

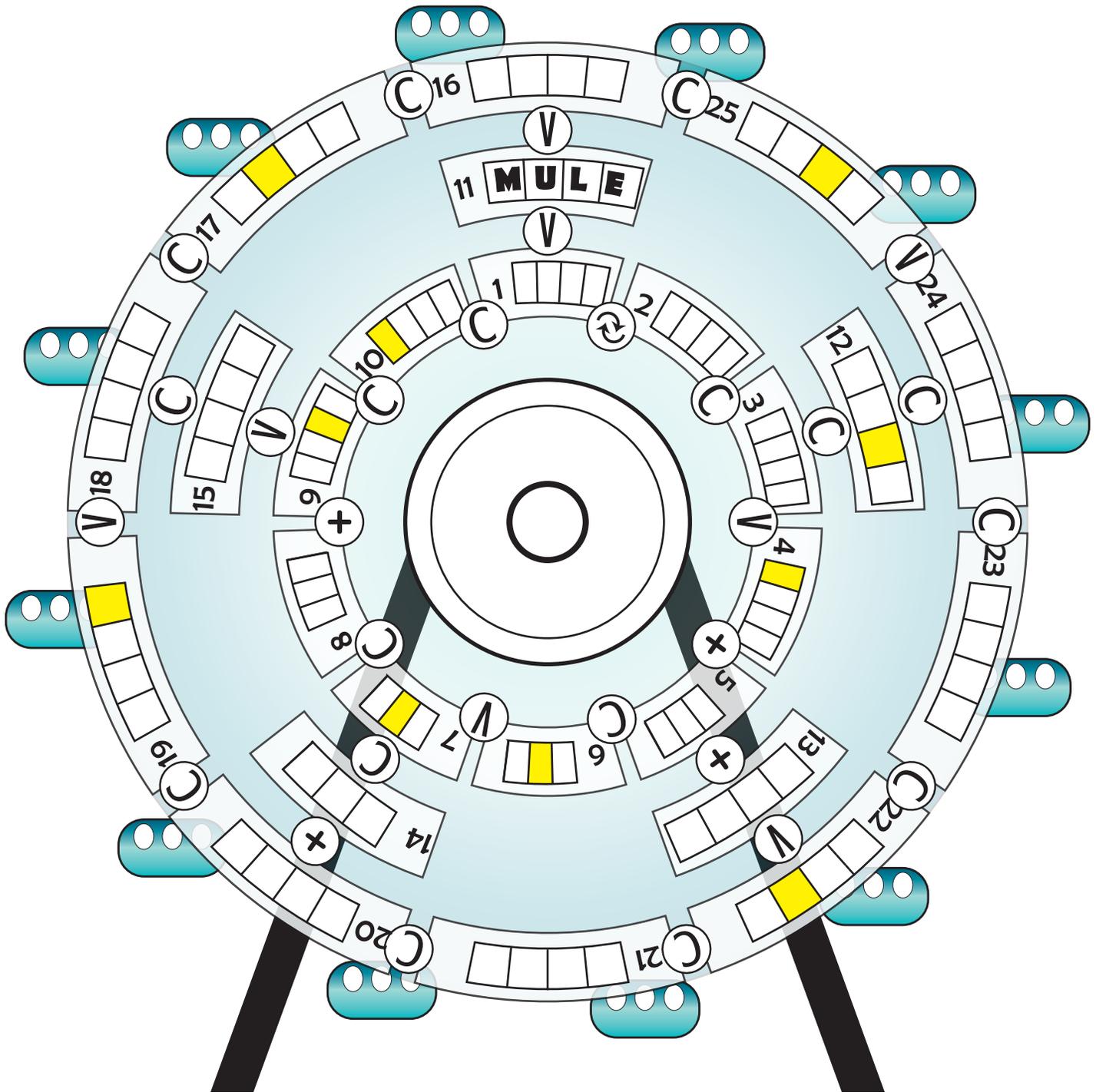
WHEEL OF CHANGES

Place words from the picture sheet into the wheel below.

The symbols between the words indicate what transformations to apply. Enter your answers clockwise, starting at the number.

