

Puzzles 39

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. Malice | __ P _ _ _ _ | Set of rooms | __ U _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Puritan | __ _ _ _ D _ | Trim the tree | __ _ _ _ N _ |
| 3. Put on ice | __ _ _ _ _ L | Julie the cook | __ _ _ _ _ D |
| 4. Toast topper | __ _ _ _ T _ _ | Rhett played by Clark | __ _ _ _ L _ _ |
| 5. Flexible | __ I _ _ _ _ _ | Planks from trees | __ U _ _ _ _ _ |
| 6. Eject from school | __ _ P _ _ _ | Do extremely well | __ _ C _ _ _ |
| 7. Checkered print | __ _ _ _ _ D | Unadorned | __ _ _ _ _ N |
| 8. Color of soot | __ _ _ _ C _ | Vacant | __ _ _ _ N _ |
| 9. Apply oil | G _ _ _ _ _ _ | Fold | C _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 10. Tear-causing veggie | __ N _ _ _ _ | Mythical hunter | __ R _ _ _ _ |
| 11. In the course of | __ U _ _ _ _ _ | Adventurous | __ A _ _ _ _ _ |
| 12. Sitcom material | H _ _ _ _ _ | Hearsay | R _ _ _ _ _ |
| 13. Eight pints | G _ _ _ _ _ _ | TV host Jimmy | F _ _ _ _ _ _ |

14. Alice's "mad" friend	___ T ___	Animal lead	___ L ___
15. Carnival employee	___ R ___	Broker	___ N ___
16. Clothes stiffener	___ T ___	Use Google	___ E ___
17. British hood	B ___	Form of verse	S ___
18. Tutorial	___ O ___	Grow smaller	___ E ___
19. Stallion	___ S ___	Massive crowd	___ D ___
20. Coins	___ N ___	Use a credit card	___ R ___
21. Linger	___ R ___	Late for class	___ D ___
22. Ponder	___ N ___	Heavy-set	___ C ___
23. Vocalist	___ G ___	Saint's opposite	___ N ___
24. Jack or jenny	D ___	Primate	M ___
25. Harriet Beecher	___ W ___	Cooking appliance	___ V ___

Solutions 39

1. SPITE, SUITE 2. PRUDE, PRUNE 3. CHILL, CHILD 4. BUTTER, BUTLER
5. LIMBER, LUMBER 6. EXPEL, EXCEL 7. PLAID, PLAIN 8. BLACK, BLANK
9. GREASE, CREASE 10. ONION, ORION 11. DURING, DARING
12. HUMOR, RUMOR 13. GALLON, FALLON 14. HATTER, HALTER
15. BARKER, BANKER 16. STARCH, SEARCH 17. BONNET, SONNET
18. LESSON, LESSEN 19. HORSE, HORDE 20. CHANGE, CHARGE 21. TARRY,
TARDY 22. THINK, THICK 23. SINGER, SINNER 24. DONKEY, MONKEY
25. STOWE, STOVE