Adalogical Ænigmas

No. 78

Gentle solver,

I daresay I am not alone in finding our present circumstances extraordinary, but I take great heart in observing how almost universally people are none-the-less reaching out to one another across distances, social or otherwise, very often making daily use of our great shared roadway of digits, as I conceive of it.

With the sincere hope of relieving a modicum of your current hardship, the following ænigma was inspired by that roadway on which so much relies.

In the grid below, I pray you will construct a representation of those numeric pathways. Label some of the grid squares with numbers such that every heavily outlined region contains at least one label, and *all* of the labels in any given region are equal to the quantity of labels in that region. Some labels have already been provided for you.

So as to properly represent *roadways*, please avoid forming any 2x2 *clumps* of labeled squares, and ensure that all of those squares form a single connected network. Reflecting the *diversity* of our paths, you mustn't allow equal labels to be adjacent across region boundaries.

Once you have finished your grid, you may move on to finding the final answer to my ænigma. First, identify those squares with labels that are numerically odd. At each such square, advance its letter in the alphabet (wrapping around from Z to A as necessary) by its labeling number. Reading the resulting letters in left-toright, top-to-bottom order will reveal a clue to your final answer.

Good luck!

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