



Mazeophobia - Fear of getting lost

by Wil Z., Chicago

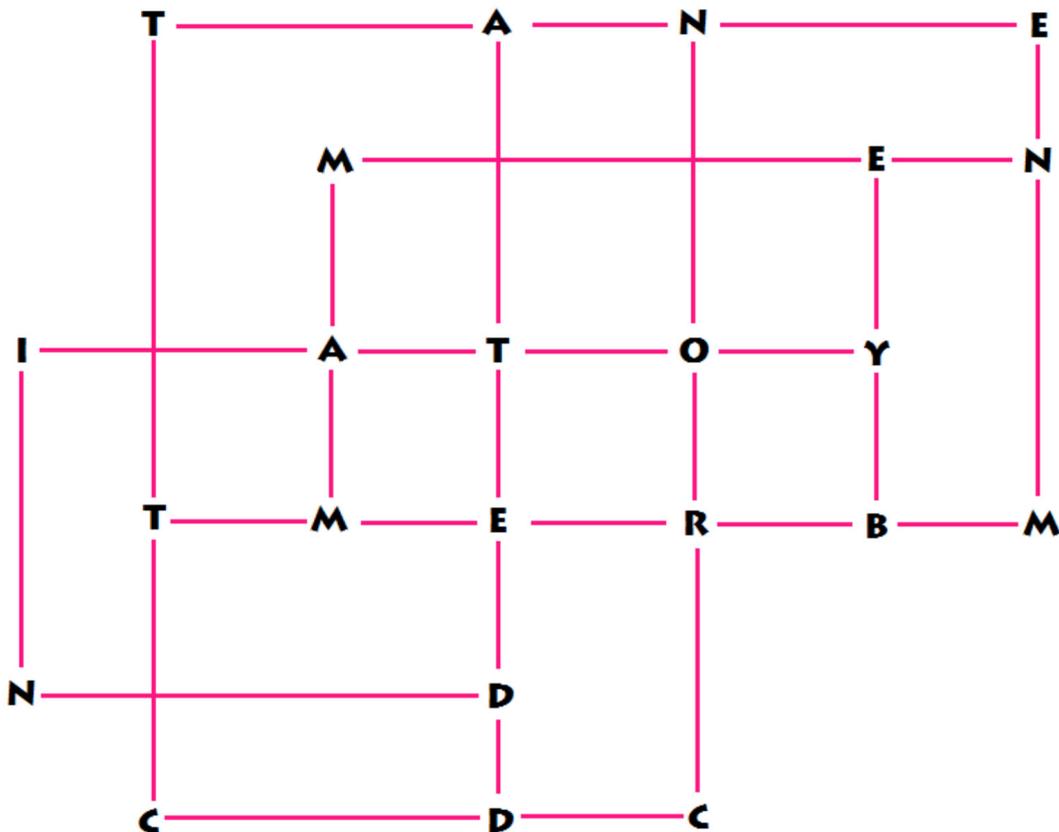
Ready to begin your journey? Not too long ago I was up to my ears in work when I got a message. “We are lost for ideas so we left one puzzle for you to create for this month’s Puzzled Pint.” Time was limited and I had to come up with an idea for the location puzzle fast. I looked at some puzzles I sketched and underneath a pile of books I found something that looked interesting. Would people enjoy a maze, or was that something that was too simple and beneath them?

The answer seemed to be right in my face the whole time. People might enjoy a maze if it was good. I felt my fortunes reverse and I knew I had something that I liked. A maze just wouldn’t do

by itself. I would need to create something more to it so I ported an idea from another thought. I was on a roll and nothing seemed to top this moment of ingenuity. There wasn’t much time left to work here, so I jotted my ideas down, as fast as I could, right up until the final moment. I questioned whether I was creating the right puzzle for the night, but I pressed on.

Right above my desk the clock loomed. My deadline was near.

I was left with no choice but to top this puzzle off and hope that my instincts about it were right. When I was done, I discovered what my fear of being lost for ideas really was.





