

I finally realized that people are prisoners of their phones... that's why it's called a 'cell' phone.

## Work unveiled in Egypt captures Liverpool player's trademark pose

A statue of Liverpool forward Mohamed Salah has been unveiled in his home country of Egypt, drawing unfavorable comparisons with the

in Sharm el-Sheikh shows Salah, who set a new Premier League goalscoring record last season, in his trademark celebration pose with arms aloft to the crowd,

32 goals in his debut season with Liverpool, won England's player of the year award and was nominated for FIFA's world player of the year. But the likeness of the

acclaimed as the player himself, who had a remarkable season in which he also inspired Egypt to a first World Cup appearance in 28 years.

Observers on social

Leo Sayer or Art Garfunkel, with other suggesting it looked more like the character Marv from Home Alone.

The statue also reminded many of the controversy over the bust of Ronaldo at Madeira airport which sculptor Emanuel Santos reworked after an outcry that it did not bear a good resemblance to the Portuguese superstar.

Abdel Allah said she was inspired to make the statue, which was shown at the World Youth Forum in the Red Sea resort city, by Salah's gesture of 'opening his arms to the fans' after scoring goals.

"I found it is distinguished and execrable," she said, according to the Egypt Independent.



theguardian.com



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Mohamed Salah celebrates a goal for Liverpool.

much-ridiculed bust of Ronaldo.

theguardian.com reported. The forward scored

work by the Egyptian sculptor Mia Abdel Allah has not been quite so

media said the sculpture made Salah look more like the 1970s singers

## World's first underwater hotel residence opens in Maldives

For once, it's an opportunity to sleep with the fishes that doesn't mean you end up like a character in a mob movie.

The Conrad Maldives Rangali Island opened the world's first-ever underwater hotel residence, CNN reported.

More than just a room or a suite (this is the Maldives, after all, so luxury is the name of the game), the two-story villa is set more than 16 feet below the Indian Ocean. Its name is 'Muraka,' which means 'coral' in the Maldives' local language Dhivehi.

In addition to a bed, shower and the other typical components of a hotel room, the Muraka takes it to another level with a private gym, a bar, an infinity pool, butler's quarters, and most importantly an underwater bedroom with unparalleled views of the ocean.

The top floor, which is above the water, has a 'relaxation deck' where you can sun yourself.



CNN

The price tag? A cool \$50,000 per night, although you can't actually book the Muraka for single night stays — it's only accessible via a four-night, \$200,000 package that includes a personal chef for all meals and the use of a private boat.

Bonus: Those who book this insane package get automatic Hilton Diamond status.

The Muraka isn't the first underwater venture at the hotel. The property is home to Ithaa, an underwater five-star restaurant.

The Muraka is connected to

the rest of the resort — including the Ithaa — by jetty, in case you want to leave your blissful seclusion to mingle with other non-aquatic life forms.

The process of building the Muraka was carefully considered to be respectful to the environment. Everything was built in Singapore — on land — and then brought to the Maldives on a special ship.

Once the residence was lowered into the water, it was nailed into place with concrete pylons that will keep it from shifting during rough waves or at high tide.

## Selfie attempt results in damage to artwork by Salvador Dali and Francisco Goya

A picture is worth a thousand words, but what about a selfie?

A group of women in Yekaterinburg, Russia, may find out soon after one of them tried to take a selfie on October 27 and accidentally knocked over a structure at the International Arts Center Main Avenue, CNN wrote.

The structure was carrying two works of art, according to the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) and state-run news agency TASS.

A surveillance video provided by MIA shows three people looking at art in the gallery when a structure carrying two works of art falls over. A person is seen behind the fallen structure.

The damaged artworks, ac-



cnr.com  
A young woman trying to take a selfie knocked over two works of art at a gallery in Yekaterinburg, Russia, on October 27, 2018.

