

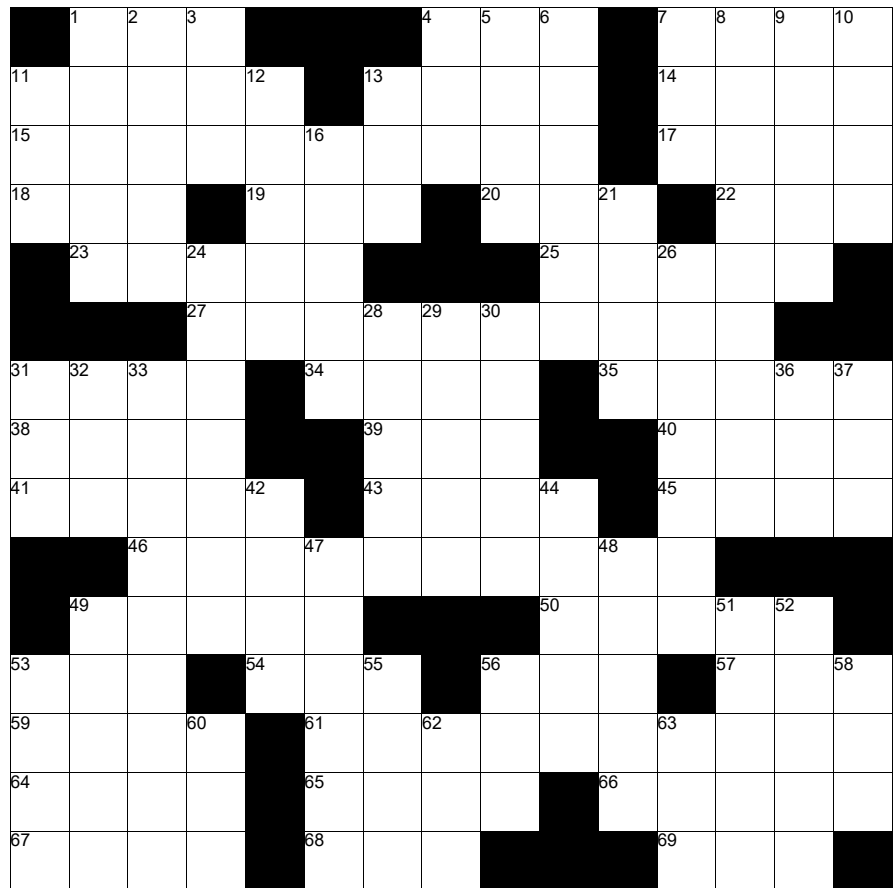
Expanding Brackets (Meta)

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The answer to the meta is an 8-letter word

ACROSS

1. Linguistic typology used by English
4. How to refer to the time before Jesus, but the secular way
7. Ran in the wash
11. Russian pancakes that are absolutely delicious, especially with creamy mushrooms and bacon
13. Hawaiian island that often pops up in crosswords because of all those beautiful vowels
14. What you 66 across down
15. Whole number greater than one million?
17. What the slithy toves did in the wabe (with "and gimble")
18. ___ like a bg in a rg
19. Abbreviation for a grammatical mood indicating that a certain action is not known to have happened at that moment
20. Utensil used to cook lots of delicious Asian cuisine
22. Sound the weasel makes when the money goes
23. What Nahash wanted to do to the right eyes of everyone in Jabesh Gilead (with "them out")
25. Material made from doing things to wood pulp
27. Fictional relationship between two amounts?
31. ___, Joy of Man's Desiring
34. Poem by Langston Hughes (never read it, only ever seen it in crosswords)
35. "Bro, I've got a problem with you..."
38. It is common for couples to write their own these days
39. What many mins together make
40. "In addition..."
41. Santa's surname, apparently
43. Untouchable Eliot
45. Where a prisoner is kept
46. Imperial measurement involving chance?
49. ___ vortex
50. "This puzzle is too hard!" (var. but 26 down should be obvious, so we're good)
53. ROY G ___
54. Germans use this word when they are feeling good
56. Units for a song's tempo
57. The rating every company aspires to
59. Direction of sunrise
61. Change in danger levels?
64. Sumerian god of wisdom, mentioned in Neal Stephenson's Snow Crash (I didn't need to add that reference, but it's a brilliant book!)
65. Foie ___
66. Eat quickly



67. Helpful acronym for expanding brackets
68. ___ out a living
69. What you would hear lots of if you visited an ashram (or so I'm told)
29. ___ ipsum dolor sit amet...
30. Portia de ___
31. Electronics company that comes in handy playing Scrabble (or constructing crosswords!)
32. Control character typed using the ENTER key
33. Austrian company known for its crystal jewelry
36. The American equivalent of Auslan
37. "I found that wryly amusing." (but in an SMS)
42. What we Australians call a sausage
44. "Quick, ___ pic before Bigfoot runs away!"
47. Someone forced to do dull, meaningless work
48. Pitches a tent
49. Instrument played by Bruce Hornsby (and lots of other people, but I like Bruce Hornsby)
51. ___ Masala, a spice from India
52. "The very ___ of your head are numbered"
53. English word derived from the French word for cooked cow
55. One of the gorillas from Disney's Tarzan (look, if I had to look it up, why shouldn't you!)
56. K-pop group, and gift to crossword creators everywhere
58. Sarcastic alien from an 80's sitcom
60. Up to, for short
62. A city on the north coast of Papua New Guinea
63. ___-tourism, which must be good for the planet

DOWN

1. David used one to knock Goliath out (not a stone, the other thing)
2. Aragorn's portrayer
3. Demonic creature from Japanese mythology
4. Collective term for all of the things you shot and killed on a hunt
5. What you do with the fat
6. One of the four moons of Jupiter that Galileo saw after he invented the telescope
7. The ___, a book by Roald Dahl that includes fart jokes and the queen of England
8. Those who have not been ordained
9. "___, does not compute!"
10. Underground, but way down
11. Early networking software (really early)
12. First name of the Spaniard fixated on finding a six-fingered man
13. Poetic preposition
16. Fountain that features in Roman Holiday
21. I was sure this was how Inspector Clouseau's manservant's name was spelt, but I was wrong
24. Cruel and ___ punishment
26. Pokemon who moonlights as a detective
28. Prefix added to "musicology" and "centrism"