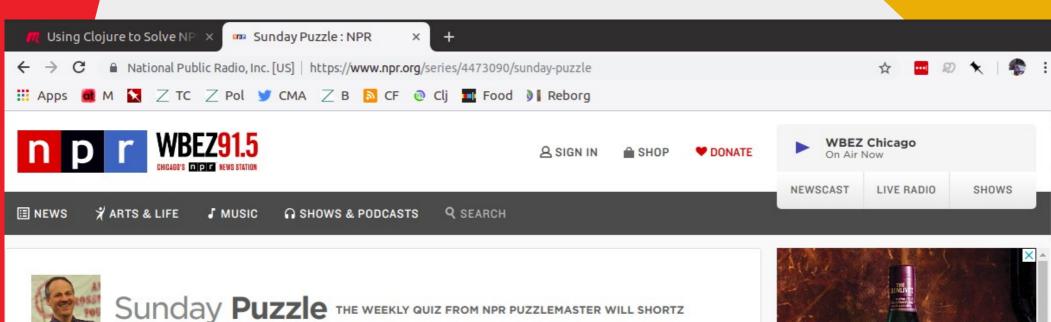
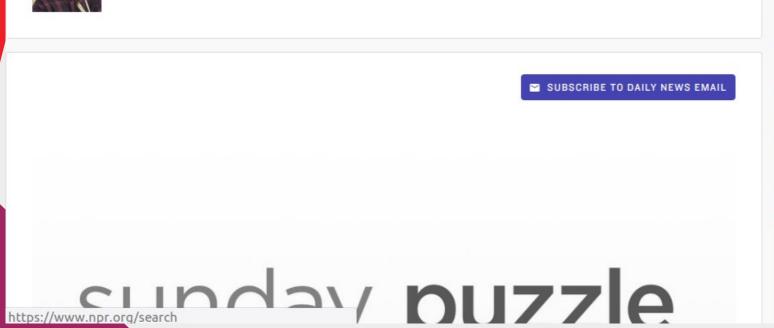
Using Clojure to Solve NPR's Sunday Puzzle

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From December 2, 2018:

Think of a common 7-letter word. Drop its second letter, and you'll get a 6-letter word that does not rhyme with the first. Alternatively, you can drop the third letter from the 7-letter word to get a 6-letter word that doesn't rhyme with either of the first two. Further, you can drop both the second and third letters from the 7-letter word to get a 5-letter word that doesn't rhyme with any of the others. What words are these?

```
(def words
  (->> "resources/ospd3.txt"
        slurp
        clojure.string/split-lines))

(count words) => 79339
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```
(defn filter-word-count [n]
  (set (filter (comp (partial = n) count) words)))
(def fives (filter-word-count 5))
(def sixes (filter-word-count 6))
(def sevens (filter-word-count 7))

(map count [fives sixes sevens]) => (8551 15055 22821)
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```
(["pelages" "plages" "peages" "pages"]
["beraked" "braked" "beaked" "baked"]
 ["shnooks" "snooks" "shooks" "sooks"]
 ["thrills" "trills" "thills" "tills"]
 ["shmears" "smears" "shears" "sears"]
 ["phrases" "prases" "phases" "pases"]
 ["creases" "ceases" "crases" "cases"]
 ["splices" "slices" "spices" "sices"]
 ["through" "trough" "though" "tough"]
 ["wairing" "wiring" "waring" "wring"])
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From October 28, 2018:

Think of a famous Broadway musical in two words. Change one letter in it to the preceding letter of the alphabet — so B would become A, C would become B, etc. Remove the space so you have a solid word. The result will name something that all of us are part of. What is it?

```
(def musicals
  (letfn [(has-one-space? [musical]
            (-> musical
                (clojure.string/split #" ")
                count
                (= 2)))]
    (->> "resources/musicals.txt"
         slurp
         clojure.string/split-lines
         (filter has-one-space?)
         set)))
(count musicals) => 380
```

```
(def words
  (->> "resources/ni2.txt"
        slurp
        clojure.string/split-lines
        (map clojure.string/lower-case)
        set))
(count words) => 233614
(def goback
 (zipmap
    (map char "bcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz")
    (map char "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz")))
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From May 8, 2018:

Name something in 11 letters that's a common household item. You can rearrange the first six letters to form a synonym of a word spelled by the middle three letters. What is the item, and what are the words?



