



- 25 "You've got this!"
- 27 Chili peppers, informally
- 31 Make onion rings, say
- 32 Hazmat regulating org.
- 34 European range
- 35 Join the game
- 36 Came up
- 39 Seized the moment
- 40 Carwash organizers, at times
- 41 Sound of rebuke
- 42 Choose the sidewalk over the bus, say
- 43 Cause of some chaotic weather
- 45 See red?
- 46 Sponge alternative
- 48 Grocery chain from 1859 to 2015
- 49 March honoree, familiarly
- 53 Range of radio frequencies
- 55 ChatGPT and Gemini, e.g.
- 56 Perch for a Peke or a Pom
- 57 "I take it that's \_\_\_"
- 58 Nail polish brand

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**Across**

- 1 Really bad
- 6 Ruling against a football receiver
- 13 Famed SeaWorld killer whale
- 14 Keystone position
- 15 How to avoid the crowds in Giza?
- 17 Computer clickers
- 18 Org. that awards merit badges
- 19 Home of Triple-A baseball's Aces
- 21 Memorable time
- 22 How to land the job you were destined for?
- 26 Lady, in Lisbon
- 28 Chinese path
- 29 Vancouver-to-Seattle dir.
- 30 Manhattan's \_\_\_ Place
- 31 Do without
- 33 "Don't expect instant results," and a hint to the ends of the theme answers
- 37 Field in films
- 38 Defeat decisively
- 41 Word ignored in indexes
- 44 Brewpub option, for short
- 45 Berate with colorful language
- 47 How to slash your utility bills?
- 50 Rx watchdog
- 51 Coffee variety from Hawaii
- 52 Rug rat
- 53 Sweeties

- 54 How to manage end-of-semester jitters?
- 59 Second of the three red avenues in Monopoly
- 60 Sleep disrupter
- 61 Leader's position
- 62 Joyfully elated

**Down**

- 1 Has lofty goals
- 2 Petulant child's question
- 3 Cab cost
- 4 Thurman with a Golden Globe
- 5 Of the lower back
- 6 Tennis champ from Mallorca
- 7 Optional words?
- 8 Junk bond rating

- 9 "That feels so good!"
- 10 Annoying little punk
- 11 Caravan creatures
- 12 Serengeti scavengers
- 16 Madonna's "La \_\_\_ Bonita"
- 17 Butte's kin
- 20 Foam finger figure
- 22 Barbary Coast pirate
- 23 Langston Hughes poem
- 24 Drug bust figure

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