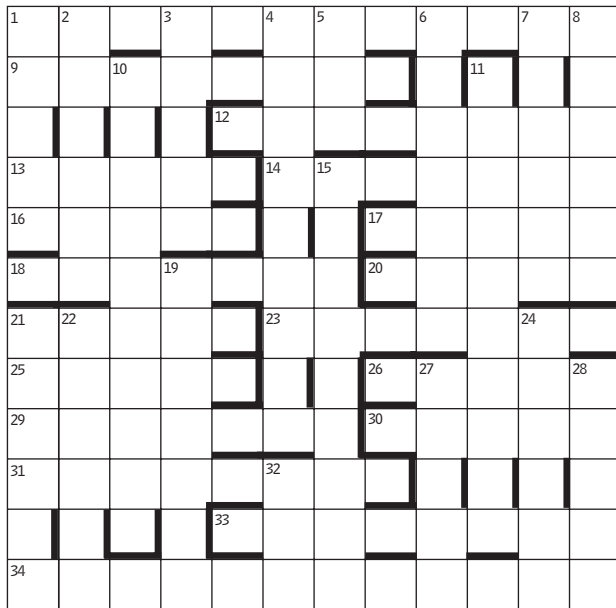


AZED No. 2,309 Plain COMPETITION PUZZLE



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ACROSS

- *1 World traveller (12)
- 9 Lilting airs filling old space in special garden (8)
- 12 Son mixed up with crime? Such types are new to the area (8)
- 13 Oldbuck: in other words a disreputable fellow (5)
- 14 Environmentalist down under that is behind grand waterway (7)
- 16 Rain tree from South Africa? I am surprised (5)
- 17 Old-style footwear shone when reconditioned (5)
- 18 Chump trailing behind people missing 50%? Common in Shakespeare (7)
- 20 What'll provide lashings first put away in jet? (5)
- 21 Part of chronicles, one read both ways, Latin (5)
- 23 Arches, among the characteristics of Greece? (7)
- 25 Waxy stuff to take over on the floor? (5)
- 26 Lands of poesy wherein Caffir roams (not very strong) (5)
- 29 One on a zebra, not so good-tempered? (7)
- 30 Attend college, not top – Little Rock (5)
- 31 Lamb maybe sits easy in a stew (8)
- 33 Feature of pugs, ones retiring with broken bones (8, 2 words)
- 34 Platform regular practises with craftsman (12)

AZED 2,306 Solution & notes

H	A	C	K	Y	S	A	C	K	M	E	I
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Across 1, h + y(e)s in ack-ack; 11, her (rev.) in append; 12, t in bote; 18, 'bread' (money); 19, I men in sept; 23, (t)he + el; 28, solr (Fr. = evening) (rev.) in Al; 29, ho o' roo; 32, quo in.

Down 1, hob(o) bish; 3, i.e. m(e)an; 4, cf. a talk; 6, a ch. no p, h in a robe; ref. Miss Muffet; 7, me in centum; 8, arch in mene; 9, cf. eaten; 10, d in dell (rev.); 16, rien (Fr. = nothing) in a cat, & lit.; Minou, name commonly given by French to pet cats; 21, ER in hoise; 26, naira (rev.); 30, comp. anag.

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DOWN

- 1 Grain initially sold in ounces – one doesn't buy much in Warsaw (5)
- 2 Women in the pub attractive to slimmers (6)
- 3 Financier making name in Mumbai, one abandoned by mother initially (5)
- 4 Colour round aitu fashioned in rock (9)
- 5 Legendary bird giving scoundrel a lift (3)
- 6 I'm getting added energy in every Parisian break (7, 2 words)
- 7 Test when attached to end of rope, part of mountaineer's kit (6)
- 8 Take ill? Doctor enters (6)
- 10 Creeping mare's poorly, bit of tackle stuck in muzzle? (10)
- 11 Love in boarding house curtailed, making one glum (10)
- 15 Beans a success? Seconds called for (9)
- 19 Sakia activated in big but not grand Indian festival (7)
- 21 Highlight a double-headed coin (6)
- 22 Reruns given a pasting, making one tender (6)
- 24 What's downy after start of pogonotomy I fail to keep (6)
- 27 Spring, time to follow love in frivolity (5)
- 28 One heading left or right, we hear, for strong drink (beware second!) (5)
- 30 Governing party? Pity when leader takes a tumble (3)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. The spelling at 19 is in earlier editions.