

Puzzle 361 – Freestyle 323

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Across

- 1 Hold 'em alternative
- 10 Fair, but not great
- 15 Reviewed intensely
- 16 Mistress in Madrid
- 17 Ska movement starting in the early 1980s
- 18 Have some further issues with?
- 19 "We don't make compromises. We make ____." (old auto slogan)
- 20 Fresh from the beginning?
- 21 Informal party occasion
- 22 ____ Knowles, fashion-designer mother of Beyoncé
- 23 Pentax product, for short
- 24 Letter-shaped joint reinforcer
- 26 Like many prescriptions
- 27 See 4-Down
- 28 One surprising one's parents, say
- 29 New York City contemporary music collective

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- 31 Rare winter phenomenon
- 33 "Guess we're finished"
- 34 Dix + dix + dix
- 35 Party invitation letters
- 36 Emoticon mouths, commonly
- 40 Like some air freshener scents
- 41 "The Sentinel" network
- 42 Victim of overconfidence in a classic tale
- 43 It may come after the fall
- 44 Nana ____ (old comic-strip mother)
- 45 Bobby who "shared the secrets of my soul" in a 1971 hit
- 46 Thrust equipment
- 48 Future, whatever it holds
- 50 Fitting concern
- 51 Dispenses with inhibitions
- 52 Betray irritation, in a way
- 53 Put in place

Down

- 1 Concludes that one will
- 2 Material often used for doll wigs
- 3 She sang with Nicki and Jessie on the 2014 hit "Bang Bang"
- 4 With 27-Across, Keurig K-Cup option
- 5 Does a simple operation
- 6 Request for clarification
- 7 Winner of 8 majors from 1984-1990
- 8 Raider's technique, often
- 9 It's moved from the forehead into the mouth without using one's hands, in a viral challenge
- 10 It's used after it's burned, for short
- 11 City on the Arkansas R.
- 12 1942 Oscar-winning Disney animated short featuring "helpful" Pluto
- 13 Like a scrap
- 14 "Big River" role
- 23 Big name in tools

- 24 Stretching increases it
- 25 Rose, e.g.
- 29 Goes head-to-head with?
- 30 Motto in Big Sky Country
- 31 Title location of a 1935 Marx Brothers film
- 32 Old phone parts
- 33 Enter en masse
- 34 Kind of omelet
- 36 Sound that cannot be produced during sleep
- 37 Persist violently
- 38 Bit of iron work?
- 39 Gave money
- 44 Misty Mountains creatures
- 45 Land whose name is an anagram of a world capital
- 47 Stifling order
- 49 System that, contrary to popular belief, Ben Franklin did not propose: Abbr.