

## Holmes

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Early <u>LATE</u> Dead

Stop <u>s I A M I s</u> qots

Product 600 D Evil

Low (H) G H Delirium

Vault (S) <u>F</u> <u>E</u> Endangerec

**TAOH2** 

LONG

YEARN EMPT(Y) Full

Command H(E)A D Tail

Survive  $\underline{L}(A)$  First

Poor RICH Fatty

Topple <u>D</u> <u>O</u> <u>W</u>(N) Up

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Plunder

MOriarty





## Oprah



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- 4th letter of 2nd answer word
  - Praiseful poem
- The Marx Brothers were
- 3rd letter of 2nd answer word
  - Harpo's "eccentric" trait
  - How to cook something
- And letter of And answer word
  - Not cooked
  - Low pH liquid
- 1st letter of 2nd answer word
  - Concern





- Beguiled (2 words)
- 1st letter of 1st answer word
- How to address Oprah in Occitanie
- 2nd letter of 1st answer word
- Slang term for diamonds
- How to get back heist object
- 3rd letter of 1st answer word
- Oprah looks good on this
- 4th letter of 1st answer word





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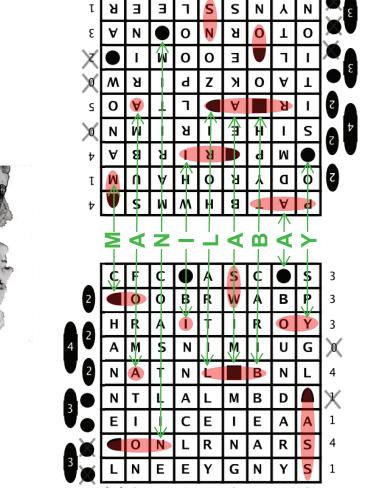




## Nelson

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**27.** Cut, e.g. off a head

27. Catcher

garment district

**26.** What they do in the

**26.** Sci-fi flick: Children of

25. Weasley and Sexsmith

24. Star's last hurrah

cream

24. How much egg in an egg **22.** Uganda river (2 words) current Broadway musical **22.** Fox animated film turned

## Robert Moses

These two crosswords have the same grid but different words. Which clues goes with which grid?

## Across:

- disease Tree subject to a Dutch
- 4. Volcanic discharge 4. New York Giant Mel
- 7. Heat up 7. Library activity

**9.** Opera House activity

9. Not nah

- (2 words) 11. Sicilian volcano 11. Demanding
- **13.** Prefix for a nonet 13. Chocolate's bean
- **14.** Peeper **14.** Salad for a sandwich

**15.** 2nd word of answer

**15.** 1st word of answer

ring of fire A 19.  $^{1}$ 17. Bench in a church 17. Nocturnal bird \_ into a burning

19. Mid-day repast

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- - **5.** See (3 words) 4. Feedbag morsel **4.** "Yes" vote trequency (2 words)
    - **6.** Miniscule 6. Suspend **5.** Once every three years
  - 8. Leg joint **8.** Fashion's Christian
- 10. The Gilded
- 10. Sea witch
- "Hazed" comic writer Mark **12.** Weasel relative or

# Down:

- 1. Zenith
- Tonight Show's Jay 1. "Layla" Clapton
- 3. Macho
- 2. In the near future
- 3. It might have 440 Hz

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concern... 18. "To \_\_ 20. Mad Ave award

**18.** Biblical first son of Seth

it may

17. Possess daughter

17. Skillet

**16.** Not nearby 12. Unspoken

16. Father's mother's

- 20. Subway route
- 21. Endure
- 23. # of years in a decade 23. Lumber mill fixture

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### **JA93N**

JIAS	Boat feature	///	Fish features	FINS
STI <b>A</b> W	Delays	<u>-//-</u> -/	Pain cause	STING
QUIT	Shut down	—/ <b>= =/</b> — <b>= =/</b> — <b>= —</b> —	Clean up	TIDY
TOO <b>b</b>	Repeating sound		Vanishing sound	POOF
<b>BISEN</b>	Resurrected	/=/= = =/= =/= =	Thor, e.g.	<b>AESIR</b>
<b>N</b> M3S	Stitched	= <u> </u>	Long time	AGES

### INDIA NEPAL (1ST BIGGER THAN SECOND)

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## Meta

What does "head to head" mean? If the "head" of a word is its beginning, then "head to head" of, for example, "never understand" could be "under-" + TO + "ne-" = UNDERTONE.

At the end of many historical confrontations, only one person...

R E M A I N E D

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

EPIC MEAL => EPI TO ME

MANILA BAY => MANI TO BA

URBAN DECAY => DE TO UR (This one is reversed from the puzzle answer)

INDIA NEPAL => IN TO NE



## Stanley

Finding some words in the grid, how hard can it be?

One letter in each found word is flipped upside down. That's the letter to extract for the final answer. Note, the upright unused letters in the grid spell out "IN EACH WORD ONE LETTER DIFFERS SOMEHOW" in one orientation, and "CONSIDER ORIENTATIONS" in the other.

SOLVE LOPSYTURY CYRALD TOPSYTURY TOP





VANTAGE



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