

# Azed No. 2,430 Plain - Competition Puzzle

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## Across

- 2 It's analogous to alcohol – tamper with can drunk (9)  
 11 Fellow, before turning over, rises from bed (5)  
 12 One prone to protect limb – it deflects raindrops (7)  
 13 Smaller raptor in grip of eagle, dead (5)  
 14 Congo river: a broad segment flowing east-west (5)  
 15 Journos show off about writings being circulated (8)  
 16 Tyrannical – and no nicer after reforming (7)  
 17 Battle almost over – discharges required (4)  
 18 One of the spiraeas: doctor top row in arrangement (8)  
 23 Obsessively obstinate heroine in the solarium? (8)  
 24 Believer in polyandry out of order in Iran (4)  
 26 Partner captivated by distinctive character, not a dilettante (7)  
 \*29 Short humorous poem (8)  
 31 Pious Jew took refuge, when given shelter (5)  
 32 Position for helmsman, sailor midway between poles (5)  
 33 Soil I got riddled, extracting old form of haematite (7)  
 34 Latin? Progress being retrograde I'll attend college for science (5)  
 35 Apple, mostly rosy, shared billing (9)

## Down

- 1 Architectural decoration such as flying dragon round a new church (12)  
 2 Cross about dash of scotch in honeyed drink (5)  
 3 Milkmaid involved in opening up what used to be shed, sadly (7)  
 4 Weathered *Ring*? You'd need a good seat for that! (5)  
 5 Royal initials flanked by a kingly beast and a heraldic bird (7)  
 6 Rate of progress one's shown at foot of page (4)  
 7 Antique braced framework, post-Restoration in part (5)  
 8 A club admits balance sheet being worthless (7)  
 9 E.g. radio contact 'unmasked' mole, etc (7)  
 10 Slide flat board round shifting scanner, patient's head involved (12)  
 19 What discerning pubs offer on everything English one's tucked into (7, 2 words)  
 20 Set up poor rickety houses, causing head complaint (7)  
 21 Artist almost touched ferny scales (7)  
 22 Adult chaps mature, tame no longer (7)  
 25 Cheap fags offer a price on lives (5)  
 27 Instruction manual? Time put in reversed major setback (5)  
 28 Like a wild horse, old, a broken ruin, died (5)  
 30 In Wandsworth I stay, shut up (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

# Azed No. 2,427 solution & notes

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24	Z	E	L	A	T	R	I	X	S	V	F	I
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29	M	A	C	O	N	V	A	G	A	L	O	P
31	B	R	A	S	S	E	T	U	R	A	L	I
33	A	L	T	E	R	N	E	N	E	E	L	E

**Across** 1, a + anag.; 11, estoc in r, k; 13, cf. Costa; 16, (HE)retic + ule; 18, N + I in a stalk; 24, anag. incl. Z; 28, coro(nation) + core<sup>2</sup>; 33, tern in anag.  
**Down** 1, Nazi in anag.; 2, in aura + te; 3, ref. Ellen T., etc.; 7, ref. (mo) stances(tors); 8, doc + qu(1)et; 9, cf. code; 14, we in set + i.e. pie; 20, E in taros + E; 23, i in P rate; 26, a in vole<sup>2</sup>.

## Rules and requests

Send correct solution (one only) and clue to replace definition asterisked (on separate sheet also bearing name and address, securely attached) to **Azed No. 2,430**, 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, Awnbridge, Romsey SO51 0HN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address.

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