### **Risky Business** The answer to the meta is a profession

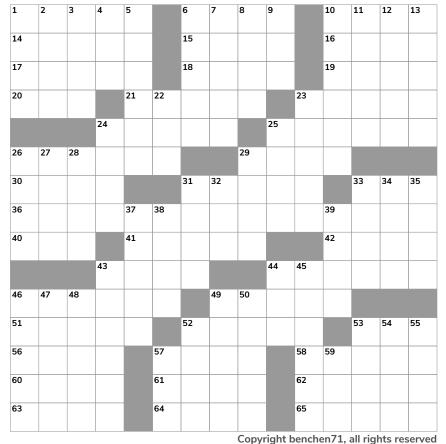
#### ACROSS

- 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
- 58 Opposite of everybody
- 60 Red tab jeans maker
- 61 Employs
- 62 With every \_\_\_\_ of one's being
- 63 Downhill racer
- **64** Groundbreaking graphical adventure game
- **65** Do something risky, like play with \_\_\_\_

#### DOWN

- \_\_\_\_ 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



- 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

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