

ISOLATE THE INFECTIOUS AGENT

Solution Sheet

This puzzle is a collection of 6 mini-puzzles. In each puzzle there are 10 elements that correspond to the first 10 tracks of a specific album by U2. There is a colored shape next to each puzzle element, which solvers should quickly realize represents the track number associated with that element. The assignment of shapes to numbers is different for each puzzle.

Once you have the assignments of numbers to shapes, there is some very basic arithmetic next to each puzzle. This arithmetic leads you to 2 tracks, and an index into each track.

The final result of each mini-puzzle is 2 letters.

INDIVIDUAL PUZZLES

VOCAL COMAS

The 10 letters of VOCAL COMAS correspond to the first letters of the tracks of the album "HOW TO DISMANTLE AN ATOMIC BOMB".

Result: L/E

PICTURE THIS

The 10 images represent all *complete* words contained in the first 10 letters of the first 10 tracks of the album "WAR" (Hence for "Sunday, Bloody Sunday", "Sunday" is represented (phonetically), but "Bloody" is not).

Result: E/O

THREE'S A CHARM

Each puzzle element clues a 3 letter answer that can be found within the first 10 track names of "NO LINE ON THE HORIZON":

Plus..... st**AND** up com
 Measure of bricksge**T ON** your b
 Nincompoopwhite **AS** Snow
 Germany's one fez - b**EIN**g bo
 Rocks magnif**IC**En
 Tolkien creature mom**ENT** of su
 Unwell**ILL** go crazy
 Iconic Reeves character..... no li**NE** On th
 Possess unkn**OWN** cal
 Consume br**EAT**he

Result: D/R

JUMBLED

Each puzzle element is an anagram of a shape name and the first 10 letters of one of the first 10 tracks of "ZOOROPA"

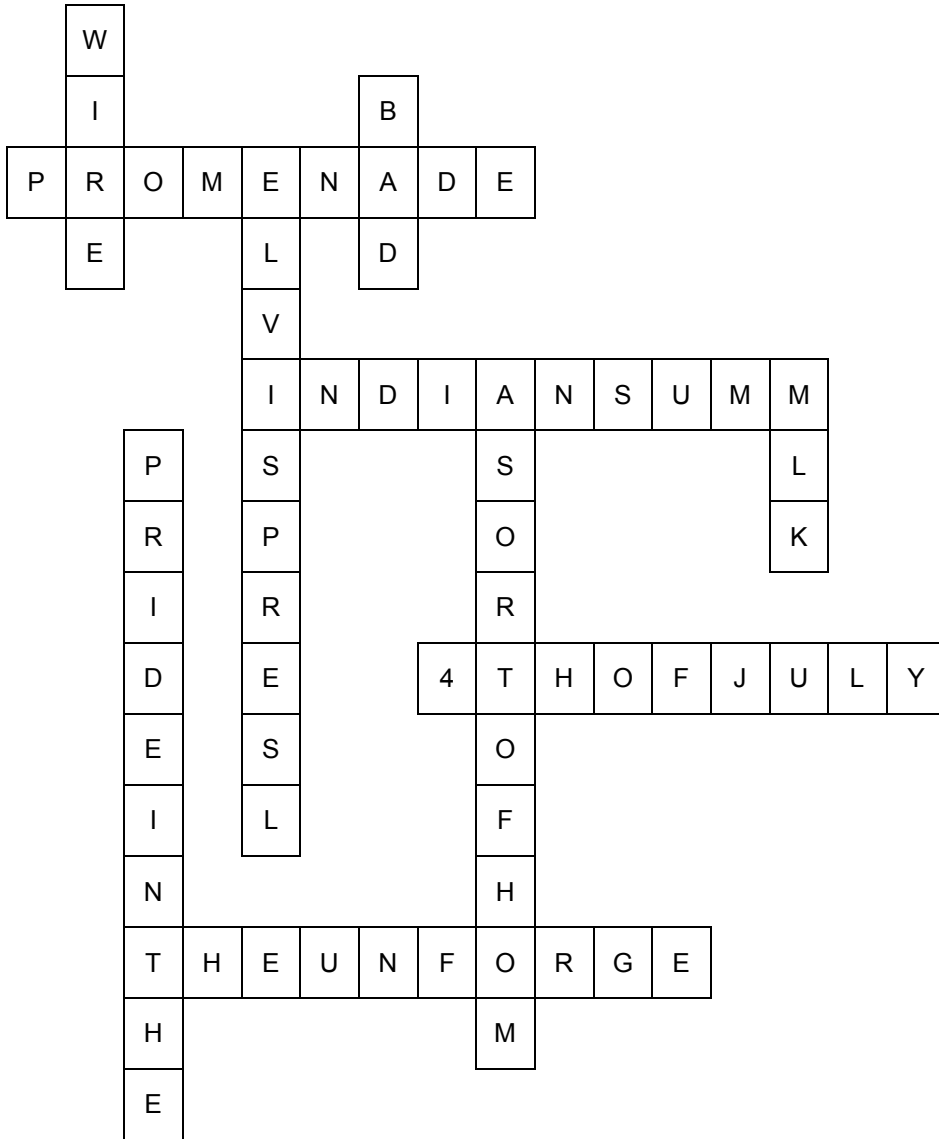
STAYFARAWA	+SQUARE	=AWAY AFTER QUASARS
NUMB	+DROPLET	=BLONDE TRUMP
ZOOROPA	+CIRCLE	=COZIER CARPOOL
DADDYSGONN	+TRIANGLE	=GRANDSTANING YODEL
LEMON	+DIAMOND	=DANDELION MOM
BABYFACE	+SPADE	=DEAF SCABBY APE
THEFIRSTTI	+CLUB	=LIFT CUBS HITTER
SOMEDAYSAR	+PLUS	=POSSUMS ALREADY
THEWANDERE	+STAR	=SHREWD ANTEATER
DIRTYDAY	+HEART	=THE TARDY DIARY

