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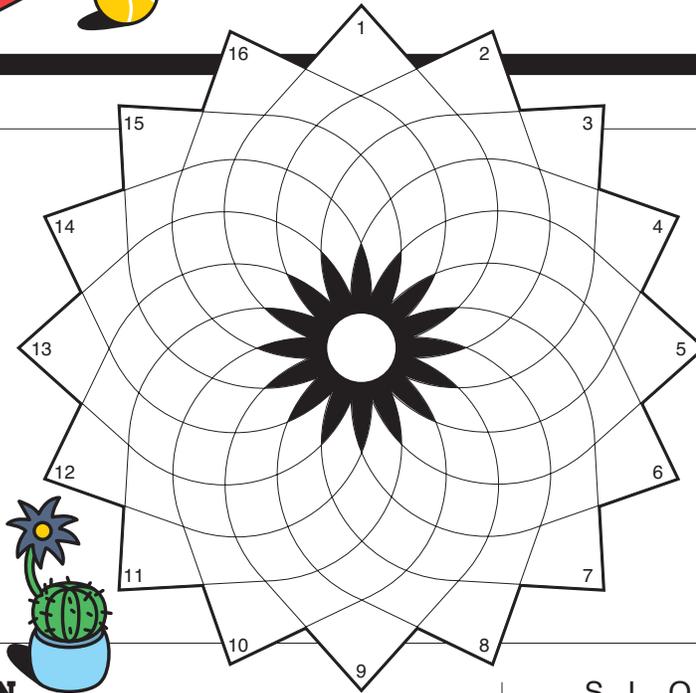


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WORD PLAY

FLOWER POWER

Fill this flower with 32 words that answer the clues. Enter each word inward from the tip of the petal to the centre of the bloom, one letter per space. Half the words proceed clockwise from the numbers, and the other half go counterclockwise. Use both sets of clues to get a full bloom.



CLOCKWISE

- 1 Least perilous
- 2 "_____ the thought!"
- 3 Break
- 4 Misanthrope's speciality
- 5 Back down
- 6 Cook up
- 7 Mars vehicles
- 8 OPEC, e.g.
- 9 Redeems, as a cheque
- 10 Mac
- 11 Glasgow girls
- 12 Boxing weight
- 13 Barbecue sites
- 14 Chopped finely
- 15 Make plump
- 16 Odd duck

COUNTERCLOCKWISE

- 1 Ghosts, e.g.
- 2 Canned tomato products
- 3 Called the game
- 4 Contract adverb
- 5 Archie Bunker type
- 6 Execrate
- 7 Hot dog topping
- 8 Wiccan groups
- 9 Giving in
- 10 Least furnished
- 11 Brilliance
- 12 Big parties
- 13 Soft colour
- 14 Clerical residences
- 15 Pipe installer
- 16 Fads

DAISY CHAIN

Add a letter to the first set of letters below and form a common word by anagramming the six given letters plus the one you added. Enter the word in the squares to the right. For each succeeding row, add the last letter of the previous word you wrote to the new set of letters before anagramming. The last letter of your fifth word should be the letter you added to the first word. Only word play experts will complete this daisy chain of anagrams!

1	K	N	O	P	R	T	__						
2	C	E	L	L	O	O	__						
3	I	I	M	S	T	U	__						
4	F	H	L	O	O	S	__						
5	A	A	F	L	W	Y	__						

RIBBON

The answers to the clues are all four-letter words, listed in no particular order. Fill the ribbon with the words overlapping by two letters, like ACHY and HYMN in the example. We've supplied the first and last letters of the ribbon. Can you piece the words together?



CLUES

- top Olympian ■ first name in mystery writing ■ Apple tablet
- snack ■ poetic foot ■ computer operator ■ music award
- princess from planet Alderaan ■ RMS Carpathia, e.g. ■ wood-shaping tool

	S	L	O	P	A	
N						C
U		O				R
R				M		K
T						E
	A	A	G	R	E	

SLIDE SHOW

Slide the 18 letters surrounding the grid into the empty squares so that four words are formed reading across and five words are formed reading down. Letters above and below the grid slide vertically to any position without changing columns, and letters to the left and right slide horizontally to any position without changing rows. Each exterior letter is used only once. Two additional letters are already positioned in the grid. Can you slide all of the others into place?



GLOBE MINI

By Jess Shulman

1	2	3	4	
5				
6				7
8				
9				

ACROSS

- 1 Word after time or attention
- 5 Olympic event involving 1-Down
- 6 Dry-__ marker
- 8 Supreme being
- 9 Taste or smell

DOWN

- 1 Speedy sliders at the Olympics
- 2 Baby food blender setting
- 3 Love __ (2023 comeback song for Celine Dion)
- 4 Homes that blue jays fly to
- 7 Check out

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CATCHING A CODE

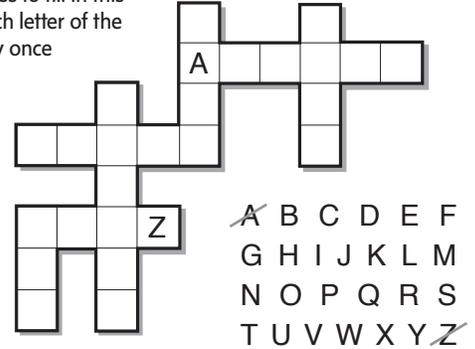
We've taken five common six-letter words, listed in alphabetical order, and disguised them using a random substitution cipher. We'll tell you that Y stands for H and Z stands for W. Can you determine the words?



_____	R	Q	B	F	P	T
_____	X	Q	K	P	X	Y
_____	T	G	V	F	Z	P
_____	B	R	Q	G	X	K
_____	V	Y	R	T	F	Z

PANGRAM CRISS-CROSS

Use the randomly listed clues to fill in this small crossword puzzle. Each letter of the alphabet will appear exactly once in the completed grid.



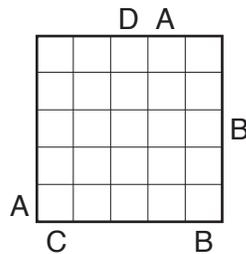
CLUES

- athletic sort
- knight trip?
- sardonic
- composure
- batty
- ace
- irksome

LOGIC PLAY

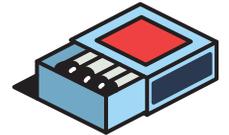
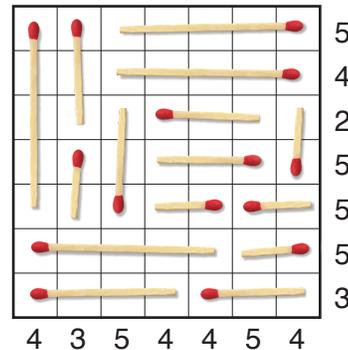
END VIEW

Place the letters A, B, C, and D into this grid so that each letter appears exactly once in each row and column, with the remaining cell in each row and column left blank. Each letter outside the grid indicates the letter that must appear first in its respective row or column (reading in from the edge of the grid closest to the letter, and skipping any blank cells). Can you get the correct pattern? The solution is unique.



MATCH PLAY

The grid contains unburnt matches of different sizes. You may burn any amount of each match, or leave the match unburnt. You "burn" a match by shading segments from the head (rounded end) to the tail, without skipping segments. The numbers outside the grid indicate the number of burnt segments in the corresponding row or column. Can you shade in the burnt segments to "match" the numbers?



6	8	1	7	○	○
1	9	8	2	●	●
5	8	4	7	●	
2	3	6	5	○	

SPYMASTER

Deduce a secret number made of four different digits 1 through 9. The chart shows four guesses at the number, and a score for each guess using marbles. Any digit that appears in the secret number in the same position as in the guess is scored with a black marble. Any digit that appears in the secret number in a different position than in the guess is scored with a white marble. Any digit that is not in the secret number does not get a marble. It's up to you to determine which digits are indicated by the marbles. Can you figure out the four-digit number?



NUMBER PLAY

CRISS-CROSS MATH

Place the digits 1 to 9, once each, into the empty cells so that the three rows across and three columns down form correct arithmetic statements. All calculations involve only positive whole numbers and should be performed from left to right and top to bottom, ignoring mathematical order of operations.

	×		÷		=8
+		+		+	
	-		-		=0
÷		+		-	
	+		÷		=1
=3		=7		=4	

HIP! HIP! ARRAY!

Place a number in each empty cell of this array so that the numbers in the top and middle cells in each column sum to the number in the bottom cell. Also, in each row, the numbers in the first two cells sum to the number in the third cell; the second and third sum to the fourth; and the third and fourth sum to the fifth. When you've filled the array, convert the shaded numbers to letters (1 = A, 2 = B, etc.) and rearrange the letters to spell a word that can precede family.

		9		
4				11
	4			

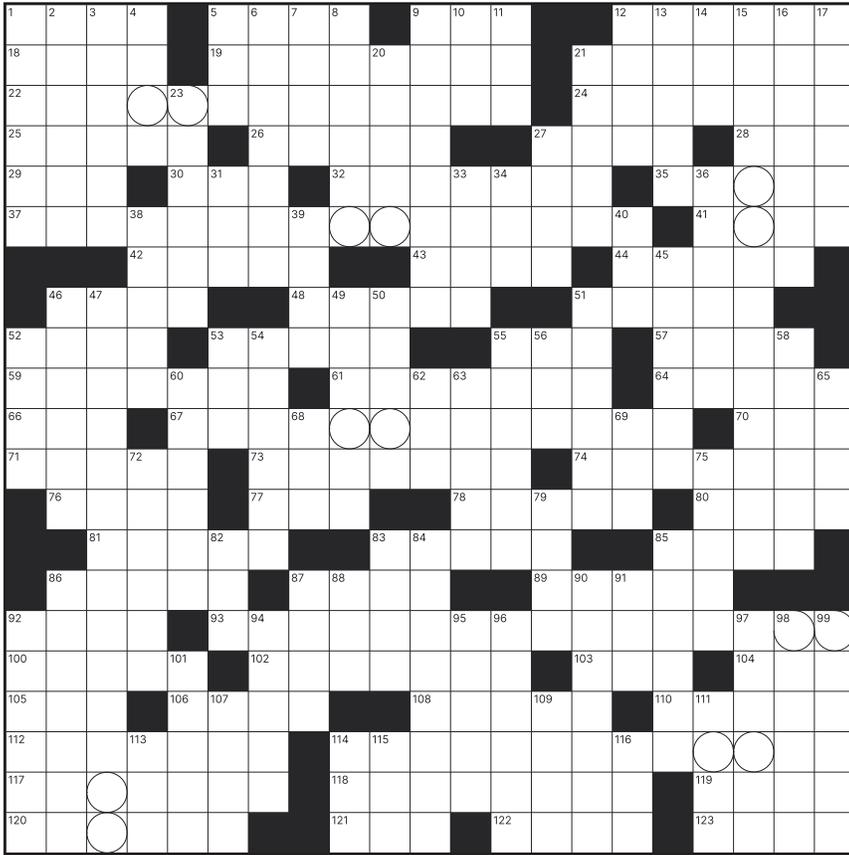
GREETED THE VILLAIN

In this addition alphametic, each digit has been replaced with the same letter everywhere it appears. Different letters stand for different digits. None of the numbers starts with zero. Can you find the unique solution?

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{B O O E D} \\ + \text{B A D} \\ \hline \text{A P P L E} \end{array}$$

THE SHOW MUST GO ON

By Aaron M. Rosenberg ■ Edited by Jess Shulman



ACROSS

- 1 Many Christmas trees
- 5 Nile reptiles
- 9 It might come with a legend
- 12 Pass quickly
- 18 Dark purple fruit
- 19 When Harry met Sally in *When Harry Met Sally...*, e.g.
- 21 Switch, for one
- 22 A legal drama... about the investigation of an Amherst homeowners' association?
- 24 Greek goddess of the hunt
- 25 You ___ *Not Invited to My Bat Mitzvah* (2023 film)
- 26 Old-fashioned fathers?
- 27 Actress Taylor-Joy
- 28 UFO crew
- 29 Schlep
- 30 Ivey Business School alum and Hollywood actor Simu
- 32 Full-bodied reds
- 35 Just scratch the surface, perhaps
- 37 A romcom about a neurotic writer... becoming Moose Jaw's best sketch comic?
- 41 Lincoln and others
- 42 Passed out
- 43 Wayne and Shuster and Tegan and Sara
- 44 Donair holders
- 46 Sheepish admission
- 48 Plot segments?
- 51 Staple of Italian and Thai cuisine
- 52 Citrus quenchers
- 53 Ancient nutty grain
- 55 Forensic inits.
- 57 Aussie hoppers
- 59 Proving ground for products-to-be
- 61 Early Taylor Swift hit that she originally wrote for her grade-nine talent show
- 64 Historical record
- 66 Alternative to bottled
- 67 A horror film... about five siblings trapped in a house in Hay River?
- 70 Maker of the original big green egg?
- 71 VIP roster
- 73 "You said it, my fellow kids!"
- 74 Fitness regimen that might use a "reformer" machine
- 76 Classic comedy show set in the fictitious town of Melonville
- 77 Granola bit
- 78 Woodshop grippers
- 80 [Chef's kiss]
- 81 Bee-related

- 83 Cockpit button of last resort
- 85 General Motors cars of the 1990s
- 86 Letter-shaped girder
- 87 ___-friendly (label on some low-carb food packaging)
- 89 Hot topic in crime?
- 92 Ancient Briton



- 93 A movie directed by Tom Hanks... about a Summerside man who can't identify common household objects?
- 100 Staggering
- 102 Modest undefeated record
- 103 Mind-reading ability, for short
- 104 Prefix with advised or mannered
- 105 ___ de plume
- 106 Vogue competitor
- 108 Certain Pacific salmon
- 110 Actress Shire of *Megalopolis*
- 112 Like a blue jay
- 114 A show about finding romance... with a wild feline in the Okanagan?

- 117 Collected works
- 118 Tournament for rock stars?
- 119 Scourge
- 120 Render ineffective
- 121 Genetic material
- 122 Whirlpool
- 123 Colonial workers?

DOWN

- 1 *Deck the Halls* snippet
- 2 Mythical figure who flew too close to the sun
- 3 Nog necessity, traditionally
- 4 Monumental no-nos
- 5 Reddit Q&A sesh
- 6 Like some caresses
- 7 Mani-___
- 8 Leaves in a huff, with "off"



- 9 Creamy, milkshake-like cocktail
- 10 Succeeded impressively, in slang
- 11 According to
- 12 *Gilmore Girls* daughter
- 13 Bounce off the post?
- 14 Opposite of NNW
- 15 Sequel about a kid separated from his family in New York... who just wants to get back to his pet sea snail in Okotoks?
- 16 Sudden charges in football
- 17 Approvals
- 20 Haunted house sound
- 21 Art able to
- 23 Performed unaccompanied
- 27 Totally nails
- 31 Civil rights leader ___ B. Wells
- 33 A/C measures
- 34 Alter ___
- 36 Divvy up
- 38 Keats, for one
- 39 Symbol found on no provincial or territorial flag except Nunavut's
- 40 Relaxation destination
- 45 Media magnate Asper
- 46 Lofty goals
- 47 An animated movie about a supervillain... who's also the worst chef in Iqaluit?
- 49 Portmanteau pastry fad of the 2010s

- 50 Waze suggestion
- 51 Galoot
- 52 "___ girl!"
- 53 Header on a page of answers
- 54 Lie alongside
- 55 Like some Egyptian churches
- 56 ___ *Québec* (2014 TV comedy adaptation)
- 58 Identical to
- 60 Riga's land
- 62 Roulette bet
- 63 Ward (off)
- 65 Rife with vegetation
- 68 Lyricist Gershwin
- 69 Prefix with gender
- 72 Fla. city with a Guinness World Record for most days of consecutive sunshine (768)
- 75 Revise
- 79 Doe-eyed creature?
- 82 Qty.
- 83 Jazzy James
- 84 Wrestler-turned-actor who retired from in-ring competition in 2025
- 85 Approach
- 86 Jealous girlfriend's ultimatum, maybe
- 87 *Citizen* ___
- 88 Summer in Métabetchouan-Lac-à-la-Croix
- 90 Grain source for some breads
- 91 Message that may be visible from a rescue plane
- 92 CRTC requirement for broadcasters to feature local material, for short... which has been imposed on seven answers in this puzzle
- 94 Retains
- 95 Objects of worship
- 96 What a lost cause has
- 97 Tin Man's need
- 98 Flexible
- 99 Thrills
- 101 Do not disturb
- 107 Their, en français
- 109 *Metamorphoses* poet
- 111 *Waterloo* group
- 113 Command that might elicit a treat
- 114 Sched. placeholder
- 115 Title for a Cabinet minister: Abbr.
- 116 Journalist Nellie

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2026 DIVERSIONS

BY FRASER SIMPSON

#globecrossword

INSTRUCTIONS

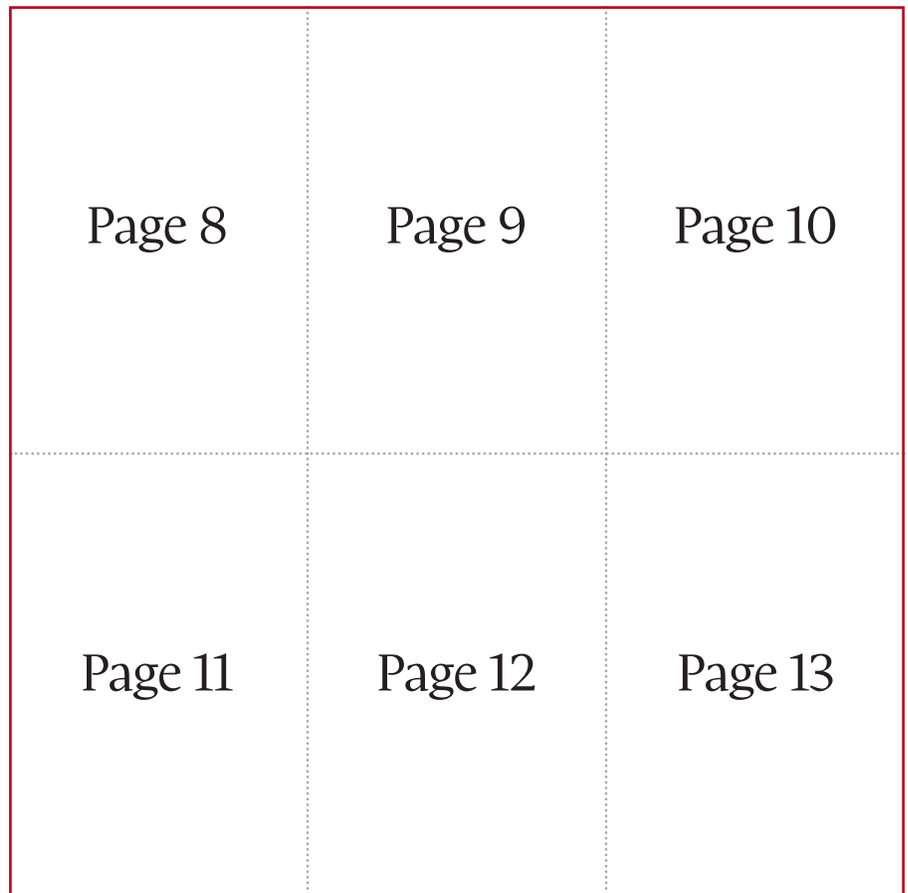
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Clues

Pages 8–13

Crossword grid, in sections; you can piece it together using the diagram at right.



