

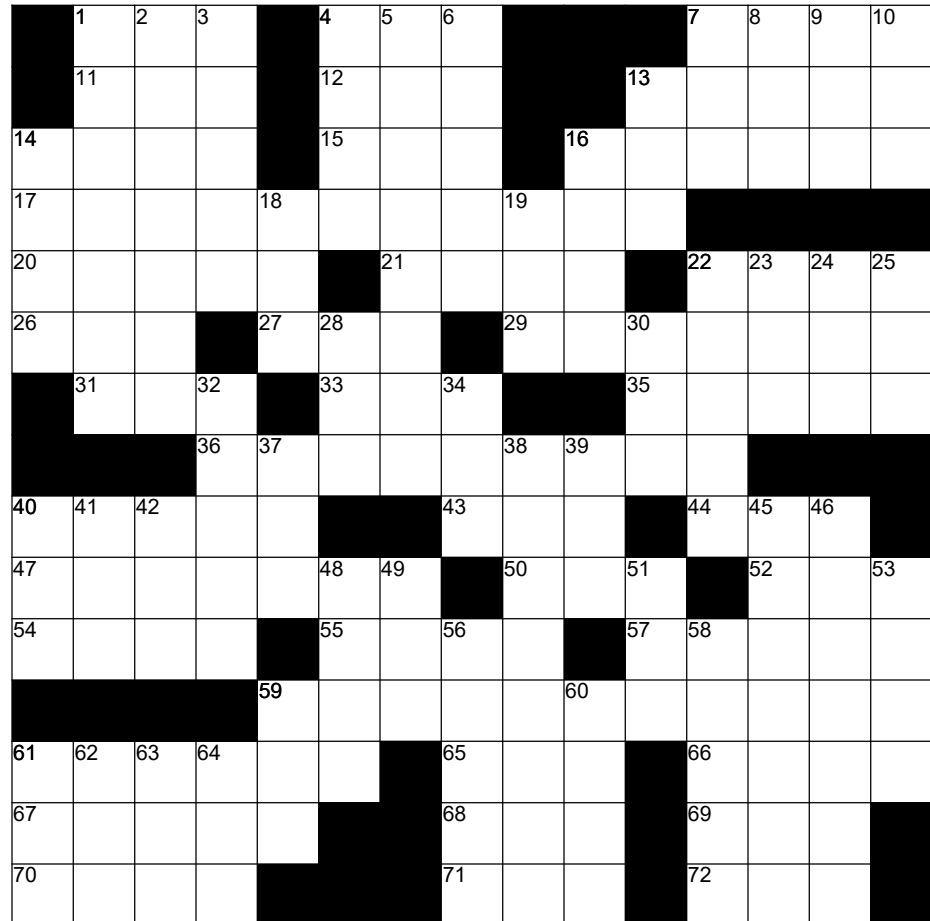
Alternate Endings

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The answer to this week's meta is a movie with an alternate ending.

ACROSS

1. Company that retired the motto "What can brown do for you?"
4. Guacamole or queso, for example
7. Make progress, in a way
11. ___ smear (test for cervical or colon cancer)
12. Country that lost to NED in the 2022 World Cup
13. Instrument for Yo-Yo Ma
14. Certain body of water
15. Letters seen on many ballcaps near the Gateway Arch
16. DreamWorks movie featuring mythical creatures
17. Utilitarianism or Kantianism, for example
20. Language in which "kia ora" means "hello" (or, more literally, "be well")
21. Tiny bit
22. Past ___ (later than ideal)
26. Barking noise
27. Sports bar's array
29. Traps with powder, perhaps



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31. Airport about 350 miles north of LAX
33. Police officer
35. Metta World ___ (former name of Metta Sandiford-Artest)
36. Dependable performer
40. Mouse-like insectivore
43. "Kill two birds with ___ stone"
44. March Madness channel (it's almost that time of year!)
47. Is dead serious
50. Pro ___ (hint from a veteran)
52. Heart chart, for short
54. "Safe" callers
55. Luxurious
57. Get into hot water?
59. Bodega
61. Advancement
65. Altar promise
66. Burden
67. You might find a sheriff in one

68. Small or chicken follower
69. Buzz Aldrin's alma mater
70. Person generating data, perhaps
71. Pig's digs
72. Sault ___ Marie, Michigan

DOWN

1. Commotions
2. Split into duos
3. Primitive hunting weapon
4. "When the ___ settles..."
5. "Does it meet your standards?"
6. ___ diet
7. Prefix with -metry or -logy
8. ___ in (poker option)
9. Under the weather
10. Negative replies
13. Wail
14. Actress Stone of "La La Land"
16. Ralph Ahn's character on "New Girl"

18. Worth going to, as a party
19. Periods triggered by ties, for short
22. Songbird sound
23. "Patience ___ virtue"
24. MC's prop
25. Direction opposite WSW
28. A TiVo can record shows and play them at the same time, unlike this device
30. Hitters' stat that combines two other stats
32. Jesse who was "perhaps the greatest and most famous athlete in track and field history"
34. A restaurant that sells bánh mì might also sell this
37. Cries of pain
38. Exactly right
39. L.L. Bean rival
40. Mustangs' sch.
41. Sewn edge

42. Spit a verse, say
45. "That's a guarantee!"
46. Dwight K. ___ III (Assistant *to* the regional manager at Dunder Mifflin)
48. Device with a nano model
49. Rocky peak
51. Channel sponsored by "viewers like you"
53. Bee ___ (group that sang "Stayin' Alive")
56. Cuts
58. Tiny bits
59. Ride, so to speak
60. Actress Sternberg of "FBI"
61. Debt acknowledgement
62. Lil ___ X
63. California State ___ 1 (road also called the PCH)
64. "On Fields ___ Which the Reaper's Hand Has Pass'd" (Thoreau poem)