## AZED No.1,914'Letters Latent' COMPETITION PUZZLE



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From the answer to each clue the solver must omit one letter wherever it occurs (often more than once) before entry in the diagram. Definitions in the clues refer to the full, unmutilated answers; subsidiary indications, such as anagrams etc, refer to the mutilated forms to be entered in the diagram. Numbers in brackets show the full length of unmutilated answers. The letters omitted, read in clue order, spell out a seasonal quotation given in the second (1953) edition of the Oxford Dictionary of Quotations but dropped from subsequent editions. Competitors should submit with their solutions a "Letters Latent" clue to the penultimate word in the quotation, treating its third letter as latent.

## ACROSS

1 One true old-fashioned mixed gin? It's just idle talk (14)
7 The Scots suffer a great deal being repelled by English (5)
10 Large stingers, horribly large in sea, swimming (9)
11 Behave like close relative? Rule with dreary Scots around (8)
12 Indonesian, not old, fit (6)
14 Magnet died when put in oven unit (9)
16 Shakespearean strip? Cause of clot grasping Shakespeare's leading character (6)
17 Cutting from tropical erica, grown less wild (6)
19 In a sort of tent with a flat top, be anxious turning in (11)
21 Marks of damage having inhaled spliff overlapping "fixes"? (11)
23 Jack protecting names hides his business (6)
26 Legally secure holy texts (6)
28 Ingenuity scattered Rodentia (10)
30 Sell energy consumed by form of transport (6)
31 Official arbitrator with overarching muscle (7)
32 Divide up lives in unravelling of secret (9)

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| C | L | ${ }^{3} \mathrm{~A}$ | D | 1 | S | T | A | M | A | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{S}$ | ${ }^{11} \mathrm{~S}$ |  |
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| 1 | S | ${ }^{\text {n }} \mathrm{C}$ | R | E | A | T | 1 | N | 1 | N | E |  |
| ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | H | A | D | A | R | 1 | M | 1 | N | D | N |  |
| K | ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ A | N | A | K | T | E | 5 | T | U | D | 0 |  |
| T | Q | U | M | ${ }^{4}$ | E | G | R | 0 | T | A | T |  |
| ${ }^{2} \mathrm{H}$ | U | M | S | T | R | U | M | T | R | R | H |  |
| R | 1 | 0 | T | A | C | T | ${ }^{2}$ A | B | A | T | E |  |
| 0 | L | ${ }^{2} \mathrm{~A}$ | A | S | U | C | K | E | N | E | R |  |
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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. 1,914, 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 SO510HN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address.

## ACROSS

7, cf Assam; 12, necessary = money; 13, a yam (rev.); 14 , creatin (g) in e; $16, \mathrm{~K}+$ kana (rev.); 19, e.g. rota in at; 22, anag. + rum; 25, Rio + tact; ref. film, Rio Bravo 31, R in anag.; 32 , noes(is); 34 , ref. H. James, novelist; 35 , reste(d) in pl.

## DOWN

1, click + H in trough; 2, i.e. larder with I as h = harder; 4, Madrid (rev.); 6, Tati + e; type of potato; 9, (s)ayin (g); 11, nets (rev.) + other mal; 17, a qui(very) line; 20, comp. anag. \& lit.; 21, ne in tract; 23, cf 5 Down; 24, I + ER in bis; 26, ut ( $\mathrm{L}=$ as) in cup; 27, (c)anon; 30, C, e (rev.) + CE.

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## 33 Cause dismay (5)

34 E.g. Diana, no good with learned theologian in canteen? ( 11,2 xwords)

## DOWN

1 I voic'd disapproval of enmity (8, 2 words)
2 Chief law officer, I put away ace violator, banged up (12, 2 words)
3 Emigré is from France, swallowing unknown overdose (7)
4 Displays contents of bag at Turnberry? (5)
5 "Thoughtlessness" some title it? Yes (6)
6 Riding free in Nevada, right - what kids dreamt of being? (12)
7 One solid within another, always contained by discretion (9)
8 Played roles, support for principal? (6)
9 Going to China, pair mostly will be seen in fancy dress? (9)
13 Inertia: charges included in loveless session anyhow (12)
15 Predestine religious teaching in broadcast on radio (10)
18 Stable girl, both hands beginning to shake in toss, ungainly (9)
20 Regular Milanese cleric, one turning up during a ceremony (9)
22 Release old reptile locked up by judge (7, 2 words)
24 Free of reins etc, pet maybe climbs into middle of blankets (6)
25 Was deeply devoted to party, communist (6)
27 English dividing dissenting body over fixed times for prayer (6)
29 Varied deli produce (5)
The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended.

