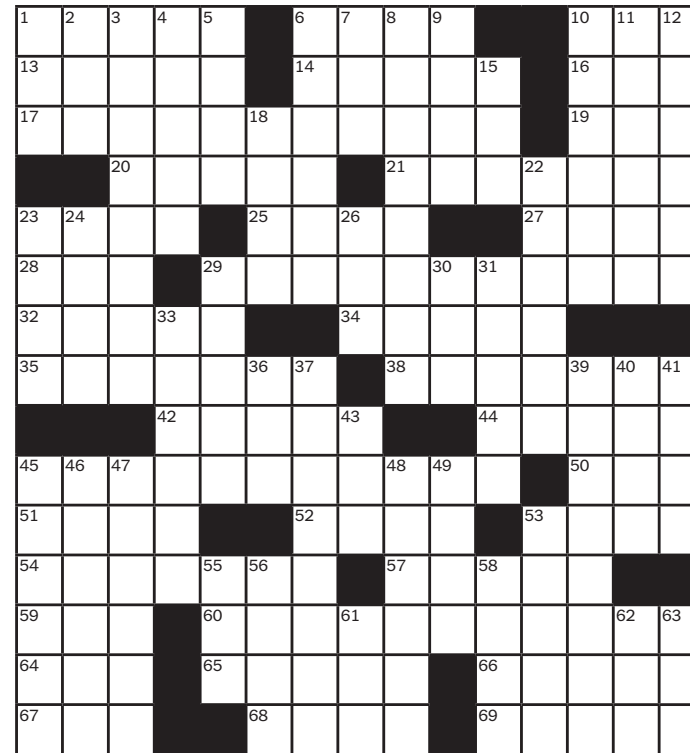


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PUZZLE BY DANIEL MAUER

- 33** Part of many a showcase on "The Price Is Right" **43** Hwy. infraction after a night at the bar, maybe **53** ___ King, morning TV personality
- 36** Singer/songwriter DiFranco **45** Bracelet items **55** "Yes, captain!"
- 37** Abides by, as rules **47** De Tocqueville who wrote "Democracy in America" **58** Actress Cannon
- 39** Throw a monkey wrench into **48** City often considered the birthplace of democracy **61** Japanese pond fish
- 40** Singer Redding **49** F.D.R.'s fireside event **62** Two-timing sort
- 41** Bite between meals **63** Word after skeleton or answer

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- ACROSS**
- 1** Very bottom
- 6** [OMG!]
- 10** Super Mario Bros. console, for short
- 13** ___ trump (bridge bid)
- 14** Killer whales
- 16** Be ___ loss for words
- 17** Reason to raid the fridge
- 19** Biol. or chem.
- 20** What a pun rarely evokes
- 21** Restrained, as a dog
- 23** "Shucks!" only stronger
- 25** Iranian currency
- 27** Easy camera setting
- 28** Regret
- 29** No longer astray
- 32** Tony winner Menzel
- 34** In pieces

- 35** Batter's grip-enhancing goo
- 38** Encourages
- 42** Romanced, in a way
- 44** "Keen!"
- 45** 1986 Keith Haring antidrug mural
- 50** Muscles used in pull-ups, informally
- 51** Greeting in Granada
- 52** Bitter part of an orange
- 53** "Oh, man!"
- 54** The "A" of D.J.I.A.
- 57** Tore into
- 59** T. ___ (fearsome dino)
- 60** Gab
- 64** 3-D medical test
- 65** John depicted in the biopic "Rocketman"
- 66** Tiny pond plants
- 67** Conscription org.

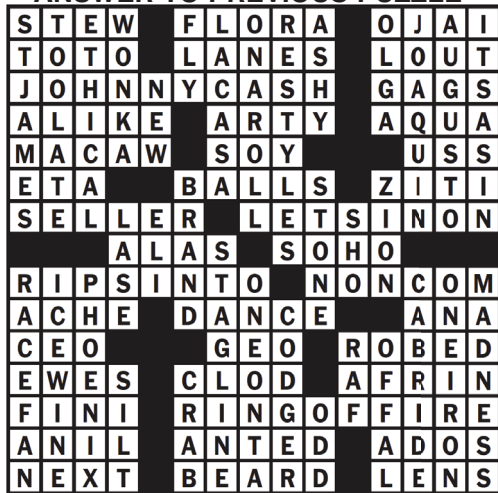
- 68** Garage sale caveat
- 69** Wanting others' attention and approval

DOWN

- 1** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, etc.: Abbr.
- 2** ___ Arbor, Mich.
- 3** Poker player's request
- 4** Like an ancient Andean civilization
- 5** Streaming media device
- 6** Like Mary Shelley's "Frankenstein"
- 7** Guggenheim holdings
- 8** Distinctively shelled bivalves
- 9** Walk nervously back and forth
- 10** New Hampshire's second-largest city
- 11** And so on, and so on, for short

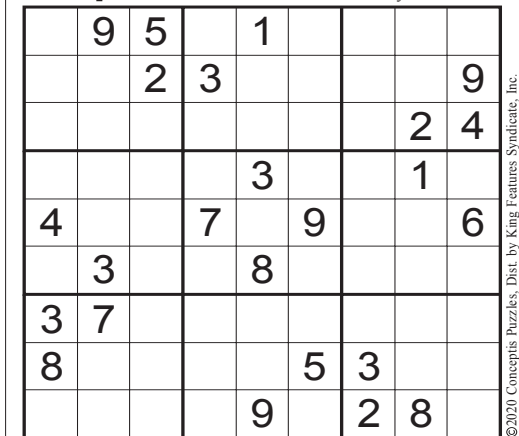
- 12** Assented
- 15** Reggae relative
- 18** Taj Mahal city
- 22** French philosopher Jean-Paul
- 23** Insipid one
- 24** Car with a four-ring logo
- 26** Letters before an alias
- 29** Hand-dyeing technique
- 30** 40 winks
- 31** Prominent part of an elephant

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green



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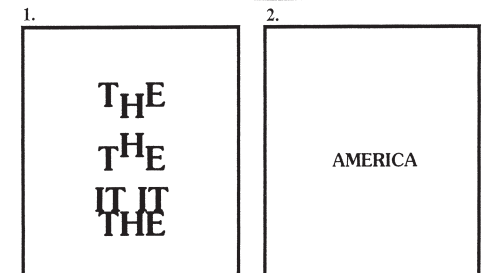
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1.

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Answers

- Double or nothing
- The river is low

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- In this Ray Bradbury novel, books are outlawed and "firemen" burn any that are found.
- Jane loves Mr. Rochester, the brooding master of Thornfield Hall.
- The plot revolves around the adventures of a noble from La Mancha named Alonso Quixano.

GRADUATE LEVEL

- The story began as a sequel to J.R.R. Tolkien's 1937 fantasy novel "The Hobbit."
- This was J.K. Rowling's debut novel.
- The narrator's father, Atticus Finch, is the main character.

PH.D. LEVEL

- Most of the events occur while a U.S. Army Air Squadron is based on the island of Pianosa.
- This novel provoked interest in Mary Magdalene's role in the history of Christianity.
- The novel's protagonist, Holden Caulfield, has become an icon for teenage rebellion.

ANSWERS: 1. "Fahrenheit 451" 2. "Jane Eyre" 3. "Don Quixote" 4. "The Lord of the Rings" 5. "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's (Philosopher's) Stone" 6. "To Kill a Mockingbird" 7. "Catch-22" 8. "The Da Vinci Code" 9. "The Catcher in the Rye"

