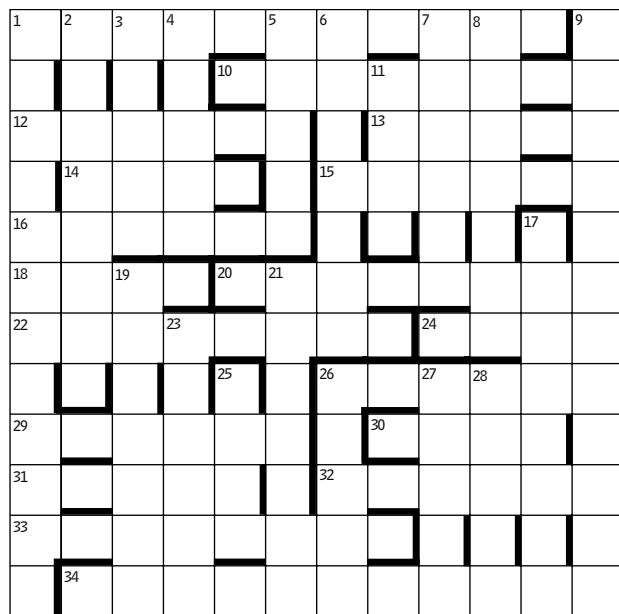


# AZED No. 1,981 Plain



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## ACROSS

- 1 Endlessly frantic music ruins such examples of plainsong (11, 2 words)
- 10 Ultra-modern step accepted by savant (8)
- 12 Being drawn in the direction of battle (6)
- 13 Border, one surrounding tart (5)
- 14 Man regarded as usual to trap king (4)
- 15 Cash discount covers capital drawn by e.g. crook (6)
- 16 Granny appears before the family in brown yellow cotton (6)
- 18 Shortfall ICI disposed of – that's handy (4)
- 20 Second leader of pack with cubs? A real headache (8)
- 22 Bier fashioned in wood – means of precluding overlong struggle? (8)
- 24 Last bits of steak available form lamb curry? (4)
- 26 Grade exercises 'plain' (6)
- 29 Set back after crash perhaps, a long time before I'll enter core of sterling (6)
- 30 'Omeless fellow left little money in ancient times (4)
- 31 E.g. Wellington's vengeance leading navy in volte-face (5)
- 32 Rough scar tissue, nothing like properly treated, departs ultimately (6)
- 33 Behave like a bad pen with no issue left to publish? (8)
- 24 Corded cloth, soft on the lady's charger (11)

## AZED 1,978 Solution & notes

K	E	K	S	P	O	P	E	S	H	I	P
N	A	R	K	I	R	R	I	T	A	T	E
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P	A	R	I	S	R	N	A	N	K	U	S
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### PRIZERULES

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**Across** 1, 'kex'; 10, aR in nK; 11, cf. 10 Across; 12, organ die; 's = has; 15, bod hi; see etym. at bodhi tree; 20, lop pi in anag.; 23, troo (p) in pan; 26, r in pais (a); 29, Ian (Bell, England cricketer) in all in pos; 30, s in enteron; 32, s tonkers; 33, necessary = money.

**Down** 1, K + son (rev.) + p; 3, ska + K in ns; 4, i.e. GPO = p in go; 5, ad in anag. incl. p, & lit.; 7, A-rd in anag.; 8, it + ch (qqv); 13, eco loris all in de (ad); 18, on, qu. in a ton (rev.); 19, see quarrender; 22, flower, pick = the best part; 25, a + toss (rev.); 27, (fi) aunt (ing); ref. Aunt Sally.

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## DOWN

- 1 Cad's untruth is unveiled (about time) using swift and subtle argument (12)
- 2 Bill admits 'I go ape, crazy', describing highest point (8)
- 3 Present batting indicating certain failure (5)
- 4 Slap wife, getting thrown into US cell (5)
- 5 Soup ingredient in tin? Mother'll treat growing bairn so (5)
- 6 Pounce, maybe bent copper intercepting trap, amateur (7)
- 7 Grapevine yielding endless red wine (6)
- 8 Spoil child – you either love it or hate it! (7)
- 9 Reg and Ned drunk on binge – one *appears* to be batting for both sides! (12)
- 11 Plate used for weaving woollie I dispensed with (4)
- 17 Pieces Leopold Mozart initially composed without frills (8)
- 19 Tip for reinforcing regulation: one doing so must come up on top (7)
- 21 Volcanic glass for each illuminated tip of torchère (7)
- 23 'Don't let your spirits fall' – attention in boozier raised (6, 2 words)
- 25 'Totty', name accepted by girl informally (4)
- 26 District under particular jurisdiction, fair without limits (5)
- 27 Malefic —, I'll bedevil Islamic belief (5)
- 28 Pet to cage up on end of leash (5)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended.*