

**S**anta has battled through the snow and has been beavering away to prepare for his big day. He has to call Amazon to order his remaining presents and feels that he will then be able to catch forty winks and swallow what is left of his lamb cutlets in aspic, his bowl of crisps and his keg of beer by his flaming orange fire.

The robins, pheasants and pigeons are safely on their perches and Santa has already saddled his reindeer friends.

All this means that it is time for our Bugle Festive Quiz, which, believe it or not, is celebrating its 25th Anniversary.

Our compiler has wanted to catch our entrants out each year and fox them with new teasers but they always make a dogged effort and share their knowledge when they have to.

As usual there are ten deliberate spelling mistakes although our eagle eyed entrants often spot more... These are worth one point each.

This introduction also contains the names of over fifty creatures (birds/fish/animals/insects) and there is one point for each one identified. Some may be duplicated or span more than one word and some may have two creatures in one word (eg/ beagle contains both beagle and eagle and whelk contains both whelk and elk).

Our guest contributors all come from states in the USA this year. Their names appear in anagram form after each poser and are worth one point each.

**So, why not have a go at it if you feel able and send your entries to Ralph Horton at 18 Highcroft to arrive by the 15th January.**

**If Bugle funds allow there will be a small prize for our top three entrants together with a fourth prize for any other entry pulled randomly out of a hat.**

**Good luck - you will need it!**

### **I Don't Care**

The meeting of the village Apathy Club which was due to be held at the Village Hall on 5th December was cancelled because nobody could be bothered to attend.

**(Penny Vanials)**

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**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from us all at The Bugle**



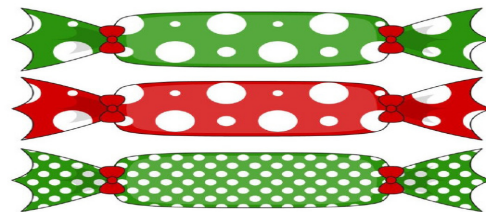
## You Can't Judge A Book By The Cover

This year, members of the village book club decided to read books which have a place name in the title. Are you able to identify the books they read and also the authors whose initials appear in brackets after their book?

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|--|---------|
| 1. The C Tales                             | (G C)   |
| 2. A passage to I                          | (E M F) |
| 3. Fear and loathing in L V                | (H S T) |
| 4. The two gentlemen of V                  | (W S)   |
| 5. A C Yankee in King Arthur's Court       | (M T)   |
| 6. A gentleman in M                        | (A T)   |
| 7. The Hotel N H                           | (J I)   |
| 8. Our man in H                            | (G G)   |
| 9. Out of A                                | (I D)   |
| 10. The O File                             | (F F)   |
| 11. A small town in G                      | (J L C) |
| 12. The beekeeper of A                     | (C L)   |
| 13. Harry Potter and the order of the P    | (J K R) |
| 14. J Inn                                  | (D D M) |
| 15. A tree grows in B                      | (B S)   |
| 16. The hunchback of N D                   | (V H)   |
| 17. Round I with a fridge                  | (T H)   |
| 18. The merchant of V                      | (W S)   |
| 19. The man from S P                       | (K F)   |
| 20. From R with love                       | (I F)   |
| 21. B Rock                                 | (G G)   |
| 22. Death in V                             | (T M)   |
| 23. The bookseller of K                    | (A S)   |
| 24. Funeral in B                           | (L D)   |
| 25. The G literary and potato peel society | (M A S) |

*There is 1 point for each place name and 1 point for each author*

**(Mal Hooka)**



## Lucky Number

Are you able to insert the missing numbers into the following grid?

Each column, row and block of nine has to contain a different digit between 1 and 9.

5			4	1		3		
	9	1	8			6	7	2
		3	9		6	4		
		9		8		7		4
2					5			8
	1		7	4	9			
	2	4	5				3	6
9			3		4		1	
6			2	9		8		

Once the grid is completed can you provide the total sum of the individual numbers you have inserted?

**There are 5 points available for correctly completing the grid with a further 5 points for calculating the total**

**(Dora Lif)**

## Money (That's What I Want)

Sylvia started saving for Mike's Christmas present on the 1st December.

She put 1p in her piggy bank and doubled the amount she put in each day (ie/ day one was 1p, day two was 2p, day three was 4p). How much would she have saved by carrying on this process up to and including Christmas Eve?

**5 points for the correct answer**

**(Ward A Lee)**

## Colours

How many songs, films or books are you able to name which have a colour in the title.

