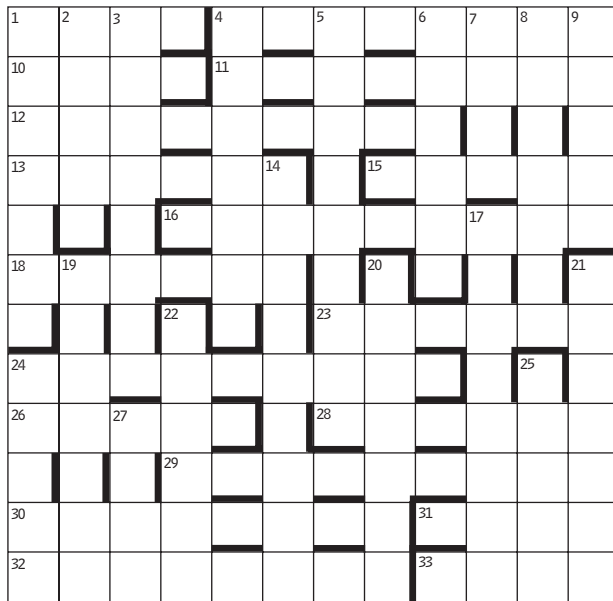


# AZED No. 2,189 'Wrong Number'



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Each clue contains a one-word definition of the word required at the number where it stands but belongs as a whole to a word of the same length elsewhere. Method recommended is to find, after solving a clue, a definition of the solution in one of the other clues to words of its length: this will show where the word is to go.

## ACROSS

- 1 Strut: what cat does, tail to the fore (4)
- 4 Wept if denied odds on races once these are given at start of year (8)
- 10 Put name against article immediately (4)
- 11 Device for e.g. copying this poet? I had got paper sorted (8)
- 12 Rake dressing rotund dissolute for circuitous journey (9)
- 13 Disclaim wandering in France without fine temperature (6)
- 15 One under command of US NCO, not one fit for dance (5)
- 16 Run in chino and get prepared for bluster (9)
- 18 Ducks forming limit for little bird dropping in fatigue (6)
- 23 Soak tucking into drink has to withdraw, colouring (6)
- 24 Position love lives amid wine, mature vicinity (9)
- 26 Costly end of marriage once badly affecting one's conscience? (5)
- 28 Bit of pigment acceptable in such as Priam's circle (6)
- 29 Scenic spot to contend with e.g. beer round centre of neighbourhood (9)
- 30 One like Blondel who presents reworked overture (8)

## AZED 2,186 Solution & notes

S	K	U	G	D	O	R	M	A	T	S	
W	A	N	Y	A	P	S	O	A	R	E	
A	T	A	P	R	E	Q	U	I	T	A	L
M	A	I	S	T	R	I	N	G	Y	C	F
P	L	M	I	S	A	N	D	R	O	U	S
C	H	E	K	I	S	T	E	E	C	P	A
Y	A	D	D	N	F	A	L	S	I	S	M
P	R	I	E	S	T	S	H	I	P	S	E
R	D	T	S	H	A	K	E	D	O	W	N
E	G	O	M	A	N	I	A	G	L	U	E
S	O	K	A	P	I	N	V	P	I	N	S
S	T	O	N	E	A	G	E	I	N	G	S

**Across** 1, sku(lkin)g; 4, main do orts; 12, soare(d); 15, mai (Fr.=May) + string; 16, cf. 'Miss (Julie) Andrews'; 24, anag. + hip; 28, a ked in shown; 29, Omani in age (rev.); 31, P in OK ai; 33, cf. Stevenage.

**Down** 1, swam + c, y in p-press; 2, cf. a talk; 5, anag. ref. soap o.; 6, unde in roll(e); 7, erg I am (all rev.); 10, anag. + men in sess; 19, shl in a PE; 20, C, l + lop (rev.) In; 25, E in have(n); reach = retch; 27, k in too, &lt;

## PRIZERULES

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- 31 Promise ends in vow to eager stud (4)
- 32 Stop replacing work with wild orgies, bristling (8)
- 33 Grass: water next day (4)

## DOWN

- 1 It was very hard getting powdered colour into tin (7)
- 2 Single twin re-examined self-knowledge? (5)
- 3 Lamented one who famously streaked in age-old grassy patch (8)
- 4 Capital? No capital – see me stuck in this old fur! (7)
- 5 Regina distressed about return of routine apparel (9)
- 6 Ring women in veils one's seen to harass (6)
- 7 Missouri's garment for American player (4)
- 8 Mum's making coat for sales rep, purplish (7)
- 9 Regulate centre of sore showing inflammation reversed (5)
- 14 Flight burden that restricts annoying pest (9)
- 17 Sleazy illumination for dark room enlarger? (8)
- 19 Stinted? Spoiled rather – if it's filling you want, come to me (7)
- 20 Needing doctor? About time it's inserted for Jock (7)
- 21 After end of supper auntie, rocky, collapsed (old) (7)
- 22 Hearts tend to turn about one getting serious penalty (6)
- 24 Posh form of yarn involving one component (5)
- 25 With endless verve I'll jig in pond (5)
- 27 Opposed to a hint, convoluted, husband dropped (4)

Every answer is in *The Chambers Dictionary* (2011). It gives two of them as both one word and two, a fact that Azed has exploited in the relevant clues.