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**THE RETURN OF
 SHERLOCK HOLMES.**
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XI.—The Adventure of the Missing Three-Quarter.

ME were fairly accustomed to receive weird telegrams at Baker Street, but I have a particular recollection of one which reached us on a gloomy February morning some seven or eight years ago and gave Mr. Sherlock Holmes a puzzled quarter of an hour. It was addressed to him, and ran thus—
 "Strand post-mark and dispatched thirty-six," said Holmes, reading it over and over. "Mr. Overton was evidently considerably excited when he sent it, and somewhat incoherent in consequence. Well, well, he will be here, I dare say, by the time I have looked through the *Times*, and then we shall know all about it. Even the most insignificant problem would be welcome in these stagnant days."
 Things had indeed been very slow with us, and I had learned to dread such periods of inaction, for I knew by experience that my companion's brain was so abnormally active that it was dangerous to leave it without material upon which to work. For years I had gradually weaned him from that drug mania which had threatened once to check his remarkable career. Now I knew that under ordinary conditions he no longer craved for this artificial stimulus, but I was well aware that the fiend was not dead, but sleeping; and I have known that the sleep was a light one and the waking near when in periods of silence I have seen the drawn look upon Holmes's ascetic face, and the brooding of his deep-set and inscrutable eyes.
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Therefore I blessed this Mr. Overton, whoever he might be, since he had come with his enigmatic message to break that dangerous calm which brought more peril to my friend than all the storms of his tempestuous life.
 As we had expected, the telegram was soon followed by its sender, and the card of Mr. Cyril Overton, of Trinity College, Cambridge, announced the arrival of an enormous young man, sixteen stone of solid bone and muscle, who spanned the doorway with his broad shoulders and looked from one of us to the other with a comely face which was haggard with anxiety.
 "Mr. Sherlock Holmes?"
 My companion bowed.
 "I've been down to Scotland Yard, Mr. Holmes. I saw Inspector Stanley Hopkins. He advised me to come to you. He said the case, so far as he could see, was more in your line than in that of the regular police."
 "Pray sit down and tell me what is the matter?"
 "It's awful, Mr. Holmes, simply awful! I wonder my hair isn't grey. Godfrey Staunton—you've heard of him, of course? He's simply the hinge that the whole team turns on. I'd rather spare two from the pack and have Godfrey for my three-quarter line. Whether it's passing, or tackling, or dribbling, there's no one to touch him; and then, he's got the head and can hold us all together. What am I to do? That's what I ask you, Mr. Holmes. There's Moorhouse, first reserve, but he is trained as a half, and he always edges right in on to the scrum instead of keeping out on the touch-line. He's a fine place-kick, it's true; but, then, he

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SHERLOCK HOLMES CANONPUZZLES

**Word Search, Criss Cross & Crossword Puzzle
 DEVELOPED BY STEVE MASON**

The Return of Sherlock Holmes

The Adventure of the Missing Three-Quarter -- Part 3

**These Puzzles include specific terms related to the story.
 All words and terms come directly out of the Canon.**

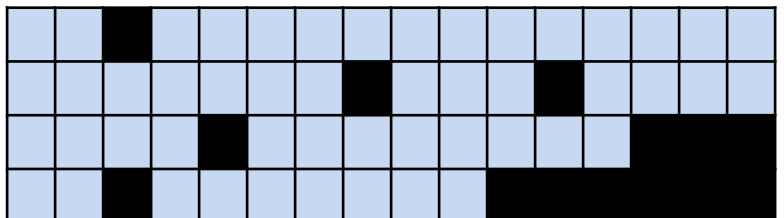
**Thanks to Bill Dorn for his gracious allowance of
 vocabulary words from Study Guide to Sherlock Holmes,
 vols. 1 and 2**

Missing Three-Quarter (Puzzle #4)

WORDCIRCLE: Find each of the listed words in the puzzle. Click on each letter found and circle it with a CAPITAL "O". You can tab between letters. Once all terms are found, the remaining un-circled letters should complete a quote from the story below.

