

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Take our crossword challenge before reading this issue. Then come back and fill in any blanks. The starred clues refer to the play on pp. 8-11.

ACROSS

- 1 Greek letter, or abbr. for Chicago
- 4 European automaker
- *7 Country once ruled by Fulgencio Batista
- *9 Thousands of young people taught peasants to _.
- *10 The Bay of Pigs invasion was staged by the CIA and by Cuban _.
- *12 Country that once colonized 7 Across
- *14 Castro belongs to this political group (abbr.).
- *16 The rebels stole _ from an army barracks.
- 17 Floating sheet of ice
- 19 Third note of the musical scale
- *20 The rebels attacked an army barracks at La _.
- *21 Ally of Castro: _ Union
- 24 City in Florida: _ Raton
- 25 Claim ownership: call _
- 28 Insect that lives in colonies
- *29 Batista's power crumbled on _ Year's Eve, 1958.

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PUZZLE SOLUTION IS IN YOUR TEACHER'S EDITION.

DOWN

- 1 MLB pitcher: _ Sabathia (initials)
- 2 China's leader: _ Jintao
- 3 Steel or iron support for a house
- 4 Buzzing honeymaker
- 5 Good-luck person, animal, or object
- 6 Rust remover: _-40
- 8 Foe of the Allies during World War II
- 9 *Goosebumps* author, _ Stine (initials)
- 11 The Hoosier State (postal abbr.)
- 12 Symbol of the U.S.: Uncle _
- *13 Castro went to Mexico after his release from _.
- 15 "The Princess and the _"
- *17 As the rebels neared Havana, Batista did this.
- *18 7 Across is part of _ America.
- 20 In math, the name for 3.14159265
- 22 Tenth month in the calendar (abbr.).
- 23 Richmond is its capital (postal abbr.).
- 24 Kind of college degree (abbr.)
- 26 To exist
- 27 Opposite NE on a compass

SUDOKU

Do you sudoku? This addictive puzzle from Japan has become hugely popular in the U.S. If you aren't already a fan, here's how to play:

The puzzle grid is divided into 9 large squares, each of which is divided into 9 small squares. Each row and each column also has 9 squares. Your goal is to write a number from 1 to 9 in each square. Each digit can be used only once per row, column, and square.

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