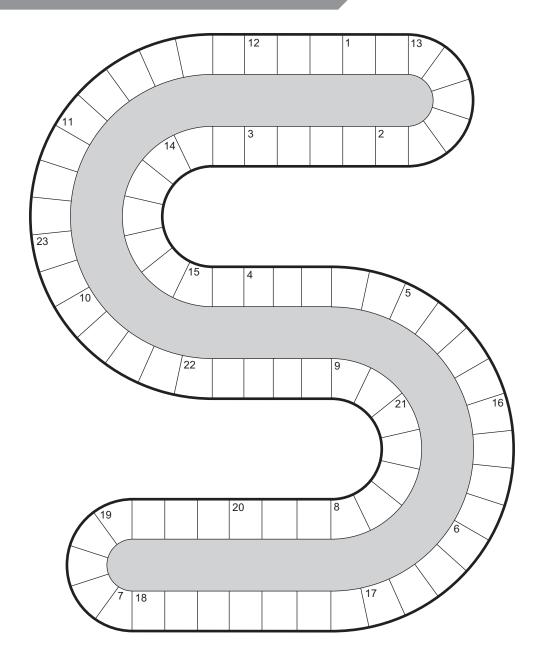
SNAKE CHARMER #3



Each answer begins in its correspondingly-numbered space and proceeds clockwise around the S, ending in the space before the next consecutive number. The chain of 23 answer words will snake its way around the grid twice.

- 1 Mixing board?
- 2 Hitchcock film based on the Leopold & Loeb case

- 3 Certain chemical weapons (2 wds.)
- 4 Alternative to an olive in a martini
- 5 What a Q-Tip might be used to clean (2 wds.)
- 6 Stockings worn by varicose-vein sufferers (2 wds.)
- 7 Meditation on death written by William Cullen Bryant
- 8 Midday rest

- 9 Dermatological procedure (2 wds.)
- 10 Wide of the mark
- 11 First name of 2009's Best Actress
- 12 Italian scooter manufacturer
- 13 Dagger at one's desk (2 wds.)
- 14 Hedonistic vacation spot, for short
- 15 Path to leave by in dire situations (2 wds.)

- 16 Stands on the hind legs (2 wds.)
- 17 Vainest of the Three Musketeers
- 18 Recurring action-film character ___ Hunt
- **19** Surmounting
- 20 Too-timid types
- 21 Putting strain upon
- 22 High beam?
- 23 Delivers a diatribe (3 wds.)