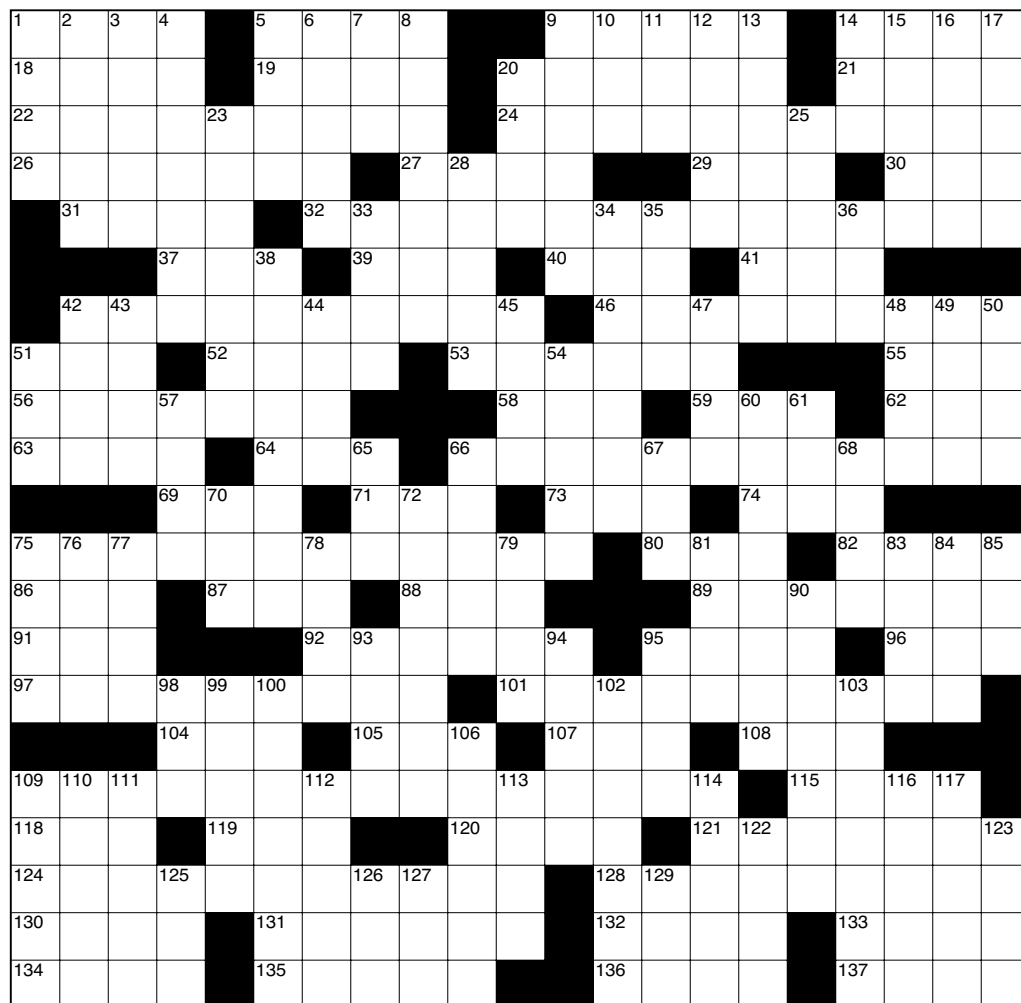


New England-Style Chatter 2

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ACROSS

- 1 Precarious perch
- 5 Coffee coast
- 9 Made crow sounds
- 14 Heart problem?
- 18 Where the ounce can pounce
- 19 A No. 2, on the green
- 20 Veteran
- 21 Old mother Hubbard's son
- 22 Huck Finn parodies?
- 24 Bordello special?
- 26 Filch a la Poe
- 27 Science org.
- 29 R-V center?
- 30 William who wed Mary
- 31 Verb in "I Am Woman"
- 32 Perennial phone problem at Goats R Us?
- 37 Your, in Tours
- 39 Fly catcher of a sort
- 40 ___ double take
- 41 "___ a date!"
- 42 Actress who felt empty inside?
- 46 Rival whisky of Old Argyle?
- 51 Guy's name or French word
- 52 Have a rough night
- 53 Deck a Dolphin
- 55 Rex Reed rejection
- 56 Family of fancy birds
- 58 Written twice, a dance
- 59 Distaff reference
- 62 Language ending
- 63 Idaho staple
- 64 Moon jumper
- 66 Battled Cochise?
- 69 "___ drunkard" (Rick, in *Casablanca*)
- 71 Shortened, as a dict.
- 73 Capt. of industry
- 74 Butt heads
- 75 Sun-roof safeguard on some U.S. cars?
- 80 *Vanity Fair* author's monogram
- 82 *Iliad* suicide
- 86 Old undercover org.
- 87 Bristol break
- 88 Actor Tognazzi
- 89 1987 Coppola film, *Gardens* ___
- 91 Place with good circulation? ___
- 92 Uses, as a futon
- 95 Lovable eccentric
- 96 Sit or shut endings
- 97 Rollers in barracks?
- 101 One-time Miracle Gro pitchman?
- 104 Certain pol: abbr.
- 105 Meadow
- 107 Corn-eater's leftover
- 108 *Lover Come Back* star
- 109 What a nail feels?
- 115 Car-collecting comedian
- 118 Pal, to Pascal
- 119 *Cinco de mayo*, e.g.
- 120 Inning enders
- 121 Go along with Marie Antoinette
- 124 With 128 Across, good advice at the Medicine Man Ball?
- 128 See 124 Across



- 130 African Nobel
- 131 U.K. hotspot
- 132 Who-knows-how-long
- 133 Bank take-back
- 134 African antelope
- 135 European steel center
- 136 Others
