# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

**WHAT VEGGIES ARE ALWAYS ANGRY?**

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DASHES | ___ | SHADE | | ICEMAN | ___ | MAINE | |
| UNREST | ___ | NURSE | | PIRATE | ___ | TRIPE | |
| NOTICE | ___ | TONIC | | DARKEN | ___ | KNEAD | |
| PASTEL | ___ | SLEPT | | ARREST | ___ | RATES | |
| HOMERS | ___ | SHORE | | EDITOR | ___ | TRIED | |
| CAMELS | ___ | CLAMS | | SYSTEM | ___ | MESSY | |
| ADVERB | ___ | BRAVE | | LISPED | ___ | PILED | |

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# Even Exchange

**by Donna Pettman**

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from M<u>A</u>STER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. First born | __ L __ __ __ __ | Most peculiar | __ D __ __ __ __ |
| 2. City of Light | __ __ __ I __ | Hair divisions | __ __ __ T __ |
| 3. Texas capital | A __ __ __ __ __ | Actor Hoffman | D __ __ __ __ __ |
| 4. Tent dweller | __ __ M __ __ __ | Friendly ghost | __ __ S __ __ __ |
| 5. Fake | __ H __ __ __ | Spring bloom | __ E __ __ __ |
| 6. Win, ____, or show | __ L __ __ __ | Cease fire | __ E __ __ __ |
| 7. Whiten with bleach | __ L __ __ __ __ | Twig | __ R __ __ __ __ |
| 8. Like an empty page | __ __ A __ __ | Eye movement | __ __ I __ __ |
| 9. Lion's group | __ __ __ D __ | First-class | __ __ __ M __ |
| 10. Coast | __ __ __ __ E | Brief | __ __ __ __ T |

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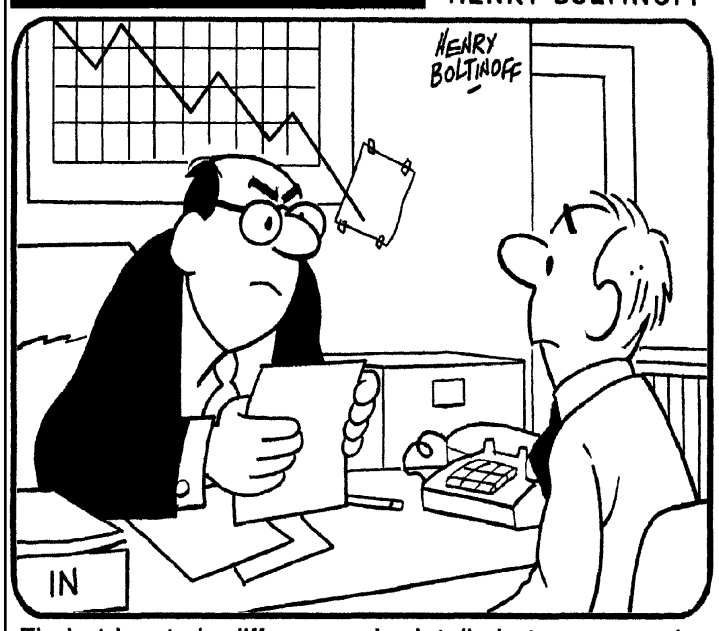
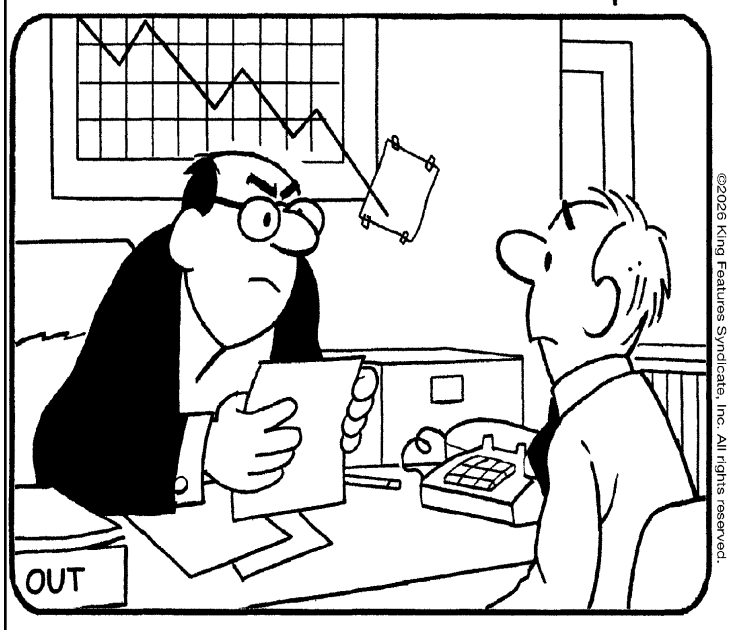
# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF




Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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## Puzzles4Kids Answer

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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Differences: 1. Tie is missing. 2. Word on box is different. 3. Finger is moved. 4. Pencil is moved. 5. Wall is wider. 6. Chart on wall is moved.

## Even Exchange answers

1. Oldest, Oddest
2. Paris, Parts
3. Austin, Dustin
4. Camper, Casper
5. Phony, Peony
6. Place, Peace
7. Blanch, Branch
8. Blank, Blink
9. Pride, Prime
10. Shore, Short