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Know Your Teams

Can you figure out which NBA teams these clues point towards?

- 1) This team is all about numbers.

- 2) Matadors tame this team.

- 3) David Blaine and Penn & Teller know all about this team.

- 4) Our solar system rotates around one of this team.

- 5) This team is purely musical.

- 6) This team is now extinct.

- 7) This team swoops down from above to grab its prey.

- 8) This team casts spells and uses the answer from question #3.

- 9) This team can be sent to the moon, and even farther.

Bonus: ???

Four teams joined the NBA when it merged with the ABA in 1976. Can you name all four?

Answers: 1: Philadelphia 76ers; 2: Chicago Bulls; 3: Orlando Magic; 4: Phoenix Suns; 5: Utah Jazz; 6: Toronto Raptors; 7: Atlanta Hawks; 8: Washington Wizards; 9: Houston Rockets; **Bonus: The New York Nets (later moved to New Jersey), Denver Nuggets, Indiana Pacers and San Antonio Spurs.



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The Buzzer Beater

The player names below are listed according to their length. Fit them into their proper place in the grid; there is only one correct place for each word. To start, find the only eight-letter space for “Gelabale”, and go from there. Good luck!

4 Letters

Ager
Bass
Diop
Hart

5 Letters

Bowen
Brand
Davis
Evans
Novak
Owens

6 Letters

Arroyo
Kapono
Oberto
Ruffin
Taylor

7 Letters

Blalock
Collins
Fortson
Korolev
Nachbar

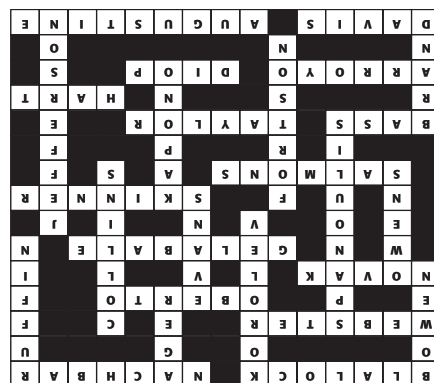
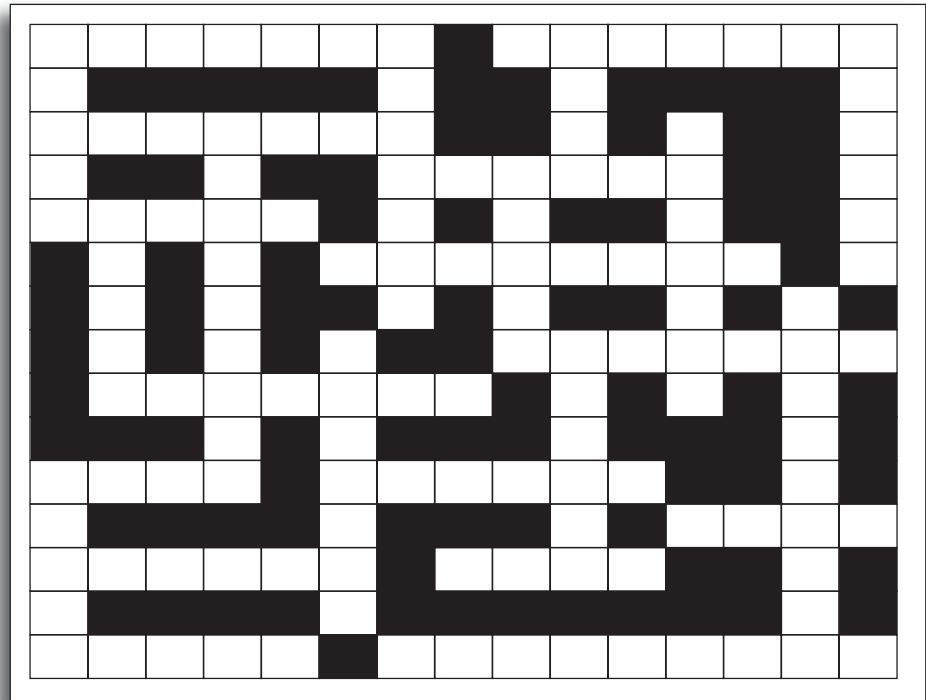
Salmons
Skinner
Webster

8 Letters

Gelabale

9 Letters

Augustine
Jefferson
Spanoulis



Answers: