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4. At 1,560 words, this artist has the most words spoken in a single song.
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About Us

The Eau Claire Community Association (ECCA) was founded in 1992 as a non-profit organization dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the quality of living in Eau Claire. It is recognized by the City of Calgary as the official voice of the Eau Claire community. The ECCA bylaws define the purpose and direction of the ECCA and are registered under the Societies Act of Alberta. The bylaws are available at www.eauclaireca.com/about.

The community of Eau Claire is located adjacent to the downtown commercial core, bounded by Prince's Island and the Bow River on the north and centre of 4 Avenue on the south, extending from the centre of 2 Street SW to the centre of 9 Street SW.

Mission

The Eau Claire Community Association strives to create a vibrant connected community. Our approach to planning and development is to enhance the quality of life for our residents.

Vision

Eau Claire is a safe, clean and liveable residential community proud of its natural environment. We are supportive of social and recreational gathering places and relevant businesses that support the community.



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Membership in the ECCA is open to all residents. The annual fee is \$6 per household. The majority of Eau Claire condominium complexes (and therefore their residents) hold a membership, paid for by the condo corporation. Business memberships are also available. Strong membership empowers the ECCA to protect the interests of our community. Issues of key interest are planning, transportation and safety. The ECCA's role is to provide a voice for Eau Claire residents, to help ensure that community interests are being considered and that development is in keeping with the Area Redevelopment Plan.

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Korean Beef Bowl

by Jennifer Puri

Ceramic rice bowls are believed to have originated in Japan and then migrated to Korea, China, and other parts of Asia. Distinguished by their nature influenced designs, motifs, durability, and water absorbency, Japanese earthenware is perhaps the oldest ceramic tradition in the world.

Incredibly versatile, rice bowls combine fresh vegetables, grains, and protein making them a colourful and healthy dinner choice.

You can create different versions of rice bowls by layering the bowls with a combination of cooked white, brown, or yellow rice, raw or roasted vegetables, chicken or beef. Toppings could include pickled ginger, basil leaves, toasted peanuts or sesame seeds and a drizzle of gochujang or sriracha sauce.

This quick and easy to prepare Korean Beef Bowl is a combination of fresh flavours and just the right amount of spice.

Prep Time: 12 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 1 lb lean ground beef
- 1 cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1 tsp minced ginger
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ tsp coarsely ground black pepper
- 1 tbsp soya sauce
- 1 tsp sesame oil
- 1 tbsp honey
- 1 tbsp gochujang sauce
- 2 cups of thinly sliced cucumber
- 2 cups of thinly sliced carrots
- 2 cups of thinly sliced radish
- 3 green onions thinly sliced
- 4 fried or boiled eggs
- 4 cups cooked white rice



Directions:

- In a frying pan or skillet cook the ground beef until browned about three to four minutes. Add the ginger, garlic and red pepper and continue to cook.
- In a small bowl blend together the soya sauce, honey, salt, pepper and the gochujang sauce. Pour the sauce over the browned beef and continue cooking for another two to three minutes or until beef is fully cooked. Add the sesame oil and remove the pan from the heat.
- Assemble four bowls with warmed cooked rice, beef, sliced cucumbers, carrots, radishes, and fried or boiled eggs. Garnish with green onions and a drizzle of gochujang or sriracha sauce and serve.

Bon Appétit!



Checkmate!

On September 1, 1972, Bobby Fischer made history by becoming the first American to win the World Chess Championship. He outplayed the reigning champion, Boris Spassky, with a score of 12.5 to 8.5 in what became the most famous chess match at the time, capturing the world's attention!



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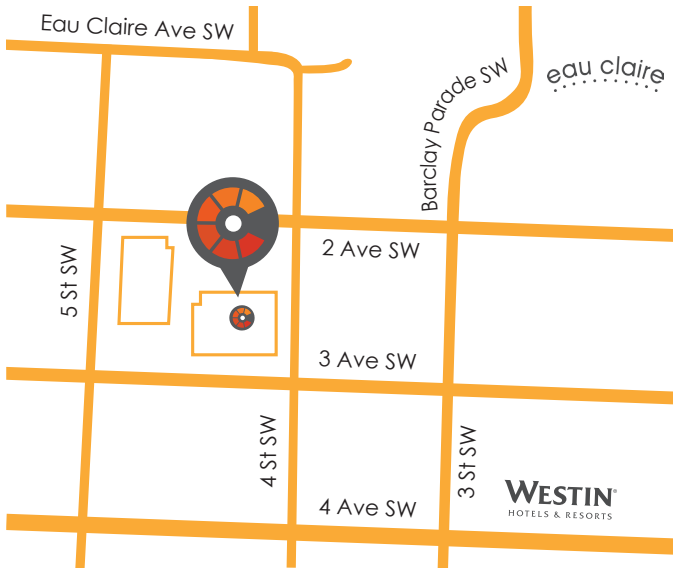


