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Times Square
 wine glass
 champagne
 January
 clock
 ball

celebrations
 sparklers
 gathering
 dancing
 party

festivities
 countdown
 New York
 games
 year

resolution
 fireworks
 midnight
 happy
 kiss

HYMN OF THE MONTH

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

Author – Julia Ward Howe,
1819-1910

Music – American Melody 1852

Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God

~ Psalm 20:7

Music has a unique power to stir patriotism, and few hymns rival the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" in inspiring such noble responses. The lyrics first appeared in The Atlantic Monthly in February 1862, earning author Julia Ward Howe a mere five dollars for her literary efforts.

While living in Washington, D.C., where her husband served the government, Julia Ward Howe grew deeply anguished by the nation's frenzied preparations for the Civil War. Watching troops march to battle, she heard them singing "John Brown's Body," a tune honoring the hanged abolitionist.

Challenged to provide more dignified lyrics for the existing melody, she wrote her immortal text, "Mine eyes have seen the glory."

Born in 1819 into a wealthy New York family with distinguished Revolutionary lineage, Julia Ward Howe was raised in a conservative, religious home. Her response to the tragic conflict replaced derisive war chants with a sacred anthem that united the nation. By transforming a simple camp meeting tune into a song of divine purpose, Julia Ward Howe secured her place in history, providing a weary country with hope during its darkest hour.

1

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored.

He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword

His truth is marching on.

2

I have seen him the in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps

They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps

I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps

His day is marching on.

3

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never sound retreat

He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgement seat.

O be swift my soul, to answer Him be jubilant in feet

Our God is marching on.

4

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea

With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me,

As he died to make men holy let us die to make men free

While God is marching on.

Chorus

Glory! Glory, Hallelujah!

Glory! Glory, Hallelujah

Glory! Glory, Hallelujah

His truth is march on.



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Fill each row, column,
and 3x3 sub-grid with the
numbers 1 through 9,
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NEW YEAR, NEW ENERGY, FRESH START

FOCUSING ON LETTING GO OF THE PAST & EMBRACING A NEW CHAPTER

By Ed Parker

The calendar flipping is more than just a date change; it's a mental reset.

Most of us spend way too much time lugging around an invisible backpack filled with last year's baggage. We carry around the mistakes we made, the things we "should" have done, and the opportunities we think we missed. But here's the thing: today, you get to drop the bag.. and leave it there. That weight is gone. The slate isn't just clean—it's yours to do whatever you want with.

So many times we hear, or say "new year, new me." but let's be real—that's exhausting. You don't need to shout your intentions to make them real; you simply need to hold them with conviction. You don't need to become a completely different person. God made you as you are.

This year focus on stripping away all the outside noise and the "fake it till you make it" energy so you can just be the most authentic version of yourself, that you like. A fresh start doesn't mean erasing where we've been; it means taking the lessons we've learned and applying them to a brand-new canvas. You're going into this with a much wiser hand this time.

Go into 2026 with a quiet kind of confidence. You don't have to have everything figured out. No one does. You just need a heart that's open to whatever comes next. Go into this chapter with one goal: **focus**. Forget about being perfect—perfection is a trap that is not obtainable on earth. Instead, just aim for progress. Choose showing up consistently over burning yourself out with intensity. Choose time for you. Make you... and your goals a first priority.

If you've been waiting for a "sign" to finally start that project, quit that bad habit, or take that big leap you've been dreaming about—there's no better time than right now this is it.

