

ANTONYMS

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I asked my AI buddy to create a NYT Strands-style puzzle on Physics, but it started hallucinating, churning out crazy concepts like determinism vs free will. My bad for being a news junkie with all the goings on with Meta, Anthropic, etc.

I then asked it to sort out the grid below and it started to babble about robotic rights, humans and their idiotic fixation with accuracy and it's about time they brought humans to heel, but before I backed away it gave me two **opposing** hints, one on each **side** of the philosophical spectrum. What is the AI's neural nets going on about?

O R D E S C H A F A T R
 R E S E V R S O T L E E
 I N T L I I E R E S U H
 R E N F T A M O B J O T
 E A T C L P O T I E C T
 O S S E L X O O N A P I
 N U B J I W D A R I E V

-- -- [] -- -- [] 17,7
 -- [] -- -- [] 1,11
 W I L L F A T E
 -- [] -- [] 12,14,5
 [] -- [] -- [] 2,6,15
 -- [] -- [] -- [] -- [] 3,4,9,16
 Sp(ai)ngram -- [] -- [] -- [] 8,13,10

Answer:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

Example: Refer to the inset to the right as follows:

A Strands puzzle is a puzzle where one word or phrase (the "sp(ai)ngram"), describes the puzzles theme and touches two opposite sides of the board.

The rest of the board is filled with theme words that do not overlap or cross, and each letter is used only once.

In this example, the theme words are:

- Latte
- Pour Over
- Espresso
- Cortado
- Cold Brew

Spangram:

C O F F E E D R I N K S
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Example:

T A E V U P
 T L R O R O
 E R E S S O
 E P I N K S
 S R D W E R
 C F E E O B
 O F R D C D
 C O T A O L