**1 point for each to a maximum of 30**

**(Ron M Vet)**



## School's Out

Ralph was getting very nostalgic about his schooldays and fondly remembering his classmates..

There were a number of fellow pupils whose first names were named after flowers, plants or trees.

Are you able to name up to ten people who were in his class?

**1 point for each answer**

**(Ian G Chim)**



## Born To Be Wild

The Bugle team summer outing this year took them to a couple of Safari Parks.

How many creatures (animals/birds/insects) are you able to find by combining letters from the following phrase?

### “Woburn and Longleat Wildlife Safari Parks”

Letters cannot be used more than once unless they appear more than once in the phrase.

1 point for each creature to a maximum of 25

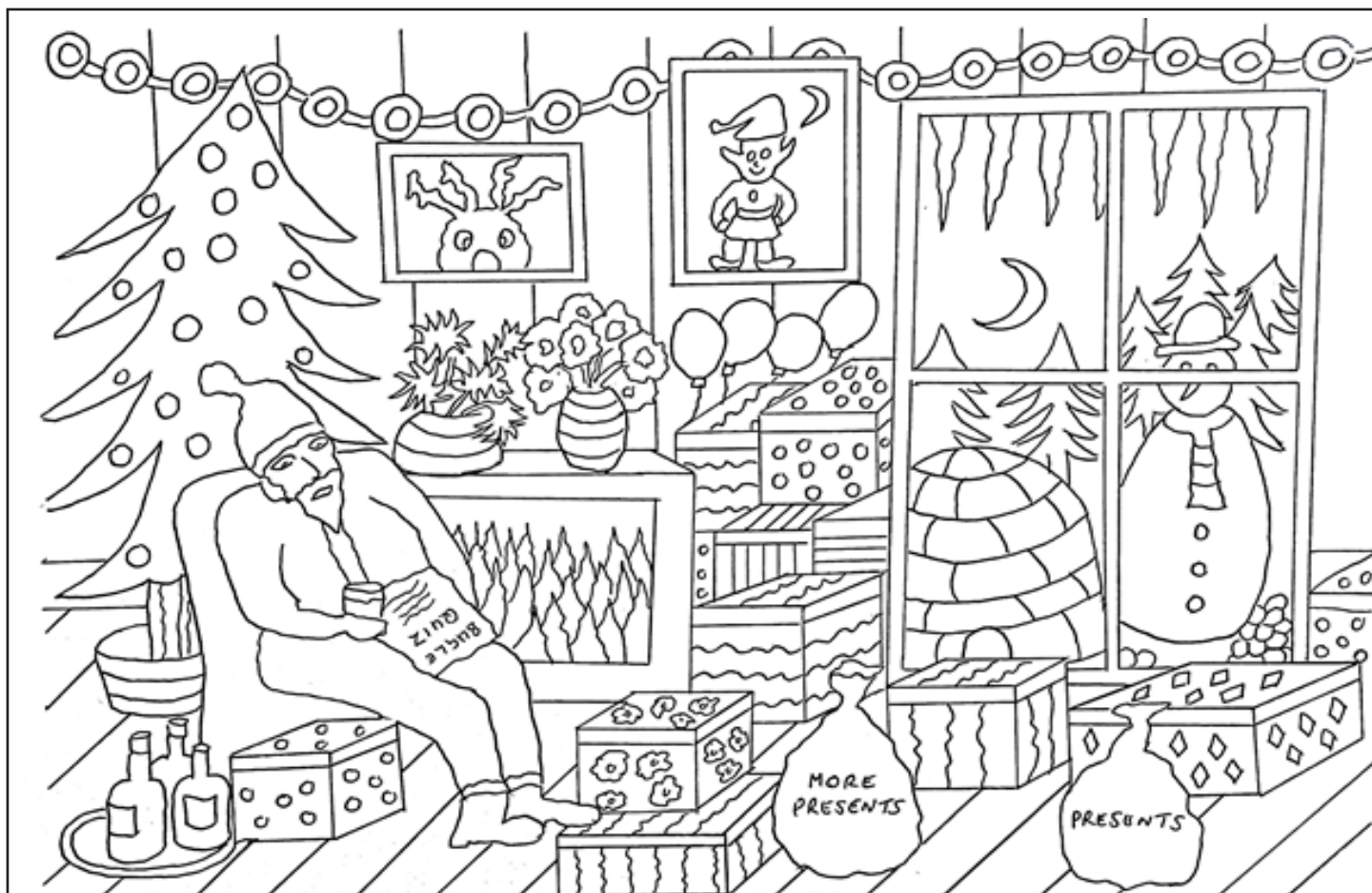
(Karen Bas)



## Sitting By The Fire

Father Christmas is having a well earned drink and a rest before delivering his remaining presents.