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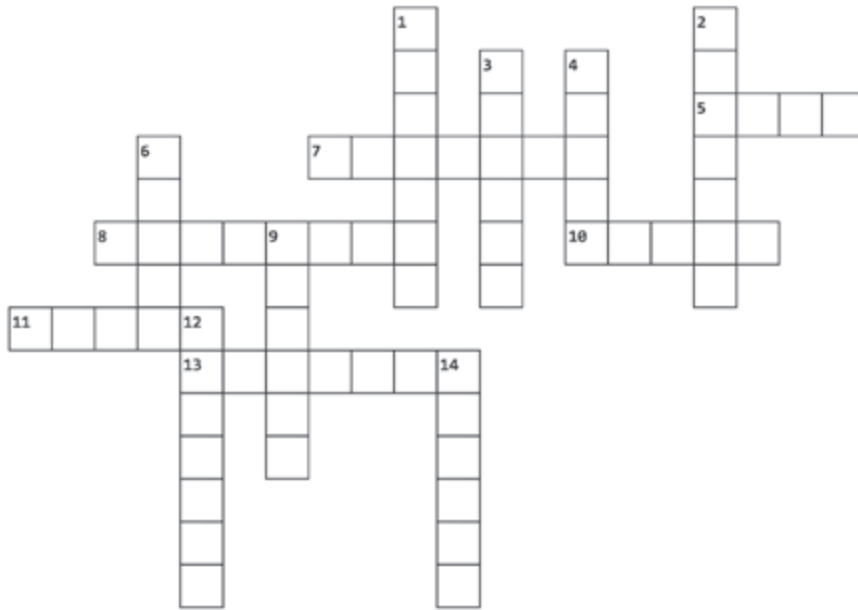
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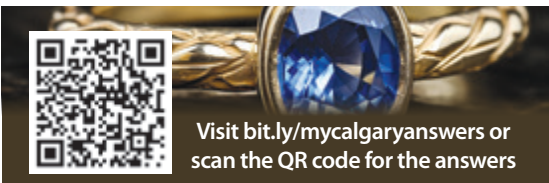


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7. World _____ Day is celebrated on September 2 annually and is dedicated to a fruit grown in a woody husk.
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10. World _____ Day, held on September 22 every year, raises awareness for this endangered mammal often poached for its horns.
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13. On September 1, 1905, _____ was officially declared a Canadian province.

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1. On September 1, 1972, Bobby _____ made history by becoming the first American to win the World Chess Championship held in Reykjavik, Iceland.
2. On September 10, 1991, this Alternative Rock band released their biggest hit "Smells Like Teen Spirit" as the lead single for their album "Nevermind".
3. On September 29, 1962, _____ became the third country (after the Soviet Union and the U.S.) to launch a satellite into space.
4. One of September's birth flowers, the _____ comes from the Greek word for star.
6. Treasured Canadian actor, _____ Reeves turns 60 this year on September 2.
9. September 22 is _____ Day, celebrating the beloved fictional characters Bilbo and Frodo Baggins' birthdays.
12. Canadian pop-punk singer, Avril _____ was born on September 27, 1984, in Belleville, Ontario.
14. *The Blind Assassin* by Canadian author Margaret _____, was published in September 2000 and is set in the fictional Ontario town of Port Ticonderoga.



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How to Deal with Resentment: A Better Way to Process the Poison We Drink, Expecting the Other to Die

by Nancy Bergeron, R.Psych. | info@nancybergeron.ca



In the recovery community, resentment is a hot topic. It's often referred to as "drinking poison hoping the other person will die." Psychologist Susan Albers, PsyD, shares some of the signs you might be harbouring resentment, along with ways you can pull yourself out of it.

Resentment is a complex emotional reaction to being or feeling mistreated or wronged by another person, situation, or series of circumstances. Resentment can feel like a mix of anger, bitterness, disgust, or disappointment toward the person or events from your perception. It can be triggered by several things:

- Being taken advantage of by others.
- Being put down, dismissed, or ignored.
- Feeling inadequate, overlooked, or unheard.

- Having unrealistic expectations of others or the world around you.
- Maintaining relationships with people who insist their needs are more important than your own.
- Having interactions with people who undermine your authority.

