

August Extra 2020 etc



Fit solutions jigsaw-wise in the grid. The clues are given in alphabetical order of their solutions. Several answers form part of a broad theme and their clues lack thematic definition. Solvers must submit with their entry the thematic word that should appear reading downwards in the highlighted cells of the correctly filled grid.

Grid by etc

If you haven't yet tried a 3D jigsaw crossword, or if you have tried and failed, this month's Extra offers an opportunity to break your duck. The jigsaw is amenable to a logical approach. The five letters already given will hopefully help; they can also be arranged to give a hint to the theme. We'll issue some further guidance at the end of August.

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN	
<p>Only three of the six canonical directions are used in filling the grid. Each of the three long solutions contains a canonical direction (at the start, in the middle or at the end), which should be removed to leave a five-letter word (possibly out of alphabetical order), which should be entered in the given direction. These are the only directions used.</p>				<p>The six canonical directions</p>		<p>1</p> <p>Curve about back (5)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>One hundred on account (5)</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Enrich diffused radon (5)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Tree with light-coloured wood found in Africa, far away (5)</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Desecrated Koran (5)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Arabian hero mislays large chest (2,3)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Discharged laser (5)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Oblique character succeeded in retaliation (9)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>H.M.S. Sahara? (5)</p>	
<p>10</p> <p>Sound of cattle (5)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Squirrel nests in large carts (5)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>The Spanish spirit (5)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Domestic slaves housed in mare's nest (5)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>How armed Israeli forces arrange introductions (5)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Minor prophet socks American (5)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Chanter dug up in ordure. Not nice! (7)</p>	
<p>17</p> <p>Puck intoxicated with the sauce (7)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>US city jerk is Oldham fan (5)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Broadcast cables (5)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Lenin revolutionised fabric (5)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Number subtracted from construction set (5)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Dogfight gives setter shelter (5)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Almost only a counter in nine men's morris (5)</p>	
<p>24</p> <p>Asiatic tree with large solitary flowers occasionally meets sumac (5)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Potassium nitrate discovered in grapetrees (5)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Poseur taken to court in hearing (5)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Faceless gatekeeper reverts to old style (5)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Initially Saudi Arabian navy attacked Aden (5)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Surgical thread fixed leg (5)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Perth searches for naked missing sailor (5)</p>	
<p>31</p> <p>Woman reorganised Sanyo (5)</p>	<p>32</p> <p>Finally Soviet politburo pogrom eliminates kulak (5)</p>	<p>33</p> <p>Excursions (5)</p>	<p>34</p> <p>In front of artist draw ornamental monogram (5)</p>	<p>35</p> <p>Intact but oddly lacking funny cruet (5)</p>	<p>36</p> <p>We consume everything for animated waste collector (4-1)</p>	<p>Enter online at bit.ly/3D2020AugX by midnight 15 September 2020.</p> <p>Aug Extra 2020</p>	