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the basis of information that has not been made public and is supposed to remain confidential
00080474 04 n 01 naked option 0 001 @ 13241600 n 0000 | a put or call option for which the seller or buyer has no underlying security
osition
00080619 04 n 01 covered option 0 001 @ 13241600 n 0000 | a put or call option backed by the shares underlying the option
00080743 04 n 02 call option 0 call 4 004 @ 13241600 n 0000 #p 00349213 n 0000 + 00874002 v 0201 ! 00080968 n 0101 | the option to buy
a given stock (or stock index or commodity future) at a given price before a given date
00080968 04 n 02 put_option 0 put 0 003 @ 13241600 n 0000 #p 00349213 n 0000 ! 00080743 n 01018 | the option to sell a given stock (or s
tock index or commodity future) at a given price before a given date
00081174 04 n 01 straddle 1 001 @ 13241600 n 0000 | the option to buy or sell a given stock (or stock index or commodity future) at a g
iven price before a given date; consists of an equal number of put and call options
00081395 04 n 02 incentive option 0 incentive stock option 0 001 @ 13241600 n 0000 | an option granted to corporate executives if the c
ompany achieves certain financial goals
00081572 04 n 02 buying 0 purchasing 0 006 0 00079018 n 0000 + 02207206 v 0202 + 02207206 v 0101 ~ 00081836 n 0000 ~ 00082223 n 0000 ~
00082347 n 0000 | the act of buying; "buying and selling fill their days"; "shrewd purchasing requires considerable knowledge"
00081836 04 n 01 shopping 0 004 0 00081572 n 0000 + 02326355 v 0101 + 02325968 v 0101 ~ 00082081 n 0000 | searching for or buying good
or services; "went shopping for a reliable plumber"; "does her shopping at the mall rather than down town"
00082081 04 n 01 marketing ar{1} 002 ar{0} 00081836 n 0000 + 02298471 v 0101 ar{1} shopping at a market; "does the weekly marketing at the supermar
ket"
00082223 04 n 02 mail-order buying 0 catalog buying 0 001 lpha 00081572 n 0000 \mid buying goods to be shipped through the mail
00082347 04 n 02 viatication 0 viaticus 0 003 @ 00081572 n 0000 + 02824194 a 0201 + 02824194 a 0101 | purchasing insurance policies for
 cash from terminally ill policy holders
00082525 04 n 01 acceptance 3 003 \emptyset 00077419 n 0000 + 01985557 a 0102 + 02236124 v 0101 \mid the act of taking something that is offered;
"her acceptance of the gift encouraged him"; "he anticipated their acceptance of his offer"
00082754 04 n 02 succession 1 taking over 0 001 \emptyset 00077419 n 0000 \mid acquisition of property by descent or by will
00082870 04 n 02 assumption 0 laying claim 0 004 @ 00077419 n 0000 + 02381726 v 0101 + 02301825 v 0104 + 02274482 v 0101 | the act of t
aking possession of or power over something; "his assumption of office coincided with the trouble in Cuba"; "the Nazi assumption of pow
er in 1934"; "he acquired all the company's assets for ten million dollars and the assumption of the company's debts"
00083260 04 n 01 assumption 1 003 0 00030358 n 0000 + 00632236 v 0101 \sim 00083448 n 0000 \mid the act of assuming or taking for granted; "v
our assumption that I would agree was unwarranted"
00083448 04 n 01 position 4 002 \emptyset 00083260 n 0000 + 00716758 v 0102 \mid the act of positing; an assumption taken as a postulate or axiom
00083585 04 n 02 inheritance 0 heritage 0 002 @ 00077419 n 0000 + 02315525 v 0101 | hereditary succession to a title or an office or pr
00083729 04 n 03 procurement 0 procurance 0 procural 0 004 @ 00077419 n 0000 + 02238770 v 0301 + 02238770 v 0201 + 02238770 v 0101 | th
e act of getting possession of something; "he was responsible for the procurement of materials and supplies"
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(->>
 (slurp "resources/wordnet_data_cleaned.noun")
                                                   ;; Wordnet list of nouns
 clojure.string/split-lines
                                                   ;; split lines
 (map #(clojure.string/split % #" "))
 (map (juxt #(nth % 4) second))
                                                   ;; get lexicographer contents
 (filter (comp (partial = "06") last))
                                                   ;; get human-made objects
 (filter (comp (partial = 11) count first))
                                                   ;; filter out 11-letter words
  (remove (comp (partial re-find #"\_") first))
                                                   ;; remove entries with underscores
  (map first)
                                                   :: isolate words
  (map (juxt identity #(subs % 0 6) #(subs % 4 7))) ;; get substrings
  (filter (comp three-letter-words (partial last))) ;; filter valid three-letter words
 (filter (comp six-letter-frequencies
               frequencies
                                                   ;; filter anagrams of 6-letter words
               (partial second)))
 ))
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["planetarium" "planet" "eta"]
["restoration" "restor" "ora"]
["regimentals" "regime" "men"]
["restoration" "restor" "ora"]
["salinometer" "salino" "nom"]
["sclerometer" "sclero" "rom"]
["seismograph" "seismo" "mog"]
["speedometer" "speedo" "dom"]
["spherometer" "sphero" "rom"]
["stroboscope" "strobo" "bos"]
["submersible" "submer" "ers"]
["submersible" "submer" "ers"]
["suppressant" "suppre" "res"]
["thermograph" "thermo" "mog"]
["thermograph" "thermo" "mog"]
["thermometer" "thermo" "mom"])
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From August 16, 2016:

