

# A Crossword Lover's Salute to Mad Magazine



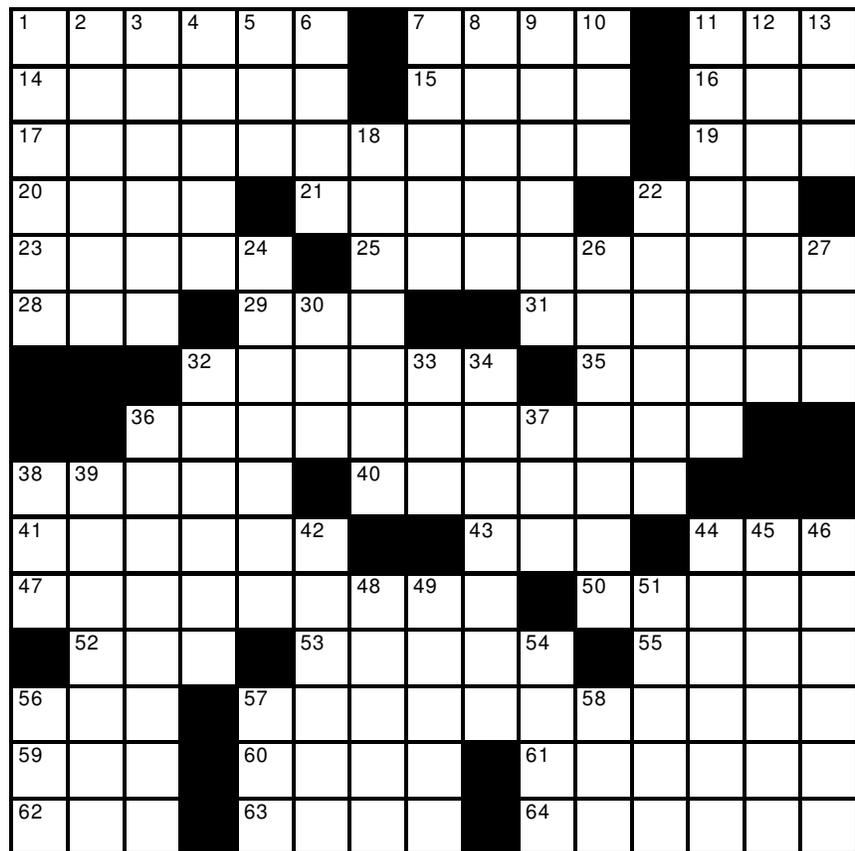
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# The Wit and Wisdom of Alfred E. Neuman (No! Really!)

Fill the missing words from each Neuman quote into the grid below to get a five letter word reading down the shaded center column. *Answer, page 16.*

## Across

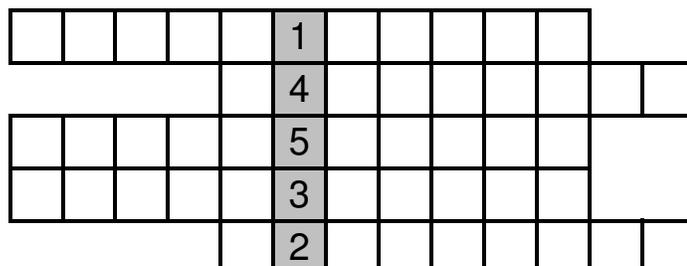
1. Size up
7. One of Noah's sons
11. Hot shot
14. Makeshift shelter
15. Lock part
16. Henri or Pierre, e.g.
17. Neuman Quote #1: "Just because you put your foot down doesn't mean it won't end up \_\_\_\_!"
19. USA competitor
20. Fly like an eagle
21. Approaching the hour
22. Snapshot
23. Chaplin persona
25. Neuman Quote #2: "When you're in \_\_\_\_ it's a good idea to keep your mouth shut!"
28. Noise in a library
29. Free (of)
31. Remuneration
32. Many a folk song
35. "À votre \_\_\_\_!" (French toast)
36. Neuman Quote #3: "A \_\_\_\_ is someone who minds his build instead of vice versa!"
38. Part of a religious title
40. City on Lake Michigan
41. Endless, poetically
43. Rearward
44. Long-distance letters
47. Neuman Quote #4: "Today, if you ask a \_\_\_\_ to let you see something for 10 grand, he'll show you the door!"
50. Old-fashioned music hall
52. Strength: Lat.
53. Plows
55. Net
56. Pen name
57. Neuman Quote #5: "The one sure thing about \_\_\_\_ is that it's not very common."
59. Hard-rock connection
60. 27, to 3
61. Lighter
62. Choice of sizes: Abbr.
63. "Believe \_\_\_\_ not!"
64. Waves at



7. Beamed
8. \_\_\_\_ cuisine
9. Blocks, legally
10. Dashboard inits.
11. Like some missiles
12. Philharmonic event
13. 911 responder
18. Nosy one
22. Fairy tale setting
24. Nutty confection
26. Suspected
27. Deli buy
30. Sick
32. Gets on
33. Foreign V.I.P.
34. Actress Yvonne of "The Munsters"
36. Kind of error
37. Peanut butter brand
38. Calendar abbr.
39. Reversion
42. Go to a restaurant
44. Cruel one
45. It's a cinch
46. Centers
48. Nowhere
49. Composer Bernstein
51. Caterpillar competitor
54. Monkey wrench, metaphorically
56. \_\_\_\_-relief
57. 201, classically
58. Elton John, e.g.

## Down

1. The most desirable guests
2. Men of La Mancha
3. Doctor's order
4. Vast, old-style
5. R-V hookup?
6. Collate



# Department of Silly Cinema

Match the parody movie titles found in this crossword with the real movie titles in the list below. Taken in the order their parodies appear in the grid, the letters preceding each movie title will spell out a five-letter word.