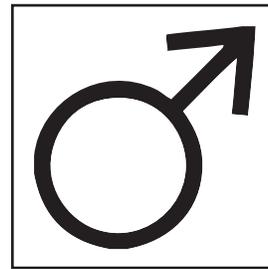
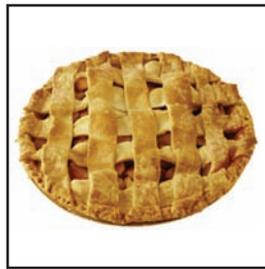
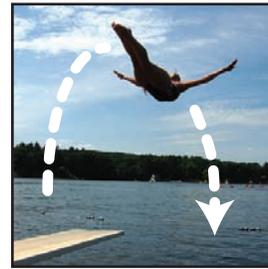
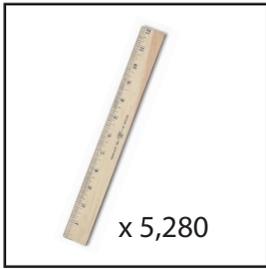
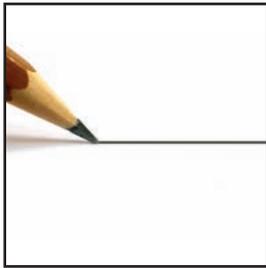
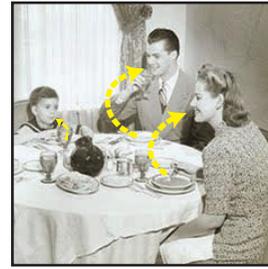
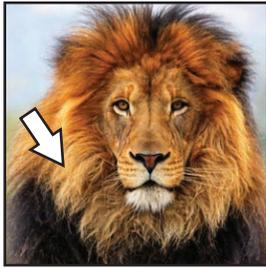
Fill in the inner ring, the outer ring, and the spokes to complete the puzzle.

-  Add 1 letter
(ACE becomes LACE)
-  Change 1 vowel
(DIG becomes DOG)
-  Change 1 consonant
(PUTT becomes MUTT)
-  Anagram
(MOAT becomes ATOM)



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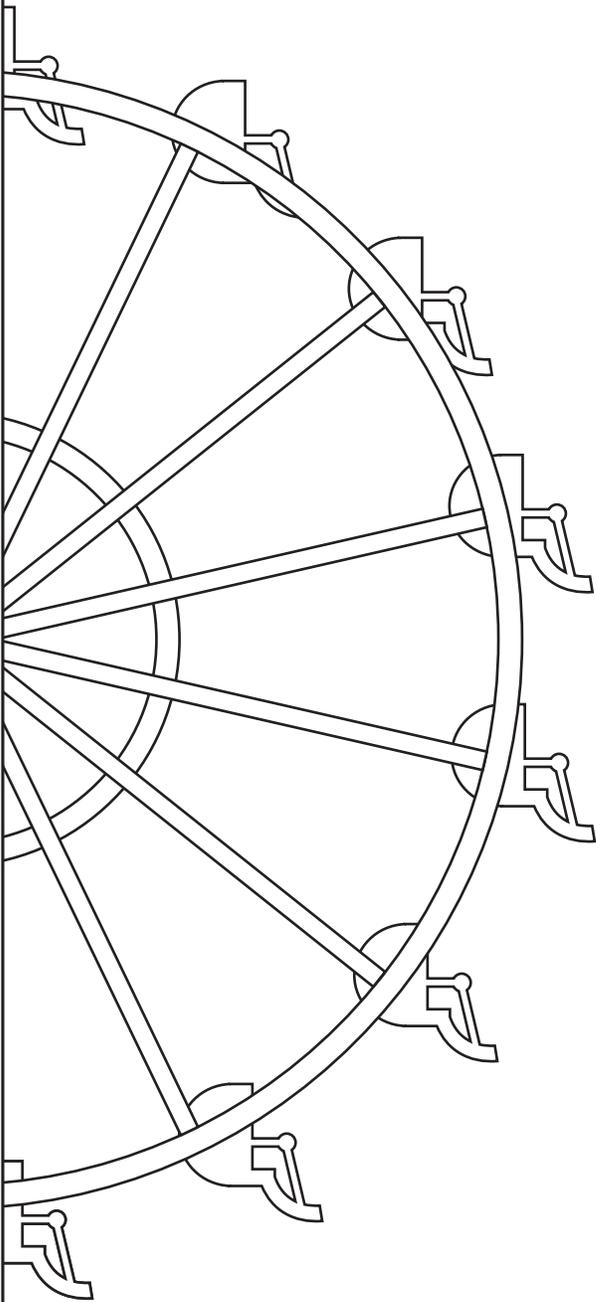
PICTURE SHEET



