

# Azed No. 2,454 Plain

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## Across

- 1 Scottish shellfish very quietly in earth make love? (9)
- 10 Those little clasps wherein shaft joins head (5)
- 12 Strolling pier, taking in the breeze? That's plain (7)
- 13 Independent uhlan, out of order? Line to be drawn (6)
- 14 Clay? See mixture of that and sand (5)
- 15 What nail bar offers, crazy old operation (8)
- 16 Philosopher in male set (5)
- 17 Such as Goliath, tumbling to a sling? Lo, —, perhaps (6)
- 19 Journo following constant rule, to whom one's indebted (8)
- 21 Typically American, squandering a pile with pep (8)
- 24 Net user is so like fish being played? (6)
- 25 Whom the Irish respect on account of verse (lines penned) (5)
- 28 Bearing flowers, Jack accepts bereavement well! (8)
- 30 Former religious rite from Egypt originally, dividing bread (5)
- 31 Murphy causing gossip round Ireland's capital (6)
- 32 Warm stroll round heart of aviary (7)
- 33 Driver's first source of unwelcome advice in car, cheerless (5)
- 34 Leaders in nasty lust eye girl askance — thus? (9)

## Down

- 1 Legume I fed to children repeatedly (5)
- 2 German going for Germany in capital part of fuselage (8)
- 3 Spenser's equal trembles to be cast off by one such? (5)
- 4 Once in position, plays out time (6)
- 5 Drive forward, light saying you can? (Cobber slow on the uptake) (6)
- 6 What's fed to animal like a cow, endlessly chewed? (7)
- 7 Gap left, oddly, foot short as housing for circular base timber (11, 2 words)
- 8 Romancer raising the bar (4)
- 9 Townships on north-eastern estate (7)
- 11 GI's so ill he's in a bad way — it's a form of dysentery (11)
- 18 Part of sponge I cut in experiment (8)
- 19 Chief on board retrained usher (7)
- 20 Jock's following the sun, having mixed deli round the Med e.g. (7)
- 22 Gym precedes work on Latin and English subjects (6)
- 23 Indulge, putting money in stocks and shares (6)
- 26 Master giving second in class merit (5)
- 27 Migratory thrush, very weird (5)
- 29 Scene with this? Form of mesa clone maybe (4)

**The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.**

# Azed No. 2,451 solution & notes

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**Across** 10, mar in II; 11, ae in ga(-ga); 14, smack, lip = kiss; 15, comp. anag. incl. two; 30, men US; 31, i.e. sit (rev.) in PM; 33, alternate letters; 34, dresser less r, r; 35, anag.

**Down** 1, i.e. put it up; 2, sv pinta<sup>1</sup>; 3, b + i.e. in RR + y; 5, e.g. + anag.; 6, comp. anag.; 9, c in + Easte(r); 19, L in daring; 21, ref. highwayman and his horse; 25, alternate letters in anag.; 26, el men; 29, ref. the Venerable B.

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