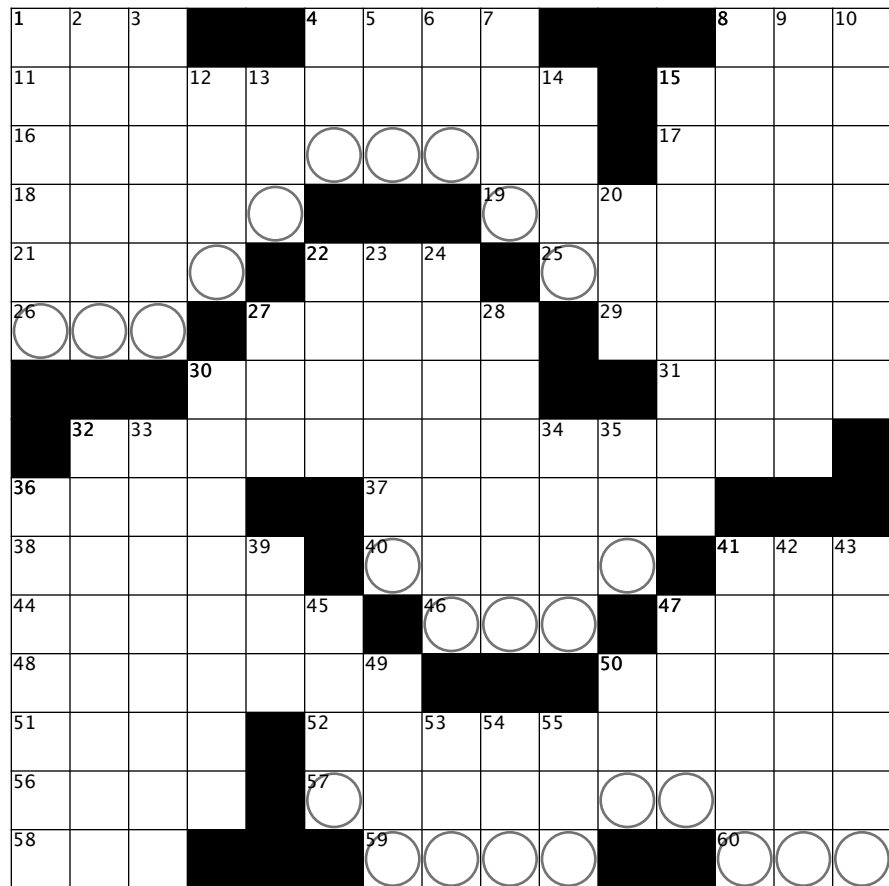


Fall of the British Empire

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ACROSS

1. Hipster beer brand, for short
4. Ready for surgery
8. "Casablanca" pianist
11. Highway
15. Pauley of "CBS Sunday Morning"
16. "Yellow Submarine" vocalist (And: Like the drive from Miami to Tampa, e.g.)
17. Celestial bear
18. San ____, Calif.
19. 1984 Cold War film with a 2012 remake
21. Online 'zine
22. German exclamation
25. Joined the mob?
26. ___ Tin Tin
27. Set of guiding beliefs
29. Fire pit treat
30. Horror film nominated for Best Picture in 2017



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31. Ending with teen or golden
32. Black hole, initially, and a hint to the circled letters
36. Coffee, slangily
37. Moves, as a house plant
38. They're not straight news (because they have a slant)
40. "Hello" vocalist (And: Sufficient)
41. Meas. used to express levels of air pollutants
44. "___ the Fourth of July"
46. Joe Biden's state: Abbr.
47. ___ Rabbit (Uncle Remus character)
48. Sent, but not via UPS
50. Spots for braces
51. Broadcasts

52. Noted Hogwarts ginger
56. 401(k) alternatives
57. "Moonage Daydream" vocalist (And: It collects water under a drying rack)
58. Uncooked
59. Like hard-core fans
60. Golfer Michelle

DOWN

1. First coat of paint
2. Cleaning brand that means "good friend"
3. Wicker furniture material
4. "TY" partner, in text-speak
5. Subway scurrer
6. Historical period
7. Mrazek or Nedved of the N.H.L.
8. Upstate N.Y. battlesite of 1777

9. One getting the door
10. Wander this way and that
12. Bit at the bottom of a wine bottle
13. ___ Schwarz (toy store)
14. Oracle
15. Olympic combat sport cushions
20. Insult, in slang
22. "___ girl!"
23. New Age medicine figure Deepak
24. Hit TV drama featuring a misanthropic physician
27. Slippery fish
28. Broad treeless plain
30. Contented feeling
32. Afro-Brazilian martial art that incorporates dance and acrobatics

33. Take out more \$ than you've got
34. Barbie or Ken
35. Jeanne d'Arc, e.g.: Abbr.
36. Event for seniors seeking employment
39. They're White or Red on a diamond
41. Like undergrads who intend to be attorneys
42. "Great" czar
43. Who's there when Dr. Jeckyll isn't in
45. Crossword enthusiast, say
47. Spanish for "kiss"
49. ___ the Explorer
50. Bar bill
53. Sat ___ (GPS system)
54. Nintendo console of 2006
55. This clue, fittingly, vis-a-vis this puzzle