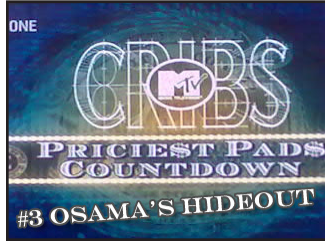




## HEADLINES



MTV Cribs To Film Next Episode At Osama Hideout



Kobe Still Confident the Lakers Will Come Back For Some Reason

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## With Osama Dead, Search for Remaining Horcruxes Intensifies

While the death of Osama bin Laden marks a tremendous achievement for the United States, military officials report that the War on Terror is far from over. Lieutenant Colonel Bradley Connors told the White House press corps, "bin Laden knew al Qaeda's mission would continue long after his death, so he split his soul into seven pieces, or Horcruxes, in the hopes of regaining strength and one day reclaiming leadership of the radical movement. Special task forces have been dispatched throughout the Middle East that are working around the clock to find and destroy the Horcruxes so that we can put an end to bin Laden once and for all."

Connors went on to explain that the hunt for Horcruxes, a highly classified operation until now, began several years ago when President Bush launched an invasion of Iraq in an attempt to find bin Laden's first Horcrux – a weapon of mass destruction. "Though people criticized the administration for the Iraqi invasion, it was a crucial first step in our hunt for Horcruxes. Even though the WMD eluded us, we discovered the identity of three other Horcruxes, including a can of Four Loko, a three ounce bottle of some type of liquid or



Several of the very dangerous Horcruxes that must be destroyed.

gel, and bin Laden's favorite shower loofah. Because of these intelligence breakthroughs, we were able to prevent airport travelers and irresponsible college students from unwittingly ingesting or transporting a piece of bin Laden's soul."

President Obama has promised that terrorism will be over once the seven Horcruxes are found and destroyed. However, there has only been speculation about where the remaining Horcruxes may be. Many government intelligence officials are convinced that Sarah Palin and Donald Trump both

may be harboring parts of the soul of Osama.

"The administration understands the need for decisive action in the coming weeks," assures Connors, "Once these final Horcruxes are destroyed, the threat of Osama and his terrorist followers will finally be demolished, ending the menace of terrorism to freedom-loving peoples around the globe."

While the military is working to complete the search, Hollywood has started production on a feature length film: *Barack Obama and the Prisoner of Abottabad*. (Hoffer, Adler)

## Mattel Releases New Educational Toy "Cat in the Box"

In a conference attended by tens of interested toy magnates, Mattel announced that their newest toy, the "Cat in the Box," will be released in Summer 2012.

"It's a take on the traditional Jack-in-the-Box," explained Mattel's CEO Bob Eckert. "We've just modified a



cat in the box unknown until the crank is wound and the music plays.

"So there are two plastic cat heads on springs in the box," says product designer Michael Lewis. "One head depicts a dead cat, with its tongue hanging out and an X in each eye. The other depicts a live cat, with its eyes open and a collar that says 'I can haz life' on it. When the crank is turned and the music plays, a nuclear reaction happens inside the box that vaporizes one of the cats such that when the box opens, there is only a live cat or a dead cat inside."

Mattel predicts that, assuming the reaction remains contained, the Cat-in-the-Box will be a safe learning experience that will provide fun for children for generations to come. (Karpas)

The Cat-in-the-Box will help kids from ages three to seven learn quantum mechanics by making the state of the cat in the box unknown until the crank is wound and the music plays.

few things to help kids get a learning experience out of our product as well as a recreational experience."

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## FLIPSIDE FEATURE -Cockblocks: Then and Now

People have been hooking up all through history, and hookups have been going awry for just as long. This handy chart compares for two different time periods the unfortunate cockblock scenarios in which you, a strapping young man, might find yourself.

Modern Day	Middle Ages
Midway through undressing, the girl stops to ask for a commitment beyond "friends with benefits."	Midway through removing her glove, the girl stops to ask whether you intend to marry her.
An obnoxious Pandora ad interrupts the perfect hookup playlist.	Your violin accompanist stops playing and starts complaining about being a serf.
The girl's very attractive former hookup texts her "I want you... come over."	The girl's very attractive former suitor barges in and challenges you to a duel for her love.
You puke and/or fall asleep after drinking too many glasses of wine that night.	You puke and/or fall asleep after drinking too many glasses of wine that night.
You hesitate for a second when she asks whether you have any STDs.	You hesitate for a second when she asks whether you have bubonic plague.
You can't find a condom.	You're good; condoms won't be invented for quite a few centuries.

(Kuenzel)

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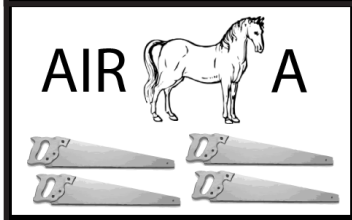
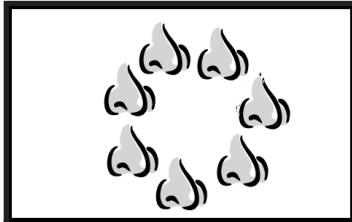
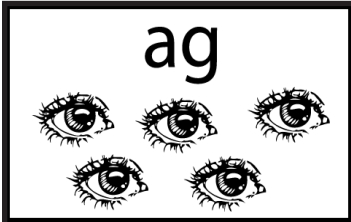
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## REBUS PUZZLES

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?



last week's answers: FORTUITOUS, TWELFTH NIGHT, SPACE BAR, KILIMANJARO

## NUMBERS

# 229

The number of career playoff wins for Lakers coach Phil Jackson. Also the number of times he said "fuck" under his breath while the Mavericks were blowing out the Lakers by 36 points. Kobe also said "fuck" 200 times, and Andrew Bynum was on pace to say "fuck" 321 times, but he got ejected.

This is a website on the internet:  
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## CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

This is a simple substitution code. Each letter is replaced by a different letter. Try to decode the message or quote below. HINT W = A

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HSTXNQWG YOFQWENMB N DYQYNUYO ZDML SYD. -AYMDAY KWXS NBAEMB

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER: WE ARE ALL A LITTLE WEIRD AND LIFE'S A LITTLE WEIRD, AND WHEN WE FIND SOMEONE WHOSE WEIRDNESS IS COMPATIBLE WITH OURS, WE JOIN UP WITH THEM AND FALL IN MUTUAL WEIRDNESS AND CALL IT LOVE. -DR. SEUSS

## FLIPSIDE TSHIRT

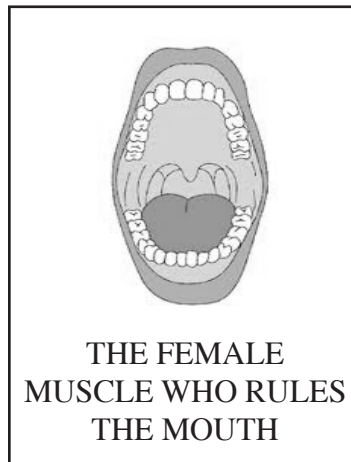
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## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four ordinary jumbles, and use the letters in circles to answer the final question.



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