

Puzzled Pint May 2024: Solutions

Location: Springfield Billboards

The correct pairings are:

Kwik-E-Mart:	Yesterday's food. Tomorrow's price.
You have tried the rest,	Now settle for Luigi's Pizza
Flanders' Leftorium:	Next right
Attention Nerds: Venmo us your lunch money.	eBully.com
Doctor Nick Riviera: If I kill you,	You don't pay!
The DMV:	Current wait time: 38 Hours
Alliance Against Christmas:	Bah Humbug & Happy Hanukkah
O'Kelly's Market: Is she tired of flowers?	This year, give her a potato!
It's Fender-Pickin' Good!	Cletus' Road-Kill Diner
Lamb and Calf Farm and Petting Zoo:	Get to love it before you eat it!
Moe's Tavern:	Free drinks for designated drivers!

Adding the numbers for each pair and indexing into the paired slogan results in:
READ THE ENDS

Reading the end letters of the phrases in order produces the final answer:
EAT MY SHORTS

Skateboarding

The correct answers are shown below. Bart's path is highlighted in yellow. The answer is the given bold letters crossed by Bart's path, which spell the answer: **ANITA BATH**.

C	Y	C	L	E	c	y	c	l	e	Rinse or dry, for example
S	A	L	O	N	s	A	l	o	n	Beautician's business
S	U	G	A	R	s	u	g	a	r	Word after brown or powdered
I	N	D	E	X	i	N	d	e	x	Kind of card or finger
N	O	I	S	E	n	o	i	s	e	Pollution that hurts the ears
B	R	A	I	N	b	r	a	I	n	What Scarecrow was lacking
M	A	G	I	C	m	a	g	i	c	Earvin Johnson, familiarly
T	E	E	T	H	t	e	e	T	h	Choppers
A	E	S	O	P	a	e	s	o	p	Fable teller
R	E	L	A	Y	r	e	l	A	y	Race with a baton
A	P	P	L	E	a	p	p	l	e	Cause of Newton's headache?
A	R	A	B	S	a	r	a	B	s	Most Saudi citizens
W	I	T	C	H	w	i	t	c	h	Broom rider
L	A	S	E	R	l	A	s	e	r	Kind of printer or pointer
T	I	G	E	R	t	i	g	e	r	Big cat
A	T	O	N	E	a	T	o	n	e	Make amends (for)
A	R	M	O	R	a	r	m	o	r	Jousting attire (U.S. spelling)
M	A	C	H	O	m	a	c	H	o	Overly masculine
S	Y	R	U	P	s	y	r	u	p	Popular pancake topper

	Bart's path
class	Something Bart might cut to go skateboarding (5)
india	NATO I (5)
inch	Ruler division
tesla	A.C. inventor (5)
yes	"Affirmative!" (3)
bat	What MLB baseball pitchers no longer do (3)
salt	Topper of margaritas and pretzels (4)
atom	Tiny bit of matter (4)
chop	Word after karate or tomahawk (4)

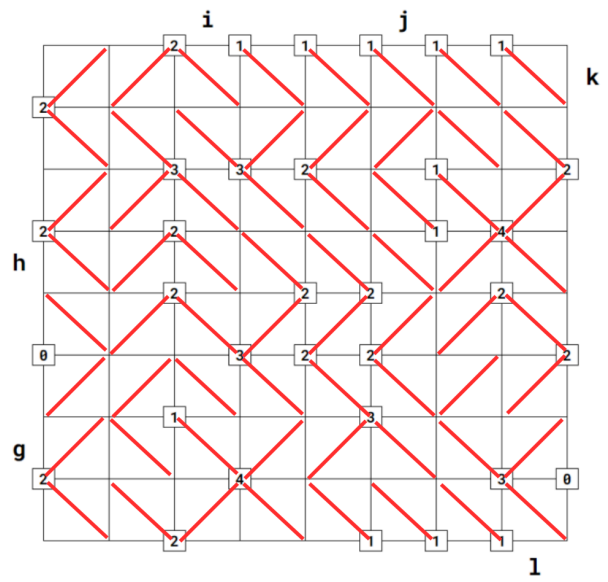
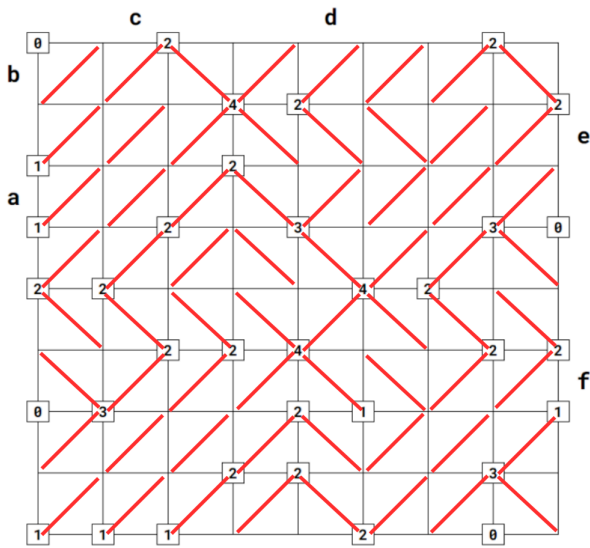
Writing at the Chalkboard

