

Tetracross

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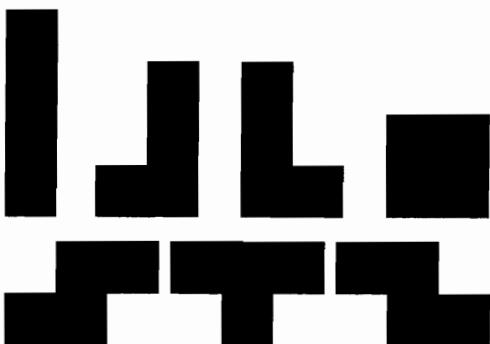
The Tetracross uses a 9x9 grid. When completed, the grid contains 28 shaded blocks, appearing in the form of the 7 different tetrominoes (shapes consisting of 4 connected squares). The shaded tetrominoes may be rotated (but not reflected) as needed and do not touch each other, not even at a corner. You are to determine where the shaded tetrominoes go in each grid.

The 18 clued grid entries (9 across and 9 down) are given, but which clue in each pair yields the across entry and which yields the down entry is for you to determine. Entries are placed into the grid, one per row and one per column, skipping over all shaded tetromino squares. Thus, if a row or column contains 3 shaded tetromino shares (which might not all touch), then the entry for that row or column will contain 6 letters, entered in order into the unshaded squares.

Two separate Tetracrosses are presented here. Happy solving!

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Tetracross 1

ACROSS and DOWN

(in random order within each pair)

1. Heavy fabrics with raised patterns* / Popeye foe
2. Actress Shawkat of "Arrested Development" / Feels contrite
3. Jean brand / Orchestra woodwinds
4. Legal warning / Unaccented baton strokes
5. Assumed names / Having left a will
6. London gallery / Tatum or Shaquille
7. Raises a glass / Repugnance
8. Medium-sized sofa / Spring holiday
9. Mediums / Monica of sports

Tetracross 2

ACROSS and DOWN

(in random order within each pair)

1. Covers the floor* / Protected one's king, in a way
2. Architectural recess / Frightens
3. Irritate / Muzzle
4. Macramé maker / Part of speech
5. At the designated time / Copy
6. Abuts / Mixed breeds
7. Art lover / Mandolin relative
8. Most balanced / Ready to be driven
9. Accent / Some Monopoly cards

*By convention, the first clue of pair 1 reads across in the grid. An equally valid reflected solution can be obtained by switching all acrosses and downs.