

Sunday Puzzle

THE WEEKLY QUIZ FROM NPR PUZZLEMASTER WILL SHORTZ

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Answer: 55 (when you spell out the numbers they reveal Roman numerals. "Twelve" contains LV, or 55).

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SHORTZ: Yes, it came from Rodolfo Kurchan, who is a puzzle maker from Buenos Aires. I said write down these six numbers, 19, 28, 38, 81, 83, 85.

What are the next three numbers in the series?

And the answer is 89, 97 and 102.

The series consists of the numbers that, when written in English, start and end with the same letter of the alphabet.