X Marks the Spot

The answer to the meta is a novel.

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- **1** Possibly, possibly (abbr.)
- 4 Deal (with)
- 8 Ad campaign starring Justin Long, before he started pushing PCs
- 14 2022 Superbowl half-time co-star
- 15 Word often used in Looney **Tunes titles**
- 16 Old Toyota model (or Smashing Pumpkins song)
- **17** A sign for things not to come
- 19 Stays away
- 20 With 37 Across, Star Trek Voyager actor
- 21 Very strong
- 22 Basketballer Lamar or **Baseballer Blue Moon**
- 23 Oklahoma natives
- 27 Indicate
- 30 One kind of exam
- 34 Offensive lineman who is an eligible receiver
- **37** See 20 Across
- **39** A cantillation mark found in wisdom literature (okay, or a bullring cheer)
- 40 Instrument for Israel Kamakawiwo'ole
- 41 Fey/Carell movie
- 43 Dusty Springfield song, _ of a Preacher Man"
- 44 Swamp
- 45 Covered some feet
- 46 Cleaned up
- 48 DeVito vehicle, in more ways than one
- 50 The least bit
- 52 Mr. and Mr.
- 54 Car sticker abbr.
- 58 Goes to
- 61 My job for the last 34 years at four different schools
- 64 Pick
- 66 Audio from a whirring fan or radio static
- 67 Target of a cotton swab cleaning
- 68 Lead-in to potent or present
- 69 Released as the "Family Computer" in Japan in 1983

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- 18 Get-up-and-go 24 Aragorn alias
- **25** Give it ____ (pull)
- 26 "Good heavens, I would never!"
- 28 Likelihood
- 29 Some potatoes
- 31 Civil rights icon, Parks
- 32 Skin soother
- **33** _____ an ear (or a hand)
- 34 Small clump
- 35 "Some assembly required" chain
- 36 Boomers' babes
- 38 Instruction to leave it
- 42 Charged particles

- 49 "Count me in"
- 51 Narrow land strips (and just a really cool word)
- 53 Try
- 55 " __ On You Crazy Diamond" (Pink Floyd song)
- 56 See 57 Down
- 57 With 56 Down, one way to turn back time?
- 58 Got 100% (on a test)
- 59 Those, to a Scot
- 60 Scandinavian goddess
- 62 ____ Kleine Nachtmusik
- 63 G _____ Gaffney
- 65 All of George Strait's live in Texas
- 66 Impress

72 Alf and Mork, e.g.

DOWN

1 Expand upon

71 Viennese Vienna

- 2 BB-8 or K-2S0
- 3 Mobile payment service since 2009
- **4** IOU
- 5 "I do," e.g.
- 6 Exploit

11 Primary

- 7 Always, to a poet
- 8 "A horse horse"
- 9 Part of IMDB
- 10 Mets first baseman, Pete