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## **ACROSS**

- 1 Departs pub game that's over, tucked into beer, ready for the off? (9)
- 11 Synagogue elder, male brought in to teach formerly (5)
- **12** Tear manufactured with lie? Once the opposite thereof (7)
- **13** Nameless malady right inside ear iodine applied (5)
- **14** Attendant offloading minis to peddle (5)
- **15** Polymath of yore, one attending college in European capital (8)
- **16** Paint Pollock–style, singular, modern? (7)
- 17 Barley of a kind? Granary displays one but not garden (4)
- **19** Mediterranean vessel departs in distinctive colours (8)
- 22 Nail damaged after injury? Caper derivative required (8)
- 25 What, we hear, does it dread getting from disgruntled guests? (4)
- **27** Bank, stony? One requiring injection of cash ultimately (7)
- **28** Boil maybe GP treated with hot lemon (8)
- **31** Martial art I practise, ideal inside (5)
- **32** French university degree, one in French certainly (5)
- **33** Uniting much of the ME, a prince back in lead (7)
- **34** Dictionary university's not allowed in? They'll have passed finals (5)

# AZED 2.371 Solution & notes

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Across 3, sore in mastic; 15, Eiger (rev.); 17, hidden & lit.; ref. Bottom in A Midsummer Night's Dream; 19, PE in rears; combine harvesters; 21, u+sing(let); 32, i.e. 'aman-eater'; 35, anaginshed.

**Down** 4, pi(e) in alu; 6, c + anag. in ser.; 7, i.e. last letters; 8, de in Eros; 9, Mario in titt'; ref. Nintendo game; 10, n men in anag; 12, jes(t)s; 22, ref. Oxford dictionaries; 26, minos x 2 + e; 28, w in fata(l); 30, linkip.

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35 Like many a vessel from Central America in trade at sea (9)

### **DOWN**

- **2** Losing run, valour wasted, runner admits, 'One's skewered' (8)
- 3 Add as free extra, sacrificing win all the way (4)
- **4** Race meeting producing great reverberating cheers (7)
- **5** Ambitious Verdi composed opening for *Nabucco* (6)
- 6 Longing I'll have to be housed in nice home (but not special) (6)
- **7** Part of the furniture in hall at Chequers? (5)
- **8** You may find elanet, first off, is mistaken for one (7)
- **9** Head of force, local or national (4)
- **10** Alternation of generations? Teen miss is upset about one of them (11)
- 11 Scots tell tales about dodgy priest it aids fundamental cleansing (11)
- **18** Old BBQ stuff, rank? One gets sick inside (8)
- **20** Crewman grasping end of taffrail it helped him climb aloft (7)
- **21** Chap with a stick for measuring up early instrument (7)
- 23 Once coated in oily stuff, a brand has head of match inserted (6)
- **24** Geometrical figures transforming hob rim (6)
- **26** Market forming circle in Indian city —see a white man there? (5)
- 29 Where trawler is heading back when it's replaced line (4)
- **30** Stanza missing second half, Milton's botch (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.