

Not At All Backward

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Across

- 1. Newbie, of sorts
- 6. Lace tip
- 11. Legal bloc (abbr.)
- 14. Musical show
- 15. Disinclined
- 16. Enthusiasm
- 17. Really determined
- 19. Improve, as wine or cheese
- 20. Unit of force
- 21. Tree or resort
- 22. Type of 12D
- 23. Symbol of simplicity
- 25. Cannoli or ravioli fill
- 27. Sealed, in a way
- 31. Guzzle down
- 32. Deck (out)
- 33. Appropriate
- 35. Ornamental orange
- 38. Pond buildup
- 40. Parisian street
- 41. Like the month of May?
- 42. Clay-rich soils
- 43. Baddies
- 45. Conk out
- 46. The "E" of B.P.O.E.
- 48. Nursed
- 50. Rater, of sorts
- 53. Affirmative vote
- 54. 100-meter, e.g.
- 55. Toothy tools
- 58. Mouth, in slang
- 62. It's a cinch in Japan?
- 63. Leading the pack
- 65. Relig. title
- 66. Bit of high jinks

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- 67. It's a piece of cake
 - 68. Afore
 - 69. Moor
 - 70. Traffic cone
- ## Down
- 1. Egg on
 - 2. Impose, as a tax
 - 3. All tied up
 - 4. News office
 - 5. Moray, e.g.
 - 6. "The Sound of Music" backdrop
 - 7. Ascend
 - 8. Sci-fi weapon
 - 9. Like some food
 - 10. Your of yore
 - 11. State-of-the-art
 - 12. Type of 22A
 - 13. Amorphous creature
 - 18. Talks on & on (var.)
 - 22. Lush
 - 24. Clear day feature
 - 26. Linguist Noam
 - 27. Fizzy fountain favorite?
 - 28. Industrious, in a way
 - 29. Capital of Italy?
 - 30. What dispensaries dispense
 - 32. Cap
 - 34. Andean land
 - 36. Crossword diagram
 - 37. Ogle
 - 39. Object of many prayers
 - 44. Net funds?
 - 47. Calm
 - 49. Hurl
 - 50. Dig, so to speak
 - 51. Cavalry weapon
 - 52. Indian side dish
 - 56. Heal, as bones
 - 57. Carve in stone
 - 59. Aggravate
 - 60. Shell alternative
 - 61. Hammer part
 - 63. Scrooge's exclamation
 - 64. Clairvoyance, e.g.