

Play Time

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Across

1. Able to, biblically speaking
6. Decrease
11. Cat or dog, usually
14. Rope-making fiber
15. Worse, as excuses go
16. Police, with "the"
17. Go with the flow, in a way
19. "It's just a number!"
20. E-mailed
21. Facilitates
22. Harp's cousin
23. ___ Master's Voice
25. See 20A
27. Tree line?
32. Dirty coat
33. "Well, ___-di-dah!"
34. City biggie
36. Big name in chicken
39. Land east of the Urals

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41. Alias lead-in
42. It's about time
43. Game stew
45. Utah lilies
48. Jam
49. Slightly moist
51. Wiriest
53. Aspirant
56. Shade on the beach?
57. Dangerous biters
58. October sign
61. Gaucho's weapon
65. Off one's feed
66. Participate
68. Leaves in a bag
69. Patrick or O.
70. Irk
71. Farm pen

72. Twosomes
 73. Dig, so to speak
- Down**
1. Beanies
 2. Up to it
 3. Indian bread
 4. Reaper's tool
 5. Mai ____
 6. Actress Jessica
 7. Cargo areas
 8. Muslim bigwig (var.)
 9. Come-ons
 10. Miss the mark
 11. Don't take a risk
 12. Kin of a tsunami
 13. Like some jackets

18. Aril
22. Bridges in movies
24. An end to sex?
26. It's a crock!
27. "Ah, me!"
28. Astronaut's insignia
29. Easy to do
30. Swedish floor coverings
31. Bumpkin
35. Eastern music
37. He had his ups & downs!
38. Barbershop call
40. Indian nannies
44. Global currency org.
46. Available

47. Calypso offshoot
50. Block & tackle part
52. Deep-seated
53. Serves, with "on"
54. Spot in the ocean
55. Jungle climber
59. North Pole explorer
60. Beta & gamma
62. "Beetle Bailey" dog
63. Story teller
64. The "A" in A.M.
66. High degree
67. Near East honorific