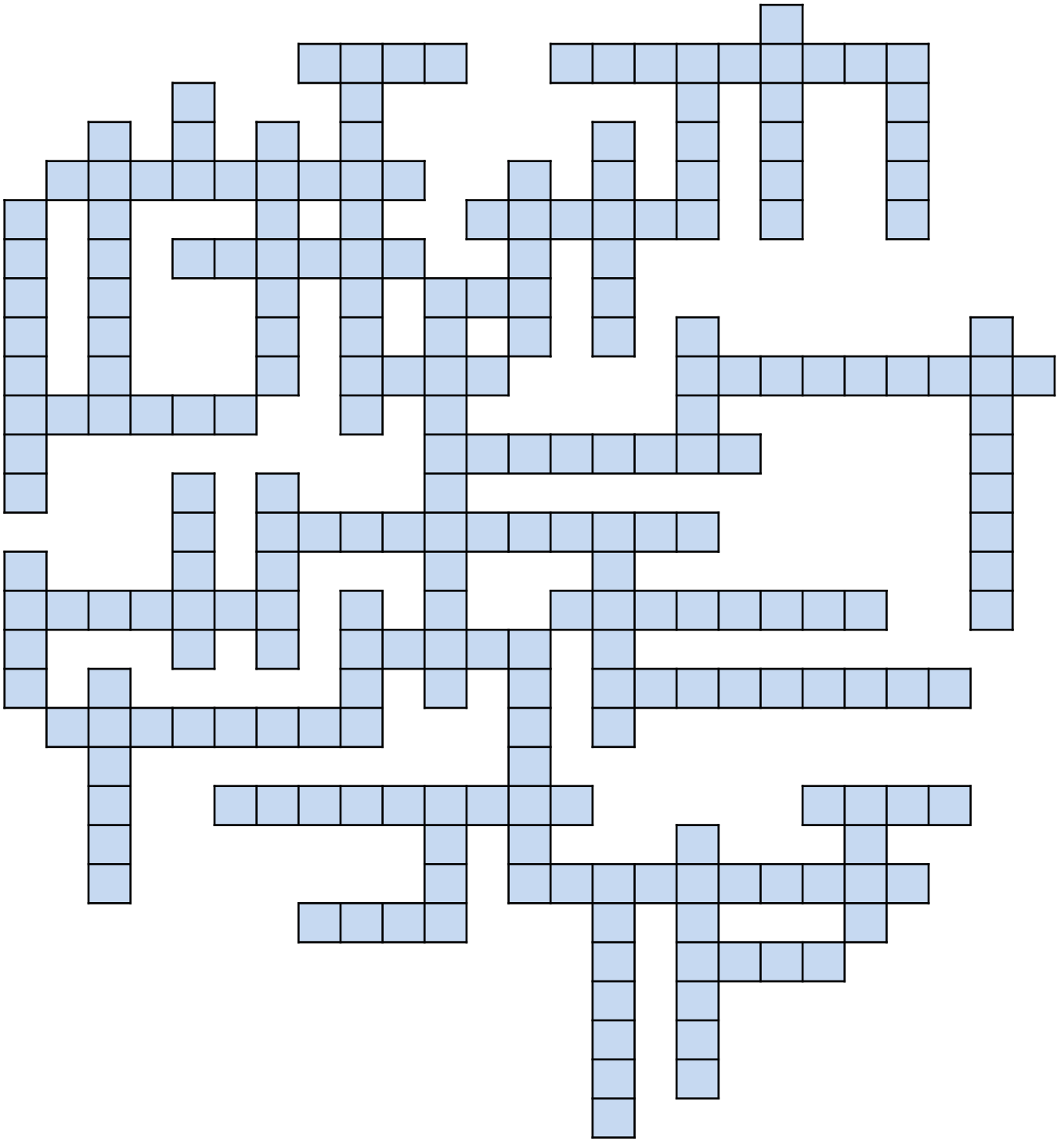
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- ASCERTAIN
- AXED
- BLUES
- BRAWNY
- BURROW
- CHAP
- COMELY
- COUNTERFOIL
- CRAM
- CUE
- DISPATCHED
- DROP
- FATE
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Missing Three-Quarter (Puzzle #5)

CRISS-CROSS: Fit each word into their proper place in the Framework.



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| CRAM | THUS | ROOST | INDUCE | SPANNED | SARDONIC | PUBLICANS | COUNTERFOIL |
| DROP | WITS | STONE | PLIGHT | WARRANT | SINGULAR | QUERULOUS | INSCRUTABLE |

Missing Three-Quarter (Puzzle #6)

CROSSWORD: Each clue is a term from the Canon. Highlighted clues on the next page are from this Story.

