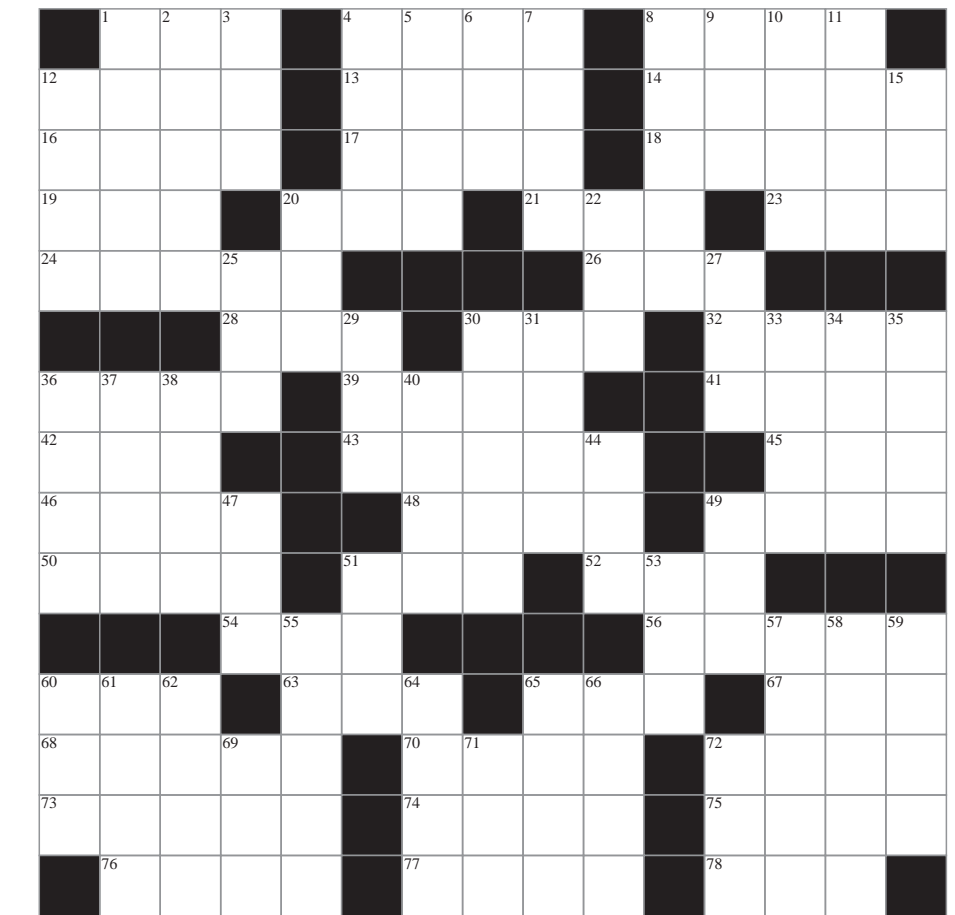


ACROSS

- 1: a run that is the result of the batter's performance
 4: one of the two main branches of orthodox Islam; mainly in Iran
 8: a Marxist-Leninist group that believes Palestinian goals can only be achieved by revolutionary change
 12: common black European thrush
 13: the third pillar of Islam is fasting (primarily during the month of Ramadan); Muslims abstain from food and drink and gambling and all sensuous pleasures from sunrise to sunset during Ramadan
 14: a well that yields or has yielded oil
 16: an ideal instance; a perfect embodiment of a concept
 17: an opening remark intended to secure an advantage for the speaker
 18: an extinct Caucasian language spoken exclusively in Turkey
 19: a woman religious
 20: a widely distributed system consisting of all the cells able to ingest bacteria or colloidal particles etc, except for certain white blood cells
 21: a smart bomb that seeks the laser light reflected off of the target and uses it to correct its descent
 23: of a color at the end of the color spectrum (next to orange); resembling the color of blood or cherries or tomatoes or rubies
 24: being six more than thirty
 26: Greenwich Mean Time updated with leap seconds
 28: an informal debt instrument; representing 'I owe you'
 30: the Pakistan intelligence agency; a powerful and almost autonomous political and military force; has procured nuclear technology and delivery capabilities; has had strong ties with the Taliban and other militant Islamic groups
 32: a port city on the Gulf of ____ that is the capital and largest city of Latvia; formerly a member of the Hanseatic League
 36: freedom from constraint or embarrassment
 39: ancient Greek philosopher who founded the Stoic school (circa 335-263 BC)
 41: any long and difficult trip
 42: (computer science) the part of a computer (a microprocessor chip) that does most of the data processing
 43: large short-tailed lemur of Madagascar having thick silky fur in black and white and fawn
 45: (Judaism) sacred chest where the ancient