The challenge with resentment is that if you hold onto it tightly, it becomes harder to forgive or let go and move on from the situation. When you've been mistreated or wronged, it's common to experience an overlap of negative emotions that continue to resurface and return whenever you're confronted with these individuals, situations, or memories. These emotions may include anger, hostility, hate, bitterness, discomfort, or disgust. Suppressing these emotions over time, can lead to resentment, which can have significant negative effects on your mental and physical health. "In the short-term, suppressing feelings may seem like a way of coping. However, in the long run, pushing down or ignoring emotions can be an entry into mental health issues like PTSD, trauma, depression, and anxiety," warns Dr. Albers.

Resentment can make it difficult to let go of your anger. You find yourself hyper-focusing on these feelings, especially whenever you're confronted by the person or situation that caused them in the first place. You might even be enraged or experience strong urges to seek revenge. These things can take a significant toll on your mental and physical health. "Emotions are not solely confined to our minds; they can also take residence in our bodies," clarifies Dr. Albers. "Anger, if left unaddressed, can manifest physically by increasing your heart rate and blood pressure, causing muscle tension and headaches, digestive issues, weakening your immune system, and causing sleep disturbances. These can all put you at higher risk for cardiovascular issues like high blood pressure and heart disease or chronic conditions like diabetes and autoimmune disorders."

When emotions like resentment linger, we tend to associate it with other feelings like regret, shame, guilt, or remorse, especially if we're made to feel like we're at fault. When you're resentful, you're on guard. Why would you ever surround yourself with the same people or situations that hurt you again from the start? We see this often in relationships. If you've been wronged in the past by a previous partner, you might resent them

and anyone else who reminds you of them or presents that kind of behaviour because it triggers your fears and anxiety around betrayal and lack of commitment. On the surface, resentment may appear to offer you the ability to have power and control over the situation. But internally, it can cause real, long-lasting damage to your mental health. "At first, it may seem like avoiding the situation is a way of coping. However, by engaging in avoidance behavior, we inadvertently fuel the flames of resentment, allowing it to fester and intensify inward," says Dr. Albers.

When you're ready to let go, and leave resentment in the past, these steps are useful:

- Do a personal inventory of what's important to you. What would it take for you to "settle the score"? Are you looking for an apology? Are you looking for an explanation? Or are you looking to make amends?
- Acknowledging where you stand on the issue, what you need in order to heal, and what your expectations are for yourself and the other party involved are the keys to handling any unresolved conflict.
- "Empathy plays a vital role in putting a stop to resentment, as it allows us to step into the shoes of others and understand their perspective," says Dr. Albers. "Coming to terms with the person or situation that caused resentment can open the door to healing and closure, as it enables us to find empathy towards ourselves and create space for forgiveness and growth."
- When you're steeped in doubt and negativity, lean on the people, places, and things that bring you peace and positivity by practicing gratitude. Try keeping a gratitude journal of all the things that make you happy and serve as a positive step toward improving your well-being.

"It's OK to seek support because navigating resentment alone is not easy," reaffirms Dr. Albers. "Working with a therapist can help you to see the situation from a new perspective and access self-compassion, which becomes key to making a manageable journey of healing and growth."

Finding ways to practice self-love and compassion will not only set you up for success in the future. It will also help you recognize that when you feel like you're caught in the throes of resentment, you can stop drinking the poison hoping the other person will die.

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The Art of Finding Work: A Job Search Game Changer: Assertive Communication

by Nick Kossovian



King of all skills: communication skills.

Clear, concise communication is the key to getting and keeping an interviewer's attention. An hour-long interview boils down to having 30 minutes to make your case.

First 15 minutes: Small talk, building rapport, setting the tone for the interview.

30 minutes: Actual interview.

Last 15 minutes: Asking questions and wrapping things up, which influences how your interviewer will remember you.

Making your case in 30 minutes requires assertive communication, a powerful skill for conveying your message clearly and directly. When you start using assertive communication, you'll experience a game-changing shift in your job search and career because it's linked to self-confidence and an alpha-like personality, traits that are valued in business environments.

During the interview process, your competitors will likely exhibit signs of passivity or aggression. In this context, assertive communication is a strategic advantage, making you stand out and, most importantly, be taken seriously. You want to aim for the sweet spot between the timid passivity of "I'm not sure, whatever you think is fine" and the overly aggressive "This is how it's going to be."