- 137 Goddess of discord

DOWN

- 1 Reading aid
- 2 "Peace ___ profession" (*Dr. Strangelove* sign)
- 3 Film or phone preceder
- 4 Turkish treat
- 5 New Zealander
- 6 Shaggy ape, briefly
- 7 The best, briefly
- 8 Poe's Lee
- 9 Store sign
- 10 Commotion
- 11 Typist's stat: abbr.
- 12 Edit, sometimes
- 13 "___ under the apple tree ..."
- 14 Tirana's land: abbr.
- 15 Stevens or T. Nelson
- 16 Mandel or Morris
- 17 "The ___ near ..."
- 20 Spoken
- 23 1992 World Series champs
- 25 Singer Springfield
- 28 Chief monk
- 33 Rice U. team
- 34 Penalized amount
- 35 Paw
- 36 Animal you can sit on
- 38 Display to good advantage
- 42 Cherokee, for one
- 43 Son of Rebecca
- 44 Capital on a fjord
- 45 Baylor University's city
- 47 Binet-Simon, for one
- 48 Crude org.
- 49 Express-lane requirement, often
- 50 Bended part
- 51 Previous records?
- 54 Cut of beef
- 57 Nest-egg guarantor: abbr.
- 60 Insurance city
- 61 Ecol.-minded entity
- 65 Route
- 66 Pre-oscultated princes
- 67 Start of many questions
- 68 Latin verb
- 70 Grocery store: abbr.
- 72 "... devil and the deep ___"
- 75 Pear variety
- 76 Stamp ctr.
- 77 ___ large (hasn't been caught)
- 78 Cabbage or moolah
- 79 Not too receptive
- 81 Early keyboard synthesizer
- 83 Enlist in
- 84 Dustin's *Graduate* costar
- 85 Illiterate John Hancocks
- 90 Black bomber
- 93 *Winnie* ___ *Pu*
- 94 Sleep time, in Stuttgart
- 95 Market-watching cable channel
- 98 *Of Human Bondage* author's initials
- 99 Takes to heart
- 100 Henry, in Hermosillo
- 102 Ohio college town
- 103 Vision supervision
- 106 12
- 109 "It ___ Be You"
- 110 Love in Paris
- 111 Like a julep
- 112 Bank-job scores
- 113 Litigant
- 114 Sharpens
- 116 Title giver
- 117 Giraffe's cousin
- 122 Della, to Perry: abbr.
- 123 Early grandson, in the Bible
- 125 Rented outfit
- 126 Man of Steel emblem
- 127 Summer, in Lyon
- 129 Mortar mixer

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