

Puzzle # 84 – May 2008 "X"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from three to ten letters; three of them are capitalized and one is foreign), 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. Find a hyphenated word related to the title of the puzzle hidden in the correctly completed grid, and expect a curve ball of another kind at a certain point but don't cross that bridge until you get to it.

Across

1. East Orange's most prominent family
2. Play host to 1100 in noisy Tripoli
3. A right to punish in secret
4. Dance got started after small victory
5. Angry about end of meat supply
6. Let go of transparency
7. Pooh came back with the sound of a cold
8. Pass carrying a hot chunk of fuel
9. That French train doesn't start
10. Perfect voice
11. Initially churlish, ill-mannered, and unrefined
12. Support it with promissory notes having favorable conditions
13. Stroked evenly with tip of club
14. Resolve to have base for work measure
15. Faculty keeps up with head of school in a state of uncertainty
16. Final form
17. Class is all about fiber
18. Not having much of anything
19. Potter makes right one pileous
20. Party ran ticket with strong man
21. New topics in the physics of light
22. Talked jargon with no end of bull
23. High cheer for opening
24. Finish rewrite about a nag

Down

1. Pictures Ben's follower as a king
2. Writer started getting hell for end of song
3. Sea bird's speed
4. Getting dirty without face getting greasy
5. Hooker with love for cards
6. Arrange time and place
7. Make a point of dishonesty
8. Provide cover or stop talking
9. Leave filming session unfinished
10. In story, Penny is second to fall back
11. Putrefaction begins in old food item
12. Broad in scope and deceptively plausible, when error is initially absent
13. Write more, including detail
14. Animal with a large, really ugly snout up front
15. Endless Irish rainbow
16. Knight uttered oath out loud for entertainment
17. Infamous spy and Argentine personality
18. Lack number for date in document
19. State regulated milk suppliers
20. Royal emissary started to entertain lavishly
21. Lyon is questionably unique
22. Started summer getaway with a view of the ocean
23. Turned up flaws of little importance