The assertive communicator strikes a balance between self-promotion and humility. They state their case firmly

but also listen to the other person's point of view. This balance is crucial during an interview, where you must promote yourself by showcasing your qualifications while appearing poised, professional, and easy to work with.

Assertive communication has three elements:

1. Adamantly believing in what you speak of.
2. Knowing why you believe what you believe.
3. Being ready to prove why you believe, think, or feel what you do; otherwise, it's just your opinion, and "opinions" rarely convince anyone to take action.

A few examples of assertive communication in an interview setting:

Scenario 1: Discussing salary expectations

Passive approach: "I'm open to whatever you offer for this role."

Aggressive approach: "To take this job, I need no less than \$80,000."

Assertive approach: "Based on my 20 years of experience managing inside sales teams and my track record for exceeding sales targets, I think \$85,000, plus a commission and quarterly bonus, which we can work out, would be fair. Would this work for you?"

The assertive communicator clearly and confidently states their salary expectations, acknowledges the employer's perspective, and leaves room for negotiation. Rather than just throwing out a number, they provide context and explanation.

Scenario 2: Addressing a weakness

Passive approach: "I definitely need to improve my public speaking. It's something I struggle with."

Aggressive approach: "Public speaking is not my weakness at all. I'm an excellent presenter and communicator."

Assertive approach: "I'm actively improving my public speaking skills. In my last role, I volunteered to conduct more team presentations. This past March, I joined Toastmasters and have given three talks since. Although I am proud of my progress, there is still room for improvement."

An assertive communicator acknowledges their weaknesses honestly and explains how they're addressing them, demonstrating self-awareness and a growth mindset, qualities employers find attractive.

Scenario 3: "Do you have any questions for me?"

Passive approach: "No, you've covered everything."

Aggressive approach: "When can I expect a job offer?"

Assertive approach: "Yes, I do. I'm excited about this opportunity and believe I would excel in this role. How soon can I expect to hear from you regarding next steps? I'm eager to move forward."

Scenario 4: Expressing interest in the job.

Passive approach: "I'd be happy to work here."

Aggressive approach: "I am perfect for this job. I expect you to offer it to me today."

Assertive approach: "This opportunity excites me. Based on our discussion, I can see how my qualifications and experience align with being able to meet the expectations you have for this role; therefore, I'm confident I would excel in this role. I'm very interested in joining your team. Is there anything else I can tell you about my background to help you decide to hire me? Otherwise, when can I expect to hear from you regarding next steps?"

The assertive communicator expresses interest and enthusiasm for the job while respecting the employer's decision-making process. They state their case compellingly without demanding or pressuring the interviewer.

Today's job market is hyper-competitive, making job seekers desperate. Hence, it's becoming common for candidates to ask outright at the end of an interview, "Am I hired?" No matter how much you need or want the job, never ask outright if you got the job.

While it's understandable you want to "close the deal," putting pressure on the hiring manager to tell you whether you got the job will create an uncomfortable situation. As I mentioned earlier, how you end your interview will influence how you're remembered. Creating an uncomfortable situation isn't what you want to be remembered for.

Finding the right balance is the key to assertive communication. Your goal: Be bold and confident without being arrogant or confrontational. Assertive communication is a superpower. Few do it well. It shows employers that you're self-assured, adaptable, and can advocate for yourself. By embracing assertive communication, you'll be far ahead of your competition.

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Happy Hobbit Day!

September is a legendary month in Hobbit history! On September 21, 1937, J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Hobbit* hit the shelves, kicking off the journey through Middle-earth. Then, on September 22 — known as Hobbit Day — both Bilbo and Frodo Baggins, two of the most cherished hobbits ever, celebrate their birthdays!

Green Line LRT moves forward with a revised Phase 1 project

The City is moving forward on construction of the Green Line LRT by “Building the Core” from Eau Claire to Lynnwood/Millican. Eau Claire Station is the Green Line's northern most station and will serve as the terminus station until a future north LRT extension is constructed.

Completing the vision of the full 46-kilometre line, from Seton in the southeast to 160 Avenue in the north, remains a City priority. Building the core of the project will enable the future phases to be constructed more rapidly as additional funding sources become available.

The Green Line team strives to be a good neighbour and is thankful for the support from the Eau Claire community as we complete early works such as utility upgrades and new bridges ahead of main construction.

As progress or decisions are made on future phases, we will continue to share information.

For the latest project information: Calgary.ca/GreenLine



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WORD OF THE MONTH

Thaumaturgy: noun (thaw-muh-tur-jee)
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They used thaumaturgy to ensure the people felt at peace.

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