- Hebrews kept the two tablets containing the Ten Commandments
 46: East Indian cereal grass whose seed yield a somewhat bitter flour, a staple in the Orient
 48: capital and largest city of the Ukraine; a major manufacturing and transportation center
 49: a federally chartered corporation that purchases mortgages
 50: in or relating to or obtained from urine
 51: a form of entertainment that enacts a story by sound and a sequence of images giving the illusion of continuous movement
 52: an ester of adenosine that is converted to ATP for energy storage
 54: a benevolent aspect of Devi; 'splendor'
 56: an annual award by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for achievements in motion picture production and performance
 60: a graphical recording of the cardiac cycle produced by an electrocardiograph
 63: Canadian hockey player (born 1948)
 65: any of various deciduous pinnate-leaved ornamental or timber trees of the genus Fraxinus
 67: (military) an armored vehicle (usually equipped with caterpillar treads) that is used to transport infantry

- 68: cubes of meat or seafood cooked in hot oil and then dipped in any of various sauces
 70: a British peer ranking below a marquess and above a viscount
 72: (Islam) the man who leads prayers in a mosque; for Shiites an ____ is a recognized authority on Islamic theology and law and a spiritual guide
 73: distinctive and stylish elegance
 74: being two more than sixty
 75: the lean flesh of a fish that is often farmed; can be baked or braised
 76: the sun (or solar disc) which was the deity of a monotheistic cult under the Pharaoh Akhenaten
 77: a sharp high-pitched cry (especially by a dog)
 78: standard time in the 5th time zone west of Greenwich, reckoned at the 75th meridian; used in the eastern United States

DOWN

- 1: brought back
 2: a borough of New York City
 3: an often persistent bodily disorder or disease;

a cause for complaining

4: a rare chronic progressive encephalitis caused by the measles virus and occurring primarily in children and young adults; death usually occurs within three years; characterized by primary measles infection before the age of two years

5: Dutch portrait and genre painter who endowed his portraits with vitality and humor (1580?-1666)

6: a bloody and prolonged operation on the island of ___ Jima in which American marines landed and defeated Japanese defenders (February and March 1945)

7: a hydrocarbon radical that occurs in many organic compounds

8: uncertainty about the truth or factuality or existence of something

9: tell a relatively insignificant lie

10: Celtic deity who was the father of Manawydan; corresponds to Irish Lir

11: a Chinese breed of small short-legged dogs with a long silky coat and broad flat muzzle

12: a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men

15: a paramilitary group of Protestants in Northern Ireland that tries to prevent any political settlement with the Irish Republic; attacks interests of Catholic civilians in Northern Ireland; responsible for arson and bombing and murder

20: the former capital and 2nd largest city of Brazil; chief Brazilian port; famous as a tourist attraction

22: a user interface based on graphics (icons and pictures and menus) instead of text; uses a mouse as well as a keyboard as an input device

25: compete for something; engage in a contest; measure oneself against others

27: a vacuum tube in which a hot cathode emits a beam of electrons that pass through a high voltage anode and are focused or deflected before hitting a phosphorescent screen

29: a type of submachine gun that is designed and manufactured in Israel

30: a branch of the Indo-Iranian family of languages

31: an open skin infection

33: a theocratic Islamic republic in the Middle East in western Asia; ___ was the core of the ancient empire that was known as Persia until 1935; rich in oil

34: a minute life form (especially a disease-causing bacterium); the term is not in technical use

35: a town and port in northwestern Israel in the eastern Mediterranean

36: a very light brown

37: South American armadillo with three bands

of bony plates

38: tall evergreen of Japan and China yielding valuable soft wood

40: water god and god of wisdom; counterpart of the Akkadian Ea

44: any of various coarse shrubby plants of the genus ___ with small greenish flowers; common in moist areas (as coastal salt marshes) of eastern and central North America

47: a hospital unit staffed and equipped to provide intensive care

49: an agency in the General Services Administration that is a security organization to provide a safe environment where Federal agencies can conduct their business

51: make a score (on a hole) equal to ___

53: the syllable naming the first (tonic) note of any major scale in solmization

55: feel sadness

57: any of several plants of the genus ___sia; North and South America

58: one from the other

59: the federal police force of Canada

60: have sexual intercourse with

61: carbonated drink flavored with extract from kola nuts ('dope' is a southernism in the United States)

62: (British usage) mosquito

64: have confidence or faith in

65: fleshy and usually brightly colored cover of some seeds that develops from the ovule stalk and partially or entirely envelopes the seed

66: move stealthily

69: be brought to or as if to the point of death by an intense emotion such as embarrassment, amusement, or shame

71: chop or split with an ax

72: the frozen part of a body of water