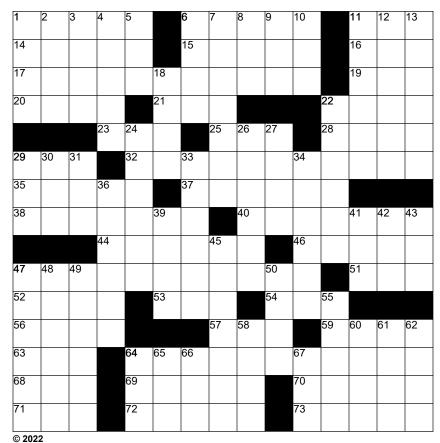
Before & After

The answer to this week's meta is a three-letter word.

ACROSS

- 1. "____ la vista, baby!"
- 6. Donkeys
- 11. Christmas mo.
- 14. Uses a certain ridesharing app
- 15. Easy to fool
- **16.** Memorable period of history
- **17.** [Former AMC drama that is an undeserved reputation]
- 19. Common vehicle
- 20. Without
- 21. Formerly named
- 22. Three ____ Men
- 23. Hagrid's humble home
- **25.** Actor Danson or CNN founder Turner
- 28. "Beware the ____ of March"
- 29. Expression of indifference
- **32.** [Pigmented nasal filaments that are plastic coils used for perms]
- **35.** Japan-based sports shoes company
- **37.** Toy instruments that make buzzing sounds
- **38.** Announcer's exclamation when the scores end equal
- 40. Accompanies
- **44.** Repetitive name shared by a GPS company and a type of drum
- **46.** Prepare to be knighted
- **47.** [Dermal hygiene practice that is a box of treats mailed to a loved one]
- 51. Tina of "SNL"
- 52. Braxton or Morrison
- 53. Ho ____ Minh City
- 54. U.S. tax agency
- **56.** Say if you're going: Abbr.
- 57. Continually bother



59. Suppressed, with "up"

- 63. "Take On Me" band
- **64.** [Computer systems building that is the position played by Mike Trout]
- **68.** Homer's neighbor
- **69.** Extremely impressed
- **70.** "Lather, ____, repeat."
- **71.** Dr. who performed at Super Bowl LVI
- 72. Colorful parrot
- 73. Common "Jeopardy!" category: "____ Capitals"

DOWN

- 1. Major airports
- 2. Start of a magic spell (which inspired the name of a Pokémon evolution line)
- 3. Spotted
- 4. Throw away
- 5. Request
- 6. "Green Gables" girl

- 7. Hot drink infused with an aromatic herb
- 8. Title for Elton John
- **9.** Longoria of "Desperate Housewives"
- **10.** Sapphire birthstone mo.
- 11. Make a final choice
- 12. Classroom rubber
- 13. Loving touch
- 18. Division preposition
- 22. "Cast Away" volleyball
- 24. Clear a pipe of clogs
- **26.** Common dermatologist diagnosis
- 27. Two-person teams
- 29. ____ tai (cocktail)
- **30.** Superlative ending
- 31. That guy's
- **33.** Quick drawing
- **34.** "You're off your !"
- **36.** Feline treat
- **39.** Apple on a teacher's desk, perhaps

- 41. NBA official
- **42.** Golf ball prop
- **43.** Sneaky
- **45.** Location of the last major battle of World War II
- 47. Leave a runner on base
- **48.** Like Hebrew National hot dogs
- **49.** Intrude upon, as one's privacy
- 50. Bella Hadid's sister
- 55. Divide evenly
- 58. "___ Good Men"
- **60.** Mrs. Krabappel's first name
- 61. Ring competitor
- 62. Palm or maple
- 64. Lower the lights
- **65.** Scoreboard shorthand for NHL's Ducks
- 66. Tic ____ ("sugar free" mint that is actually more than 90% sugar)
- 67. EMTs' destinations at the hospital