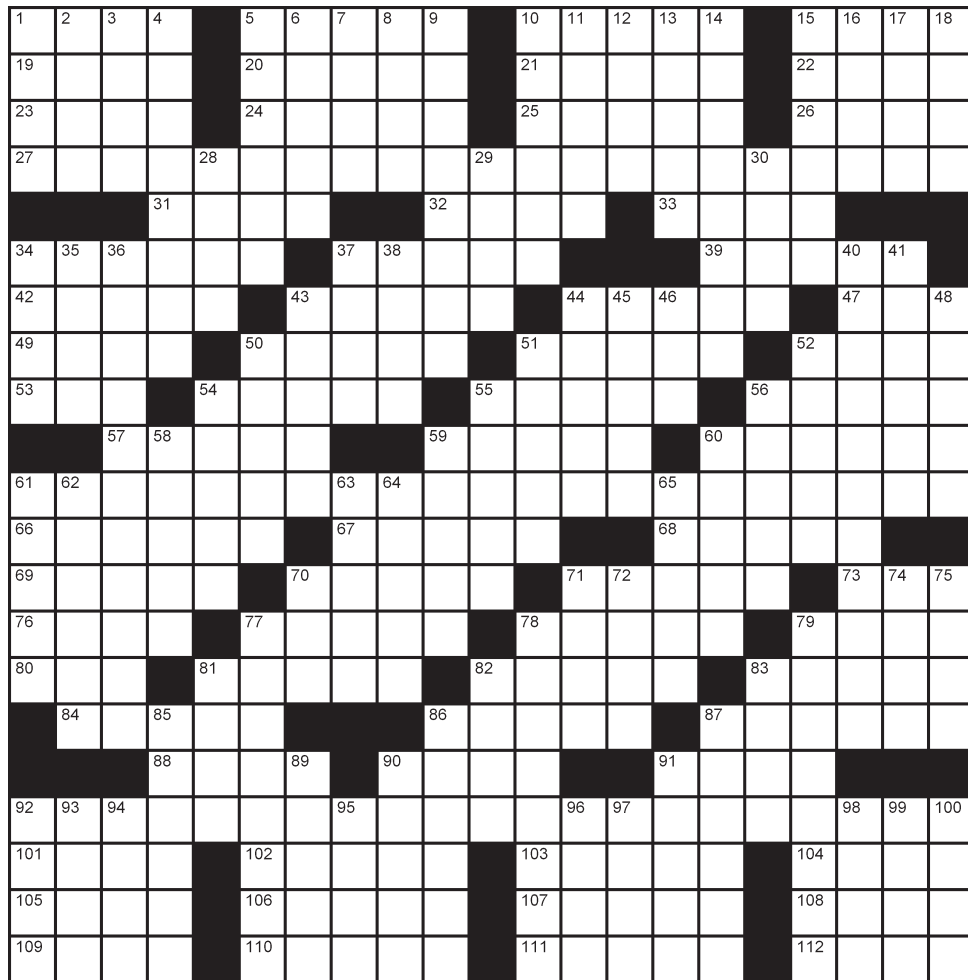




# THEME CROSSWORD

## HEAR ME OUT

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### ACROSS

1. Numbers for crunching
5. Dabchick, a bird
10. Layered rock
15. Chooses
19. Soviet composer -- Khachaturian
20. Noble gas
21. Epithet
22. Hindu deity
23. Old Italian money
24. Writer of verse
25. Raines and Fitzgerald
26. Esker
27. Start of a quip by Stephen Fry: 5 wds.
31. Roebuck
32. All-night dance party
33. Wife of Geraint
34. More moist
37. Seedlike body
39. "Waiting for Lefty" playwright
42. Starts
43. Gloss
44. English county
47. -- and haw
49. Low hill
50. Sharp
51. Saved supply
52. Traffic barrier
53. Mere show
54. Suffering
55. Actor Wilson and others
56. The March King
57. Tropical fruit
59. Make expiation
60. Betrayed by Delilah
61. Part 2 of quip: 5 wds.
66. Knob
67. Did a lawn care job
68. Stone mound
69. Borden's cow
70. Impostor
71. Book-jacket quote
73. JFK's predecessor
76. Little bit
77. Kept
78. Fruit box
79. Asterisk
80. Had a bite
81. Dossier's contents
82. Smoothie relative
83. -- Hopkins University
84. Undermine
86. Move effortlessly
87. Hollywood boulevard
88. Path
90. Crooked
91. Twinge
92. End of the quip: 4 wds.
101. Secular
102. Step
103. What's popular
104. Salty drop
105. Shore bird
106. Fit for service
107. Old weapon of war
108. River in Ireland
109. Status quo --
110. Warsaw residents
111. Church officer
112. Jockeyed

### DOWN

1. Mustachioed artist Salvador --
2. Desertlike
3. Cocoyam
4. Served with almonds
5. Agriculturist
6. Kind of gun
7. Redact
8. Pear variety
9. Seat ceremonially
10. Arm
11. Actress -- Berry
12. "-- was I ..."
13. Permission
14. "Hamlet" setting
15. Imitation gold
16. El --
17. Agent: Hyph.
18. Wrap for a rani
28. Pipe fittings
29. Unladen weight
30. Incidental

34. Marquez the Explorer
35. Larger-than-life
36. UK Parliament
37. Eschew
38. Unfortunate thing
40. Fractional parts
41. Electric eye
43. "Now go!"
44. Office worker of old
45. Term of endearment
46. Taxing agcy.
48. Signified
50. Playing marble
51. Claymore
52. Likely winner
54. Bracelet site
55. Lustrine animal
56. Indian honorific
58. Actress -- MacDowell
59. Invited
60. Gaze
61. Art motif
62. Rock salt
63. Motored
64. Atelier item
65. Horny plate
70. Game show host -- Sajak

71. Nail
72. Tarn
74. Certain European
75. Formerly, formerly
77. Comes from behind: 2 wds.
78. Pepper
79. Tunesmith
81. Graven image
82. Unkempt fellow
83. Time of year
85. Delphic shrine
86. Casts a fierce look
87. Smoothing tool
89. Likewise
90. Nimble
91. Juan -- de Leon
92. Gymnast -- Korbut
93. Creature of myth
94. At full --
95. Get exactly right
96. River in Russia
97. Look after
98. Architect -- Saarinen
99. Settle
100. Unchain

### Solution to last week's puzzle

