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The answer to the meta is a 4-letter word

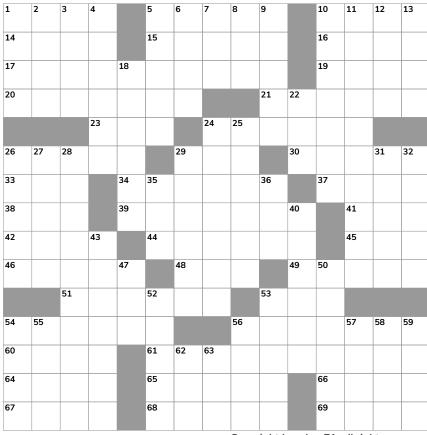
ACROSS

- 1 Step 1: ___ clean
- 5 Jeff Tweedy's band
- 10 Biblical nudist colony?
- 14 "The Queen's
 Gambit" actress,
 ___ Taylor-Joy, who
 was
 single-handedly
 responsible for the
 revival of the Peter
 Pan collar top
- 15 Parisian love
- **16** Heap
- 17 * Plan ships' docking area
- 19 Capri, for one
- 20 Contest submissions
- 21 Type of tones used when the situation is fraught with tension
- 23 RPG that features in the later seasons of "Stranger Things"
- 24 Youngest of the first generation of Titans of Greek myth
- **26** Digital novel
- 29 Spanish uncle
- 30 Suitcase
 attachment (just
 make sure you use
 brightly coloured
 ones so you can
 quickly tell which
 are yours when
 they drop onto the
 luggage carousel!)
- 33 How a judge might be referred to by a serf: "m'___"
- **34** "The Sandman" author, Neil ___
- 37 One of the Great Lakes, the one that sounds slightly spooky
- 38 Three, on a sundial

- 39 Epithet for Nadya Suleman who, with eight newborns, needed a lot of bed linen
- 41 British record label
- 42 "Just give me the precis! In fact, I'm so hard up for time I'm only going to talk in initials!"
- **44** Movie theater
- **45** And so on (abbr.)
- 46 Cultural values
- **48** Ani's racing vehicle (cf. "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace")
- 49 Childish comeback
- **51** Second book in the Bible
- 53 "The Cars that ___ Paris" (1974 Australian horror comedy film directed by Peter Weir)
- **54** Part of a sentence
- 56 Movies enact them
- **60** Jockey's strap (but not a jockstrap)
- 61 * "Pal, untruths go bad"
- **64** One of many in the fire, perhaps
- **65** Humanitarian org. created by JFK
- 66 "American Beauty" actress, ___ Suvari
- 67 Aussie friend
- **68** Sign on a 7 down, perhaps
- **69** Step 2: ___ dry

DOWN

- 1 Walk through water
- 2 Ancient Egyptian official during the late 18th Dynasty of Egypt
- 3 The "S" of GPS
- 4 Stylist's creation



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- 5 Faded away
- 6 Mischief makers
- 7 WC, downunder
- 8 Mongrel
- 9 Prefix for -dox that means "straight"
- 10 Instalment in a serialized story
- 11 * Platter thoroughfare
- 12 Fashion magazine
- **13** Necessity
- 18 ___ biloba (maidenhair tree)
- 22 Place of higher education, in Aussie slang
- 24 Japanese robes
- 25 Wandered around
- 26 Best of the best
- 27 English nursey rhyme, "The House that Jack ___"

- 28 * That guy participated in the public disturbance?
- 29 "The Mikado" setting, where you would presumably see many 24 downs
- 31 "We ___ please!"
- **32** Company with a spokeslizard
- 35 Grammatical case of the direct object (abbr.)
- **36** ___ de plume
- **40** ___ d' (headwaiter)
- 43 1979 song with the lyric "You don't have to wear that dress tonight"
- 47 "Help! The boat is sinking and I desperately need something that will absorb water!"

- 50 Earthquakes
- 52 Fix, as software
- 53 Low-pH compounds
- 54 It's hard to look ___ and proper in a sweatshirt with a built-in cowl
- 55 Daughter of 24 across
- **56** Feature of some skirts
- **57** Get ready, briefly
- **58** "Un-break My Heart" singer, ___ Braxton
- **59** Eminem song featuring English singer Dido
- 62 Employ
- **63** "Ghostbusters" actor, ___ Aykroyd