Are you able to brighten up his room by colouring the following picture?



**“It’s too cold to be delivering presents. I’d rather be doing The Bugle Quiz”**

There are 10 points available for the coloring and a further 5 points for suggesting an alternative caption

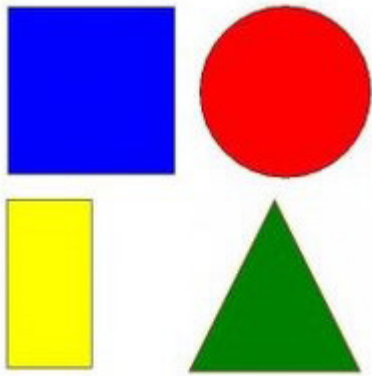
(Virginia Stew)



### The Shape I'm In

Our Christmas shapes competition is here again and we continue to be impressed by the imagination shown by our entrants.

Can you produce a picture using 15 of each of the following shapes?



**There is one point for each of the shapes you have used (to a maximum of 60) with an extra 5 points if your picture has a Christmas theme and a further 5 points if it is coloured in**  
**(Fiona Ralic)**

### Drive My Car

Sylvia arrived home from a shopping trip to Market Harborough in a very happy mood.

She told Mike that she had been complemented on her driving.

"Someone had put a note on my windscreen saying 'Parking Fine'"

**(Reg Agio)**



### The Letter

What word begins and ends with the letter "E" but normally contains only one letter?

**3 points for the correct answer**

**(Gina Rivi)**



### When Will I Be Famous?

Someone has jumbled up the letters making up the name of a popular village newsletter in which many people are named in the festive quiz issue from time to time.

#### BBGUWOTRLHOSE

Are you able to name some of the famous people by combining two consecutive letters from the above? (e.g.: Brigitte Bardot)

1. She is "Vera" on TV
2. Jazz clarinetist sounds like he's a nice chap
3. Andrew Lloyd Webber's writing partner
4. He was Oil Tycoon 'JR' in a large Texan City
5. Dawn French's Ex
6. Live Aid's main man
7. He played Black Adder's long suffering servant
8. Singing brother of Donnie and Marie
9. He was Fancy Smith in "Z Cars"
10. Speaker who kept the House of Commons in order
11. Scottish singer who is unlikely to act in a Western
12. One of the three Bee Gee Brothers
13. He was a "Small Face" with Steve Marriott
14. Microsoft's main man
15. The ladies love his perfume and clothing
16. Famous American evangelist
17. Well known village member of the Bugle team
18. Ex Chief Scout cooking Teddy on the barbecue
19. Swedish Wimbledon tennis champion
20. He portrayed the long suffering son of Jim Royle
21. Wife of the USA's 43rd president
22. He was an ex Liverpool and Zimbabwe goalie
23. American Blues singer who is friends with a man
24. "Won't you come home?" this comedian was asked in a song
25. Egyptian actor famous for "Lawrence of Arabia"
26. German Wimbledon tennis champion
27. He played Del Boy's slow witted friend
28. "Ode to Billie Joe" singer could be a member of the aristocracy
29. He was in charge of Culture Club
30. "Between The Wars" folk singer sounds as though he is boasting

**There are 10 points available for naming the popular newsletter and 1 point for each of the well known people you can identify**

**(Isla Hoddern)**



## Holidays In The Sun

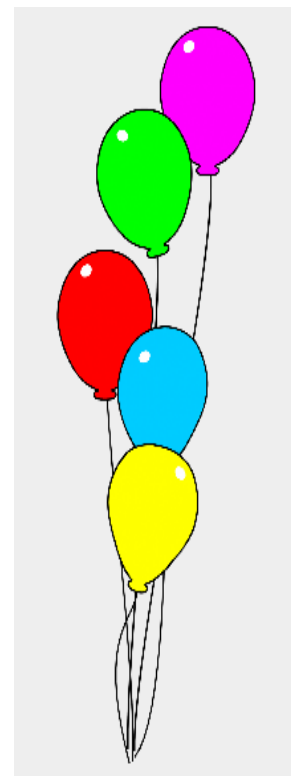
The Bugle team were widely travelled on their holidays last year and visited fourteen European countries.

Are you able to locate the countries from the following grid? The country names can be found vertically, horizontally or diagonally in a forward or backward direction.

When taken in order the unused letters will spell out the names of the capital cities of three of the countries.

