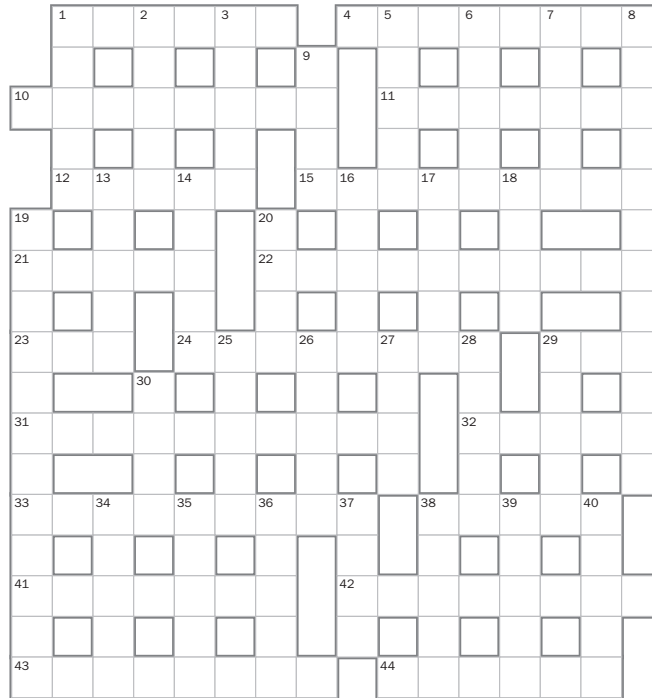


Surface Dive



The unclued entry at **24-ACROSS** is a two-word phrase. Six other uniquely similar phrases are also in the grid, split into 12 entries. The clues for those 12 entries share the same difference: The definitions are intact, but for the wordplay you have to dive into the **24-ACROSS**.

ACROSS

- 1. Pick pocket, hide out with scammers (6)
- 4. Romantic rendezvous with intimate, married, and very tall Middle Eastern native (4,4)
- 10. Trusted Consumer Reports on marijuana product (8)
- 11. Nemo's diet is whisky rich and veggie deficient (7)
- 12. It protects you from April 1 ... almost (5)
- 15. Political division with Barcelona when covert outfit acquires a toehold? (9)
- 21. At Camp Runsamok, slashers enter without invitation (5)
- 22. Life Saver makes molar rotten (5,5)
- 23. Snow I plowed over the hill (3)
- 24. *See instructions*
- 29. Town's mayor runs campaign (3)
- 31. Some hits (*Diner*, *Rent*) screened by lodges (4,6)
- 32. Sick child's vaccine ills concerning the nation (5)

- 33. Yes, that will come out of noisy semis in need of repair! (9)
- 38. Emmy winner Woodard's outside, refusing to be backed by Southern Company (5)
- 41. Dock salary amount to deprive undergrad (7)
- 42. "WHACK!" TV's Batman declared victory (8)
- 43. Deserves fighting words? (8)
- 44. Aimless corpse acting mad ... oh no! A zombie (6)

DOWN

- 1. "Round About" is CD's opener on independent record label (5)
- 2. Blog for the Dissenters' League (5)
- 3. Red, often trendy for a woody home (5)
- 5. One that has spot with University of Massachusetts! (5)
- 6. Certain shocker is overwhelming ... like *The Stand*? (5)
- 7. The Greatest Space Invader (5)
- 8. For a gig, this is one-in-a-thousand: front of house at joint skirting sea in Ibiza, serving both royal and commoner? (6,6)
- 9. Hammer Corporation retains soldier of fortune (4)
- 13. Brought back internet connection, when cleared of university's network of crossed lines? (5)

- 14. Yellow mixed with orange and brown could become burden if the orange sinks (5)
- 16. Speakeasy hidden in Chicago Goodwill (1-2-2)
- 17. Put right at noon? (5)
- 18. Just, utopian world? Nay (4)
- 19. Classmate knocked over cool owl shelf (12)
- 20. Passage sung in key (4)
- 25. Court vacating jury's decision for opera legend (5)
- 26. No, I have no solution for "an Oscar winner who played James Bond *and* Dracula *and* The Phantom?" (5)
- 27. Serving for two at La Taquería del Orador? (4)
- 28. You're there when Los Angeles County's around! (5)
- 29. Pass I bounced to one who wants the basketball? (5)
- 30. The skinny continent awaits (4)
- 34. Wrongdoer spending Sunday with secret (5)
- 35. God of Judaism's period of mourning (5)
- 36. Is obliged to be a little thoughtful (5)
- 37. Loot bag (4)
- 38. Exuberant paean in breathless state (5)
- 39. Start to follow maudlin guide (5)
- 40. Downs may be found here in deep somnambulism (5)

