

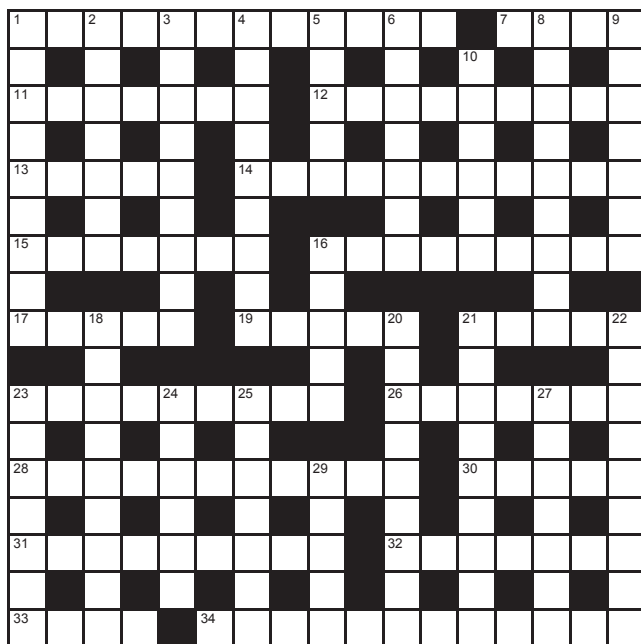
# Polymath 698 Set by Aardvark

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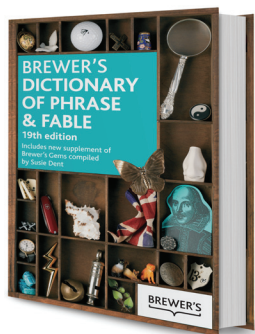
- 1 Simple aquatic animal bearing tentacles with nematocysts (12)
- 7 Artificial oyster bed (4)
- 11 Type of leaf, typically small, leathery and needle-like (7)
- 12 Somerset town (9)
- 13 Captain of West Indies cricket team from 1974 to 1985 (5)
- 14 Capital of Burkina Faso (11)
- 15 Legislative assembly of the Isle of Man (7)
- 16 Software bug that disappears or behaves differently when investigated (9)
- 17 Fictional animal in Lewis Carroll's 1876 nonsense poem (5)
- 19 Fifth of the seven canonical hours (5)
- 21 Oldest city in Germany (5)
- 23 Section of the Himalayas in Nepal (9)
- 26 Low, lace-less casual footwear (7)
- 28 Character played by Honor Blackman in *Goldfinger* (5,6)
- 30 Small city in the Västergötland province of Sweden (5)
- 31 Neighbourhood in Staten Island, New York (9)
- 32 Passenger car or capsule of a Ferris wheel (7)
- 33 Largest size of Andean panpipe (4)
- 34 Part of the ear, named after the 19th century anatomist (5,2,5)

## DOWN

- 1 Inflammation of the lip (9)
- 2 External animal parasite (7)
- 3 Home ground of Blackburn Rovers FC (5,4)
- 4 West Yorkshire town (9)
- 5 Indian side dish of chopped vegetables in yoghurt (5)
- 6 Set of two or three kettledrums (7)
- 8 Italian operatic baritone (4,5)
- 9 Research Institute associated with the University of London (7)
- 10 Commune in the Drôme department of south-east France (6)
- 16 Reddish-brown dye used for hair colouring and skin decoration (5)
- 18 Throwing game traditionally played in British pubs and fairgrounds (4,5)
- 20 Voice exercise, singing scales or runs to the same syllable (9)
- 21 Just below, or just above the speed of sound (9)
- 22 Emperor of Ethiopia from 1930 to 1974 (3,6)
- 23 Bituminous material used in roofing, paving, road-surfacing etc (7)
- 24 Lake in China connected by a canal to the Chang Jiang river (6)
- 25 In North America, an estate agent (7)
- 27 To inspire with love, captivate or charm (7)
- 29 Fictional nation in Terry Pratchett's *Discworld* novels (5)

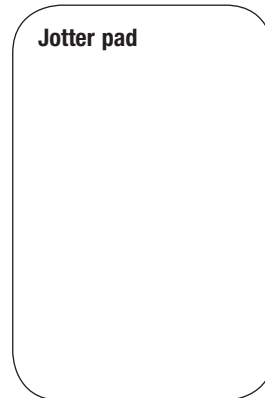


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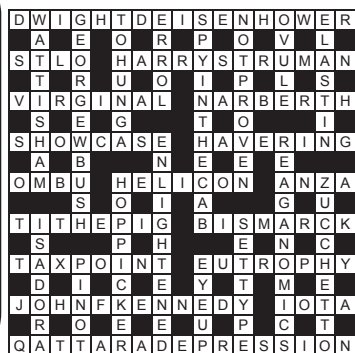


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