



# Soccer World Cup

Welcome to Puzzled Pint!



Give us feedback!

## Tonight

- We're here to help! This is not a competitive event. Ask the Game Control volunteers (GC) for hints as often as you'd like. The goal is to have fun, not to be frustrated!
- You can find complete information about this puzzle set online at: <http://puzzledpint.com>
  - Go to the location page there to find out if your location is running virtually and how to contact your local GC.
  - Look there for online remote solving tools for remote teams, like google-sheets and answer checkers.

## The Puzzles

- Each puzzle's solution will be a short word or phrase. How do you find it? That's for you to discover!
- Need a code sheet or solving resources? Check out the Resources page on Puzzled Pint's webpage: <http://www.puzzledpint.com/resources/>
- You can use anything to help solve: Use your phone; the internet is fair game! Think your brother might have an insight? Give him a call!
- While each month has a theme, you need no special knowledge of the theme to solve.

## About Puzzled Pint

- We're an all-volunteer organization.
  - Help us run locally: Talk with Game Control about how you can volunteer.
  - Help us run globally: <https://www.patreon.com/PuzzledPint>.

**Team Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Start Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Team Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

**End Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

Puzzle Answers	
Player matchups	
Heading	
Mascots	
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Meta: Wordle cup	

We need new puzzle sets for 2023! Check out how you can help by writing puzzles for Puzzled Pint by going here: <http://puzzledpint.com/info/author>

# Player matchups



In this **international** game, the coach of team White discovered a perfect way to assign each of the players to cover an opponent on team Gray, based on the names on the jerseys, but the coach of team Gray decided to **mix up** the names before the players were **inserted** in the game. We know that the two goalies go together, and the players can't cross the solid line. Can you determine the original defensive matchups and discover what the players need in order to score?

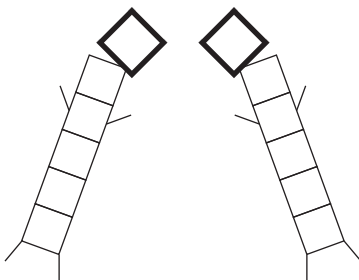
**ANSWER:**  
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# Heading

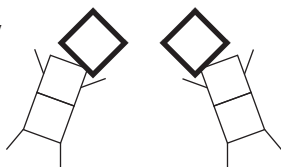


Heading the ball can be dangerous. These opposing players have identical bodies from shoulder to toe, but when they head the ball at the same time, what's inside their heads falls to the ground!

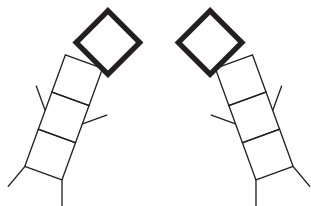
Anise-like herb



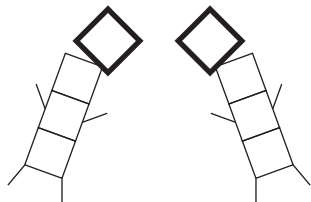
Youngest Weasley boy



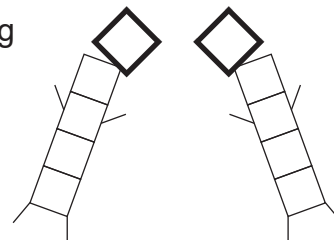
Make less severe



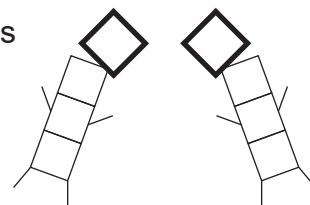
British nobleman title



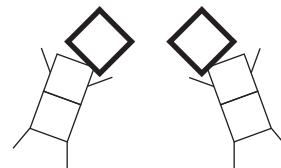
Australian wild dog



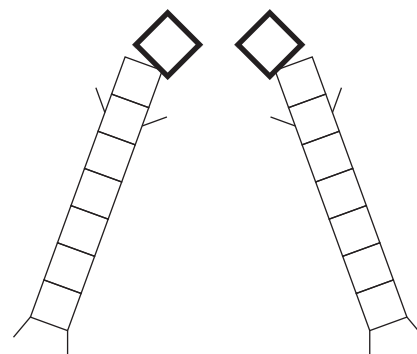
Dutch town, famous for cheese



Assistance



Female child



5      4 6 3

9 7      1 2 8

### Clue bank

Animal shelter • Biblical man • Charged particle • Cover •  
Five in a row • Philosopher, familiarly • The best medicine? • Trial

Where the action of this game is taking place:

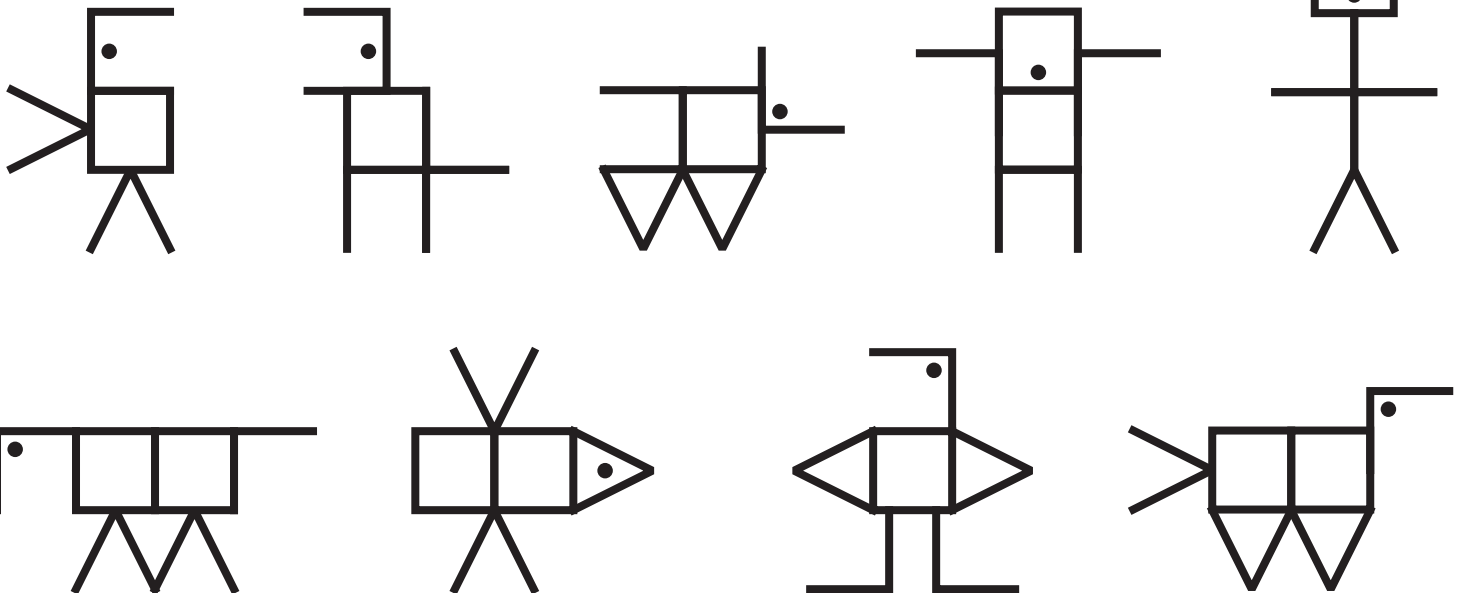
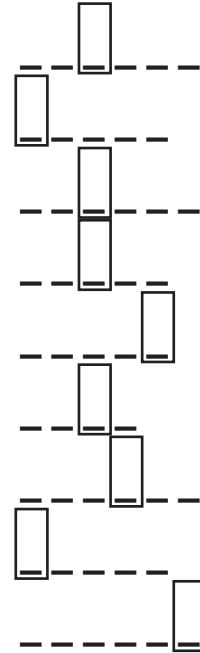
**ANSWER:** \_\_\_\_\_



Some strange mascots have invaded the stadium! What are they doing?

**This creature...**

- ... holds a **hot drink container** at halftime
- ... **goes down a hill**
- ... **starts** the game **over**
- ... makes a **bell sound**
- ... **bothers** the spectators
- ... can **choose** to play
- ... needs to **wake up or regain strength**
- ... likes to **bellow or bray**
- ... is **giving in** to peer pressure



**ANSWER:**



# Rules & regulations



Sometimes soccer rules can be confusing. Players might need some help figuring out what you can and can't do during a game.

	<b>Players can:</b>	<b>How about...</b>	<b>Can do</b>	<b>or</b>	<b>Can't do</b>
	see a gnat, debt, or ghost, but not a hand.	lamb	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		<input type="checkbox"/> ---
	herd deer, sheep or moose, but not cheetahs.	salmon	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		<input type="checkbox"/> ---
	sell boxes, matches, or brushes, but not cleats.	uniforms	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---
	be ambitious, beautiful, or bureaucratic, but not happy.	queasy	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---
	enjoy greenness, stubbornness, or bookkeepers, but not happiness.	moodiness	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---
	play with honesty, footwork, or intensity, but not with grace.	passion	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---
	sit in a kayak, recliner, or arena, but not in a chair.	tent	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---
	be unorthodox, yeasty, or newest, but not downy.	shallowest	--- <input type="checkbox"/> ---		<input type="checkbox"/> ---

## ANSWER:

What famous person can give you a hand figuring out the rules? \_\_\_\_\_



The Wordle Cup match has gone to penalty kicks! The coach makes a five-letter meaningful selection from each of your previous answers to participate in the shootout.

Find out what makes this game so special.



Not in word



In word, but wrong location



In word, right location

Player Matchups



Heading



Mascots



Rules & Regulations



**ANSWER:**



# Bonus: Cleats



Seven soccer players, Abby, Briana, Cristiano, Diego, Essam, Fernando, and Gina, are comparing their soccer cleats. Each of them is wearing footwear with 5 cleats in a row, but some cleats are white, and some are black. Can you figure out each player's unique pattern and determine what they are trying to avoid?



- Each player has 1, 2, or 3 black cleats.
- Each player wears a different uniform number between 1 and 7.
- Essam has a cleat pattern that is a mirror image of the pattern of player #4.
- Abby and player #7 are the only players with three black cleats.
- Diego has a cleat pattern that is a mirror image of Cristiano's pattern with 2 black cleats, and the black cleats are not next to each other.
- Briana wears #7 and has two white cleats next to each other surrounded by black cleats.
- Player #1 and Gina have more white cleats than anyone else.
- Essam's white cleats are all next to each other.
- Abby is the only player with a cleat pattern that is its own mirror image.
- #7 is the only player with 2 black cleats in the leftmost positions.
- Essam wears an odd-numbered jersey.
- Gina wears #4 and does not have a black cleat in the leftmost position.
- Diego and #5 have two white cleats in the rightmost positions.
- Player #3 has three black cleats in a row.
- Fernando has a white cleat in the leftmost position.
- Essam and Cristiano each have the number of black cleats that matches their respective jersey number.