CLUES ACROSS

1 – 205

- 1** Go around (6)
4 Kind of 14-Down in your car (4-4)
15 Richard Avedon or Sarah Moon, e.g. (7,12)
25 Itch to travel (10)
30 Prison restraints (8)
36 Dinosaur with large thumb spikes (9)
38 17-syllable poem (5)
39 Workplace hierarchy with “rungs” (9,6)
40 Any toon whose archenemy is Gargamel (5)
41 Henley event (7)
42 Winter Olympics site of 1964 and 1976 (9)
43 Thinking Face or Clapping Hands, e.g. (5)
44 Clown’s hairpiece (6,3)
45 Shops that hold items until loans are repaid (9)
46 Shoulder-to-elbow bone (7)
47 Shiner (5,3)
48 Pilfers (6)
49 In the wings, perhaps (8)
50 Rude (3-8)
51 Cabbage dish to go with a German sausage (10)
52 Neighbour of Lebanon and Israel (5)
54 Wrinkly Jamaican fruit (4)
55 Golf course trimmer (4,5)
58 Poverty-stricken (5)
60 Mozart and Christoph Waltz, by birth (9)
62 Carmaker with a four-ring logo (4)
63 Peeping Tom (6)
64 Second-year students in the U.S., for short (5)
66 Novel whose title character is Oliver Mellors (4,11,5)
70 “You can’t _____ the truth!” (movie line) (6)
72 One using a crib sheet (7)
76 It makes yellow mustard yellow (8)
77 Dunce cap shape (4)
79 Convert to charged particles (6)
80 Portable PC (6)
82 “...let no man put _____” (7)
83 Two-dot punctuation mark (5)
85 Hollywood awards (6)
86 Lyft competitor (4)
89 Stealthy assassin in black (5)
90 Whiskey and vermouth cocktail (9)
93 Destructive insect (6)
95 One-of-a-kind (6)
96 Copy (5)
97 Troubling (9)
99 May birthstones (8)
100 Arcane (8)
102 Bird who says, “The sky is falling!” (7,6)
108 Albania, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, and 28 others (4,7)
113 Slope (7)
114 Tie game (4)
116 Punch in the mouth, slangily (7,8)
125 She recorded *Maneater* and *Turn Off the Light* (5,7)
126 Pecan confections (8)
128 Non-metric land area (7)
129 Relish (5)
130 Joke-teller (5)
132 Roadside stopovers (4)
133 Minor adjustment (5)
134 CN Tower stat (6)
135 State flower of New Mexico (5)
136 *Lost Horizon* paradise (7-2)
137 Hyde’s alter ego (6)
139 *Wonderwall* band (5)
141 Much-watched movie of 2025 (4,5,7)
142 With no discernable pattern (8)
143 Short account (8)
145 Popinjays (4)
147 Futile (7)
149 Odd (8)
150 Like a pitcher’s perfect game (2-3)
152 Starr of pop music (5)
154 Shrine statue (6)
156 Odd (7)
158 Extended one’s stint (7)
161 Iron Man portrayer (6,6,2)
162 K worth 5 points, e.g. (8,4)
165 Protected from splattering food (7)
167 _____ *Mysteries* (Yannick Bisson TV series) (7)
170 December \$\$\$ at work (4-3,5)
171 Road runner? (4)
172 Natural sonar used by bats (12)
173 Wander about (4)
174 Toronto transport vehicles on tracks (10)
175 Samson and _____ (7)
176 Corner piece (4)
178 Permissible (7)
181 Trattoria rice dish (7)
183 TV trophies (5)
185 Mono- or semi-, for example (6)
186 *Bartleby, the _____* (Melville story) (9)
187 Horticultural art (7)
189 Wrinkle-reducing injection (5)
190 Theatre area above the ground floor (5,6)
193 Bet (5)
194 Zealous (4-2)
195 Cosmic payback (5)
196 Government system of Morocco and Saudi Arabia (8)
198 Dryer fluff (4)
199 Russian province (6)
200 Animated series with a robot named Bender (8)
202 Line that Canadians require a passport to cross (2,6)
204 Discoverer of four Jovian moons (7)
205 All-purpose (9)

CLUES ACROSS

207 – 418

- 207** Be a poor loser (4)
208 Band led by 426-Across (2,5)
211 Rearrangement of the clue for 226-Across (9)
212 Harvey Wallbanger ingredient (5)
213 Puppy (5)
215 Home of 218-Across (6)
218 Odysseus, to the Romans (7)
219 Ice cream flavour (10)
220 5th Dimension song of 1967 (2,2,3,4)
221 Hindu mystic (5)
222 Building addition (5)
224 Kathy Bates film directed by Rob Reiner (6)
226 Short race (4)
229 Sport invented in Washington state in 1965 (yes, 1965) (10)
233 Concrete-cracking tool (12)
235 Orienteering skill (3,7)
240 Rosemary, for one (4)
243 Hot book (10)
248 School dance (4)
251 Desert reptile (11)
254 *Middlemarch* author (5)
255 Italian white (5,6)
258 Singer Newton-John (6)
259 River through Vienna and Budapest (6)
260 Wastewater conduit (5)
261 Watered, as crops (9)
262 Cupcake topping (5)
263 Entertainment industry (7)
264 Manual transmission pedal (6)
266 Stimulate, as interest (5)
267 Bizet person? (9)
268 Nine of diamonds? (7)
269 Mariner (6)
272 Elevator direction (4)
276 *Boulevard of Broken Dreams* band (5,3)
277 Muffler for winter (5)
278 University-educated class (14)
280 Classification system in biology (8)
281 Captain's post (4)
283 Highway menace (4,3)
284 Steven Tyler band (9)
287 Inkblots exam (9,4)
289 Otagia (7)
291 Dizzy feeling (7)
293 Antigone's dad (7)
295 "Hit the road!" (5)
297 Talk out again (6)
299 Amerigo Vespucci, vis-a-vis "America" (6)
301 Geisha's robe (6)
303 Court proceedings (6)
305 Peanut, for one (6)
306 Borneo sultanate (6)
308 1942 Disney classic (5)
310 Merit (7)
312 Facsimile (7)
314 Will addition (7)
316 Apt rearrangement of TERROR'S LOCALE (6,7)
317 Recyclable metal (5,4)
319 City encircled by Joshua's army (7)
321 Slightly open (4)
323 Dawn (8)
325 2026, in the Chinese calendar (4,2,3,5)
328 Piano-playing dog on *The Muppet Show* (5)
330 Bearnaise sauce flavouring (8)
333 Pottery oven (4)
336 10 to the 100th power (6)
338 Employees in mansions (7)
340 *Non, je ne regrette rien* singer (5,4)
341 Architect Frank (5)
342 *Bad Girls* singer Donna (6)
343 Laundry chore (7)
344 Deadly, toxic (5)
345 3x5 item for a recipe (5,4)
346 Skulk about to find prey (5)
348 "Walk-in" health facility (6)
350 Greek geometer (6)
352 Wrote "merchandise" as "mdse.", e.g. (11)
353 Coral island (5)
354 Best Picture of 1985, with Meryl Streep (3,2,6)
356 Heroic tale (4)
359 ___ Bobby (faithful Edinburgh dog) (10)
364 Sail support (4)
367 Large insect with antler-like mandibles (4,6)
371 info@hockeycanada.ca, for one (5,7)
373 Harry's house (10)
378 Canal opened in 1869 (4)
380 Plagued by misfortune (6)
382 Beacon (5)
383 Praise highly (5)
384 Swiss Chalet side (5,6)
386 Eggplants (10)
387 Connoisseur of fine food (7)
388 Constitutional (6)
390 *Fawlty Towers* character (5)
391 Surgical glove material (5)
392 His pet's a meowing snail named Gary (9)
395 Streep's co-star in 354-Across (7)
397 Like Kojak or Mr. Clean (4)
399 Wealthy investor (9)
400 Bat first (4,3)
401 Blimp or helicopter, e.g. (8)
402 Ajax or Comet, e.g. (8)
404 Mountaineer's tool (3,3)
406 + (4)
407 *The Tempest* sorcerer (8)
408 Playground favourite (5)
410 "Delicious!" (3,3)
411 Slacks shade (5)
413 *The Cask of ___* (Poe story) (11)
416 Kingdom (5)
418 Ready to skate (5,2)

