

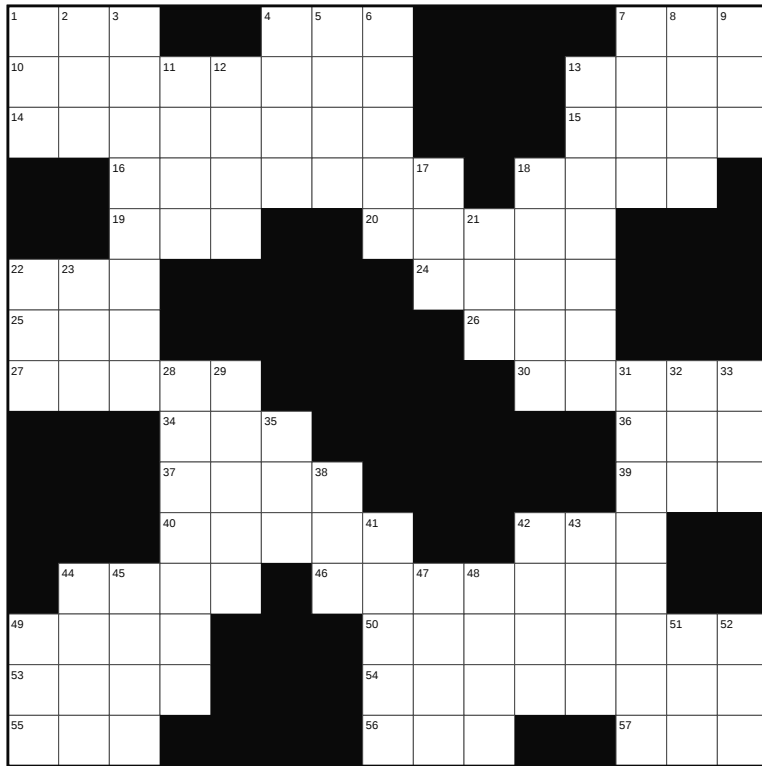


THE DAILY BRIEFING

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ACROSS

- Einsteinium is a radioactive element produced by neutron bombardment.
- Bachelor's degree in arts and sciences
- Stockholm Arlanda Airport's three-letter airport code
- A flight roster.
- The flight team on board
- Horizontal tail component
- Farm birds that lay eggs
- Depending on free oxygen or air
- Fine spray of water droplets
- _____ is a common explosive.
- FADE: C _____ (fuel, air, data, engine).
- Three-letter booking code for Athens International Airport
- Organization that issues airline codes
- Baggage-tag letters for Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport
- Time for instrument to settle
- System for detecting objects by radio waves
- Engine part that spins
- Lisbon Humberto Delgado Airport, on a bag tag
- Crude field shelter
- Cut and assemble the components of
- Not ETA; it's the time in the air.
- Remodelled again
- ICAO shorthand for American Airlines
- Emergency medical teams at airports
- The city behind Sea-Tac airport
- Take to one's heels
- To annoy or disturb someone
- Comm channel group
- A worker who finds employment only in certain seasons
- Vintage aircraft that is not new
- Lisbon to Sao Tome daily
- Be in session

DOWN

- Compass point for a southeastward wind.
- Santiago International Airport's three-letter airport code
- Enclosed in a protective covering; sometimes used in combination
- Word preceding pilot
- To make a spot or mark onto something.
- Short line at end of letter stroke
- Apollo-era rocket family
- To hire a car after landing
- U.S. weather agency, briefly
- Aircraft with symmetrical lift distribution
- A tapered tuck made in dressmaking
- O'Hare and Midway are located in this city.
- Three-letter booking code for Cairo International Airport
- Aviation _____ for current conditions
- ICAO designator for Delta Air Lines
- FAA code
- Tampa International Airport's three-letter airport code
- Warned or aroused to danger.
- Travels as a passenger aboard an aircraft
- Illusions that trick pilots into thinking they're banked.
- Word following GEAR when wheels are extended
- Three letters for a direct path between points.
- Departure procedure
- Air traffic service for cockpit traffic
- One who sees a creator in nature, not revelation
- Aviation acronym for Automatic Terminal Information Service.
- Mid-level cloud prefix
- _____ Air Lines
- Heal or recover
- Controlled airspace zone
- Something (often something deceptively attractive) that catches you unawares
- Fixed-base operator, briefly
- _____ people of Thailand
- Not a navigation aid, but a distress signal

SUDOKU

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THIS DAY IN AVIATION

1946

8 August 1946

On 8 August 1946, the Consolidated-Vultee Aircraft Corporation XB-36 prototype, 42-13570, made its first flight at Fort Worth, Texas. Convair test pilots Beryl Arthur Erickson and G.S. "Gus" Green, along with Chief Flight Test Engineer James D. "J.D." McEachern, were in the cockpit. Six other crew members were aboard. The crew had been ready to take off at 5 a.m., but they didn't get their release until noon.

The Texas summer temperature was 100 degrees (37.8 degrees C.), but inside the cockpit, the temperature was 140 degrees F. (60 degrees C.) The engines were overheating and the oil pressure was low. When they pushed the throttles forward, the XB-36 accelerated smoothly and lifted off at 110 knots (126.6 miles per hour, 203.7 kilometers per hour). The flight was uneventful and lasted thirty-eight minutes.

TRIVIA

1. How long did the XB-36's first flight last?

- Thirty-eight minutes
- Forty-five minutes
- One hour
- Thirty minutes

2. Which crossword answer matches this clue: Horizontal tail component?

- ROTOR
- RIDES
- ELEVATOR
- THELEANS

3. Which crossword answer matches this clue: System for detecting objects by radio waves?

- ELEVATOR
- FADEC
- RADAR
- CREW