

Hot Boxes

Across

- 1 Faux declaration of innocence
- 4 Gillian Flynn novel _____ *Girl*
- 8 _____ Lama
- 13 Slip-_____ (laceless shoes)
- 14 Toe the line
- 15 'A winter bleak and dark and _____ of hope' (*Groundhog Day*)
- 16 Sometime *Guardian* partner _____ *Spiegel*
- 17 'What _____ is new?'
- 18 'One should _____ in order to please the palate, but just to keep the body going' (Gandhi)
- 19 How one UN Security Council member refers to another
- 21 Playground rejoinder to 'am not'
- 22 Psychological trick that plays with your mind
- 25 Fail to mention
- 26 Jovial descriptor of one alone at the altar
- 27 Most common Premier League score
- 29 Nosy parker
- 30 'The painted _____ go up and down' (Joni Mitchell)
- 31 UK govt. org. running gov.uk
- 32 '80s hair lightener enjoying a revival, and what the circled cells have
- 33 Ken Hom's Mu _____ Pork
- 36 Don't feed them!
- 38 Player for LA's basketball team
- 40 Breakfast sometimes spelled with a 'ü'
- 41 Word before 'network' or 'security'
- 42 Officialese abbrev. alongside 'Card.', 'Belf.' and 'Edin.'
- 43 Strong and sturdy; steadfast and stout
- 45 'As _____ eggs is eggs'
- 47 Not one

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- 49 Maori greeting used as the name of a fruit drink
- 50 Ken with a tickling stick
- 51 Infamous Amin
- 52 Make an ass of you and me, they say
- 53 Operatic song such as *La donna è mobile*
- 54 Gist, or a very short pencil
- 55 Less pretentious way of saying 'ambrosial'
- 56 Contradict
- 57 'You have reached your destination' initials

Down

- 1 Word following 'Sleep' or 'Depeche'
- 2 Proportion of the Irish tricolour that's white
- 3 Knesset members, e.g.
- 4 Fails
- 5 To compel – or to do as a favour
- 6 Stacey's best friend in *Gavin & Stacey*

- 7 Unappetising potato feature
- 8 Quaint term of affection
- 9 Hunter and Apollo's twin
- 10 Dhal ingredient
- 11 What Sherlock says the game is
- 12 'Give _____ me straight!'
- 15 Name shared by comics Arthur and Aisling
- 20 London gallery currently offering 'Surrealism and Lunch' for £48
- 23 Like an after-hours romantic stroll
- 24 Olympian whose name now includes 'Hill'
- 26 Alternative to GIF
- 28 Angela Merkel's one
- 30 Tugs
- 32 Palindromic ABBA hit
- 33 Word before 'board' or 'the line'
- 34 Prepared in the microwave, say
- 35 Address often starting 'www'

- 36 Deliberately stop listening to
- 37 Soviet WW2 force
- 38 It's one week after Easter
- 39 'Superfood' berry whose name is 75% vowels
- 40 Moss or marsh; mire or muddle
- 41 Sneakily entered (e.g. someone's DMs)
- 42 Mirabel and Isabela's superhuman sister (*Encanto*)
- 44 Word between 'let us' and 'him' in a carol
- 45 32-card game whose name sounds like a word meaning 'shoo!'
- 46 'Please enclose an _____'
- 48 'I called first _____!'
- 50 Paul, to Stella