



- 26 Midnight fridge visits
- 27 That woman
- 29 Karaoke prop
- 32 Eel, at a sushi bar
- 33 Medicine-approving agcy.
- 36 Green Gables girl
- 37 Basketball great ___Ming
- 38 "Well, lah-di-___!"
- 39 Oblivious
- 40 Appended
- 43 Burrowing rodents
- 44 Hydrogen or helium
- 45 NNE opposite
- 47 Meaning of a look from someone in a boring conversation
- 50 Concession speech giver
- 51 Clog-clearing brand
- 52 Near eternity
- 56 Poetic works
- 57 Low fig. for a gas guzzler
- 58 "More or less"
- 59 Peg for Pebble Beach
- 60 Sch. founded by Jefferson
- 61 "___a Rebel" (1962 #1 hit)

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Across

- 1 Counterparts of sharps
- 6 Show the way
- 10 Rocky ___(ice cream flavor)
- 14 Sound reasoning
- 15 Mad about
- 16 "Jet' ___" ("I love you," in Québec)
- 17 "So only a single person was ticketed?"
- 19 Background color of Alberta's flag
- 20 JPEG alternative
- 21 Hot time on the French Riviera
- 22 Stops running, as an engine
- 23 Window units: Abbr.
- 24 "Delicious, right? I've not cooked it like this before."
- 28 Words of denial

- 30 "My guess is..."
- 31 As found
- 33 Overturn, as a card
- 34 For each
- 35 July 1, as honored humorously by this puzzle
- 38 Singer ___Lipa
- 41 Clark's Smallville crush
- 42 Puts on, as a play
- 46 &
- 48 Sticks in the fridge
- 49 "So she was a farmer?"
- 53 Chapel seat
- 54 "___ Only Just Begun"
- 55 Spanish gold
- 56 Unit of resistance
- 57 Created
- 58 "Um, okay... Not sure you needed to show me that pic."

- 62 Event for seniors
- 63 Spotted
- 64 Captain Nemo's creator
- 65 Chromosome component
- 66 Valiant sort
- 67 Mgr.'s helpers

Down

- 1 Woman in Progressive ads
- 2 Elaborate scam
- 3 They're biased against the elderly
- 4 Petty squabble
- 5 Bio. or chem.
- 6 Deceive
- 7 Wrapped up
- 8 Consumed
- 9 Cry from Homer
- 10 Concern after an animal bite
- 11 Prepared for a bodybuilding competition

- 12 Words from a king to a jester
- 13 Emmy winner Ruby
- 18 "The Matrix" protagonist
- 22 Send
- 23 Indie singer DiFranco
- 24 "Lighten up!"
- 25 Nike competitor

Previous Puzzle's Solution

B	A	L	I	L	A	B	B	R	A	I	N	Y
A	C	I	D	I	S	R	R	O	S	T	E	R
C	A	S	A	P	I	E	A	B	I	D	E	S
H	I	T	H	E	R	A	N	D	Y	O	N	
		O	L	E	D	I	E	T	A	M	P	
M	O	P	L	A	W	A	N	D	O	R	D	E
A	B	A	E	D	E	N	N	E	M	O		
L	I	C	E	N	S	E	S	T	R	A	P	O
A	W	E	S			A	T	E	E	T	I	T
W	A	R	T	S	A	N	D	A	L	L	S	R
I	N	S	P	L	I	E	L	I	T			
		B	O	W	A	N	D	S	C	R	A	P
W	I	N	O	N	A	O	O	O	A	B	E	L
E	N	E	R	G	E	Y	I	M	F	D	U	O
S	C	O	N	E	S	D	E	F	E	T	N	A

The contest answer is **BOND**. Shorten the theme answers to their two initials spanning AND to get HANDY, LANDO, WANDA and BANDS. Then find a clue that works for each: "One of the Smurfs" (8-A) is **BRAINY** but could also be **HANDY**; "First part of a name in the 'Star Wars' universe" (29-D) is **OBI-WAN** but also **LANDO**; "Movie title fish" (36-A) is **NEMO** but also **WANDA**; "The White Stripes and the Black Keys, e.g." (66-A) is **DUOS** but also **BANDS**. Those four new words' initial letters spell the contest answer.