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- 1 Large primate
- 4 They might drop every week on cable, for short
- **7** Respond to a partner's handiwork?
- **11** LeBron, from '03-'10 and again from '14-'18
- 12 Something Brittany often had more of than Santana, as cheerleaders on "Glee"
- 13 Hoppy beers, for short
- 14 One might depict sex acts
- 17 Purple flower that's paler than a heliotrope
- 18 Art form for a butch with a tool belt
- 19 Language frequently co-opted by non-Black people
- 20 Product for those who fear the tampon
- 21 Identity for those on the asexual spectrum
- 24 ___/they pronouns
- 25 Folk-pop artist Oladokun whose "Proof of Life" album came out on April 28

- 26 "I wrote too much so here's the gist": Abbr.
- **27** Love is not a ____
- 28 Edie with three Emmy awards for "The Sopranos"
- 29 Film in which
 Latifah and Luda
 take a
 dangerous drive
 ... and a hint to
 this puzzle's
 theme
- 33 Emily's first love who (in my perhaps controversial opinion) should've been her forever love, in "Pretty Little Liars"
- 34 Icarus-esque "Euphoria" character
- 35 "...until you ___ me up" (repeated Bill Withers lyric)
- 36 Word with relationship or secret
- 37 Thus far
- 38 Annoying talking bear ... or the first name of one of TV's most loveable yet tragic soccer coaches

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- 1 Fast trains connecting Boston and Washington, D.C.
- 2 Dee Rees film about Alike
- 3 Develop over time
- 4 Legendary
- 5 Non-gendered tiddie, to some
- 6 Restorative outing
- **7** St. Louis or New Orleans, e.g.
- 8 Nail polish brand with an Exercise Your Brights shade
- 9 "Live ____" (Taco Bell slogan)

- 10 Clock setting that's three hours ahead of the West Coast: Abbr.
- **15** ____kwondo
- 16 Get ____ of (discard)
- 20 Genre for Golden's "A DEAD NAME THAT LEARNED HOW TO LIVE"
- 21 Going ____ (giving 100%)
- 22 Pre-gen-Z musical item in which you could find an insert with lyrics
- 23 Wore away gradually

- 25 Skippy's archnemesis, brand-wise
- **26** Road repair goop
- 27 Student ____ forgiveness program
- 28 What many people drag to work
- 29 Aesthetic featuring flat-ironed hair, eye-rolling, and rawrs
- 30 Composureregaining rest for toddlers and, let's be real, adults
- 31 Change the color of
- 32 Color