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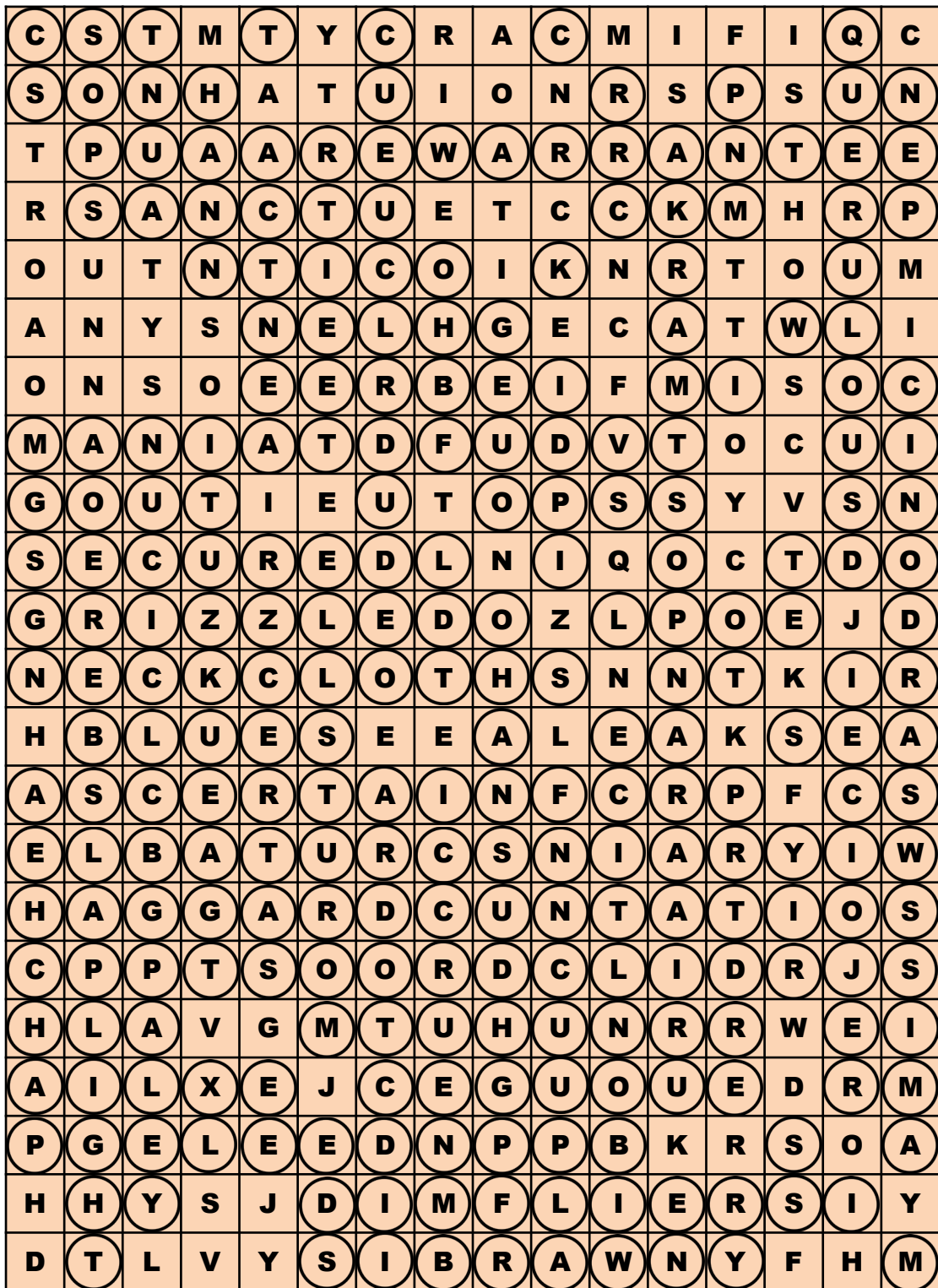
Across

1. Mark stamped on a letter on where it originated
3. Mental sharpness and inventiveness
5. Sack
7. Inquired
9. Young male
12. Physically strong; muscular
13. Grumbling
16. Small wooden dowel used to hang things on
18. Fellow
20. Hole or tunnel dug as a dwelling
23. Succeed in persuading or influencing someone to do something
24. Fixed or limited period for which something is expected to last
26. Completely fill to overflowing
27. Truncated or unusually short thing, such as a ticket
28. Wonder
29. Pole - _____
30. Quill - _____
31. Swirling water
33. Frozen water
36. As a result or consequence of this; therefore
39. Document issued to search a premises
41. Flecked with grey
42. Keepers of public houses or taverns
43. Being; is
46. Captured a person
48. Small particles of dirt
50. Cravat or tie
53. Dangerous, difficult or otherwise unfortunate situation
54. Fast moving persons
56. Temporary interval of quiet or lack of activity
58. Lacking good manners
59. Movable frame on which a coffin is placed on
60. Wooden crosspiece fastened over the neck of horses or cattle to help pull a wagon or cart
62. Person who hoards wealth and spends as little money as possible
64. Magnificent and imposing in appearance and size
66. Difficult to understand; impenetrable; originating in the mind
67. Exemption from punishment or harm