*Answer, page 15.*

**Across**

- 1. Canon competitor
- 6. Inventor Otis
- 12. ["Hey!"]
- 16. "...two mints \_\_\_!"
- 17. Communicate a message
- 18. To \_\_\_ (perfectly)
- 19. Movie Parody #1
- 21. Starring role
- 22. Adam and Eve are in it
- 23. Corrida cheer
- 24. Brought to life
- 25. Business card abbr.
- 26. Demolition compounds
- 27. Abbr. in a help wanted ad
- 28. \_\_\_ Dhabi (Mideast capital)
- 31. Movie Parody #2
- 36. Wad of money
- 39. Like clown shoes
- 40. Beast of Borden
- 41. Simile's middle
- 43. Word from Miss Piggy
- 44. Common contraction
- 45. Movie Parody #3
- 49. Common possessive
- 50. Civil War letters
- 51. Road crew's supply
- 52. Dadaist Max
- 54. Frolicking, after "on"
- 56. Not as smooth
- 58. Movie Parody #4
- 62. Bird call
- 63. Filing asst.
- 64. Ominous day
- 65. Head of st.
- 68. Suffix with huck
- 69. Bled
- 70. Tom Watson's tour
- 74. Twice tres
- 75. Movie Parody #5
- 77. Old Dodge
- 78. 21 shillings
- 79. Mrs. Phil Donahue
- 80. Autograph
- 81. Inconsistent
- 82. Reach alternative

**Down**

- 1. 1994 Tony winner Diana
- 2. Memo starter
- 3. Critter in the woods
- 4. Beginning
- 5. "Siddhartha" author
- 6. Common Market money
- 7. Part of U.C.L.A.
- 8. Recite
- 9. Thin and graceful
- 10. Religious dissent
- 11. Bards' affirmations
- 12. LummoX
- 13. Like many home audio systems
- 14. Sam in "I Am Sam"
- 15. Sam on "Cheers"
- 20. Frodo's friend

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- 24. Sheets and pillowcases
- 26. City south of Bartlesville
- 28. Presidential nickname
- 29. Somewhat uncovered
- 30. Like surprise party recipients, ideally
- 32. Cousin of a camel
- 33. \_\_\_ effort
- 34. Where to find clear sailing
- 35. "The Spanish Tragedy" dramatist
- 37. Actress Delaney
- 38. Aromatic wood
- 42. Sternward
- 43. Haggard of C&W
- 46. Second-hand
- 47. RPM indicators
- 48. Sitcom planet
- 49. Toque, for one
- 53. Big inits. in credit reporting
- 55. Lassoes
- 57. One who eggs
- 59. Get psyched
- 60. Slow ballet dance
- 61. Lessee
- 66. "\_\_\_ Time!" (70's musical)
- 67. Parish priest
- 68. 18-wheeler
- 70. Influence
- 71. Creole vegetable
- 72. Tiny brook
- 73. Patronizing sort

- 74. "Hel-l-l-lp!"
- 75. Some football linemen: Abbr.
- 76. Tennis do-over

- a. Raiders of the Lost Ark
- b. The Usual Suspects
- c. The Silence of the Lambs
- d. Lethal Weapon
- e. American Beauty
- f. Ghostbusters
- g. Apocalypse Now
- h. L.A. Confidential
- i. Saving Private Ryan
- j. A Clockwork Orange
- k. Reservoir Dogs
- l. Braveheart
- m. Blade Runner
- n. The Godfather
- o. Cool Hand Luke
- p. The Princess Bride
- q. Forrest Gump
- r. Young Frankenstein
- s. Gone with the Wind
- t. Almost Famous
- u. Dog Day Afternoon
- v. Back to the Future
- w. Sling Blade
- x. Minority Report
- y. Bonnie and Clyde
- z. Groundhog Day

# A Fold-In Crossword

What would any tribute to *Mad* be without a Fold-In? After you've completed this puzzle, fold the puzzle so that Tab A meets Tab B. Four rows reading across will spell new words, and these will provide a clue to this puzzle's five-letter answer. *Answer, page 16.*

**A ▶**

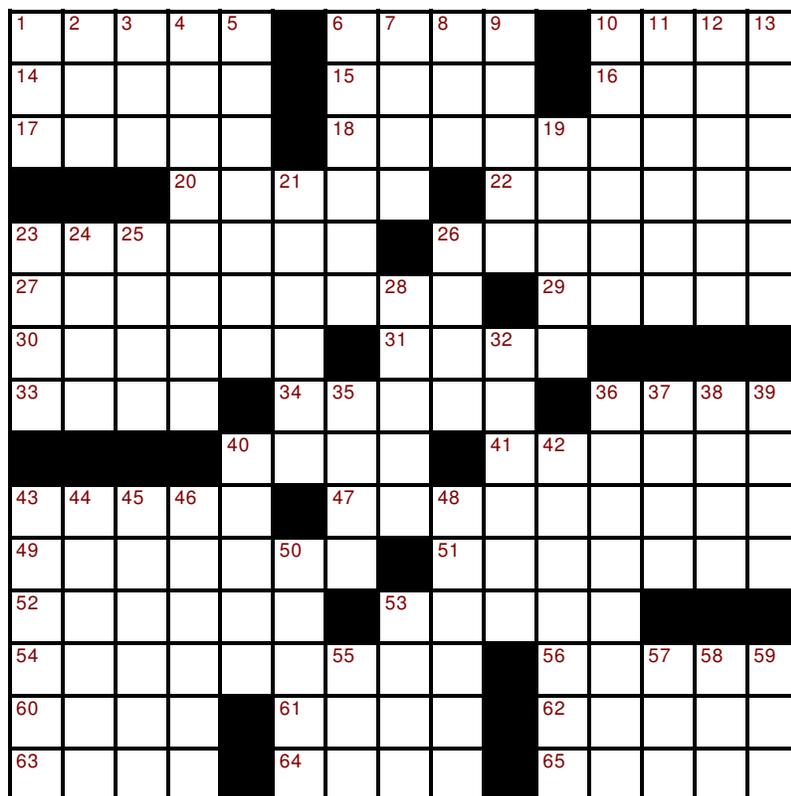
**◀ B**

## Across

1. Shady alcove
6. 2001 non-fiction bestseller by Bernard Goldberg
10. To be, in Bordeaux
14. First name on "Saturday Night Live"
15. At one time, at one time
16. Mother of Poseidon
17. Actor Colin of "Bridget Jones's Diary"
18. Butts heads
20. Lock parts
22. It's big in Cuba
23. Purplish red
26. Actress Graham
27. Arrival
29. Shows some scalp
30. Partner
31. Sorority letters
33. Professional org.
34. Couric's co-anchor
36. Card game for gamblers
40. French seas
41. Visit
43. "Tsk!"
47. "Head of State" star, 2003
49. Some mutual funds
51. Like simple instructions
52. Fine, in France
53. Target number
54. Sponges
56. Shooting match
60. Start of many a prayer
61. French silk
62. Conger catcher
63. Onetime Chicago V.I.P.
64. She'll straighten things up
65. Zzzz

