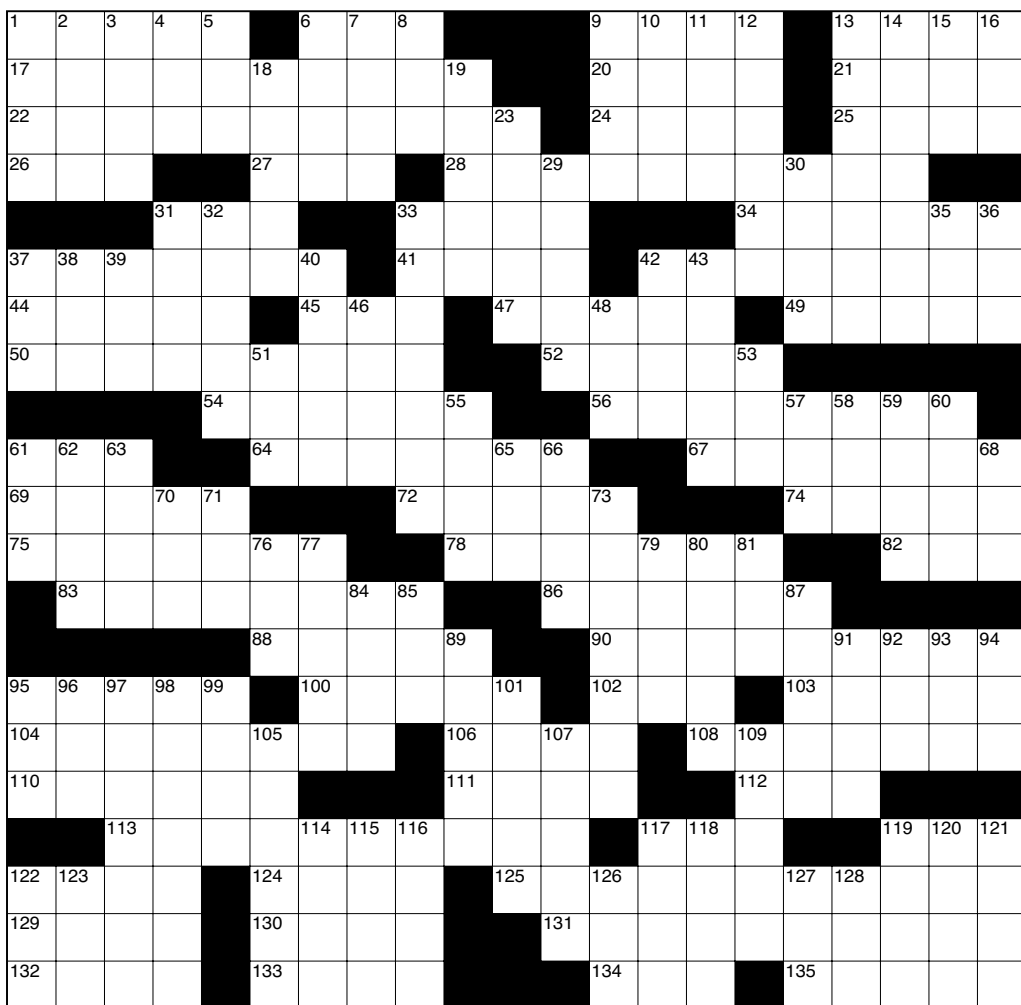


A Dream of Adventure

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ACROSS

- 1 Brain case
 6 Beersheba's loc.
 9 Poppycock
 13 Egyptian goddess
 17 *I dreamed I was embarking on a great ___ ...*
 20 Butter sub
 21 Coll. sports grp.
 22 *Me! A ___! ...*
 24 Resting place
 25 Tart taste
 26 Likely
 27 Geo. Lucas's effects co.
 28 *A ___! ...*
 31 Houston hrs.
 33 1988 NL Rookie of the Year Chris
 34 Leia's last name
 37 *A ___ of lost tribes! ...*
 41 Film excerpt
 42 *... leaving behind my quiet ___ existence ...*
 44 Non-studio film
 45 Writer Le Shan
 47 Judo rooms
 49 Awed reactions
 50 *... to be a ___ of the high seas ...*
 52 *... or a ___ of the clouds ...*
 54 Polishes
 56 *Suddenly, I meet this ex-lumberjack. His name is ___ (what a coincidence!) ...*
 61 Korean boy band
 64 *He's built like a ___ (naturally!)...*
 67 Knotty and twisted
 69 *He tells me he once struck it rich in the ___ ...*
 72 Sits heavily
 74 *Then lost it all in ___ ...*
 75 *"He should have had ___ of farewells" (Richard II)*
 78 *... which is why he's now in ___ ...*
 82 End of Lenin?
 83 *... working as a ___ ...*
 86 Short play
 88 *... in a ___ ...*
 90 *But I regale him with tales of adventure and ___! ...*
 95 Like Urkel's voice
 100 Oyster's prize
 102 Pub order
 103 Renowned refrain
 104 *'Come with me!' I say. 'Be an ___ of lost worlds!' ...*
 106 Dropped, as prices
 108 *And suddenly we're in Italy, driving through ___ (pardon the spelling) ...*
 110 Honeybunch
 111 Ice cream brand
 112 Jackie's 1950s co-star
 113 *... heading for a ___ with destiny just 25 miles away ...*
 117 Antlered animal
 119 R&B and rock, e.g.: abbr.
 122 Opera selection
 124 Big lake
 125 *... scaling the only mountain in the world that ___ (continues at 131) ...*
 129 Frog's hangout
 130 Fragile cartonful