Chorophobia - Fear of dancing

by James N., Chicago

All I wanted to do is head to a bar, have a drink, solve some puzzles... instead, all of my friends dragged me out dancing. To make matters worse, they've dragged me out to perform the latest dance craze, the P.P. Slide, and I don't remember the steps.

There are two pairs of dancers on the dance floor, each facing their partner. Each dancer makes the same movements, relative to the center, at the same time. But which direction to they go, and for how many squares?

- ♪♪ Stroll back like you're goin' away
- ♪♪ Then take a slide in a diagonal way
- ♪♪♪ March forward at a moderate pace
- ♪♪ Diag again and to your partner you face
- ♪♪♪ Get on a horse and ride like a knight
- ♪♪♪ Diag once more like the string of a kite
Spin to your partner one last time
- ♪♪♪ Stride forward & be done with this rhyme

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Cynophobia - Fear of dogs

by Evan J., Chicago

I'm afraid of dogs, but I understand there's nothing to fear if they're properly trained. These dog show contenders will show me the most effective way to give commands if I follow their lead.

Group 1

1ST	
2ND	
3RD	
4TH	
5TH	

Group 2

1ST	Scooby Doo
2ND	Santa's Little Helper
3RD	Pongo
4TH	Beethoven
5TH	Lassie

Group 3

1ST	Sisters or Laser
2ND	Jet or Space
3RD	Barbara or Rebellion
4TH	Murphy or Coast

Group 4

1ST	Bone Terrorist
2ND	Pink Geese
3RD	Robin Chiefs
4TH	Greasy Preteen

Group 5

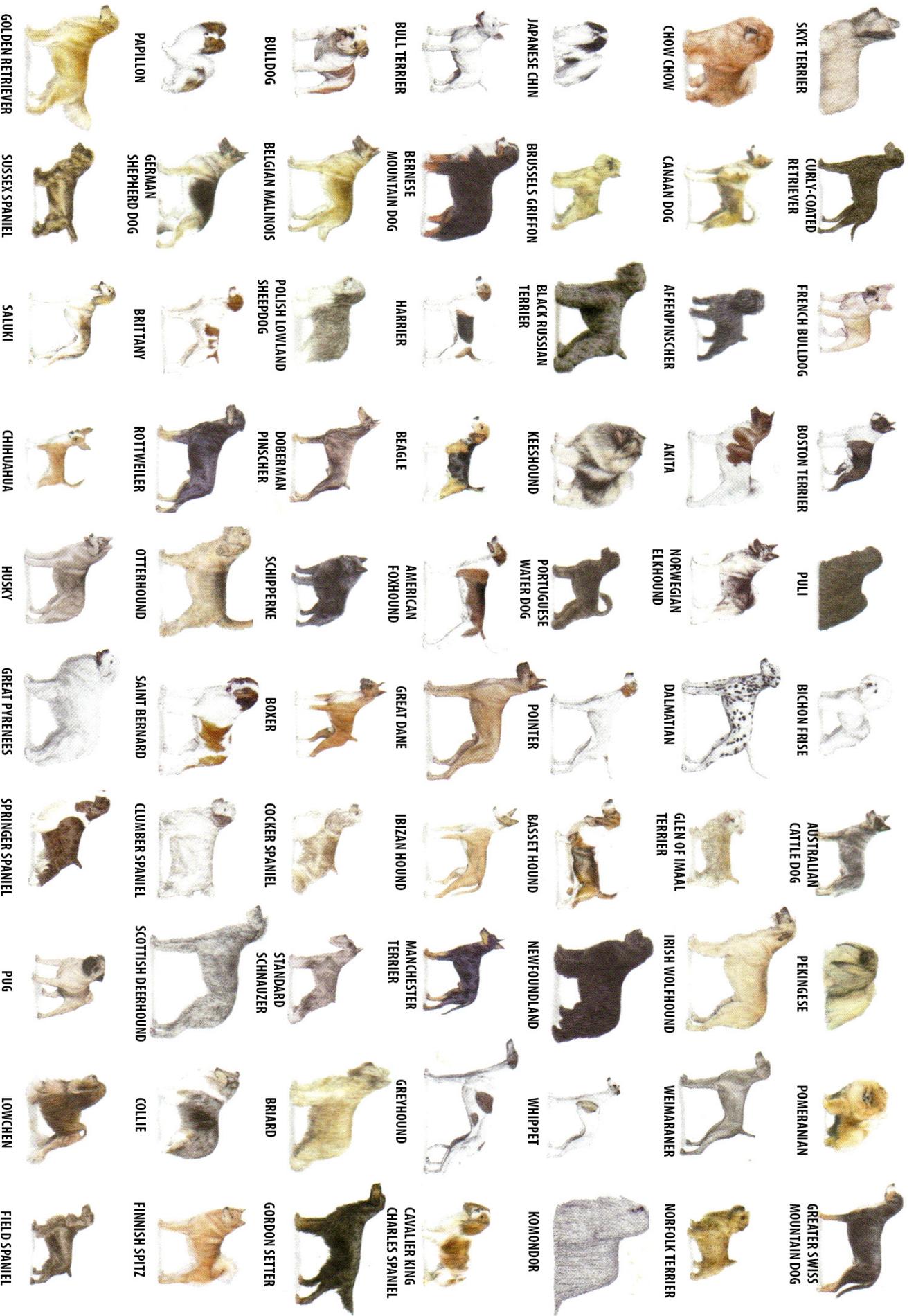
1ST	Budweiser
2ND	Bush's Baked Beans
3RD	Taco Bell
4TH	Met Life

