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# Curbside



with a more modern design featuring Ford's latest entertainment and climate controls. I liked the little touches like the illumination for the cup holders so you can find them at night, or the illumination for the foot wells.

Since Ford owns Volvo I'm finding features like the Blind Spot Elimination System, which detects cars in adjacent lanes and warns you of their presence.

Ford has shopped this market very carefully and has priced the Fusion below the Honda Accord and Toyota Camry, which are the leaders in the category. The Fusion is also available as a hybrid with that model soundly beating its Camry Hybrid competitor in fuel economy.

The Fusion is also available with the Microsoft Sync system, which is a digital cowboy that corrals all the little electronic "doggies" that are part of most people's lives nowadays into a relatively safe place while also adding some pretty useful functionality.

#### What's Not

About the only major thing I could find wrong with the Fusion was the placement of the trunk latch, which, coincidentally, is right above my forehead when the trunk is open. The resulting interaction between my brain region and this metal object was a string of words that I was told never to say while in my formative years. While I had repeated the sequence in my youth, this time no soap was applied to my mouth. Good thing.

#### In Summary

I think that anyone looking for a mid-size car should take a gander at the Fusion. Its standout styling, positive features and good handling make it a competitive machine in this popular segment. In the various parking lots, this car received a lot of positive comments so the parking lot testimonials were good.

I think that Ford has a compelling model in a hot category, which explains their ability to stand alone without a hand out from Uncle Sam.

#### Fact Sheet

Base Price: \$23,975

Price As Tested: \$28,105

Major Options: Driver's Vision Package, Blind Spot Info. System, Rear-View Camera, Sony Sound System, \$2,740; Reverse Sensing System, \$1,610; V6, -\$945

Engine: 3.0L Duratech V6

Transmission: Six-Speed Automatic •

### 2010 FORD FUSION SEL REVIEW

By Anthony B. Barthel

After last summer's extreme spike in gasoline prices, mid-size cars became an ever more important part of a vehicle maker's portfolio. Fortunately, the folks at Ford were already working on a revision to their popular Fusion mid-size sedan and had it ready just as the summer driving season was over.

The Fusion has been popular since the makeover with four distinct power choices and several different models, resulting in a Fusion for almost every mid-size buyer's taste. From a hybrid model to a high performance version, Fusion has been a hit for Ford.

#### What's Hot

Based on a stretched version of the platform that begets the Mazda 6, Ford's Fusion inherits fairly sporty behavior from its Japanese-branded cousin. Despite similarities in the underlying pieces, Ford's version of the car has an angular, aggressive look to it that is not at all shared with the more organic look of the Mazda.

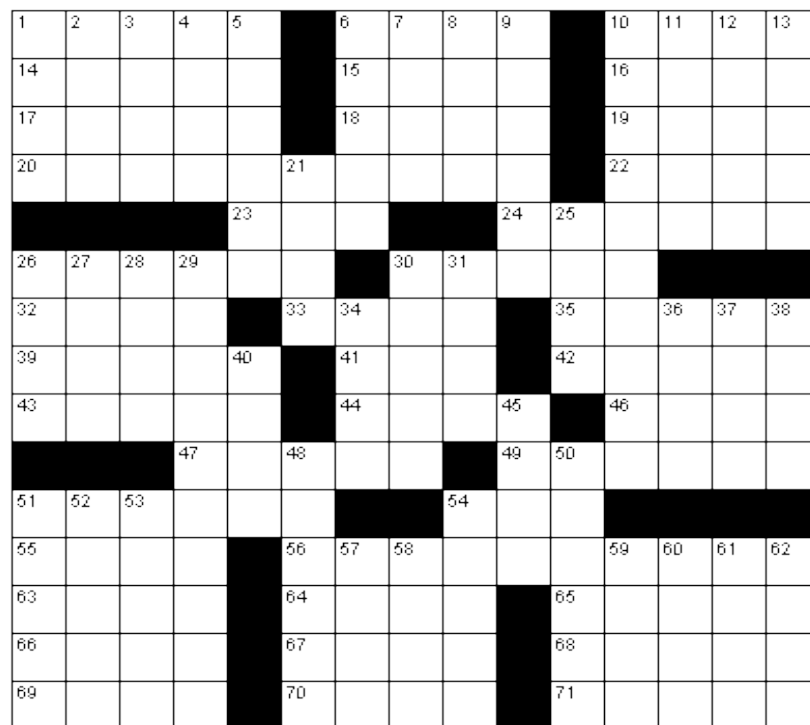
The Fusion can be everything from a class-leading hybrid that offers exceptional fuel economy to a fairly sporty mid-size sedan featuring a 3.5-liter V6 and a lot of performance features. For this test I chose the Fusion SEL with the popular 3.0 liter Duratech V6 and six-speed automatic transmission.

Pulling out of the shop for the first time, I was impressed that the Fusion's V6 actually stopped running when the vehicle is at a stop light the way most hybrids do. Wait a minute - it's not stopped. The V6 in the Fusion is so smooth, I literally couldn't detect that it was idling when waiting for the light to turn green. American carmakers don't make engines this smooth, do they? Oh, yes they do!

The Ford Fusion was thoroughly revised for 2010, with improvements made to most of the car's former sore spots. The styling is now edgier and the interior has been updated

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD

See answers next week



#### ACROSS

- 1. Smells
- 6. Small rounded bread
- 10. Strip of wood
- 14. Critical
- 15. Notion
- 16. Novice
- 17. Heath
- 18. Close
- 19. Roasting appliance
- 20. In a careless manner
- 22. Ritual
- 23. Refinable rock
- 24. Required
- 26. Dignified and somber
- 30. Not 4th or 5th
- 32. Once \_\_\_\_ a time
- 33. Biblical garden
- 35. Seashore
- 39. Chutney fruit
- 41. Perturb
- 42. The quality of being funny
- 43. Implore
- 44. Credit card brand
- 46. Pro or con
- 47. Donated
- 49. Lubricating oil
- 51. Peaceful

#### DOWN

- 1. Not under
- 2. Dreadful
- 3. Auditory
- 4. Framework for holding objects
- 5. A type of ski race
- 6. Shampoo and \_\_\_\_
- 7. Lyric poems
- 8. Loyal
- 9. Voice box
- 10. Depository
- 11. Enraged
- 12. Mountain crest
- 13. Strengthened
- 21. Sea eagle

- 25. Carve in stone
- 26. A covered cistern
- 27. October birthstone
- 28. Solitary
- 29. Betrothal
- 30. Small finch
- 31. Writing fluids
- 34. Plunge
- 36. Dogfish
- 37. Mats of grass
- 38. Tall woody plant
- 40. Chief Norse god
- 45. Matures
- 48. A chaste woman
- 50. Elevated
- 51. Fumes
- 52. Keen
- 53. Angers
- 54. Small herring processed like a sardine
- 57. Ripped
- 58. Goddess of discord (Greek mythology)
- 59. Wrestling in Japan
- 60. Nipple
- 61. Modify written material
- 62. Count upon

#### Last Week's Answers

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## SUDOKU - (INTERMEDIATE)

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DIRECTIONS: Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9. If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.