

## Central Square

## Square Pegs

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*Who doesn't love a good game of Battleship, the game which requires you to put pegs in squares to find a fleet using the process of elimination? We certainly enjoy it.*

This puzzle is like a game of Battleship. Each line below contains two clues with answers which are ten letters long in total; each pair of answers fills one row or one column of the 10x10 grid, in the order they are clued. The lines for row A and column 1 have been marked; all the other lines have been alphabetized.

Once the crossword is completed, you will need to find a fleet within the 10x10 crossword grid. The fleet consists of an aircraft carrier (5 squares long), a battleship (4 squares), a cruiser (3 squares) and a destroyer (2 squares), and no segment which is part of any ship is adjacent to any part of any other ship, even diagonally.

Finding the positions of the fleet should help you identify something else you don't normally need to peg in a game of Battleship.

### Rows:

- A. Retirement fund org. (3) / In few words (7)
- B. Like Hyundai or Psy (6) / CCLXIII × IV (4)
- C. Retain documents for the future (7) / Response upon seeing a mouse (3)
- D. Meghan who sang "Dear Future Husband" (7) / Period of time (3)
- E. Winsome, like a Scottish lass (5) / Is slack-jawed in astonishment (5)
- F. Gobsmacked by grandeur (4) / Prestigious New Orleans university (6)
- G. Wrapped in bandages (7) / Video feed provider (3)
- H. The latest digital gizmos (4) / Listless and low on energy (6)
- I. Gov't. Org. known for fighting pollution (3) / Nation surrounded by a single neighbor (7)
- J. Three sheets to the wind (6) / Support for a proposal? (4)

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### Columns:

- 1. Trick-taking card game for three (4) / Butters up the Butterball (6)
- 2. Deep and profound sadness (6) / Shed many tears (4)
- 3. Ancient and mysterious (6) / Central American berry (4)
- 4. Solidly in one's corner (6) / Back awhile ago (4)
- 5. Wetter than partly cloudy (5) / Show one's gratitude (5)
- 6. At the height of fashion (2 5) / Sergeant, for short (3)
- 7. Shade of the city Dorothy sought (7) / Mammal similar to a moose (3)
- 8. So-called circus "performer" (4) / Yellow chaser of ghosts (3-3)
- 9. How a knight would address his lord (5) / Optimistic to an unreasonable degree (5)
- 10. Exclamation of startled fear (5) / Host at a wedding reception (5)

### Battleship clues:

All four ships cross at least one of the two grid diagonals; two of them cross both diagonals.

Only two ship segments are squares where two entries of the same length cross; both of them are in row H.

The ship segments contain one I among them, but no E's or S's.

Rows B and C do not contain any ship segments; neither does column 7.