

**“BEFORE TEA” BY LAURA EFFINGER-DEAN & CHRISTINA IVERSON**

**ACROSS**

- 1 Humidifier output
- 6 Ratio phrase
- 10 Dweeb
- 14 Hubbubs
- 18 Angry
- 19 Twosome
- 20 Fencing implement
- 21 Dark beer
- 22 Give orders, even while dreaming?
- 25 Muse of poetry
- 26 Tolkien creature
- 27 Contributes
- 28 Swiss chocolatier
- 29 Light beer
- 30 Tanning bed fixtures
- 33 Stripped (of)
- 35 Bauxite, e.g.
- 36 “Don’t lose hope!”
- 38 Mining engineer who became president in 1929
- 40 Maine college town
- 42 Request from one robot to another in “Futurama”?
- 44 In the center of
- 47 List unit
- 48 Flit
- 49 Update, as charts
- 53 Vintage ski lift
- 54 Davis of “Grumpy Old Men”
- 56 2022 World Cup city
- 58 “Dune” director Villeneuve
- 60 Ancient character
- 61 Small battery
- 63 Target of some bark beetles
- 65 Gets there in no time?
- 67 Rapper will. \_\_\_
- 70 One who starts a fight over the last crustacean at a seafood buffet?
- 74 “Hip Hop Is Dead” rapper
- 75 Episodic option in some games
- 77 Feel crummy
- 78 Bobs and weaves
- 80 Put on board
- 81 Colleague of Sonia and Ketanji

- 83 Latch (onto)
- 86 Like Wiccans and Druids
- 90 Domain
- 91 Diploma word
- 93 Monogram pt.
- 95 Humorist Barry
- 96 Not as harsh
- 99 Decorations for a “Bob the Builder” birthday cake?
- 102 Via ship, e.g.
- 104 Brewpub handle
- 105 Large grinders
- 106 Polite title
- 108 Face up to
- 110 Found loathsome
- 111 Poet who wrote, “The worst enemy to creativity is self-doubt”
- 113 \_\_\_-Roman
- 114 Darling
- 116 Narrow inlet
- 119 Chateau-dotted valley
- 120 “Oh, you’re not acting so brave now, are you!”?

- 124 Word with circle and tube
- 125 Capri, for one
- 126 Voting no
- 127 Pizza slice, say
- 128 Charge (with)
- 129 Really, really overcook
- 130 Deli array
- 131 Introductory course

**DOWN**

- 1 Hard-to-describe feeling
- 2 “East of Eden” brother
- 3 Old incarnations
- 4 Extra NFL periods
- 5 Outdoor gear giant
- 6 Old Apple devices
- 7 Beachfront property?
- 8 Links
- 9 RN workplaces
- 10 Came through
- 11 First act
- 12 Swamp grasses
- 13 Didn’t stray from
- 14 Razor brand

- 15 Maintain forest health with a planned fire?
- 16 Word with space and planet
- 17 Put away for later
- 21 Rarely
- 23 Was out briefly
- 24 Thin shard
- 31 Iron deficiency
- 32 Fall flower, for short
- 33 Pentagon org.
- 34 “Mrs. America” political cause, briefly
- 36 Advertising award
- 37 Red \_\_\_: spicy candies
- 38 Protagonist
- 39 Available, in a way
- 41 Drag racer’s fuel, briefly
- 43 Awful
- 45 Sleigh driver
- 46 Lock of hair
- 50 “Enter Sandman” band
- 51 Fresh
- 52 Caplet

- 55 “Gentle, gentle”
- 57 Jungfrau, e.g.
- 59 Germ
- 62 Sighed line
- 64 Many an exec
- 66 Hold (up)
- 67 Quran faith
- 68 Breakout gaming company
- 69 Illustrative tools in a neuroscience lab?
- 71 Wallpaper unit
- 72 Inking
- 73 Fix unlawfully
- 76 Hide-and-seek word
- 79 Prepare to ride, in a way
- 82 Ghostery, for one
- 84 Cleaning up the mess, say
- 85 Audio jack abbr.
- 87 Cate Blanchett’s “The Lord of the Rings” role
- 88 Declare
- 89 “Queer Eye” expert Jonathan Van \_\_\_

- 92 Prior to today, poetically
- 94 “The Savages” filmmaker Jenkins
- 97 Artist known for optical illusions
- 98 \_\_\_ Speedwagon
- 100 Hairy Addams cousin
- 101 “\_\_\_ so fast!”
- 103 Old English
- 104 Ring of color
- 106 Go 50-50 on
- 107 Massey of old films
- 109 College newbie
- 110 Sister’s attire
- 112 Long haul
- 114 Thoroughly cooked
- 115 “¿Cómo \_\_\_ usted?”
- 117 Ancient Cuzco dweller
- 118 Like much cheddar
- 121 Hawaiian-style pizza topping
- 122 Record collector’s collection
- 123 Carnival maker

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