

# PCC#25 "A Fresh Start"

The answer to the meta is a fruit that begins with the letter P

## ACROSS

- 1 Pie-in-the-face sound
- 6 One of the Seven Dwarfs
- 11 Gets through to
- 14 Moon of Jupiter named after one of Zeus's lovers and the mother of the giant Tityos
- 15 Severe or strict in attitude
- 16 Homecoming attendees, for short
- 17 "Leader of the Pack" girl group, with "the" (whose name sounds like perfect places)
- 19 Musical in which Bernadette Peters sings "The Sailor of my Dreams" (whose title sounds like Judi Dench and Maggie Smith working on a meta puzzle together but completely baffled on how to solve it)
- 21 Mosque towers
- 22 Back in high school, I was playing "Never have I ever" with my classmates and someone said, "Never have I ever dropped acid" and I excitedly replied "I've done that before!" (I accidentally dropped a beaker of hydrochloric acid in chem lab before)... everyone looked at me really surprised, not realizing that I didn't understand they were referring to this psychedelic drug
- 25 Go over the numbers again, in a way
- 26 Poisonous "monster" desert lizards
- 28 TV network for cinephiles
- 29 Speech habits unique to an individual

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- 32 On top of Kiss rock star Gene, poetically
- 35 If you have five Granny Smiths and I have four Honeycrisps, what do we have together?
- 37 Lemur of Madagascar also known as a babakoto
- 38 Beats around the bush by rambling about in an unclear way (and anagram of "stapler")
- 42 U.S. Air Force major and women's rights advocate Oleta (whose name sounds like a popular origami bird)
- 43 Prima ballerinas
- 44 Novelist Ken featured in "The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test"
- 45 \_\_\_ one's laurels (coasts along using past achievements to justify being lazy)

- 3 "Viva \_\_\_ Vegas" (Elvis movie and song)
- 4 Feigns insanity, as McMurphy does in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"
- 5 Thinning \_\_\_ (reducing the size of a group by culling)
- 6 Sweethearts
- 7 Skateboarding trick
- 8 Microsoft co-founder with the memoir "Idea Man"
- 9 Humorist Bombeck who wrote "If Life is a Bowl of Cherries, What Am I Doing in the Pits?"
- 10 "\_\_\_ queen!" (phrase used to express enthusiastic support, excitement, or congratulations)
- 12 Wipe clean
- 13 French legislative body that has 348 members (the U.S. one has 100 members)
- 18 Some Mustang models
- 19 "Carpe \_\_\_" (motivational motto that Judi Dench got tattooed on her wrist for her 81st birthday)

- 20 "Snakes" that don't want none unless you got buns, hun, in song
- 21 Actor with the catchphrase "I pity the fool!"
- 23 Anatomical pouches
- 24 "Spring forward, fall back" clock adjustment: Abbr.
- 26 Colombian slang for "rich preppy kids"
- 27 Excuse for not turning in homework or a Kenny Chesney ballad that conveys the deep pain of a breakup
- 29 Company offering online access: Abbr.
- 30 Big \_\_\_ (group of stars in Ursa Major)
- 31 Cry frantically repeated by the White Rabbit in "Alice in Wonderland"
- 33 Spooky
- 34 Save for a \_\_\_ day (feed the piggy bank)
- 35 Just in the \_\_\_ of time
- 36 Concerning, in fancy lawyer talk
- 39 Golfer Ernie nicknamed "The Big Easy"
- 40 \_\_\_ Speedwagon ("Can't Fight This Feeling" band)
- 41 Phishing target, briefly

## DOWN

- 1 Spanish equivalent of "Mrs."
- 2 \_\_\_ de chose (trifling matter)