



January 2024 Answer Sheet

Welcome to Puzzled Pint!



Give us
Feedback!

Tonight

- We're here to help! This is not a competitive event. Ask the Game Control volunteers (GC) for hints as often as you'd like. The goal is to have fun, not to be frustrated!

The Puzzles

- Each puzzle will solve to a short word or phrase. How? That's for you to discover.
- Need a code sheet or solving resources? Check out the Resources page on Puzzled Pint's webpage: <http://www.puzzledpint.com/resources/>
- You can use anything to help solve: Use your phone, the internet is fair game! Think your brother might have an insight? Give him a call!
- While each month has a theme, you need no special knowledge of the theme to solve.

About Puzzled Pint

- How did tonight go? Fill out the survey with the QR code above.
- We're an all-volunteer organization.
 - Help us run locally: Talk with Game Control about how you can volunteer.
 - Help us run globally: <https://www.patreon.com/PuzzledPint>

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Puzzle Answers	
Craps	
C'est fini, Stud!	
One-Armed Bandit	
The Wheel	
Meta: Guaranteed	
Bonus (optional)	



C'est fini, Stud!



Charlotte is so good at poker, it's scary. But how? As she enters the casino, the security guard takes a break from his **word search** to do a **hand search** of her bag – looking for who knows what. All they find is some **index** cards (with maps of her favorite beaches), a few tattered bathing **suits**, a broken snorkel and some loose **ends** from the last cruise Charlotte participated in.

Tonight, she's playing Carlos, who thinks he stands a chance and goes all in. She calls his bet. He proudly reveals his hand (three aces!) and smugly says "Read 'em and weep, mademoiselle."

Charlotte knows what people call her behind her back, but she doesn't care. She gives Carlos a steely look. "I don't believe I possess tear ducts," she says, "but I do possess a hand that's got yours beat."

In fact, all five hands Charlotte played that night would have beaten three aces. Can you find all five of her hands and reveal Charlotte's true identity?

Note: This casino is somewhat lax: it allows jokers of all kinds to be used as wild cards.

Poker Hand Rankings & Examples:

Royal Flush	
Straight Flush	
Four of a Kind	
Full House	
Flush	
Straight	
Three of a Kind	
Two Pair	
One Pair	
High Card	



One-Armed Bandit




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Adrut plays the “one-armed bandit.” Sliding a nickel very methodically into the slit. Pulling gradually down on the lever until the reels start spinning. Then watching the figures appear as each reel stops. The first.



Hint lines are given for this first set of words – just to get you started

Then the second. Then the third. Waiting a while. Then slowly repeating the whole process over again... And over again... And over again... Adrut knows a win is any three of a kind:  And he can count on one hand – well, technically on one foot – the number of times he has actually hit a jackpot: three. He feels like that fourth win is right around the corner. But it’s not the **winning jackpots** that keep him playing – **just the opposite**. Excitement is the **last** thing Adrut wants. He just enjoys playing. Very mechanically. Very slowly. Over. And over. And over... That’s what earned Adrut his nickname.

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The Wheel



When Alfred and his posse walk up to the roulette wheel, people take notice. Their vintage suits and old-school mannerisms command respect. The posse has spent most of their lives at “the wheel.” Before they could recite the alphabet, they were spinning, spinning, spinning! And they live by **two codes**: **First** and foremost: **decency** matters – respecting one another’s **differences** is crucial. **Second**, be proud of one’s heritage. That may involve speaking one’s native tongue, flying one’s national **flag**. Whatever. Each member brings a unique **perspective to the wheel**, but to keep it simple, they each just play their own **two favorite numbers** every time.

C-note is obsessed with royal weddings – especially the one between William and Kate thirteen years ago – what a memorable **year** that was.

Alfred loves candy, and so his favorite **days** are Halloween and two days after Valentine’s day – when all the chocolate hearts go on sale!