## Down

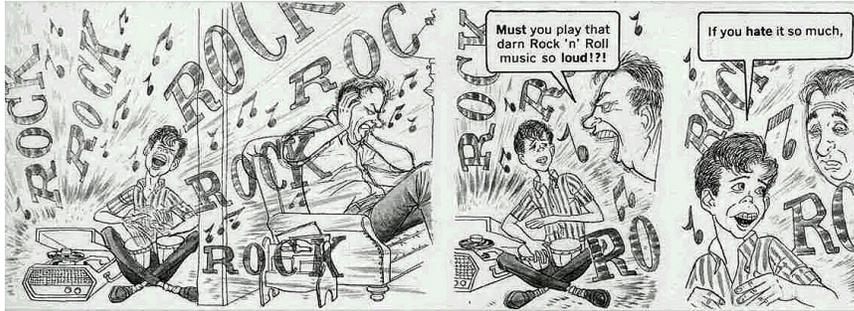
1. He was voiced by Paul Fusco
2. French pooh-bah



3. Winter comment
4. Dodging the police
5. Straightens a picture
6. Hospital room item
7. Part of the eye
8. Doofus
9. Phase
10. Misprints
11. Senators org.
12. Like some musical instruments
13. They smooth the way
19. Is rude at the dinner table
21. Role for Brosnan
23. Southwestern sight
24. Musicians' gear
25. Storms and Prizms
26. It's a laugh
28. Beat soundly
32. "If music be the food of love..." speaker
35. Circle parts
36. Turned one's back on
37. Words before "of gold"
38. Jambalaya need
39. Peeling potatoes, in the army
40. Drinks made from honey
42. Dangerous African pests
43. Attach, in a way
44. Work that pays respect
45. Some Oldsmobiles
46. Single-celled organisms
48. Got going
50. Theological belief
53. Certain ocean liner, familiarly
55. Ode starter
57. "Rock and Roll Is King" music group
58. Eternally, to poets
59. Sei halved

# The Lighter Side of Crosswords

In this crossword dedicated to *Mad's* Dave Berg, the five theme answers are the punch lines of the comic strips seen below. When you've completed the puzzle, the shaded letters (which are used only in the across answers) will spell out a word. Answer, page 15.



