks. While the essential nature of model building has remained the same over time, there has been a change in the components. Many model kits have become much more sophisticated in terms of the material used, while model aircraft may now be capable of flying. So whether it's a railway route in the garage or a plane to send soaring, you may find an exciting hobby in model engineering.

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THE ICING ON THE CAKE

Baking

Baking has always been a favourite pastime of many housewives, but aside from learning a life skill, baking can also be a good way for all ages and genders to bond or to relieve stress. Since most families lead busy lifestyles these days, baking and cooking is a great way to have fun together. It will also help your children to grow up with a knowledge of cookery and could also encourage them to bake regularly and prevent them from spending all their free time glued to technology.



Hula hooping and jumping rope

Exercise is good for us emotionally and physically, but sometimes it can be hard to get motivated to go to the gym and workout on the treadmill. So, instead of being bored at the gym, why not spice up your fitness routine with something fun that doesn't feel like exercise? Hula hooping and skipping with a rope works your entire body, from your elbows to your knees. Both will tone your arms and legs, build your core strength, and help improve your abs. If you were a master hula hooper as a kid, basic waist hooping will come naturally. Also, by making a jump rope session into a group activity it can be fun for all the family.



Scrapbooking

Thanks to the advent of websites such as Pinterest, those who enjoy the virtual version of scrapbooking are also starting to rediscover the more traditional form. Playing with paper is fun and making your own scrapbook lets you write about your memories and preserve them in a unique and creative way. If you want to remember a certain aspect of your life such as a wedding, birth of your child, a special relationship or vacation then start with a blank book and your memories. Compile photos, clippings, ticket stubs, brochures and other small mementos from the time. Instead of just photographs, you can describe in detail the mood, atmosphere and feelings of that event or memory. Use magazine cut-outs, menu samples, drawings, newspaper clippings, stickers, cards and other flat items to set the tone and take you back to those special memories.

Outdated career advice

Listening to old-fashioned advice may prove useful in some cases, or it could perhaps harm your career.

GUIDANCE

There is much career advice that has been circulating for decades. While some of this advice can actually still be quite useful, some no longer applies to our modern age. This advice can range from what to include in your CV, how to act during an interview and how to go about your job search. People often stick to it throughout their career, despite evidence that it no longer works or might actually be standing in the way of their career success. Akhtaboot highlights some examples of outdated advice that you need to ignore in order to thrive in this new market.

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MYTH #1: DO WHAT YOU LOVE AND MONEY WILL FOLLOW

Many professionals are tempted to fall for the myth that once you find work that you truly love, you'll never actually feel like you're working. But even love involves work. This is not to say that you should settle for a career that undermines your talents and

makes you feel miserable. It actually means that whichever path you decide to follow, expect a struggle.

MYTH #2: TURN YOUR WEAKNESSES INTO STRENGTHS

Employers prefer to hire people who are open, honest and speak straight across, face to face. But many job seekers to this day believe that there is no room for modesty when it comes to job search. When you try to hide your weaknesses during a job interview, you'll appear less genuine and this can have a negative effect on your “likeability”. Instead, try to stress that you have recognised your weaknesses because you want to improve upon them.

MYTH #3: NICE EMPLOYEES CAN'T BE LEADERS

In the corporate world, companies seem to continue to promote the stereotype that nice leaders finish last. But in real life, you have a better chance of winning if you're nice to people. What you really need to understand is that being a nice leader doesn't mean that you don't fire people. It doesn't mean that you don't make hard decisions that will impact the bottom line. And it doesn't mean that you won't work harder than those who are unkind. It simply means that you are focused as much on the way you deliver your message as you are on the message itself.



GETTING GOOD ADVICE

MYTH #4: UNSURE OF WHAT YOU WANT TO DO, GRADUATE SCHOOL IS THE ANSWER

Graduate school can be exactly the push you need if you're passionate about advancing in your field. But if you're unsure of what you want to do because your career isn't advancing the way you'd like, it's important to realise that pursuing a Master's degree won't solve all of your problems. But let's be clear: you won't be promoted because you have a Master's degree. You may get a promotion because you know how to apply what you learned in graduate school at work.

MYTH #5: THE CHOICE OF AN OCCUPATION IS IRREVERSIBLE

Career planning never stops and you will probably reassess your career plan several times during your working life. In today's business world the typical person will have as many as five to six different jobs by the time he or she retires. People continue to change and evolve, so does the job market. Once you've identified what you're looking for in a career, you will find that there are a number of paths that match your skills. ●
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Colour play

Inject a pop of colour into your wardrobe this spring with cheery, bright separates.

With spring in full swing, banish dark hues and swap them for vibrant, zesty colours. Wearing bright colours and patterns can be tricky for some women as they are often associated with youth. However, bright shades can look great at any age if matched and styled properly. Think hot pink, royal blue, citrus shades and greens for a fabulously bright springtime look.

The rules: How to wear bright colours

1. Accessorise

Inject colour in small doses with cute accessories. Get creative with a fun, floral headpiece, a bold clutch bag or a stylish pair of shoes. If you are wearing a simple outfit or plain dress in a block colour, opt for an oversized necklace in an eye-catching colour to add a little bling to your outfit. A dash of colour can transform your look in an instant. Go for a simple pair of bright earrings or a clutch bag to add a little energy to your ensemble.

2. Match brights with neutrals

Match bright shades with neutral hues for a more casual and wearable look. So, if you want to wear a pair of statement heels in a bright blue shade, pair them with a light-coloured dress. The best way to show off a bold colour choice is to match it with shades of white, grey, tan and brown. This will make bright colours more wearable for a daytime occasion and will look and feel more grown up.