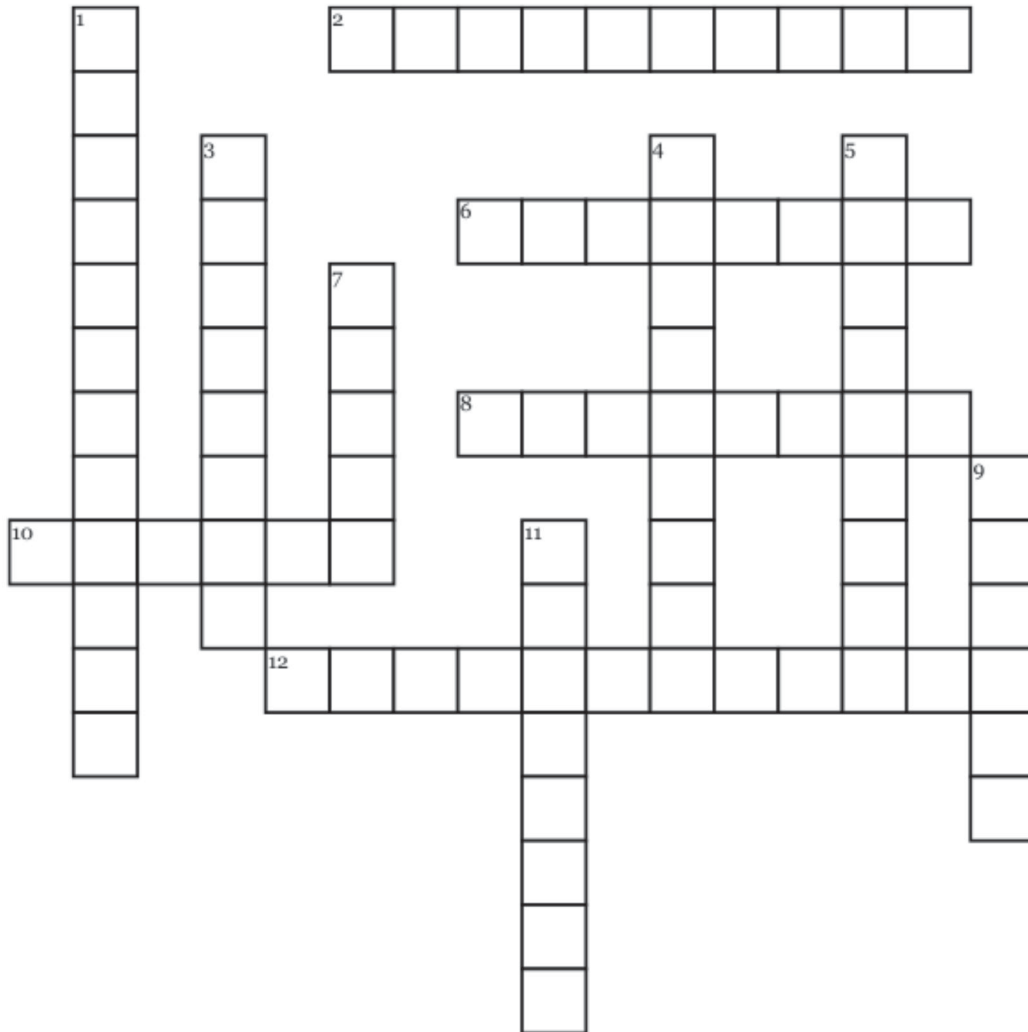
Make a point to protect your energy fiercely this year. Stop giving your time to things (and people) that drain you. Instead, pour that energy into the stuff that actually makes you feel alive. Let's take this "January 1st spark" and turn it into real, lasting momentum that carries us all the way through December.

Check out the list below and pick one word, or a few, that serves as your theme for 2026. Keep it to yourself or share it. But most importantly, live it. Mine are 6 and 1.

1. RECLAIM: Take back your time, your space, and your joy.
2. ALIGN: Make sure your daily actions match your big-picture goals.
3. UNFILTERED: Focus on being your most authentic self, without the "noise."
4. MOMENTUM: Value small, consistent steps over standing still.
5. BOUNDARIES: Protect your energy fiercely and say "no" to what drains you.
6. PRESENCE: Stop living in the "last year" or "next year" and be right here.

Wishing you all a year of deep peace, grounded presence, and purposeful growth.

New Year's Eve



Across

2. firm decision to do or not to do something

6. series of recollections

8. feeling or expressing overwhelming joyful excitement

10. lack of rest; feeling drowsy or
12. Popular song of New Years

Down

1. midnight

3. Final month of the year

4. right before midnight

5. activities or events celebrating a special occasion

7. social gathering of invited guests

9. good wishes before drinking

11. chart or series of pages showing the days, weeks and months

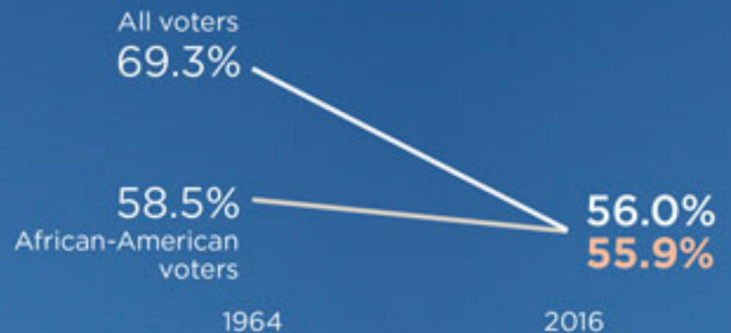
Happy New Year

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

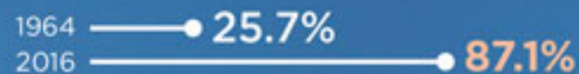
Some Changes in the Nation's African-American Population Since 1964