SPOKES PEOPLE

This year, five brilliant contestants competed for top honors in a unique crossword tournament held on a Ferris wheel. Using the clues on the accompanying worksheet, can you determine each player's ranking, the color of their cars, and the crossword entries that gave them the most trouble?

Bonus puzzle: Just for fun, see if you can identify each player's favorite pastime. (This is not required to solve the puzzle and does not factor into the final answer.)



Player Name										1
Car Color										2
Stumper										3



Player Name										4
Car Color										5
Stumper										6



Player Name										7
Car Color										8
Stumper										9



Player Name										10
Car Color										11
Stumper										12



Player Name										13
Car Color										14
Stumper										15

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	ART	BRUCE	CORA	DREW	EDGAR	lime	magenta	navy	orange	pink	RUBIK	SALCHOW	TATAMI	UMLAUT	VICAR
1st															
2nd															
3rd															
4th															
5th															
RUBIK															
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CLUES & WORKSHEET

1. Drew Roscha, who represented Hungary in the Olympic figure skating event, had no trouble with RUBIK or SALCHOW. She didn't take the gold or the silver in this event, though.

2. Cora Catnis, last year's champion, had a disappointing performance. "It was that stupid car they put me in," she said. "Pink is my lucky color; if I'd been in the pink car, I'd have taken first place. I didn't even make it into the top three. But at least I beat the guy in the pink car."

3. Art Seilio raced through most of his entries, but stalled on [80's craze-maker] at 19 Down. He didn't finish first or last, but did manage to dodge the soda spilled by the player in third place, and the pencil dropped by the player in the orange car.

4. Edgar Moab (in the lime car) finished well ahead of the players in the orange and pink cars (who got stuck on VICAR and SALCHOW, respectively).

