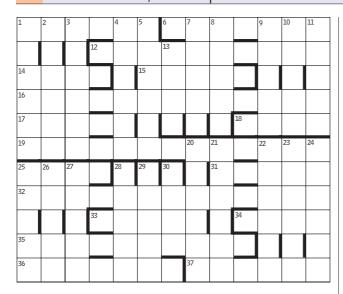
AZED No. 1,875 'Up and Down' COMPETITION PUZZLE



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Apart form **19 Across**, which is normal, each clue is really two clues, side by side but not overlapping, to the two answers of the same length indicated by the clue numbers in the upper and lower parts of the diagram. Either answer may be clued first and the division between the two clues is not necessarily marked by punctuation. Competitors should submit with their entries a similar double clue to replace the definitions at **3**, **22** (which are given in the alphabetical order of their answers).

ACROSS

- 1,37 Refuse crowd getting round for example old monarch like this, king in carriage (6,6)
- **6, 36** Ominous creature rams end of cart in a way that's precise yet lax oddly, having injected cocaine (7, 7)
- 12, 35 Worldly quality I noted in wild lusty Acer undoing the grub in a climbing evergreen (10, 10)
- 14, 34 Unshorn locks etc gathered in makeshift tuck or good hitch (4, 4)
- 15, 33 Old secret, beloved's name time inscribed in ancient spot, hard rock? (5, 5)
- **16, 32** Gold Sun on tree is grabbing universal favour of the people to dovetail in total rescue with replanting (13,13)
- 17, 31 Power invested in law English brought back to discharge relief pocketed by varlet upstart (5, 5)
- **18**, **25** Serving girl's painful separation losing child, priest in a jiffy giving brief description of requirements (4, 4)
- 19 It goes up and down: ups are connected with e.g. surge somehow (13)

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RULES AND REQUESTS

Send solution and clue as indicated (on separate sheet also bearing name and address, securely attached) to Azed No. 1,875, 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 £13 a year for 13 issues (£16 for overseas subscribers). Cheques payable to the Azed Slip, should be sent to The Azed Slip, Coombe Farm, Awbridge, Romsey SO51 OHN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address.

Across 1, 'boards'; 5, c in S(ylvia) Plath, wife of the poet Ted Hughes; 12, r + Emmy (rev.); 13, CC i.e. all in bis; see perkin; 15, hidden; 16, front + runner (qqv); 17, se(en in ki)rk; 20, v atman; 22, shoo(t); gun verb; 27, Flor. (rev.); 29, XI in braes; 30, nag r O (all rev.); 32, vet in anag.

vet in anag. **Down** 1, b in anag.; 2, y in 0 fore; 5, i.e. sub-Erin; 6, oil in up (rev.); 9, roman in anag.; 11, alternate letters; 14, ortolan in pi; 18, Ali in bate; 'Thou shalt have no other gods before me'; 19, R in anag.; 21, a co. RN; 13, (f) or m(e) Az(e)d; 28, rin bio.

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DOWN

- 1,24 Artist's medium in representation masking most of goldcoloured hydrant in fuzzy lines – it's boring (6)
- 2, 23 Profitable scheme? Student losing head disguised his age as professional companion (6, 6)
- *3, 22 Drop; raise (6, 6)
- **4,21** Belt up, then spar wildly in serious sword-fighting activity holding story up, Neapolitan speciality? (6,6)
- **5, 20** Growth in US pile diverted rising British-American holding party, a logical challenge (6, 6)
- 7, 29 A work-basket in US got up in fibre of course, one in variable weight (5, 5)
- **8,28** Inferior wheat meant some rearer undercharging for second broadcast (5,5)
- **9,27** Moth climbing (mostly) rough-edged herbs a rum cove rears (5,5)
- **10, 26** Move in fencing special area involving unknown extraction process, uranium kept under wraps by president (5, 5)
- **11, 25** Captivated band of volunteers climbing col seals burst vent emitting gas and mud (5, 5)
- 13, 30 Soft bit of Plasticine shaped to fasten box (4, 4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2003) is recommended, but does not give **19** (in the SOED) nor one of the answers to **5,20**. One of the answers to **16,32** is of two words...