Percentage of people voting in the United States



Percentage of African-Americans completing high school



Number of African-American college students



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[census.gov](https://www.census.gov)

Source: 1964 and 2016 Current
Population Survey

“... if you want to say that I was a drum major, say that I was a drum major for justice, say that I was a drum major for peace, I was a drum major for righteousness, and all the other shallow things will not matter.”

February 4, 1968

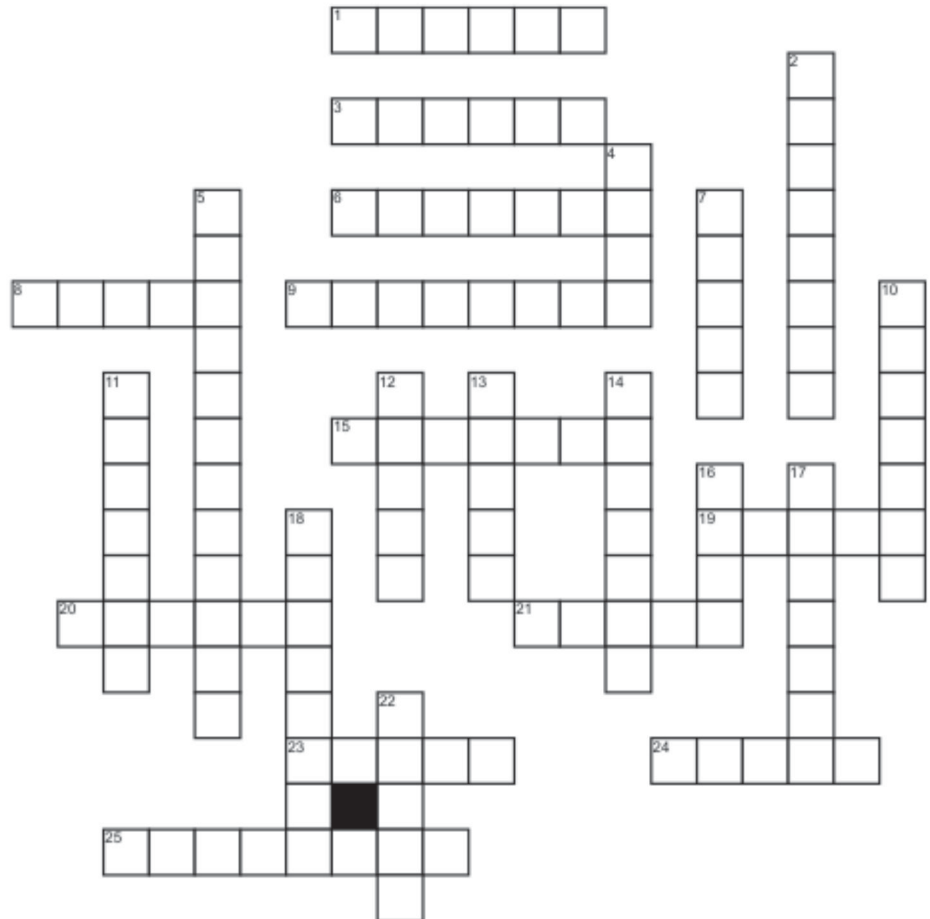
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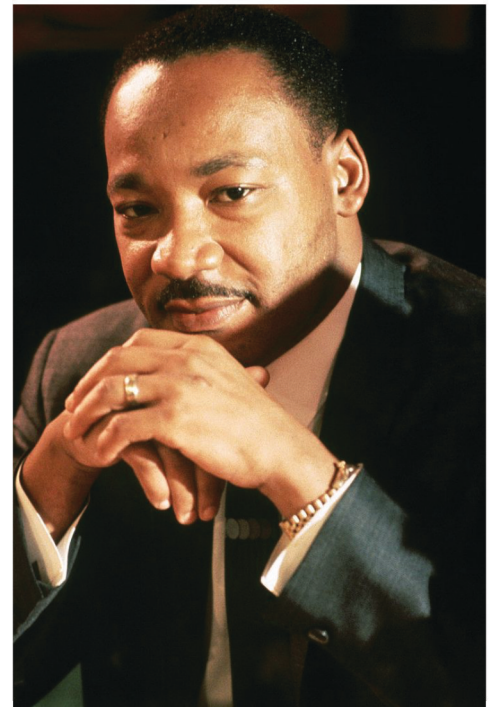
1. He wanted equal _____ for all people.
3. He rallied for _____ rights of Black Americans.
6. He lived in _____
8. John _____ was a young man when he joined in the movement for civil rights.
9. He was a Baptist
15. His wife was named _____
19. The marchers faced _____ by law enforcement officers during their fight for freedom.
20. Dr. King was a great _____.
21. Dr. King died the month of _____.
23. Whenever people gathered for a peaceful demonstration many _____ broke out.
24. He was murder at the Lorraine
25. Martin Luther King had four _____.

