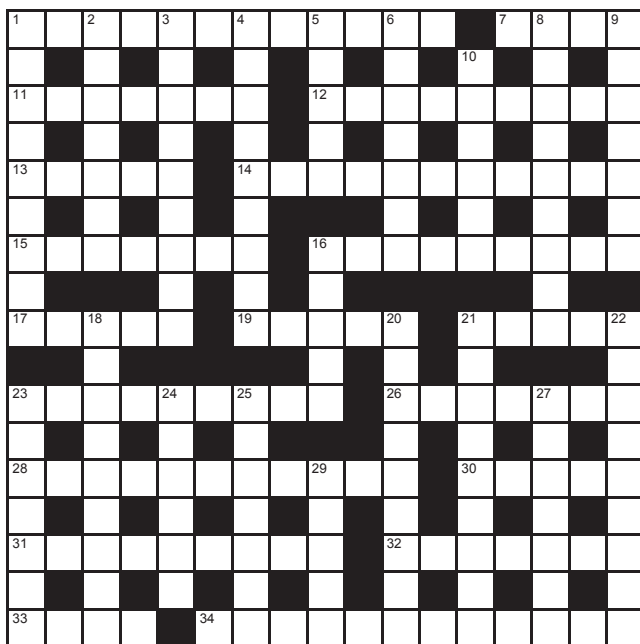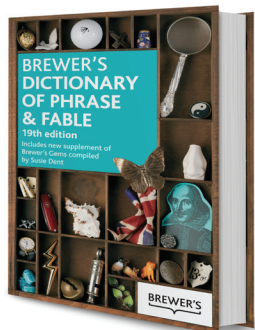# Polymath 694 Set by Cincinnus

ACROSS

1 The theory of knowledge, especially with regard to its methods and validation (12)

7 Froth on fermenting malt liquor (4)

11 George, English poet (c1560-1634), chiefly known for his translations of Homer (7)

12 Capital of the autonomous Spanish region of Cantabria (9)

13 Composer of *The Merry Widow* (5)

14 Novel by Rose Tremain, Orange Prize for Fiction winner (3,4,4)

15 An old size of type between bourgeois and minion (7)

16 Winston Churchill's home in Kent (9)

17 River flowing into the English Channel between Dinard and Saint-Malo (5)

19 Unit of luminance equal to one candela per square centimetre (5)

21 In Orkney and Shetland, a drink of buttermilk and water (5)

23 1,000 kilograms (6,3)

26 Country that gained independence from Spain in 1825 (7)

28 Hoop worn beneath a skirt to extend it from the waist (11)

30 The largest town in Clackmannanshire (5)

31 The highest German military decoration for bravery (4,5)

32 Game in which a two-headed top is manipulated with a string between two sticks (7)

33 Official news agency of the former Soviet Union (4)

34 Skill in making plants grow (5,7)

DOWN

1 Magic sword of King Arthur (9)

2 A novel by Sir Walter Scott (7)

3 Star of the 1986 film *Top Gun* (3,6)

4 First volume of Evelyn Waugh's *Sword of Honour* trilogy (3,2,4)

5 Fine smooth cotton thread used for stockings (5)

6 Free-standing block of shelves for displaying goods in a supermarket (7)

8 Ethiopian princess rescued by Perseus from a sea monster (9)

9 Poet who wrote *To his Coy Mistress* (7)

10 Author of *Lettres de mon moulin* (6)

16 A pyramid of rough stones raised as a memorial or to mark a path etc (5)

18 1946 Hitchcock film starring Cary Grant and Ingrid Bergman (9)

20 Co-founder, with Midge Ure, of the charity supergroup Band Aid (3,6)

21 A man's loose overcoat with raglan sleeves (9)

22 Lead singer of the Supremes (5,4)

23 Maiden name of tennis player Billie Jean King (7)

24 Island home of Odysseus (6)

25 Indian clay oven in which food is cooked over charcoal (7)

27 A comedy by Ben Jonson (7)

29 Side division of the nave of a church (5)

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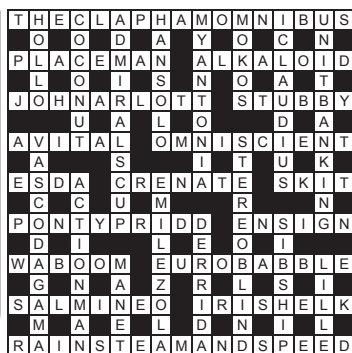

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