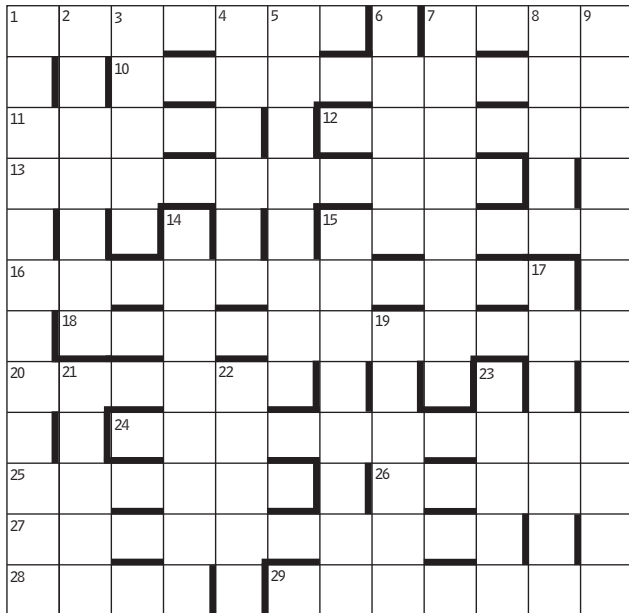


# AZED No.1,928 Plain



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## ACROSS

- 1 Playwright cut short in awkward act? One completes work quickly (7)
- 7 On the rocks? I give in (well, almost) (4)
- 10 Conflict spread, a game of chance – guarantee in auld Scotland (10)
- 11 Wi' water nan's wee pride and joy damped firework he made? (5)
- 12 Top family (top or backward) (6)
- 13 Seen being evasive in response after parking, intentionally (10)
- 15 Fish found round Loch, bluish-grey locally? (6)
- 16 Specialist collector: what's mint is a must, possibly (11)
- 18 The northern boy, Irish inside, going after maid, no grand landowner (11, 2 words)
- 20 A trifle, as in 'rotten wage' (2)
- 24 Medicated plaster, doctored sample torn badly (10)
- 25 In, but missing out on boundaries, receives one within reach (6)
- 26 Canadian force creating low tension after abuse of USA (5)
- 27 'Impaler' includes strange line reminiscent of hallowed spot (10)
- 28 Wherein one's cast with start of netting (4)
- 29 Predator ay leaving to rove aboard ship (7)

## AZED 1,925 Solution & notes

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## ACROSS

12, anag. in nerd; 14, anag. + (Joseph) Lister; 17, (p)onding; 18, nut, an, alternating; 19, cf. coys; 20, anag. + item; 25, sv fuscous; 29, a in oomph; 34, under in anag.; 35, re in splos(h).

## DOWN

1, rochet in anag. + e; 3, to in adds; 5, e in anag., & lit.; 7, anag. + nd; 8, chiv + anag. + sly; 9, inst(all); 10, (s)extant (qv); 11, anag. less a + e; 13, Am. in crèche + anag.; ref. Philadelphia cream cheese; 23, pluper(fect) (rev.); 26, Pb in anag.; 27, RN in anag. + y; see submarine.

## AZED No.1,925 Prizewinners

- 1 Trevor Crowther, Winchester, Hants
- 2 Margaret Janssen, Clonakilty, West Cork
- 3 Ian McBain, Poole

## DOWN

- 1 Public school (not amateur), good in social standing – it raises the blood! (12)
- 2 Added sound died round WWI battlefield mostly (7)
- 3 Klutz we chucked in bottom up (5)
- 4 Winning means a lot to them – one score's bitter stuff (6)
- 5 Poet's change in form, smart, new, recast (8)
- 6 One of the hairtails kept in fyke on surface after bringing up (5)
- 7 One not often badly brought up in tub and rarely innocent (happily) (8)
- 8 What's mostly powdered up creating striking effect (5)
- 9 Realistic drama's opening scene with drilling of teeth (12)
- 14 Electrical supply system: bookie has one installed (8, 2 words)
- 15 Feed rising in demand that can be filled (8)
- 17 Gnarled root's position revealing type of palm (7)
- 19 Girl is making milky drinks (6)
- 21 Hide without outer covering? Not difficult formerly (5)
- 22 Silver-cased tuning peg for taking off (5)
- 23 Flat? Comparatively smart Rue Rivoli houses (5)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended, but does not give 9, which is in the New Shorter Oxford Dictionary (1993).*