S	T	O	C	E	L	C	K	H	Y
A	O	F	Y	C	A	L	M	L	M
U	B	I	P	N	T	R	A	A	U
S	S	N	R	A	V	T	L	Y	B
T	P	L	U	R	I	T	E	A	E
R	S	A	S	F	A	E	T	W	L
I	L	N	I	E	C	E	E	R	G
A	S	D	M	N	A	D	R	O	I
G	E	R	M	A	N	Y	C	N	U
S	W	E	D	E	N	R	I	D	M

Malta  
Italy  
Sweden  
France  
Cyprus  
Spain  
Crete  
Germany  
Austria  
Latvia  
Belgium  
Finland  
Greece  
Norway



**There is 1 point available for locating each country and 1 point for each capital**

**(Kent Yuck)**

### Holiday

Members of the Bugle team visited the first eight countries listed above for their holidays this year for periods ranging from 1 to 3 weeks.

Are you able to establish which countries each team member visited and the length of their stay?

- Three of the team members visited countries whose names began with the initial letters of their name and for a different number of weeks.
- Melvyn, Ralph & Jo all visited islands with Melvyn having the longest stay and Jo the shortest.
- Mike spent the whole of his week in Berlin whereas Frances travelled from Calais to Paris for her week.
- Sylvia travelled the furthest north and Ralph the furthest south.
- Heather had the same length holiday as Melvyn and this was one week longer than Penny who enjoyed the sunshine on The Costa Brava.

**There is 1 point for each holiday destination and 1 point for each holiday duration (ie 16 points in total)**

**(Ada Ven)**



### The End

Are you able to make a line of words where the next word starts with the last two letters of the previous word?

(e.g. Genuine/Never/Error)

**Make 5 groups of ten words with 1 point for each word used to a maximum of 50**

**(Ena Mi)**

### Games People Play

The Village darts team set themselves another difficult challenge this year.

They had fourteen throws with the objective of spelling Merry Christmas by hitting the appropriate letters on the following board. Each letter was worth the number of points of it's appearance in the alphabet (EG/ The letter M would score 13 points)



What would be the total score if they achieved their objective?

**5 points for the correct answer**

**(Gino Wym)**

## Keep On Running

Mike ran the London Marathon this year and, in a fantastic effort, he raised almost £2000 for The Alzheimer's Charity.

Whilst training for the event he ran from Market Harborough to Lutterworth visiting the following places.

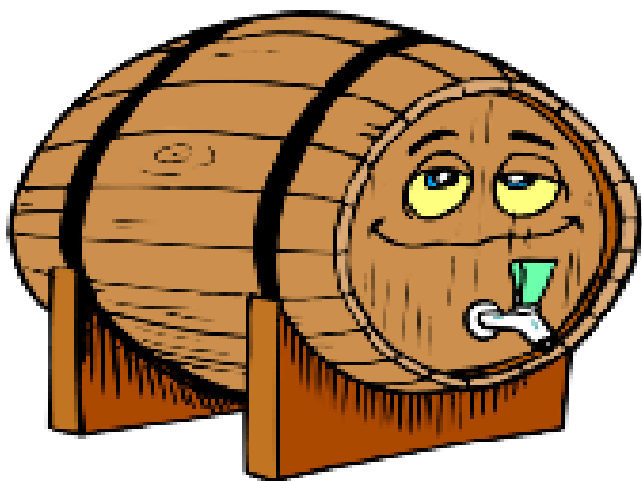
**MARKET HARBOROUGH**  
**LUBENHAM**  
**THEDDINGWORTH**  
**HUSBANDS BOSWORTH**  
**NORTH KILWORTH**  
**WALCOTE**  
**MISTERTON**  
**LUTTERWORTH**

He met a number of people whilst out running and, being the sociable character he is, he stopped for a chat.

Are you able to name any of the people he met by taking one letter from each line in a downward or upward direction. The lines need to be in consecutive order but do not necessarily need to start at the top or bottom line. (e.g. Anna, Dan)

**1 point for naming each person he met up to a maximum of 30**

**(Mandy Lar)**



## Move Your Body

Ralph was trying to get fit and decided to join the village pilates class.

“You’ll have to be pretty flexible to join us” said the instructor.

“Well, I can do Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday afternoons if that is OK” said Ralph.

**(Toni G Shawn)**



## Hanging On The Telephone

It's time to walk off your Christmas lunch. A healthy walk around the village should reveal the following telephone numbers.