131 *___ (So, where the heck are we??? See the puzzle's solution for the answer)*

- 132 Anxious
 133 The majority
 134 Elec. day
 135 "Casey ___ Bat"

DOWN

- 1 ___ precedent
 2 A major pce. captures a minor pce., old-style
 3 ___ the crack of dawn
 4 Island souvenir
 5 Cholesterol abbr.
 6 *"___ cost ya!"*
 7 Anna's new home
 8 Cartoonist Chast
 9 The two
 10 Sweden's Palme
 11 Big rig
 12 Hang out (with)
 13 Legend alternative
 14 Sacred beetles
 15 Actor McKellen
 16 Droop
 18 *"Careful, ___!" (sign on a cage)*
 19 Asian land
 23 Fanatical, as fans
 29 Too pooped ___
 30 Doctor's order, maybe
 31 202
 32 Parts of keels
 33 Manage to find
 35 Short respite
 36 RSVP request
 37 Cookie container

- 38 Stuff in a cell
 39 "Nicely," for ex.
 40 Fasten anew
 42 Unaccompanied
 43 End of many Amer. web addresses
 46 *___, Son of Zorro*
 48 Skippy rival
 51 Satisfied sounds
 53 Perfect number
 55 Auction word
 57 Waited, perhaps
 58 La-la preceder
 59 For grades 1-12
 60 Old cars
 61 Win ___ nose
 62 S followers
 63 Hershey's "Scandinavian" bar
 65 Letters of credit?
 66 Take it like ___
 68 Not Rep., perh.
 70 Pay add-on?
 71 Church lady
 73 Summer footwear
 76 Restaurant VIP
 77 Get hitched quick
 79 LEM-mate of Buzz
 80 Neon et al.
 81 Happened, in dict.
 84 River of central Germany
 85 Actor Stephen
 87 *"___ is human"*
 89 *___ed Euridice*
 91 Cong opener
 92 Dusk, to Donne
 93 Slow down, to an orch.
 94 *"___-hoo!"*

- 95 Actor Beatty
 96 Tool you swing
 97 Voting thumbs up
 98 "So soon?!"
 99 Tender part
 101 Diplomat ___ Tho
 105 Cash in
 107 Disinfectant brand
 109 Jack of old flicks
 114 Therefore
 115 Goes one way?
 116 Three-piece piece
 117 Ides utterance
 118 Close to midnight
 119 ___ Helens
 120 "Nope"
 121 Golfer Ballesteros
 122 Clumsy lug
 123 Fishing buy
 126 Fishing buy
 127 FDR program
 128 Retired flyer

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