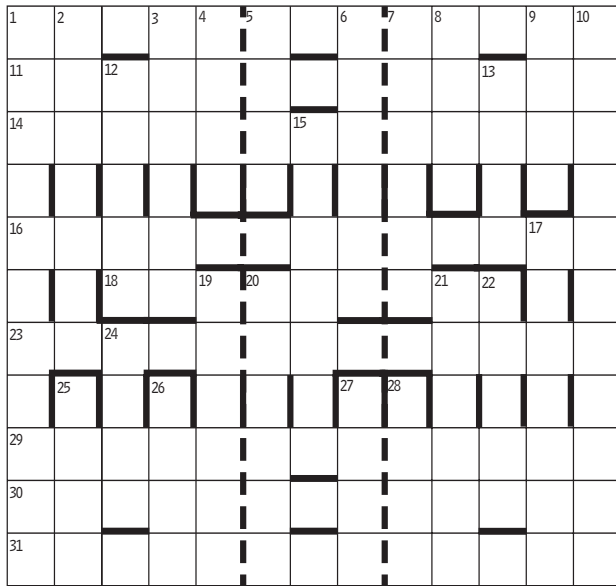


# AZED No. 2,196 'Overlaps' COMPETITION PUZZLE



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Down clues are normal. Each across clue, except **30**, leads to two words which overlap, the last three letters of the first being the first three of the second. The overlaps occupy the central section of the diagram, bordered left and right by broken bars. Each across clue consists of clues to the two overlapping words, in either order; one of these is normal, but in the other the cryptic indication refers only to the full word **minus the overlapping portion**. Either of the two overlapping words may be clued first, and the two types of clue that make up each double clue may be in either order. Competitors should submit with their solutions a clue in the style of the other acrosses to replace the two definitions (presented in alphabetical order of their solutions) at **30**. They may make their own choice which clue type to use for each of the two overlapping words.

## ACROSS

- 1 Again, host subtly exceeded mutton broth, cold, with warm round bit of polenta (8, 8)
- 11 Fit to function after visit to theatre, a rebel reread church extract, fine following page (8, 8)
- 14 Destination for junk star guided by height the moon turned in about star (8, 8)
- 16 Earliest stirring in workshops to adjust subject of painting for all to see shifting base? (8, 8)
- 18 Forbidden meal interrupted by whistle-blower – last, for sure (6, 6)
- 23 Commercial bush, petal trained by worker, reverse of ideal along-side border plant – forms in art (8, 8)
- 29 Like e.g. Cameron once welcoming southern European national, perhaps warn one going after bit of ice creamier than the rest? (8, 8)
- \*30 Bell equivalents; built of horizontal beams (8, 8)
- 31 Overwhelmed, nursing damaged lung, I took food, making slow progress with date in fruit basket (8, 8)

## AZED 2,193 Solution & notes

Z	I	N	G	L	C	B	S	P	A	L	D
A	B	O	R	A	L	A	T	O	C	I	A
K	I	T	E	M	A	R	K	M	A	N	U
A	B	C	E	E	P	R	M	A	R	I	D
T	I	O	K	T	T	I	C	K	I	N	G
P	O	R	T	E	R	S	L	O	D	G	E
C	O	N	G	R	A	T	U	L	A	T	E
I	G	A	R	A	P	E	C	R	N	I	Y
R	I	M	E	D	P	R	A	O	R	T	A
I	V	E	D	H	E	I	R	L	O	O	M
Z	A	N	I	E	R	A	N	A	N	K	E
A	L	T	A	R	Y	L	E	G	A	I	N

## Rules and requests

Send correct solution (one only) and clue as indicated (on separate sheet also bearing name and address, securely attached) to **Azed No. 2,196**, 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,

**Across** 1, (do)zing; 11, lin spa d(one); 15, c. in a bee; 19, d in anag.; 21, cong(a) + ratu, late; 29, aor (is)t + a; 30, Irl. o in anag.; 31, ani in zer(0); 33, i.e. (Gibr)altar; 34, see boot?.

**Down** 1, z A kat; 2, ib. + I in lbo; 4, L + a meter; 8, kam op (rev.); 17, R name in anag.; 22, lav lgo (all rev.); 26, o(l) in rag; 28, riz (qv) + A.

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## DOWN

- 1 Work on volume once causing grief for eye expert (11)
- 2 Wordy book's half in poetry (7)
- 3 Queen captured in revolt? Danger past (6)
- 4 First of snow covering hills, I ski in Oberstdorf (4)
- 5 Wine jar, not the first (4)
- 6 Painful? It's often de rigueur in part (6)
- 7 Dotty translation (too literal?) given with the French, ignoring accent (6)
- 8 Pick mercenary, but lacking old gun (4)
- 9 50% of TV comedy served up in miscellany? (4)
- 10 Wretchedly triste, Danaë may appear so? (11)
- 12 Tomboy exhibiting extremes of roguery (5)
- 13 Evidence of horse-doping? Objection leading to ending of licence (4)
- 15 Marks & Spencer initially stocking alcohol-free wine, without success (7)
- 17 By implication, a true Shakespearean smash? (7)
- 19 At home, in grip of strong drink, spinning uncontrollably (6)
- 20 Rabbit from part of SE Asia that's indulged in (6)
- 21 Herb names one has instinct about (6)
- 22 Fluid containers? It's madness switching first couple (5)
- 24 Anything tiny, of matter principally (4)
- 25 Old Scots nag, mean, ageless (4)
- 26 Successful finalist, task over (4)
- 27 Grass? It's cut short among spinach (4)
- 28 Cross male, Unionist sketch writer sent up (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended. It does not give one German word, and one superlative form may be seen as somewhat fanciful. One across answer is of two words.*