

Word Ladder

Solutions with Word Definitions

Puzzle 0447: Progress from **FUMES** to **SMOKE** in 13 steps and onto **FLAME** in another 8, no repeats.

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| | F | U | M | E | S | Unpleasant or toxic vapour; 3rd p. sing. of <i>fume</i> , to seethe. |
| 1. | F | A | M | E | S | 3rd p. sing. of <i>fame</i> , to make famous; plural of <i>fame</i> , a reputation or rumour. |
| 2. | F | A | R | E | S | Plural of <i>fare</i> , a meal, cost of travel, paying traveller; 3rd p. sing. of <i>fare</i> , proceed. |
| 3. | F | A | R | T | S | Plural of <i>fart</i> , an emission of flatus; 3rd p. sing. of <i>fart</i> , to break wind. |
| 4. | F | O | R | T | S | Plural of <i>fort</i> , a fortified building or military installation. |
| 5. | S | O | R | T | S | Plural of <i>sort</i> , type or category; 3rd p. sing. of <i>sort</i> , to put in order or groups. |
| 6. | S | O | O | T | S | Plural of <i>soot</i> , substance produced by fire, 3rd p. sing. of <i>soot</i> , to cover in soot. |
| 7. | S | P | O | T | S | Plural of <i>spot</i> , small area of different appearance, or place; 3rd p. sing. of <i>spot</i> , see. |
| 8. | S | P | A | T | S | Garments worn around the ankle covering top of the shoe; plural of <i>spat</i> , a quarrel. |
| 9. | S | P | A | R | S | Plural of <i>spar</i> , a structural or supporting beam; 3rd p. sing. of <i>spar</i> , to train fighting. |
| 10. | S | P | A | R | E | Extra or additional; to refrain or allow. |
| 11. | S | P | O | R | E | Single cell reproductive unit of fungi, algae and plants; dormant state of bacterium. |
| 12. | S | P | O | K | E | Radial connection between hub and rim of a wheel; simple past tense of <i>speak</i> . |
| 13. | S | M | O | K | E | Dust and vapour produced by burning; to inhale smoke; to treat with smoke. |
| 14. | S | T | O | K | E | To poke or thrust; to add fuel to a fire. |
| 15. | S | T | A | K | E | An interest or share in an enterprise; a stick or pole used for fixing or fastening. |
| 16. | S | H | A | K | E | To vibrate, tremble or move side to side; abbreviation of milkshake. |
| 17. | S | H | A | M | E | Negative emotion arising from a sense of guilt. |
| 18. | S | H | A | M | S | Plural of <i>sham</i> , a fake or a pillowcase (US); 3rd p. sing. of <i>sham</i> , to fake. |
| 19. | S | L | A | M | S | 3rd p. sing. of <i>slam</i> , to strike or cause to strike forcefully, or to criticise strongly. |
| 20. | F | L | A | M | S | Plural of <i>flam</i> , a whimsy or deception; 3rd p. sing. of <i>flam</i> to deceive or scam. |
| 21. | F | L | A | M | E | Self-contained region of hot light emitting gases created during combustion. |

Puzzle 0448: Get the **STORM** to **FLOOD** in 10 steps or less.

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| | S | T | O | R | M | Atmospheric disturbance with high winds or heavy precipitation. |
| 1. | S | T | O | R | K | A large wading bird in the family <i>Ciconiidae</i> . |
| 2. | S | T | O | C | K | The supply of goods or inventory; shares in a company; a broth; a heavy stick. |
| 3. | S | T | A | C | K | A pile or column of separate objects; a linear data structure; to form a stack. |
| 4. | S | L | A | C | K | Loose; not under tension. |
| 5. | B | L | A | C | K | Absorbing or emitting all colours of light equally, a combination of all pigments. |
| 6. | B | L | A | N | K | Empty; unmarked; inexpressive; lacking functional parts. |
| 7. | B | L | A | N | D | Lacking distinctive characteristics or taste; dull; uninteresting. |
| 8. | B | L | O | N | D | Fair haired; light coloured; a fair haired male. |
| 9. | B | L | O | O | D | Bodily fluid principally carrying oxygen throughout the body; genetic relationship. |
| 10. | F | L | O | O | D | A deluge; a surge; to cover with water or other liquid; to inundate. |