

OF COURSE!

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Big inits. in news
  - 4 Place to visit in a suit
  - 10 Sign of winter’s end
  - 16 Purchase that often costs 99¢
  - 19 Something picked at with a pickax
  - 20 Comic Jones formerly of “S.N.L.”
  - 21 Fleet
  - 22 Low-\_\_\_\_\_
  - 23 Duffer’s approach shots that barely go anywhere?
  - 25 Like kids, but not mom or dad?
  - 26 Gaza grp.
  - 27 Bad position for a server
  - 28 Pick up
  - 30 CD follower
  - 31 Flair
  - 32 Post-Mao Chinese leader
  - 33 Duffer’s putt that just misses?
  - 37 Goes on a tweetstorm
  - 39 \_\_\_\_\_ Reader
  - 40 Tiny insects in a swarm
  - 41 Founder of WikiLeaks
  - 44 Common skirt feature
  - 45 Preparatory time
  - 46 Nickname for a duffer who can’t hit straight?
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- 14 Turntable rates, in brief
  - 108 Letter-shaped fastener
  - 109 \_\_\_\_\_ order
  - 110 Wolf (down)
  - 111 Button on a DVD player
  - 112 Cool, in an uncool way
  - 113 Something consumed with a cracker?
  - 115 Like the duffer in this puzzle?
  - 118 Palindrome in poetry
  - 119 Box up
  - 120 Cause of fatigue
  - 121 VW predecessors?
  - 122 New York city on Long Island Sound
  - 123 Like the “Mona Lisa” in 1911
  - 124 Civics and Accords
  - 125 School of thought
- DOWN**
- 1 Wanderer
  - 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Parade, annual June celebration
  - 3 Intel producer
  - 4 Scads
  - 5 Part of the upper bod
  - 6 “Or so”
  - 7 V.I.P. rosters
  - 8 More yellow, but not yet brown, say
  - 9 Like a question for which “maybe” is not an option
  - 10 Capital of French Polynesia
  - 11 Off the internet, to internet users
  - 12 Blue toon in a white dress
  - 13 Chocolate substitute
  - 14 Japanese soybean appetizer
  - 15 Nickname that can be either masculine or feminine
  - 16 Standard outlet connection
  - 17 Grand dwelling
  - 18 Carelessly drops
  - 24 Ankle-biter
  - 29 Move stealthily
  - 31 Weapon sought by Voldemort
  - 33 Woman with a well-known internet “list”
  - 34 Cardiologist’s tool
  - 35 Like some personalities
  - 36 Go full \_\_\_\_\_ (throw a world-class hissy fit)
  - 38 Certain employee at ESPN or JPMorgan Chase
  - 41 Vanquishers of kings?
  - 42 Drink in a little cup
  - 43 Piece of training equipment in boxing
  - 44 Put forth, as a theory
  - 47 Dance that men often do shirtless
  - 48 Europe-based grp. with no European members
  - 50 Org. that employs radio telescopes
  - 52 Principle of harmonious design
  - 53 Absorb, as a loss
  - 54 Ones practicing: Abbr.
  - 57 \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase, 1853 land deal with Mexico
  - 58 Actor Patel
  - 61 Thorn in a dictator’s side
  - 63 Grassy field
  - 65 Kind of rating
  - 67 Road crew’s supply
  - 68 House speaker before Pelosi
  - 69 Went green, perhaps?
  - 70 Called up
  - 71 Call to a shepherd
  - 72 Stadium cry
  - 75 Milk sources
  - 76 Disintegrate, in a way, as cells in the body
  - 79 SOS in Gotham City
  - 80 Biblical figure with a tomb in the Cave of the Patriarchs
  - 82 Simple shelter
  - 83 Spanish winds
  - 86 Convinced
  - 88 No longer sleeping
  - 89 “Marriage Story” co-star, to fans
  - 91 Simple and ingenious
  - 93 Sparkle
  - 95 Have trouble deciding
  - 96 Headstrong
  - 97 Spot coverage?
  - 99 Like a wunderkind
  - 101 Edie of “The Sopranos”
  - 102 Spoilers, of a sort
  - 103 Witch
  - 105 “Catch That \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit” (old ad slogan)
  - 106 Exams for some bio majors
  - 107 Pull some strings?
  - 111 Guesses by GPSes
  - 113 Director Craven
  - 114 Play with
  - 116 Thurman of “Pulp Fiction”
  - 117 Word with rolling or bowling

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