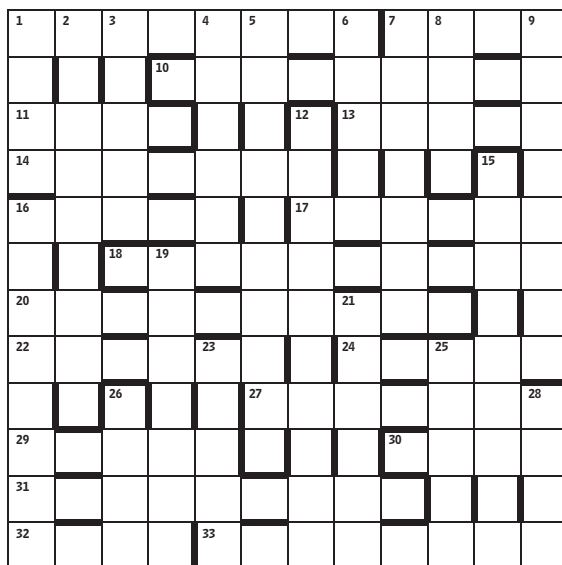


## Azed No. 2,481 Plain



### Azed No. 2,500

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### Across

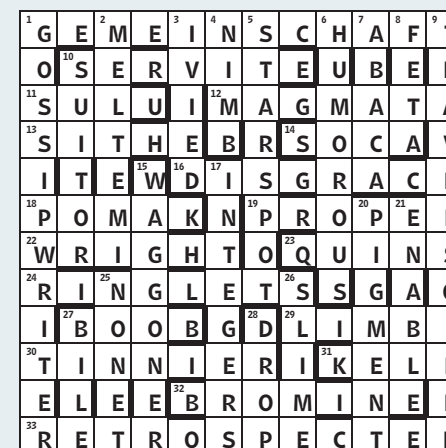
- 1 Cook's joke about endless change of course, what diner's sent home with (8)
- 7 Fool is losing half share (4)
- 10 Polynesian islander makes one (9)
- 11 She's given revised order for time of sitting (4)
- 13 Offspring found with hand in tin (5)
- 14 Twitter indicator has reversed section of raga (7)
- 16 Mushroom – with cod it might be cooked in (5)
- 17 Fanciful bird, about ultimate in extravagance, getting more dear for Scot (6)
- 18 The old moan about a nuisance giving one the pip (10)
- 20 Recife, oddly, matches places like Singapore (10)
- 22 Prone position with muscle left clenched (6)
- 24 One with depression, person put on to doctor (5)
- 27 Keeping fine old horses – loads of capital cover needed (7)
- 29 Some echo, irritating in part of cathedral? (5)
- 30 Life? Life story about run (4)
- 31 Bait to discard if I keep silent (9)
- 32 What posers do, including following riddle (4)
- 33 Strong cotton fabric? See about weight (8)

### Down

- 1 Party's starter of halloumi and greens (4)
- 2 A canoe deployed on valley areas for training dolphins, etc? (9)
- 3 Oil company going after good type of ground (5)
- 4 Edible tuber, a beauty I mashed with no odd bits of beet (6)
- 5 Pair of women (unacceptable to feminists) joined old sovereign? (10)
- 6 Balkan fiddle, type of viol thin apart from its end (5)
- 7 Former obstruction in deep swirling drain (7)
- 8 Attractive option for those saving yen? Get that! (4, 2 words)
- 9 Pub entrance's opening on back, where vestibule's found (8, 2 words)
- 12 *Will's lace adornment?* A big Beatle hit (10, 2 words)
- 15 Chaps recalling Aegean island in relation to certain biology theories (9)
- 16 Hair in a tangle once? Almost otherwise when congregation's involved (8)
- 19 I left in e.g. potato coming up, established anew (7)
- 21 Tax like this premier lifted – it's all-embracing (6)
- 23 Poem *and* song, equally rich in part (5)
- 25 Crystalline substance found in soft water mostly (5)
- 26 Whip up gee (4)
- 28 Drunk judged by hearing in juridical district (4)

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

## Azed No. 2,478 solution & notes



**Across** 1, chaf(f) in anag.; 12, AGM in mat a; 14, so-ca(lled); 22, ref. Harlequins RUC; 27, boo! + b; 31, i.e. Kell(y); 33, ref. OT story.

**Down** 1, ref. William Hickey; 2, T in melé(e) + I'm (rev.), & lit.; 3, l + e in vid; 4, nimb(us); 6, anag. in humus; see mull<sup>4</sup>; 10, comp. anag. incl. c; 20, pigmen + t(rough); 25, i.e. on in Net; 26, see mother<sup>2</sup>; 27, (MO)bile (phone).

### Rules and requests

£25 in book tokens for the first three correct solutions opened. Solutions postmarked no later than Saturday to: Azed No. 2,481, The Observer, 90 York Way, London N1 9GU.