

# Quick-Change Partyist

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Oh, no! In shifting so quickly from Mystery Hunt mode to party mode, a transition represented by a sequence of five items you can find in the completed grid, I have overlooked the three intermediate items; that is, for each of those three items, I have put six Down answers into the grid without that item. (All Acrosses, on the other hand, work normally.) For each Down clue, note the position of its corresponding item in the sequence, and take the letter at the same position in the clue; if you read these letters item by item, in clue order for each item, you will get an appropriate message.

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## ACROSS

- Charlie lists . . . um, scouring powder (8)
- Paintings might be timeless works (4)
- Hollow echo after 6,500 moving electronic images (5)
- Old Peruvian's fashionable tailless feline (4)
- Innocent person wasted a fin (4)
- Retro author of "The Raven" stops to pester one Wiccan, perhaps (8)
- Where Gaels are Iroquoian people from the east (4)
- Doesn't keep peas or pecans in one's mouth (5)
- Light refracted by ice in the atmosphere around Jupiter and Neptune, enthralling a Parisian (3 3)
- Dr. Mach's weird unit of measurement (6)
- Ignore the odd pieces of garnet jade columns in Greek temples (5)
- Slightly perverse bits (4)
- Barely dirty story about the origin of coelenterates with no digestive tract (8)
- Israeli airline brought back a bit of lite beer (2 2)
- That woman's a Greek goddess (4)
- Bodies of water craft that can sail backwards (5)
- A mouse eats the beginning of Zechariah's prophetic bk. (4, *abbr.*)
- South American man and topless Scandinavians dance at the end (8)

## DOWN

- Alien, alien vine
- A group for music makers like Max (*abbr.*)
- Charring a circular object under water
- Actress Russo had to accept one German ran things
- Safe fort sacked to get easily removable items (*hyph.*)
- A thing worn by a nobleman or individual in court
- Old 110-acre quarter of that north Mexican city
- Spoken performance of Hemingway is sincere
- Very tired father ingests Ecstasy
- One judged, after the midway point, to be elderly
- State Department's head has prematurely terminated Mr. Kent
- Note about silicate that forms thin sheets
- Country in Africa exhibits one game played by the Japanese and the French
- Apply scissors once more to that ewe in back
- Mr. Knight has one quietly recorded
- Lye stored in aluminum barn's interior for twelve months straight (2 *wds.*)
- About the gross clay
- Lady among Yalies becomes real goddess of discord