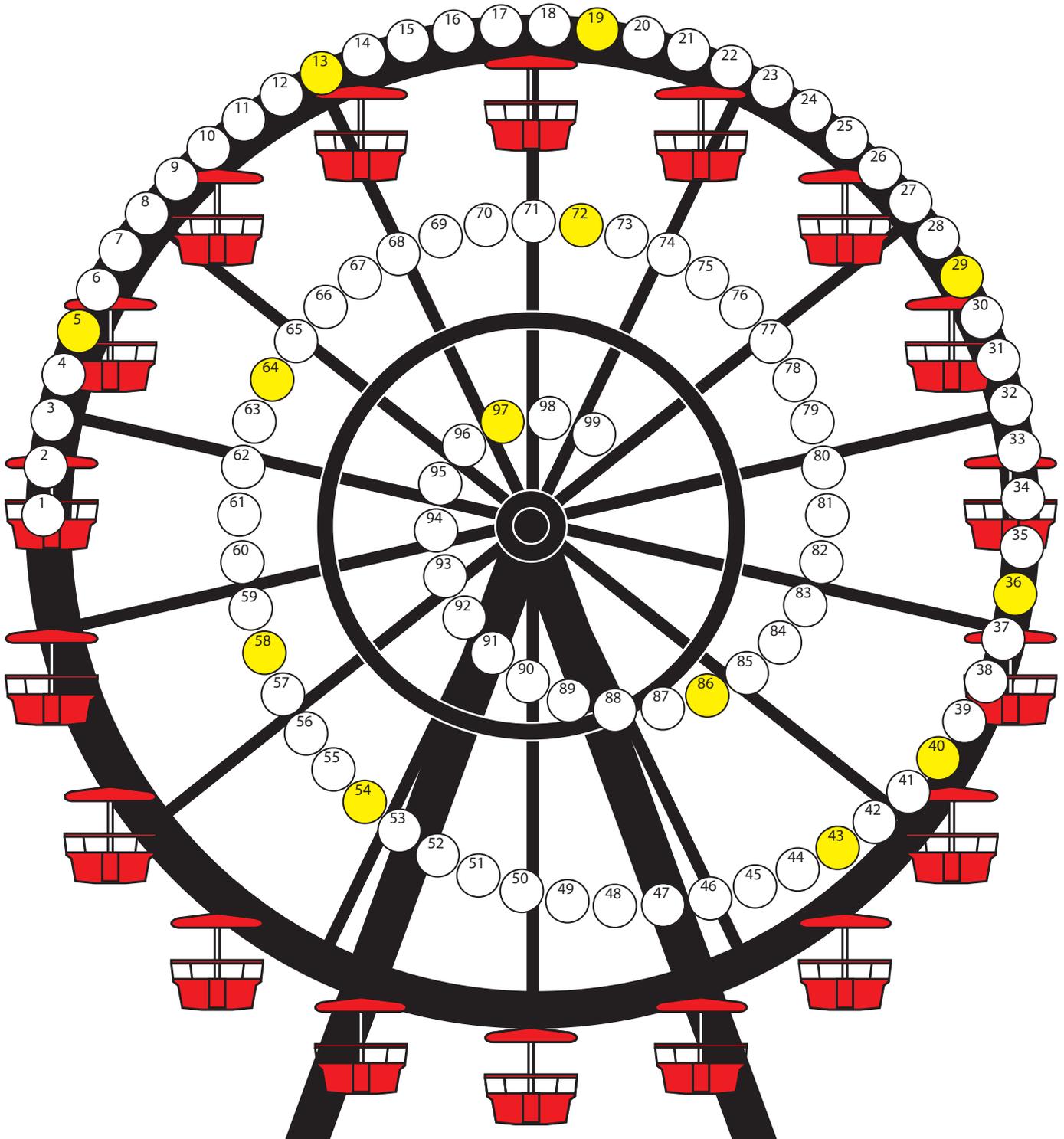
3. Bruce Carvil did not stumble on any five-letter words, but was briefly distracted when a falling pencil jabbed him in the thigh. Cora, untroubled by falling projectiles, breezed through her six- and seven-letter stacks.

5. "It was a nailbiter," Edgar said after the tournament. "I misread the clue for 34 Across as 'meat' instead of 'mat'. So I entered SALAMI, and that slowed me down a lot. And it didn't help that the player in the magenta car dumped her soda on my head."

BACKWARDS / FORWARDS

Using the clues on the Backwards/Forwards clue sheet, fill in words in a continuous spiral around the Ferris wheel. Every space will be used twice: once clockwise (starting at 1) and once counterclockwise (starting at 99).

When the puzzle is complete, copy the highlighted squares to the Final Puzzle worksheet.



BACKWARDS / FORWARDS

Clue Sheet

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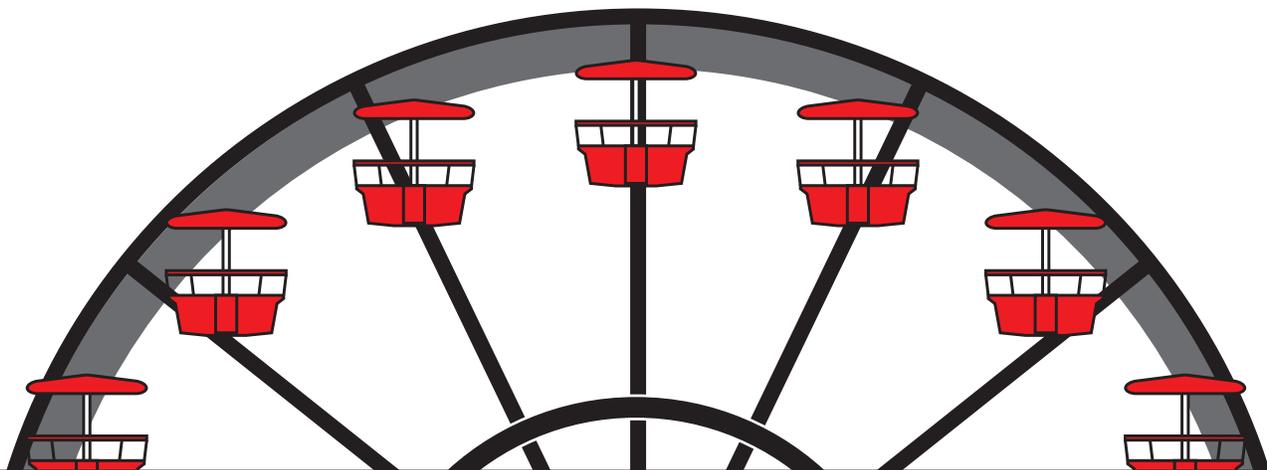
When the puzzle is complete, copy the highlighted squares to the Final Puzzle worksheet.

