

Baby on Board
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In just a few weeks, Cecil and I will be having our first child. This puzzle allows you to share some of the joy of parenthood. Split each Daddy and Mommy word below into two parts (not necessarily of equal length). Take one of the two parts of a Daddy word and put it in front of one of the parts of a Mommy word. If you choose the correct Mommy, you'll get a new word. Write this word in the blank next to its Daddy. As an example, if one Daddy word was TUBA and one Mommy was LOBBY, you can put the BA from TUBA in front of the BY from LOBBY to make BABY. (You could also have formed BABY if the Daddy was BA/THING or the Mommy was BY/TE.)

In addition, each Mommy word has a number next to it. Take that letter from the unused part of the word. So, for example, if, in the TUBA/LOBBY example, LOBBY had the number (2) after it, you would take the 2nd letter of LOB, namely O. These letters, in order, will tell you how I wrote this puzzle.

Daddies

1. AKIMBO _____
2. BASSIST _____
3. BEDLAM _____
4. CRAB _____
5. DIME _____
6. LAYMEN _____
7. MOBBED _____
8. OSCARS _____
9. PAIN _____
10. PEST _____
11. PLACARD _____
12. PREGAME _____
13. SALMON _____
14. TABOO _____

Mommies

- FANTASIA (1)
VISITOR (3)
TATTLE (2)
ENTAILED (2)
EATABLE (1)
BARRETTE (1)
PROFILE (3)
AZERBAIJAN (1)
NETTION (3)
APERITIF (4)
FRAILTIES (5)
HOMEWORK (2)
COVENANT (3)
IBEX (1)

Bonus Phrase: _____