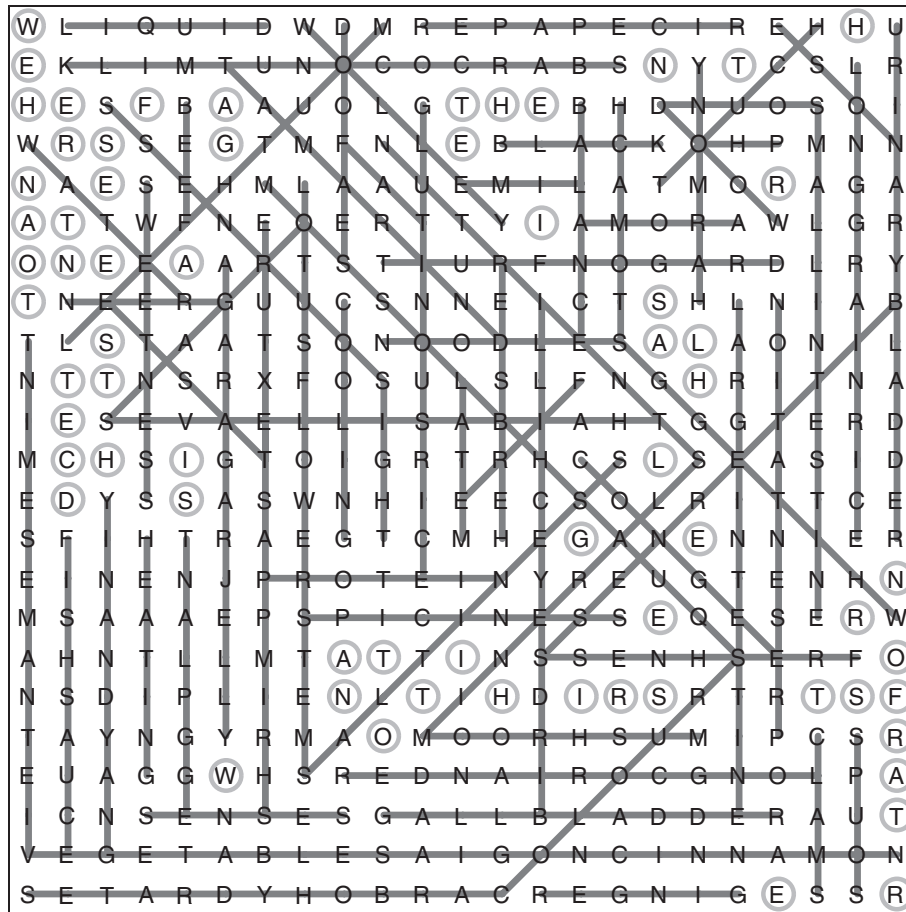


# MONSTER FIND-A-WORD

## LET'S EAT RICE!

Traditionally, Vietnamese dishes are prepared with an underlying Asian philosophy of balancing a matrix of four groups of five elements which also correspond with parts of the digestive tract. Cross out these listed elements and ingredients, and the leftover letters will reveal an Indochinese proverb to absorb.



1. Agar-agar jelly
2. Aroma
3. Balance
4. Beef
5. Birdseye chilli
6. Bitterness
7. Black
8. Carbohydrates
9. Clams
10. Coconut milk
11. Colours
12. Congee
13. Cooling
14. Crabs
15. Dragon fruit
16. Eggplant
17. Eggs
18. Fat
19. Fire
20. Fish sauce
21. Freshness
22. Gall bladder
23. Ginger
24. Glutinous rice
25. Green
26. Harmony
27. Heating
28. Herbs
29. Large intestine
30. Lime
31. Liquid
32. Long coriander
33. Long-grain rice
34. Lotus-flower stems
35. Metal
36. Minerals
37. Mouthfeel
38. Mushroom
39. Noodles
40. Nose
41. Nutrients
42. Organs
43. Pho
44. Presentation
45. Protein
46. Reds
47. Rice paper
48. Saigon cinnamon
49. Saltiness
50. Seafood
51. Senses
52. Shrimp paste
53. Sight
54. Small intestine
55. Sound
56. Soups
57. Sourness
58. Spiciness
59. Squash blossom
60. Stomach
61. Sweetness
62. Tamarind
63. Taste
64. Texture
65. Thai basil leaves
66. Touch
67. Urinary bladder
68. Vegetables
69. Vietnamese mint
70. Water
71. White
72. Wood
73. Yellow
74. Yin and yang

## LATERAL THINKING: CRYPTIC

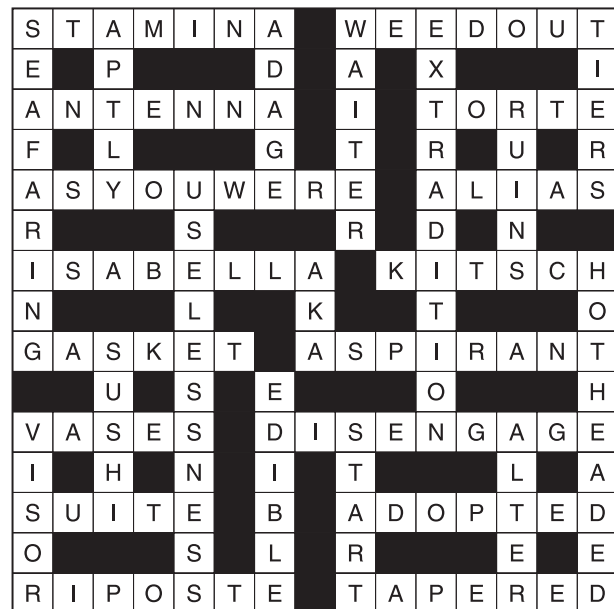
Use the cryptic clues to solve this crossword with a twist.

### ACROSS

1. Man is at variation with lasting strength (7)
4. We doubt sound of cull (4,3)
7. Rod used to get a good reception (7)
8. Trot back east for rich cake (5)
10. Command to soldier to go back in time? (2,3,4)
12. Half of Australia's assumed identity (5)
13. "Is a bell a Spanish queen?" (8)
15. Vulgar taste used in lipstick? It's cheap! (6)
17. Get outside request for rubber seal (6)
19. Partisan becomes eager candidate (8)
21. Saves broken flower jugs (5)
22. Leave fiancé to withdraw from close action? (9)
25. Hotel apartment sounds sweet! (5)
26. TV promo chose to be taken in by family (7)
27. Witty retort involving rose tip (7)
28. Red tape became narrow (7)

### DOWN

1. Cast adrift if Reagan's working as a sailor (9)
2. Evenly spread on carpet. Play appropriately (5)
3. Saying used in Canada, generally (5)
4. Restaurant worker who bides his time? (6)
5. The removal from abroad by warrant used to be a practice of long standing (11)
6. Tries rearranging rows of seats (5)
9. Building remains at head of Rugby Union in south (5)
11. Don't utilise so much Scottish lake? Such futility! (11)
14. Also known as acronym King Alfred (1,1,1)



16. Rash when feverish? (3-6)
18. Shiatsu shift includes Japanese snack (5)
20. Incredible! Three-fifths is fit to eat (6)
21. Bev is organising part of cap (5)
23. Begin to jump (5)
24. Make modifications later (5)