

## Notes on Common Errors 3806 – 3858

	(Error incidence : total error : total entry)
3807 (i) SO (only) highlighted for SOL Guido's spelling, confirmed by <i>Chambers</i> (and <i>Brewer</i> )	( 80 : 157 : 645)
(ii) Multiple 'notes' highlighted in various places Preamble: "... in appropriate locations." (ie, between black notes)	( 32 : 157 : 645)
3809 Other than CERBERUS highlighted (i) nothing (41) (ii) others (5 different) (6)	( 47 : 90 : 588)
3813 (i) Bars (excluding those in (ii)) missing/extra	( 70 : 176 : 440)
(ii) (Blank) tile D enclosed by 4 additional bars Preamble: "... bars ... should be added only at ... first stage ...."	( 42 : 176 : 440)
(iii) No bars on final grid	( 42 : 176 : 440)
3815 (i) TORTES for TORTEN <i>Cakes with cream? Putrefying, half on the turn</i> ROT (rev.) TEN	( 88 : 147 : 622)
(ii) ABASES for ABATES <i>Brings down a naturalist specialising in mimicry</i> A + (H.W.) BATES	( 34 : 147 : 622)
3818 (i) Unsatisfactory treatment of 8-letter grid entries; halves not swapped around, as were the clues (a) MEMO <sup>R</sup> <sub>CI</sub> <sup>S</sup> <sub>R</sub> <sup>E</sup> <sub>D</sub> , TEST <sup>C</sup> <sub>RA</sub> <sup>R</sup> <sub>S</sub> <sup>D</sup> <sub>E</sub> , G <sup>Y</sup> <sub>L</sub> <sup>E</sup> <sub>M</sub> <sup>S</sup> <sub>P</sub> LIPS, L <sup>E</sup> <sub>G</sub> <sup>E</sup> <sub>Y</sub> A <sup>P</sup> <sub>S</sub> YEAR (81) (b) other treatments (14 different) (25)	(106 : 157 : 869)
(ii) Other than MAD AS A HATTER highlighted (a) nothing (24) (b) others (4 different) (6)	( 30 : 157 : 869)
3819 SONE for SOLE <i>Chopin's bottom part is the essential part to the earl</i> 'l' superfluous in clue; 'Chopin' is footwear; homophone 'soul'	( 33 : 127 : 754)
3821 Faulty light ray trace Message from clues: <i>Double bars act as mirrors; draw light ray</i> (i) Line tracing correct message (THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS) but not rectilinear (reflecting off 'mirrors') (43) (ii) Straight line joining the two corner squares (pre-printed as <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ) (22) (iii) No line at all (15) (iv) Others (7 different) (13)	( 93 : 148 : 526)
3824 Wrong final words in grid (i) using (49) (ii) not using (23) letters from THE BERLIN WALL 31 of the 49 in (i) RALL and AGHA for HALL and AGRA (two unclued place names specified: AGRA and ADEN)	( 72 : 119 : 676)
3827 Other than 'O' at h6, start of Knight's tour of grid, highlighted (i) c3 (37) (ii) e5 (26) (iii) g1 (24) (iv) b4 (6) (v) nothing (5) (vi) d8 (1) (vii) f2 (1)	(100 : 101 : 573)
3829 (i) OURALI for OURARI <i>A juror with no nose and eyebrows, upset upright poisonous plant</i> Anag. A (J)UROR [J ≈ nose and eyebrows], + I [≈ upright]	(117 : 236 : 743)

- 3829 (ii) COGENCY for COGENCE ( 43 : 236 : 743)  
 (cont.) *Guitar's lead replacing keyboard in coffee dance when father leaves good reasons*  
 G for FFE [ 


 ≈ keyboard] in COFFEE (DA)NCE
- (iii) BABELISM for BABEEISM ( 39 : 236 : 743)  
*Barbara holding window to induction to mysterious Persian sect*  
 EEI [ 


 ≈ window] in BABS, +M
- (iv) ANOXIA for ANOXIC ( 32 : 236 : 743)  
*Dancing on a sawhorse? I can't, at first, not having enough oxygen*  
 Anag. ON A + X [≈ sawhorse] + I C(an't)
- 3831 (i) Other than CADIMATTYT (175 : 252 : 580)  
*Magistrate bears punch to leaders of youth tribunal*  
 CADI + MAT + T' + Y(outh) T(ribunal)  
 ie, DI + MATTY (two girls' names) in (bush-)CAT; PAT ≠ punch
- (ii) Other than IRIS + GILL highlighted ( 70 : 252 : 580)  
 (a) nothing (19) (b) others (24 different) (51)  
 Preamble: Two other **answers** could have appeared **in** the thematic answers ...
- 3832 Other than XNOE (OXEN) ( 63 : 86 : 544)  
 (i) NNOE (54) (ii) DNOE (6) (iii) HNOE (1) (iv) MNOE (1) (v) SNOE (1)  
*Castrated males ready for action, after inhaling gas*  
 XE (Xenon, gas) in ON
- 3833 MANTRAS for MANTRAM ( 33 : 113 : 742)  
*Enchanting grass half-heartedly included in books. Quite the reverse*  
 Def. (in 'container') = chant; NT in MA(R)RAM
- 3834 Faulty depiction of ship (36 different) ( 83 : 121 : 797)  
 Seven lines through 8 dots required
- 3835 Other than 


