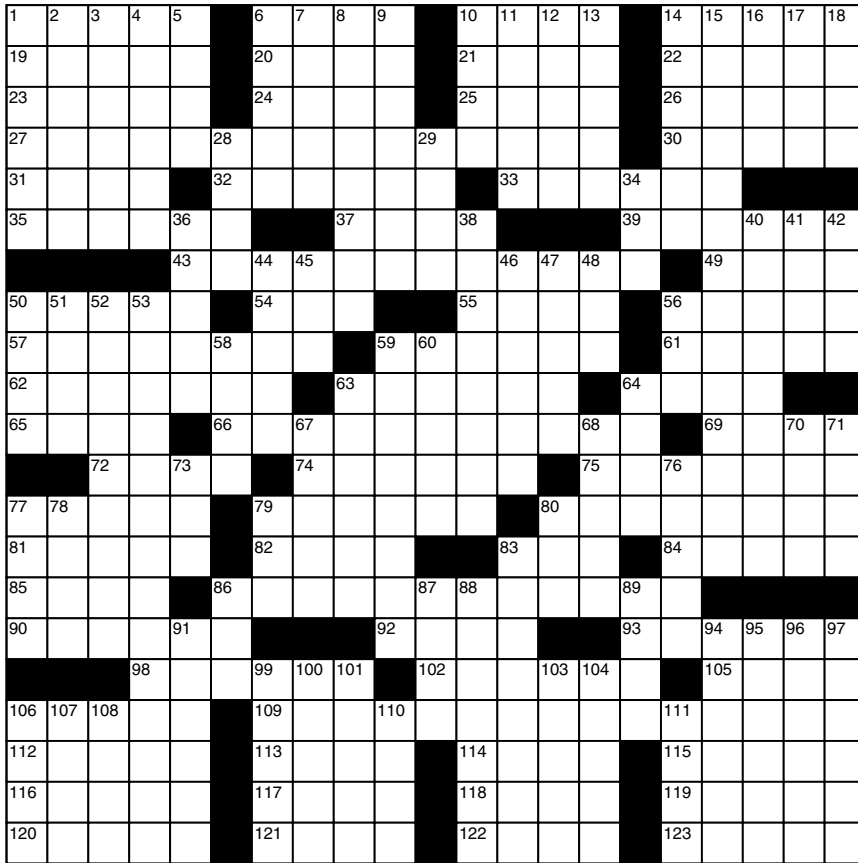


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- 1 Slip
- 6 Brewers' need
- 10 Good buddy
- 14 *Hardball* airer
- 19 Deposed leader's fate
- 20 Send forth
- 21 Sharpen
- 22 Match
- 23 Raga instrument
- 24 ___ Nui (Easter Island)
- 25 Party outsiders (abbr.)
- 26 Oklahoma city
- 27 Spoonerism, e.g.
- 30 *Roots* writer
- 31 Sub in a tub
- 32 Flowering shrub

- 33 Choose
- 35 Colleague of Curtin and Chase
- 37 Sorts
- 39 Experts
- 43 Tart apples
- 49 Scads
- 50 Flavor
- 54 Buck's partner
- 55 Methane's lack
- 56 Parboil
- 57 Better than average
- 59 Saturday matinees of yesteryear
- 61 Citric and nitric
- 62 Break for coffee, perhaps
- 63 Like

- 64 Nerve fiber
- 65 German river
- 66 Aerial maneuver
- 69 Iris site
- 72 First president of South Korea
- 74 They're tossed in Scotland
- 75 November meteor shower
- 77 Be successful
- 79 Happens periodically
- 80 Reduces
- 81 Fatuous
- 82 Boxer Max
- 83 Dallas cager, for short
- 84 It's a dam site
- 85 Bank stamp abbr.

- 86 Spindle-backed wooden seat
- 90 Deceives
- 92 1982 Disney film
- 93 Salad item
- 98 Word in a Tolkien title
- 102 Nursery rhyme opening
- 105 Penny, perhaps
- 106 Diaspora group
- 109 San Francisco attraction
- 112 Provisional
- 113 Latest thing
- 114 Performed on *American Idol*
- 115 Puckish
- 116 "___-boo!"
- 117 "At Last" singer James

- 118 Crafts companion
- 119 Calculator part
- 120 Door sign
- 121 Boom support
- 122 Like a bowstring
- 123 Lyricist Carole Bayer ___

- 51 In ___ mood (irritable)
- 52 Asset at the card table
- 53 Server's move
- 56 Jazz staple
- 58 Soccer great
- 59 Flare-up
- 60 Belly add-on

DOWN

- 1 Landlord
- 2 Underarm, anatomically
- 3 Commiserated with
- 4 Apply hastily
- 5 Architect Saarinen
- 6 Unit of frequency
- 7 1935 Triple Crown winner
- 8 Oil conduit
- 9 Majestic
- 10 Goatee site
- 11 Beatnik's drum
- 12 Finish
- 13 Turn back the clock?
- 14 Technique
- 15 Pay in full
- 16 Without legal force

- 63 Separated by gaps
- 64 Take down ___
- 67 Indian, for one
- 68 Slugger Tony
- 70 Author Ferber
- 71 Part of NCAA (abbr.)
- 73 Poetic preposition
- 76 Maureen on screen
- 77 Beatles title
- 78 "... dedicated to the ___ love"
- 79 Stat for 68 Down
- 80 ___-de-dah
- 83 '60s defense secretary
- 86 "I'm impressed!"
- 87 Eat-eaten link
- 88 Finds hilarious
- 89 Nest eggs

- 17 Diamond corner
- 18 Potter's supply
- 28 Klinger portrayer
- 29 They're high and mighty
- 34 Scale notes
- 36 Wading bird
- 38 Tom or Dick, but not Harry
- 40 What things may be hidden in
- 41 Related
- 42 Criteria (abbr.)
- 44 *A Bell for ___*
- 45 Neither partner
- 46 Worthy principles
- 47 Bit of statuary
- 48 Time-card abbr.
- 50 Fill up

- 91 Hot Wheels item
- 94 Showy flower
- 95 Dazed
- 96 Fats Waller piano style
- 97 Pajama-clad publisher
- 99 Violinist Zimbalist
- 100 Rodeo rope
- 101 Some NCOs
- 103 African language family
- 104 Inner turmoil
- 106 Mocking comment
- 107 Churchill's successor
- 108 Stimulate
- 110 Pressure, so to speak
- 111 Unites