

Tailored Rectangles

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Answer: **DOCTOR STRANGE**

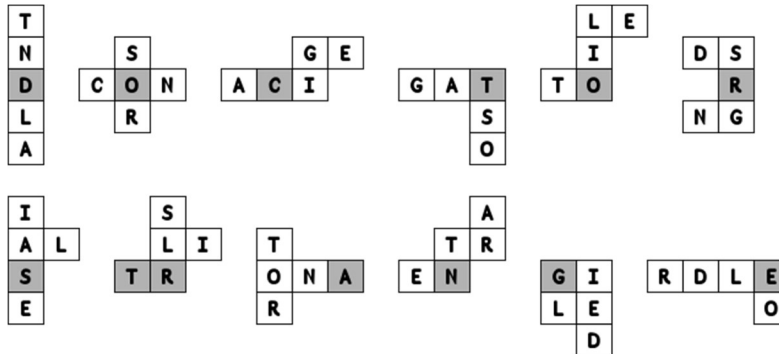
As clued by all the text in the puzzle, the grid is meant to be filled using only twelve unique letters: A, C, D, E, G, I, L, N, O, R, S, and T. As one finds the proper words, they are to further realize that the grid is meant to have no letters repeat in each row and column.

The pentominoes, as said by the flavortext, can be placed without rotation to section the grid in accordance with polyomino sudoku rules as well. (If you're having trouble working where to start, figure out what pieces can fit at the bottom and work up. Programming also acceptable.)

It encircles a torso
 Notes are tied
 Doing least
 Costello song
 Not getting stirred
 As a cat in season
 Anti-Sandinista
 Tendencies
 Ass in Asia
 At Santa Anita

G	I	R	D	L	E
L	E	G	A	T	O
I	D	L	E	S	T
A	L	I	S	O	N
S	T	O	L	I	D
E	S	T	R	A	L
C	O	N	T	R	A
T	R	E	N	D	S
O	N	A	G	E	R
R	A	C	I	N	G

Insert the letters into the shapes' silhouettes, as provided below the word grid.



Read the shaded cells to yield the puzzle's final answer, **DOCTOR STRANGE**.

Author's Notes

Nick: "Rotation isn't needed" isn't needed: the solution is still unique, even if you allow the pentomino pieces to be rotated and/or flipped. But we put it in anyways to stop the puzzle from becoming *too* evil.