25-Across



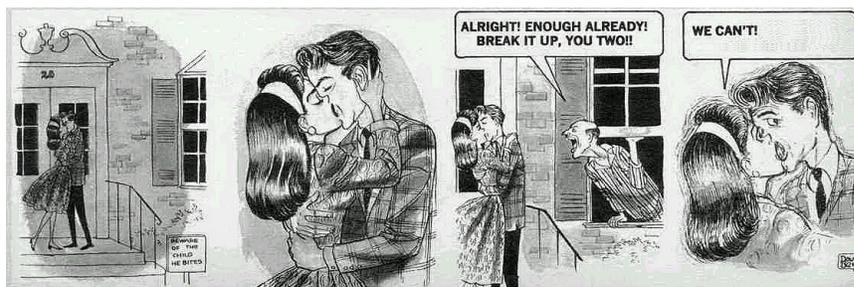
41-Across



54-Across



73-Across

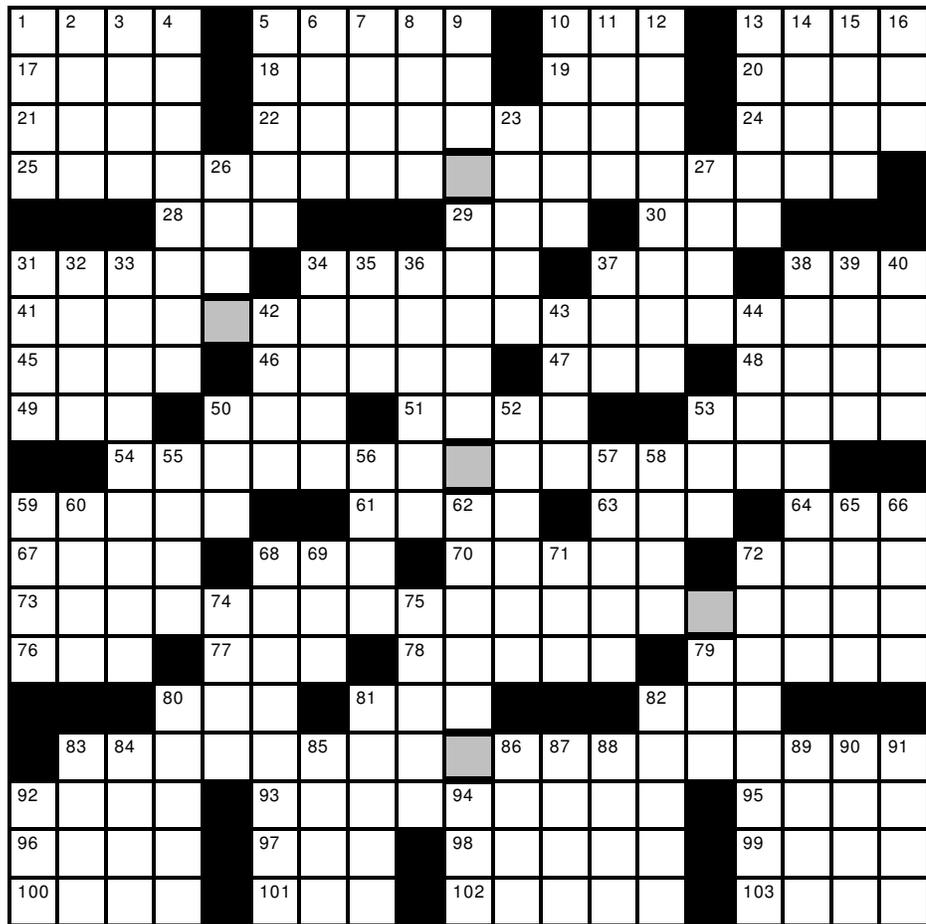


83-Across

# The Lighter Side of Crosswords

## Across

1. Sarandon's "Banger Sisters" co-star
5. Stand
10. Hankering
13. Kind of saxophone
17. Sheltered, nautically
18. Name in a 1999 business merger
19. That, in Toledo
20. Kind of camp
21. Chores
22. Burgle
24. Very dry
25. *See instructions*
28. Enron CEO Ken
29. Feel bad
30. Little kid
31. \_\_\_ lazuli
34. The Donald's first ex
37. Put on television
38. Fight stopper
41. *See instructions*
45. Martin's "Mad" colleague
46. Ballroom dance in 2/4 time
47. \_\_\_ kwon do
48. Galley items
49. Taxpayer ID
50. \_\_\_ canto
51. Times past
53. Prologue
54. *See instructions*
59. Lost
61. Author Dinesen
63. They might be classified
64. Seasonal contraction
67. Irritation
68. Drink suffix
70. Spokes
72. Dry out, as lips
73. *See instructions*
76. Certain docs
77. Genetic letters
78. Extremely good person
79. Being pulled along
80. Book jacket blurb
81. Game extensions: Abbr.
82. Do-say link
83. *See instructions*
92. Cathedral area
93. It often has a "Popcorn" button
95. New Rochelle college
96. Outside the plate
97. Drillers' org.
98. Something to think about
99. Boorish one
100. Stand in front of the group
101. Moon-landing vehicle
102. Bias
103. It may be critical



## Down

1. Pilgrimage to Mecca
2. Baseballer Matty or Felipe
3. Natural snares
4. Baby bird
5. Perth \_\_\_\_, N.J.
6. Brought into the world
7. "Oh, sure!"
8. Alternative to Ivory
9. Lodge member
10. Story subtitled "The Yeshiva Boy"
11. Where el sol rises
12. Middle of the day
13. Top monk
14. Actress Petty
15. Brag about
16. Giant slugger Mel
23. Former hoops star Thomas
26. Some "Law and Order" characters: Abbr.
27. Mower brand
29. Slashed phrase
31. Ad-\_\_\_ (improvises)
32. Hot serves
33. Greek mountain that is home to Delphi
34. Author Calvino
35. U-Haul unit
36. Riles up
37. Simile center
38. Remark made while dusting off one's hands
39. Theatre critic Walter
40. Approximately
42. Undelete
43. "\_\_\_ wrap!"
44. Vocal inflection
50. Kind of scarf
52. Acid neutralizer
53. Hosp. devices
55. "Why not?"
56. Lord's holding
57. Make impure
58. "Gotcha"
59. \_\_\_ in a poke
60. Short-term type
62. Fields of study
65. Emilia's husband
66. Blow up
68. Bizarre
69. Org. involved in raids
71. Clangor
72. Distrustful attitude
74. Chicago paper, familiarly
75. Ethyl acetate, e.g.
79. Equal: Prefix
80. Kennel club listing
81. Philosopher known for his "razor"
82. Like a good guard
83. Mayberry boy
84. Meat inspection inits.
85. Congressional staffer
86. Off base?
87. Tabula \_\_\_
88. All tied up
89. Some kind of nut
90. Hazzard County deputy
91. Cotton ball applications
92. Pointy tool
94. Photo \_\_\_

# Spy Vs. Spy: The Puzzle

In this puzzle, you'll play the role of the White Spy, returning home after a long day. You've got a code you can't crack—somehow you have to figure out how to get a five-letter word out of the grid of letters at the bottom of the page. And now you suspect that the Black Spy has been here. As you fill in the grid, look out for five traps that have been placed for you. The locations of those traps will tell you which letters to circle in the other grid. Taken in order from top to bottom, those letters will spell out this puzzle's answer. *Answer, page 15.*

### Rows

1. Traveller's destination, perhaps  
P.D. calls  
Author of "Bridge is My Passion"
2. Strong as \_\_\_\_  
Christopher's girlfriend, on "The Sopranos"
3. \$1,000, in slang
3. Gizmo
4. Four-sided figures
4. Vernacular
- Portly and then some
- Navel variety
5. It might be blue or gray
- "Mad" specialty
- Almost forever
6. Haydn piece
- Isn't on the level
- Queens stadium
7. 80's-90's singer Baker
- Rushed toward
- "At Random" autobiographer
8. Weasel out
- Protector of nurses, travellers, and the blind
9. Stockpile
- "Thimble Theater" mainstay
- Author Bombeck
10. Minimize the importance
- Bring the house down
- Error indicator
11. Like some politics
- Invited
- Broadway musical that includes "One Song Glory"
12. U.
- '80's action series, with "The"
- NFL quarterback Doug
13. "The Thinking Eye" artist
- Tattle
- Adjective preceding "molasses"
14. "\_\_\_\_ big deal."
- Connect again, in a way
- Nutty
15. Facilitators
- Trade center
- Stationed

