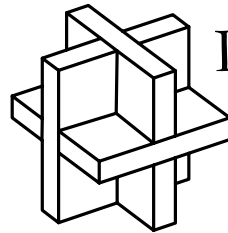


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Gentle solver,

The very world, it appears to me, is increasingly “out of joint,” as the Bard so aptly put it: unbalanced and chaotic, with extreme positions (and oft *actions*) taken on every side. I yearn for more *harmonious* times, or at least calmer ones!

This month’s ænigma was inspired by these feelings of *existential* angst, and my desire for a world restored to a sense of balance and unity.

In the grid below, I wish you to draw a *single* loop by connecting the centres of adjacent grid squares. Your loop must pass *straight* through every *dot* in the grid without turning, and it mayn’t either touch or cross itself anywhere in the grid.

In the spirit of balance and harmony, pray ensure that each dot resides at the exact *midpoint* of its straight loop segment.

Once you have finished your loop, you may move on to finding the final answer to my ænigma. Begin at the uppermost dot on the left edge of the grid and travel thence *clockwise* along the path. At each square in which the loop turns to the *right*, advance its letter in the alphabet (wrapping around from Z to A as necessary) by the total quantity of distinct *vertical* loop segments in that square’s grid *column*. Reading the resulting letters in loop order will reveal a clue to your final answer: in this case, the author of the given quotation.

Good luck!

Ada

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Example

Y	J	D	F	V	I	G
A	X	N	.	L	S	N
.	A	P	Y	G	P	L
M	R	G	.	.	J	M
L	M	R	K	I	F	.
Y	.	O	D	I	S	B
P	L	H	R	D	B	E

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Y	J	D	F	V	I	G
A	X	N	.	L	S	N
.	A	P	Y	G	P	L
M	R	G	.	.	J	M
L	M	R	K	I	F	.
Y	.	O	D	I	S	B
P	L	H	R	D	B	E

Y+2=A B+3=E
 J+2=L P+2=R
 I+3=L Y+2=A
 G+2=I R+2=T
 L+2=N G+2=I
 J+3=M M+2=O
 M+2=O L+2=N
 B+2=D

Answer:
 ALL IN MODERATION

Need assistance with Ada’s ænigma? Hints and other help are available at www.pavelspuzzles.com/aenigmas/82

Z	L	Z	B	I	.	G	Q	H	D	N	E	.	A	U	A	I	A	Y	L	B
J	G	D	K	H	F	L	O	W	H	K	Z	G	M	X	G	Z	L	J	J	X
B	Q	Z	E	X	Z	.	I	B	O	U	Q	F	.	.	T	.	I	.	P	M
Z	A	H	A	.	A	D	X	F	M	.	L	K	A	O	E	X	N	W	G	.
H	I	D	N	O	P	Z	.	F	L	O	G	Z	J	I	V	.	H	.	W	L
L	I	N	.	V	J	.	W	K	C	C	Y	N	K	J	M	L	U	X	I	F
Q	Z	.	I	V	.	M	Y	C	Y	N	N	T	Z	Z	.	Z	O	M	P	O
X	.	W	N	X	H	Y	W	Z	F	J	I	V	.	Q	I	M	W	P	E	G
F	S	O	.	A	H	L	A	F	Q	T	L	.	A	Q	Y	F	K	S	T	F
V	V	.	O	Z	M	J	Y	L	X	.	P	M	H	T	.	X	T	.	I	O
X	.	M	Q	I	.	V	.	M	Y	.	H	C	J	R	Y	Q	V	I	Y	Q
W	Z	S	H	V	P	M	F	Q	H	.	K	I	A	Z	R	B	E	.	L	R

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