

Across	Entry	Clue Type(s)	Clue	Explanation
6	MARIO	Hidden Word	Plumber part of Tacoma riots	MARIO (Plumber) is hidden inside "Tacoma <u>ri</u> ots"
7	ARCHIVAL	Deletion	Heartless nemesis is museum quality	Without its central letter, archival (nemesis) = ARCHIVAL (museum quality)
9	PONTIFF	Initial Letters	Pope's openings of priories outrage nearby tenants in Florentine farmhouses	PONTIFF (Pope) is spelled by the openings (first letters) of priories <u>ou</u> trage nearby tenants in <u>F</u> lorentine farmhouses
10	EYEBROW	Reversal / Container	Comeback modeled around Queen B's feature (to be penciled in)	Wore (modeled) around Bey (Queen B) reversed (comeback) = EYEBROW (feature to be penciled in)
12	ECHELON	Container	Rank Musk cloaks famous revolutionary	ECHELON (Rank) = Elon (Musk) surrounds Che (famous revolutionary)
13	LET IT GO	Container	"Frozen" songbird trapped in building block	LET IT GO ("Frozen" song) = tit (bird) trapped in Lego (building block)
14	FEMME FATALE	Anagram	Fame left me a wild maneater	"Fame left me a" anagrammed (wild) = FEMME FATALE (maneater)
19	ENGIMAS	Container / Reversal	Familiar, welcoming drink brought back mysteries	Same (familiar) welcoming gin (drink) = (sam)gine all backwards = ENIGMAS (mysteries)
21	HALO TOP	Container	Jump around a whole bunch for low-calorie ice cream brand	Hop (jump) around "a lot" (a whole bunch) = HALO TOP (low-calorie ice cream brand)
23	THRONGS	Container	Sisqo's concerns captivate Republican crowds	Thongs (from Sisqo's "Thong Song") grabs an extra R (Republican) = THRONGS (crowds)
25	REWARDS	Reversal / Charades	Sliding compartment retracts with small perks	Drawer (sliding compartment) is reversed and gains an S (small) = REWARDS (perks)
26	SENORITA	Hidden Word	Mexican woman tucked into immense nori taco	SENORITA (Mexican woman) is hidden in the phrase "immense <u>nori</u> taco"
27	ELTON	Container	John's British school absorbs loss	ELTON (John) = Eton (British school) takes in an L (loss)
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1	IRON CHEF	Charades	Certain culinary battle: me, Howard, Charlie, and Hugh, briefly	IRON CHEF (certain culinary battle) = I (me) + Ron (Howard) + C (Charlie, in the NATO alphabet) + Hef (Hugh, briefly)
2	SOCIAL	Container	Party of one in greater LA area	SOCIAL (party) = I (one) in SO CAL (greater LA area)
3	FAT FINGERS	Anagram	Bad restaffing is a common reason for typos	"Restaffing" anagramme (bad) = FAT FINGERS (a common reason for typos)
4	ACME	Anagram	Top came undone	ACME (top) = "came" anagrammed (undone)
5	CARROT	Substitution	"Temptation Island" bird gets head transplant	CARROT (temptation) = parrot (island bird) with the first letter (head) changed (transplanted)
6	MUPPET	Hidden Word / Reversal	Animal, for one, is back inside doorstep pumpkin	MUPPET (Animal, for one) is found backwards inside "door <u>st</u> ep <u>pump</u> kin"
8	INERTIA	Anagram	I retain unusual laziness	"I retain" anagrammed (unusual) = INERTIA (laziness)
11	WOOD	Double Definition	Elijah is stud material	Double definition
13	LEATHER BAR	Anagram	The Barrel: a naughty, niche gay club	"The Barrel a" anagrammed (naughty) = LEATHER BAR (niche gay club)
15	MEMENTO	Anagram	Acrobatic men, to me, are a souvenir	Anagrammed (acrobatic) "men to me" = MEMENTO (souvenir)
16	ENTIRETY	Container	Whole thing found concerning	ENTIRETY (whole) = entity (thing) that found (contains) re (concerning)
17	FELT	Double Definition	Handled fabric	Double definition
18	OPTS IN	Anagram	Joins breaking points	OPTS IN (joins) = anagrammed (breaking) "points"
20	ISRAEL	Hidden Word / Reversal	Jordan's neighbor is back in clear sight	ISRAEL (Jordan's neighbor) is found backwards in the phrase "clear <u>sigh</u> t"
22	LOWKEY	Homophone	Sounds like trickster god is quiet	Loki (trickster god) sounds like LOWKEY (quiet)
24	SKIT	Initial Letters	Sketch starts to seem kinda iffy though	SKIT (sketch) is spelled by the starts to (first letters of) " <u>s</u> ee <u>m</u> <u>k</u> inda <u>i</u> ffy <u>t</u> hough"