

Ditloids Challenge!

A ditloid is a type of word puzzle that just uses numbers and abbreviations to express a phrase. You have to try to work out what the initial letters stand for to figure out the puzzle!



For example: 366 D in a L Y is 366 days in a leap year.

Try these together with the family – everyone can join in! Can you figure them all out? I've given you clues to help you for some of questions, but not all! You might find it's easiest to print this out to write your answers on.

We will publish the results at the end of the week... good luck!

No.	PUZZLE	CLUE	ANSWER
1	A B and the 40 T		Ali Baba and the 40 Thieves
2	7 D in S W		7 Dwarves in Snow White
3	37 P by W S	Literature	37 plays by William Shakespeare
4	The 3 M	Literature	The 3 Musketeers
5	26 L in the A		26 letters in the alphabet
6	3 B M		3 Blind Mice
7	3 B in a T	Literature	3 books in a trilogy
8	22 B on a S T	Sport	22 balls on a snooker table
9	32 P on a C B	Hobby	32 pieces on a chess board
10	8 F in a M	Distance	8 furlongs in a mile
11	60 S in a M		60 seconds in a minute
12	12 M in a Y		12 months in a year
13	3600 S in an H		3600 seconds in an hour
14	5 A in R and J	Literature	5 acts in Romeo and Juliet
15	4 W on a C		4 wheels on a car
16	18 H on a G C		18 holes on a golf course
17	12 S of the Z		12 signs of the Zodiac
18	7 C in a R		7 colours in a rainbow
19	36 I in a Y	Measurement	36 inches in a yard
20	3 P on a P	Household	3 pins on a plug
21	7 S on a 50 P P		7 sides on a 50 pence piece
22	4 S in a P of C	Games	4 suits in a pack of cards
23	14 L in a S	Literature	14 lines in a sonnet
24	7 C in the W	Geography	7 continents in the world
25	14 P in a S	Measurements	14 pounds in a stone
26	3 C on a T L		3 colours on a traffic light
27	11 P on a F T	Sport	11 players on a football team
28	6 W of H T E	History	6 wives of Henry the Eighth
29	2 F on a D D B	Transport	2 floors on a double decker bus
30	13 S on the A F		13 stripes on the American Flag

31	4 S in a C	Animals	4 stomachs in a cow
32	2 P on a J	Legal System	12 people on a jury
33	9 S by B	Music	9 symphonies by Beethoven
34	8 L on a S		8 legs on a spider
35	6 L on an I		6 legs on an insect
36	15 P in a R U T		15 players in a rugby union team
37	3 H in a B B	Sport	3 holes in a bowling ball
38	2 C in the H O P	Politics	2 chambers in the Houses of Parliament
39	4 S on a V		4 strings on a violin
40	4 L around N C	London	4 lions around Nelson's Column
41	12 D of C		12 Days of Christmas
42	2 B in a B M	Food	2 burgers in a Big Mac
43	5 R on the O F		5 rings on the Olympic flag
44	6 F on a C	Maths	6 faces on a cube
45	5 L and 2 F	Bible	5 loaves and 2 fishes
46	4 G in the B		4 Gospels in the Bible
47	4 S by V	Music	4 Seasons by Vivaldi
48	4 S on a M B	Games	4 stations on a Monopoly board
49	5 T on a F		5 toes on a foot
50	6 B in a C O	Sport	6 balls in a cricket over
51	6 N to W the L J		6 numbers to win the lottery jackpot
52	M E is 8848 M H	Geography	Mount Everest is 8848 metres high
53	1961 = F M in S		1961 = first man in space
54	40 = D T S in D	Sport	40 = double top score in darts
55	7 W of the W		7 Wonders of the World
56	8 T on an O	Animals	8 tentacles on an octopus
57	8 N in an O	Music	8 notes in an octave
58	29 D in F in a L Y		29 days in February in a leap year
59	12 L of H	Greek History	12 labours of Hercules
60	13 L in a B D		13 loaves in a baker's dozen
61	52 W K on a P	Music	52 white keys on a piano
62	12 S on a D		12 sides on a dodecahedron
63	2 W on an A	Transport	2 wings on an aeroplane
64	4 and 20 B B B in a P		4 and 20 blackbirds baked in a pie
65	2 T in the U B R	Annual Sport	2 teams in the university boat race
66	200 P for P G in M	Board Games	200 pounds for passing Go in Monopoly
67	-273.15 = A Z in C		-273.15 = absolute zero in Celcius
68	-2 = E in G	Sport	-2 = eagle in golf
69	1 S B on a K		1 space bar on a keyboard
70	21 S on a D		21 spots on 1 die