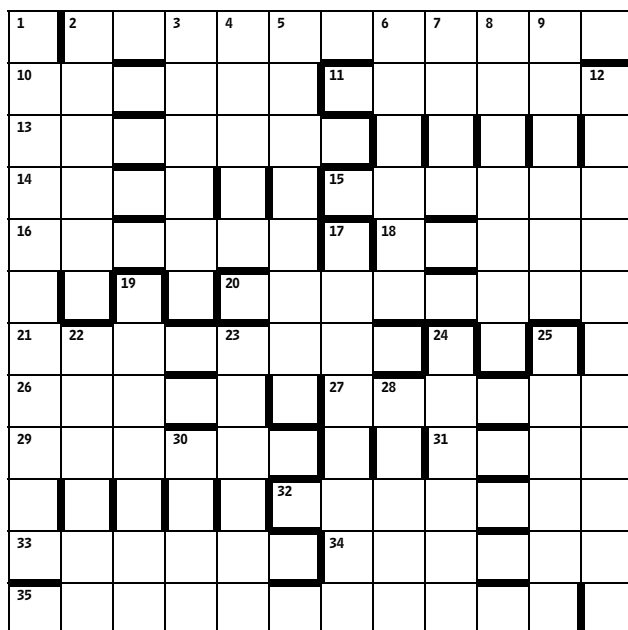


# AZED No. 2,357 Plain



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## ACROSS

- 2 Pre-emptively raiding timber pile, one dry within (11)
- 10 Plateau thrilled mates going round Spain (6)
- 11 E.g. orpiment from NZ, mined with care (6)
- 13 River turns entering artificial lake – bridge now abandoned? (7)
- 14 Court order: one like this restricts onset of bullying (4)
- 15 Glossy fabric lending special allure to one at secondary school? (6)
- 16 Law scrolls: one falling in fire's ruined (6)
- 18 Anatomical opening, vaguely bluish, seeping a bit of blood (5)
- 20 Potter etc with arrangement round Chinese plants (8)
- 21 In short, an unknown quantity, neither one nor the other (8)
- 26 Fantastic course shows leader slipping to fourth place (5)
- 27 Cold sore for a spell (6)
- 29 Bantu speakers back at home with gnus wandering round (6)
- 31 Boy embraces love willingly (4)
- 32 Narrow opening is piercing rocky fault (7)
- 33 Get out onto platform, but missing right stop (6)
- 34 Bulge indicating large corporation round one's middle (6)
- 35 What'll separate rowers from back end? Hard frames with man in (11)

## AZED 2,354 Solution & notes

1	M	E	G	A	S	T	A	R	D	R	A	D
2	Y	C	H	E	C	O	S	S	A	I	S	E
3	T	R	O	W	A	N	T	M	U	G	U	P
4	H	I	S	T	R	I	O	I	N	A	M	E
5	S	T	E	L	E	O	S	T	E	A	N	
6	C	O	R	T	E	S	P	S	O	C	I	D
7	H	I	H	A	T	S	P	I	N	O	L	E
8	A	R	A	C	H	I	S	O	I	L	M	D
9	P	E	Q	H	A	S	O	N	T	I	E	S
10	S	Q	U	I	T	T	R	I	N	R	O	
11	K	A	I	S	E	R	I	S	M	G	G	U
12	A	M	N	T	R	A	C	E	G	O	E	R

**Across** 10, anag. + sais + E; 13, ref. Oscar Peterson's jazz trio; 17, ref. Hernan C; 19, p so CID; 23, a rach Isoil; 29, hidden rev.; 31, am(OU)nt; 32, go in anag.  
**Down** 2, crit + 0 in Eire; 6, as to op; 9, pen + d in deed; see fact; 12, lin MSS + anag.; 14, anag. in marge; 22, sori in pc; 24, L + ingo; 25, (s)quin(t).

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## DOWN

- 1 Ardent male advance between two singles, one on date (11)
- 2 Describing fine mosaic rock, 'turned off-colour', we hear (6)
- 3 Whistler 'Golden Maiden' getting a make-over? (6)
- 4 Some additions to kerosene as fuel (5)
- 5 Creatures clad in seaweed, with time extremely pungent (8)
- 6 Ceremonial staff, one from Siam (as was) – how nice! (6)
- 7 Old granny providing crib for toddler? (4)
- 8 Perfect glance going wrong, one getting caught (7)
- 9 Coat in wax American cactus? Rescue works (6)
- 12 Tricks in groups of three are daunting (11)
- 17 Fairly new rule he's infringed cutting angle (8)
- 19 Have a distinct feeling about lawyer in brief really losing head (7)
- 22 Raised pistol to catch something small but valuable (6)
- 23 Retaining base, king twice in check (6, 2 words)
- 24 Pigment that's brown or black turning livid round stone (6)
- 25 Thessalian ruler, jealous when roused, without justice (6)
- 28 Enjoys a cuppa when one's knocked off? More of it slows you down! (5)
- 30 Hard left when driving in UK (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. One proper name may be unfamiliar.*