

Across

- 1 Cut short
- 5 Booted, maybe
- 9 Limey or swabbie
- 14 One taken back
- 15 Costa Rican motto: La ___ vida
- 16 Iditarod power source
- 17 Yellow cab competitor
- 18 Cut short
- 19 Relaxes
- 20 Act that may be judged involuntary
- 23 Fortify
- 24 Snuggle in
- 27 Creaky and windy old mansion, unreasonably
- 32 Travel again to Kabul, for some
- 35 Enjoys a wee bit of Scotch
- 36 Hatchet
- 37 Undercover name of Aragorn, heir of Isildur
- 41 Corp.'s stock market ID
- 42 Type of horse not to be examined closely
- 44 Sherpa Tenzing Norgay and others
- 46 Basketball team's best
- 50 Binaural output
- 51 "Oh my gosh!"
- 55 Author whose best-known work is hinted at by answers to 20-, 27- and 46-Across

- 59 Crashes (out)
- 62 Nemesis
- 63 Iditarod destination
- 64 Tarry in expectation
- 65 Summit
- 66 A taste of Scotch
- 67 Richard Dawkins's selfish replicators
- 68 A negative asset
- 69 Backtalk

Down

- 1 Cookie remnant
- 2 Concrete skeleton?
- 3 ___ can of worms
- 4 Boxster automaker of Stuttgart
- 5 Animal rights org.
- 6 Television and movie subscription service
- 7 Not a copy: Abbr.
- 8 Virginal nymph who frustrated love-struck Apollo
- 9 Interjection of exasperation
- 10 Earliest Shakespeare manuscripts
- 11 ___ Eisenhower (on the water)
- 12 Eisenhower on a collectible button
- 13 Start to function?
- 21 Some are "of faith"
- 22 "Ideas worth spreading" talk

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- 25 ___ Rainer, first actress to win multiple Oscars
- 26 Awards named for cable sports network
- 28 Highest; best: Abbr.
- 29 Negative conjunction
- 30 Binding
- 31 Salinger's "For ___--with Love and Squalor"
- 32 Old tee shirts, repurposed
- 33 Leaves
- 34 Trim a steak, perhaps
- 38 Slangy "certainly"
- 39 Glottal start?
- 40 "Grim, ungainly, ghastly, gaunt, and ominous bird of yore"
- 43 One who may read *Hamlet* in Klingon
- 45 The Holy Grail and the Wandering Jew, for two
- 47 Protected funds
- 48 Hair or hand extension?
- 49 Tepid endorsement
- 52 Greek town square and phobia source
- 53 *The Count of Monte Cristo* author
- 54 Originates (from)
- 56 High-tech toke
- 57 Second of two best options
- 58 What might be said when a first option fails
- 59 Second of two evasive maneuvers
- 60 To hold a negative asset
- 61 Type of flatbread with a Persian name: Var.