## AZED No. 2,027 Plain COMPETITION PUZZLE



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## ACROSS

1 What one seeks at audition that's out of consideration (5)
5 Treated to a tress in layers (8)
12 Source of arachis oil that's half ingested by three body parts(13)
13 Increasingly piquant jelly, not the first that is added to recipe (7)
16 Learn capital has to go round in distribution (8)
17 Page accompanying chief magistrate in trial formerly? (6)
18 Duck? Duck with crest flying round (6)
19 S-sing heartlessly as villain of yore (9)
21 Delicious drink getting warm maybe, with bits of cinnamon thrown in (6)
23 What signet ring has, showing Peruvian king on reverse side(6)
24 Attack from the right, trendy and typical of coalition government? (8)
28 Antique hip flask, price broadcast again (ay cut) (7)
29 It's hard and unyielding being thrown into river - firm but fair (13)
30 Walk around second half of winter, shivering? Just so (8)
31 Hollywood gossip that's new still grips one (5)

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## RULES ANDREQUESTS

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## DOWN

1 Second to last among top achievers requiring ligature (4)
2 Product of Fleet Street gravitas may be found on desk (11)
3 Ravaged, we 'ear, without so much as a drop? (4)
4 Horse that is held by vet damaged snaffle (6)
*6 Expressing lamentation (11)
7 Jack's place in literature, l'm sure (5)
8 Punishment for misbehaviour creating as-stink? (4)
9 Working as a builder I brought in crumbled stone (6)
10 Instrumental energy put into jazzy turns with vibes (11)
11 Mass of drupels a tree developed - whoopee! (7)
14 Fork come upon? One yields to one half of road therein (6)
15 Long-range navigation system inaccurately traced (6)
17 Piper with length of time half surrendered for stringed instrument (7)
19 Numerical mark including a 50 (6)
20 Full of disquiet, one displaces confusion at opening of pen (6)
22 Right hand of doctor offering something like a lozenge (5)
25 An autocrat, this short person creates fizz (4)
26 Maybe canned beer's last one from multiple delivery (4)
27 Hopper lining of lead (4)
The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended. 15 appears in earlier editions.

Across 1, anag.; 10, no-goL (allrev.); 15, a ou dad; 17, sure (rev.) in cite; 18, ref. John S.; 20, (c)alamit(y) in anag. + CS; 23, anag. intar ${ }^{3} ; 25$, onst in cant; 28 , anag. less $E ; 30$, comp. anag. \& lit.; $31, h, I$, a in un; 32, disinter + anag.
Down1, clo(the)d; 3, voe + anag.; 4, a inlic(it); 5, anag. \& lit.; 6, i.e. fl(uid) ounces; 7, in dividual; 8 , tat $^{4}{ }^{\text {in }}$ sic $^{2} ; 9$, linEder (Damin Germany,breachedby Dam Busters' 'bouncing bomb'); 11, gris lines s; 16,hfor an in animation; 23, 3meanings; 27, new (rev.) + d (pence formerly).

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