A Series of Unfortunate Events
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The meta answer is an author.

ACROSS
1. "___! Give me ___ and nothing but!" (Tom Lehrer lyric)
5. Jean-___ Picard
8. They always move forward
13. Derriere
15. @&$#!
16. K-12
17. 2016 Coen brothers film
19. Exact retribution for
21. Factoid starter, online
22. Essay
23. 2003 horror movie, or its fictional title town
27. Certain
28. Water nymphs
31. British broadcasting co.
34. Composer Carl
37. Revenue raiser
38. Singer's problem
42. Didn't tell anyone about
43. River for those who feel the Bern?
44. "Thoughts and prayers" org.
45. Family's code
47. Priest's honorific: Abbr.
50. Sees red
56. Back
58. ____-di-dah
59. Hank of "The Simpsons"
60. Cutthroat competition
64. Sawyer and Swift
65. Clay of "American Idol"
66. Dies ____
67. Salinger title girl
68. Economic capital of Iraq
69. It starts the bidding: Abbr.
70. Monopoly card

DOWN
1. Role one should have filled
2. Name in a classic "Seinfeld" episode
3. "Yeah!" singer
4. Ideates
5. "Glee" star Michele
6. Slugs and stones
7. State with the most MLB teams
8. Strikers' org.?
9. It can be brown, golden, or pale
10. Dialect of Old English
11. Close
12. Agile
14. Encourage
18. Big family
20. Operating system whose name is a recursive acronym
24. Mattress maker
25. Thin wooden strip
26. When doubled, a Jim Carrey movie
29. Close
30. Miss Mexico?
31. "In that case..."
32. Streetcar
33. Some September purchases
35. Mortgage backing org.
36. Physicist Enrico
39. Four-armed "Mortal Kombat" character
40. Inca sun god
41. Willful?
46. Shakespeare title starter
48. TV frequency unit
49. Racy
51. With 52-Down, name of a controversial linguistic hypothesis
52. See 51-Down
53. Got up
54. No-brainer
55. Let up
56. Simple rhyme scheme
57. Certain brain cells
61. Preposition with ramparts
62. Molecule whose structure was discovered by Rosalind Franklin
63. Bad kind of sheet