CLUES ACROSS

433 – 581

- 433 Doing a second draft of (9)
 422 Giza attraction (6)
 423 Monastery leader (5)
 424 Cause of rust (7)
 426 *Hollaback Girl* singer Gwen (7)
 427 Proton's locale (4)
 428 Pathway high overhead of a stage (7)
 429 Film that won Cher an Oscar (10)
 432 Extended family (4)
 433 1937 novella whose Spanish title is *De ratones y hombres* (2,4,3,3)
 435 *The Lion King* villain (4)
 436 Event for Félix Dolci (8,4)
 440 "Hot" Mexican servings (7)
 442 Idyllic (7)
 445 "Ear" eaten at a cookout (4,2,3,3)
 447 Black box that's actually bright orange (6,8)
 448 Kodak founder George (7)
 449 Where pitchers warm up (7)
 450 Toward the rudder (6)
 451 *Rigoletto* composer (5)
 453 Piece of parsley (5)
 455 Light bulb moment, or Jan. 6 (8)
 457 Bottomless pits (7)
 460 Element #10 (4)
 461 Diners (8)
 462 Labyrinth designer of myth (8)
 463 Tiramisu ingredient (10,6)
 468 California roll, e.g. (5)
 471 Maroon (6)
 474 Where the Jetsons live in Skypad Apartments (5,4)
 475 12:35, for example (5)
 476 Eucalyptus munchers (6)
 477 Garden maze wall (5)
 479 Coloured part of the eye (4)
 480 "Poison" shrub (5)
 481 Aye-aye on Madagascar, e.g. (5)
 482 Personal transport used by 007 in *Thunderball* (7)
 483 Adonis-like (8)
 484 Peaks (12)
 486 Workplace note (5-6,4)
 492 Newborn (4)
 493 Breakfast bowlful (7)
 496 Like the statement "Less is more" (11)
 502 It might come with your bill at a Chinese restaurant (7,6)
 510 Gordie Howe's team for 25 seasons (3,5)
 511 Garlicky cucumber-and-yogurt dip (8)
 512 Northernmost national capital (9)
 514 Banjo sound (5)
 516 Ornate 18th-century style (6)
 518 Eclair-shaped (6)
 520 *The Trojan Women* playwright (9)
 521 Pictographic letter (5)
 522 Flour-and-butter sauce thickener (4)
 523 Energy point in yoga (6)
 524 ____ alcohol (5)
 525 Dollar coins (7)
 526 Urge strongly (6)
 527 1970s TV series with a Shaolin monk in 1870s America (4,2)
 528 *Puttin' on the ____* (4)
 529 Nick who played Ron Swanson on TV (8)
 534 Black-and-blue (7)
 535 Quantum theorist Max (6)
 538 Author whose writing inspired the musical *Cabaret* (11,9)
 540 Shorten again, as a skirt (5)
 541 495-Down note, in the U.K. (6)
 543 Hair untangler with teeth (4)
 545 ____ Passage (waterway sought by Franklin) (9)
 546 Buffalo NHLer (5)
 549 Water surrounded by the Canadian Shield (6,3)
 552 Gusto (4)
 554 Large sea duck (5)
 556 Song that says, "She's just a girl who claims that I am the one, but the kid is not my son" (6,4)
 558 It might offer a trifle (7,4)
 561 "Okay!" (3,5)
 562 Suave and debonair (6)
 563 Barn-adjacent space (8)
 566 Where Casablanca is (7)
 567 Item in an ambulance (9)
 569 He could eat no fat, in a nursery rhyme (4,5)
 570 White-plumed heron (5)
 571 Bigfoot (9)
 572 Like tax evasion (7)
 573 All set (5)
 574 Classic back-and-forth gags (5-5,5)
 575 Leg bone (5)
 576 Laughably absurd (9)
 577 What might result from spring cleaning (4,4)
 578 Ophthalmologists (3,7)
 579 He played Alan Turing in *The Imitation Game* (8,11)
 580 Visual representation (8)
 581 Alanis Morissette hit that mentions "a traffic jam when you're already late"

