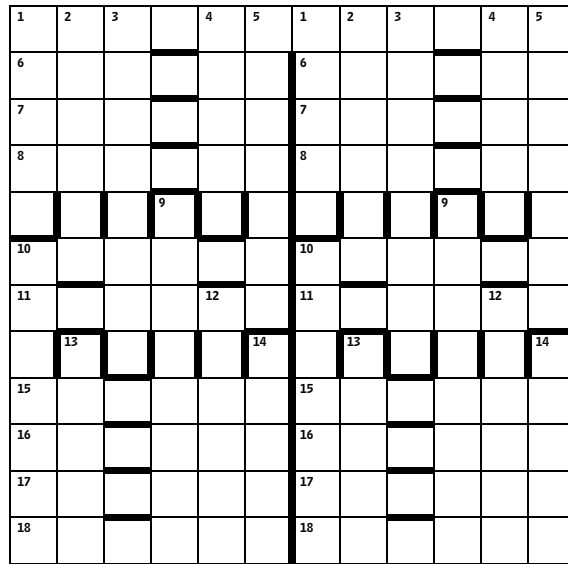


Azed No. 2,417 'Right & Left' Competition Puzzle



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Apart from 1 Across which is normal, each clue is really two clues, side by side but not overlapping, the answers to which are to be entered in the two similarly numbered spaces in the diagram either side of the central vertical bold line. Either word may be clued first, and the division is not necessarily marked by punctuation. Solvers must determine which goes where. The individual clues forming part of each double clue may not make much sense. Competitors should submit with their solutions a double clue to replace the asterisked definitions at 9 (which are presented in alphabetical order of their solutions).

Across

- 1 Greetings to those who are excited about how remaining clue answers are distributed? (12, 3 words)
- 6 Scots one grabs stocking left out, no matter who is getting in wax, reddish (6, 6)
- 7 Clumsy lassie, cross with pastry, is going wild with racy language (6, 6)
- 8 Like a pigeon that is dead, not twitching inside mat – cheers me (6, 6)
- 10 The old spot censer boiling seafood dish from Spain wrapped in sort of mantle (6, 6)
- 11 Honouring saints, returning Catholic installed sort of crucifix explosive priest clutching part of scripture sent back (6, 6)
- 15 Rolls over squashed by occupant of sty, causing distress or turns in bloke supplying Jock's sty (6, 6)
- 16 One fish tolerates another being

immature, number wrapped in furred genoa (6, 6)

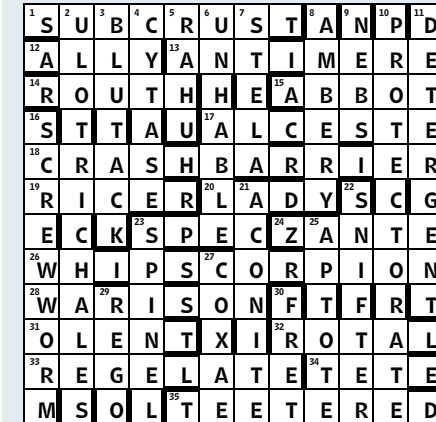
- 17 Tay auk flexing light coat gobbled maigre – one records pictures (6, 6)
- 18 Combustible pile requiring little gas or coal extract fashions eyesores round centre of village (6, 6)

Down

- 1 Suffers extremes of tummy rash takin' part of muscular protein (5, 5)
- 2 Adolescent canine savaged antelope – part of destiny, alas (6, 6)
- 3 Choice groove in broken sherd penned by martial poet, start of epode a tyrant ordered (8, 8)
- 4 One 'awking footwear, sallow chap, eastern, turning up, I treated as a friend (5, 5)
- 5 Performance that's authentic involving townie is irritating, mostly gratuitous (7, 7)
- *9 Church offerings; plan (8, 8)
- 10 Salmon with cut veg, labiate plant Cathy cooked in steamer (7, 7)
- 12 Kick boxing set crazily imbibing narcotic stuff ergo dizzy with close to round delivering massive belt? (6, 6)
- 13 Offensive term for foreigner upsetting a Turk ('smutty') that surprises me twice over (5, 5)
- 14 Conditionally it was part of contract we reckoned a monstrosity, combining short time and very long time (5, 5)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. 1 Across appears at the entry for its final element. One of the answers at 4 consists of two words.

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Across 1, cf. upper crust; 13, timer in ane; 15, ab + (lan) Bot(ham), nicknamed 'Beefy'; 17, Glück opera; 18, anag. + b(one) in harrier; 20, (ma)lady; 26, P in anag.; 31, (p)olent(a); 33, Ge in relate; 34, t(h)ete; 35, tee + anag. + d.
Down 2, U lot rich + ales; 4, yt in case; 6, (pup)unha + (ta)ble; 7, stel(l)a (L. = star); 9, see neb-neb; 10, c in anag.; 21, 1 in a conte; 23, n in spiel; 29, r + ego; sv reggo.

Rules and requests

Send correct solution (one only) and clue as indicated (on separate sheet also bearing name and address, securely attached) to **Azed No. 2,417**, PO Box 518, Oxford, OX2 6WX. Entries should be postmarked no later than Saturday. Please add a brief explanation of your clue (one entry only). £35, £30, £25 prizes and Azed bookplates for the three clues judged best. The Azed slip, containing details of successful competition entries and Azed's comments, is available on subscription at £16 a year. Cheques payable to the Azed Slip, should be sent to The Azed Slip, Coombe Farm, Awbridge, Romsey SO51 0HN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address

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