3. Wear bright patterns

Don't be afraid to wear a dress, skirt, blouse or even handbag that features several bright shades. Patterned dresses in vibrant pink, greens and oranges look great for an outdoor occasion. Go for a flattering pencil dress in a floral pattern or try wearing a printed floral skirt with a simple white blouse and neutral heels.

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4. Keep it simple

Choose a prim and proper silhouette in a striking shade. Dresses in a block colour are sure to make a statement. Stand out at a pool party in a long, floating chiffon green maxi dress. Take a risk with colour blocking and pair bright shades with other bright colours—pink and orange look great together. For a striking look that will leave an impression, we love this strappy, blue lace slip dress. Finish off bright separates with a co-ordinating top or simple T-shirt.



6. Mix it up a little

You can go for an outfit that is head-to-toe in one colour as long as it is from the same palette. Choose different shades in one colour—such as pink—and mix with other pink shades in various fabrics. Denim, knitwear, silks and chiffons can all be mixed.



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5. Pair brights with dark hues

Bold colours will highlight the features that you're most confident about. If you are uncomfortable with a certain area such as your tummy, use darker shades to disguise these spots. Skim over the trouble spot with something black or navy by choosing a dress with a bright hue and dark section. Or, if you are wearing a bright orange dress, throw on a black blazer and matching stiletto heels. Your bright separates will still look bold when paired with a dark shade, but will have a more elegant appeal.

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One emo film too far

Riding on the shirt tails of other recent teen flicks, ***Divergent*** offers very little to the young-adult film genre.

NEW RELEASE

Based on the popular novel series of the same name, written by first-time author Veronica Roth in 2011 and topping *The New York Times* best seller list since then, *Divergent* takes place in a dystopian, post-apocalyptic Chicago and stars Shailene Woodley (*The Descendants*), Theo James and Oscar winner Kate Winslet (*The Reader*, *Titanic*).

Directed by Neil Burger (*The Illusionist*), *Divergent* is targeted at the young-adult audience, much like the wildly successful first two films of the *Hunger Games* series, and the *Twilight* saga before it.

Did you know?

A sequel is already in the works and is based on writer Veronica Roth's follow-up novel, *Insurgent*. This is expected to be released on the screen in March 2015, while a third instalment, *Allegiant*, is slated to hit audiences in March 2016. Unlike other series in the young-adult genre, the final episode will not be split into two.

The plot centres on a society that is divided into five distinct factions based on their personalities—the smart, the brave, the honest, the selfless and the pacifists. Teenagers choose their affiliation in a public coming-of-age ritual.

Tris Prior (Woodley), however, tests positive for three powerful traits, and is subsequently

warned that she is “divergent” and as a result will never fit into any one group.

When she discovers a conspiracy by a faction leader (Winslet) to destroy all divergents, Tris must learn to trust in the mysterious Four

(James), and together they must find out what makes being a part of this category of society so dangerous before it's too late for her and her friends.

We all know that this modern trend for young-adult fiction has broken box office records left, right and centre, so perhaps it will soon be time for that bubble to burst. If this is the case, it is likely *Divergent* will be left holding the pin.

It follows the template so closely

that it has been seen by many critics as a *Hunger Games* knock-off, pure and simple, with everything from the teenage girl as the lead, through to the dystopian setting.

Moreover, there is more than a touch of the “emo” in *Divergent*—even to a greater degree than the most emo of them all so far, *Twilight*. The film's message is clear, loud and very simple: it is wrong to pigeon-hole others as people's personalities are varied and complex. Instead, we should all just try and live with each other, regardless.

While some have argued there is at least a modicum of substance in *Twilight* and *Hunger Games*, the genre has reached a new low with this movie, with its premise being nothing short of dumb and its formulaic process bordering on the tedious.

If there is any saving grace, it is *Divergent's* production design, which has conjured a remarkable vision of a futuristic, impoverished Chicago that is plausible and ugly-beautiful in a *Bladerunner* kind of way.

But that's not much to hang on to for most moviegoers. No doubt, though, it will be a reasonable-sized hit among younger audiences, if only because it feeds them what they crave. It might even serve to wean them off this type of fiction. ●

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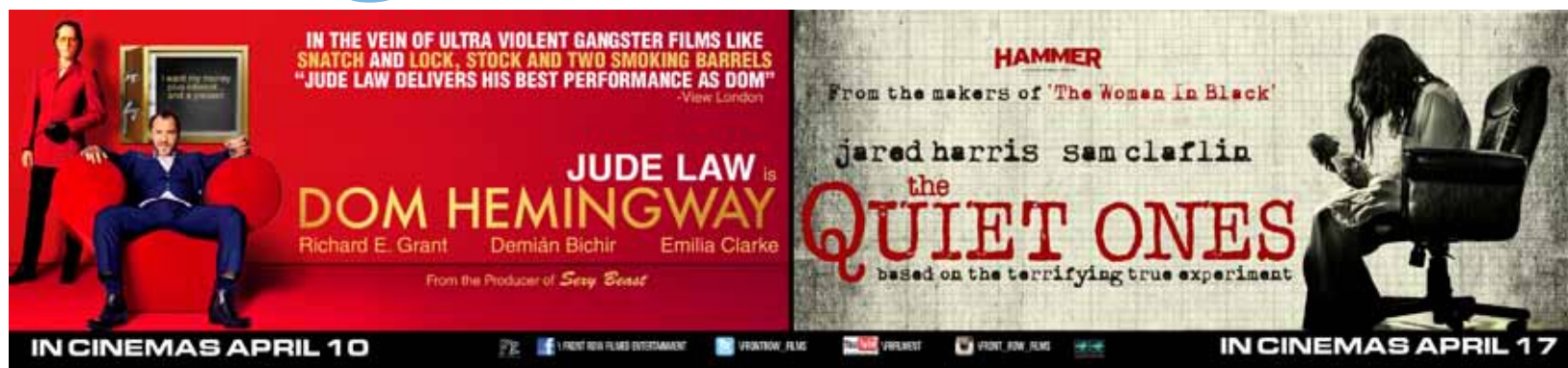
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Valley Of The Lost Ants - 10:00, 12:00, 14:00, 16:00, 18:00, 20:00, 22:00, 00:00
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Grand Cinemas - Festival City

