

You may win \$50 when you find the value of
POWER and LIGHT

Each of the ten letters in **POWER** and **LIGHT** has been given a different value from zero through nine. The same letter values apply to the ten words listed below. Given the total value of the letters in each word, your challenge is to find the value of each letter.

THEIR (33) TIGER (27) WRITE (26) TIRE (26) TRIP (25)
GRIT (24) HIGH (21) GIRL (21) HELP (17) PLOW (11)

Some lucky puzzler will win \$50 for sending us the answer to this puzzle by June 19. Correct answers will be numbered as received and the winning entry chosen at random by computer. The winner's name and puzzle answer will be published in our August 2009 issue. Send to:

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Our tax dollars at work

The man at my front door was from the U.S. Census Bureau. The form he is paid to hand me, printed in English and Spanish, is headed, "**Your Answers Are Confidential.**" All he wanted, he said, was to confirm my street name and house number, both of which are conspicuously posted, on the street and on my mail box. He did not want my name, he said.

Perhaps I will get some mail from the Census Bureau addressed, "Occupant."

As he left, I read the form he had handed me. It reads, in part: "The approval number for the collection of address information in 2009 is OMB 0607-0809. Send any comments concerning this collection to Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0809, U.S. Census Bureau, AMSD-3K138, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233..."

I'm tempted to send a comment but I think I will save some paper. Otherwise, I might get some mail in return.

In all fairness, the man may have been confirming that my house isn't vacant.

This comment is not confidential.

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$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & & & & & \\ \hline O & B & U & S & N & A & R \end{array} \quad \times \quad \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \hline O \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} & 2 & & & & 2 \\ \hline R & O & B & E & S & O & N \end{array}$$

Each letter stand for a digit in this multiplication problem. Given O=2, can you find the value of ROBESON County?

Phone*etics



King Arthur called his armor his

787664 7848

If you were to punch in the numbers above on your telephone key pad you would spell out this two word answer.



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me•di•o•kra a fair to middling garden variety crop

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