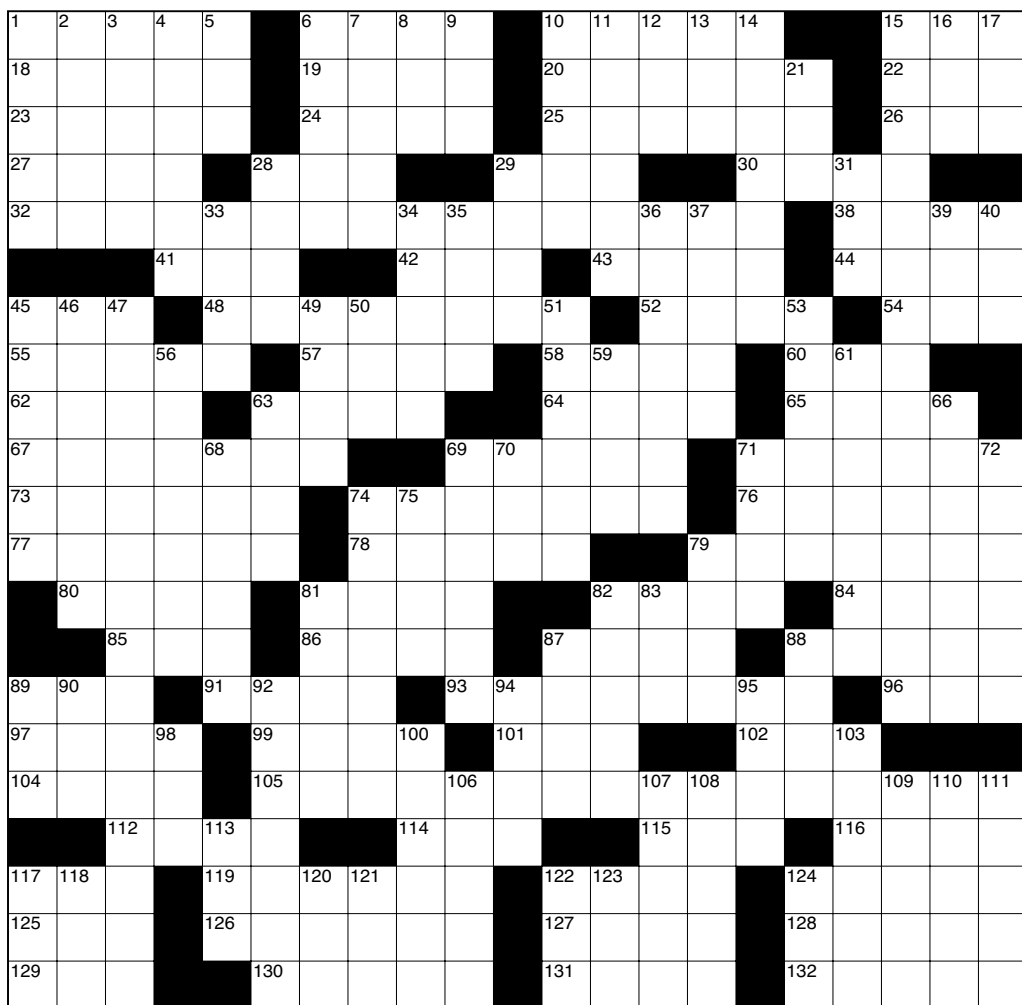


Take A Number

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ACROSS

- 1 Celebrations
- 6 '77 Kenny Baker role
- 10 Like some booms
- 15 Pre-sunrise time
- 18 Three-time Wimbledon winner
- 19 Black, in verse
- 20 Entree with a croissant
- 22 Watering hole?
- 23 Snacks
- 24 Set for Goren
- 25 Says
- 26 *Friends* co-star
- 27 "Limit, ___ customer"
- 28 Square dancer, perhaps
- 29 Bumbler
- 30 Facto opener
- 32 Pastry filling
- 38 Beginning Drawing
- 41 Tricky
- 42 Goat's peak
- 43 "Nothin' ___"
- 44 Green side dish
- 45 Fever temperature
- 48 Ursa minor?
- 52 Air conditioner, e.g.
- 54 One of *Them!*
- 55 Talking tests
- 57 Do an assignment
- 58 Sicilian volcano
- 60 Sweetie
- 62 ___ colada
- 63 Atomizer output
- 64 Gats
- 65 Outer limits
- 67 Racing event
- 69 Lockheed jetliner
- 71 Disco era
- 73 Chan's kid
- 74 Number of dollars John Carpenter won on a TV game show in 1999
- 76 Soviet space station
- 77 Soprano Renata
- 78 48-inch
- 79 Surfeit
- 80 *Nueve* preceder
- 81 Bus. course
- 82 General's first name
- 84 Temperature wd.
- 85 Night, to poets
- 86 Loaf
- 87 Dirty Harry's employer: abbr.
- 88 Comic intro
- 89 Relations
- 91 Prelude to *nuit*
- 93 City on Tokyo Bay
- 96 Lifelong ID
- 97 Like the first bottle of beer on the wall
- 99 Quint in *Jaws*
- 101 Theresa, partly?
- 102 They get turned on in bars
- 104 Blah
- 105 Solve this puzzle
- 112 Region: abbr.
- 114 To return?
- 115 Living qtrs.
- 116 Architect Saarinen
- 117 When network evening news comes on in D.C.
- 119 Bentley fill-up



- 122 Ear-related
- 124 Spider trait
- 125 Esposito teammate
- 126 Indian city
- 127 Eugene's daughter
- 128 Port from which Columbus departed in 1492
- 129 Praising poem
- 130 Appears
- 131 Philly player
