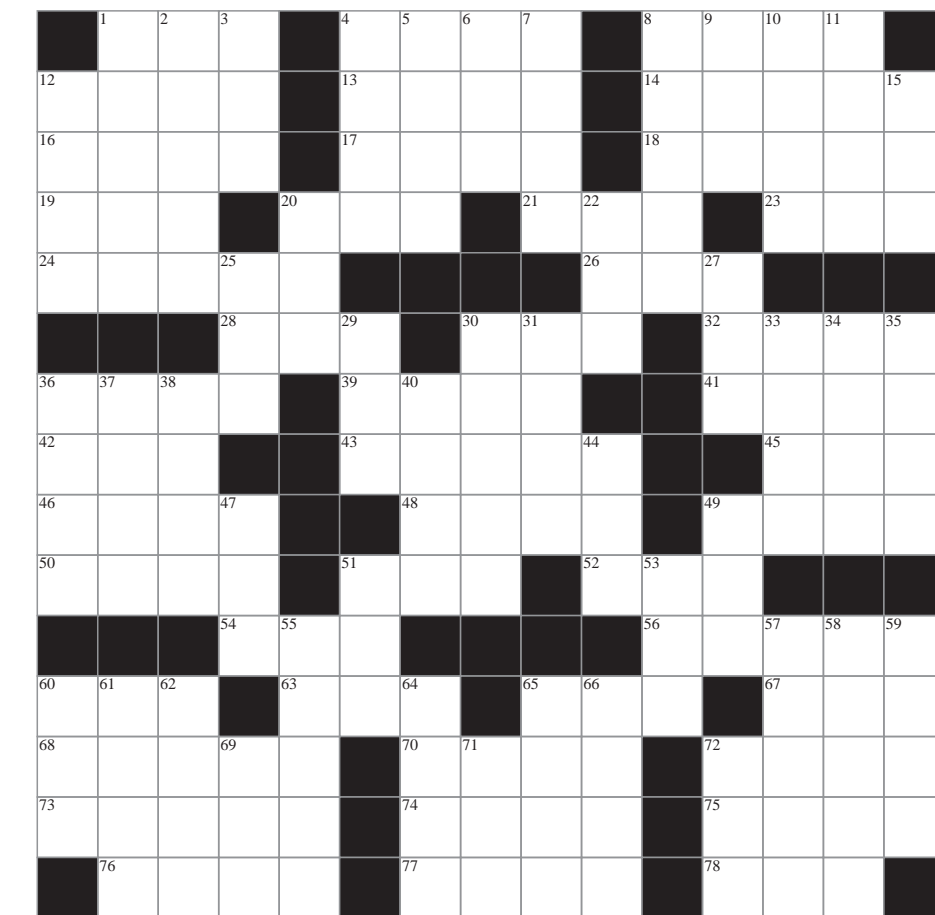


## ACROSS

- 1: a chronic drinker  
 4: piece of solid food for dipping in a liquid  
 8: French author and dramatist who is regarded as the father of modern French literature (1869-1951)  
 12: a neutral middle vowel; occurs in unstressed syllables  
 13: a large round wicker basket (used on farms)  
 14: any plant of the genus \_\_\_\_\_  
 16: (Norse mythology) goddess of old age who defeated Thor in a wrestling match  
 17: an ancient Prakrit language (derived from Sanskrit) that is the scriptural and liturgical language of Theravada Buddhism  
 18: rhubarb  
 19: connect with a \_\_\_\_  
 20: a field covered with grass or herbage and suitable for grazing by livestock  
 21: a magnetic tape recorder for recording (and playing back) TV programs  
 23: an honorary law degree  
 24: with competence; in a competent capable manner  
 26: outside or external  
 28: an explosive device that is improvised  
 30: move in an \_\_\_it  
 32: form a coat over  
 36: to render motionless, as with a fixed stare or by arousing terror or awe  
 39: Hindu mother goddess; supreme power in the universe; wife or embodiment of the female energy of Siva having both beneficent and malevolent forms or aspects  
 41: a set of questions or exercises evaluating skill or knowledge  
 42: your overall circumstances or condition in life (including everything that happens to you)  
 43: walk clumsily  
 45: being six more than fifty  
 46: a sign of something about to happen  
 48: cheese containing a blue mold  
 49: be afraid or scared of; be frightened of  
 50: a cultural unit (an idea or value or pattern of behavior) that is passed from one person to another by non-genetic means (as by imitation)  
 51: the corporate executive responsible for the operations of the firm; reports to a board of directors; may appoint other managers (including a president)  
 52: kidney disease characterized by enlarged kidneys containing many cysts; often leads to kidney failure  
 54: not in operation or operational  
 56: a person excessively concerned about propriety and decorum  
 60: an independent federal agency that



