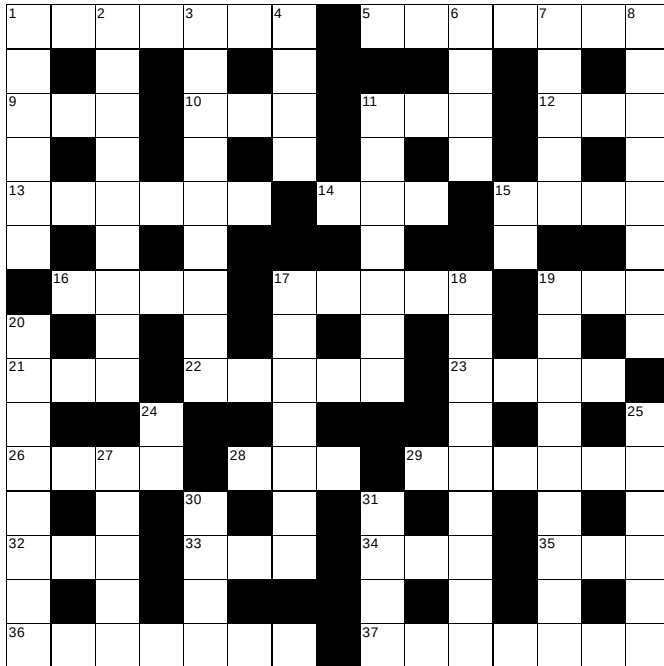


# Quality

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## Across

- 1 rubbish or waste, especially domestic refuse (7)
- 5 the action or process of paying someone or something or of being paid (7)
- 9 a floor covering of thick woven material or animal skin, typically not extending over the entire floor (3)
- 10 a yellowish-brown colour (3)
- 11 (in South Asia) a type of unrefined, solid brown sugar made from boiling sugar cane juice until dry (3)
- 12 the upper or outer edge of an object, typically something circular or approximately circular (3)
- 13 comparative adjective of making a strong, affected, or pretentious display of being artistic or interested in the arts (6)
- 14 take, hold, or deploy (something) as a means of accomplishing or achieving something; employ (3)
- 15 a covering for the foot, typically made of leather, having a sturdy sole and not reaching above the ankle (4)
- 16 a sturdy item of footwear covering the foot and ankle, and sometimes also the lower leg (4)
- 17 a type of pen made from a cut, dried reed (5)
- 19 a small insect typically having a sting and living in a complex social colony with one or more breeding queens. It is wingless except for fertile adults, which form large mating swarms, and is proverbial for its industriousness (3)

- 21 an object or thing; matter (3)
- 22 a separate seat for one person, typically with a back and four legs (5)
- 23 twelve o'clock in the day; midday (4)
- 26 the stomach or belly (4)
- 28 used as a polite or respectful way of addressing a man, especially one in a position of authority (3)
- 29 a person who creates paintings or drawings as a profession or hobby (6)
- 32 the crux or central point of a matter (3)
- 33 a woody evergreen Eurasian climbing plant, typically having shiny, dark green five-pointed leaves (3)
- 34 the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance (3)
- 35 a pub, typically one in the country, in some cases providing accommodation (3)
- 36 a material made from the skin of an animal by tanning or a similar process (7)
- 37 a gum, spice, or other substance that is burned for the sweet smell it produces (7)

## Down

- 1 relating to Germany (6)
- 2 morally right or justifiable (9)
- 3 of undisputed origin and not a copy; genuine (9)
- 4 an indefinite and very long period of time (plural) (4)
- 6 (of a bowler) bowl out (4)
- 7 the third planet from the Sun (5)
- 8 a violent windy storm(plural) (8)
- 11 the proprietor of the shoe shop (7)
- 15 to such a great extent (2)
- 17 the standard of something as measured against other things of a similar kind; the degree of excellence of something (7)
- 18 relating to or suitable for a king or queen (9)
- 19 the action of abolishing a system, practice, or institution (9)
- 20 present or existing from the beginning; first or earliest (8)
- 24 used by a speaker to refer to himself or herself and one or more other people as the object of a verb or preposition (2)
- 25 the way in which someone stands, especially when deliberately adopted (6)
- 27 a pair of small hand drums used in Indian music, one of which is slightly larger than the other and is played using pressure from the heel of the hand to vary the pitch (5)
- 30 having a great deal of money or assets; wealthy (4)
- 31 a member of a priestly caste of ancient Persia (4)