

## Azed No. 2,608 - Competition Puzzle

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### Across

- 1 Comical spots, very funny, setting the world in order? (12)
- 9 What they would never eat because fundamentalists (5)
- 11 Breather the old man's taken before exercise (5)
- 13 Dim listener chattering might make such a troubadour die (8)
- 14 China, top quality in grand dwelling (6)
- 15 Grand hostelry providing spirits (often enormous) (4)
- 16 Fiercest backs avoiding wingers in intense contest (5)
- 17 Russian parliamentarian excited stadium (7)
- 19 Skilful performer, OK for ton? One may get caught at long leg (8, 2 words)
- 23 Lord accepts opening for what 13 may offer (8)
- \*25 A paltry sum (7)
- 27 Drams knocked back including starter of Irnbru? What fou fellow may do (5)
- 30 Restricted flow, by the sound of it (4)
- 31 Having entered university blue's required to study (6)
- 32 Add a couple of ducks to pet uncle exercised (8)
- 33 Vehicle I must shift front to back? It has excellent turning circle (5)
- 34 Torch once appearing regularly among the candles (5)
- 35 Dance club ten twice styled 'dead', browned off (12)

### Down

- 1 Cuts dance for simple eaterie (8, 2 words)
- 2 Baptismal togs will envelop this bit of mosaic (6)
- 3 Bit of foreign money an ATM changes (5)
- 4 Tooted once like a famous piper welcoming queen? (5)
- 5 Monkey should be fed nothing yielding inertia (7)
- 6 Suicide swallowed stuff (7)
- 7 Blockhead upset after imbibing supply of tea? (6)
- 8 Very old chopper found in capsized battle-cruiser (4)
- 10 Area meteor's ruined — one'll measure relative density (10)
- 12 Made to feel old since one's put on strange diets (10)
- 18 With little support around misshapen tree was wobbly (8)
- 20 Like some art related to name on the way up (7)
- 21 Discover bum exchanging cap for heroin (7, 2 words)
- 22 Boxed statin goes off (6)
- 24 Sundae, middle of sweet stuff, not going round (6)
- 26 After climbing mountains, start of thunder indicated sound of downpour? (5)
- 28 Wooden cutlery, two separate pieces from accoutrements (5)
- 29 Some Muscadet suitable for fish (4)

**The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.**

## Azed No. 2,605 solution & notes

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**Across** 11, 0 in anag. less y; 16, an tip as to; 17, nett(led); 21, ref. birthday cakes; 32, astern in e'er.

**Down** 1, of find in codger; 2, character in plays by Frank Wedekind; 4, or in con a(more); 15, son in a rep (rev.) + E; 22, hidden; 26, i.e. 1's in tum; 30, Austrian ski resort.

### Rules and requests

Send correct solution (one only) and clue to replace definition asterisked (on separate sheet also bearing name and address, securely attached) to Azed No. 2,608, PO Box 518, Oxford, OX2 6WX. Entries should be received by Monday week at the latest. Please add a brief explanation of your clue (one entry only). Emailed entries from overseas will be accepted, addressed to jcrowther2000@hotmail.com £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 £16 a year. Cheques, payable to the Azed Slip, should be sent to The Azed Slip, Coombe Farm, Awbridge, Romsey SO51 0HN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address.