

The X Factor - October 13, 2017 by Olivia Mitra Framke / Edited by Brad Wilber

ACROSS

- 1. Fades
- 5. Down in the mouth
- 9. Rough guess
- 13. Codgers
- 15. Rhyme scheme in a so-called "Rubáiyát stanza"
- 16. Celestial peacock
- 17. Think alike
- 18. Wonder-ous rejection?
- 20. Skedaddled
- 21. Lotus-_____
- 23. Grandiloquent chronicles
- 24. Horrifying bagel accompaniment?
- 26. Shakespeare's Ariel, for one
- 27. Fruit-filled German loaf
- 28. Crested bird-feeder visitor
- 29. Cause of a tan line, perhaps
- 30. Hardly any
- 31. Clothe oneself in
- 32. Narrow cut
- 33. Cereal that comes with a guarantee?
- 37. Dole (out)
- 38. Chillax
- 39. Yet, briefly
- 40. Bailout PC key
- 41. "___ who?"
- 42. Base for some French toast
- 46. SALT subject
- 48. What military higher-ups pay the IRS?
- 49. When the "Toreador Song" is heard in "Carmen"
- 50. Crinkly fabric
- 51. Laura Bush's alma mater, briefly
- 52. Some slot-machine pop-ups?
- 54. Readily comprehensible
- 56. Land of Blarney

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- 57. Nativity-scene gift-bearers
- 58. Shopworn
- 59. Slew
- 60. Mgr.'s underling
- 61. Photo blowups: Abbr.

- 9. Get onto one's fork, say
- 10. Concrete
- 11. Amelia Earhart or Beryl Markham, e.g.
- 12. Prime vantage point at the theater
- 14. Tiny sprouter
- 19. Road-trip guessing game
- 22. Lake Michigan herring
- 25. Oscar nominee Woodard
- 26. What some errant drivers have to get out of
- 28. One of the Hardy Boys or the Jonas Brothers
- 31. Snide remark
- 32. Waves away
- 33. 1978 R&B album whose title rhymes with the name of its highest-charting hit

- 34. "... you know the rest"
- 35. Tasseled topper
- 36. Sculpts
- 37. Poses a threat to
- 41. Paint-can instruction
- 42. Focus of many May negotiations
- 43. Diagnostic image, for short
- 44. "Return of the Jedi" Saturn Award winner
- 45. Radiates
- 47. Brought into being
- 48. Naval coolers
- 50. No.-crunching pros
- 53. Peruvian songbird
- 55. Pac-12 athlete

DOWN

- 1. Last-minute birthday recognitions, maybe
- 2. Hepburn co-star in "The African Queen"
- 3. Malay Archipelago island
- 4. Chateau ___ Michelle (American winery)
- 5. "Beauty and the Beast" antagonist
- 6. Milkweed secretion
- 7. Company known for using "surge pricing"
- 8. Dallas hoopster, for short