3 Days To Kill - 20:00, 22:00, 00:00
Captain America: The Winter Soldier - 10:00, 11:30, 12:30, 14:00, 15:00, 16:30, 17:30, 19:00, 20:00, 21:30, 22:30, 00:00, 01:00
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Grand Cinecity - Al Ghurair

Captain America: The Winter Soldier - 11:30, 14:00, 16:30, 19:00, 21:30, 00:00
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (3D) -

10:00, 12:30, 15:00, 17:30, 20:00, 22:30, 01:00
Maan Karate - 18:00, 20:50, 23:40
Main Tera Hero - 11:00, 12:00, 13:30, 14:30, 16:00, 17:30, 18:30, 19:30, 21:00, 22:00, 23:40, 00:40
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Reel Cinemas - Dubai Mall

3 Days To Kill - 16:10, 22:55
12 Years A Slave - 13:35, 20:20
300: Rise Of An Empire - 18:00, 20:10, 22:20, 00:30
As Cool As I Am - 13:15, 19:20, 01:25
Bachelorette - 18:30, 01:15
Captain America: The Winter Soldier - 11:45, 12:15, 14:30, 15:00, 15:30, 17:15, 17:45, 18:15, 20:00, 20:30, 21:00, 22:45, 23:15, 23:45, 01:30, 02:00
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (3D) - 11:10, 13:00, 13:30, 14:00, 15:45, 16:15, 16:45, 18:30, 19:05, 19:30, 21:15, 21:55, 22:15, 00:05, 00:45, 01:00
Closed Circuit - 17:20, 23:25
Divergent - 11:20, 14:10, 17:05, 20:00, 22:55, 01:45
The Double - 20:55, 22:55, 00:55
Force Of Execution - 15:15, 21:20
Frozen - 11:05, 13:20
Haunt - 13:35, 15:25
The Lego Movie - 11:30, 13:40, 15:50
Main Tera Hero - 17:15, 19:50, 22:25, 01:00
The Monuments Men - 23:00, 01:25
Mr Peabody & Sherman - 11:00, 15:00, 19:00
Mr Peabody & Sherman (3D) - 13:00, 17:00, 21:00
Need For Speed - 12:05, 14:45, 17:25, 20:05, 22:45, 01:25
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Reel Cinemas - Marina Mall

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Vox Cinemas - Deira City Centre

Captain America: The Winter Soldier - 12:00, 15:00, 18:00, 21:00, 00:00
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (3D) - 10:00, 13:00, 16:00, 19:00, 21:50, 00:50
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (4D) - 11:30, 14:30, 17:30, 20:30, 23:30
Divergent - 11:14, 14:15, 17:15, 20:15, 23:15
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Vox Cinemas - Mall of the Emirates

300: Rise Of An Empire (3D) - 22:00, 00:15
Captain America: The Winter Soldier - 12:15, 16:30, 18:15, 19:30, 21:15, 22:30, 00:15, 00:45
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Factory Girl - 19:30
Frozen - 10:45, 13:00
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Valley Of The Lost Ants - 10:30, 12:30, 14:30

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Non-Stop - 23:00
Valley Of The Lost Ants - 10:00, 11:00

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Venue: Dubai Autodrome
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The sport of kings returns to the beaches of Dubai.
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Hollywood news

Macho musical

He's proved his worth as both an action hero and a musical star, but Hugh Jackman recently combined the two for BBC Radio 1, where he sang a hilarious spoof. Set to the tune of *One More Day* from *Les Misérables*, Jackman crooned about his workout routine and being in the X-Men.



Selfie mania



In case you hadn't noticed, the Kardashians are enjoying yet another holiday—as shown through their various social media accounts. However, youngest sister Khloe has provided the best snaps so far, showing off her new physique and happy attitude after her split from Lamar Odom. Good on you, girl.

End of the road



KEEP CONSCIOUSLY QUIET?

In the showbiz shocker of the year so far, last week saw the official announcement that Gwyneth Paltrow and husband Chris Martin had split. Well, we say split but according to the official statement the couple is in fact 'consciously uncoupling'.

While the amount of visitors flooding to Gwyneth's GOOP website to read the statement for themselves actually crashed the site on the day the announcement was made, it appears the fuss surrounding the break-up is still far from over, with all sorts of reasons being bandied about on the gossip grapevine.

However, although neither of the pair has claimed to be the responsible for the spilt, it seems as though Gwyneth is getting most of the blame from the general public. Perhaps it was something to do with her choice of words to describe the mutual decision, after all 'conscious uncoupling' smacks of new age, snootiness to many people, who are taking to the internet to voice their opinions in droves.

And the stick has only gotten worse since the actresses recent interview with E!, during which she lamented her struggles as a 'working mum'. Perhaps silence would be best advised until the storm settles, Gwyn?

