

Puzzles 25

How to play:

Each pair of lines below contains two clues and two 5- or 6-letter answers. The two answers are words which differ from each other by one letter, which has already been provided. The remaining letters are ordered exactly the same in both answers. Your challenge is to guess the words from the two clues. For example:

Full of life _ I _ _ _ _ Exquisitely beautiful _ O _ _ _ _ (LIVELY, LOVELY)

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| 1. Use a broom | _ W _ _ _ _ | Get some shut eye | _ L _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Might | P _ _ _ _ _ | Grass cutter | M _ _ _ _ _ |
| 3. Love interest | _ _ _ _ M _ | Snowfall unit | _ _ _ _ K _ |
| 4. Welcome | _ _ _ _ _ T | Color of grass | _ _ _ _ _ N |
| 5. Set ablaze | _ _ _ R _ _ | Feel | _ _ _ U _ _ |
| 6. Not hip | _ _ _ _ _ O _ | Straighten out | _ _ _ _ _ I _ |
| 7. Swan Lake, for one | _ A _ _ _ _ _ | Bit of ammo | _ U _ _ _ _ _ |
| 8. Lively and quick | _ _ _ _ S _ | The very edge | _ _ _ _ N _ |
| 9. Top city official | _ _ _ Y _ _ | Frank Burns' rank | _ _ _ J _ _ |
| 10. Circus animal handler | _ _ _ M _ _ | _ _ _ tot | _ _ _ T _ _ |
| 11. Kettle vapor | _ _ _ _ _ M | Swipe | _ _ _ _ _ L |
| 12. Oval shape | _ B _ _ _ _ _ | Black tea | _ O _ _ _ _ _ |
| 13. Finally | L _ _ _ _ _ _ | Enormously | V _ _ _ _ _ _ |

14. Tidily	___ _ T ___	Just about	___ _ R ___
15. Shady spot	___ B ___	Enthusiasm	___ D ___
16. Beatle's drummer	R ___ _ _	Epiphany word	B ___ _ _
17. A swallow	___ _ T ___	Singer Gaye	___ _ V ___
18. Upload to an email	___ _ _ _ H	Surprise raid	___ _ _ _ K
19. Lifting machine	___ _ N _	Case	___ _ T _
20. Babysitter	___ _ N _	Mrs. Reagan	___ _ C _
21. Above a Captain	___ J ___	Country estate	___ N ___
22. Stay behind	___ M ___ _	Keep	___ T ___ _
23. Actress Bacall	___ _ _ _ N	Emblem of victory	___ _ _ _ L
24. Bread cook	_ A _ _ _	Harley driver	_ l _ _ _
25. Use one's noggin	___ _ _ K	Any object	___ _ _ G

Solutions 25

1. SWEEP, SLEEP 2. POWER, MOWER 3. FLAME, FLAKE 4. GREET, GREEN
5. TORCH, TOUCH 6. UNCOOL, UNCOIL 7. BALLET, BULLET 8. BRISK,
BRINK 9. MAYOR, MAJOR 10. TAMER, TATER 11. STEAM, STEAL
12. OBLONG, OOLONG 13. LASTLY, VASTLY 14. NEATLY, NEARLY
15. ARBOR, ARDOR 16. RINGO, BINGO 17. MARTIN, MARVIN
18. ATTACH, ATTACK 19. CRANE, CRATE 20. NANNY, NANCY 21. MAJOR,
MANOR 22. REMAIN, RETAIN 23. LAUREN, LAUREL 24. BAKER, BIKER
25. THINK, THING