

by The Campus League of Puzzlers

Solution to Pac Men of the North :

Names are hidden in the word search. After finding all the names, the leftover letters give an instruction: GROUP INDEX SORT UC SU WSU OSU UO UW. The first part refers to the names - each name is either a character who is a type of animal (e.g. Yogi Bear) or refers to something that is part of a named set (e.g. East is a cardinal direction).

The long string at the end of the instruction that at first seems to be nonsense can be split up into abbreviations for universities that are all in the North division of the Pac-12 (clued by the title). The team name for each of these universities is also one of the categories represented by the names hidden in the word search. Using the number of items in each category as an index into the name of the category, and ordering by the order the schools are listed in the instruction, gives the answer, **ARCADE**.

Category	Names	#	School
Bears	Yogi, Cindy, Booboo	3	UC
Cardinals	East, West, South	3	SU
Cougars	Mrs. Robinson	1	WSU
Beavers	Daggett, Leonard, Norbert	3	OSU
Ducks	Donald	1	UO
Huskies	Sniff, Diesel, Demon, Yodel, Mac, Nana	6	UW

Congratulations to Tom Griffin, CoyoteCreed, and JET, who were the first three to submit the correct answer to last week's puzzle on our website (<http://puzzle.berkeley.edu>).

This column is the third in our ongoing series. (You can find an archive of past columns on our website). These puzzles have a **TITLE**, some *flavortext*, and the content. Figuring out what to do with the content is the hardest part. The title and flavortext usually indicate the theme of the puzzle, and provide clues about how to manipulate the information you've been given. The full meaning of these clues may only be evident once you've figured out what to do. Solving the puzzle requires extracting an **ANSWER**, which will be a common English word or short phrase. 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, submit it on our website (<http://puzzle.berkeley.edu>).

Week 3: Protect the Core

___ pectoris ● A ● Coder-decoder in short

Like St. Paul's Cathedral ● O S E G K ● Driving force

Defame in writing ● P R L S ● Name, in Latin

Computer peripheral ● A N Q ● Dalai Lama's homeland

Respectful title for a woman ● P B E I T ● Liken to

Bends knees ● E H L ● Type of gun

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