

Puzzle #156 — May 2014 "Come to Your Senses"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to seven letters, and five 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. Why the title? Thanks to Kevin Wald for test-solving and editing this puzzle.

Across

- Note in writing gives assurance
- Omit cover between ends
- Day off Wednesday frolicking in country
- Feed cat mixture without a bug
- Garment ripped off
- American Repertory Theatre production, for instance
- Announcement of king's game
- Question after fluid is found in container
- State of alluvia initially found in deposit
- Don't eat blubber covering head of salmon
- Essentially putting fuel to work
- Fool a shortstop
- Each breakup is a pain
- Eager to set a trend
- Rene's withering expression of contempt
- Calm stock exchange day
- Humble majority around Delaware
- Likewise in rural societies
- A device to lift all, finally, at any time
- Iron-containing pigment found in Ephemera
- Dupe swaps \$1000 for part; that's a drag
- Travel bareback around island
- Spoke about cubic root
- Teller of tales has bird going back
- One in tree is up in a losing position

Down

- Bird drops 500 meters in China to get nut
- Outstanding street singer's range
- Force opening of secret lock
- Easygoing author left quietly
- Class of accommodation having an upholstered couch
- Coward embraces victor in fictional work
- Demetrius has joined
- Comedy without the essence of art is effrontery
- I was first to go around an eatery
- One half-buck image
- Thin curve
- Grab a seat with a bottom
- Hydrogen in an excited state disappears after a while
- Cut part of mold is red
- A hideaway in Pine Street
- 50 in change given up for second flower
- Escorted a queen of Sparta
- Potassium minerals are found in part of Asia
- One who injures a mule is beaten with rod
- Core men replacing Republican in question
- Dad initiated break in trend
- Salem's brew
- A small number started canning jelly
- In a deft move to become resistant
- Papa's left a small bag for a jeweled brooch