

# Chit-Chat

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- 1. Bridges, Brummell or Geste
- 5. "Ah, me!"
- 9. Reconnaissance, for short
- 14. Track figures
- 15. Long, for short
- 16. Alcohol that sounds like a girl's name
- 17. Arch type
- 18. Mideast VIP
- 19. In attendance
- 20. Chit-chat, e.g.
- 23. Top secret?
- 24. Bit
- 25. In a winsome way
- 27. Learn by heart
- 32. A head
- 33. UN workers grp.
- 34. Fishhook line
- 36. Tend to
- 39. Kind of sandwich
- 41. Lively duple-time dance
- 43. Alien crafts
- 44. Bar, at the bar?
- 46. Allowed
- 48. "Wheel of Fortune" buy
- 49. Story-telling dance
- 51. Menacing
- 53. Like an Oreo cookie, e.g.
- 56. French vineyard
- 57. British defense grp.
- 58. Chit-chat, e.g.
- 64. Hungry
- 66. Achy

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- 67. Kind of prize
  - 68. Chinese zodiac critter
  - 69. Appraiser, of sorts
  - 70. Notions holder
  - 71. Filled
  - 72. Certain House votes
  - 73. Alliance acronym
- Down**
- 1. Chucklehead
  - 2. Advantage
  - 3. Yemeni gulf
  - 4. Comfortable with
  - 5. Changing for the better
  - 6. Like some excuses
  - 7. x, y or z
  - 8. Begets
  - 9. Place of privacy
  - 10. Biblical suffix
  - 11. Chit-chat, e.g.
  - 12. Russian saint
  - 13. Mournful poem
  - 21. Crew's control?
  - 22. Blow away, in a way
  - 26. Hosiery shade
  - 27. Some PC operators?
  - 28. Annexes
  - 29. Chit-chat, say
  - 30. Ardor
  - 31. Perry of fashion
  - 35. Centers of activity
  - 37. Choice, e.g.
  - 38. Despot of old
  - 40. Ring event
  - 42. Penny \_\_\_\_\_
  - 45. Trudged
  - 47. Radial, e.g.
  - 50. DiFranco of song
  - 52. Unexpected
  - 53. Tie up, as a turkey
  - 54. Bet opener?
  - 55. German industrial hub
  - 59. Georgetown athlete
  - 60. Deuce topper
  - 61. Like 24A
  - 62. Beat badly
  - 63. Small combo
  - 65. Make do