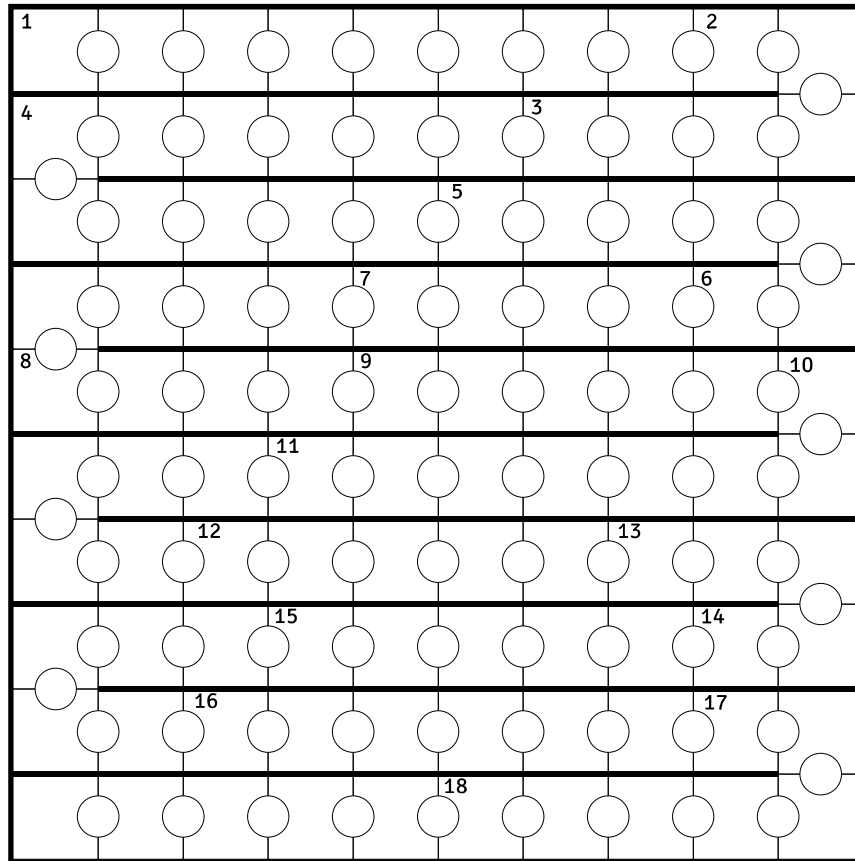


The answers to the “Normal” clues weave back and forth along the path of this grid, ignoring the circles. The letter E will then drop into these answers, multiple times: You’ll write an E into some of the circles so that the path of words can be respaced to form another set of answers. (The other circles will remain empty.) The Drop-In clues are not presented in grid order.



NORMAL

- 1 Matador's arena
- 2 Like an unsympathetic expression
- 3 Fashion design Giorgio
- 4 Spins around
- 5 Investor Charles who founded a financial services company
- 6 They're enforced
- 7 Poker variant that shares a name with a midwestern city
- 8 Beat soundly, in competition
- 9 Freshman year of high school
- 10 Italian pastry option
- 11 Prevent, as a calamity
- 12 Major religion in India
- 13 Extended family
- 14 Become overwhelmed by, with "in"
- 15 Result of a cannonball

- 16 Buddy from way back (2 words)
- 17 Frequent test subject (2 words)
- 18 Exercise that strengthens the legs and glutes

DROP-INS

- 365 days (2 words)
- Ancient stone tool, per archaeologists
- Be sincere with one's words (2 words)
- Big name from the 1936 Summer Olympics
- Broderick role of 1986
- Compares apples to apples
- Corned beef sandwich
- Dish made in a wide, flat pan
- Eat

- "Fantastic!"
- Hero's love, in myth
- Like Bluetooth devices
- Lose its initial appeal (2 words)
- Puts down, verbally
- Two in a deck
- Where footage for a completed movie shoot is said to be (3 words)
- Winning on points, in a game
- Word on the label of some easy-to-take medicine
- You might hear this just before hearing music (2 words)