True image

She may have only released two singles, but 17-year-old singer Lorde has proved that she is not just your run-of-the-mill teenage pop star, with a look and sound different to all her competitors. However, the New Zealand-born songstress is now using her fame to spread an important message among her fans. The *Royals* singer recently posted an image on social media comparing a photoshopped picture of her to one taken on the same occasion, but without any editing, Lorde captioned the post: "I find this curious. Two photos from today, one edited so my skin is perfect and one real. remember flaws are ok" (sic). This is not the first time Lorde has shown her true image to fans, as only a few weeks ago she posted a candid pic of herself with acne cream dotted all over her face. In a world obsessed with perfection, Lorde appears to be one young star who seems set on keeping it real.



Bollywood news

Screen share

It may have Shah Rukh Khan in the leading role, but upcoming movie Fan seems to have had more leading lady possibilities bandied about than any other recent film. However, the latest buzz would suggest that the female lead will be filled by *Shuddh Desi Romance* star Vaani Kapoor.



Vocal star

Sonakshi Sinha is set to hit screens again, however the Bollywood beauty won't be making an appearance in her latest flick. Sinha will in fact lend her vocal talents to the Hindi version of the upcoming animation *Rio 2*. The actress will also apparently treat local kids to a screening of the film.



All good fun

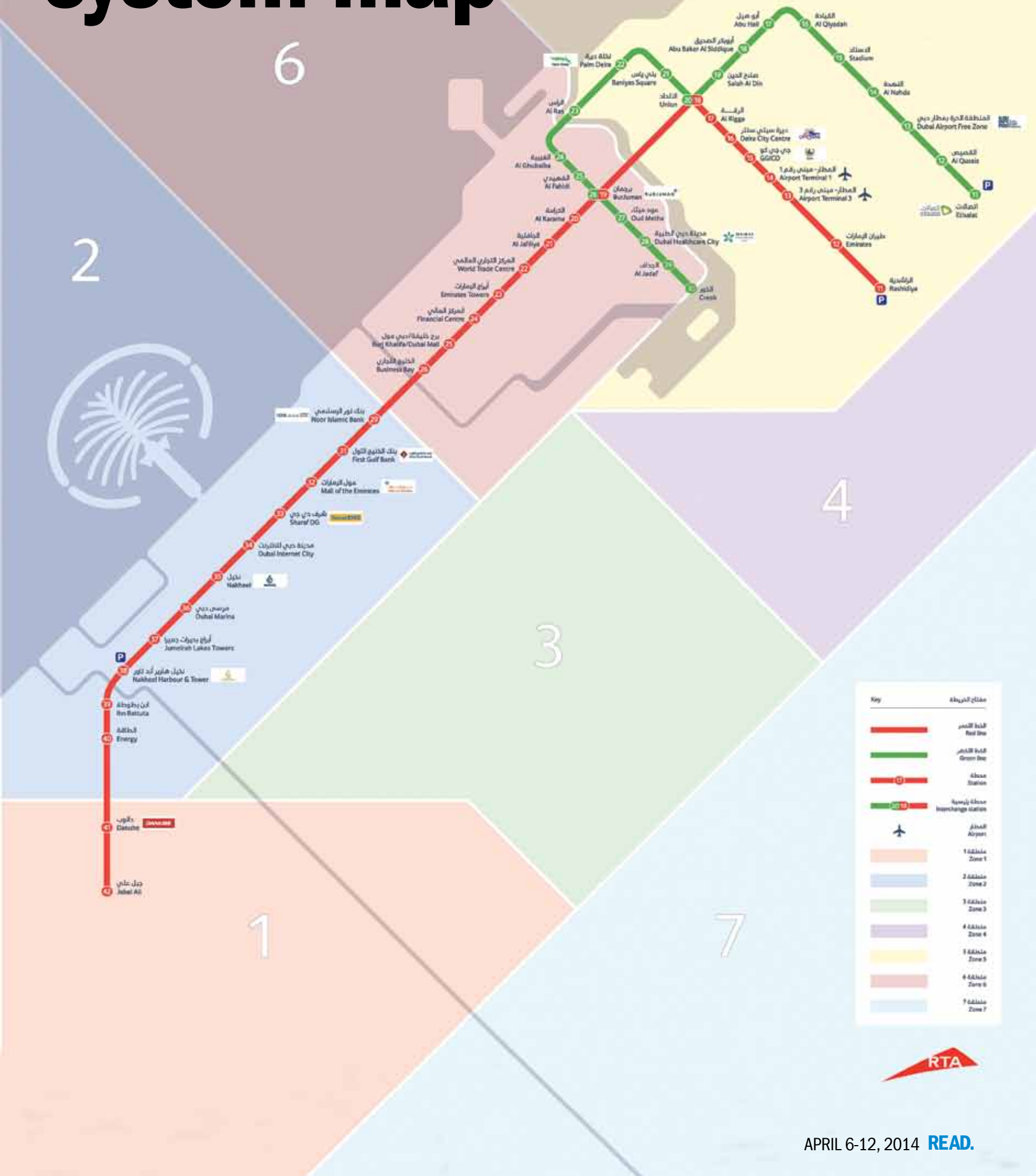
There may be one woman who is not a fan of *Main Tera Hero*. A line in the flick takes a dig at Katrina Kaif's Hindi, however director David Dhawan says: "It is just a bantering quip in the film, and Katrina is a girl I've known for many years. She can never be offended with what I do. She knows it's all in fun."



Flying high

As one of Bollywood's biggest legends, Amitabh Bachchan has received many tributes over the years. However, Big B is flying high after the brand new Boeing Dreamliner 787 connecting Hyderabad and London launched last week, adorned with a plaque commemorating his work.

