



AZED 2,392 Solution & notes

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Across 1, cf. humps; 6, mil(d) + ice; 12, 0 lit (Fr. = bed) in la; 19, ER in flat tingly; 25, Su(mat)ra; 29, (t)alky; 31, anag. incl. Elessi.

Down 3, cf. blighter; 6, anag. + stone; 7, hidden rev.; 9, che + velure; 23, cf. malar; 24, (Ant &) Dec + or; 28, (cha)grin.

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DOWN

- 1 Kink in pedal below what driver may step on (4)
- 2 Woody's 'cousin' having line in funny picture, not right? (7)
- 3 Essential life force, as replaced by priest in yogic pose (5)
- 4 Wills e.g. featuring name in quotation may be (6)
- * 5 Strict morality (10)
- 6 Trio incorporating new poetic lamentation (6)
- 7 Land measures one's seen in redevelopment of Chester (8)
- 8 More than one as 's' in e.g. 'Greensleeves'? (5)
- 9 Confounded tubers coming up, passed round (8)
- 12 Join tar etc at sea crossing (10)
- 16 Mentally puts off with displays of affectation (8)
- 17 Rank occupied by lecturer of minor importance (8)
- 21 Nameless Parisienne coming round prompt for her bowl of *potage* (7)
- 23 On being ushered in thaw melted snowdrift (6)
- 24 At some distance regularly giving way to hail cab (6)
- 26 Cashier American finally quitting ring? (5)
- 27 Daughter taken in by devious lies stays unengaged (5)
- 30 Mud in crater, none ingested by molluscs (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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ACROSS

- 3 Mineshaft device, the one that's burst at the edges (10)
- 10 After remixing, had bruiser removed from the record (10)
- 11 Column shafts concealed in bulbous capitals (5)
- 13 Shortish distance in India that is cut from trunks (4)
- 14 Women collectively (in sexist terms) enjoying a boost? The reverse (6)
- 15 Steep edge to cut routinely? (6)
- 18 Earthenware statuette, horse in bracken (7)
- 19 Keep exercising, taking in nothing for tea (5)
- 20 Fine fabric often associated with royals (6)
- 22 Turkey included in spread – made to go a long way? (6)
- 24 Receiver, brave, missing ace, clutching nut! (5)
- 25 Worker in a jiffy endlessly recalling Buddhist ritual? (7)
- 28 Points of view, no good with drinks circulating (6)
- 29 Meant for a spin with Daisy initially on board? It was (6)
- 31 Close friend losing mate – it had value in Lima once (4)
- 32 Boss introduces lines for member of ensemble (5)
- 33 Tiny sorrel, unusual in the manner of centre-facing anthers (10)
- 34 Second frivolous point showing lack of significance (10)