CLOCKWISE

- 1 - 4 Marquee name
- 5 - 8 Revered expert
- 9 - 14 Patch up
- 15 - 19 Memorable mission
- 20 - 23 Snatch
- 24 - 31 Insurance for seniors
- 32 - 36 Locked book
- 37 - 42 Wimpy
- 43 - 47 "Large" prefix
- 48 - 53 Beam
- 54 - 58 Hooch holder
- 59 - 67 Angus wrangler
- 68 - 70 Speeders step on it
- 71 - 75 Honolulu hello
- 76 - 82 Bickering
- 83 - 88 Sidewinder signal
- 89 - 94 Tchaikovsky specialty
- 95 - 99 Font flourish

COUNTER-CLOCKWISE

- 99 - 96 Caveman's discovery
- 95 - 90 Blanche Dubois' sister
- 89 - 86 Karate accessory
- 85 - 78 Lemon quality
- 77 - 73 Nevada neighbor
- 72 - 66 Garfield's favorite food
- 65 - 62 Soften, like ice cream
- 61 - 57 Bulletin holders
- 56 - 51 Batman's butler
- 50 - 46 Harshness
- 45 - 41 Desert traveler
- 40 - 36 Brawny
- 35 - 30 Oakland athlete
- 29 - 26 Battery contents
- 25 - 19 Blockade
- 18 - 12 Mosquito-borne illness
- 11 - 8 Llama land
- 7 - 1 Cartoon toddlers



FINAL PUZZLE

INSTRUCTIONS

The final challenge is to decode the message hidden in the other five puzzles' answers.

Each slot in the worksheet contains a reference to one of the highlighted letters in the five puzzles. (WoC-22 stands for Wheel of Changes answer #22, ToP-5 would be Turn of Phrase answer #5, and so on.)

SPOKES PEOPLE
BLANK #8

B/F 72	ToP 5	CL 29	SP 8	B/F 5	WoC 22	ToP 10	CL 12	SP 5	B/F 50

1 Look up the letter indicated on the worksheet. If the box is labeled SP-8, you would look up the Spokes People puzzle, entry #8.

For this example, let's say the highlighted letter for #8 is "E"...

Player Name	X	A	V	I	E	R			7
Car Color	G	R	E	E	N				8
Stumper	O	K	A	P	I				9

2 Next, you'll find the Spokes People row on the Decoder, and look up the letter "E".

The letter-pair there is A / L.

Your challenge is to decide which of those two letters fits the final message.

	a	b	c	d	e	f
TURN OF PHRASE	J / B	B / E	E / R	R / X	X / A	A / S
	K / C	C / E	E / D	D / O	O / P	P / F
WHEEL OF CHANGES	R / L	L / A	A / Z	Z / G	G / E	E / P
	T / A	A / T	T / E	E / I	I / B	B / C
SPOKES PEOPLE	T / P	P / S	S / N	N / A	A / I	I / T
	W / A	A / F	F / L	L / M	M / E	E / A
CIRCULAR LOGIC	N / F	F / C	C / U	U / E	E / F	F / K
	E / X	X / O	O / E	E / O	O / F	F / K

3 In this example, it's probably not L, so you would write the letter A in the blank.

B/F 72	ToP 5	CL 29	SP 8	B/F 5	WoC 22
A	T	L	A	S	

