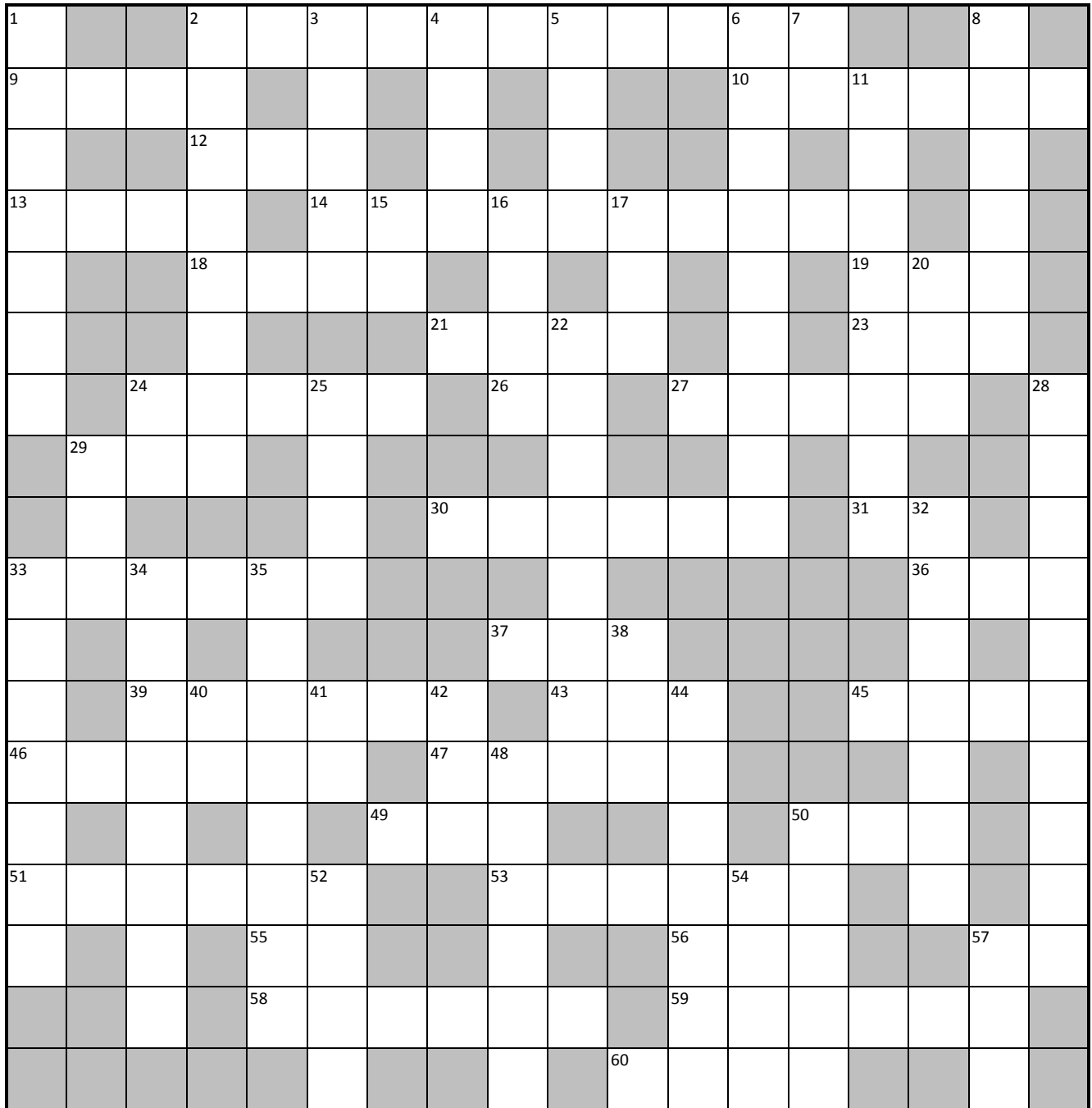




# Vic Skeptics February 2018 Crossword

Theme: Astrology

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## ACROSS:

- 2. The apparent coming together of astronomical bodies [11]
- 9. Money in the form of coins and / or notes [4]
- 10. Scented hair oil [6]
- 12. Purpose [3]
- 13. Actual [4]
- 14. Slow change in the axis of a body's rotation; this phenomenon as exhibited by the Earth has resulted in the original dates assigned to signs of the zodiac having

- become significantly out of synch with those currently observable [10]
18. Capital of Qatar [4]
  19. Unit of electrical resistance [3]
  21. Period of transition between two adjacent Signs of the Zodiac [4]
  23. State of matter [3]
  24. Collective name for the astrological signs Cancer, Scorpio & Pisces [5]
  26. Italian river [2]
  27. Diagram representing the positions of the Sun, Moon, planets, astrological aspects and sensitive angles at the time of an event, such as the moment of a person's birth; alternatively, a horoscope [5]
  29. Site of temporary confinement of an animal or animals [3]
  30. The Fish [6]
  31. Myself [2]
  33. Large satellite of a star [6]
  36. *Quid pro quo*. A concession based on the notion of fair exchange [3]
  37. Involuntary muscular movement [3]
  39. A form of punctuation common within the German language [6]
  43. Signal to commence [3]
  45. Metal element [4]
  46. Of a relationship between two people [6]
  47. One with a reputation for skill in astrology or other form of paranormal divination [5]
  49. Simian [3]
  50. The Lion [3]
  51. Multi-coloured fabric used for curtains and upholstery [6]
  53. The Twins [6]
  55. Abbreviation of the Latin for "that is". [2]
  56. Male swan [3]
  57. Element 76's symbol [2]
  58. The Crab [6]
  59. Light display caused by atmospheric ionisation near the magnetic poles [6]
  60. One of the fore-arm bones [4]

**DOWN:**

1. The Scorpion [7]
2. Member of a Semitic country absorbed by Babylon whose observations gave impulse to astrology, hence astronomy [8]
3. Sprite [5]

4. Earnestly persuade [4]
5. The product of a number and its square [4]
6. The Serpent Carrier. The thirteenth sign of the Zodiac as actually observed [9]
7. Element 102's symbol [2]
8. Expressions whose meanings are not obvious from the usual meanings the words which make them up e.g. "*kick the bucket*", "*over the moon*", "*under the weather*" [6]
11. Personal logo usually based on one's initials [8]
15. Egyptian sun god [2]
16. The successful achievement of something difficult [4]
17. Drink in a genteel way [3]
20. Chapeaux [3]
22. Period of the year in which the period of daylight is either at maximum (Summer) or minimum (Winter) [7]
24. Us [2]
25. Egress [4]
28. Multiple astrological charts (see 27 across)
29. Friend [3]
32. Period occurring twice each year (Spring and Autumn) in which day and night are of equal length [7]
33. Foretell [7]
34. The Water Carrier [8]
35. Great circle on the celestial sphere representing the sun's apparent path during the year [8]
38. Drinking vessel [3]
40. Element 101's symbol [2]
41. Companion of the Order of Australia (*abb*) [2]
42. Faucet [3]
44. Relating to moral principles [7]
48. Amount of rotation equivalent to one three hundred and sixtieth of a circle [6]
50. The only inanimate sign of the zodiac [5]
52. Fervent devotion tending to fanaticism [4]
54. A word that is the name of something (person, animal, place, thing, etc) [4]
57. Bumpkin [3]

# SOLUTION

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