

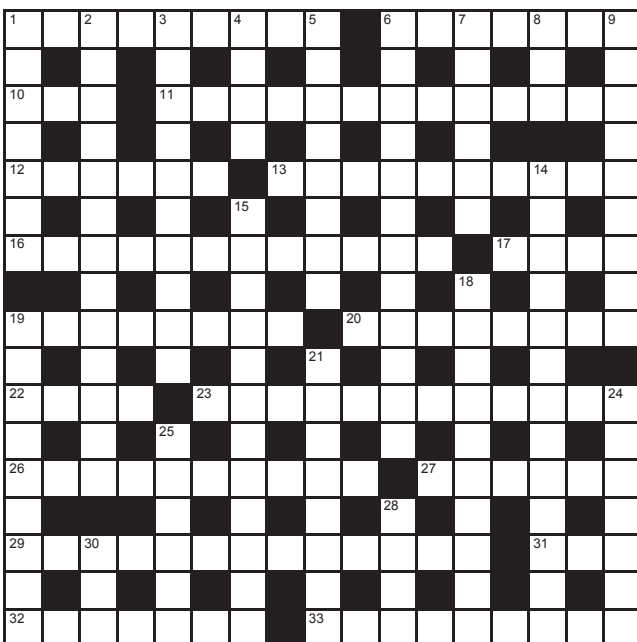
# Polymath 690 Set by Aardvark

## ACROSS

- 1 Playwright, director and scriptwriter, born 1952 (9)
- 6 Expert artists, especially in music (7)
- 10 Mountain range in Turkey (3)
- 11 Monastic building in North Yorkshire (8,5)
- 12 British steamship torpedoed and sunk in 1918 (6)
- 13 Former name of the shipping forecast area FitzRoy (10)
- 16 Northamptonshire village (12)
- 17 Scandinavian forename meaning "wanderer" (4)
- 19 German Romantic composer, 1810-56 (8)
- 20 Freely flowing lava (8)
- 22 Small brightly coloured fish of tropical seas (4)
- 23 Desert in the Arabian Peninsula (6,6)
- 26 Native language of a country or people (10)
- 27 Diviner in the Torah of the Jewish Bible (6)
- 29 1979 novel by American author William Styron (7,6)
- 31 Terrestrial juvenile phase of a newt (3)
- 32 Quill feather in a bird's tail (7)
- 33 Township in Dodge County, Nebraska (9)

## DOWN

- 1 In ancient Rome, a high priest (7)
- 2 British secretary of state for war from 1914 to 1916 (4,9)
- 3 Genus of annual plant which contains the corncockle species (10)
- 4 S-shaped architectural moulding (4)
- 5 Large pinkish web-footed wading bird (8)
- 6 Indian curry-flavoured soup (12)
- 7 Card game for two players, using 32 cards (6)
- 8 Informally, a slow-moving craft (3)
- 9 Conference of higher education institutions in America (3,6)
- 14 Musician who released the single *La Bamba* in 1958 (7,6)
- 15 Constituent college of Cambridge University (6,6)
- 18 Group of islands in the Aegean Sea (10)
- 19 Town and municipality in the Colombian Department of Boyacá (9)
- 21 Ancient Biblical town, located in modern Palestine (8)
- 24 13th century castle ruin in western Slovakia (7)
- 25 Scottish mathematician, the discoverer of logarithms (6)
- 28 Metallic element, atomic number 30 (4)
- 30 Noble family of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania (3)



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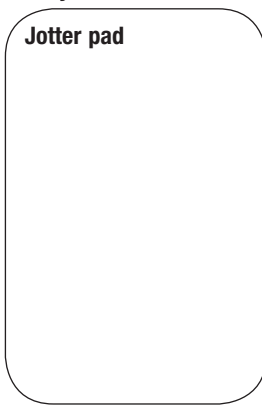
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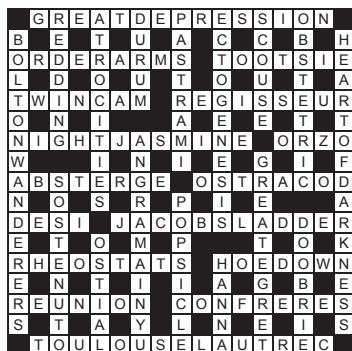


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Solution Polymath 688



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