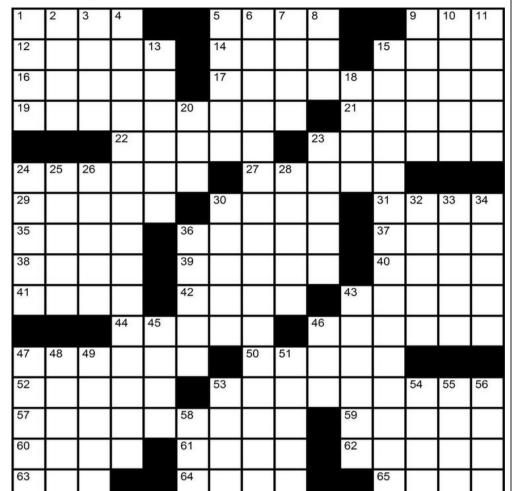
OCRossword

- 1. Choreography bit 5. Courvoisier bottle let-
- 9. Word repeated before "in" and "out"
- 12. Vehicle sometimes equipped with a storage area called Mom's Attic 14. facto
- 15. Fat from a fatback
- 16. Break down, in a way
- 17. Souped-up wheels
- 19. Largest Sri Lankan ethnic group, or its language
- 21. Whence St. Teresa 22. Pirouettina
- 23. Channel
- 24. Like Dolly
- 27. Big test
- 29. Fooled, with "in"
- 30. Battle, for one
- 31. Forms a union
- 35. Improves over time
- 36. Rough-and-tumble
- 37. Make a long story short
- 38. Birth, but not death
- 39. Elevator safety device 40. Eleventh hour follower
- 41. Twin in the Torah
- 42. Shades shade
- 43. Easily bamboozled
- 44. It makes tracks 46. Thingamajig
- 47. "Just as you said"
- 50. Clod on the links
- 52. Flamboyant neckwear
- 53. Tall order at a parlor
- 57. San Francisco section 59. "The Jungle Book"
- wolf
- 60. Certain male dolls 61. Loretta who sang "You
- Ain't Woman Enough" 62. Instruments with keys
- 63. Succumb to pressure
- 64. Frat party purchase
- 65. "Aren't I the best?"

Down

- 1. Takes an evening course?
- 2. Peanut sauce cuisine
- 3. Deserve
- 4. Drive crazy, elevatorstyle?
- 5. YouTube alternative
- 6. Biographical vicissitudes, elevator-style?
- 7. Petro-Canada competitor
- 8. Pilfer
- 9. Battery acronym
- 10. Santa
- 11. Frank or Joe of mystery
- 13. Had a list 15. Improve immensely,
- elevator-style?
- 18. It's shrinking in Asia 20. Roentgen rélative
- 23. Not coincidental
- 24. Passionately desire 25. Seating sections
- 26. "The Death of Klinghoffer," e.g.
- 28. Euro-filled Italian landmark
- 30. Novelist Ephron
- 32. Rectifier, familiarly
- 33. Duck
- 34. Bad impressions?
- 36. Down Under buds
- 43. Gin joint
- 45. Lovely girl of song
- 46. Letters on drawers
- 47. Gridiron highlights
- 48. Irish-born character actor Milo
- 49. Cupcake finisher
- 51. Listless sensation
- 53. 1977 Electric Light Orchestra hit
- 54. Emulated a feller 55. Where to nosh on a
- 56. Quickly, quickly
- 58. "Cake Boss" network

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This puzzle's theme may well drive you up the wall! The difficulty level is CRANIUM-CRUSHING, but finishing should lift your spirits!

Solution to last week's puzzle







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