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String 1 – January 16 – February 8, 2009 – Mercury

PREVIOUS	CONNECTION	CURRENT
--	Today (Jan. 16) is the coldest day, or the lowest the MERCURY's been, in recent memory!	MERCURY
MERCURY	The PHOENIX Mercury is the name of a WNBA basketball team.	PHOENIX
PHOENIX	A phoenix is a mythical FIREBIRD rising from the ashes	FIREBIRD
FIREBIRD	An 80's muscle car made by PONTIAC	PONTIAC
PONTIAC	Home of General Motors, PONTIAC, MICHIGAN is a suburb of Detroit	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN
MICHIGAN	Michigan is known as the "MITTEN State"	MITTEN
MITTEN	Invented by GEORGE WASHINGTON at Valley Forge	GEORGE WASHINGTON
GEORGE WASHINGTON	Had dentures made from HIPPOPOTAMUS teeth (not wooden!) from eating BRAZIL nuts!	BRAZIL & HIPPOPOTAMUS
BRAZIL & HIPPOPOTAMUS	Hippopotamus is a brand name of SHOE made in Brazil!	SHOE
SHOE	The luckiest shoe is the HORSESHOE	HORSESHOE

HORSESHOE	Horseshoes is a backyard game played with two stakes 40 feet apart (H, the first letter in horse, is the 8th letter of the alphabet times the number of letters in H-O-R-S-E... $8 \times 5 = 40!$)	40
40	40 is the <i>only</i> number when spelled that's in ALPHABETical order!	ALPHABET
ALPHABET	the first written alphabet was invented by the EGYPTIANS	EGYPTIANS
EGYPTIANS	chief rulers were known as PHARAOHS	PHARAOHS
PHARAOHS	a rare "A" before "O" spelling, the most common word being CHAOS	CHAOS
CHAOS	Chaos Theory is best known for the BUTTERFLY Effect	BUTTERFLY
BUTTERFLY	One of the most common species is the Tiger SWALLOWTAIL	SWALLOWTAIL
SWALLOWTAIL	The ancient symbol of a snake swallowing his own tail (known as an ouroboros) represents ETERNITY	ETERNITY
ETERNITY	Another symbol for eternity is the FIGURE EIGHT	FIGURE EIGHT
FIGURE EIGHT	With ropes, akin to the PRETZEL knot	PRETZEL
PRETZEL	a German snack, the most pretzel-friendly city being PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania	PHILADELPHIA
PHILADELPHIA	Philadelphia (from the Greek word PHILEO meaning "brotherly love") is the City	PHILEO

	of Brotherly Love	
PHILEO	sounds like filet o'...filet o' FISH!	FISH
FISH	In alphabetical code, if "F" IS "H" then "G" IS "I"	GISI
GISI	German name, short for Giselle	GISELLE
GISELLE	looks like gazelle	GAZELLE
GAZELLE	how about the politician, ZELL MILLER	ZELL MILLER
ZELL MILLER	Once challenged a TV interviewer (Chris Matthews) to a DUEL! (Think Zorro...Zee, sword, duel)	DUEL
DUEL	the most famous duel in American history was between Alexander Hamilton and Aaron BARR	BARR
BARR	sounds like BRRR!	BRRRR!
BRRR!	and we're right back where we started with the cold temps and low MERCURY	MERCURY

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