

# Azed No. 2,449 Plain

1	2	3		4	5	6		7	8	9	10
			11								
12								13			
14						15					
			16		17	18			19	20	
21						22					
23								24			
	25							26			
27	28	29			30	31					
32								33			
34											
				35							

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Post code \_\_\_\_\_

## Across

- Aid to driver's prospect, we'll engage one cracking whips (8)
- What's smoked oyster I've trimmed, included in Spanish dish? (9)
- Bond girlfriend no longer enthralled by union (5)
- Malay craft fixed oars up, not old (5)
- Feature of nude, informal? Artist added in touches (6)
- Eastern vessel in trouble, second going for quays (6)
- Chinese communist exchanging extremes for religion (6)
- Spain in grip of opulent foreign empire (5)
- Cheer in school for what Scottish climber attempts? (6)
- Woven lisle, new purchase by retailer (6)
- Lost movement in Holst I restored (5)
- Sliver of noisette consumed red? (6)
- Early Irish settlers having forewarning about e.g. Columba (6)
- Abbreviated transactions shut out the known facts (6)
- Mackellar's unable to sing properly, poorly about opening of opera (5)
- A day I had in France, so long there (5)
- Feature of breakfast course round oven (9, 2 words)
- Source of nourishing juice stirred kilter inside me (8)

## Down

- Doings at Davos? Tense porter's employed with gains around (12, 2 words)
- Dog, one breed that's trained with measure of dash (8)
- Instrument for chopping a slate suitable for one's rockery (8)
- Last of a casserole used as starter – to avoid this? (5)
- Producer of ferrous sulphate modified skin shade (8)
- Saint Simon? (Could be a catch) (4)
- To go through exercises run quickly round area (8)
- Some real barren mounts, bleak in the Cairngorms? (4)
- Wretched waste in the sea (4)
- Old dance? Assume a spree is wrong for it (12)
- Expectant woman's affliction? Reduced energy immobilizes end of pregnancy (8)
- Signifying 'doer', one brought in untangled a tangle (8)
- Silence one noisy row? Increasingly tricky (8)
- Noblewoman is bent, in grip of chronic fatigue (8)
- Fabric mark? A firm's upset with *this* (5)
- Dip in the loch section, low but rising? (4)
- Child holding adult perfectly (4, 3 words)
- Edible seaweed? Me neither! (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

# Azed No. 2,446 solution & notes

1	A	C	C	E	S	S	O	R	Y	S	H	O	E
11	S	A	R	K	T	A	P	O	R	T	E	N	T
14	E	U	O	N	Y	M	U	S	N	Y	M	S	R
	P	F	T	O	M	B	S	V	E	L	E	T	A
17	A	P	O	R	I	A	M	O	H	E	G	A	N
	R	O	N	R	E	Q	U	E	S	T	A	G	S
23	A	T	R	O	P	O	S	D	E	G	R	E	E
26	T	O	M	B	A	C	I	I	N	I	T	D	U
	U	R	A	I	N	A	V	O	I	S	I	O	N
31	M	O	I	N	E	A	U	N	O	P	S	S	T
33	C	O	N	G	L	O	M	E	R	A	T	E	S

**Across** 1, access + anag. + hoe; 11, ref. Dame of S.; 14, U in anag. + US; 15, ref. traditional song, 'Tom B(owling)'; 16, telev(ision) (rev.) + a; 19, oh! in Megan; 23, apropos with t for p; 26, b in to Mac; 28, sv in<sup>1</sup>; 32, i.e. p(o)ss(e)t.  
**Down** 2, c + u in a, f; 5, m in abas (rev.); 6, anag. incl. v; 7, yr + n + HE (rev.); 11, a RA in septum; 13, tra(l)n + anag.; 18, to r, o in poo; 20, Robin G(obb); ref. pop group; 24, cf. plane; 25, mother of Aphrodite; see etym. at Dionaea; 27, Fr. = hand.

### Rules and requests

£25 in book tokens for the first three correct solutions opened.  
 Solutions postmarked no later than Saturday to:  
 Azed No. 2,449, The Observer, 90 York Way, London N1 9GU.