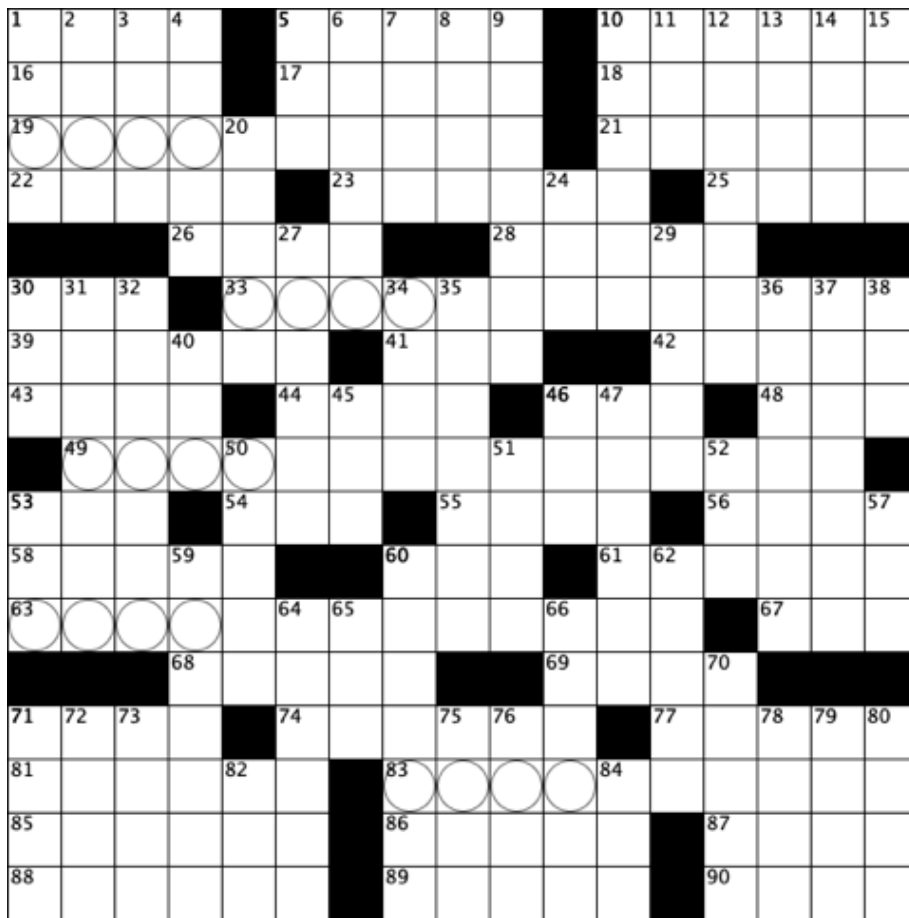


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Celebrate — or bemoan — the unofficial end of summer with this “word ladder” puzzle.
Short and sweet, so you can get on with a fun and meaningful weekend!



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ACROSS

1 "Bye-bye," to a Brit
5 Budget-friendly prefix, in brand names
10 Swapped
16 Miners' materials
17 Classical column style
18 Muhammed's Mecca-to-Medina flight
19 Museum displays
21 Achieve something by merit
22 Drive-in chain featuring carhops
23 Soda fountain orders
25 Sicilian volcano
26 Where parishioners sit
28 Measuring device
30 Seventh Greek letter
33 Hearty dinner option
39 Gunned
41 Writer Fleming or McEwan
42 "I give up!"
43 Grenoble gal pal
44 Clark of the Daily Planet
46 Consumed
48 Long stretch of time
49 Some commuters' conveniences
53 Kind of instinct
54 Hush-hush org.
55 Sign of things to come
56 '80s-90s German leader Helmut
58 Cropped up
60 Govt. agency that aids entrepreneurs
61 "Frozen" studio
63 Protest in vain, idiomatically
67 Chicago-to-Pittsburgh dir.
84 President pro ___

68 Love to pieces
69 Part of I.O.C.
71 ___-à-porter: ready-to-wear
74 Lindbergh or the Red Baron, e.g.
77 What newcomers learn, with "the"
81 Pieces of the past
83 Where many go after Labor Day — and where you'll go if you read the puzzle's circled letters lower right to upper left
85 Indignant denial
86 Cosmetician Lauder
87 "The Time Machine" race
88 Dazed and confused, perhaps
89 Unit of heat energy
90 Sabbath "activity"

DOWN

1 A.A.A. requests
2 Suffix with buck
3 Fork-tailed sea bird
4 Invite to enter
5 Tokyo, before 1868
6 Strongbox
7 Like some vaccines
8 Actor Robert De ___
9 Common umbrella shape
10 Major British tabloid
11 Stephen of "V for Vendetta"
12 Mutually approve
13 By ___ of: due to
14 Activist Brockovich
15 Numerical information
20 It can follow land or sea
24 ___ chi (martial art)

27 Grey Goose and Stoli, say
29 "Oliver Twist" food
30 Timeline section
31 Deep-fried Japanese food
32 Lindbergh or the Red Baron, e.g.
34 Bighearted
35 Pennsylvania town where Arnold Palmer and Rolling Rock beer were born
36 Manicurist's solvent
37 Wades through loudly
38 What half the letters of "twenty" spell
40 Part of KJV: abbr.
45 "Bambi" aunt
46 Sports drink suffix
47 Muscle-bone connector
50 Work with dough
51 Muslim leader
52 Gives the go-ahead
53 Go on and on
57 Harsh cleaner
59 Rink activity
60 Frozen dessert
62 101 course
64 Warm and cozy
65 Cycle starter?
66 Pig, cutely
70 Bring down
71 Goody two-shoes
72 Back section
73 Patron saint of sailors
75 Reduce to a pulp
76 Section of *un opéra*
78 Flag holder
79 Cupid, to the Greeks
80 "SNL" segment
82 Machinery part