Result: O/D

CRISS-CROSS

"THE UNFORGETTABLE FIRE"

Fill the crossword using tracks from the album, using the crossing letters and lengths as a guide. The final grid will look like this:



Result: H/N

FILL IN THE BLANKS (only for New Agents)

"OCTOBER"

- I love going to Bill's nature talks- he's the **beST RANGER IN** the park.
- When my best friend got engaged **I THREW A BRIdal** shower for her.
- Since he spends so much time tending to the other dwarves, Snow White should send **DOC TO BERmuda** for a vacation.
- It's probably best to let the dolt and the half-**WIT HASH OUT** their problems on their own.
- When choosing a Christmas tree, the spruce and the **FIR** Each have their advantages.
- I was totally addicted **TO MORROW**ind, the third game in the Elder Scrolls series.
- **IF ALL DOWN**ton Abbey episodes were as good as the first one, I might still be watching it.
- The Kia/Hyundai joint ventu**RE JOICE** was also known as the CarStar.
- Once you win an Academy Award, do you get to have an **OSCAR LET**terhead on your stationary for life?
- Johnny Depp probably won't brin**G LORI** Ann Allison, his first wife, to the party tonight.

SO VERY CRYPTIC (only for Experienced Agents)

"OCTOBER"

The elements are all clues in the style of cryptic crosswords. However, there is no definition portion to the clues- instead the two parts are the word play, and the symbol (or it's associated color).

Blue sword of Bilbo mostly covering Aragorn:

Symbol: Blue

Wordplay: sword of Bilbo, mostly clues **STIN(G)**; Aragon clues **RANGER**,

Solution: **STRANGER IN**

Bury last of treasure in tangled briar with spade

Symbol: Spade

Wordplay : **BRIAR WITH** anagrammed, covering **E**

Solution: **I THREW A BRI**

"Circle of Cotton" by Ezra, oddly

Symbol: Circle

Wordplay: Odd letters from **OF COTTON BY EZRA**

Solution: **OCTOBER**

Club comic has hard out

Symbol: Club

Wordplay comic clues **WIT**; **HAS**; hard clues **H**; **OUT**

Solution **WITH A SHOUT**

Conifer in the middle of Red Square

Symbol: Square
Wordplay: Conifer clues FIR; in the middle of red clues E
Solution: FIRE

Heart of turkey or headless crow

Symbol: Heart
Wordplay: Turkey clues TOM; OR; headless crow is ROW
Solution: TOMORROW

If lowland is ruined, cross

Symbol: Cross
Wordplay: Anagram of IF LOWLAND
Solution: I FALL DOWN

Orange juice: second to none (after a drop of golden sun)

Symbol: Orange
Wordplay: JUICE: second to none clues JOICE, which comes after RE (from the song)
Solution: REJOICE

Star cluster enveloping Sagan

Symbol: Star
Wordplay: cluster is SET, which is put around CARL (Sagan).
Solution: SCARLET

Yellow bananas gorilla left out

Symbol: Yellow
Wordplay: Anagram gorilla (bananas is the indicator), and drop an L ("L"eft out).
Solution: GLORIA

Result: B/W

META PUZZLE

Arrange your 6 results in chronological order by album. Read all of the first letters in your results to get the word BEHOLD, then read all the second letters to get WONDER. The final answer is BEHOLD AND WONDER, a song written by Bono for the Spiderman musical "Turn Off the Dark".