

Freestyle

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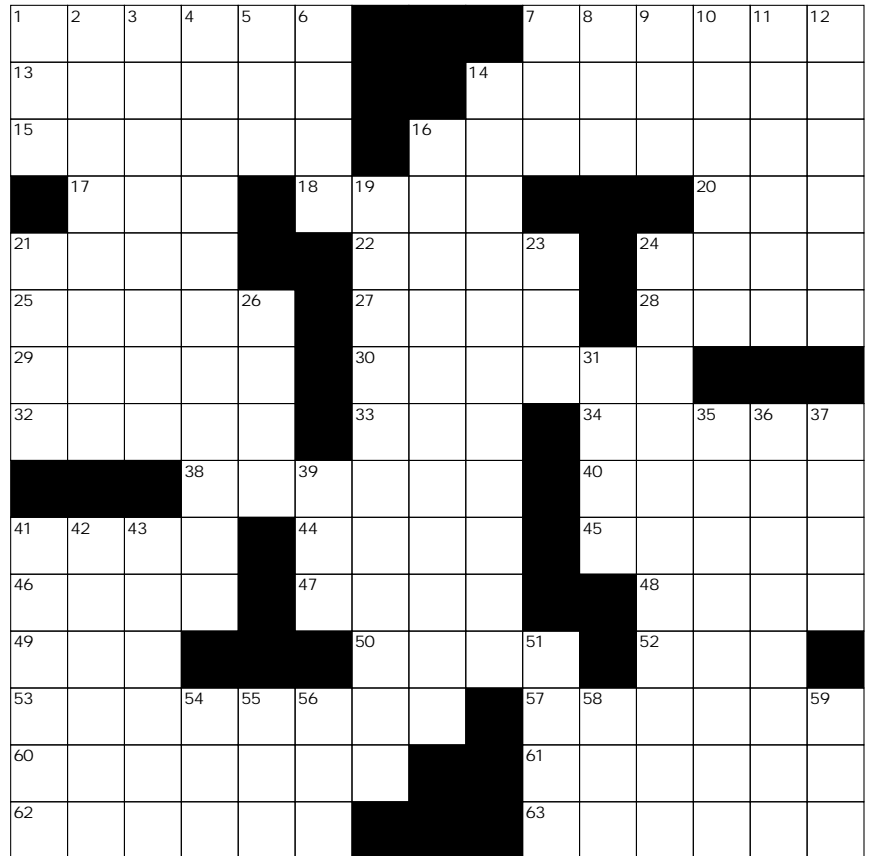
ACROSS

- 1 "Don't argue, just do it"
- 7 Crocheted throw
- 13 Strongly opposed
- 14 Crunchy yogurt topping
- 15 Lentil-and-tamarind stew
- 16 Bite-sized desserts on sticks
- 17 Mauna ____ (Hawaiian volcano)
- 18 "Flower" in Spanish
- 20 Tic-____-toe
- 21 End of seven Central Asian country names
- 22 "____boy!"
- 24 Costa ____
- 25 Saucy Mexican chicken dish
- 27 Bingo call that sounds like a synonym for "defeated"
- 28 Listen to
- 29 NBA Hall of Famer Shaquille
- 30 Once-in-a-blue-moon thing
- 32 The Last of Us actor Pascal
- 33 DOJ bosses
- 34 Nebraska home to the Desert Dome
- 38 Make dull
- 40 Allude
- 41 Work from ____

- 44 Fusion music genre originating in Trinidad and Tobago
- 45 Religion that celebrates Eid al-Fitr
- 46 Metal with the chemical symbol Fe
- 47 Off the ____ (not obligated anymore)
- 48 Cows chew them
- 49 Title for a knight
- 50 Sketched
- 52 Abbreviation in the names of some hilly neighborhoods
- 53 "I can't believe it's that easy!"
- 57 ____ Franklin, the Queen of Soul
- 60 Lift
- 61 "All right, let's play!"
- 62 "Bidi Bidi Bom Bom" singer
- 63 Tibetan ethnic group

DOWN

- 1 Lil ____X
- 2 Chocolate milk mix
- 3 Complained about
- 4 Green space in a city
- 5 Airport screening org.



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- 6 Member of the lowest class in medieval Europe
- 7 Biblical boat
- 8 European folklore creature
- 9 Stat that "counts nuclear warheads" but not "the health of our children ... or the joy of their play," per RFK
- 10 "Let Her Cry" band ____ & the Blowfish
- 11 Llama relative
- 12 Daytona 500 sport
- 14 Striped reptile sometimes kept as a pet
- 16 Aesthetic that romanticizes simplified, countryside living
- 19 Dog similar to a cockapoo but bigger
- 21 ??
- 23 Singer-songwriter DiFranco
- 24 AABBA, for a limerick
- 26 ____ vera gel
- 31 ____ Kelly, singer who voiced Meena in Sing
- 35 Nervously excited
- 36 Store with edible arrangements?
- 37 Branches
- 39 Residue from burning incense
- 41 Sounds of steam escaping
- 42 Baltimore baseball player
- 43 Tidbit
- 51 Moves like a dog's tail
- 54 "____been drinkin' / ____been drinkin'" (Beyoncé lyric)
- 55 Prefix for "-splain"
- 56 Org. that might plan a trunk-or-treat
- 58 Old-timey cheer syllable
- 59 Santa ____ California