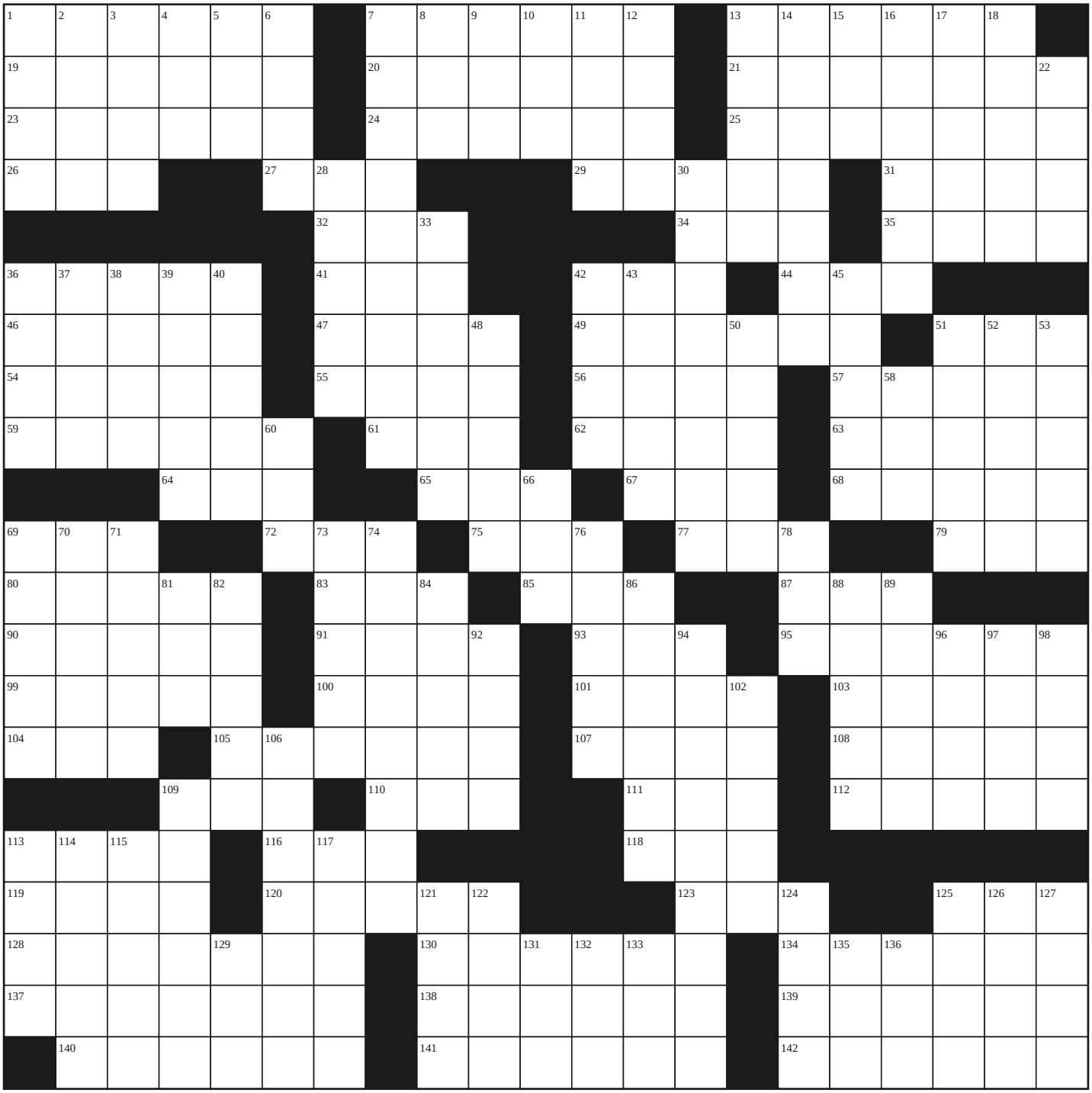
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## Across

**1.** Trick-or-treaters in all black who sneak up the driveway without a sound
**7.** Red-nosed trick-or-treaters flopping along in giant shoes
**13.** Bedsheet-wearing visitors whose whole costume is two eyeholes
**19.** March right up to and demand a word with
**20.** Like a drone's-eye view of your neighborhood
**21.** Dinner tossed to the lions at the zoo (2 wds.)

## Down

**1.** Simba's childhood friend, later his queen
**2.** Little app picture on a tablet screen
**3.** March Madness org.
**4.** Scribble down quickly
**5.** Tree with winged seeds, or what's left of a campfire
**6.** Flower part, or a science-and-math acronym