CLUES DOWN

1 – 181

- 1** Fortitude or spine (8)
2 Not temporary (9)
3 Baby-bringing bird (5)
5 Like 34, 56 and 8, but not 21 or 55 (4)
6 People with lots to offer? (8)
7 Harrison Ford role (7,5)
8 Bends out of shape, like a wet board (5)
9 Important person (6)
10 ? (8,4)
11 Not hip (6)
12 *O Canada*, for us (6)
13 Compete while clasping hands (5,7)
14 Looking glass (6)
15 Ado (4)
16 Teddy bear, e.g. (7,6)
17 Overrun, as with vermin (6)
18 Documentary voice (8)
19 Cleanliness (7)
20 Ice cream flavour (5-6)
21 Artifact found by 7-Down in his "Last Crusade" (5)
22 TV channel that airs *River Monsters* (6,6)
23 Chinese province known for its spicy cuisine (5)
24 *The Icarus Agenda* author (6,6)
25 Result of an ego-deflating loss (7,5)
26 Greek victory goddess (4)
27 Botanical swelling (5)
28 Most baggy (7)
29 Cinnamon-and-sugar cookie (13)
31 Bank robbery (5)
32 Group solidarity (8)
33 Decrease, as volume (5)
34 Turn indicator (6)
35 Spider-Man's girlfriend (or her strap shoe?) (4,4)
37 Drop from the will (6)
44 Fiery Andalusian dance (8)
53 Give, as homework (6)
56 Element swallowed to enhance X-ray images (6)
57 Winter spikes (7)
59 36-inch rulers (10)
61 Like an eye-pleasing route (6)
64 Gas thief's tool (6)
65 Wriggle uncomfortably (6)
67 V-E Day celebrants (6)
68 Like an important final exam, or a crisis at work (9)
69 Cause shame to (9)
70 Vietnam's capital (5)
71 Yellow citrus fruit (5)
72 Gregorian _____ (5)
73 Bitter chemical in red wine (6)
74 Prague natives (6)
75 "My!" (8)
78 Opposed to (4)
81 One-way sign (5)
84 Actor Wyle of *The Pitt* (4)
87 They bring their suits (10)
88 Edible gourds (8)
91 Graceful bird (4)
92 Two-speaker system (6)
94 Secret store (5)
98 Game with winds and dragons (3-4)
101 Son of Enoch who lived to age 969 (10)
103 Chopper's landing site (8)
104 Pierre Berton: "A Canadian is somebody who knows how to make love in a _____" (5)
105 Jacket made from hide (7,4)
106 Hairy spider (9)
107 New _____ on life (5)
109 "Deafening silence" or "guest host", e.g. (8)
110 Of outstanding quality (9)
111 Word after baby, fist or speed (4)
112 Potter's material (4)
114 Dentist's tool (5)
115 Faucet problem (4)
116 Florida islands (4)
117 Vague (7)
118 Actor Reeves of *Bill & Ted Face the Music* (5)
119 Alice in drag, for Daniel Craig (7)
120 TV host Ellen (9)
121 Notre Dame's Fighting _____ (5)
122 Teen idol (10)
123 Ohio city where Procter & Gamble is headquartered (10)
124 Lost and found, for example (8)
127 Stadium display showing game progress (10)
131 Dream up (7)
136 Worked undercover (5)
137 *Great Balls of Fire* rocker (5,3,5)
138 Only female character in Milne's *Winnie the Pooh* stories (5)
140 Woman saved by Perseus (9)
144 In the sack (4)
146 Attorney's assistant (9)
148 T. Roosevelt in 1901: "_____ and carry a big stick; you will go far" (5,6)
151 TV's *Remington* _____ (6)
153 Ultimatum words (2,4)
155 Employing a "good enough" problem solving strategy (9)
156 Ravi Shankar's instrument (5)
157 "The Red Priest", for Vivaldi (8)
159 Unfaithful spouse (11)
160 John Belushi's *Blues Brothers* co-star (3,7)
163 Proverbial place for bats (6)
164 Casa Loma city (7)
166 Yale's home (3,5)
168 Dice with eight faces (9)
169 Breakfast melon (10)
175 On the floor below (10)
177 Eavesdrop (8)
179 Line from a song (5)
180 Russian-American film composer Tiomkin (7)
181 Rifle through (7)