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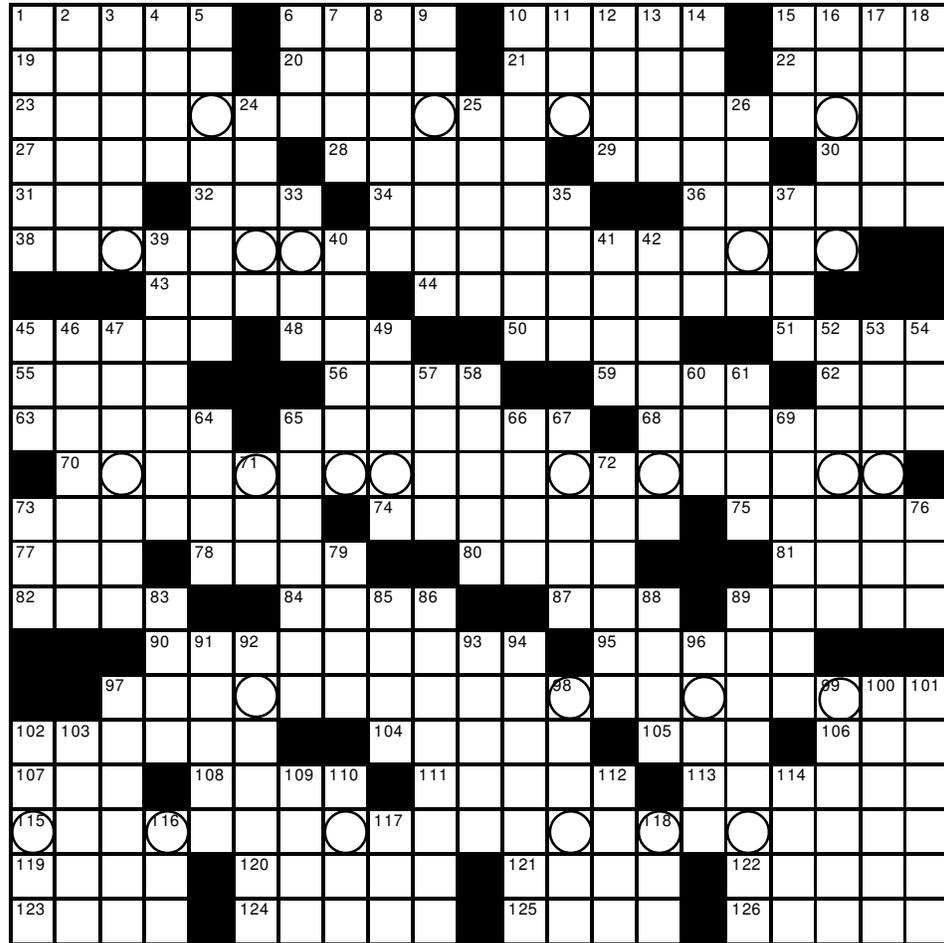
1. Long-tailed parrot
- Mystery writer Paretsky
- Detachable shirtfront
2. \_\_\_\_ about (approximately)
- Give an edge to
- Its motto is "The essentials of imaging"
3. South Seas kingdom
- Hirschfeld's daughter
- Like some dresses
4. Infer from what is already known
- Like some triangles
5. Espresso order
- Identifies
- Daniel Webster, e.g.

6. "See ya!"
- Amazement
- Golf bag items
7. Legal estate work
- Toshiba competitor
- K-6
8. I.Q. test pioneer
- Not suitable
- Glider composition
9. Despotic governor
- Less clear, as river water
- Traffic-light color
10. Mean grin
- Actress Roberts
- C sharp
11. Most unclear
- Circus prop
- Innocent
12. Pays the price
- Give a shout
- Bruins' home
13. Record label specializing in anthologies
- First in a line of cars
- W.B.A. stats
14. First-aid kit item
- Remember fondly
15. Joins together
- Insurance company represented by a duck
- Dual-limbed vertebrate

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# One Fine Day in a Crossword Dedicated to Don Martin...

This crossword pays homage to the inspired sound effects that *Mad's* Don Martin included in most of his cartoons. Five theme entries are clued only as sound effects, taken from actual Martin strips. After you've solved the puzzle, rearrange the circled letters in each answer to form a word. What five-letter word can be placed in front of all of these to form a series of two-word phrases? Answer, page 15.



## Across

1. Fall flower
6. Strongly advise
10. Classic toothpaste brand
15. "Your majesty"
19. River of France
20. Interpret
21. Dunn and Ephron
22. 126-Across undoer
23. ARGLE GLARGLE  
GLORGLER GLUK!
27. Kinetoscope inventor
28. Russian retreat
29. Other, in Oaxaca
30. "At Seventeen" singer
31. Sine qua \_\_\_\_
32. Pennies: Abbr.
34. Know-\_\_\_\_
36. Digs
38. CRUGAZUNCH!
43. Schoolboy collars
44. Pay attention
45. Easy \_\_\_\_
48. Fed. retirement org.
50. Kitchen amts.
51. Abbreviation on a cornerstone
55. Slanted: Abbr.
56. Pac-10 team
59. Send e-mail, perhaps
62. Overly
63. Kind of acid
65. Image receivers
68. Served in a cream sauce with mushrooms
70. FUSHSKLORK!
73. Team in Cincinnati
74. Actress Bertinelli
75. 1973 Rolling Stones hit
77. GOP fundraisers
78. Talk back
80. 1999 Ron Howard film
81. Desires
82. Not on shore
84. Comic strip cries
87. Big name on the Net
89. It's just over the 6

90. Targets for 73-Across
  95. Get savvy to
  97. ZWIT ZWIT ZWIT — KLIK!
  102. Iced tea brand
  104. "\_\_\_\_ use"
  105. Use a La-Z-Boy
  106. 155, said another way
  107. Prefix with light
  108. "Can \_\_\_\_?"
  111. "\_\_\_\_ is human"
  113. Iced tea brand
  115. STOOPFT!
  119. Reverberation
  120. High-up home
  121. Noisy "excuse me"
  122. Wipe out
  123. Queue after Q
  124. Insolent look
  125. Future ABA member's exam
  126. Editorial strikes
- Down**
1. Silver-colored
  2. Lamont Cranston's alter ego, with "The"
  3. Italian city on the Po

