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Heads and Tails by Pete Muller, Mack Meller, and Andrew W	hite

ACROSS

- 1 It's about 10 miles NNW of JFK
- 4 Gets too high?
- 7 Nintendo avatar with a portmanteau name
- 10 Insurance giant bailed out in 2008
- 13 Dance-pop genre often associated with auto racing
- 16 Bloom for Katy Perry?
- 18 Regularly flooded coastal wetland
- 20 Like the seventh game of the World Series
- 21 Gaynor who sang "I Will Survive"
- 22 Yang who played Pfannee in 2024's "Wicked"
- 24 Sea eagles
- 25 Anthem contraction
- 26 Watchdog's warning
- 28 Olympic feat accomplished by Usain Bolt in both the 100m and 200m
- 30 Unearth
- 32 R&B singer Arie with the record "Songversation"
- 33 Domestic relative of the ibex
- 37 A little off?
- 41 Conductor Solti with the second-most Grammys of all time (behind Beyoncé)
- 42 Hair-raiser?
- 43 Orange or tangerine, e.g.
- 44 Catchy tune
- 45 Homophone of the colloquial name of a popular singing show
- 46 Propellerless watercraft
- 48 "Walking in Memphis" singer Cohn
- 49 Stub hub?
- 50 End-of-Ramadan festival, informally
- 51 Joe's spot?
- 52 Like many courtroom questions
- 53 Saint who founded Scholasticism
- 55 "I couldn't agree more!"
- 57 Insensitive. in a way
- 59 Eva or Lash of cinema
- 60 Team with the fireball mascot Burnie
- 64 "I ____ Some Help" (2024 Post Malone hit featuring Morgan Wallen)
- 65 Half of a British farewell
- 68 Qualified
- 69 This puzzle's meta answer, for one
- 71 Dessert, for one
- 73 Superconductor?
- 75 Rare sight at a Taylor Swift concert
- 77 Title schoolteacher in a 1934 novella and 1939 film
- 78 Didn't take any more cards
- _ Me Why" (Beatles tune) 79 "
- 80 Nanakuli neckwear
- 81 Tulsa alma mater of Joel Osteen, for short
- 82 Lucy's locale in a Beatles hit

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- 1 "Can't " (Lucinda Williams song)
- 2 Slyness
- 3 What Romeo felt for Juliet
- 4 Helpful
- 5 Madame in "A Tale of Two Cities" known for knitting beside the guillotine

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The meta for this puzzle is a famous song and its singer (enter both, separated by a slash).

- 6 Mule in a famous song about the Erie Canal
- п Love" (David Bowie song) 7
- 8 Resolved, as differences
- 9 U.N. workers' agency
- 10 _ 3000 (rapper who released a flute record in 2023)
- 11 Menzel with a cameo appearance in 2024's "Wicked"
- 12 Travel, biblically
- 14 "Shattered (Turn the Car Around)" band
- 15 Safari sighting?
- 17 South American dish with healing powers in Disney's "Encanto"
- 19 Wee one
- 23 Wee bit
- 27 Like the Himalayas
- 29 " _ kleine Nachtmusik" (Mozart composition)
- 30 Ominous
- 31 "Tortured" one in a "Department," per a 2024 Taylor Swift record title
- 33 Butterflies, so to speak
- 34 Gave false hope to
- 35 Ends of the earth
- 36 "1989" or "Red." sav
- 38 Cause to blush

- 39 Fictional Doone
- 40 Attraction near Orlando
- 43 Role for Milev
- Pennsylvania town named for a 1912 46 Olympic gold medalist
- 47 1988 World Series MVP Hershiser
- 48 Administer, with "out"
- 50 "The Time Machine" race
- 52 "Who am I to judge?"
- 54 Involve, in a way
- 55 West Point, for one: Abbr.
- "She Thinks My ____'s Sexy" (Kenny 56 Chesney song)
- 58 Former House speaker Nancy
- 60 First word in a musical of Abba songs
- 61 Construction beams which, despite their name, aren't made by Apple
- 62 "Smart" guy

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- 63 NFL game result only possible during the regular season
- 65 Gets ready for the GRE, e.g.
- 66 "Wicked Game" rocker Chris
- 67 Heartbreaker in chief?
- 70 Letters on some colorful candies
- 72 Currency exchange abbr. Tomorrow" (Marvin Gaye tune) 76 Vacay, in workplace lingo