

Risky Business

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The answer to the meta is a profession

ACROSS

- 1 "Pardon, mademoiselle, but ___ is showing!"
- 6 Military installation
- 10 Russian ruler (in the past)
- 14 Media personality named after Ruth's sister (but with an unintentional misspelling)
- 15 Paella ingredient
- 16 Energy (get-___-and-___)
- 17 ___ must when the Devil drives (but personally, I'd rather not be in that vehicle!)
- 18 "Gimme! Gimme! Gimme! ___ after midnight"
- 19 Beginner's reversal of good fortune (am I allowed to use the occasional cryptic clue?)
- 20 "I just stepped in manure!"
- 21 "Hey, watch where you're going! You ___ be more careful!"
- 23 Spaniard in "The Princess Bride", ___ Montoya
- 24 Perform like Torvill and Dean
- 25 "Oy, hands off! These Teslas ___ of money!"
- 26 Online representation
- 29 Opposite of good in a dualistic universe
- 30 Like Solomon (initially; not so much towards the end when he dabbled with polytheism)
- 31 First name of the poet who wrote "The cow is of the bovine ilk; One end is moo, the other, milk."
- 33 Letter after sigma
- 36 Not the answer to the meta, but definitely a related profession, and a hint to what to focus on in the grid
- 40 75% of 12 months (what's this? another cryptic clue? I vote in favour!)
- 41 Violent weather
- 42 How 31 across described a lama
- 43 The cowboy ___ into town on Friday, stayed three days, and ___ out again on Friday. (ooh, a riddle!)
- 44 Regular earnings
- 46 "I was robbed in the park last night: ___ was snatched!"
- 49 Choices in a manual car
- 51 Like Inspector Clouseau ("But that's a priceless Steinway!" "Not anymore.")
- 52 "Don't you do anything ill-___ - I've got my eye on you!"
- 53 Overhead tennis shot
- 56 "Would you like ___? Or some other beverage, perhaps?"
- 57 How an ocker Australian refers to everyone

DOWN

- 1 ___ of proximal development (distance between what a learner is not currently capable of doing unsupported and what they can do unsupported)
- 2 Infamous sword of crosswords
- 3 What you will need to do before you can drink 56 across or 55 down
- 4 "Excellent" in the 80s

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- 5 Absolutely the best character in the Star Wars universe, ___ Tano (and I will not enter into discussions about this!)
- 6 Actor who played Manny's father on "Modern Family", Benjamin ___
- 7 Singer-songwriter, ___ Mann, whose most recent album was "Queens of the Summer Hotel"
- 8 Reminder of an injury
- 9 Shakespeare's nightfall
- 10 Underground passage
- 11 Go bad
- 12 Nightclub in West Hollywood, Whisky ___
- 13 J. J. Abrams' production company, Bad ___
- 22 Feather accompaniment (in the old West)
- 23 ___ on the cake (attractive but inessential addition)
- 24 ___ and leaf plot (one for maths teachers!)
- 25 Pizzeria fixture
- 26 Australian TV soap, "Home and ___"
- 27 Grape plant, for example
- 28 Continent that crops up in crosswords the most
- 29 Cheese that comes wrapped in red
- 31 "___ is me, T' have seen what I have seen, see what I see!"
- 32 Sound made by 65 across, perhaps
- 33 "Mean Girls" writer, ___ Fey
- 34 Male insect (and also an anagram of NEAR)
- 35 TV series starring America Ferrera in the title role, "___ Betty"
- 37 Of ___ (somewhat)
- 38 Some cos. in Australia
- 39 What the younger generation do things for
- 43 Settled, as a debt
- 44 Mule in "Erie Canal"
- 45 Retort to "Am too!"
- 46 Perfume bottles
- 47 Result of a recon mission, hopefully
- 48 My pet ___: people that take too long to start moving after the traffic light goes green
- 49 Access points for paddocks
- 50 Discharge
- 52 Hopefully the level of this meta, if I've done it right!
- 53 The ___ and the short of it
- 54 How every fairytale starts
- 55 3 down involving hops
- 57 Maternal figure (in Australia, natch!)
- 59 "Yes," said the person speaking in 1 across