

Features of Wordplay

WORD PLAYTM Wayne M. Hope

Arrange the letters of this week's word to form as many words as you can. Each word must be 3 or more letters. Each letter may be used only once in each word. No proper names, acronyms, abbreviations, slang or profanity. This week's word is **NUCLEAR**

3-Letter Words (15 expected)

4-Letter Words (24 expected)

5-Letter Words (16 expected)

6-Letter Words (4 expected)

7-Letter Words (1 expected)

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Only 60 words are expected. If you found 54 or more, you're an expert, better than 42, you're pretty good, fewer than 24, you should read more. Answers on page

Instructions for the puzzle.

The weekly word, typically 7 or 8 letters, carefully chosen.

Headers identifying the number of words expected. These are placed to allow room to write in all words.

Constant puzzle size: 4" x 6".

Scoring information gives readers feedback on their ability.

Puzzle dating for Sunday editions.

Space left to insert a page number where answers will be located.

Constant answer box size: 1" x 4".

Answers are arranged by size and alphabetically within size groups.

WORD PLAY Answers for the word **NUCLEAR**

aceale arc are can car cue cur ear era learnrue run urn acne acre cane carecaul clan clue cure curl earl earn ecru elan lace lane lean lure near race rale real rule ulna urea caner clean clear crane cruel lacer lance learn lucre lunar renal ulcer ulnae ulnar unclureallancer neural unlanceunreal unclear

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Computer techniques are employed to assure that virtually all expected answers are provided. Within this example, some words were deleted because they are abbreviations (*aec, cal, nra, rna, aclu*), foreign (*ecu, leu*), proper names (*alec, carl, clare, lucan*), slang (*rec, narc*), or obscure (*lac, cuneal, rune, nacre, rance, ulcera*).

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