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That's Messed Up!

The answer to the meta is a 7-letter word

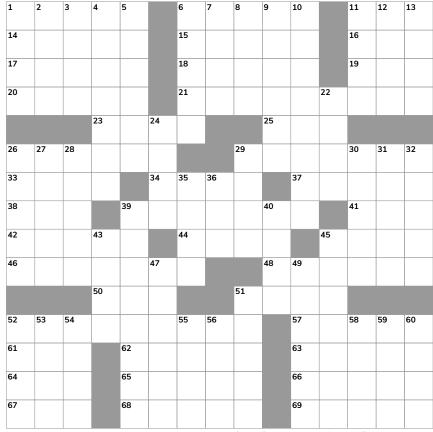
ACROSS

- 1 Improvise
- 6 "What We Do In The Shadows" vampire played by Natasia
- 11 "Milk me!"
- 14 Great writer/director ___ Gerwig
- 15 Deep blue sea
- 16 Inlet or cove
- 17 Wild party
- **18** Mirror reflection
- 19 "Aye" in a voting context
- 20 Greek marketplace
- 21 Introduce one or more electrons to a chemical element, as a process
- 23 "Cats" parts?
- 25 Programming language named after the first computer programmer
- **26** Folk guitarist Leo
- 29 Mr. Incredible's best friend
- 33 Fencer's weapon
- 34 Childish retort
- 37 Notes on the western musical scale with the largest pitch difference between them
- 38 Prefix for -vistic
- 39 Taylor Swift song "I Knew You Were
- **41** Fam member
- 42 ___ K New York (cosmetics)

- 44 Soy-based soup
- **45** "OutRun" arcade racing game company
- **46** Chained monotreme in a zoo, perhaps
- 48 Indifferent attitude
- **50** Mineral spring
- **51** Thus endeth the prayer
- **52** Less for me, please
- **57** Went wrong
- **61** Hammer, anvil, and stirrup locale
- **62** Baddest man in the whole damn town, apparently
- **63** Make yourself scarce
- 64 Sault ___ Marie
- 65 "Fur ___" (Beethoven piece)
- 66 Host the show
- **67** Lucasfilm audio brand
- 68 Methods (abbr.)
- 69 Order the author of "Cloud Cuckoo Land" Anthony ____ to provide you with a subtle hint

DOWN

- 1 City on the Yamuna river with a famous fort and the Taj Mahal (should I have led with that?)
- 2 Pull along
- 3 Plastic that's fun to play with (but not to step on)



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- **4** Perform repeatedly
- 5 Sasha and Malia's dad
- 6 Dark films
- **7** Zenith
- 8 Flat, as a battery
- **9** Bagheera, for example
- 10 Short, amusing story (at least you hope it will be short and amusing!)
- 11 Permission request
- 12 Popular cookie
- 13 Arabian Peninsula Sultinate

- 22 Collectible disk found in some chip packs after 1994
- 24 Drop on a cheek
- 26 "Somewhere Only We Know" band
- 27 Vision-related
- 28 Educate
- 29 Foists, with "off"
- 30 Initial stage
- 31 "Feed me hay!"
- **32** Opinion piece
- **35** NYC gallery
- **36** ___ generis (unique)
- 39 Frogs-to-be
- 40 Good soil
- 43 Peck, for one

- **45** Pasta-making company based in Adelaide, South Australia
- **47** That is to say
- 49 "Keep your eyes
 ___!" (an idiom
 that has always
 given me the
 creeps)
- **51** "I remember now"
- **52** Stack efficiently, as bowls
- **53** Swearing-in words
- **54** Fearsome dino
- **55** "Exodus" author Leon ___
- **56** How much to pay
- 58 Marathon, for one
- 59 Partner of anon
- 60 Source of venison