

Notes on Common Errors 3234 – 3286

(Error incidence : total error : total entry)

- 3234 First diagram only submitted (89 : 95 : 175)
 This revealed 'BETTER ANSWERS JUMBLED IN CLUE', the resulting second diagram indicating 'FASHION JIGSAW FROM DISCARDS' to produce the third
- 3235 Other than EREWHON under diagram (93 : 136 : 636)
 Most popular: (i) NOWHERE (25) (ii) NOHEWRE (23)
 (iii) DECAPLNU (15) (iv) EREHWON (8)
 (v) NOWEHRE (6) (vi) NOHWERE (4)
 EREWHON (title of work) = NOWHERE inexactly reversed
- 3236 (i) GOAT (75) (ii) BOAT (10) (iii) MOAT (8) (100 : 116 : 562)
 (iv) LOAT (4) (v) NOAT (2) (vi) ROAT (1)
 for COAT *For William record my song*
 COAT = quote (Shak.) = record, CO(O O)AT
- 3238 (i) Error(s) in r.h. diagram (43 different) (95 : 161 : 823)
 Should have read
 864583
 827083
 870
 17970
 86577
1797083
- (ii) STYLITE for STYLATE (45 : 161 : 823)
Impressed with form old mount departed
 (Impressed superfluous) STY + LATE
- 3239 (i) Other than SLANG under diagram (27 different) (152 : 282 : 827)
 Most frequent (a) USAGE (109) (b) ENGLISH (12)
 A Dictionary of SLANG and Unconventional English (= SHINGLE in diag.)
- (ii) FINE and FRANCOLIN (symmetrical with ERIC and PARTRIDGE) (61 : 282 : 827)
 not shaded
- (iii) Nothing at all shaded (31 : 282 : 827)
- 3242 MGAELGUBULA (DISQUIETOUS) for (34 : 65 : 279)
 MGAELGUBUNA (DISQUIETENS)
Prophet briefly shut up in caves is disturbing
 IS(aiah) + QUIET in DENS
- 3245 RPAT for R(E)BAT(E) (38 : 58 : 296)
Get in the groove with Queen's hit
 REBATE = rabbet = to groove; R, BAT
 [defs. too imprecise for R(E)P(E)AT]

- 3246 APPPA for APPPY (68 : 175 : 783)
PAPPY, soft centre
Father describing undemanding entertainment 2 meanings
- 3247 (i) DECEPTION for RECEPTION (one Station of the Cross) (48 : 101 : 474)
(ii) STATIONS (around central X) not shaded (22 : 101 : 474)
- 3250 All crossing letters left in; RED in central unchecked squares (41 : 157 : 648)
Red St. George's cross expected. Preamble: 'One letter in each of the answers to 22 clues will not appear in the diagram'
- 3252 (i) Other than SCRABBLE under diagram (15 different) (28 : 77 : 568)
Anagram of letters in squares with coordinates K8 (KEIGHT), B10 (BENT), etc.
(ii) OLLE for OLPE (26 : 77 : 568)
Old letter turned up in jug OL' + EP(istle) rev.
- 3254 Miscoding (99 : 126 : 569)
(i) Odd letter(s) entered -10, should be +10 (41)
(ii) Odd letter(s) entered +10, should be -10 (26)
(iii) Odd letter(s) + or -10 miscounted (25)
(iv) Odd letter(s) coded in *en clair* lights (15)
(v) Odd letter(s) in coded lights unchanged (13)
- 3255 (i) Other than S highlighted (73 different) (270 : 329 : 622)
T
A
EY E
K
E
(ii) CNDARAN for CN(I)DAR(I)A M (54 : 329 : 622)
Ulysses escaped under a RAM
(iii) Nothing highlighted (26 : 329 : 622)
- 3256 (i) ENISLE for INISLE (34 : 103 : 468)
Pub on Jersey, say – one by river, reportedly
Misprint, put; I + NISLE (homophone NILE)
(ii) KNAGGY and ENRANK transposed, hence SING for SIGN in thematic circle (27 : 103 : 468)
- 3263 (i) (a) PLAN (82) (b) FLAN (10) (c) ELAN (2) for CLAN (94 : 110 : 190)
There's no fashion in an ordinary mug
CAN(ton); extra L from crossing word
(ii) (a) ARED (40) (b) ARET (9) (c) AREA (9) for ARES (58 : 110 : 190)
Desperate mercenary bumping off Scot after accepting plane's left
HAIRLESS AIR, L in HESS(ian)

- 3265 BIOTA/ABOS for (D+)IOTA/(INTR)ADOS (INTRomit) (33 : 53 : 324)
In bone insert in a reverse fold to create arch under surface
(insert [= intromit] redundant) DART rev. in IN OS
- 3272 (i) LOWESTOFT and ARDNAMURCHAN (point) not highlighted (142 : 431 : 827)
(ii) THE of THE LIZARD not highlighted (102 : 431 : 827)
Preamble emphasised only one ‘pointless’ entry
(iii) PROSY for (E)PROSE (85 : 431 : 827)
Dull epistle on table wine
Cryptic indication included an extra letter (E) at start
EP + ROSE Rosy (old slang, wine) not precise enough
(iv) LENDEASE for LEN(D)LEASE (64 : 431 : 827)
Wrong letter (making up the instruction) omitted
(v) NULLS for (H)NURLS (45 : 431 : 827)
Dashes around New Mills
Cryptic indication included an extra letter (H) at start
N in HURLS
- 3279 (i) AYA for AIA (262 : 355 : 554)
Indian maid’s canoe (K)AIA(K)
AYA not alternative spelling for maid
(ii) UNTIE for UPTIE (51 : 355 : 554)
Conclude high-class training in English
U + P.T. + I’ + E
(iii) ILEUM for ILIUM (41 : 355 : 554)
Bone idle am I but must toil with a debt outstanding
Anag. IDLE AM I BUT less A D,E,B,T
(iv) SEINS for SEANS (31 : 355 : 554)
Can take catches since formerly having secured one
A in SENS SEIN(S) not alternative spelling for net
- 3280 (i) Bars missing/extra (47 : 141 : 392)
(ii) DEED for DE? ED (41 : 141 : 392)
i.e. DEFLATED
- 3285 CERGE for SERGE (204 : 328 :1284)
Large candle going out, nearly sent back
EGRES(S) reversed