

It's Never Easy

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- 1. Antarctic sea
- 5. Hoover Dam's lake
- 9. Skewered entree (var.)
- 14. Crude group?
- 15. Advocate
- 16. Accustom
- 17. Poi tuber
- 18. Den denizen, e.g.
- 19. Holes in the head?
- 20. Provocative
- 23. Meadow mom, for one
- 24. Scale note & homonym for 23A
- 25. Most irritated
- 27. Like some medicinal doses
- 33. Type of loser?
- 34. Astound
- 35. Seedy joints
- 37. Tricky pool shot
- 40. Reddish-brown gem
- 42. Problematical
- 44. Fine & dandy
- 45. Abnormally active
- 47. Library device
- 49. Kind of pie
- 50. Ballet move
- 52. Slender stogie
- 54. Everest experts
- 57. 007's doctor foe
- 58. Formal wear, informally
- 59. Excessive, i.e.
- 66. Protein acid
- 68. Western wolf
- 69. Drudgery
- 70. Dead duck, e.g.
- 71. Ore find

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- 72. Anagram for one's rear
 - 73. Cereal killer
 - 74. Current event?
 - 75. Breathing problem
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- 1. Military prep org.
 - 2. Brightly colored food fish
 - 3. Antitoxins
 - 4. Reprimands
 - 5. Stubborn beast
 - 6. Celtic land
 - 7. All excited
 - 8. Casual attire
 - 9. Regal realm
 - 10. A California Santa?
 - 11. Onerous

- 12. Two-toned treats
- 13. Assail
- 21. Vibrant, e.g.
- 22. Apprehend
- 26. Type of race
- 27. Greenbacks, e.g.
- 28. Not in
- 29. Mystifying
- 30. Eye shade?
- 31. All fired up
- 32. Go over
- 36. Botanical bristle
- 38. Essence
- 39. Icelandic epic
- 41. 23A is one
- 43. Appetite, in a way
- 46. Affinity
- 48. Sari wearer

- 51. Something to shoot for?
- 53. Stagger
- 54. Oater transport
- 55. Funny business, i.e.
- 56. Crack
- 60. Worked the soil
- 61. Bibliographical abbr.
- 62. Scrawny
- 63. Bit
- 64. Glass lab container
- 65. Otherwise
- 67. New beginning?