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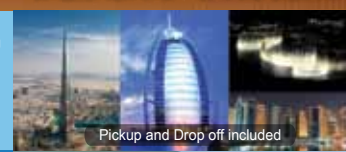
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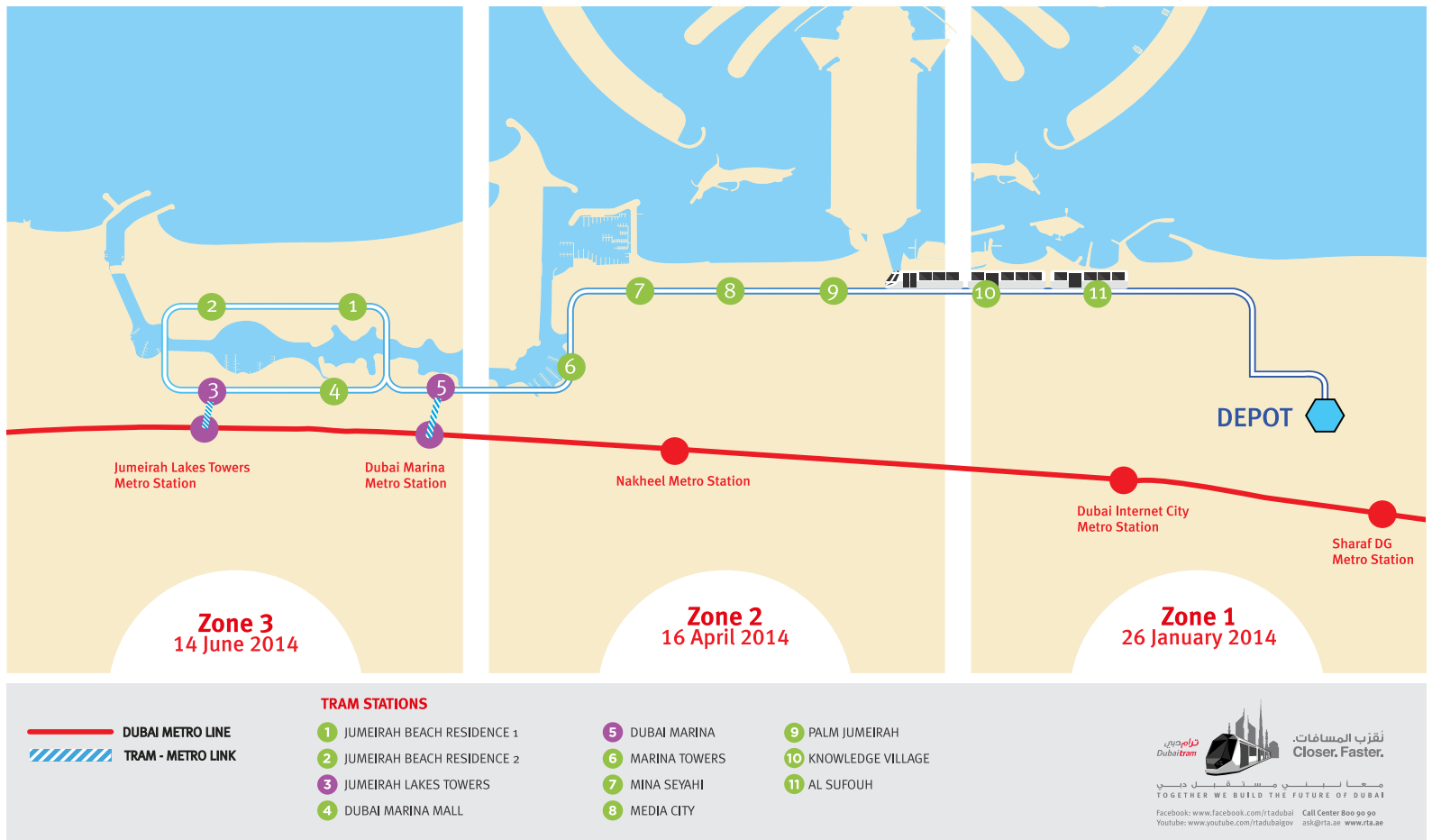