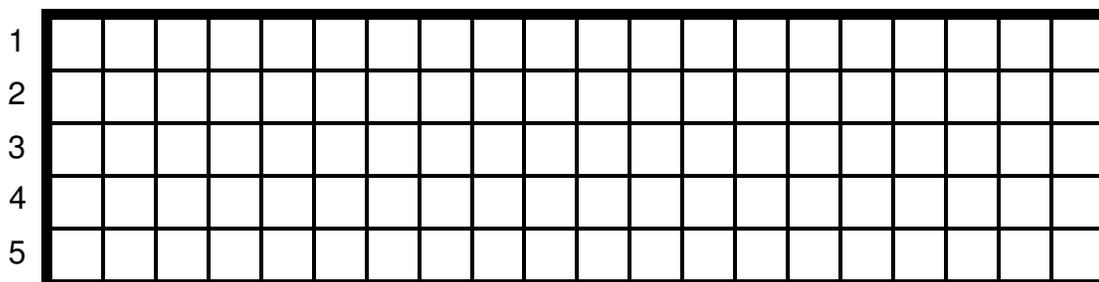
4. Some tech school grads: Abbr.
5. Pack up and move
6. Sizable server
7. Officially listed: Abbr.
8. Galahad's colleague
9. Having the force of law
10. Asthma medicine, most likely
11. Small dog, for short
12. Slangy suffix
13. Ship-related: Abbr.
14. On both sides of
15. Vane dir.
16. "If \_\_\_\_ broke..."
17. Convened again
18. Prefix with centric
24. Emcee's responsibility
25. Macbeth, for one
26. Biblical prophet
33. Taxpayer IDs
35. Some watch faces, for short
37. Legalistic phrase
39. Top limit
40. Bank, to a credit card
41. Ballplayer accoutrements
42. Above the thermosphere

45. Modern toothpaste brand
46. Pollen producers
47. Best Supporting Actor, 1991
49. Part of a long play
52. Kind of missile
53. Investment plan in which all of the money goes to the last survivor
54. Track closely
57. Filmmaker Wertmuller
58. Certain viewpoint
60. Black and tan ingredient
61. Cry from the crib
64. Financial auditors
65. He played Maximus in "Gladiator"
66. Stunned
67. Sealy competitor
69. Certain Africans
71. Pay stretcher?
72. Copenhagen park
73. Lingerie item
76. Guinness Book suffix
79. Ward of "The Fugitive"
83. Lago contents

85. Opera's \_\_\_\_ Te Kanawa
86. Even more annoying
88. Place for a cap
89. Like the moon's surface
91. Do-\_\_\_\_
92. Christie and others
93. Hewlett-Packard competitor
94. Gambia's neighbor
96. Storing, say
97. Plant disease
98. Bridge positions
99. Real
100. Strip, as a whale
101. Gets out of the way
102. Sit in the driver's seat, say
103. Radar-equipped plane
109. Well, in Guatemala
110. Basic French verb
112. Ted and Shelley's co-star
114. Holding a grudge
116. Cardinals great Brock
117. 0-0, say
118. Ambulance asst.

# The Strip

This puzzle salutes a mainstay of *Mad*. In this crossword variant, across words are clued normally, although word lengths are not given. Down words are all five letters long, but these clues are presented randomly—it's up to you to determine which word goes where. One of the down words, however, has no clue at all. Which one? *Answer, page 16.*



## Across

- 1 It's featured in every issue of "Mad"
- 2 It's just above the brim  
Consume more food than  
Mixture
- 3 "Uncle Vanya" playwright Chekhov  
Personnel person, sometimes  
Expenditure  
"The Simpsons" schoolteacher Krabappel
- 4 Brainstorming  
Broke a taboo  
"The Balcony" and "On the Beach," for two
- 5 Subway, e.g.: Abbr.  
Recesses  
They play in Minute Maid Park  
"Buffalo Stance" singer Cherry

## Down

- Actor Greene
- Bangkok residents
- Courtyards
- Diminutive endings
- French aunt
- Great big hit
- Holiday visitor
- Humorist Nash
- Israel's Moshe
- "Mr. Belvedere" actress Graff
- Muslim leaders
- Pro golfer Nick
- Right nearby
- "See ya!"
- Some Dodges
- Square
- Take a stab at it
- Thin and bony
- WWII danger

# Margin Calls

This crossword salutes Sergio Aragones, whose tiny comic strips have graced the margins of *Mad* magazine for decades. Fourteen grid entries in this puzzle will similarly require the use of the margins—they will extend one space past the confines of the grid. These letters, read in order from a starting point you must determine, will spell out a clue to a five-letter word. *Answer, page 16.*

## Across

1. It's got highs and lows
5. Airport lineup
9. Hitching post?
14. Rolls snake eyes, maybe
15. The Beehive State
16. Last First Lady of the U.S.S.R.
17. "Not only that..."
18. Earning a lot
20. Dewy
21. Walkman, for instance
22. Symbol of life
23. Actor Milo
25. Making a go of it
27. Declaration of one's motives
30. German city on the Danube
31. Role for Arnold
32. Balancing factors
37. "I Do" singer Lisa
38. "You \_\_\_ mouthful!"
39. Big name in wine
40. Not on the agenda
42. Happen again
43. Part of some e-mail addresses
44. Doppelganger
46. Journalists Stewart and Joseph
49. It might get put in a 27-Across
50. Gawk at
51. Word in the title of a 2002 Best Picture nominee
53. Dancer's teammate
56. Kink
58. "...the half \_\_\_!"
59. C. P. Snow's "\_\_\_ of Varnish"
60. Unpopular spots
61. Candle holder
62. Flair
63. \_\_\_ East
64. Passes easily

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## Down

1. Lowly one
2. Mallorca, e.g.
3. "State Fair" setting
4. "The Vain Jackdaw" and others
5. "&\*\$#@&\*!"
6. Warfare sound effect
7. Catch some rays
8. Ralph Lauren item
9. Architectural geegaw
10. My \_\_\_
11. Two-stage missile
12. Letting up
13. Odiferous
19. Poet Pablo
24. Female lobster
26. Half of a famous 50's comedy team
27. Org. co-founded by Felix Frankfurter
28. Day divider
29. Projecting window
33. More
34. One way to meet
35. Nasty bugs
36. Certain cameras: Abbr.
38. Dull state
41. Certain measuring device
42. One of a cartoon duo
45. Mattel competitor
46. One of the three Furies
47. Artist Neiman
48. Brooke Shield's sitcom role
50. U. stats
52. Nits
54. Studio need
55. Summers abroad
57. Batman after Michael

# Back to Square One

*Mad* wasn't always a magazine full of satire and parody. It started out, back in October of 1952, as an oddball comic book full of rather silly adventure stories. The first two issues each contained four such stories, and the titles of those eight stories can be found in the crossword grid on the next page. The introduction to each title can be seen below. When you've completed the puzzle, transfer the numbered letters to the spaces below the grid to get a clue to a five letter word. *Answer, page 16.*

## 6-Across

Terror Dept.! Please! We warn you! Do not read this story! Throw this comic book away before it is too late!... Very well, rash fool! Read on! But remember! We warned you! There are many things not meant for the eyes of man! Ooohheeeheeeheee...

