

Stroop's Amusing Banners:

Each list of words can be associated with a list of three colors two different ways: one, the actual colors of the words, and two, with a color which is associated with the word in question; for example, the first set of Knuckles/**Lantern**/**Cent** is both Black/Red/Yellow and White/Green/Red. In each word list, one of these triads is associated with a flag of country on the left list, and one is associated with a flag on the right. If you connect these pairings, the letters and symbols you cross spell out a question about someone who always wore black after 1861; this is the answer, Queen Victoria.

Character Assassination:

As the text of the puzzle hints at with "a couple of things wrong," there is one word and only one word for each group of pictures that is exactly two letters off of each picture (e.g. glue, cage, lamb, gems, hams, gere, lime, and dime are all two letters from "Game"). If you do this with all the sets of pictures, you get Game, Clash, Storm, Feast, and Dance, which are all parts of the titles of the Song of Ice and Fire books by George R. R. Martin that have been published at this time (2015).

The rest of the puzzle indicates that you need to "know Jack"...and his character...Jack Gleeson played the character of Joffrey Baratheon in the Game of Thrones TV show, and hence Joffrey Baratheon is the answer.

Ivy, Bougainvillea, and Moonflower:

The title hints at "vines", so if you were to find the Puzzle Lords on the Vine app or website, you'd find the clues for the crossword. Completing the puzzle leads to a couple of oddities; first, the green stripe on the puzzle, which is unclued, spells "Started from the bottom" upside down. The other oddity is that seven of the answers have the word "hair" removed: hairCUT, hairPIECE, hairNET, REDhair, hairTIE, hairSPRAY, and CAThair. Since you are to "pull your hair out"...if you take only these seven entries, and look at their vines, the letters that show up in the vines, read from the bottom, spell "Climbing the walls", which is your answer.