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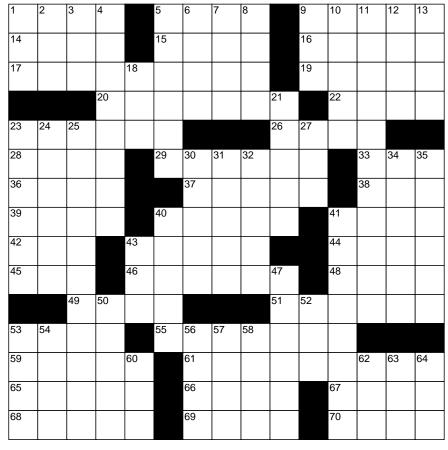
## **ACROSS**

- 1 Playfully tap on the nose
- 5 Hindu Mr.
- 9 Step after lather
- **14** Throw a ball for a strike, say
- **15** Intl. price-setting group
- 16 Fake
- 17 Like helium and carbon dioxide
- 19 Object of wishful thinking?
- 20 Sealed with a knot
- 22 Symbols of Egyptian royalty
- 23 Was known as
- 26 Instrument that Hermes made from a tortoise shell and reeds, in myth
- 28 Sunburn soother
- 29 "I haven't the foggiest"
- **33** Secrecy-enforcing contract, for short
- 36 Get into it
- 37 Indication of correctness in Wordle
- **38** Let it all out, in a way
- 39 "Steamed \_\_\_\_,"
   classic
   "Simpsons"
   sketch
- **40** You might entertain them
- **41** Eponym of a popular vodka brand
- **42** "Cancel" on a keyboard
- **43** Recharge, so to speak
- 44 Did in
- **45** Classic "Simpsons" sound

- 46 Second social media account for posting private jokes and such, informally
- **48** Like father, like son
- 49 Plains people
- **51** Big batteries
- **53** A well-known Stone
- 55 Golf ball features
- **59** Alternating current pioneer
- 61 Following 17-,
  37-, 40- and
  43-Across, end of
  a properly formed
  yet 11-Down
  sentence by
  25-Down
  demonstrating the
  distinction
  between syntax
  and semantics
- 65 Beseeched
- 66 One guilty of disorderly conduct?
- 67 Smoothie seed
- **68** Parental authority
- 69 Parents, to kids
- 70 Edible seaweed

## **DOWN**

- 1 Airer of many David Attenborough documentaries
- 2 On vacation, in work calendar shorthand
- 3 Hooter
- 4 They're up to no good
- 5 Number two of six for Henry VIII
- 6 Imitated
- 7 Spanish smooch
- 8 Bay Area sch.
- **9** D&D or WoW, e.g.



- 10 This is how rumors get started
- 11 Meaningless
- 12 Quick cut
- 13 What ":" might represent in a text
- **18** Kid
- 21 Chimney vents
- 23 Past one's prime, with "up"
- 24 Westernmost city in Texas
- 25 So-named "father of modern linguistics"
- **27** Ache
- 30 Nash who called the rhinoceros "prepoceros"
- 31 Plains people
- 32 Vaulted
- **34** "You've got my attention"
- 35 Dwellings
- **40** "OK, so that's not exactly true"

- **41** Doomscrolling, e.g.
- 43 West Coast hub for United47 Unrehearsed
- lines
  50 " From the
- Crypt," HBO horror anthology
- **52** Big boss, informally
- 53 Midflight stats
- 54 Butte, but bigger
- 56 On the off chance that happens
- 57 Chew on
- 58 Nudge
- 60 Ruckus
- **62** "\_\_\_ Drives Me Crazy" (1989 #1 hit)
- 63 Teeny-weeny
- 64 Talk, talk, talk