Damien is into math, and just by coincidence his two favorite double-digit numbers can be expressed as x^y and y^x .

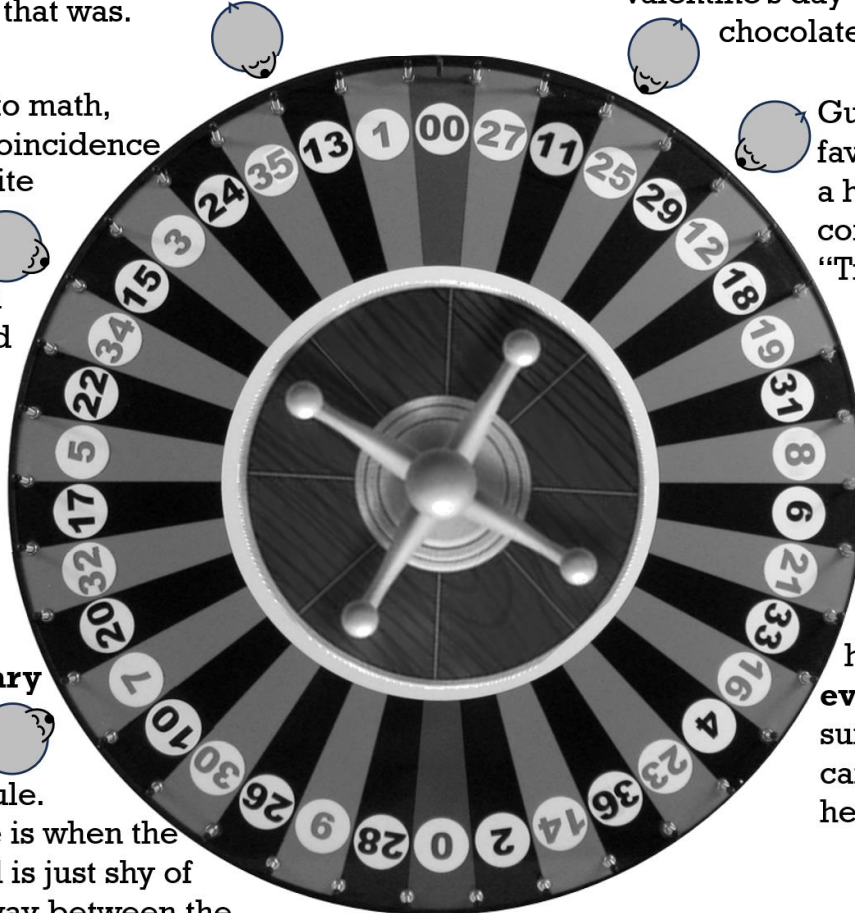
Gustav collects riddles. His favorite riddle: What date is a homophone for a military command that means “Tread ahead?”

Everett is in the **military** and follows a strict schedule. Dinner **time** is when the minute hand is just shy of being half-way between the 5 and 6, and the hour hand is just shy of being half-way between the 6 and 7.

Howard loves anagrams of words like ZONED and of phrases like EGGO EGOS.

Frankie loves that his granddaughter spent **every day** of her 5-week summer break at gambling camp where she perfected her **black-jack** skills.

Bubba doesn’t love February, but he loves its unique number of days. On leap years, he puts a big **X** (his favorite letter) across the extra day.



