

## Azed No. 2,611 Plain

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### Across

- 1 Male cracks a whopper, reminding one of builder's butt! (7)
- 6 Erstwhile conductor in bus mostly with lot transported (5)
- 10 Legal sponsor representing oneself (without son) occupying large house (10)
- 11 Arm waving in group of sheaves, a national emblem (8)
- 13 Part of edible catch all right in belly of ship (4)
- 14 Verse I name after alliance, looking back (6)
- 15 Sweet gin loom spinning with ends of thread (6)
- 18 Antelope inhabiting the States, east to west (4)
- 20 Three out of twelve growing wild in grass I planted (8, 2 words)
- 21 Site of famous tablet found round Troy? It's been turned over, I swear (8)
- 24 English out of place in current plundering of Scotland (4)
- 25 Timber tree? Various cut with head of axe (6)
- 27 Train guard's aid in determining quantities? (6)
- 30 Virtuoso person (if lacking that prime bit of prowess)? (4)
- 31 Tot I disposed of in an appropriate place? Lots'll be disposed of here (8)
- 32 Fix the bounds for title aimed for distribution (10)
- 33 People of old Arabia, without date, biblical book included (5)
- 34 Heir, on being given bit with end of estate (7)

### Down

- 1 Culmination of sumo follows major blow in this? (5)
- 2 Below middle of tum he's portly but after training becomes trim (10)
- 3 I'll join Laplanders in workers' organization (6)
- 4 Row of old guns producing broadside (4)
- 5 Outrage caused by soldiers in the course of hostility (8)
- 6 Good queen about king 'I smother with affection' (6)
- 7 Antelope as beast of burden going round tracks? (4)
- 8 A gun going off, 'umongous start of destruction without measure? (8)
- 9 'E's sluggish, needing to be got up for a bit of a dance (7)
- 12 I rent denim, changing? Changing for this is now rare! (10)
- 16 Rage when heading north entering Scots border, attracting tax (8)
- 17 Organ, or rag, distributing the written word? (8)
- 19 Energy-filled hospital facilities? Armies will want their support (7, 2 words)
- 22 Scale as in wee round (6)
- 23 Orangey stuff, one to get (but not in) (6)
- 26 Lofty stronghold that is taking a year to subdue it (5)
- 28 Take a little girl climbing (4)
- 29 Dog having special identification mark (4)

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

## Azed No. 2,608 solution & notes

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**Across** 13, comp. anag.; 16, (h)ottes(t) (rev.); 19, cf. hot shot; 23, cf. 13 Ac.; 32, i.e. x 00; 33, cf. cart l; 34, alternate letters; 35, disco + anag. + d.  
**Down** 4, see toot<sup>2</sup>; 8, hidden rev.; 12, sens 1 + anag.; 21, cf. sit-upon; 24, (s)uga(r) in not.

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