

Azed No. 2,477 Plain - Competition Puzzle

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Azed No. 2,500

There will be a special lunch in Wolfson College, Oxford on Saturday 2 May 2020 to mark Azed No. 2,500. For full details please send an sae to Richard Heald, Azed 2,500, 13 Eshton Court, Mapplewell, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S75 5QG, or email heald.richard@googlemail.com.

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Across

- 1 Does for college taking meals round (8)
- 11 What Jock would call humble, taking English in college (5)
- 12 Mixed up, so extra antidepressant required (7)
- 13 Folds in damask curtains partly drawn back (5)
- 14 Man e.g. given time inside showing fibre (5)
- 15 Like worthless demoiselle? One is clothed in purple (8)
- 16 In a corner round piece of Hepplewhite is giving impression of depth (6)
- 17 Alley pub attracting set round (6)
- 19 Mosquito maybe making one swerve a little way (8)
- 22 One landing fish in port wandering round Exeter once (8)
- 25 Like yoked pair formerly attached to cart (6)
- 26 Laud is prelate? Let this become broadcast (6)
- 29 Rivet I removed from rolling stock, wrong if twisted? (8)
- 31 Desirable companion to have in bed, in more ways than one! (5)
- 32 Primer applied on a table, omitting outer parts (5)
- 33 Fencing specialist providing what indicates parking in modified site (7)
- 34 Caterpillar seen in a rainy start to October (5)
- 35 Person that's brought round quantity of wood – he does go on so (8)

Down

- *1 Dark days (12)
- 2 Reclining in care of frisky nautch (8)
- 3 Unsound element in awful ceramics (5)
- 4 Dog receiving nothing for tea (5)
- 5 Matador from Spain with home in South America (6)
- 6 Shakespearean to oppose type of theatre, waving gun (6)
- 7 Noah, poorly, hospital admitted – praise be! (7)
- 8 Squashed kiss can, in flirting etc (7)
- 9 What deprives one of feeling, losing yen for friends? (4)
- 10 E.g. title page in rewrite of Elstree Spiderman (12, 2 words)
- 18 Like Adam after Eve's arrival, in green mode of existence? (8)
- 20 Use another rose on art? We're going crazy (7)
- 21 Early colonist in place before Roman river (7)
- 23 Soak being employed to tackle opening of fizz (6)
- 24 Journey skywards on board fine jets (6)
- 27 J. Laurie's ardent one giving him orders at Walmington? (5)
- 28 Late meal without starter? Pretty good shot (5)
- 30 Guy maybe – atop fire's a fit one lit (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

Azed No. 2,474 solution & notes

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Across 1, c oft; 13, so re; 14, anag. + gray (vb); 19, E + anag. in palate; 21, bal(l) + e in nation; 27, i.e. gunmetal with gal removed; 28, t interne(d); 30, H (= heroin) in tinker; 31, a r(o)le; 33, 'hike'.

Down 1, poms (rev.) in cool it + an(d); 5, Oort (rev.) in pan; 7, hidden rev.; 8, eng. (rev.) in sit; 10, try + ing in st tree; 16, uva + it in rove³; 23, anna in th(is); 25, tur(n) ki(n).

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. 2,477, 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.