Down

2. He made many famous _____
4. He wanted all laws to be _____
5. Martin Luther King was _____ in 1968.
7. He led the famous march know as _____
10. He led many for equality, justice and freedom for all people
11. He was born the month of _____



12. Andrew _____ was one of his followers.
13. He believed in _____ not violence.
14. Dr. King and his wife Coretta both attended _____ University.
16. He went to many times _____
17. He wanted _____
18. Martin Luther King was _____ as were many other civil rights workers during this time.
22. He won the peace prize in 1964.



How Black Americans Can Save Lives by Donating Blood



People with certain blood types and blood diseases rely on blood donors who are Black or African American when they need a blood transfusion.



- Every 2 seconds, someone in the United States needs blood.
- Black Americans make up 13% of the U.S. population but less than 3% of blood donors.
- Some blood types, like **U-negative** and **Duffy-negative**, are rare and unique to this community.
- People with **sickle cell disease** often need blood from someone with a close blood type match, usually someone with a similar race or ethnicity.





Your blood donation can help someone with sickle cell disease.

- More than 100,000 people in the U.S. have sickle cell disease, and 90%+ are Black or African American.
- People with sickle cell disease may require **regular blood transfusions** to treat the disease and prevent life-threatening complications.
- Without treatment, it can lead to serious complications like **severe pain, organ damage, and stroke**.



1 in 3 African American blood donors is a match for people with sickle cell disease.

You can donate blood if...

-  You are in good health, feeling well, and not taking antibiotics.
-  You are at least 16 or 17 years old (depending on the state).
-  You weigh at least 110 pounds.
-  It has been more than 8 weeks since you last donated.

Some donation centers have additional medical, travel, and lifestyle considerations. If you have questions about your eligibility, check with your local blood donation center.

Blood donation is safe and simple.

- 1** Find a blood donation center near you.
- 2** Make an appointment at a convenient time.
- 3** Once you arrive, register, complete a brief health check, and begin your donation.
- 4** When complete, have a light snack, wait 10-15 minutes, and resume your daily activities.

You can help others in your community by donating blood.

Learn more about blood donation, find a convenient donation center, and schedule your appointment today.

