Adalogical Ænigmas
No. 43

Gentle solver,

Ah, rapture! The merry month of May is once again upon us, bringing my *favourite* time of year: the season of flowers! Surely, there is no pleasure Life can afford us to rival the sight and the scent of Nature's colourful blooms, do not all agree?

My floral happiness has inspired the present ænigma.

The grid below represents a particular flower bed in my garden wherein I have decided to locate some *bricks*, on which visitors may stand, the better to view the blossoms. Your task is to *place* those bricks, each of which will cover two adjacent grid squares. In your placement, no two bricks may be horizontally or vertically adjacent, and each heavily outlined *region* in the flower bed must contain *exactly* two brick squares. (Note, though, that those two squares may be halves of two *different* bricks.)

Once you have placed all of your bricks, you may move on to finding the final answer to my ænigma. I desire that you should identify the longest connected path that may be devised, comprising only *brick* squares. Your path may not revisit a *square*, though it may revisit a *brick* (by stepping on one half, leaving, and then returning to step on the other half).

Begin walking at the leftmost end of your path, and each time you step diagonally betwixt two bricks, please 'pluck' the letters on your left and right, in that order. (Naturally, as with flowers, each letter may only be plucked once.) Reading the plucked letters in order will reveal a clue to your final answer.
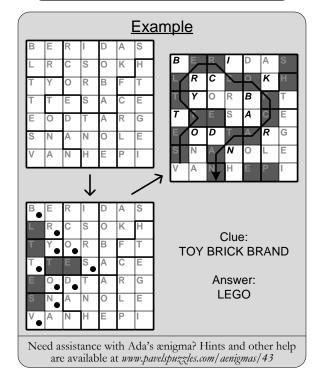
Good luck!

Ada

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Example

Clue:
TOY BRICK BRAND

Answer:
LEGO

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