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## Across

**23.** Feel about homework what most cats feel about bath time
**24.** Saskatchewan's capital, Latin for "queen"
**25.** Girl's name that means "grace," French-style
**26.** Santa ___ winds (warm, dry gusts in Southern California)
**27.** Scuff up, like a brand-new desk
**29.** Fix up, as a class constitution
**31.** Big showstopper for a soprano
**32.** What you leave the pizza driver, or the pointy end of a crayon
**34.** Agency that checks what's really in your cereal: Abbr.
**35.** Sergeant or captain, e.g.
**36.** Lift you give a buddy who can't reach the top bunk
**41.** Shirt you might win at a fun run
**42.** Like the lights after bedtime, hopefully
**44.** Marks on a treasure map, or moves in tic-tac-toe
**46.** Bug, like a sibling asking "Are we there yet?" for the tenth time
**47.** "Ohhh, now it makes sense" (2 wds.)
**49.** Engineless plane that rides the wind
**51.** One of ten wigglers inside your socks
**54.** Get slick, like a windshield in January (2 wds.)
**55.** Stuff a fall farm maze is made of
**56.** Meaty Italian sauce for spaghetti night
**57.** Huskies' school in Storrs
**59.** Smaller, as one of two evils
**61.** Peter Parker's best buddy in Marvel's recent Spider-Man movies
**62.** Emerald Isle, in poems and songs
**63.** Backyard spot for the grill and the lawn chairs
**64.** Monkey who swipes things all over Agrabah
**65.** Puppy, all grown up
**67.** Squeak of fright in a haunted house
**68.** Follow, like footprints in fresh snow
**69.** Lamb's one line
**72.** Report card number that often tops out at 4.0: Abbr.
**75.** Super cool, informally
**77.** Old sonic-boom maker: Abbr.
**79.** Garland at a luau
**80.** Mountains where llamas roam
**83.** Cheer heard at a Greek restaurant
**85.** Long sandwich, or a player off the bench
**87.** Enterprise prefix, on Star Trek
**90.** Blocky default hero of Minecraft
**91.** Give the cold shoulder to
**93.** Grunting baddie in "The Lord of the Rings"
**95.** Keyboard shortcuts that do a bunch of steps at once
**99.** Lion who rules over Narnia
**100.** Company behind Sonic the Hedgehog
**101.** Place to rake leaves in October
**103.** Holder for a school picture
**104.** Harsh chemical in old-time soap making
**105.** Folded breakfast with cheese tucked inside
**107.** Nut in some lip balms and lotions
**108.** Gone, like Halloween candy by November
**109.** Body scan done in a noisy tube, briefly
**110.** Hot temper
**111.** Snow ___ (yard figure with a carrot nose)

## Down

**7.** Keeps going, or makes a big fuss (2 wds.)
**8.** Stan who popped up in so many Marvel movies
**9.** Club or charity, for short
**10.** Nintendo console with a wave-it-around remote
**11.** Grandma who might spoil you rotten
**12.** Door sound when someone storms off
**13.** Impressive, or a thousand bucks
**14.** Chipped-stone tool from the Stone Age (2 wds.)
**15.** Hold the title to
**16.** Frosting smudges on a birthday kid's face
**17.** Small, shiny aquarium fish
**18.** Smooth, shiny fabric for a vampire's cape
**22.** Hardwood for deck furniture
**28.** Spooky room up top where old trunks hide
**30.** Carved likenesses of famous people
**33.** Looked closely, as through a keyhole
**36.** Scoop water out of a leaky boat
**37.** Just one time
**38.** Dollar bills in a piggy bank
**39.** John Philip ___, the March King
**40.** Laid-back, personality-wise (2 wds.)
**42.** Shrek, for one
**43.** Sudden burst of flame
**45.** Blow its top, like a volcano
**48.** "And that's the ___ that!" (2 wds.)
**50.** Dips cookies into milk
**51.** Bottom line on a receipt
**52.** Where hockey games happen (2 wds.)
**53.** Skinny white mushrooms in a bowl of ramen
**58.** Minivan, e.g.
**60.** What the vacuum glides over
**66.** Steam or helium, e.g.
**69.** Forming the bottom layer
**70.** Too wiggly to sit through a long car ride
**71.** Singer of "Hello" and "Rolling in the Deep"
**73.** Crew of buddies, informally
**74.** Point in an orbit farthest from the sun
**76.** Floating markers in a harbor
**78.** Belly, cutely
**81.** Outside-the-ship task for an astronaut, briefly
**82.** Mister, in Madrid
**84.** Big drill for digging fence-post holes
**86.** Big chicken breed with feathery feet
**88.** Locked boxes for valuables
**89.** Leftover bit of paper
**92.** "Big ___" (comic-strip sixth grader)
**94.** Things that go bump in the night, say
**96.** Speed, like miles per hour
**97.** Black cat crossing your path, to the superstitious
**98.** Mail off
**102.** People from LEGO's home country
**106.** Like a tiny kid playing the giant in the school play
**109.** Fill-in-the-blank story that gets sillier with every noun (2 wds.)
**113.** Tree on a desert island

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## Across

**112.** Use up, like birthday money
**113.** Printer's unit, about a sixth of an inch
**116.** ___-cone (rainbow-syrup treat)
**118.** Had a snack
**119.** Got 100 on
**120.** ___ de Mayo
**123.** Greenback's code on a currency chart
**125.** Crop with a gene tweak, briefly
**128.** Girl's name that's often shortened to Lily
**130.** Your character in an online game
**134.** Live-in helper from overseas who watches the kids (2 wds.)
**137.** Girl's name from the Greek word for "honeybee"
**138.** Deep, narrow valley carved by a stream
**139.** Three-base hit
**140.** Trick-or-treaters in cardboard boxes and foil, beeping for candy
**141.** Little green trick-or-treaters with antenna headbands
**142.** Haloed trick-or-treaters who may not be as sweet as they look

## Down

**114.** More slippery, like a sidewalk after sleet
**115.** Big string instrument played sitting down
**117.** Little girls, in Spanish
**121.** Face, in Spanish
**122.** Egg shape
**124.** Numbers for a science fair graph
**125.** Stare open-mouthed
**126.** Place where grain becomes flour
**127.** Rocks that miners dig for metal
**129.** Camera setting for low light
**131.** Video file extension
**132.** Neither a win nor a loss
**133.** ___ Arbor, Michigan
**135.** Tall vase
**136.** Wilbur in "Charlotte's Web," for one

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