 (DIVERS, mimicking 'the bends') ( 84 : 177 : 667)  
 (i) 


 (46) (ii) others (10 different) (38)
- 3837 (i) SONG for SING ( 87 : 209 : 759)  
*Carol is making us laugh, losing a letter abroad*  
 (A MU)SING
- (ii) PRAM / MATES for GRAB / BATES ( 54 : 209 : 759)  
*King has a month in coasting vessel*  
 GR + AB; BATES = Dickens character
- 3838 Bar(s) missing/extra ( 48 : 85 : 338)
- 3839 (i) VISA for PISA (129 : 212 : 672)  
*Passport Vatican rescinded for priest in northern city*  
 P replacing V (rescinded) in VISA
- (ii) (a) LEISTER (37) (b) MEISTER (7) for HEISTER ( 44 : 212 : 672)  
*8's change of leader for one after 8?*  
 8 was KEISTER (a strongbox) which a HEISTER might go after
- 3844 THINKING outside the box, augmenting grid answers, omitted ( 94 : 129 : 495)

- 3845 Other than WANDMASTER (top of the bill, box above grid),  
LEVITATION (top row), HOCUS POCUS (bottom row)  
as directed by preamble (variably one, two or all three wrong) ( 70 : 102 : 562)
- 3847 (i) Other than **only** P (pseudo-definition, one letter) and WATER (answer) highlighted as instructed (111 : 168 : 702)  
 (a) HIJKLMNO + P + WATER (38)  
 (b) HIJKLMNO + WATER (not P) (26)  
 (c) others (32 different) (47)
- (ii) Odd letter(s) in Su Doku layout not as fixed by clue answers, hence other letters within Su Doku  $9 \times 9$  not as required by correct grid, eg, K for M of SMIT (15 instances) resulting in 8 or 13 other misplacings while giving an otherwise valid Su Doku layout ( 40 : 168 : 702)
- (iii) Odd letter in Su Doku layout wrong, usually causing a repeated letter in a row and in a column ( 21 : 168 : 702)
- 3848 (i) (a) ACATES for ACATER (30) ( 62 : 143 : 413)  
 (b) A<sup>C</sup><sub>H</sub>ATES / C<sup>H</sup>ACHACHA / CARES for  
 ACATER / C<sup>H</sup><sub>A</sub>CHACHA / C<sup>H</sup><sub>A</sub>RES (32)  
*Before four, I bought provisions*  
 A + CATER
- (ii) FANDAN<sup>G</sup><sub>O</sub>ES / ENS for FANDA<sup>N</sup><sub>G</sub>OES / E<sup>N</sup><sub>G</sub>S ( 32 : 143 : 413)  
 Preamble: “ ... making longer entries both across and down”
- 3849 WHERENESS for (+T)HERENESS ( 33 : 88 : 688)  
 ‘ “There is divinity” in odd numbers’ (Falstaff, *MWOW* 5.i.3)
- 3851 Other than (CAT) LAID TO REST in diagonal ( 80 : 135 : 550)  
 (i) FULL OF ZEST (49)  
 Deriving from the alternative ‘misprint’ in clashing squares;  
 correct choice confirmed by other diagonal I OPENED THE BOX
- (ii) Others (13 different) (31)
- 3852 Unsatisfactory line(s) on grid ( 60 : 82 : 267)  
 (i) Not spelling TORUS SPIRAL BY DIMITRY (37)  
 (ii) Correct intention, but line(s) not extended to grid edge (12)  
 (iii) No lines at all (11)
- 3853 Other than 3333333 (sum of grid entries) under grid ( 41 : 41 : 347)  
 (i) 294 (28)  
 = sum of *digits* in grid; preamble specified (and therefore defined them) “All the grid entries are different”
- (ii) Others (11 different) (13)  
 mostly with grid error elsewhere
- 3856 ECHE for ECHO ( 66 : 103 : 510)  
*Augment old response*  
 ECH + O
- 3857 Misplaced or omitted additional bar(s), assigning ‘prize’ in cracker(s) ( 62 : 88 : 588)  
 (i) STORECARD|SUNGOD for STORECARDS|UNGOD (29)  
 (ii) others (9 different) (33)