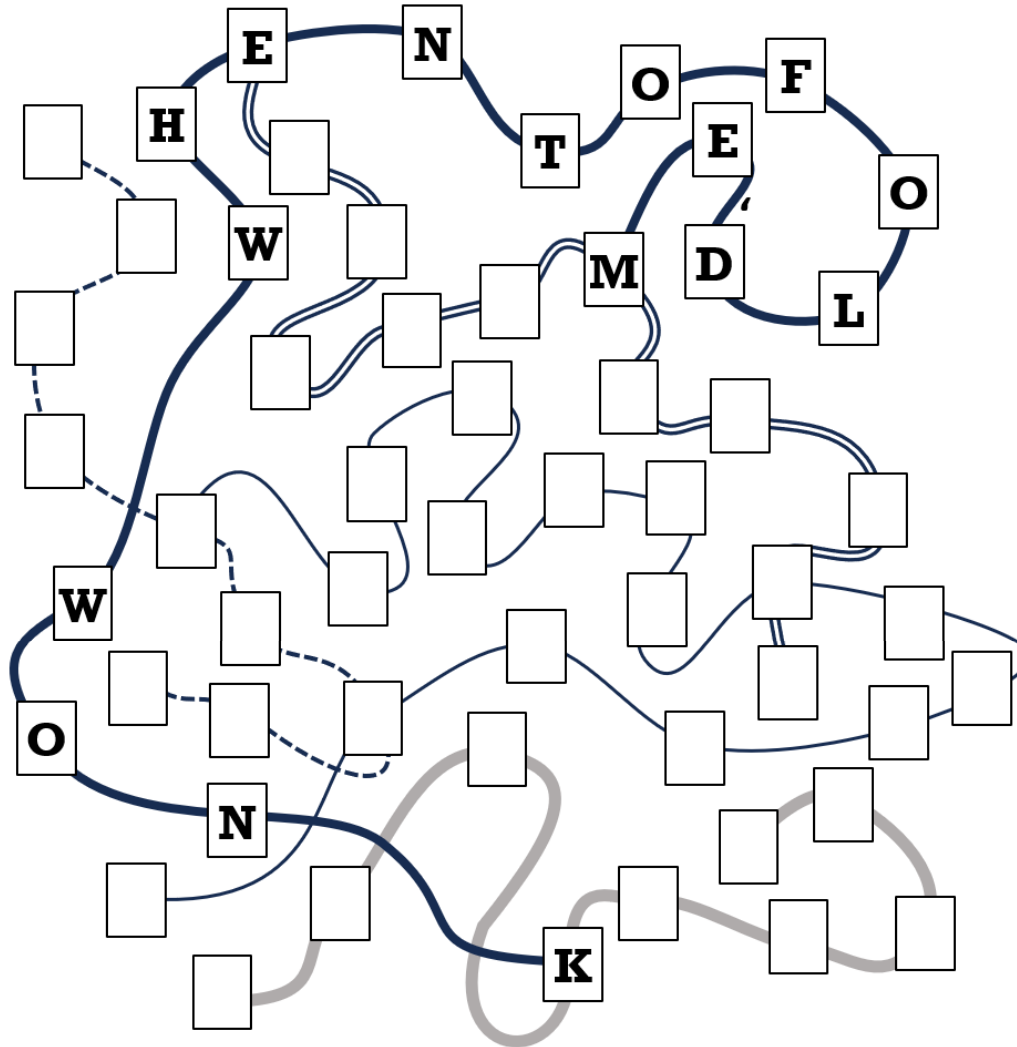


Guaranteed



Always best to lay the groundwork before you start trying to make connections. Still, the question remains: When you're all through betting and gambling and placing your wagers, how can you be guaranteed to walk out of a casino with a small fortune in your possession?

- Set of trades known to Jack (3)
- -lope, -ater or -nna preceder (4)
- Half of quadruple (6)
- Elevated, or under the influence (4)
- A single, double, triple or homerun (3)
- Dog-, tree- or out-follower (5)
- Jill's accident-prone companion (4)
- Nervous as a ___-tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs (4)
- Meaning of head moving side to side (2)
- Studly fireplace tool (5)



- Skyward (2)
- ... a name... I call myself... (2)
- What Hamilton refused to throw away (4)
- Prefix meaning "not" (2)
- It's used for making stew (or brownies) (3)
- Cut up into small cubes (4)
- Robert's, ground and slide followers (5)
- Earthward (4)
- Flat surface of a polyhedron (4)
- Type of derby on skates (6)

