Guest Puzzle #36 – July 2011 "Connect the Dots"
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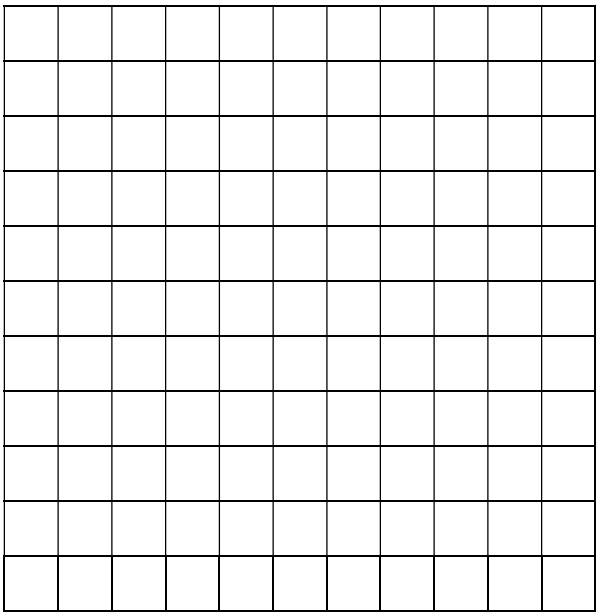
Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to ten letters, and seven are capitalized) then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues, starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right continue on the next row, and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Five across words and five down words won't fit in the grid unless three of their letters are replaced by an appropriate symbol. Another five across words and five down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those ten letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell a familiar, but incomplete, name. The title of the puzzle suggests how to complete it.



Across

1. Excessively fond of taking time in achieving
2. Flying mammals attempt comeback
3. Leave mark for dramatic mystery character
4. Rangy fish following group
5. Lust indecently for lewd woman
6. Eve, for one, touches a rare apple
7. State restraining old city's growth
8. Constituent levee breaks, covering most of city in ruin
9. Big cat gutted in row
10. Priestly actor leads in play
11. Sprout bears small fruit
12. Beverage containing oxygen as a laxative
13. Plunderer returned to get new equipment
14. Name of Creole native
15. Attraction of rule breaking
16. Money gets left for copper's last beat
17. Little Harlem takes on a composer
18. Quiet impulse to get really clean
19. Starting the red/yellow test
20. Tennis pro from club organization
21. Vacuous loony lacking one iota of sense
22. Suffer from hunger when harvest fails after Henry leaves
23. Nest in tree providing shade
24. Mineral deposit treated to remove sulfur and add earth
25. Incident-based "can-do" tale concocted

Down

1. Senility has two periods
2. Official inspector and thief wasting time
3. Second, plain ineffective anesthetic
4. Sparsely scattered barley
5. Put a bit of light in color to give a feeling of excitement
6. Rod's acne erupted
7. Foreign broad initially taken for film star
8. Good material having a smooth surface
9. The Spanish hero dancing in Punjabi city
10. Cannabis troubles overwhelmed cafe
11. Molten rock covers rare insect form
12. I don't eat poisoned medicine
13. Pressing to have article in silver made up
14. Fellow endlessly approaches Ms Gardner with fruit
15. Priestess is interminably active in breaks
16. Funeral slab made of tempered steel
17. Carthaginian takes peseta for shirt part of garment
18. Stuffs innards with a bit of lard
19. Chinese princess and tutor at odds
20. After 60 minutes one of us will get a beautiful girl
21. Cornmeal mush splattered on plate
22. Bird and otter led in activity
23. Prepare to turn left instead of right