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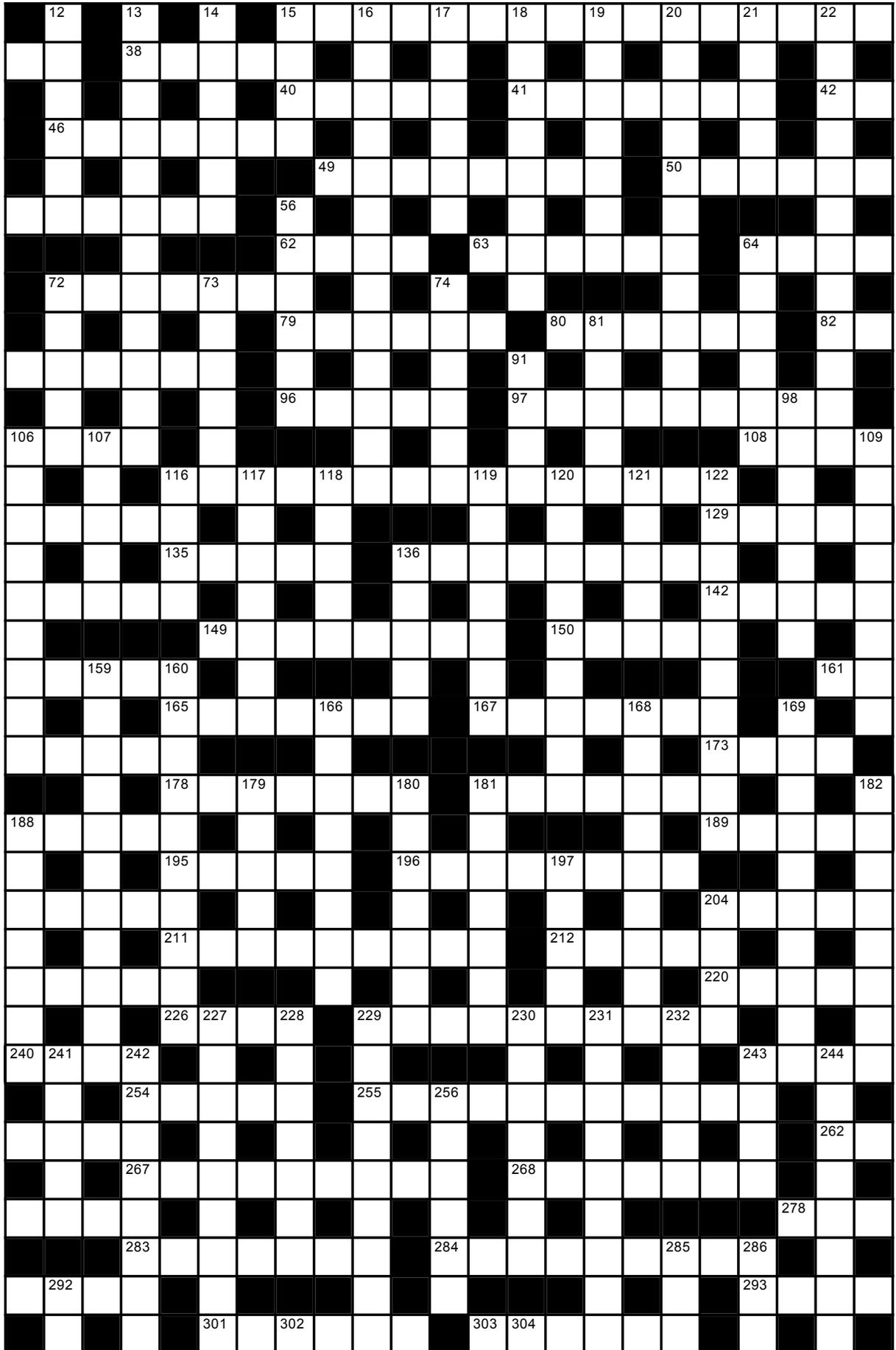
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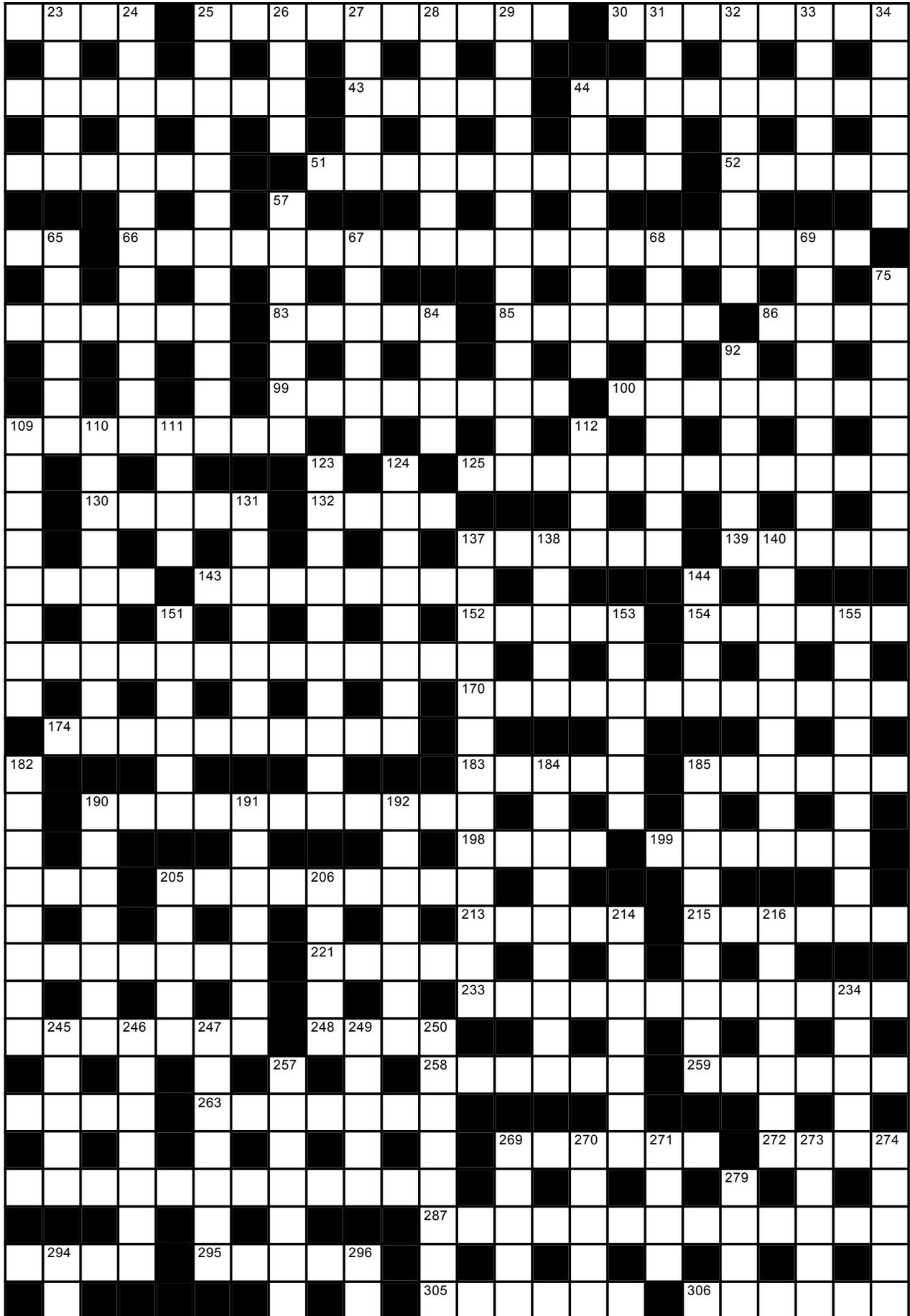
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184 Periodic table creator (9)
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188 *Mikado* character with the title Lord High Everything Else (4-3)
190 Desperate (2-2-3)
191 Hose attachment (7)
192 25 or 6 to 4 band (7)
194 Stable worker (5)
197 Variety show (5)
201 Inventor Nikola (5)
203 Street talk (5)
204 Caesar's conquest (4)
205 *Wheel of Fortune* purchase (5)
206 Ancient fable writer (5)
209 Adult-oriented entertainment (9)
210 Needle case (4)
214 Braid of hair (7)
216 Certain primate (7)
217 Figure skating jump (4)
223 *Stranger Things* streaming service (7)
225 Garlicky shrimp dish (6)
227 *The Color Purple* author (5,6)
228 Relaxing soak (3,4)
229 Cathedral's instrument (4,5)
230 Maker of stringed instruments (7)
231 Waters between Alaska and Siberia (6,3)
232 Canada's highest peak (5)
234 Macaroni shape (5)
235 Creative inspiration (4)
236 Hostile takeover (5,4)
237 Uncanny (5)
238 Taper off (7)
239 Rudolf of ballet (7)
241 Newsboy's cry (5)
242 Comfortable position (3,2,5)
243 Violinists hold them (4)
244 Swim in the buff (6,3)
245 Paris river (5)
246 *Lord of the Rings* elf played by Orlando Bloom (7)
247 Canadian Red _____ (pre-1965 flags) (7)
249 Picture puzzle (5)
250 Pizza cheese (10)
252 Devious plot (6)
253 Googles oneself (8)
256 Standard, usual (6)
257 Up a tree (8)
265 Chemical element symbolized W (8)
269 Shoulder gesture (5)
270 Earnings (6)
271 *Frozen* snowman (4)
273 *Caribbean Queen* singer Billy (5)
274 Overdoes the criticism (8)
275 Shatner and Nimoy series (4,4)
279 Second order of angels (8)
282 Mnemonic devices (6,4)
285 Anteater, frog or nightjar, e.g. (11)
286 *The Babadook*, e.g. (6,4)
288 Leapt (6)
290 Angkor Wat's country (8)
292 Actor who plays Heimdall in the Marvel movies (5,4)
294 Alternative to a la carte (4,4)
296 Company co-founded by Paul Allen (9)
298 Equivalent of kosher in 334-Down (5)
300 Birth-related (5)
302 Flag symbol (5,4)
304 Sharp reply (9)
307 Nymph who loved Narcissus (4)
309 Number with no fractional part (7)
310 Cook in hot oil (4-3)
311 Buy stocks or bonds (6)
313 Lure in (7)
314 Battered frank on a stick (4,3)
315 Vinson _____ (Antarctica's highest peak) (6)
318 *The Barber of Seville* composer (7)
320 Warms up, as leftovers (7)
322 Counterpart of Venus (9)
324 *Some Enchanted* _____ (love song from *South Pacific*) (7)
326 There's honour _____ thieves (5)
327 Playful aquatic animal (5)
329 Walks through shallow water (5)
331 Company co-founded by Steve Wozniak (5)
332 Sentence structure (6)
334 Five Pillars faith (5)
335 Vancouver Island city famous for its sweet "bar" (7)
337 Add more vocals to (7)
338 Slant (4)
339 Potato or yam, e.g. (5)
341 Sticky stuff (4)
347 Soda fountain drink (6,4)
349 British singer whose sixth studio album inspired 2024's Brat Summer (6,3)
351 Extracurricular group in search of mates? (5,4)
355 Fedora material (4)
357 Title character in *The Merchant of Venice* (7)
358 Narnia lion (5)
359 Biblical angel (7)
360 Glacial ridge (5)
361 Beethoven's only opera (7)
362 Excessive worship (8)
363 Showing good judgment (10)
365 He wrote the famous opening line "Mother died today, or maybe it was yesterday" (6,5)
366 Blush (4,3)
367 Scratch 'n' _____ (5)
368 x and y, on a graph (4)
369 Narcissist's affliction (8)
370 Lies in wait (5)
372 Smugly complacent (4-9)
373 Brooke Henderson's sport (4)
374 Rare earth element whose symbol is Yb (9)

