

single English word. It should become clear when you've found the answer. Sometimes you may think you need to consult external information; that's okay, no resource is off-limits when solving. When you think you know the answer, check it on our website.

This brings us to the metapuzzle, a new puzzle consisting solely of the answers to this week's puzzle and the four puzzles that preceded it. Especially now, without a title or flavortext to give hints, it is important to be on the lookout for themes and patterns. Investigate anything that looks unusual. The metapuzzle answer will also be a single English word. If you think you have the answer, submit it on our website as well. Enjoy your last week of class and thanks for reading the column. We'll see some of you this Sunday at the Berkeley Mystery Hunt!

This column is the last of the semester and the final in our series of "game puzzles". (You can find an archive of past columns on our website). In this kind of puzzle, we'll give you a box with some information, but no instructions. Figuring out what to do is the hardest part. Each puzzle will have a **TITLE**. The title usually indicates the theme of the puzzle or provides a clue about how to manipulate the information you've been given.

Solving the puzzle requires extracting an **ANSWER** from the given information. The answer will be a

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$$6 \times 9 = 42$$

$$\sqrt{235} = 19$$

$$2013 - 1989 = 468$$

$$1 + 1 = 10$$

$$10^{10} = 1000$$