

Answers



1: Clue here: reading initials spells this message's answer. Simple!

Answer: The initial letters of all the words in the question spell CHRISTMAS.

2: Enter your four-letter answers in the grid.

1. This is the word you want
2. Noise made by owl
3. US state with capital Des Moines
4. Adult male deer

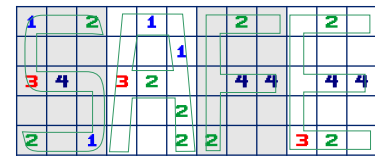
1	T	H	I	S
2	H	O	O	T
3	I	O	W	A
4	S	T	A	G

Answer: THIS

3: What completes the sequence: GRYFFINDOR, UFFLEPUF, VENCL, ???

Answer: THE. The list is the four Hogwarts houses in alphabetical order, but with 0, 1, 2, 3 letters removed from the start and end of the names: GRYFFINDOR, hUFFLEPUFf, raVENCLaw, slyTHErin

4: Within the grid are a number of hidden mines. The numbers indicate how many mines are in the squares adjacent to each number. Locate the mines to reveal a four-letter word.



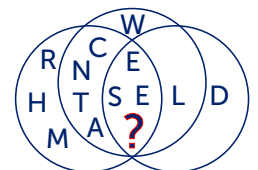
Answer: The squares without mines in the 4 areas of the grid form the shapes of the letters of SAFE.

5: Do Kindly Place Cover On Fresh Green Spring Vegetables is a mnemonic meant to help you remember a list of scientific words. Which word does Kindly help you remember?

Answer: KINGDOM. The Taxonomic rank mnemonic has the same initials as Domain, Kingdom, Phylum, Order, Family, Genus, Species, Variety.

6: What six-letter word does the ? represent in this Venn diagram?

Answer: UNITED. The letters in the complete circles form the names MANCHESTER, NEWCASTLE and LEEDS. All these have Premier League football teams which end UNITED.



7: Solve the code; answer the question; encode the answer: Cwog og cwi 7^{cw} ahigcoet: xiexui kent kicziit toticiit lencj gov stf toticiit govcj lehn sni yeppetuj dtezt sg kskj zwsc?

Answer: KEEPING. This is a simple substitution code in which each letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a different one. Here is the original message, and answer, alongside the encrypted version:

This is the 7th question: people born between nineteen forty six and Cwog og cwi 7^{cw} ahigcoet: xiexui kent kicziit toticiit lencj gov stf

nineteen sixty four are commonly known as baby what? BOOMERS
toticiit govcj lehn sni yeppetuj dtezt sg kskj zwsc? KEEPING

Overall answer: Each of the seven puzzles or answers can be associated with one of the pictures on the front of the card. In order, reading from top to bottom:

Pram: KEEPING
Lightning bolt: THE
Football: UNITED
Crown: KINGDOM
Padlock: SAFE
Stag: THIS
Present: CHRISTMAS