According to TASS, include a Francisco Goya etching from the Los Caprichos series and Salvador Dali's interpretation of it. Goya's work was also part of the gallery owner's private collection.

and glass broken," a center employee told TASS. "As far as Dali's artwork is concerned, apart from shattered frame and protective glass, it also suffered damage to the picture itself."

Inna Volk, the official representative of the Russian Interior Ministry, said police have received a written statement from the deputy director of the cultural center requesting justice for the paintings.

"Employees of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia identified three women who, during the survey, explained that the stand was touched by accident at the time when they tried to make a photo against the background of the paintings," Volk said.

Police said the women came to the exhibit from Chelyabinsk as part of a tour.

Yekaterinburg refused to open a criminal case against the women, MIA said.

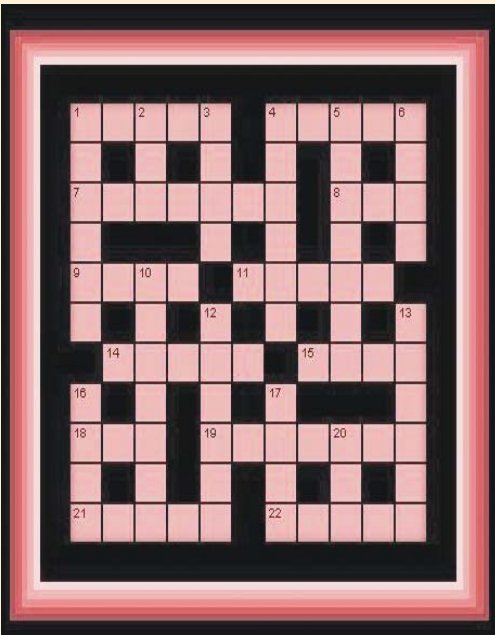
### PICKED PIC



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Hindus gather in front of Shri Shri Lokenath Brahmachari Ashram temple for the Kartik Brati religious festival, involving candlelight and prayer in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

### Quick Crossword



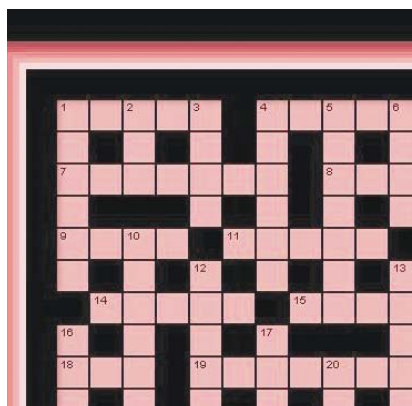
### ACROSS

- Comical (5)
- One of the senses (5)
- Freedom (7)
- Regret (3)
- Woodwind instrument (4)
- Ire (5)
- Valuable item (5)
- Singing voice (4)
- Large antelope (3)
- Greed (7)
- Force out (5)
- Compare (5)

### DOWN

- Bird of prey (6)
- Seize suddenly (3)
- Tall story (4)
- Attempting (6)
- Dreamlike (7)
- Level (4)
- Vague (7)
- Leave (6)
- Forward-looking (6)
- Monster (4)
- Shopping precinct (4)
- Writing fluid (3)

### Yesterday's solution



### Sudoku

Sudoku was inspired by the table devised by Iranian mathematician Khwarazmi. Fill 9x9 grid with digits so that each column, each row and each of the nine 3x3 sub-grids that compose the grid, contains all of the digits from 1 to 9.

		7	6	2	8			
6								1
		4			2			
1	6	4		5	3	7		
		8			4			
7	3	9		6	5	2		
		9			7			
5								9
		1	8	3	6			

5	2	9	3	6	8	1	7	4
6	3	1	4	9	7	2	8	5
8	4	7	1	5	2	6	9	3
1	2	5	1	9	8	6	3	7
9	6	4	7	3	1	8	5	2
7	8	3	5	2	4	9	6	1
3	9	2	6	7	5	4	1	8
1	1	7	6	8	4	3	5	2
4	5	8	2	1	9	7	3	6