

Fifteen entries will add the letter G, K, or M (abbreviations of 1,000) to create a new word before being entered in the grid.

ACROSS

1. Spa (asp) >> spam
5. Osaka (OS + aka)
9. Pub (acronym)
11. Tote (tot + e) >> totem
12. Sajak (say jack)
13. Ladens (L.A. + dens)
14. Bass (two meanings) >> basks
16. Poring (p + O + ring)
18. Sri (IRS)
20. Creation (C-ration + e) >> cremation
23. Icarus (cruise - e + a)
27. Skimp (skim + p)
31. Mensa (means)
32. Tossup (U.S. Post)
33. Sentient (t + intense) >> sentiment
37. Ami (I'm a)
39. Porter (ort + per)
42. Rebel (two meanings)
43. Icier (dicier - D) >> ickier
44. Lutz (Lz + UT) >> klutz
45. Rein (eNgInEeR) >> reign
46. Eke (thE KEys)
47. Pieta (acronym, & lit.)
48. Snog (girlS NOGgin)

DOWN

1. Stops in (nationS TOP SINGers) >> stop sign
2. Polo (loop)
3. Atari (a + tar + I)
4. Medic (melodic - Lo)
5. Omen (Nemo)
6. Sine (sin + e) >> singe
7. Assam (a + mass)
8. Ajax (a + jacks)
9. Pasties (past overlaps ties) >> pastimes
10. Bison (B + is on)
15. Pop (two meanings) >> K-pop
17. Take on (Take On Me - me)
19. RCA (youR CAmera)
21. Russia (Airs + U.S.)
22. Tips (tipsy - y)
24. Amenable (amen + able)
25. Rent (two meanings)
26. Ska (rastaS KAzoo)
27. Set (two meanings)
28. Aspirin (in pairs) >> aspiring
30. Rum (ouR Umpire)
31. Meme (ME + ME)
33. Sure (ruse) >> surge
34. Maize (maze)
35. EPCOT (deEP COTton)
36. Tries (two meanings)
37. Ate in (a + tin + e)
38. Reup (pure)
40. Ora (oral - I) >> okra
41. Ergo (mothER GOose)

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