

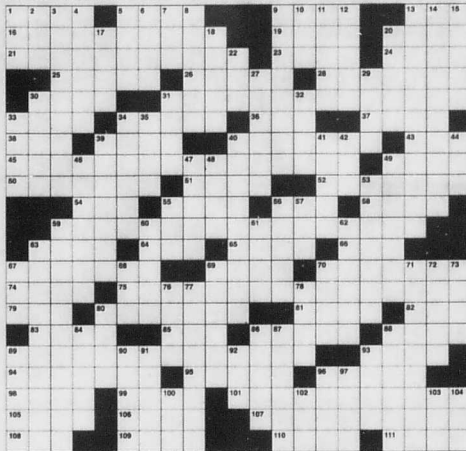
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ROUGHLY SPEAKING
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Prefix with valent
5 Sound of rejection on a 1970s variety show
9 "How disappointing!"
13 Academic résumés, for short
16 "Emblazons" the English language
19 Composer Stravinsky
20 Feature of a snake's eye
21 "That rotten old log can't even fit for termite food!"
23 Word on Charlotte's web
24 Guillermo del _____
25 Does perfectly
26 Helvetia alternative
28 Country that surrounds Cambodia
30 Something to pump or bump
31 "Huh, I wasn't aware I was at an ugly sweater party!"
33 Gospel singer Winans
34 Wimbledon surface
36 Studio for Astaire and Rogers
37 Czech or Pole
38 Hindu mother goddess also called Parvati
39 It's bright when it's full
40 Disposable baking pans
42 Actor Cage, familiarly
43 "The only mystery in this novel is why I finished it!"
48 Band whose guitarist wears a schoolboy outfit
50 Certain expensive suits
51 Rank below marquis
52 Less clean, as a chimney
54 Human adversary
55 al Ghul
56 "Bruins" of tech
58 Avocados are rich in it
59 Mocking Jay
59 "My dog could translate an ancient Mesopotamian tablet faster than you"
63 Part of a thermostat
64 The 's have it
65 Church area
66 Hardly ne'er
67 Herald
69 Heget
70 Cause of misery
74 Skinny, so to speak
75 "Thou art a villainous and Rogers"
80 Background in theater
81 Feed-bag contents
82 Pop's _____, Lips
83 Duke, in lingo
85 Prefix in some modern-art movements
86 Photoshop company
88 Switch predecessors
89 "Dear John, I'm writing you this letter to tell you _____ it's not me. It's 100% you!"
93 Nomenclature unit or a metric unit
94 Someone who hopes to stay out of the spotlight?
95 Five Pillars religion
96 Astounding
98 It comes from the Greek for "indivisible"
99 Any of six Russian monarchs
101 "Tu as le Q.I. d'une haine" ("You have the IQ of an oyster")
106 Musical that reimagines "La Bohème" in Manhattan
107 Sucrose, by another name
108 Number of color in Neapolitan ice cream
109 Bond villain with an island lair
110 Comé
111 Get off to a flying start?
- DOWN**
- 1 "Oopai!"
2 Unpopular day to get married: Abbr.
3 High-tech prosthetic
4 T to be safe
5 British pickup
6 Doesn't dispute, as a criticism
7 "Stat!"
8 Reacts to a pun, perhaps
9 Gave a thumbs-down
10 In the past
11 Claim on a ramen packet
12 Lead-in to horn or Hornet
13 Charlie Chaplin started his career with this not-at-all silent form of entertainment
14 Tik Tok's hope
15 Mistook?
17 Bit of improv
18 2007 literature Nobelist Lessing
20 Famed Damascus product
22 Morse code click of an "yster"
27 Counterpart of ventricular
29 One of the Untouchables
30 Leg bone
31 "Citizen _____"
32 "Count me out!"
33 Island country sometimes called "El Cocodrilo" for its shape
34 Card-game cry
35 Breaks down
39 Fetter
40 Epitomize
41 The 'gram
42 Oxfam or Doctors Without Borders, in brief
43 "Born on the Bayou" hand, in brief
46 Give voice to?
47 Move, as a houseplant
48 Brother of Fidel
49 Totally bought an idea
53 There's bad blood between them
55 Corp. bigwig
56 Police, slangily
57 Point of no return?
59 JFK, for one
60 Discomboluate
61 Teri of "Young Frankenstein"
62 Olympic swimmer Ryan
63 Deal that brings in a big crowd
67 Common file type
68 Its iconic chimneys were trademarked in 1850
69 Razor sharpeners
70 Random guess
71 Queen song from which a pop icon took her name
72 Astronaut's blackout preventer
73 GPS guesses
76 Part of A.D.
77 Investigated
78 Terrain in "Wuthering Heights"
80 Class where students learn about squares and planes
84 Author of "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy"
86 "Things Fall _____" (Chinua Achebe novel)
87 Abuse
88 Prevalent
89 Drummer Neil of Rush
90 Like the three sisters of "Macbeth"
91 "In your dreams!"
92 Sitcom extraterrestrial
93 Some Christmas trees
96 Common sports injury sites, for short
97 Stimulate
100 New England's Cape
102 Court grp.
103 Bluesy instrument, in brief
104 Prefix with valent



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	3-	5+	

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- Vertical squares should add to the totals on bottom.
- Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

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SECRET SERVICE CITRUS

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D	E	F	M	N	O
G	H	I	P	Q	R
S	T	U	X	Y	Z

Can you decipher this coded message?