Take the word EASILY. You can rearrange its letters to spell SAY and LEI. These two words rhyme even though they have no letters in common.

What is the longest familiar word you can find that can be anagrammed into two shorter words that rhyme but have no letters in common? The two shorter words must have only one syllable.



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ABRIL AHO B R IH1 L ABROAD AHO B R AO1 D ABROGATE AE1 B R AHO G EY2 T ABROGATED AE1 B R AH0 G EY2 T IH0 D ABROGATING AE1 B R AHO G EY2 T IHO NG ABROGATION AE2 B R AHO G EY1 SH AHO N ABROL AHO B R OW1 L ABRON AHO B R AA1 N ABRUPT AHO B R AH1 P T ABRUPTLY AHO B R AH1 P T L IYO ABRUPTNESS AHO B R AH1 P T N AHO S ABRUTYN EY1 B R UW0 T IH0 N ABRUZZESE AAO B R UWO T S EY1 Z IYO ABRUZZO AAO B R UW1 Z OW0 ABS EY1 B IY1 EH1 S AE1 B Z ABS(1) ABSALOM AE1 B S AH0 L AH0 M ABSARAKA AEO B S AA1 R AHO K AHO ABSCAM AE1 B S K AE0 M ABSCESS AE1 B S EH2 S ABSCOND AEO B S K AA1 N D ABSCONDED AEO B S K AA1 N D AHO D ABSCONDING AEO B S K AA1 N D IHO NG ABSCONDS AEO B S K AA1 N D Z

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(defn wipe-and-split [s]
 (clojure.string/split (clojure.string/replace s #"\d" "") #" "))
(defn find-monosyllables [syllables]
 (->> (wipe-and-split syllables)
       (filter vowels)
       count
       (= 1)))
(defn get-nucleus-and-coda [syllables]
 (->> (wipe-and-split syllables)
       (drop-while #(not (contains? vowels %)))
       (apply str)))
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(defn clean-up-word [word]
  (clojure.string/replace word #"[^A-Z]" ""))
(def one-syllable-words
   (->> "resources/cmudict-0.7b.txt"
        slurp
        clojure.string/split-lines
        (map #(clojure.string/replace-first % #" " ""))
        (map #(clojure.string/split % #" " 2))
        (filter #(find-monosyllables (second %)))
        (map (juxt (comp clean-up-word first) (comp identity second)))))
(take 5 (shuffle one-syllable-words))
=> (["GRINS" "G R IH1 N Z"] ["GAZ" "G AE1 Z"] ["FRILL" "F R IH1 L"] ["DOTS" "D AA1
T S"] ["NORTHS" "N AO1 R TH S"])
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(def rhymed-words-map
  (group-by (comp get-nucleus-and-coda second) one-syllable-words))

(def sets-of-words
   (map (comp (partial map first) val) rhymed-words-map))

