The answer to the meta is a seven word phrase suggested by the grid

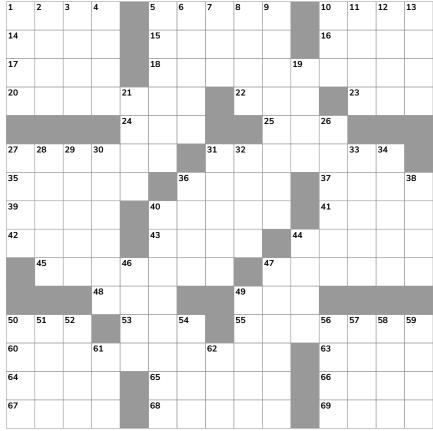
ACROSS

- **1** Person born in Bangkok, perhaps
- 5 Finals round with four teams remaining
- **10** Arcade video game inspired by "Dig Dug" (with "!")
- 14 Part of an HTML page that comes before BODY
- 15 Expel from lodgings
- **16** Accomplishment
- 17 Central Asian sea that is significantly smaller than it once was
- 18 People like Aang (pity he's the last one, though)
- **20** Take ___ (heed)
- 22 Field ration (abbr.)
- 23 French fire
- 24 Second oldest record label in the US
- 25 Back muscle, for short
- 27 Guy Ritchie movie with Brad Pitt as a unintelligible boxer, and a word found in the meta answer
- 31 Strong alcohol
- 35 Scottish waters
- 36 French for "less"
- **37** Bon ___ (witty remarks)
- **39** Suffix that changes the gender of a smurf
- 40 Rag worn to protect one's do
- **41** "If a falls in the forest, does it make a sound?'
- 42 Club used on tees
- 43 Choice between your 5th and 6th plans, perhaps
- 44 Worn away

- 45 One with immense talent (and usually young, too, just to rub it in even more)
- **47** 12th prime minister or Israel, Ehud
- **48** De___ ("why bother?" coffee)
- 49 Video file extension
- **50** "You are a ___ and I am a Samaritan woman. How can vou ask me for a drink?" (John 4:9)
- 53 Change the colour of something
- 55 Main attraction
- 60 "Preach it!"
- **63** Continent comprising 30% of Earth's total land area and 60% of Earth's population
- 64 Conductor in a circuit
- 65 Rechargeable battery
- **66** Telescope component
- 67 Slow-cooked meat dish
- 68 Video camera for active people
- 69 U2 quitarist (with "The")

DOWN

- 1 Not this
- 2 Central character in a 56 down
- 3 "This bath is delightful!"
- 4 Monty Python member, Eric
- 5 What you have to do with this grid to find some of the words in the meta
- 6 Musical set in Argentina
- **7** Soviet space station that crashed to Earth in 2001



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- 8 Long-range weapon (abbr.)
- **9** ___ silver
- 10 Machine with many uses (abbr.)
- 11 Lagoon creator
- 12 Take a risk
- 13 Casual way of saying "Good work today" in Japanese
- 19 Close
- 21 Curved paths
- 26 Yummy Australian treat that can be eaten by nibbling off two opposite corners, using it like a straw with hot coffee, and then slamming it into your mouth before all the chocolate melts (don't knock it until you try it!)
- 27 Did in, as a dragon

- 28 Description of a box 49 Have of spiders without a lid, perhaps
- 29 One who "struts and frets his hour upon the stage
- **30** Rapper Tracy Lynn Curry's stage name
- __ not ___!" (passive-aggressive apology)
- 32 French singer, Edith
- 33 German cake
- 34 Change direction
- **36** Synthesiser pioneer
- 38 Email client folder
- 40 Making godlike
- 44 Hebrew name meaning "God has answered"
- 46 Fathers
- 47 Take too far

- (appropriate emotion in Australia)
- 50 James Bond henchman with some serious orthodontic work, and a word found in the meta answer
- 51 Send out
- 52 "The Curse of the _-Rabbit" (Wallace and Gromit movie)
- 54 Roald Dahl book, '___ Trot"
- 56 Story
- 57 Opposite of 61 down
- **58** Symbol of marriage
- **59** Alleviate
- 61 Opposite of 57 down
- **62** Internet protocol (abbr.)