

Puzzle

The Hapless Editors

PUZZLE 1: EASY

As the editors were carrying the stack of review papers accepted for publication in Volume 4, Issue 1 their skates (we're in Canada, eh) flew from underneath them and the papers were scattered.

Before the editors could gather the pages, they were shredded by a Zamboni (it was a terrible day so let's not dwell on the details, alright?). Each author submitted a single article, and all articles were on different topics.

After debating a while, the following information is all that the editors' faulty and fallible collective memory could recall.

Can you help the hapless editors piece together the surname of each author with the topic of the paper and the order they think the six reviews were to have been published in?

1. The second review was written by Dueck.
2. Alsip's review was not published before Mashmoushi's.
3. The homosexuality review was written by Mashmoushi.
4. The review about wolves was published immediately after the one about homosexuality.
5. Kratzer did not write the fourth review.
6. The Antarctic fish review was published three ahead of Mashmoushi's.
7. The review about Antarctic fish was published immediately in front of the one about elephants.
8. The editors could only be completely certain about the author and topic of the first of the six reviews.

Stuck? Already? Fine. Here's a hint. <http://tiny.cc/v4i1p1h1>

Still stuck?? <http://tiny.cc/v4i1p1h2>

Want a grid for *Puzzle 2*? <http://tiny.cc/v4i1p2h1>

What!
You're expecting a second hint for the *hard* puzzle?
There is no second hint for *Puzzle 2*...
Okay, fine. You can try to beg us for it,
But we'll tell you to read Volume 4!

PUZZLE 2: HARD

Now, can you reassemble the unique first and surnames of each first author of each research article with their unique digital object identifiers, abbreviated topic areas, and publication order? Because after the Zamboni, the editors then faced the cataclysmic catastrophe as their publishing platform crashed and obfuscated the digital bits of the eight research articles just prior to publishing...

All that remains is the following corrupted cryptobabble...

1. The article by Edwards was published one earlier than the article focused on STEM factors.
2. The article by Saj either discussed AGGR or was written by Danielle.
3. The article by Guo was published six after the one with ID 613.
4. The last article published was three after Danielle's.
5. The eight research articles are the one with ID 620, the fifth published (with ID 660), the eighth published, the one mentioning CPR, the one discussing RNN, and the ones by Guo, by Wuzinski, and by Carter.
6. The paper written by Lindsay, neither the third published nor the one discussing A, has an ID less than 630.
7. The paper drawing attention to CSPMA was published immediately after ID 604 and before the sixth article published.
8. First author of Carter Ives either made use of the FME or had the sixth article published.
9. The article by Edwards was published earlier than the one with ID 616.
10. The paper published sixth, by Steven, was published four after the one by Wuzinski, and has a lower ID than the one by Lindsay.
11. Beom-Jin Park's research was published two papers after Carter's.
12. Xiang Zheng's research was published immediately after that discussing SNPs and more than two after Saj's.
13. Article 613 was published before 637 or 604.
14. The paper with the largest ID was published last.
15. Zheng's research was published five articles after the one with ID 604.
16. AGGR, not the topic of the final publication but written by Danielle or Michelle, has ID 637 or 670.

Done? Now, how does your attempt to recreate the publication differ from the correct Volume 4?

Got the answer? Email us at pmuser@umanitoba.ca for fame, recognition, and a hearty handshake.

