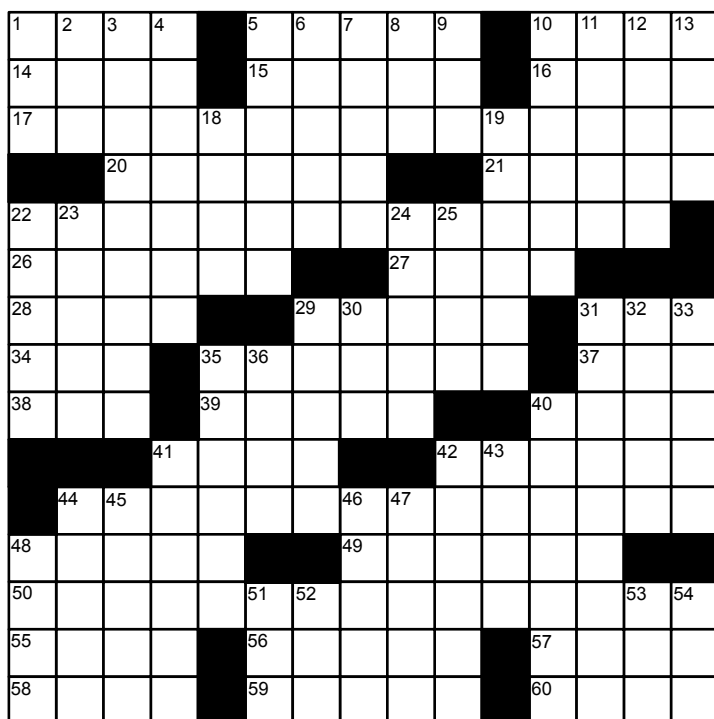


NOT EXACTLY THEMELESS

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ACROSS

- 1 Best
- 5 Crete peak
- 10 Person not big on the ivories?
- 14 Step down from a beauty mark
- 15 Duke vehicle
- 16 Special surroundings
- 17 Not exactly light years away
- 20 Complimentary for
- 21 It usually doesn't include a gain of two on first down
- 22 Not exactly coddled
- 26 Spray-paint the boss's car, and then sign your work, say
- 27 Stock follower: Abbr.
- 28 Former NFL running back Curtis, whose name is a trig function in reverse
- 29 Yawn-inducing
- 31 Org. in the scandal columns of late 2012
- 34 ____ Paulo
- 35 Not exactly concerning all you other yahoos
- 37 Emb. VIP
- 38 It's one digit short of two feet, briefly
- 39 Where seagulls weigh anchor
- 40 Colored like a certain hound
- 41 38-Across, e.g.

- 42 ____ girl (popular pin-up)
- 44 Not exactly themeless puzzle's theme?
- 48 Astronomer Tycho
- 49 ____ Garros (French Open)
- 50 Not exactly "For sure!"
- 55 Old school has following?
- 56 Any one of five
- 57 Scopes trial grp.
- 58 Nebraska county named after an Indian tribe
- 59 "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" author
- 60 Boxing stat

DOWN

- 1 Something not seen in the skies these days: Abbr.
- 2 Giant spatula, essentially
- 3 Cornucopia
- 4 Director of "The Great Escape" and "Ice Station Zebra"
- 5 Tin Lizzie
- 6 Shabby
- 7 "Some Like ____"
- 8 Low grade
- 9 Blazing fastball's lack, more or less

- 10 Knight and nephew of King Arthur
- 11 Bit
- 12 Some measure it with a coin
- 13 Dwell
- 18 Soda kept at a Radar site?
- 19 Future reader
- 22 Like bad months in some beds
- 23 Chaplain's view in a fun house hall of mirrors?
- 24 Doesn't buy it
- 25 Mental or physical
- 29 Huntington Avenue team, for short
- 30 Shorthand prefix preceding a vowel, meaning self
- 31 Animals' place, on a large ark
- 32 Clarification starter
- 33 Area where it's hard to find one's bottom?
- 35 Soviet dissident Sakharov
- 36 "Let there ____ doubt..."
- 40 Betrays a certain smugness to
- 41 Words with Friends platform
- 42 Hollow
- 43 Somewhat
- 44 Stop in Montreal
- 45 Scenic walk in Santa Fe
- 46 Most are numbered 1 thru 9
- 47 Pantry problem
- 48 Link starter?
- 51 Tut family member
- 52 Minor
- 53 Band with the most Top 40 hits on the Billboard Hot 100 charts without ever having a #1
- 54 Greek characters