

## Notes on Common Errors 2868 – 2918

(Error incidence : total error : total entry)

- 2869      ENDITAE for ENCITAE      ( 26 : 44 : 140)  
DISC (D is C) part of theme
- 2870      Various alternatives for ENSMOIE (SEMEION)      ( 25 : 36 : 127)  
*Half-time, that's switching over time for old 'linesmen'*  
SEMI-EON with I.E. exchanging places
- 2872      BRAG for BROG (BROD)      ( 13 : 33 : 174)  
*Nail for collection box in kirk*  
BROD, 2 meanings
- 2873      (Subsidiary indicators all referred to diagram entries)
- (i)      NEGATE for LEGATE      ( 44 : 84 : 186)  
*Deny carrying gun in pocket*  
GAT in LEE
- (ii)      EYAS for ERAS      ( 29 : 84 : 186)  
*Raise hell? Not I. I'm but a fledgling*  
Anag. RA(I)SE
- (iii)      CHAPEAU for CHATEAU      ( 24 : 84 : 186)  
*A hat? No thanks. An umbrella for the wet*  
CHAT(TA) + EAU
- (iv)      RAMEE for RAKEE      ( 18 : 84 : 186)  
*China grass for a journey to the East*  
RAKE + E
- 2875      Failure to understand theme: "without question"      (114 : 117 : 205)  
Each thematic clue had two solutions and those avoiding the letters  
Q,U,E,S,T,I,O,N (in that order) were to be entered
- 2880      (i) ANIA (ii) ANIN (iii) ANIL (iv) ANIS for ANII      ( 17 : 36 : 216)  
*'drunken Scot' : anag. IAIN*
- 2881      LONGTRM for LONGTIM(E)      ( 22 : 43 : 214)  
*Derelict mine (last of ore having been removed) got left standing for ages*  
Anag. MIN(E) + GOT + L
- 2882      Lower case Greek letters (not considered to "fill space most  
appropriately") instead of stars in Plough-shape      ( 94 : 135 : 249)

- 2887 Various alternatives for KUYETR (TURKEY) ( 14 : 25 : 195)  
*Constant unvarying course coming round before the end of the year*  
 (K + RUT)rev. + (th)E + Y
- 2892 ALLITE for (P)ALLATE (in OED, not Chambers) ( 16 : 31 : 142)  
*Old bed, totally English one time in content*  
 A, T in ALL, E
- 2895 (i) ESGK / QCKG (aken / pone) for ESKZ / QCZK (akes / pose) ( 24 : 76 : 230)  
*Is longing no more after fruit's yielded energy*  
 AKE(E)'S  
*Writer's reported right to begin game*  
 Homophone POE'S
- (ii) Various alternatives for CARBON-14 ( 13 : 76 : 230)  
*Good number after vehicle which could be used for dating*  
 BON 14 after CAR
- 2896 Various thematic guesses ( 45 : 52 : 226)  
 Silent initial letters were ignored, e.g. (W)RECK
- 2898 TENTONS for TESTONS ( 21 : 53 : 357)  
*Let's try different notes in the solo introductions*  
 French definition; anag. NOTES in T, S
- 2900 (i) No indication of characters (from 'Faerie Queene') at all in diagram ( 60 : 91 : 239)  
 (ii) (a) Incomplete or (b) unacceptable indication ( 17 : 91 : 239)
- 2901 CHASER for THALER ( 18 : 45 : 111)  
*Leatherworker one might regard as avid?*  
 TANNER, a vi d = a sixpence, HAL replacing ANN
- 2902 (i) SEEX for FEEX (FEEL) ( 12 : 40 : 221)  
*Experience a good meal? Long for the day*  
 L for D in FEED
- (ii) SHELF for SHEAF under diagram ( 12 : 40 : 221)  
 L did not equalise parties' initials replaced by X
- 2903 (i) SPIT (ii) SPAT (iii) SPOT for SPET ( 27 : 56 : 195)  
*Races get one shower barred from motorways*  
 RO(A)DS, advancing letters one position = SPET; shower = def. of 'light'
- 2905 Various erroneous partnerships / winners / scores ( 56 : 77 : 282)

- 2910 Various alternatives for NYASI (in Britannica) ( 13 : 51 : 244)  
*Nilotic people's supreme creator, an old bird indeed*  
 NYAS + I (= aye)
- 2912 ANGAR for (S)AGGAR ( 32 : 55 : 313)  
*Clay boxing one stone over*  
 A + RAGG rev.
- 2913 Faulty or missing indication of 'IF' ( 42 : 54 : 174)  
 Hidden in diagram: links theme words (from 'As You Like It')
- 2915 Only end columns coded rather than entire grid ( 28 : 44 : 234)
- 2916 (i) Failure to understand theme (unchecked letters guessed) ( 21 : 37 : 177)  
 Three of the unclued lights were synonyms of 'score', while the other ten were words that, with the addition of TEN, became new words
- (ii) SIPE for SYPE ( 16 : 37 : 177)  
*Soak through sieve, holding edge of pan*  
 P in SYE
- 2918 MSR / VLSD for MTR / VLTD (RETAMA rev. / VOLUTOID) ( 27 : 50 : 254)  
*One's following inverted membrane in desert plant*  
 A after MATER rev.  
*Like some marine life? Volunteer as I do madly*  
 VOL., UT + anag. I DO