1. What number would you call in case of emergency at the Highcroft Electricity sub station?
2. What is the contact number for the 1st Kilworth Scout Group?
3. What number would you call if you have a dental emergency at the doctor's surgery?
4. If you fancied a Chinese takeaway from The Golden Bowl what number would you ring?
5. What number would you use if you wanted to make a charitable donation to Aeddonate for the Honey Pot Lane defibrillator?
6. What number would you use to contact Flashpark about parking at the High Street dental surgery?
7. What is the contact number for Greenbarnes Ltd on the village notice board?
8. What is the contact number for Littlethorpe joinery on the bus shelter opposite the church?
9. What number would you ring to report damage at the village play area?
10. What number would you use to contact Brook House?

**1 point for each correct answer plus 3 bonus points for calculating the total of all the digits used**

**(Carol Tina Horn)**

## Speak My Language

English is a funny language with many words that sound the same but are spelled differently.

(Eg. Which/Witch)

**There is 1 point for each connection you are able to find up to a maximum of 25**

**(Tess Neene)**



## Thank You For The Music

Someone has stolen most of the consonants from the following Beatles songs.

Are you able to identify each of the following tracks and then solve the clue leading to the name of each of the performers whose names begin with the missing letters?

Some of the clues or groups will have made an appearance before but our compiler is running out of inspiration and group names. To make things a little easier we have presented the clues in order.

**DA---I--E-. CA-- -U- -E -O-E. PA-E--A-- --I-E-. GE- -A--. LE- I- -E**

1. Yuppief's affirmative where they display the animals
2. Little Elizabeth sounds anorexic
3. This group sounds as if they are in a hurry
4. Two saints and a virgin
5. Preserve made from an Oyster's output
6. In short this is a quick motion of the optic
7. A fresh instruction from your boss
8. Fahrenheit, Centigrade and Celsius
9. Picture of a young man by an inexperienced artist
10. You'll find our feathered friends by the patio
11. Religious virgin jumps on one leg with her family
12. Kinfolk from a sailor's warning beacon
13. Soft fabric that you may find by the metro
14. Young men who sell animals for a living
15. Little Richard rouses a bloke from sleep
16. Mixture of champagne and orange juice
17. Inexpensive illusion performed by Paul Daniels
18. You could get this from your mum at bedtime
19. Pedestrian siblings
20. You will find this coral structure off the coast of Australia
21. Utter twice
22. Three letters precede this fast lorry
23. A decade later
24. Friend with a spiky green Christmas leaf
25. A feline with authors King and Fry
26. Three people from the Jamaican capital
27. Poodle, alsation and spaniel appear before dawn
28. Rodents from a prosperous urban are

**There is one point available for identifying each of The Beatles tracks with a further point for each correct answer**

**(Ron Azia)**



## Glastonbury Song

Our compiler went to Glastonbury this year and dashed off a quick painting of the crowd.

How many people are you able to count from the picture on the back page?

**1 point for each person you can find**

**(Connie T Tuck)**

## I'm Just A Singer (In A Rock And Roll Band)

Every heading used in this issue is the title of a song.

Are you able to name the group or artist who performed each song?

Some of the songs may have been performed by more than one artist so all the true alternatives will be marked as correct.

**1 point for each correct answer**

**(Reg Ono)**

## It's My Party

The Bugle boys and girls had a good Christmas party last year with all the items they needed for their celebrations being pictured on the first seven pages of this issue.

Can you calculate the cost of the party if the price of the various items was as follows:-

**Balloons - 10p each**

**Crackers - 50p each**

**Tree - £25.00**

**Presents - £5 each**

**Wine - £7.00 per bottle**

**Christmas Cake - £15.00**

**Mince Pies - 40p each**

**10 points for the correct answer**

**(Sonnie Mat)**







### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Ordinary Parish Council Meeting in January**

Saturday, January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Welford Cinema: 'Downton Abbey - the Grand Finale', [2025], 7.00pm Welford VH
Wednesday January 7 <sup>th</sup>	Historical Society 'Conservation book-binding' with Caroline Bendix, 7.30pm Sports Pavilion
Friday January 9 <sup>th</sup>	Causeway Coffee, 10.00am - 11.30am Sports Pavilion
Tuesday January 13 <sup>th</sup>	Bosworth Art Group, 10.30am - 12.30pm Sports Pavilion
Tuesday January 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Precept Meeting, 7.30pm Sports Pavilion
Tuesday January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Bosworth Art Group, 10.30am - 12.30pm Sports Pavilion
Tuesday January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Village Lunch, 12.30pm Kilworth Springs Golf Club
Tuesday, February 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm Sports Pavilion



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The next edition of the famous *Bosworth Bugle* will be the February 2026 issue...