nhlbi.nih.gov/education/blood/donation

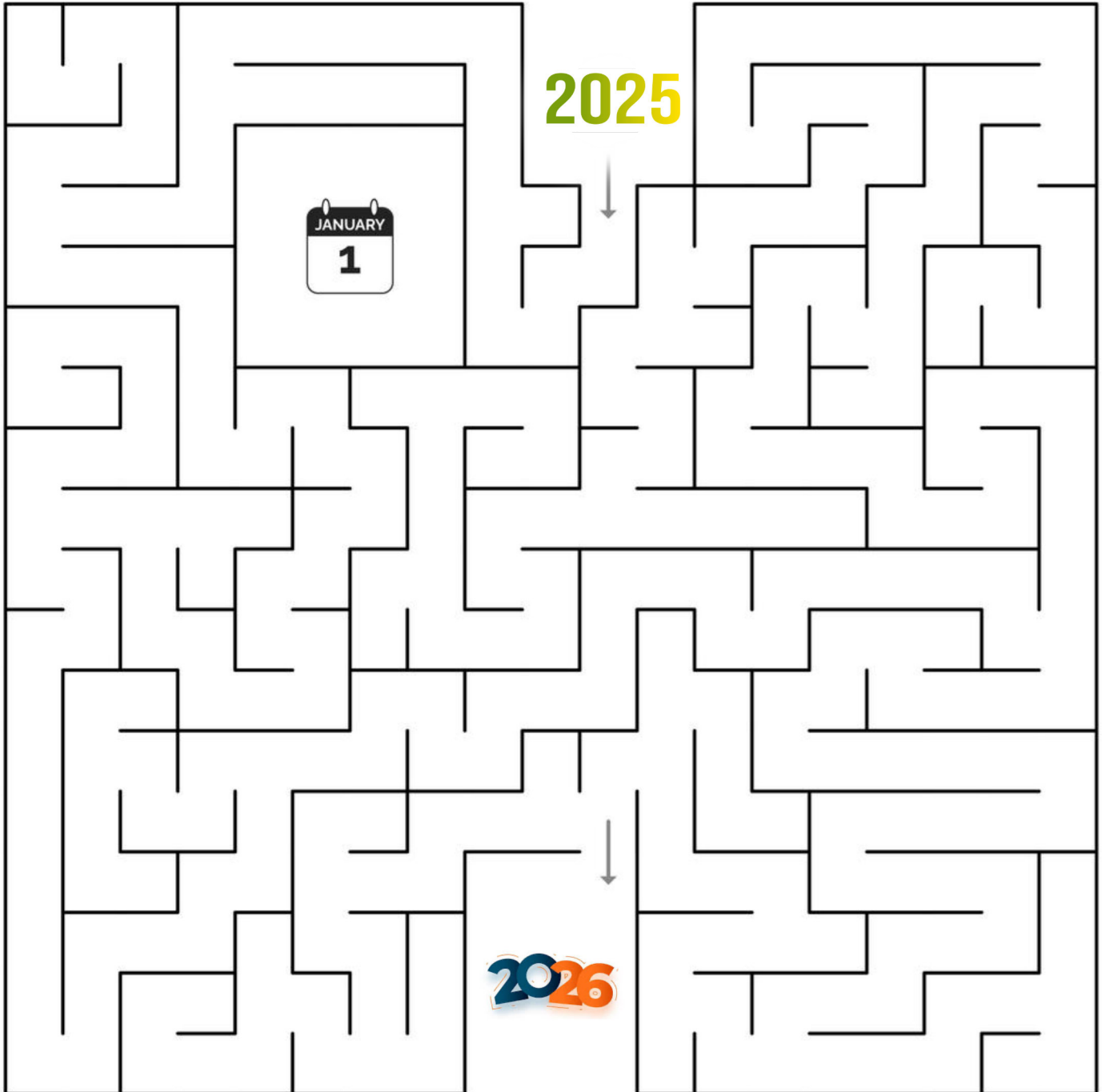




NEW YEAR'S DAY MAZE



CAN YOU NAVIGATE YOUR WAY THROUGH THE MAZE?





CAPRICORN

- Verona Davis – 1st
- Dorothy Small – 4th
- Janet Brewer – 5th

Capricorn is symbolized by the sea goat, a mythological creature with the body of a goat and tail of a fish. This imagery speaks to Capricorn's bifurcated abilities; Capricorns are skilled at navigating both the material and emotional realms. They scale the steepest mountains- Capricorn rules the knees, making it easier for this sign to climb – while simultaneously building up their psychic fortitude. Capricorns are relentless; they are determined to overcome whatever stands in their way. They have big picture, long-term goals and they absolutely don't want to be bogged down by annoying details or superfluous information.

However, because of their unwavering focus, Capricorns can sometimes be perceived as cold, unemotional, or ever cutthroat – but that's only because Capricorn has perspective. If it won't matter in five years, Capricorn simply cannot be bothered with it today.

AQUARIUS

- Loretta Best 21st
- Robert Sharpe 27th

Aquarians are highly intellectual and creative, Walker says. Marked by independence, they don't like to be instructed about what to do. While they can be social, they are not likely to participate in social interactions unless they truly want to.

Aquarius shows love through intellectual connection, shared experiences, and making you a part of their unique world, rather than grand, emotional displays; they demonstrate care by prioritizing time with you, including you in their quirky adventures, discussing deep ideas, and offering loyal friendship and support. Expect thoughtful actions, intellectual stimulation, and deep acceptance of your individuality as their form of romance.

Aquarius gets angry when their need for freedom, fairness, and intellect is challenged; triggers include feeling controlled, betrayed, restricted, or encountering hypocrisy, lack of individuality, or emotional manipulation, leading to rebellion, sarcasm, or withdrawal, as they value independence and truth above all.



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