## **WELCOME TO SUMMER PUZZLES 2025**

## THE MYSTERY AMORPHEGGS, PT. 2

## "Hex Hop" - Solution

Answers: **TIMBERWOLF**, **RHINOCEROS**, and **WILDEBEEST**. The poem says to start at a corner and hop counterclockwise 9 hexes. Turn and hop 8 hexes, then 7 hexes (note that this row holds 11 hexes total), etc. You spiral toward the center, finally coming to a stop after hopping just 1 hex. Each spiral sequence of hexes spells out a 10-letter word, as shown below.

A CORNER START IS GOOD FOR YOU
TO IMITATE THE KANGAROO.
AGAINST THE CLOCK IS HOW TO HOP
ANOTHER CORNER'S WHERE TO STOP.
THAT LEAP OF HEXES NUMBERED NINE
THE NEXT ONE'S EIGHT, AND YOU'LL BE FINE.
THEN TURN AGAIN, AND FORWARD SEVEN
IN A ROW OF HEXES ELEVEN.

NOW TURN AND HOP FORTH SIX, THEN FIVE
BE SURE TO TURN TO STAY ALIVE.
THEN FOUR, THREE, TWO, AND FINALLY ONE.
YOU'VE TOUCHED TEN LETTERS. NOW YOU'RE DONE...
BUT WAIT! YOU'LL DO THIS TWO TIMES MORE
TO FIND THE WORDS YOU'RE LOOKING FOR.
THEY'RE ALL TEN LETTERS, NAMING CREATURES
INSIDE THE EGGS THIS PUZZLE FEATURES.