## 30-Down

Science-Fiction Dept.! Go forward! Go forward into space, forward into time! Go forward... 1952! 1962! 1982! Go! Go to 1,000,000 A.D.! That's far enough! Back up a little! Look! The Earth! A mass of steely cities and men! Men? No! Not really men! More like...

## 44-Down

Crime Dept.! Come away from your fresh paint homes on tree-lined streets!... Away from your clean linen, your grade-A milk! Come to the garbage-canned, broken windowed land of the underworld! Come to the home of gangsters, gorillas, and...

## 1-Down

Western Dept.! Gimme a drink, Joe, an' let me tell you a story 'bout the rootinest, tootinest, straightest shootinest cowpoke ever to ride the Pecos Trail! You see... when he made up his mind to do somethin', he didn't change easy... an' what he made up his mind to do wuz... to kill a...

## 29-Across

Terror Dept.: There are many things going on in the world that are very strange... that have no explanation! Many things in many phases of life... even in the game of baseball! There are the superstitions, the beliefs in the unnatural, the beliefs in the...

## 36-Down

Jungle Dept.: Africa! Wild... untamed land where time stands tangled in the jungle! Africa!... Home of the fierce Gnowgli pygmies... the terrible Ngambwali cannibals, and the horrible Ookaballakonga head hunters! Also home to the jungle apeman... an apeman named...

## 59-Across

Science Fiction Dept.: Night! A mighty, gleaming space-ship swoops gracefully out of the starry sky making a gentle landing on the Nevada sands! Inside, Glarf Merfnick, Martian, sits, shaking and haggard from his escape from the...

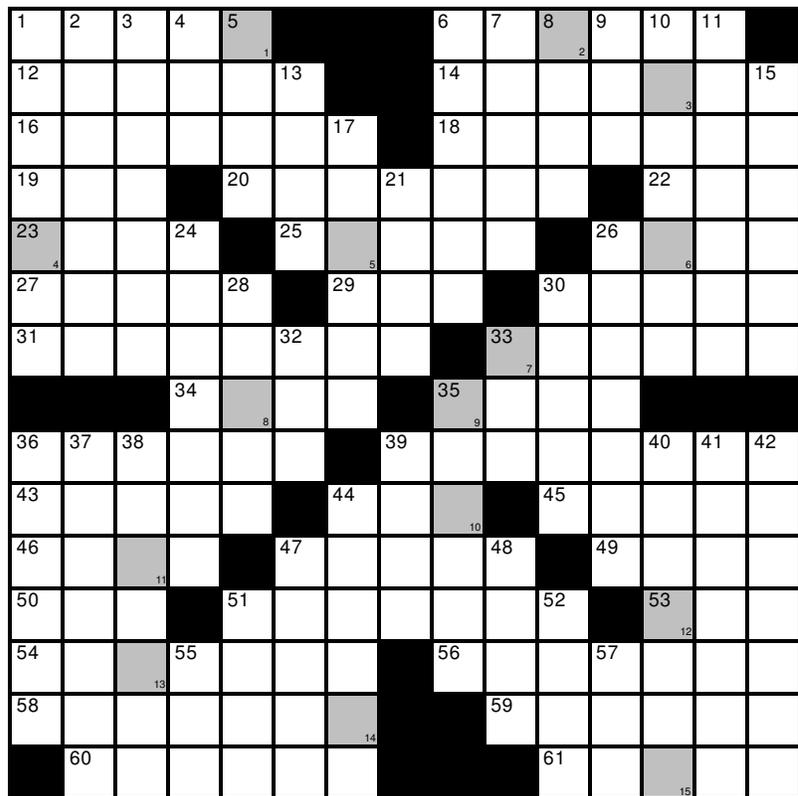
## 34-Across

Crime Dept.! All you out there who aspire to be criminals... You who follow the paths of evil! This story is for you!... The story of a fellow who dug his way into bank vaults... who dug his way out of jails... and who wound up in the electric chair!... Fellow by the name of Melvin...

# Back to Square One

## Across

1. Grassland
6. *See instructions*
12. Krystle's nemesis, on an 80's soap
14. Balkan nation
16. Uttered memorized lines
18. Russian reactionary
19. Billy goat's bleat
20. Ran through
22. Rapid transit?
23. Cross inscription
25. Part of the stage in front of the proscenium
26. "On Broadway" co-writer Cynthia
27. Averages
29. *See instructions*
30. "Oliver \_\_\_\_" (2003 Fox comedy)
31. Every mountain has one
33. Brother-to-be
34. *See instructions*
35. Jacket part
36. Eisenhower, and others
39. Kept hidden
43. "The Horse Whisperer" writer
44. Lead pumper
45. Shoe material
46. Tall tales
47. Turner and others
49. Nest piece
50. Cruella De \_\_\_\_
51. Chinese puzzle
53. Suffix with Capri
54. Put on a pedestal
56. Off base
58. Something to turn over
59. *See instructions*
60. Kicks out
61. Bridge positions



32. Parisian pronoun
33. \_\_\_\_ favor
35. 1962 John Wayne film
36. *See instructions*
37. Shirked
38. "Tamburlaine the Great" playwright
39. Dangle
40. Starts from scratch, perhaps
41. Delete
42. Sterilizes, say
44. *See instructions*
47. Piano virtuoso \_\_\_\_ Berman
48. Performed, perhaps
51. "\_\_\_\_ yellow ribbon..."
52. Feeding time sound
55. Legal deg.
57. Eggs

## Down

1. *See instructions*
2. Mother of Richard I
3. David Cornwell's pseudonym
4. Sixth-century year
5. Small songbirds
6. A derby might be held in one
7. Lane's colleague
8. Book after Amos: Abbr.
9. Sarcastic laugh
10. Liqueur flavoring
11. Sound of deflation, maybe
13. \_\_\_\_ precedent
15. Churchill contemporary
17. Nymph loved by Apollo
21. Jane's role, in "Klute"
24. Beatles song on "Let It Be"
26. Cull
28. Blackthorn fruits
30. *See instructions*

