

## Azed No. 2,706 - Plain

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### Across

- 1 Spotted cavity – it facilitates vertical cutting (6)  
 6 Jock's rent, beginning to stretch belief (6)  
 12 Short letter in pidgin revealing subterfuge (9)  
 13 One following Gottlob's theory, gist being involved with loci (8)  
 15 Local US promenade in parish bordering the briny (6)  
 16 Strain making one sound dejected, audibly (3)  
 17 Buddy having a turn involving major artery (5)  
 18 Strip with lines inside corset (6)  
 19 See me, famous Lady, measure female reproductive cell (10)  
 21 Light coat making tête rustle when it's windy (10)  
 24 Liqueur held in utmost regard (6)  
 26 Pater locally is given tea in weekend retreat? (5)  
 29 Leaves for chewing rolled from heart of Latakia (3)  
 31 Feature of Exeter-Bath returning? One gets a beating (6)  
 32 Soak on jetty, increasingly chilling (8)  
 33 Follower of Libyan priest as in getting excited about a sanctus? (9)  
 34 Story about Rechabite, idle chatter (6)  
 35 Medium and large, mixed, notwithstanding out-of-date (6)

### Down

- 1 Take off special cloak (5)  
 2 Mum joins chaps with sailor in song, doctoring equipment (12)

- 3 German in post-war period, not pro daring, I'll follow (5)  
 4 Royal pursues exercises in old uniform (7)  
 5 Oxide turning air hot (6)  
 7 Lick prune? (4)  
 8 Sappers with diminished calibre getting order to retire (5)  
 9 Like oldie, lid drooping somewhat, maroon (6)  
 10 One hearty, sea rolling, chanting agreeably (12, 4 words)  
 11 Within charge, string up female prisoner (7)  
 14 Sticky mass and disposed of by greedy diner (4)  
 19 Shift, the whole lot taken up for courtesan (7)  
 20 It helps in preparing US cuppas, arrangement of a table line (7, 2 words)  
 21 Original musical version in court extravaganza (6)  
 22 Tie-dyeing technique that's shown rearing rare wild horse (4)  
 23 One of mixed parentage, first to last gaining respect (6)  
 25 Discharge from limb in case similarly shortened? (5)  
 27 A corgi running wild but not over feature of Cairngorms (5)  
 28 Make up in early afternoon? (5)  
 30 Glass of a kind? It's got nothing on china (4)

**The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended. It does not give one reasonably common abbreviation used.**

## Azed No. 2,703 solution & notes

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**Across** 6, s + ass(a)y; 10, Parà, Quito; 11, sm(all) arm; 13, un in anag. less 1; 17, Anne R in MS; 19, ente(r) in anag.; 24, w a in knoll; 30, ric(h) in tot.  
**Down** 3, a in mitts (rev.); 5, art in tan + alia; 6, quint in SS; 7, a + une (Fr.); 15, scope t in été; 28, reci(table) (rev.).

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