- administers compulsory military service  
 63: profit privately from public office and official business  
 65: a radioactive transuranic element  
 67: horny projecting mouth of a bird  
 68: perennial mountain rice native to Mediterranean region and introduced into North America  
 70: oval reproductive body of a fowl (especially a hen) used as food  
 72: a male monarch or emperor (especially of Russia prior to 1917)  
 73: a long flexible steel coil for dislodging stoppages in curved pipes  
 74: a master's degree in library science  
 75: a floor covering  
 76: make a dull sound  
 77: an independent ruler or chieftain (especially in Africa or Arabia)  
 78: an accountant who has passed certain examinations and met all other statutory and licensing requirements of a United States state to be certified by that state

## DOWN

- 1: (Yiddish) an awkward and stupid person  
 2: young owl  
 3: of or relating to or characteristic of Thailand or its people  
 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: an endorsement  
 6: (computer science) the smallest discrete component of an image or picture on a CRT screen (usually a colored dot)  
 7: a person without employment who makes money by various dubious schemes; goes about smartly dressed and having a good time  
 8: the Babylonian god of fire; often invoked in incantations against sorcery  
 9: antibacterial drug (trade name Nydrazid) used to treat tuberculosis  
 10: fight a \_\_\_\_\_, as over one's honor or a woman  
 11: the twelfth month of the civil year; the sixth month of the ecclesiastical year in the Jewish calendar (in August and September)  
 12: stalk of a moss capsule

15: macular degeneration that is age-related  
20: a strong solution of sodium or potassium hydroxide  
22: nut of any of several trees of the genus *Corylus*  
25: an impudent or insolent rejoinder  
27: a heavy colorless highly toxic liquid used as a solvent to clean electronic components and for dry cleaning and as a fumigant; causes cancer and liver and lung damage  
29: an antiviral drug used to combat HIV infection  
30: a convex molding having a cross section in the form of a quarter of a circle or of an ellipse  
31: correspondence in the sounds of two or more lines (especially final sounds)  
33: a shaft on which a wheel rotates  
34: an alcoholic drink made from the aromatic roots of the \_\_\_ shrub  
35: an independent ruler or chieftain (especially in Africa or Arabia)  
36: take by theft  
37: capital and largest city of Italy; on the Tiber; seat of the Roman Catholic Church; formerly the capital of the Roman Republic and the Roman Empire  
38: an individual instance of a type of symbol  
40: a river in central Europe that arises in northwestern Czechoslovakia and flows northward through Germany to empty into the North Sea  
44: birth  
47: (used as a combining form) recent or new  
49: 32nd President of the United States; elected four times; instituted New Deal to counter the Great Depression and led country during World War II (1882-1945)  
51: the corporate executive having financial authority to make appropriations and authorize expenditures for a firm  
53: the ratio of the distance traveled (in kilometers) to the time spent traveling (in hours)  
55: a long narrow inlet of the sea between steep cliffs; common in Norway  
57: open the zipper of  
58: English aristocrat who was the first wife of Prince Charles; her death in an automobile accident in Paris produced intense national mourning (1961-1997)  
59: a river in northeastern Spain; flows into the Mediterranean  
60: an independent government agency responsible for the Social Security system  
61: make obscene  
62: a sound like a person \_\_\_ing  
64: area around the altar of a church for the clergy and choir; often enclosed by a lattice or railing

65: large sweet juicy hybrid between tangerine and grapefruit having a thick wrinkled skin  
66: a former communist country in eastern Europe and northern Asia; established in 1922; included Russia and 14 other soviet socialist republics (Ukraine and Byelorussia and others); officially dissolved 31 December 1991  
69: the basic unit of money in Moldova  
71: a herd of whales  
72: considerate and solicitous care