(take 2 (shuffle sets-of-words))
=> (("BLOG" "BOG" "COG" "DOG" "FOG" "HAUG" "LOG" "ZAUGG") ("PAINTS" "SAINTS" "SAINTS" "SAINTS"))
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```
(def get-word-pairs
 (->> (map #(combo/combinations % 2) sets-of-words)
       (remove nil?)
       flatten
       (partition 2)))
(defn check-if-words-have-shared-letters [[w1 w2]]
  (empty? (clojure.set/intersection (set (map char w1))
                                    (set (map char w2)))))
(def final-pairs
 (filter check-if-words-have-shared-letters get-word-pairs))
(count final-pairs) => 15081
```

```
(def all-the-words
  (->> "resources/ni2.txt"
       slurp
       clojure.string/split-lines
       set))
 ; (count all-the-words) => 234936
(defn compare-pair-to-word [pair word]
  (let [p-result (-> (apply str pair)
                     (clojure.string/replace #"\d" "")
                     (clojure.string/lower-case))]
    (= (frequencies word) (frequencies p-result))))
 (compare-pair-to-word '("lei" "say") "easily") => true
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```
(def final-answer
 (remove (comp empty? second)
         (for [p (find-pairs-by-combined-word-length final-pairs 11)]
            [p (filter #(compare-pair-to-word p %) all-the-words)])))
final-answer => ([("SIEW" "THROUGH") ("housewright")])
(def final-answer-10
 (remove (comp empty? second)
        (for [p (find-pairs-by-combined-word-length final-pairs 10)]
          [p (filter #(compare-pair-to-word p %) all-the-words)])))
final-answer-10 => ([("CROW" "NEAULT") ("counterlaw")] [("GROW" "NEAULT") ("outwr
angle")])
```

Take the four four-letter words LIMB, AREA, CORK and KNEE. Write them one under the other, and the four columns will spell four new words LACK, IRON, MERE, and BAKE.

L	I	M	В
Α	R	Е	Α
С	0	R	K
K	Ν	Е	Ε

This is called a double word square. I'd like you to find a double word square with 6-letter words. Specifically, your square must include the words PONIES, ACCEPT, SEARED and CAVIAR. These four words must be among the 12 common, uncapitalized six-letter words in the square. Can you do it?

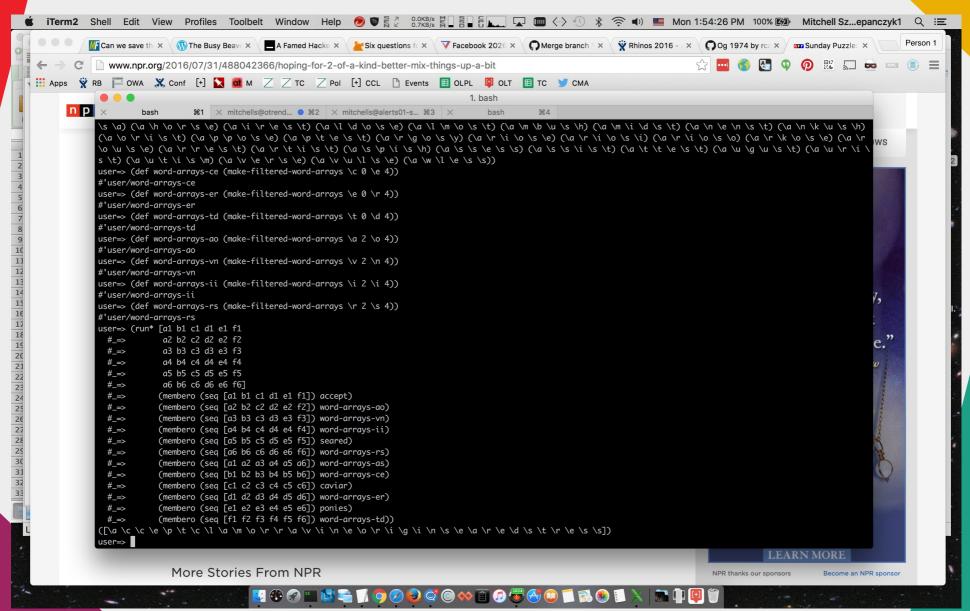
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(use 'clojure.core.logic)
(require '[clojure.core.logic.fd :as fd])
(def letters-list [\a \b \c \d \e \f \g \h \i \j \k \l \m
                   \n \o \p \q \r \s \t \u \v \w \x \y \z])
(def word-arrays
 (->> "resources/ospd3.txt"
      slurp
      clojure.string/split-lines
      (filter (comp (partial = 6) count))
       (map (comp seg char-array))
      set))
(def ponies '((\p \o \n \i \e \s)))
(def accept '((\a \c \e \p \t)))
(def seared '((\s \e \a \r \e \d)))
(def caviar '((\c \a \v \i \a \r)))
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;; Take #1: Really brute force
(run* [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1
       a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2
       a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3
       a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4
       a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5
       a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6]
      (membero (seg [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seg [a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seg [b1 b2 b3 b4 b5 b6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seg [c1 c2 c3 c4 c5 c6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [d1 d2 d3 d4 d5 d6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [e1 e2 e3 e4 e5 e6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [f1 f2 f3 f4 f5 f6]) word-arrays)
      (conde
        (membero (seg [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1]) ponies)
        (membero (seg [a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2]) ponies)
        (membero (seg [a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3]) ponies)
        (membero (seg [a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4]) ponies)
        (membero (seq [a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5]) ponies)
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;; Take 2: Try in a grid
  ACCEPT
   **4*0*
   **I*I*
  SEARED
  **R*5*
(run* [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1
      a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2
      a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3
      a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4
      a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5
       a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6]
      (membero (seq [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1]) accept)
      (membero (seq [a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seg [a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5]) seared)
      (membero (seq [a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seg [a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [b1 b2 b3 b4 b5 b6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [c1 c2 c3 c4 c5 c6]) caviar)
      (membero (seq [d1 d2 d3 d4 d5 d6]) word-arrays)
      (membero (seq [e1 e2 e3 e4 e5 e6]) ponies)
      (membero (seq [f1 f2 f3 f4 f5 f6]) word-arrays))
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;; Take 3: Try in a filtered grid
(defn make-filtered-word-arrays
  [letter1 position1 letter2 position2]
  (->> word-arrays
       (filter (comp (partial = letter1) #(nth % position1)))
       (filter (comp (partial = letter2) #(nth % position2)))
       (map (comp seq char-array))
(def word-arrays-as (make-filtered-word-arrays \a 0 \s 4))
(def word-arrays-ce (make-filtered-word-arrays \c 0 \e 4))
(def word-arrays-er (make-filtered-word-arrays \e 0 \r 4))
(def word-arrays-td (make-filtered-word-arrays \t 0 \d 4))
(def word-arrays-ao (make-filtered-word-arrays \a 2 \o 4))
(def word-arrays-vn (make-filtered-word-arrays \v 2 \n 4))
(def word-arrays-ii (make-filtered-word-arrays \i 2 \i 4))
(def word-arrays-rs (make-filtered-word-arrays \r 2 \s 4))
(* 46 359 51 16 57 49 53 65) -=> 129658980054240
```

