

THE WORST NOELS Brendan Emmett Quigley

ACROSS

- 1. Sexual companion
- 4. Loosens up
- 9. Not quite closed
- 13. Praiseful poem
- 14. Purple hue
- 15. Offer, as a riddle
- 16. Tea drinker's carol?
- 19. Golden State Warriors coach Steve
- 20. Critter in a farm
- 21. Like uncomfortable silences
- 22. Arctic explorer Shackleton
- 24. Act quickly
- 25. Easy-to-answer question
- 26. Super Bowl impossibility
- 28. Got ready to drive
- 29. Begins enthusiastically
- 32. Beezus, to Ramona
- 33. Cannibal's carol?
- 36. "Hadn't thought of that one"

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- 37. Boring movie
- 38. Metropolitan areas, for short
- 40. "Feliz Navidad / Prospero ___ y felicidad"
- 41. MMA fight locales
- 45. Mason's tool
- 47. Deeply religious
- 48. "Hells yes"
- 49. Telemark, e.g.
- 51. Coin with Mozart on it
- 52. Thrill seeker's carol?
- 55. Google alternative to Evernote
- 56. Becomes blunt
- 57. Barely make (out)
- 58. Fucks up big time
- 59. Follows to the letter

DOWN

- 1. Pretty subdued
- 2. Follow closely
- 3. Aches (for)
- 4. "Cake Boss" channel
- 5. Part of a drum kit that has a clutch
- 6. "The History Boys" playwright Bennett
- 7. "Hold it!"
- 8. Bot. or bio.
- 9. Exam that might get you college credit
- 10. Composer of the NBA on NBC theme
- 11. "In my opinion ..."

- 12. Forwards, as an email
- 17. Au courant
- 18. ___-Flo (liquid starch brand)
- 23. Ruins, as a reputation
- 24. Big name in ketchup
- 26. Mortise mate
- 27. Infantile comeback
- 30. Easily bribed
- 31. Flower girl, often
- 33. Grieving figure
- 34. Pooh's "pooh"
- 35. Like images of false gods
- 36. Blu-ray extra
- 39. Wins all the games
- 42. Overcharged like crazy

- 43. "Now I've got it!"
- 44. Put in the cloud
- 46. Coeur d'Alene-to-Helena dir.
- 47. How nightclubs are lit
- 49. Leave off the nominations
- 50. Leafy vegetable high in Vitamin K
- 53. Words said before a reception
- 54. Manger animal