The pairs can be separated into two phrases that Bart might write on the chalkboard in detention. The ?s are replaced with the letters from A-G, which show the intended extraction order. When placed in that order, the letters in the boldfaced boxes spell the answer:
AMANDA KISSNHUG.

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Watching Itchy and Scratchy

Solving the Slant puzzles, counting the triangles in each of the letter paths, and converting the triangle counts to letter via A1-Z26 yields the answer: **JACQUES STRAP**.



Failing in School

The answers are shown below. The shaded letters, when placed in the spaces at the bottom of the puzzle, yield JUSTIN TRUDEAU'S FATHER : BREATHES LIKE A WARM DOG, which are clues for the answer: **PIERRE PANTS**.

<p>Test #1: Alphabetical Answer Key</p> <p>4 captain ship head</p> <p>10 deciding making a final choice</p> <p>9 double make twice as great</p> <p>7 fertile capable of reproducing</p> <p>6 furnish supply a house, as with chairs, tables, etc.</p> <p>5 install set up for use, as software</p> <p>1 jitterbug uptempo jazz swing dance</p> <p>2 quart measure of liquid</p> <p>8 rabies disease transmitted by an animal bite</p> <p>3 sake japanese wine</p>	<p>Bart Simpson</p> <p>J i t t e r B u g nervous insect</p> <p>q U a R t where I play tennis</p> <p>S a k E where I put my footy to keep it warmy</p> <p>c a p T A i n what comes after cap nine</p> <p>I n s T a I l where I go to the bathroom</p> <p>f u r N i s H like a plant with feathery fronds</p> <p>f e r T i l E a ceramic floor covering with fuzzy animal skin</p> <p>R a b i e S stinging insects with lasers!</p> <p>d o U b L e record over the sound for a male cow</p> <p>D e c I d i n g what goes on de outside walls of de house</p>
<p>Test #2: Alphabetical Answer Key</p> <p>1 cashew type of curved nut</p> <p>2 defeat loss of a contest</p> <p>3 emulate imitate</p> <p>4 rampage violent, reckless action</p> <p>5 realtor agent who helps buy and sell homes</p> <p>6 sauerkraut pickled cabbage dish</p> <p>7 sheltered covered or protected, as from a storm</p> <p>8 tailor person who alters garments</p> <p>9 tandem one after another, as a bike</p> <p>10 waiver form to relinquish a right or claim</p>	<p>Bart Simpson</p> <p>s a u E r K r a u t an unhappy German</p> <p>w A i v E r what my hand is when I shake it back and forth</p> <p>e m U l A t e when the big, flightless bird isn't on time</p> <p>c a S h e W gesundheit!</p> <p>d e F e A t what I put in de socks when de toes are cold</p> <p>t A i l o R follow her closely</p> <p>T a n d e M what the UV rays did to my family at the beach</p> <p>s H e l t e r e D a clam's doodie left in the clam's home</p> <p>r E a l t O r an honest to goodness trip with multiple stops</p> <p>R a m p a G e paper sheet of a book describing a male sheep</p>

Meta: Moe's Tavern

The Drop-Quote (err, Drop-Name?) puzzle at the top yields the punny names:





IVAN TASMOOTCH

MAYA BUTWREAKS

MIKE ROTCHURTZ

YURI NELEEKIN

These four names can be paired with the 4 feeder answers with similar themes and entered in the given grid (with the shorter or longer name entered in the left or right as shown). The highlighted letters spell the final answer: **HUGH JASS**.

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HUGH JASS

Causing Mayhem

When the paper airplane is folded properly, the Bart catch-phrase is revealed in the bottom:

I DIDN'T DO IT!

(note: the first I is bigger than the rest and comes from the dashed line folded down at the top!).