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(run* [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1
      a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2
      a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3
      a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4
      a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5
       a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6]
      (membero (seq [a1 b1 c1 d1 e1 f1]) accept)
      (membero (seq [a2 b2 c2 d2 e2 f2]) word-arrays-ao)
      (membero (seq [a3 b3 c3 d3 e3 f3]) word-arrays-vn)
      (membero (seq [a4 b4 c4 d4 e4 f4]) word-arrays-ii)
      (membero (seq [a5 b5 c5 d5 e5 f5]) seared)
      (membero (seq [a6 b6 c6 d6 e6 f6]) word-arrays-rs)
      (membero (seq [a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6]) word-arrays-as)
      (membero (seq [b1 b2 b3 b4 b5 b6]) word-arrays-ce)
      (membero (seq [c1 c2 c3 c4 c5 c6]) caviar)
      (membero (seq [d1 d2 d3 d4 d5 d6]) word-arrays-er)
      (membero (seq [e1 e2 e3 e4 e5 e6]) ponies)
      (membero (seq [f1 f2 f3 f4 f5 f6]) word-arrays-td))
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Α	С	С	Е	Р	Т
С	L	Α	M	0	R
R	Α	V	I	N	Е
0	R	I	G	I	N
S	Е	Α	R	Е	D
S	Т	R	Е	S	S

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