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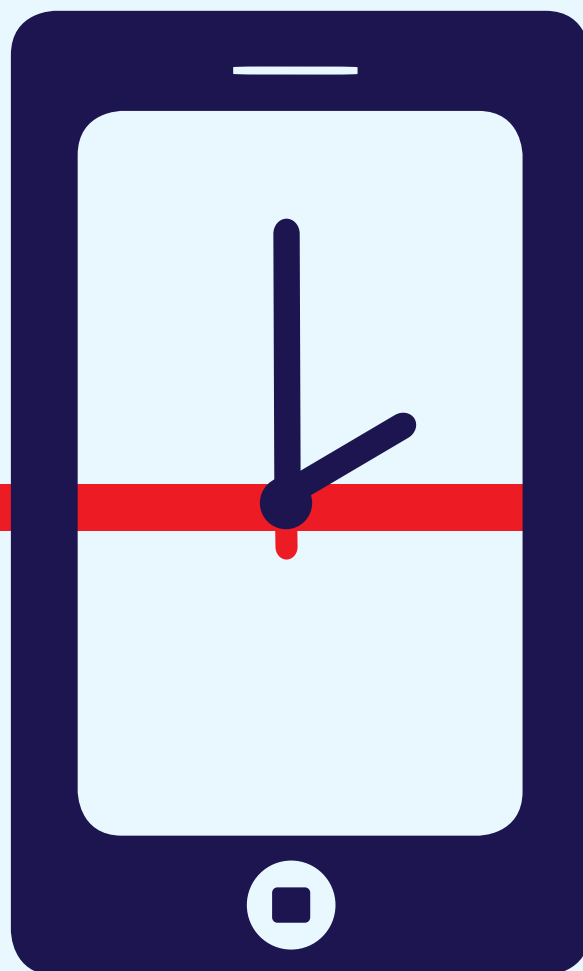
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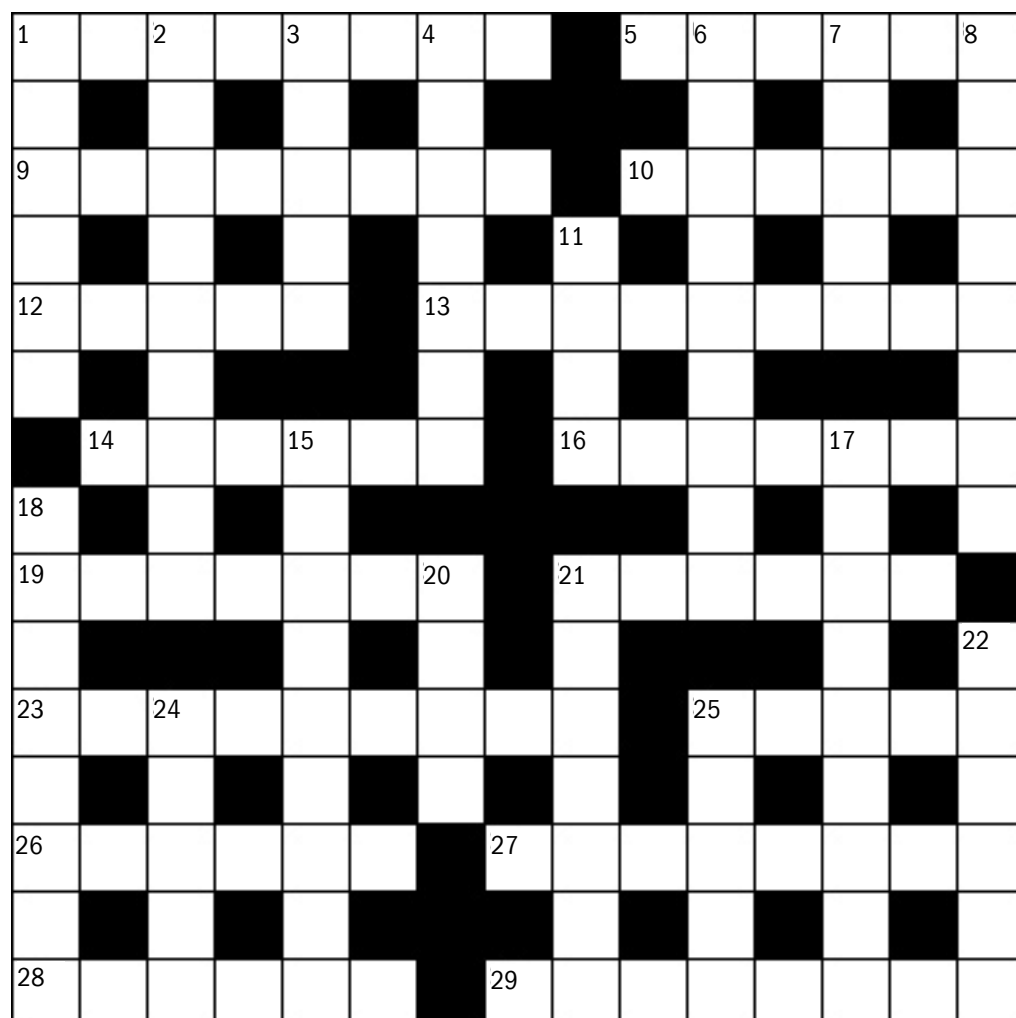