Group 6

1ST		4TH	
2ND		5TH	
3RD			

Group 7

1ST	Joe ____ Spaniel
2ND	Jeff ____ Setter
3RD	Angela ____ Hound
4TH	Jerry ____ Spaniel
5TH	Sally ____ Spaniel





Neophobia - Fear of the new

by Jimmy W., Chicago

I know change is scary, but applying identical thinking to every situation has its drawbacks. Maybe after solving this puzzle you will know what's wrong with doing things repeatedly.

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Sar MASSOPHOBIA - Fear of dating

by Sandor W., Chicago

Dating scares me because I fear not being able to communicate. I only ever get half of what people are saying. Take this Tinder chat for example. And when I do manage to get a date with someone, there's always this one thing that scares me even more.

Hi there! My name is Chris.

Hi Chris.

What's your name?

Before I tell you that, please prove to me that you're not some kind of automated ⚡.

Uh, what?

Let's see... what time do you wake up?

Usually around 7 AM. You?

Not 🐟 9. Hmm, Doesn't prove anything. What's your best quality?

I can make the Kessel Run in less than 12 parsecs.

What the 🍊 are you talking about?

Uh, nevermind.

Let's move on.

Okay, let's see, I was in the Air Force.

Wow! You're some kind of flying ❤️?

I don't know about that. So will you tell me your name now?

Not yet. Still assessing. What's your favorite holiday?

Halloween.

Me too! I love to 🍒 for apples.

That's confusing.

Not at all! Everyone does it. What do you do for work?

I'm a ... puzzlemaker. You?

Fascinating. I used to work for the government, but I just got laid off, actually. They thought I was a bit of a 🏠 wolf.

So sorry to hear that.

Thanks.

Let's get back to Halloween. What's your favorite costume?

I'll give you a hint. It likes to say "📞!"

That is a tough hint. I like to dress up like Boba Fett.

Who's that?

From Star Wars.

Oh right the movie with the funny 🐼 scene. Where Greedo shoots first.

Except he didn't.

Whatever

Let's change topics. Favorite food?

Easy. Bread. Especially when I use it to 📄 up marinara sauce. You?

This is a weird one, but I love to eat bugs.

That's gross. But I'll give you points for bravery.

Also cake.

Oh no.

What?

You cake people. 🍷 will always win.

But...

Bye.



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