

Every week our gallant knight engages in an amiable joust with his Page. They provide different clues that give the same answers. Sir Lancelot gives the Cryptic Clues and his Page the Quick Clues. Now join them in a game of ISpy for your chance to win £250! Answers next Sunday.

SIR LANCELOT'S CRYPTIC CLUES

Across

- 1 Remove oxygen, say, for painter (5)
- 4 Damaged boats, terribly old (9)
- 9 Gold in convertible – cuff her driver (9)
- 10 Police operation is a pain (5)
- 11 Father's bird is incapable (4,2)
- 12 Clear policy statement is endless (8)
- 14 Preparing dorm, ready for animal (9)
- 15 He gets up part of stairs (5)
- 17 British animal, reversing type (5)
- 19 A rascal and a fool – I have to be straight-faced (9)
- 22 Willing to reveal a TV programme (4,4)
- 24 Gets a new daughter, planned in advance (6)
- 26 Old lie about banishment (5)
- 27 Local resident sees hour being wasted (9)
- 28 Late start – expect to loiter with intent (3,2,4)
- 29 Left university, free to be sensational (5)

Down

- 1 Odd pace – cooked lobster for one (7)
- 2 PM has his own bag (9)
- 3 Do turn America fellows on to diamonds (7)
- 4 Clairvoyant to cut five out (4)
- 5 Gibraltarian puts unknown copy behind two pubs (7,3)
- 6 More palatable for volunteers performing rites (7)
- 7 Float, say, back around cover (5)
- 8 Follow celebrity showing heavenly body (3,4)
- 13 African oil running part of America (10)
- 16 Singular wording wrong about round entrance (5,4)
- 17 Important transaction? So what? (3,4)
- 18 Pick out record with hesitation – new (7)
- 20 New latches for bag (7)
- 21 Finished having ancient city tolerated (7)
- 23 Confusing place, say, to find a crop (5)
- 25 Tiny amount of thin solution (4)

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THE PAGE'S QUICK CLUES

Across

- 1 French artist (5)
- 4 Damaged deliberately (9)
- 9 Hired driver (9)
- 10 Sharp pain (5)
- 11 No longer competent (4,2)
- 12 Obvious (8)
- 14 Type of camel (9)
- 15 Stair part (5)
- 17 Reproduce (5)
- 19 Expressionless (9)

22 Televised

- competition (4,4)
- 24 Performed (6)
- 26 Banish (5)
- 27 Resident next door (9)
- 28 Hide, ready to attack (3,2,4)
- 29 Graphic (5)

Down

- 1 Crustacean (7)
- 2 19th-Century PM (9)
- 3 Be enough (7)
- 4 Prophet (4)

- 5 Tailless monkey (7,3)
- 6 More flavoursome (7)
- 7 Move smoothly (5)
- 8 Sirius (3,4)
- 13 US state (10)
- 16 Hinged entrance (5,4)
- 17 Sarcastic response (3,4)
- 18 Distinguish (7)
- 20 Bag with a shoulder strap (7)
- 21 Suffered (7)
- 23 Corn (5)
- 25 Suggestion (4)

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iSpy winner November 15: Mr C.J. Clarke, of Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire.

Last week's answer: 8