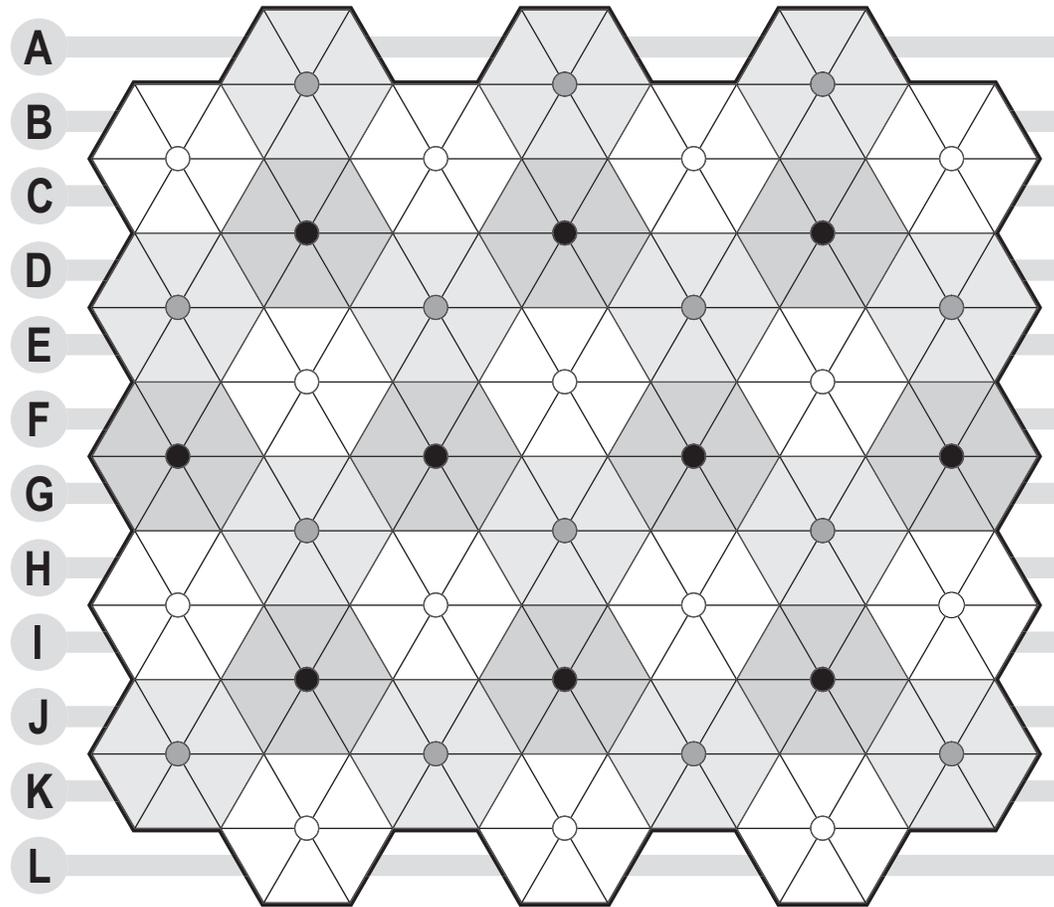


ROWS GARDEN #9

Each Row of this garden contains two answers reading from left to right (except Rows A and L, which contain one answer reading across the nine protruding spaces). Bloom clues are divided into three lists, Light, Medium, and Dark; the answers from each list should be placed in the appropriately-shaded hexagons, starting in any space and reading clockwise or counter-clockwise. All three Bloom lists are in random order, so use the Row answers to determine where to plant each Bloom.



ROWS

- A Band whose song "Car Wash" was a #1 hit in 1976 (2 wds.)
- B Unreceptive to new ideas (Hyph.)
Carving in a frieze (Hyph.)
- C Real-life actor portrayed by Ben Affleck in "Hollywoodland" (2 wds.)
Wimbledon match highlights (2 wds.)
- D Like overly harsh criticism (Hyph.)
They're strung together and hung in Mediterranean kitchens (2 wds.)
- E What latchkey kids inevitably learn (Hyph.)
Officially declare
- F Composer of the score for Satyajit Ray's "Apu Trilogy" (2 wds.)
It's often near reverse on a gearshift (2 wds.)
- G They have pilots (2 wds.)
Controversy that everyone's talking about (2 wds.)

- H He painted over 240 portraits of German model Helga Testorf (2 wds.)
One of three golfers (the other two being Nick Faldo and Tiger Woods) to spend an entire calendar year ranked #1 (2 wds.)
- I Make botanical hybrids (2 wds.)
Square from a Chef Boyardee can
- J Kafka novel whose hero is named Josef K. (2 wds.)
Term that originally referred to a Latin-teaching institution (2 wds.)
- K Academic year division
Crunchy tidbit dropped into soup or chili (2 wds.)
- L Students often share them (2 wds.)

LIGHT BLOOMS

- Reuses drippings
"___ Weather" (Ethel Waters classic)
- Tic-tac-toe O, to Brits
"Six Feet Under" family surname
- Rebounds like a billiard ball
- Fur used to trim royal robes
- Feel bad about
Frankness
- Deceptive attack motions
- Actor Alfred of "Spider-Man 2"
- Walked purposefully
- England's enemy in the Hundred Years' War
- Color of the spectrum
- Another color of the spectrum

MEDIUM BLOOMS

- Didn't pass
- Pianist Floyd
- What many crosswords have
- Castle wall's corners
- Heartache

- "The Raven" narrator's lost love
- Veggie served with hot wings
- Attractive person
- Blockheads
- Like ancient rock formations
- Alliance for Climate Protection founder (2 wds.)
- Some male relatives
- Entangled
- Sitting room

DARK BLOOMS

- Wellspring
- ___ Regal (Scotch brand)
- Citrus orchards
- Removes paint from
- Movie about a person's life
- "20/20" host Elizabeth
- Blackguards
- Docking site
- "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" star
Sarah Michelle ___
- Check recipient