- 132 Hostess Perle

DOWN

- 1 Day for OOO and XXX
- 2 1979-80 Tony winner
- 3 N.J. college, ___ Hall
- 4 Radial surfaces
- 5 1-way ways: abbr.
- 6 Clinic's work, at times
- 7 Solid-blue rack item
- 8 Adams of *Get Smart*
- 9 Silver's place
- 10 Baby pigeon
- 11 Costume or company
- 12 Little louse
- 13 Hotel-machine offering
- 14 Corpus ___
- 15 Part of an address
- 16 Part of an address
- 17 Upper limit
- 21 Mental manipulation
- 28 Noted etcher
- 29 Cajun staple
- 31 Drain
- 33 32 oz.
- 34 Up

- 35 Majorette, perhaps
- 36 End of a bout, sometimes
- 37 Merrill et al.
- 39 Surfer's shade
- 40 Gold's place
- 45 Form of bowling
- 46 Venezuela's divider
- 47 Gewgaw parlor
- 49 Vatican vigor
- 50 "Natch!"
- 51 Transplant
- 53 Pass ___ (seek donations)
- 56 ___ groundwork (prepares)
- 59 Count ___
- 61 Start of an old soap title
- 63 Kissing disease, commonly
- 66 "The ___ avenged!" (John Wilkes Booth)
- 68 100,000 pounds
- 69 Shorts with Bugs in them, ___ Tunes
- 70 Perfect score
- 71 Moscow VIP, once
- 72 *Sophie's Choice* author
- 74 Like some diamonds
- 75 *The Wizard* ___
- 79 Actress Thompson
- 81 Mr. Yale
- 82 Stat after striking out twice
- 83 Speed letters
- 87 Agenda, for short
- 88 Ad verb
- 89 Wartime dogs
- 90 Seattle-to-Boston hwy.
- 92 Certain hawks
- 94 "Yikes!"

- 95 115 Across payment
- 98 Dandelion yanker
- 100 Tax-info sheet
- 103 Inscribed stones
- 106 Van Gogh painted there
- 107 This was yours once
- 108 Paltrow's prize
- 109 Cads
- 110 Rye disease
- 111 Red, in Rome
- 113 Abbr. after 45
- 117 "Into the valley of Death rode the ___"
- 118 Bronze's place
- 120 Half a fly
- 121 Some eggs
- 122 Moore's number, once
- 123 "Open 9 ___"
- 124 Start of prime time, usually

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