## SHELL GAME

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|  | ACROSS |
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|  | 1 Browns |
|  | 7 Four-hit achievement, in baseball lingo |
|  | 12 Mil. posts |
|  | 15 System used at Gallaudet Univ. |
|  | 18 The U.S., in Mexico |
|  | 20 Milo of "Romeo and Juliet," 1968 |
|  | 21 Hawaii's __ Day |
|  | 23 "Et tu?" and others |
|  | 25 Lotion ingredients |
|  | 26 Suburb of Chicago |
|  | 28 Joyful internet cry |
|  | 29 Bubbly mixer |
|  | 31 Popeye's boy |
|  | 33 Harassed, in a sense |
|  | 34 Cartoon seller of Squishees |
|  | 35 Pyrex glass marking |
|  | 38 Jackson 5 member |
|  | 39 Philip who wrote "Portnoy's Complaint" |
|  | 41 Cain and Abel's younger brother |
|  | 42 Word before questions or advice |
|  | 43 Do sales work, informally |
|  | 44 A part of |
|  | 45 Band with the 1989 platinum debut album "Junta" |
|  | 47 Darryl, in the comic "Baby Blues" |
|  | 49 Accomplishing |
|  | 51 Poke around |
|  | 54 The "K" in Kmart |
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59 Places for plugs 62 Plastic-dispenser producer
65 The clue for 128-Down, if this shell game weren't a scam

## 68 Hardly guzzle

69 Group of pros
71 "Rights of Man" author, 1791
72 Early Cuzco dweller 73 Series of mistakes?
74 Vacation spot
77 Inside-dope source 80 Prefix with business 81 Chilled
83 With 13-Down, herbal brew
85 Cartoon seller of Duff Beer
86 The clue for 127-Across, if this shell game weren't a scam
90 Former N.F.L.'ers Detmer and Law
91 All together
93 Shapes of some Halloween cookies
94 Country united in 1990
96 Soft-drink options
98 A peeling place?
100 Westernmost of the ABC Islands
103 "Bug"
105 Hosp. worker 107 Prefix with caching
1092.5 , for the set $\{1,2,3,4\}$
112 Classic sculpture
114 Novel narrated by a soon-to-be mutineer
115 Material for small buildings?
118 Proctor's warning

119 Students often take them out

## 121 When some

 bars close122 Edict
124 End in
125 Style influenced by Cubism
127 Like hand motions during a shell game
129 Professional group with a van
131 Month of l'année
132 Singer Reed
133 Four-time World Series-winning manager
134 In the near future
135 Superfund org. 136 Something to build on
137 Looks fabulous, in slang
138 Pincher

## DOWN

1 England and Spain fought one in 1588
2 Smirnoff Ice, e.g.
3 Lacking polish 4 Push
5 Verbal stumbles
6 Walks or runs, for short
7 Work together
8 Fashion inits.
9 Elected
10 Degree of freedom
11 Lightens
12 Like hounds and most bunny rabbits
13 See 83-Across
14 Guru, maybe
15 "Pretty cool, huh?"
16 Johannesburg neighborhood much in the news during apartheid

17 Underground locale 19 Give a ring while on the road?
24 Tizzy
27 Typical Vanidades reader
30 How many TV shows are shown
32 Port. is part of it
36 One caring for a bebé
37 Classical poem
40 Email openers
41 Egghead?
46 Deceitful sort
48 Grp. with lots of pointers
50 Like the verbs "eat" and "drink": Abbr.
52 Bobcat relative
53 Fund-raising org.
55 Fair
56 Warm up for a bout, say
57 Bug
58 Ages and ages
60 With politesse
61 They're symbolized by slashes
62 Minecraft or StarCraft
63 Fantasy novel hero who rides the dragon Saphira
64 Capital 175 miles east of Venice, Italy
66 Lottery winner's cry
67 Record again
70 Dernier
72 Philosophy-
class suffix
75 Marc of fashion
76 Follows a pattern?

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79 Juice
82 Verb often said three times in a row
84 It's cut and dried 86 All right
87 Immune-system component
88 "Let's do this thing!"
 92 Loch on the border of the Highlands 95 Worn-down pencil 97 Say quickly 99 One way to run 101 Greyhound offering 102 Most visibly frightened 103 Develop a limp 104 Hybrid music genre of the 2010 s
dir.
107 Desert, in a way
108 City west of Binghamton
110 Pulitzer-winning novelist Jennifer
111 Total jerks
113 Group with two Top 10 rock operas
116 Runs to

117 They have long necks and round bodies
120 Bear's advice 123 Bearlike creature in sci-fi 124 Oil crisis? 126 Murmur 128 Cook in oil 130 Only three-letter scale note

