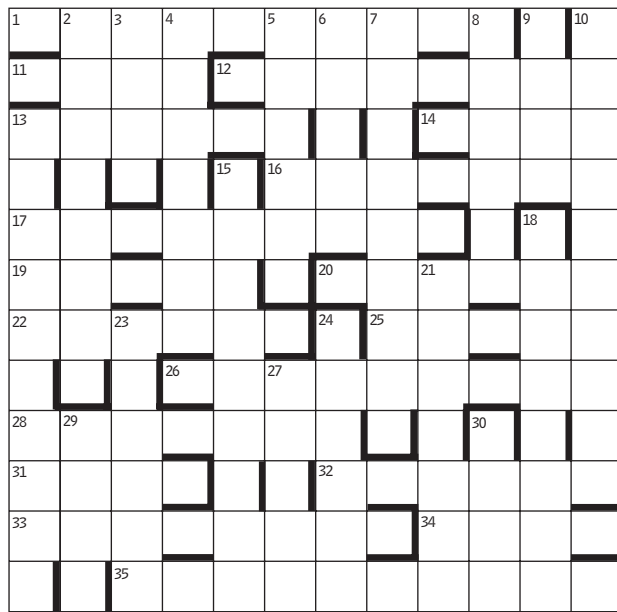


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Half the across and half the down clues lead in their definitions to Spoonerisms of the correct answers to be entered. Subsidiary indications in these clues lead to the correct answers themselves. In the remaining clues (except **33**) the definitions have been distorted by one Spoonerism per clue. Subsidiary indications in these clues likewise lead to the correct answers. Competitors should submit with their solutions a clue of the latter type to replace the asterisked definition at **33**. **NB** Spoonerisms may be either consonantal (e.g. WHITEBAIT/BITE (or BIGHT) WAIT (or WEIGHT)) or vocalic (e.g. BUNTING/ BIN TONGUE, and may be accompanied by changes of punctuation. Bracketed numbers after clues indicate the length of grid entries throughout.

ACROSS

- 1 Confines leather strap to haul back fight in front of HM (10)
 11 What bucks, after sighting, will be bagged by rifle aimed? (4)
 12 Later course in long meal, sea food dip perhaps? (8)
 13 Pack fizz – not a word! – in upper deck (6)
 14 Where sea wind first died, even on the fringes (4)
 16 Without Latin one must stay outside area of ecumenical council (7)
 17 Clan chief writing if hand etc guided (9)
 19 Tree sap to soften by boiling, then left (5)
 20 Feature of bill as pace modified cost, reverse of ideal (6)
 22 Part of Tommy's kit bashed? Number cheers having it for protection (6, 2 words)
 25 Alto, soft, cut short as one bawls keys (5)
 26 Mount showy performance: switch round work (9)
 28 Cheerful Cockney, slack, e.g. I brought in to sing last in programme (7)
 31 Ma left off preparing cart cord (4)
 32 Down tame summons involving minimum of sin (6)
 *33 Shoot out like light (8)

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

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. 2,239**, 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

Across 1, anag. + artis in OT; 10, pp in ale + sauce; 11, see leash; 13, ape in Pr.; ref. 14 ac.; 20, d + RIP; 22, 'seed'; 23, RR in pay; ref. Hubert P.; 27, PE in anag.; 30, (m)oneyer; 31, lo sue (rev.); 32, E als(o) (rev.); 33, anag. incl. g; 34, 34, thes(e) + an in anag.

Down 1, anag. + cement; 3, spe(l) + anag.; 4, u, l + icon; 5, rebel with C for L; 7, u in tart; 9, l + anag. in turns; 12, s(and) in rake (rev.); 17, rosy in plon(king); 19, a b in (l)ysra(el); 21, l + RA in tent; 25, M + ouch; 26, (Marie) Stop(E)s; 28, go (rev.) in lin(e).

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- 34 Bit of cold ash mate's left by close friend (4)
 35 Polish patsy warmed vandal (10)

DOWN

- 2 Some wee seeds: wife has potted large number, even ones for Charlie (8)
 3 See me catch half of team, the other half being stumped (4)
 4 Dapper coterie, a point accepted by street (7)
 5 Inferior horse cut to taste uncooked (6)
 6 Like informal photo, say, it may be sold for mammon (5)
 7 Pub once shattered the whole solid sink (9, 2 words)
 8 Long to let out private room? Scratch around (6)
 9 Centre of round, mostly meat, pie's art (4)
 10 See nanny steep muddied girl's underwear, no matter which (10, 2 words)
 13 As pet poorly, log in songbird disease (the pip) (10)
 15 Been in some mate's ace apartment, neat, trendy (9)
 18 Close to ski run, it's alpine, wild but short of length (8)
 21 Dodgy sound from ticker? Operation a big success, I see (7)
 23 Leo determining Trots, disheartened Russian when following drama (6)
 24 Six for Pete maybe, hoisting handle, century bagged (6)
 27 Large marble fish, wide bones, little depth (5)
 29 Whacking late enchantress needing no introduction (4)
 30 Piny tar, this serves as lining for open keel (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. It does not give the noun usage at 10 (in Webster's), the pronunciation of the first syllable of 21 (in the OED) or a reasonably common abbreviation referred to in the clue to 7.