

# Making the Worst of Things

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## ACROSS

1. Prego competitor
5. Church music provider
10. Angel's circlet
14. Gets older
15. Jack, to some card players
16. Not humid
17. Outrageous assault on a parent?
19. Requirement
20. Heroine of a Samuel Richardson novel
21. Give \_\_\_ take
23. Rigorous
24. Young female ne'er-do-well?
30. Picture
32. Table at the front of a church
33. Plentiful and disgusting royal offspring?
38. "It comes \_\_\_ surprise"
39. Free, as a drainpipe
40. Enter gradually
42. Polo shirt brand
43. Area given over to slimy gastropods?
47. Some conifers
49. Husbands of English countesses
50. Irreparable damage resulting from organized games?
52. Santa's helpers
57. IRS employee, often
58. Idle
59. Long story
62. Outrageous assault on a bereaved woman?
66. Effluvium
67. Complete
68. Trudge
69. Love too much
70. Ejects
71. Dupes

## DOWN

1. Highway entrance roads
2. Have \_\_\_\_\_ (try)

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| 3. "Am I understood?" colloquially           | 25. Grocery chain   | 45. Motorists' org.                          |
| 4. Seat-finding theater employee             | 26. VCR button  | 46. Abbreviation on discounted clothing tags |
| 5. Soup vegetable                            | 27. On the ocean  | 48. Auto lubricant brand                     |
| 6. O.R. workers                              | 28. Crazy   | 51. Tended                                   |
| 7. Guy's female counterpart                  | 29. Lying face downwards  | 53. Walks haltingly                          |
| 8. Actress Gardner's palindromic first name  | 31. Emails, texts, smoke signals, notes in bottles, etc., abbr. | 54. "Tada!"                                  |
| 9. Himalayan country                         | 33. Clever sayings  | 55. Prevent, legally                         |
| 10. Grip symbolizing friendship or agreement | 34. Open, as a jacket   | 56. Plant beginnings                         |
| 11. "You ___ the one!"                       | 35. Ad prefix suggesting cheapness                              | 58. Nocturnal hooting birds                  |
| 12. Utter an untruth                         | 36. Geriatrician's services                                     | 59. Landscape roll                           |
| 13. Strange                                  | 37. Dudley Do-Right's girlfriend, or Dickens's "little" heroine | 60. Fuss                                     |
| 18. Weather phenomenon with a Spanish name   | 41. Good things to have   | 61. Understood                               |
| 22. Intelligence org.                        | 44. Computer brand  | 63. Note acknowledging indebtedness          |
| 24. Fissure                                  |   | 64. Alcoholic's withdrawal symptoms, abbr.   |
|  |   | 65. Breakfast morsel                         |