Down

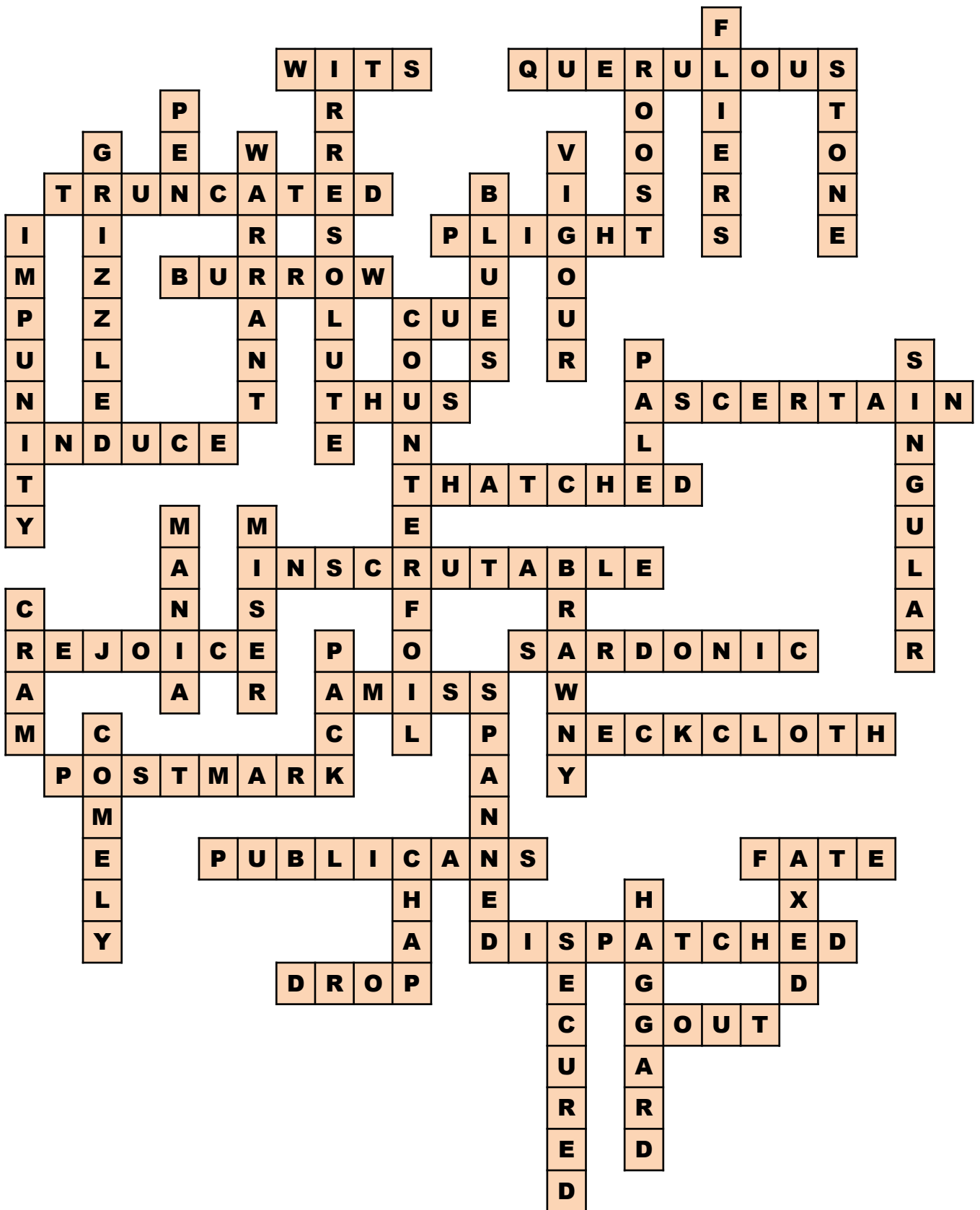
1. _____ - faced
2. Melancholy
4. Covered a roof with straw
5. Inlet from the sea or ocean
6. Recess of a fireplace or furnace
8. Fourteen pounds
10. Feel or show great joy or delight
11. Billiard - _____; stick
14. Extended from side to side of
15. Have the power or skill to do something
17. Painful inflammation of the joints
19. Not quite right; inappropriate or out of place
21. Shortened in duration or extent
22. Scornfully or cynically mocking
25. Mental illness; obsession
29. Affirmative reply
32. In a state of excited movement
34. Part of a check retained by the issuer
35. Hand tools used for making holes
37. Looking exhausted and unwell
38. Fly very close by quickly
40. Find something out for certain; make sure of
44. Out of the ordinary; unusual
45. Rugby players who participate in a scrum
47. _____ - kick; player drops the ball and kicks it after it touches the ground
49. Gave a short jerking motion
51. Pleasant to look at; attractive
52. Effort; energy; enthusiasm
54. Development of events beyond a person's control
55. Gone to bed
57. State of harmony or agreement
61. _____ - of - date
63. Edge of an object
65. Coco - _____

Missing Three-Quarter (Puzzle #4)



MY █████ RAMIFICATIONS
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Missing Three-Quarter (Puzzle #5)



Missing Three-Quarter (Puzzle #6)

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