

# Azed No. 2,749 - Plain

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There will be a special lunch to celebrate Azed No. 2,750 at Wolfson College, Oxford on Saturday 3 May 2025. For details please email [heald.richard@gmail.com](mailto:heald.richard@gmail.com) or send an SAE to Azed 2,750, 13 Eshton Court, Mapplewell, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S75 5QG.

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## Across

- 1 US sycophant upsetting parish people, about 50 (13, 2 words)
- 11 Lake-shore mineral artist crated? (5)
- 12 Loss of honour in Athens alas includes distinguished citizen thereof? Not on (5)
- 14 Scottish husky that has work breaking up wild riot (6)
- 15 Devout prankster in Amazonian craft? (7)
- 16 Pomeranian makes drooling noise by the sound of it (5)
- 17 Carp from the States I found among a lot of herrings (7)
- 19 Rainy borders of Hungary and elsewhere (6)
- 20 Stoup's content? Namely 'overflowing', about to go fast (9, 2 words)
- 24 Like heavy type whenever included, of two kinds (6)
- 27 Sprinkle all over set scattered in beer? (7)
- 29 What may be articulated, right inside parrot (5)
- 31 Lack of gas? A vehicle running short, awful pain (7)
- 32 A skin condition like this is plugged by a pin (6)
- 33 Take as a precaution (one might assume) what may run along river? (5)
- 34 Abjure former race forever (5)
- 35 Seeds we scattered with genera, source of all higher plants (13, 2 words)

## Down

- 2 Shoot on grouse moor? There's nothing in what's to cook (4)
- 3 Association for business types in favour of transport (6)
- 4 Stone I found in hollows (5)
- 5 Knock to indicate needing lift? Tapping noise (6)
- 6 Rock plant for rearing at home (5)
- 7 Strip of wood I held in middle? Jock's averse (5)
- 8 Tinware in its material, hot (6)
- 9 Elevation of rank by the sound of it once promised in Scotland (5)
- 10 Charm with minor switch, English copy (7)
- 11 Knick-knacks I caught in two bits of underwear, see (9)
- 13 Old gold coin to cheer buckaroo, not the first (9)
- 18 One travels via Amtrak, arrival affected, velocity becoming constant (7)
- 21 Stiff rule in wood (6)
- 22 Home for cats? Some copper Siamese (6)
- 23 Chemical compound, form of nitre containing electric field strength (6)
- 25 Liberal food's passed round in spread (5)
- 26 I'll be included by fellows in self-administered massages (5)
- 27 Harrow fern thicket (5)
- 28 Drink a lot round Spain in tropical headgear (5)
- 30 Mild expletive exemplified by commercial (4)

**The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended.**

# Azed No. 2,746 solution & notes

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**Across** 11, wines in anag.; 12, sup(in)e; 15, (s)tich; 28, comp. anag.; 31, in in toi-lette; 32, cf. dealt.

**Down** 2, hour + 1; 5, an (It)aly's is; 8, to r + dip(rev.); 9, in gener(al); 10, stern in anag.; 18, Oxford with b loo for for; 25, st(ay) + end.

### Rules and requests

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