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The ancient city of Petra was a major trading hub, but space was at a premium. Traders occasionally had to cram **more than one item** in a given market **square**.

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ACROSS

- Something that can be thrown back or thrown away
- Site where at time of writing you can bid \$7,000 on a Tom Hiddleston signed Loki Funko Pop, for some reason
- 9. Castaway's home
- Rise, like from a deep slumber
- Backbone (both metaphorical and literal)
- 15. Cat's call
- 16. "Excuse me"
- Skin condition not caused by toads, despite the myth
- 18. Cover, like a path
- 19. A little baby frog... which doesn't sell for much!
- Condition for which Wilford Brimley famously (and memeably) raised awareness
- 23. "Beyond the Gates" or "General Hospital"
- 25. Eat quickly... because time is money!
- 26. Keeps in the loop, e.g.
- Word following family or Christmas
- Tractors named after plow pioneer John
- 35. NYC Dem rep.
- 36. Gently... like how you should be handling the merchandise!
- 38. Baked good you'll surely find in 46-Across
- Baseball star Soto, recipient of the largest contract in sports history
- 41. Lincolns
- 43. "Ugh, I'm just scrolling to the bottom"
- 44. I've been asking what this is for years, and nobody will tell me; they just say 'not much' and laugh
- 46. British grocery behemoth
- 48. Option pour un référendum québécois
- 49. AriZona competitor
- 51. Montenegrin's neighbor
- 52. Sunscreen strength varieties (abbr.)... because

- I'm not paying for the full words!
- 53. Tennis star Roddick or Murray
- 55. Keep or preserve
- 57. Snack storage space... or a spot to start saving!
- 61. Follower of modern paganism
- 65. With "it's," the sweetest words to hear when you're at a restaurant
- 66. Massachusetts Teachers Association, for example
- 68. Spacious and well-lit
- 69. What you may have with your team later to celebrate finishing this BAPHL
- 70. Rude or bratty... and thus unfit to work in my store!
- 71. Los Angeles gridiron group
- 72. ID nos. that have leaked in data breaches so many times I don't see why we need to keep them secret anymore, frankly
- 73. American vodka namesake
- 74. Prescription parameter

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- l. Slap (at)
- 2. Onomatopoeic ROFL
- 3. Green-lit
- 4. Musical speeds... because time is money!
- 5. Feds responsible for air and water quality
- 6. Blue jay or cardinal
- 7. Opponents of a bill
- 8. Improv imperative
- Flawed... like this merchandise, which is why it's discounted!
- 10. A polite euphemism for when "butt" is too crass
- 11. Nothing, at Wimbledon
- 12. Barnyard baa-ers

14. Promise to refrain from... like getting into bad deals!

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- 20. Loads, tons, a bunch
- 22. Beloved besties

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- French for small (or, in English, another term for a trial jury)
- 26. Cuisine known for gumbo and jambalaya
- Two-door sedan of which the Beach Boys sang (a Little Deuce, to be specific)
- 28. Loads, tons, a bunch
- 30. Santa's helpers
- 32. Chocolatey caramelly candies
- 33. Unexpectedly come to
- 34. Font flourishes... which should cost extra!
- 37. Decisions in a relationship ideally require two
- 40. "Really? You're all too chicken?"
- 42. Thin and bony
- 45. Lamp resident... so it comes with a free bonus!

- 47. "No duh!"
- 50. Modify
- 54. Notable New Age musician
- 56. Digital way to say "I'm thinking of you"

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- 57. Corn centers
- 58. Bills that should only be coins, if we're being honest with ourselves
- 59. Sign or warning
- 60. Something absolutely hilarious
- 62. "Arrivederci!"
- 63. On a hot summer day like today, you have the right to keep them bare
- 64. Wall St. hub
- 67. Simpsons bus driver... and my best customer for munchies!