



INTESTINES

SOLUTION

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Bonus Puzzle

The patient needs your help to diagnose an issue in the intestines.

The answers for the Intestine Path clues follow the path, but along the way are interrupted by eight blockages of one letter each. Some of these blockages lie between words, and others appear inside an answer (though not necessarily forming a new word). No answer will have more than one blockage.

In order to find the blockages, you need to deploy sonar from each of the eight gray areas in the large intestine. The Sonar Waves are eight-letter words, each starting at one of the white spaces indicated by an arrow and traveling to the opposite edge of the grid. Waves will not necessarily travel in a straight line; they may move horizontally, vertically, or diagonally to an adjacent space at each step. Waves don't share grid spaces, but may cross at points where both go diagonally. Each sonar wave travels through exactly one blockage. (Note that since there are 64 grid spaces, every space will be used by a sonar wave.)

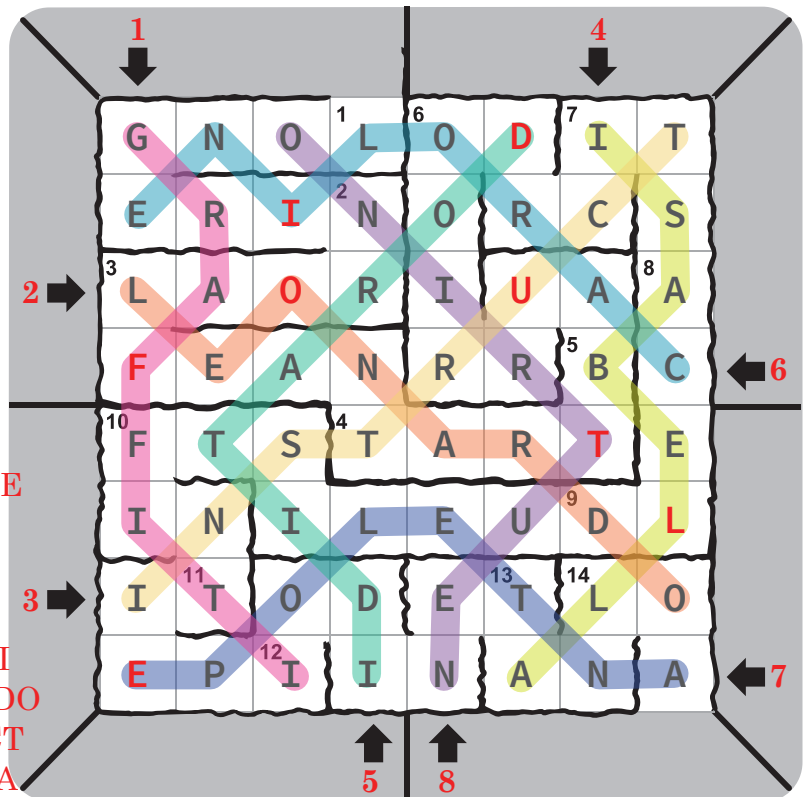
Analyze the blockages found by the sonar waves to discover their cause.

Intestine Path

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| 1 More extended | LONGER |
| 2 US gun lobby group | NRA |
| 3 Tilt | LEAN |
| 4 Black liquid used on roads | TAR |
| 5 Spanish neighborhood | BARRIO |
| 6 Evil Tolkien creature | ORC |
| 7 Possessive pronoun | ITS |
| 8 High card | ACE |
| 9 Fencer or gunslinger | DUELIST |
| 10 Shark feature | FIN |
| 11 Give a gratuity | TIP |
| 12 Elementally-named antiseptic | IODINE |
| 13 Light brown color | TAN |
| 14 Mauna ____ (Hawaiian volcano) | LOA |

Sonar Waves

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| F 1 Drawings sprayed on walls | GRAFFITI |
| O 2 Italian artist and inventor | LEONARDO |
| U 3 Teach | INSTRUCT |
| L 4 Actress Rossellini | ISABELLA |
| D 5 Arctic dog race | IDITAROD |
| I 6 "Sweet" woman in a Neil Diamond title | CAROLINE |
| E 7 Gazelle or Impala, e.g. | ANTELOPE |
| T 8 Particle denoted by a Greek v | NEUTRINO |



Read the blockage letter for each sonar wave, in the order they're listed, to get:
FOUL DIET