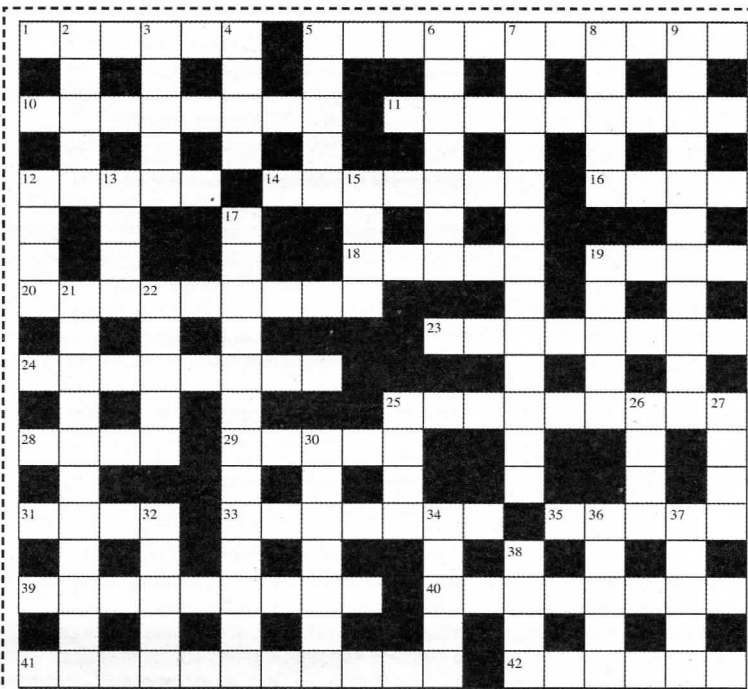


# £1,000 Crossword



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## ACROSS

- 1 Very small marks or spots (6)
- 5 Magic word used by conjurors (11)
- 10 Edible coastal plant with fleshy, divided leaves and clusters of small, greenish-white flowers (8)
- 11 Y-shaped implements with a loop of elastic fastened to the ends of the two prongs, used to shoot stones, etc. (9)
- 12 Receiver of stolen goods in the novel *Oliver Twist* (5)
- 14 Muammar \_\_, Libyan army officer and head of state deposed in 2011 (7)
- 16 The greyish-yellow colour of unbleached linen (4)
- 18 The long back section of a dress that trails along the floor behind the wearer (5)
- 19 Type of dance music based on jazz and blues, with a strong repeated bass part (4)
- 20 Branch of medical science concerned with the teeth and gums (9)
- 23 Hampshire village; location of Palace House, the home of the Montagu family (8)
- 24 Person chosen or elected to act for or represent another or others (8)
- 25 American entertainer known for starring in 1952's *Singin' In The Rain* (4,5)
- 28 An open, flat-bottomed boat with square ends, propelled by a pole (4)
- 29 A place of safety or sanctuary; shelter (5)
- 31 Type of plant with long flexible stems that climbs by clinging to a support (4)
- 33 A Malaysian state on the island of Borneo (7)
- 35 The rear part of a ship or boat (5)
- 39 In economics, a progressive increase in the general level of prices (9)
- 40 A heavy continuous fall of rain (8)
- 41 A breed of gun dog with a flat, soft, brownish-red coat (5,6)
- 42 A short trip undertaken to perform a necessary task (6)

## DOWN

- 2 An open space or square, especially in Spain (5)
- 3 An island off Italy, in the Bay of Naples (5)
- 4 A strip of sand or shingle projecting from a shore (4)
- 5 The adult leader of a pack of Cub Scouts (5)
- 6 American state, on the Gulf of Mexico, nicknamed the Yellowhammer State (7)
- 7 Beasts of burden also called dromedaries (7,6)
- 8 A deep blue colour (5)
- 9 Crime writer who created fictional detective Chief Inspector Wexford (4,7)
- 12 Long and bitter hostility between two families or individuals (4)
- 13 Ben \_\_, fictional character in Robert Louis Stevenson's *Treasure Island* (4)
- 15 A government tax, especially on imports (4)
- 17 New England state of the northeastern United States, on the Atlantic (13)
- 19 A region in Lancashire, north of the Ribble Estuary (5)
- 21 An official charged with carrying out the death sentence passed upon a condemned person (11)
- 22 **The crime of stealing** (5)
- 25 To bite or chew constantly so as to wear away little by little (4)
- 26 A delicate, decorative fabric (4)
- 27 To open the mouth wide and take in air deeply (4)
- 30 American state, the capital of which is Montpelier (7)
- 32 \_\_ Island, the former main immigration port for those entering the USA (5)
- 34 A common viper, typically dark grey with a black zigzag pattern along the back (5)
- 36 A thin candle (5)
- 37 A city in northern France, on the River Seine; the scene of the burning of Joan of Arc in 1431 (5)
- 38 Excessively sentimental, sweet or pretty (4)

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