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Crossword

Across

1 Favouritism (8) **5** Anew (6) **9** Honoured (8) **10** Miserly (6) **12** Acclaim (5) **13** Polyglots (9) **14** Lacking vigour (6) **16** Improved or altered (7) **19** Patella (7) **21** Stinks (6) **23** Book-lending services (9) **25** Dike (5) **26** Very sad (6) **27** Pledged (8) **28** Boarder (6) **29** Hearten (8)

Down

1 Required (6) **2** Peevishness (9) **3** Larceny (5) **4** Varnish (7) **6** Devise (9) **7** Boundaries (5) **8** Slope (8) **11** Native of South America (4) **15** Equip with armoured vehicles (9) **17** Broadcasted (9) **18** Gaunt (8) **20** Duo (4) **21** An ancient Egyptian musical instrument (7) **22** Dampen (6) **24** Plait (5) **25** Oblivion (5)

ANSWERS



Recipe

Blueberry muffins

Anyone can enjoy these delicious, gluten-free muffins.

Ingredients

175g rice flour
50g tapioca flour
1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
2 tsp gluten-free baking powder
1 rounded tsp xanthan gum
¼ tsp salt
150g caster sugar
60g melted butter
1 beaten egg
60g buttermilk
2 tbsp milk
150g fresh blueberries

Method

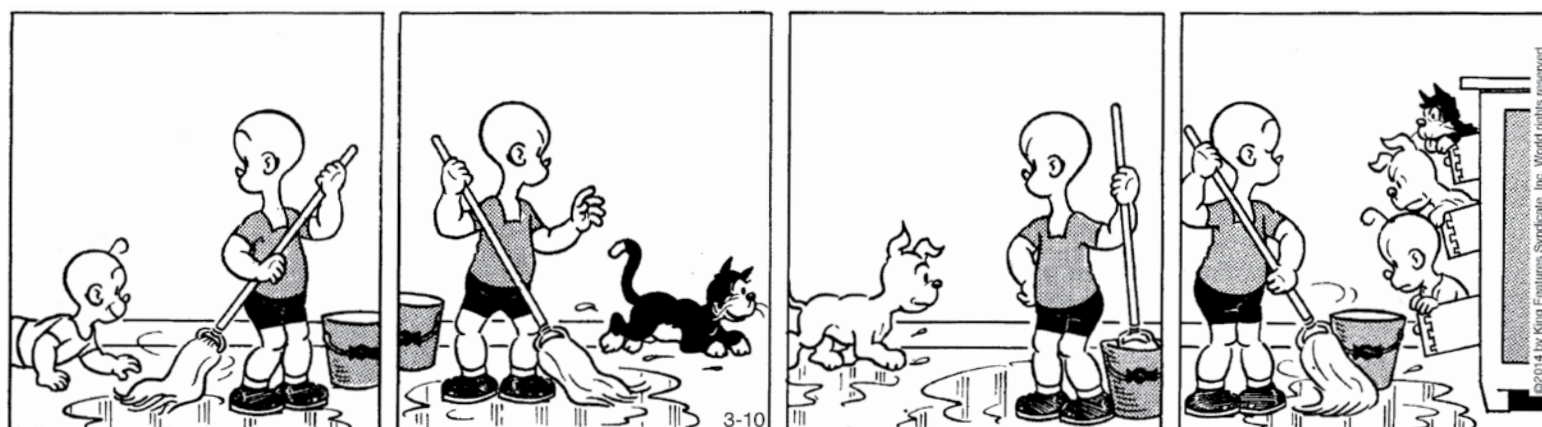
1. Preheat the oven to 180C.
2. Sift together the rice flour, tapioca flour, bicarbonate of soda, baking

powder and xanthan gum in a large mixing bowl with the salt and sugar.
3. Whisk together the melted butter, egg, buttermilk and milk in another mixing bowl.
4. Make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and pour in the butter mixture. Stir gently with a wooden spoon to combine the wet and dry ingredients until smooth, then gently fold in the blueberries.
5. Place a paper muffin case into each well of a 12-cake muffin tin, then pour an even amount of the mixture into each case.
6. Bake for 25 minutes or until a skewer inserted into the centre of the muffins comes out clean.

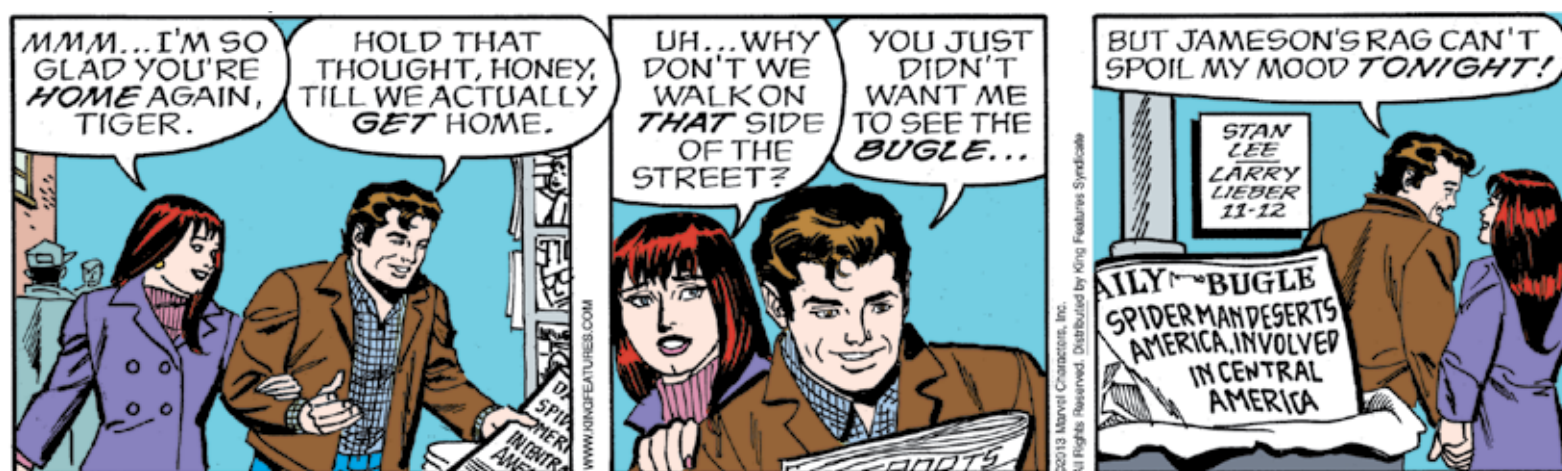
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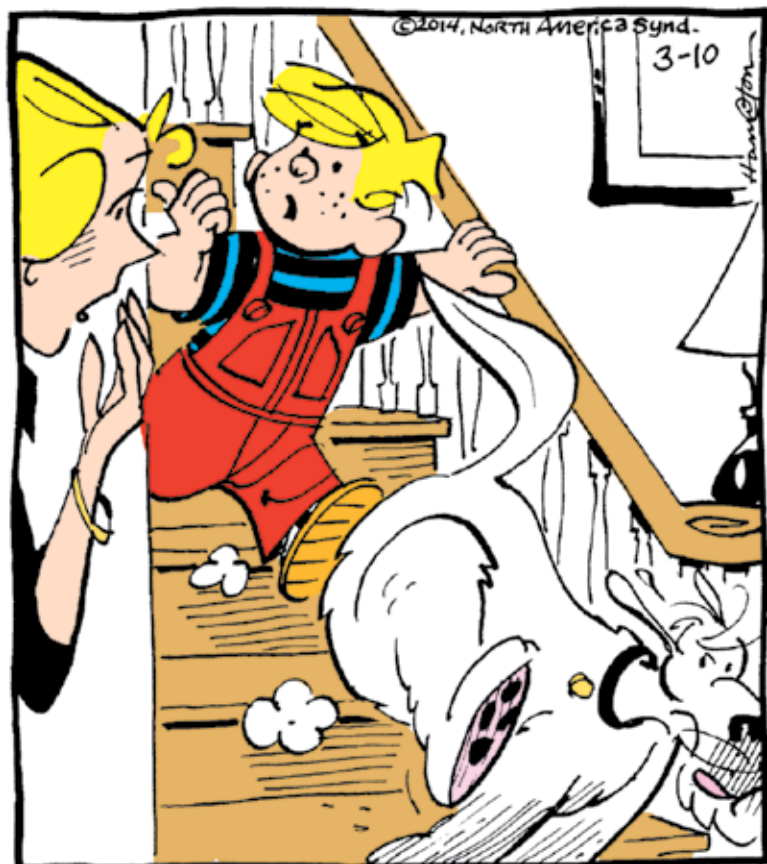
Henry



