

**"Blackout" a metapuzzle by Peter Washington**

**ACROSS**

1. Pill pusher, maybe
6. Jackson of the NBA and others
10. Runner Zátopak
14. Uncommon spelling of a very notorious name
15. Benjamins, if you're fancy
16. Load cargo
17. Moralist?
18. Composer Stravinsky
19. Aspirational term coined by Philip Michael Thomas, who has yet to achieve any of its components
20. Frequent Snoop collaborator
21. Onetime home of the Golden Bear, the Shark, and the Big Easy
23. Like a searchlight at a car dealership
25. "Friday the 13th" sequel subtitled "Jason Takes Manhattan"
28. Bog
31. Initialism indicating restrained confidence
32. Classic Camaro
36. Amazonian dolphin
37. FBI database
38. Actor with a memorable supporting role in "Casablanca"
39. Something a bishop might do
40. What you might call the nine black squares to the left of this entry

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The answer to the metapuzzle is a nine-letter word.

41. Nerd
44. "Not gonna happen" (per an occasional British spelling)
48. Finnish composer Kettunen whose "Ievan Polkka" went viral in 2006 when a version of it was set to an anime video of a girl spinning a leek
49. 12:norte::9:\_\_\_
50. Federal court in New Orleans
51. One-shot points
52. Tool used by a masked man
55. Spicy strip on a grill
58. Vanilla amt.
59. Rank below specialist (abbr.)
62. MIA
63. Combining form with muffin
66. It's usually in Italian
68. Forest management tool, per some tweets
69. Track
70. Inside looks

71. Philosopher A. J.
72. "\_\_\_ my words"
73. Hard harnesses

**DOWN**

1. Four-wheeler
2. Dealer's mark
3. "Death of \_\_\_" (Grieg composition)
4. Top salesman (abbr.)
5. Phi Beta \_\_\_
6. Common sort of nerve pain
7. Skin protuberance
8. Show on a base
9. Mini cardigan
10. Term in a science textbook
11. Red hat slogan
12. Vows
13. Leon famous for a sporting gaffe
22. You can do it with your teeth
24. Man's name from the Greek for "love"
25. Green edible
26. Possibly legendary 10th-century king
27. IGO based in the Hague
28. Petty crime, slangily
29. Gobsmeaked
30. Makes into little pieces, as potatoes or cauliflower

33. Spheroid
34. Iconic bit of origami
35. Losers
42. Amazon or Overstock, for example
43. Half of an iconic TV duo
44. Reborn
45. Carefully crafted lines
46. Phrase used in describing a bullshitter
47. Handheld items you can take notes on
48. Where to hear a whisper
53. Ricochet
54. Sturdy binder
55. Formerly obscure political transparency law mainstreamed by the Mueller investigation
56. Word repeated in a Lin-Manuel Miranda song about sailing
57. Gag
59. Zenith
60. Soleil Moon \_\_\_
61. Mama \_\_\_
64. Gardner of Hollywood
65. Thick-skinned fish
67. For