

Christmas Grieve The meta answers the question: "What can dampen your Christmas?" DrTom

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- 1 It's a fissure man
 6 Guy known for his rapier-like qualities
 10 Initial breathing disease
 14 "He wouldn't ___ ___ fly"
 15 XIX x LIII
 16 43,560 square feet
 17 Rating for a bad movie
 18 Annapolis students, for short
 19 British predecessor to the Uzi
 20 Nickname of Leo Durocher
 22 Lucy's love
 24 Youngest woman ever in the U.S. Cong.
 25 Fitting name for a smart guy
 27 ___ got busted for drunken guiding (How do you think he got that red nose?)
 29 When I lectured my students would ___ ___ my every word (sure they did Tom, sure they did)
 33 The "p" in m.p.g.
 34 Flight data, briefly
 35 Big name in computer games
 37 Bad treatment suffered at the hands of surly Department Store employees
 41 Concerning, initially, in texts
 42 Description for the majority of Holiday Ads/Movies/Parties
 44 Thor or Odin
 45 Disposition of many of the rambunctious kids sitting on Santa's lap
 48 ___ Fein
 49 Plod along
 50 Hit TV show with many spin-offs
 52 Do better than
 54 Tom Sawyer author's real last name
 58 First name of the spy Garbo played
 59 Energy level after a 20 (or 21) K race
 60 Went on a "Christmas Vacation" with cousin Eddie
 62 ___ is late for work because he went to a party and got lost
 66 Slaughter in Cooperstown
 68 Word for online scammers who take your money but never send the gift
 70 One hundredth of a rupee
 71 Tourist destination city in India
 72 Finch food
 73 Worry brought about by wondering if you'll ever get everything done in time for the holidays
 74 Fellow shoppers who steal your parking spot or push ahead of you in line
 75 Blows up the dam thing

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- 1 An IOU, as we recently learned
 2 Deep Purple song that demanded quiet
 3 Johnson from "Laugh-In"
 4 Prison camps
 5 Henner from "Taxi"
 6 Delightful Monday distraction
 7 All fired up
 8 Autumn drink
 9 Sycophant
 10 "___ in cat"
 11 In base 8
 12 Before surgery
 13 Brosnan and Craig's "M"
 21 What you buy if the dealer has no Coke
 23 Something that comes to mind
 26 The brothers from "Fargo"
 28 Sun, e.g.
 29 Chopped
 30 Cutting edge product from Gillette
 31 Washington team, briefly
 32 Kiwi mystery writer Marsh
 36 Per ___ (yearly)
 38 Unfortunately named citrus
 39 Before long
 40 Barely outscore
 43 Inward
 46 Channel where you'd find Fred Astaire. John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara
 47 WWI battle river in Flanders
 49 Bowzer's band
 51 Be bullish
 53 Pull into a motel
 54 Evident
 55 A feature of a unicorn
 56 What we are not supposed to use when commenting on solving a puzzle
 57 Sinful Pitt and Spacey movie
 61 A challenge where you do not mind losing
 63 Approaching
 64 Old sign that meant happy motoring
 65 Miles or dollars per hour, e.g.
 67 Ed.'s request
 69 Mormons, initially