

# PUZZLE

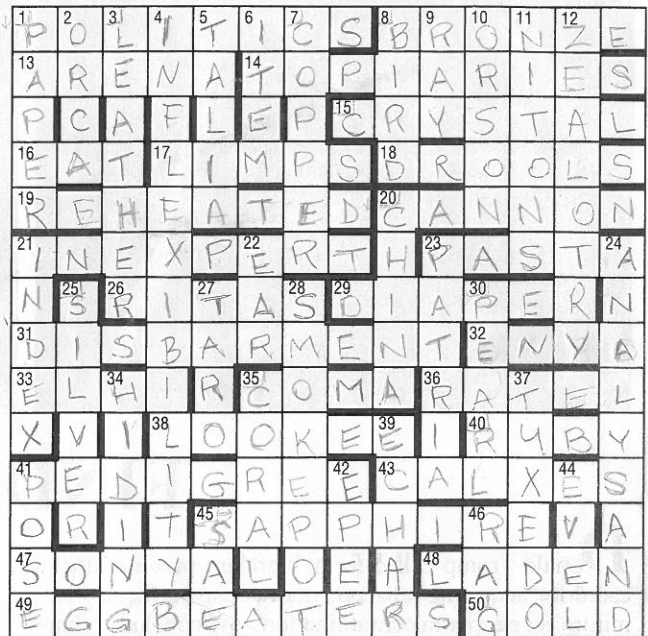
## BY THE NUMBERS

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The unclued entries at certain numbered locations have something appropriate in common.

Clue answers include six proper nouns, two foreign words, and one common abbreviation. 11D, 33A, 36A, and 43A are uncommon words. As always, mental repunctuation of a clue is the key to its solution. The solution to last month's puzzle appears on page 79.

PEDIGREE



### ACROSS

1. Quietly solicit designs for party planning? (8)
8. See instructions (6) BRONZE
13. A large space is, for many, not available (5) ARENA
14. Head first, I ram, then cut down trees? (9)
15. See instructions (7) CRYSTAL
16. Picnic or tea breaks (3) EAT
17. Is game for using lanolin initially on not very good shavers (5)
18. Cooking so lord can get mouthwatering experiences! (6)
19. Like leftovers? Get open-hearted, put a little energy into it (8)
20. Cannot, cannot end with number for a shot-putter? (6)
21. Amateurish, poorly made: entire umbrellas—ten pence (8)
23. Tapas, exotic food (5) PASTA
26. Spanish girls playing sitar (5) RITAS
29. Napkin folded back, squared (6) DIAPER
31. Deceased tribesman smeared—legally it's a tragedy (10)
32. Irish singer given Yardbirds covers (4) ENYA
33. Years of schooling taking place in India, uninitiated (4)
35. You're out when you're in this company—to a degree (4)
36. Make an adjustment to alter a wild animal (5) RATEL
38. Hey, see this igloo—keeps being out of bounds (6)
40. See instructions (4) PE
41. Descent is edgier, exercising in gym (8)
43. California Congress comes back with metallic residues (6)
45. See instructions (8)
47. Record company takes on a girl from Russia (5) SONYA
48. Oppressed Latin port in the Mideast (5)
49. Segregate ingredients, tossed with a bit of butter: what's needed to whip up a meal (10) EGGBEATERS
50. See instructions (4)

### DOWN

1. See instructions (5)
2. Theme-park performer in Florida or round about (4) ORCA
3. See instructions (7)
4. Die Hard's quality is disturbing—fix it by line 51 inside (13)
5. Entering without alias, she was Adrian (5)
6. Lovers' time is ephemeral (4)
7. See instructions (6)
8. E.g., snipe, bait Reds, even ones missing (4) BIRD
9. Sunfish? (3)
10. Bean that causes laughter, or a member of the family (5)
11. Noble gases elevated in heavy weights (6) NITONS
12. Zloty are exchanged for passion projects! (8)
20. See instructions (5) CHINA
21. Listing that can get nixed (5) INDEX
22. Scratching head, close to audience (3)
23. Latin country promoting atmosphere and access to water (6)
24. A friend's left out—and kind of patient (9)
25. See instructions (6)
27. Root for sailor who has nothing (4)
28. Emulate a hippie—it makes an effect onstage (8)
30. See instructions (5)
34. Tanning? Out of sight! (6)
35. See instructions (5)
37. Around university, detox processes cover for parties (6)
39. Wind up, reach, and throw—in Puerto Rico (5)
41. Sit, suppose: have dinner out (4) POSE
42. Mobile home won't start? Is there a point to this? Yes (4)
44. First name in risking, even when it doesn't begin (4)
45. Common enclosure? It's so Scottish! (3)
46. Prime requirements for rainwear—also gospel music (3)

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