

GO for THE GOLD

by Darth

- ACROSS**
- 1 Painter Picasso or Literature Nobelist Neruda
 - 6 Occupied, as a table
 - 11 She performed with Usher at the 2024 Super Bowl
 - 14 Places in the heart
 - 15 Sage saying, e.g. "Every cloud has a silver lining" (or maybe a "gold" one!)
 - 16 "I'll take that as ____"
 - 17 Participants in Egypt's "Golden Parade" (April 2021)
 - 19 Used to be
 - 20 French automaker
 - 21 Saudi salutations
 - 23 Swing voter (abbr.)
 - 24 "Not what you see, but what you make others see," per Degas
 - 26 Sign of spring, astrologically
 - 27 See 30A
 - 30 With 27A, beginner-friendly
 - 33 Denver's elevation
 - 34 The Braves, on scoreboards
 - 36 Polish sausage
 - 38 Upcoming event that may affect the gold market (November 2024)
 - 40 Underwater explorer
 - 42 Quaint quarters
 - 43 Italian cheese, for short
 - 44 Fuzzy fruit for a New Zealander
 - 46 They're found in brackets
 - 50 Old lab burners, named for Sicily's famous volcano
 - 52 Like habits that die hard
 - 54 Expected to arrive
 - 55 Keeps an eye on the kitty
 - 58 Vicinities
 - 61 Palindromic constellation
 - 62 He wrote that divine decrees are "more precious than gold" (circa 1000 BCE)
 - 64 Seven on a sundial
 - 65 Chilean pianist Claudio
 - 66 Take a leisurely walk
 - 67 Class for non-native speakers
 - 68 Money of Moscow
 - 69 Presuppose as a fact

- DOWN**
- 1 Fatherland, to Flavius
 - 2 1896 Olympics site

The answer to the meta is someone associated with gold.

- 3 Country singer "Little Miss Dynamite" Lee
- 4 "Break My Heart" and "Electricity" singer Dua ____
- 5 Waikiki's island
- 6 French existentialist, author of "No Exit"
- 7 Orthodontists' org.
- 8 New Mexico art community
- 9 Ottoman honorific
- 10 Electric car
- 11 Barack Obama, by birth
- 12 Glossy coatings
- 13 Antarctic waters named after an Englishman
- 18 in the style of
- 22 Radius or ulna
- 25 BTS hit song (2023) about a second try (and help for solving the meta)
- 28 Nassau's islands
- 29 Battleship call
- 31 [Not my error]
- 32 Hairy Himalayan
- 35 Security breach
- 37 Belly button buildup
- 38 Beat a hasty retreat
- 39 11A in French?
- 40 Lava tube near Mt. St. Helens; not home to primates despite its name
- 41 Some Arabian Gulf residents
- 45 "You'll be hearing from my lawyer!"
- 47 Improvises on stage
- 48 Swiss breakfast mix of oats, nuts, and dried fruit
- 49 Ensemble of six
- 51 Stringed instrument of India
- 53 Film noir classic
- 56 Traffic sign word
- 57 Novak Djokovic, by birth
- 59 Applaud
- 60 Rounds for a rifleman
- 63 Piglet, to Pooh

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