

## mini Crostic Puzzle 1291

Then we better make sure we make it an improvement.

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1L   | 2E   |      | 3E   | 4M   |      | 5C   | 6G   |      | 7K  | 8E   | 9G   |      | 10L  | 11M  | 12B  | 13D  | 14I  |      |
| 15B  | 16I  | 17C  | 18L  |      | 19F  | 20L  | 21G  | 22K  | 23C | 24E  | 25D  | ,    |      | 26D  | 27G  |      | 28F  | 29B  |
| 30L  | 31C  | 32E  |      | 33H  | 34F  |      | 35M  | 36B  | 37A | 38I  | 39F  | 40H  | 41D  | 42L  | 43C  |      | 44M  | 45K  |
|      | 46B  | 47J  | 48A  | 49F  | 50L  | 51K  |      | 52H  | 53J | .    |      | 54A  | 55E  | 56G  | 57K  |      | 58K  |      |
| 59F  | 60J  |      | 61L  | 62B  |      | 63C  | 64M  |      | 65M | 66L  |      | 67C  | 68E  | 69H  |      | 70L  | 71G  | 72H  |
| 73A  | 74M  | 75F  |      | 76G  | 77L  | 78E  |      | 79G  | 80A | 81E  | 82B  | 83H  | 84I  | ,    |      | 85B  | 86A  |      |
| 87B  | 88H  | 89L  | 90F  | 91G  |      | 92C  | 93G  |      | 94L | 95D  | 96F  | 97A  | 98H  | 99M  | 100G | 101I | 102C |      |
| 103E | 104L |      | 105D | 106G | 107B | 108E | 109F | 110C |     | 111G | 112I | .    |      | 113A | 114F | 115E |      | 116K |
| 117G | 118M | 119A |      | 120L | 121H | 122C | 123L | 124K |     | 125H | 126J |      | 127K | 128M | 129B | 130G | 131E | .    |
|      | -    | -    |      | 132B | 133M | 134I | 135A | 136L |     | 137F | 138B | 139G | 140D | 141L | 142A | 143E |      |      |

A. Next to the last

97 142 73 80 48 119 135 37 113 54 86

B. The French Lieutenant's Woman

87 12 46 132 29 85 138 36 107 129 82 62 15

C. Significantly increased a risk, investment, or other commitment

102 17 122 92 31 110 43 5 23 63 67

D. Marked by or given to rhetorical elegance

140 41 95 26 105 13 25

E. Broadly, a taboo topic

2 68 108 55 32 131 103 81 78 24 3 8 143 115

F. Folk rock band that took "Ho Hey" to #3 on the Hot 100 in 2012

137 19 39 90 59 96 49 114 75 34 109 28

G. In a position of not receiving attention when others around one are

91 6 130 9 111 106 76 117 27 21 71 56 79 139 100 93

H. David Lindsay-Abaire play that received the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for Drama

83 72 33 125 52 69 88 121 40 98

I. Football defense that often does anything but

38 16 101 134 84 14 112

J. Head, in le Havre

60 47 53 126

K. In a famous nursery rhyme, what the "old man" before he "bumped his head"

127 57 7 22 116 45 58 51 124

L. Florentine politician who wrote *The Prince*

136 61 70 94 104 10 66 18 89 120 77 20 30 50 42 123 141 1

M. The low-cut neckline of a dress

65 64 35 128 99 133 11 44 118 74 4

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