

Making a State-ment

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ACROSS

- 1 Up to the task
- 5 Medicinal measurement
- 11 When doubled, a dance
- 14 Humble pie
- 15 Iconic hats of noir film
- 16 She/___ pronouns
- 17 Flash of understanding
- 19 Gobble up
- 20 "Be right with you!"
- 21 Actress Suvari of "American Pie," "American Beauty," "American Woman," "American Horror Story," and "American Ninja Warrior"
- 22 BFFs
- 23 ___ screen (lab work that tests for drugs)
- 24 Sleep stage
- 26 Throw a fit
- 28 International celebration of camaraderie (for which Winnie-the-Pooh was named U.N. ambassador in 1997!)
- 33 Vocal range lower than mezzo-soprano
- 36 "J'adore ___" (rhyming perfume)
- 37 What an heir might receive
- 38 Cocktail category made with spirits, citrus juice, and sweetener
- 39 "Glass Onion" director Johnson, whose name isn't spelled with a Y
- 41 Role for Beyoncé in a 2008 music industry biopic
- 42 Rich cakes (now I want dessert!)
- 45 Sound created by the impact of one's middle finger against the thenar eminence
- 47 Not far
- 48 Major corporation
- 51 Clear your mind, as of an unsettling image (looking at cute puppy pictures is one great way!)
- 52 Picked 'do
- 53 Place (down)
- 56 Dueler's unit
- 58 Part of a five-Spice blend?
- 61 Tarot's major or minor set
- 63 Vehicle for a couples' cruise?
- 64 Drill sergeant's command
- 66 Heidelberg "how"
- 67 Epeeist's "get ready!"
- 68 Move, in realtor-speak
- 69 Gramma
- 70 Big name in bottled brews
- 71 Yogi's standing balance pose with one bent knee

DOWN

- 1 Get top marks on an exam
- 2 "We Don't Talk About ___" (chart-topping Lin-Manuel Miranda hit)

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- 3 Titular Dr. Seuss character
- 4 Barnyard baa-ers
- 5 AOC, e.g.
- 6 "Hamilton" star Leslie ___ Jr.
- 7 More than none but less than all
- 8 Large venues
- 9 Rich chocolatey sauce
- 10 Part of i.e.
- 11 One who'd rather enjoy a stroll in the park than an expensive dinner, say
- 12 Recuperate
- 13 Music, theater, and dance
- 15 Passcode alternative
- 18 Deborah of "The King and I" (if you're feeling artsy), or basketball coach Steve (if you're feeling sporty)
- 22 Camping shelter possibly named for its resemblance to a dog house
- 25 Golda ____, first and so-far only female Israeli head of government
- 27 Third word of an American patriotic song, whose melody is blatantly stolen from the UK's national anthem
- 28 Iconic Merv Griffin word-game show, "Wheel of ___"
- 29 Boisterous
- 30 "Sturm und ___," 18th century German art movement
- 31 "Bravo!" (usually followed by "boy" or "girl")
- 32 Vintage
- 33 Italian wine province
- 34 Bird displayed on the Canadian \$1 coin
- 35 Portmanteau for a three-layered poultry dish
- 40 Innocent sort
- 43 Sibilant letter
- 44 First page of an instruction booklet, perhaps
- 46 Satie-Picasso ballet featuring an array of marching circus performers (the costumes are so cool!)
- 49 Cupid shuffles... erm, I mean, corporate shuffles (abbr.)
- 50 Name that drops -an (or adjective that drops -al)
- 53 Kitchen utensil
- 54 "Bob's your ___"
- 55 Chevy SUV offering
- 56 One of 16 on a board
- 57 Prima donna's delivery
- 59 Slap at, as a pesky fly
- 60 Long-eared hopper
- 62 Shopper's amenity
- 64 Bog
- 65 Nutritional amt.