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# The Finale

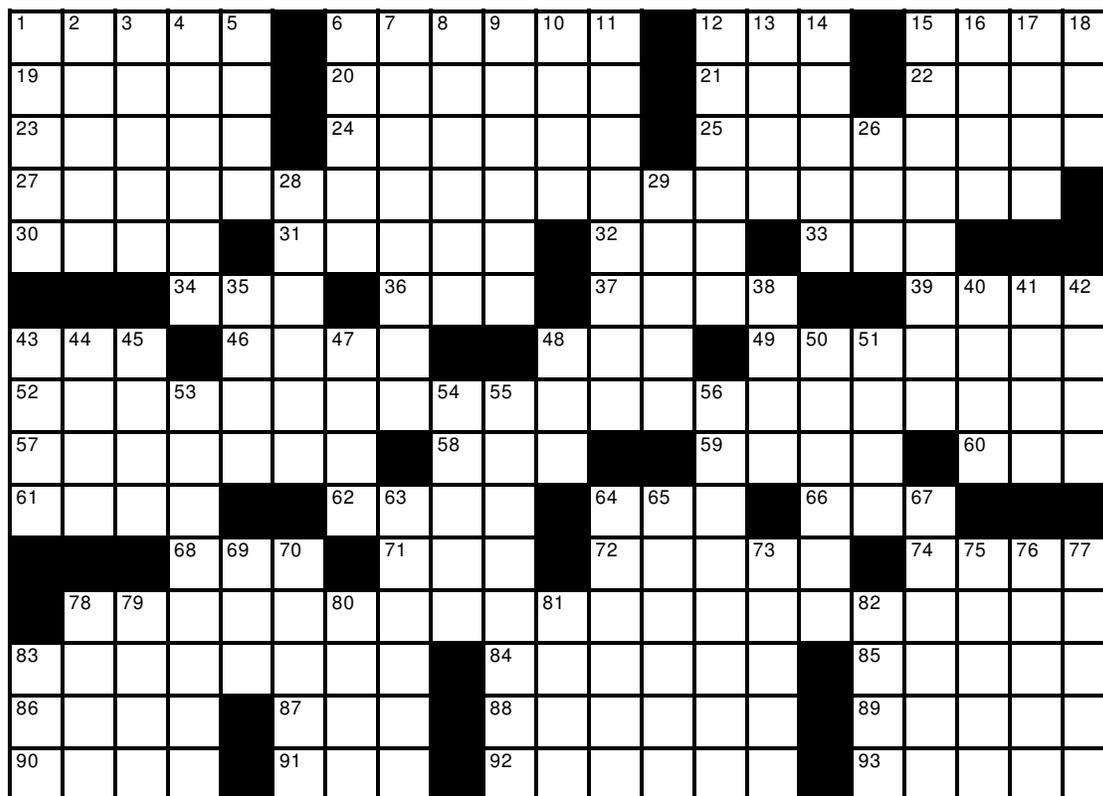
Now you've got nine five-letter words, one for each of the previous nine crossword puzzles. These nine words can be placed into the blanks below. You can then transfer each set of letters to the double-cross grid, which if done correctly will spell out an appropriate quote by the Roman philosopher Seneca, who was a really big fan of *Mad*.

But first, you'll have to figure out which answer goes into which set of blanks. References to all nine puzzles are shown in the crossword on the following page—place the answers to these puzzles in the blanks in the same order as they appear in the grid. *Answer, page 16.*

15	35	3	12	42
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# The Finale



## Across

1. Overly directed
6. Honor
12. Depot: Abbr.
15. Word popularized during the 2000 presidential election
19. Bush advisor Richard
20. \_\_\_ del Fuego
21. Part of a circle
22. Leak cause
23. Eskimo
24. Horror-struck
25. Fatherly
27. The correct order, Part 1
30. Available
31. First name in skin care
32. Suffix meaning "approximately"
33. Dorm overseers, for short
34. Like bad weather or bad language
36. Merchandise: Abbr.
37. Coagulate
39. Pack (down)
43. Neighbor of Tenn.
46. Tibetan monk
48. Why precedes this?
49. Judge
52. The correct order, Part 2
57. Feline
58. She's a sister
59. "The \_\_\_ Reader"
60. Greek letters

61. Queens stadium
62. Ado
64. "It \_\_\_" (words of identification)
66. \_\_\_ es Salaam
68. Not too smart
71. Start of the 4th qtr.
72. Like some stocks
74. Malt kiln
78. The correct order, Part 3
83. Pound prisoner
84. Score again
85. Be ill-mannered
86. In awe
87. Sun Devils' sch.
88. 14-Down, perhaps
89. Orleans's river
90. Gets hitched
91. That boat
92. Jack Daniels alternative
93. Pick up

## Down

1. \_\_\_ up (make stylish)
2. Voice above baritone
3. As \_\_\_ (usually)
4. Paper airplane, for one
5. Abominable Snowman
6. French states
7. Prop comedian's specialty
8. Tittered
9. Clears away
10. Start for while

11. Number arrays
12. Early Greek lyric poet
13. Disney World transport
14. Guy on TV, often
15. "The A.B.C. Murders" author
16. Give an edge to
17. "Oh well"
18. N.J. neighbor
26. Zsa Zsa's sister
28. East Coast airport
29. Bermuda and Cancun
35. Jai \_\_\_
38. Stretched out
40. Teeny tiny bit
41. Computer program offering
42. Chief exec.
43. The basics
44. Rachel's sister, in the Bible
45. Museo offering
47. West and Clarke
48. Buddhist discipline
50. Produced no more
51. La \_\_\_ Tar Pits
53. Slang for dressy clothes
54. Chilling
55. Took care of
56. Card
63. Mother \_\_\_
64. Single-file
65. Musical composition
67. Revolver, in old slang
69. Odd ending
70. Kind of touch

73. Copycats
75. Actor John of "The Addams Family"
76. Boot attachments
77. Melville tale
78. Bank offering: Abbr.
79. Baseball superstar, for short
80. Have a snack
81. Same: Fr.
82. Kilmer and others
83. Trite saying