Spiderman



Dennis the menace



"I CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT JUST HAPPENED, BUT I WANTED YOU TO BE THE FIRST TO KNOW!"

Who's this?

ANSWER ON PAGE 34



Puzzles

Arrowword

Nobleman	▼	Type of corner joint	▼	Sideways	English doctor union (1,1,1)	Rodent control device (3-4)	▼	Pin a medal on someone	▼	Count up	▼	Apron	Emperor's wife
▶				Very poor	▶								▼
Dynamo		Latin "we"		Raincoat	▶			Censure		Riot spray (1,1,3)		Worth	
▶		▼						▼		Stay under canvas	▶		▼
Draw behind	▶			Yearly % charge (1,1,1)	Hand over to another person	▶							
Sri Lanka's continent	▶			▼	Rhythmic monologue to music	▶				Pierce with horns	▶		
Change		Edible fish	▶					Abductor of Helen of Troy	▶				
▶					Domestic animal	▶				Congeries	▶		

Spot the 10 differences



Sudoku

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

ANSWERS

S	I	E	S	I	E	P	E	R	E	T	L	A	L	E	R
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W	N	D	C	W	A	G	M	A	G	M	A	G	M	A	G
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5	6	8	2	9	0	0	1	7
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4	7	3	8	2	6	1	5	6
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ARIES

(MAR 21 - APR 20)

A passing comment from a person in authority at work has left you seeing red. If you are putting in far much more effort and time than your job demands but not being appreciated for it, perhaps it's time to start looking at a career move?



TAURUS

(APR 21 - MAY 21)

One of your oldest friends could call on you this week for a favour. While you may want to help immediately, be sure that you can commit before saying yes. Letting this person down at the last minute could hit him or her harder than you might think.



GEMINI

(MAY 22 - JUN 21)

Don't get too confident if an idea of yours seems to be spreading like wildfire at work. It's only in the initial stages and, although it may seem like the perfect solution, your plan could end up being changed quite considerably from your original suggestion.



CANCER

(JUN 22 - JUL 23)

Sometimes it may feel as though you're constantly battling against technology. If you're working on something important this week, be sure to back up all your efforts as you go because, unfortunately, technology may not be on your side yet again.



LEO

(JUL 24 - AUG 23)

If it seems as though the invites have stopped flooding in, it might be worth thinking about whether your lips have been a little loose. It's all too easy to talk about people when they're not around, but can you be sure that your comments aren't being shared?



VIRGO

(AUG 24 - SEP 23)

It seems as though, no matter how many hours you put in, a project is no closer to completion. Try not to let this get too frustrating, however. Perhaps this is just something that you really want to get right, hence why you're giving it your all?



LIBRA

(SEP 24 - OCT 23)

If it's been too long since you last contacted your relatives, make the time to do so this week. It's easy to forget about people when you are living so far away, but letting them know that they are still in your thoughts will prove you still care.



SCORPIO

(OCT 24 - NOV 22)

A colleague may have developed a habit of contradicting everything you say, but perhaps there is something more serious to be dealt with? If it looks as though the situation is getting worse, it may be time to bring up the issue with management.



SAGITTARIUS

(NOV 23 - DEC 21)

Love is in the air and those you care about most are reveling in happy news. This lifts your spirits but may also leave you questioning where you're at in your own life. Try not to compare your decisions to other people's; you are your own person.



CAPRICORN

(DEC 22 - JAN 20)

Focusing on the important details could prove to be worthwhile, and you may even discover a small windfall that you were not aware of is in the pipeline. Try not to spend any money before it comes in; saving for a rainy day would be the best option.



AQUARIUS

(JAN 21 - FEB 19)

If someone is trying to give you full responsibility for a situation that you shouldn't solely be in charge of, speak up now before it's too late. Taking on more than you can handle will lead to much more stress than you need at this moment in time.



PISCES

(FEB 20 - MAR 20)

Don't spread yourself too thin when it comes to booking things into your social calendar. You may want to show your face at every event going, but spending too much time out and about could lead to other areas of your life slipping a little.



This week's local weather

SUN



WARM
HIGH 31C
LOW 24C
HUMIDITY 43%

MON



WARM
HIGH 30C
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HUMIDITY 41%

TUE



WARM
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HUMIDITY 42%

WED



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