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- 375 Sly animals (5)
 376 Coming into existence (7)
 377 Aromatic (7)
 379 Italian custard of egg yolks and Marsala (10)
 380 Grateful Dead leader (5,6)
 381 Pasta wheat (5)
 385 Off-white paint shade (8)
 389 TV series about Laura Palmer's murder (4,5)
 393 Water filter brand (5)
 394 Spinner inside an engine that evens out rotation (8)
 396 Famous theoretical physicist Richard (7)
 398 Danger while ascending Everest (9)
 403 Rough drawing (6)
 405 Charles's mom (9)
 409 Blended family of 1970s TV (5,5)
 412 Dog studier Ivan (6)
 414 You put paste on it often (10)
 415 *Thick as _____* (Jethro Tull album) (1,5)
 417 Italian child educator Maria (10)
 419 *Candid* (5-6)
 421 Ancient Peruvian (5)
 425 Everglades reptile (9)
 428 _____ stand (theatre snack bar) (10)
 429 Dampness (8)
 430 Experts say to avoid them 1-2 hours before sleep (7)
 431 Raw beef dish of Venice (9)
 434 Soldier (9)
 437 Breathing organ (4)
 438 Largest artery (5)
 439 City served by Indira Gandhi International Airport (3,5)
 441 Old West lawman wearing a star (7)
 442 Like Bigfoot (5)
 443 Asia's longest river (7)
 444 Alpine social gathering (5-3)
 446 It consists of FC Augsburg, FC Bayern Munchen and 16 others (10)
 452 Female graduates (7)
 454 Mechanical man (5)
 456 Creator of the Tintin books (5)
 458 Close male friendship (8)
 459 Like caviar and pretzels (5)
 463 Seemingly supernatural ability (4)
 464 Brief tussle (3-2)
 465 Owned apartment (5)
 466 Identical (4)
 467 Crashes someone's selfie (10)
 468 Mexican hat (8)
 469 Popular pandemic loaf (9)
 470 Understand by instinct (6)
 471 Y-shaped weapon (9)
 472 _____ Bader Ginsburg (4)
 473 Jane Austen novel (4)
 478 Muralist Rivera (5)
 485 Domino's service (5,8)
 487 Young eel (5)
 488 Acorn-dropping trees (4)
 489 Like a restless sleep (6)
 490 Decision reversal (6,2,5)
 491 *The Island of Dr. _____* (H. G. Wells novel) (6)
 494 To be: Fr. (4)
 495 Like Sir Robert Borden, among prime ministers (6)
 496 *The _____ of the Earth* (Ken Follett novel) (7)
 497 Vintage furniture items of some home offices (7,5)
 498 Hotel room door sign (2,3,7)
 499 Montreal filmmaker _____ Dolan (6)
 500 Shaded with intersecting sets of parallel lines (5-7)
 501 Aristotle's school (6)
 502 FDR radio broadcast (8,4)
 503 Speedy (5)
 504 Language of Pakistan (4)
 505 Artist's stand (5)
 506 The "O" of NATO (12)
 507 Inuit boat (5)
 508 *Sleepless in Seattle* director Nora (6)
 509 Author's bane (7,5)
 513 Average citizen (4,1,6)
 515 Word meaning grimy that also starts with GR- (6)
 517 Java (6)
 519 Army chaplain, informally (3,5)
 530 Way in (8)
 531 Warren Buffett, by birth (9)
 532 Anne Frank and Pepys, for two (8)
 533 Fib (4,1,3)
 536 Oversensitive nature (4,4)
 537 Like Buckminster Fuller's dome (8)
 539 Hurt (7)
 542 Dental filling material (7)
 544 Humiliated (6)
 547 Platter spinner (6)
 548 Leaf's central vein (6)
 549 German gummy bear company (6)
 550 *Lawrence of Arabia* star Peter (6)
 551 "Alas, poor _____!" (*Hamlet* line) (6)
 553 Religious rift (6)
 555 Interior design (5)
 556 Emerald, essentially (5)
 557 Storage room at the top (5)
 559 Kiki's duet partner on *Don't Go Breaking My Heart* (5)
 560 Early computer (or actor Michael backward) (5)
 562 *Family Matters* nerd (5)
 564 University student's declaration (5)
 565 Nobel Peace Prize city (4)
 566 Legendary story (4)
 568 Picnic pests (4)





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