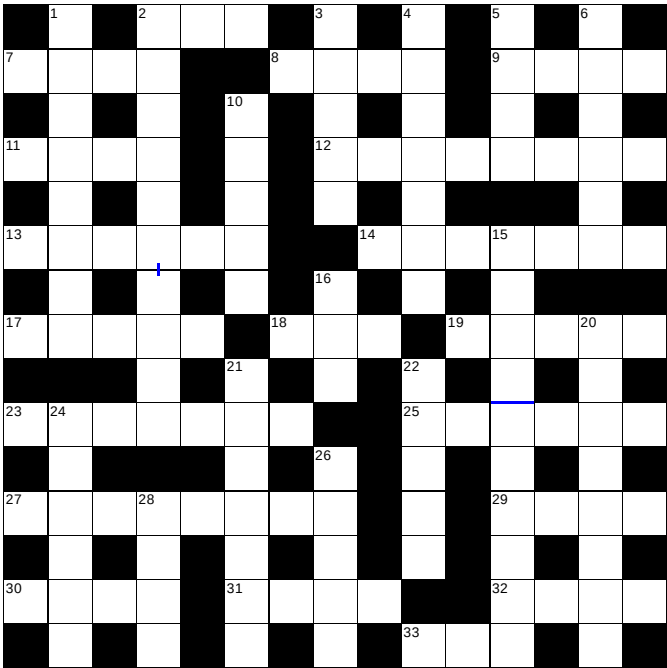


Dad and the Cat and the Tree

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Across

- 2 equivalent to the sum of one and one; one less than three (3)
- 7 of great vertical extent (4)
- 8 a woody perennial plant, typically having a single stem or trunk growing to a considerable height and bearing lateral branches at some distance from the ground (4)
- 9 a simple roofed structure used for garden storage, to shelter animals, or as a workshop (4)
- 11 a tropical West African tree which is cultivated for its fruit and has been introduced into the Caribbean and elsewhere (4)
- 12 an outer garment covering the body from the waist to the ankles, with a separate part for each leg (8)
- 13 a piece of ground adjoining a house, in which grass, flowers, and shrubs may be grown (6)
- 14 speak to someone or about something in a scornfully derisive or mocking way (7)
- 17 a high-quality black tea made from young leaves (5)
- 18 a small domesticated carnivorous mammal with soft fur, a short snout, and retractable claws. It is widely kept as a pet or for catching mice, and many breeds have been developed (3)

- 19 a violent confrontation (5)
- 23 a person or animal that climbs (7)
- 25 tending to move unsteadily from side to side (6)
- 27 place (something) under something else, especially for support (8)
- 29 3rd person present: one's hand or a tool or weapon into contact with (someone or something) quickly and forcefully (4)
- 30 the second letter of the Greek alphabet (4)
- 31 the part of a person's or animal's body connecting the head to the rest of the body (4)
- 32 a notch at either end of a bow for holding the string (4)
- 33 a piece of furniture for sleep or rest, typically a framework with a mattress (3)

Down

- 1 a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name (8)
- 2 a very slender parasitic nematode worm, especially a pinworm (6-4)
- 3 the quality or state of being true (5)
- 4 behaviour or talk that is bold or dramatic (7)
- 5 take, hold, or deploy (something) as a means of accomplishing or achieving something; employ (4)
- 6 the amount, level, or extent to which something happens or is present (6)
- 10 the expression of one's meaning by using language that normally signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or emphatic effect (5)
- 15 fail to keep up with one's competitors (4,6)
- 16 the system of rules which a particular country or community recognizes as regulating the actions of its members and which it may enforce by the imposition of penalties (3)
- 20 the time or date (twice each year) at which the sun reaches its maximum or minimum declination, marked by the longest and shortest days (about 21 June and 22 December) (8)
- 21 each of the four divisions of the year (spring, summer, autumn, and winter) marked by particular weather patterns and daylight hours, resulting from the earth's changing position with regard to the sun (7)
- 22 past tense: or cause to move back and forth or from side to side while suspended or on an axis (5)
- 24 owning much land, especially through inheritance (6)
- 26 being trapped in something (5)
- 28 having the necessary or adequate strength, ability, means, etc (for) to be equal to one's work (4)