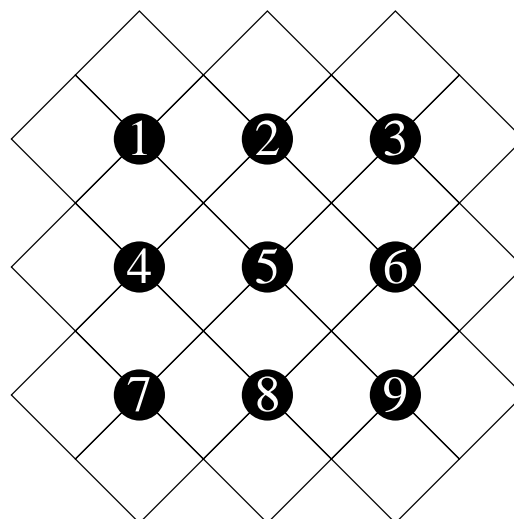


# DIAMOND NINES

The four boxes around each number contain the answer to each of the numbered clues. Fill in the answers using two letters per box, choosing the letters from the set of Letter Groups below; each pair of letters will be used only once. You'll have to determine which box to start in for each answer, but all words are entered clockwise around the numbers.

LETTER GROUPS							
AK	AN	AR	AT	AW	CH	CO	DR
ED	ER	ES	FA	GE	MA	NC	NE
OR	RE	RI	RS	ST	TE	TI	US

1. Channel excavators
2. Approach: 2 wds.
3. Meaner
4. Stripped and sprinted
5. Certain carbohydrates
6. Moored off shore: 2 wds.
7. Cement mixture
8. Guess
9. Like a bargain with the Devil



LETTER GROUPS							
AT	AW	CY	DC	EI	ES	ET	FE
HA	HE	HI	HL	IC	IN	LF	LI
LI	ME	MY	NG	QU	RA	RE	TE

1. Like a track star
2. Antarctic projection: 2 wds.
3. Laughing insincerely
4. Longfellow work
5. Radioactive period: hyph.
6. Ability to read and write
7. Tabasco ingredient: 2 wds.
8. 1965 Beatles song: 3 wds.
9. Klugman series: 3 wds.

