

Figuring It Out

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Instructions: All down clues (except the last one) have a single letter misprint in the definition part of the clue, needing correction with a substitute letter for the answer. Misprints occur only in words with three letters or more. In clue order, the discarded letters spell out the name of a famous personality (3,4,7) whose works have been featured in part in the two unclued entries, the unchecked letters of which may be arranged to read 'I USE A PEN IN ...'

Chambers 2016 is the primary reference. Some words in the grid relate to proper names.

Example of misprint: If CASE is the grid entry, and the clue has SKIT as definition, it gets corrected as SUIT, and K is the discarded letter. Definition may comprise multiple words, but there will be only one misprint per clue.

Bonus Question:

- Who's the famous personality - from the misprint letters (3,4,7)

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- 13 Poach fish behind enclosure (8)
- 16 Lives saved by turning back elevator (6)
- 17 Decline in careers producing eye-watering expressions? (9)
- 20 Poor scope now for planet's life sustaining environment (9)
- 21 Shakespeare's fight against agent waving gun (6)
- 25 Perhaps strong Joe's attitude expressing power over repressed media (8)
- 26 Patient somewhat precious to ICU nurses (5)
- 27 Prehistoric tomb from amazing old people (6)
- 28 See 1
- 29 Material in wickerwork shields reflecting an ancient battleground (6)
- 30 Accomplishments involving special celebrations (6)

Across

- 1/1D/28 Unclued (6,10,2,10)
- 5 Black gown laced with diamonds held up (6)
- 9 Smash target inside complex (12)
- 10 Swing belts over time becoming partisan (6)
- 11 Unclued (5)

Down

- 1 See 1 Across
- 2 Liberal padding in jolly nice figure for cost of arms (7)

- 3 Goodies stir in America leaving me worried (5)
- 4 Enrage navy learning about blockades (5)
- 5 Jet involved in relief operations picking up registered load (3,5)
- 6 Like a boast say from England when India's united (7)
- 7 This hailing arrangement regularly enables stairs to be negotiated! (9)
- 8 Head out to get nut (4)
- 12 Hotel sponsored trips showing places where mates may drink (10)
- 14 Act to cure reticent person softly discouraged (9)
- 15 Press group pointing to snow on TV (8)
- 18 Gathering of old pans on marriage (7)
- 19 Hire for show (7)
- 22 Hundred lakes left by river in essence (5)
- 23 Love taking part in small effort mounted (5)
- 24 Stake over active volcano (4)