



### Lines by Pandiculator

In the completed grid, solvers must replace two cells' contents with digits and draw two thematic lines, each joining two grid edges. Each answer whose entry crosses the shorter line must be thematically treated to form its entry, while each clue whose entry crosses the longer line contains a misprint representative of the change resulting from the crossing.

All other clues contain an extra word which must be removed before solving. The first letters of these spell: (i) an abbreviated form of a third line that had a property notably associated with the first two; and (ii) three things that must be highlighted (30 cells) to form a diagram of a notable claimed occurrence. Ignoring digits, real words are maintained throughout. Enumerations refer to entry length.

### ACROSS

- 1** Apple in California victory following undisguised negotiation (7)
- 6** Nappy opened by zip not available in more than two components (7)
- 11** Australian PM enjoys springtime on Hoy cycling (4)
- 12** Country's six places ahead of 35 on the radio (4)

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- 14** Preposterous period – utter anarchy (4)
- 15** Counter in France – I polled libertarians from the right (5)
- 16** Ever-changing aura being second in aged soul (6)
- 17** Veterans and 16-25s say king surrounded by gauche radicals (8)
- 18** Ed's attack from box office now obstacle to progress (6)
- 21** Carabinieri finally pursuing a minor diplomat, manoeuvring for their cupids (7)
- 23** Curry pilgrimage obscuring another's key spice (5)
- 24** Most uncertain is cited poorly (6)
- 26** Kill late-starting deciduous tree with no early external signs of xylem (6)
- 30** Forest by river in US gorge protected by one old hermit (5)
- 32** Playwright's ones perhaps from twelve months' intermission without acting (7)
- 36** Lines should thematically represent Pandiculator's idea accurately, especially at first (6)
- 38** Trustee sacking posh financial examiners who surrendered books under pressure (8)
- 39** Victim embraces Welsh Nationalist procuring dried fruit for Will (6)
- 41** Classical tenor assuming role of church interpreter in far north (5)
- 42** Polynesian plant suppressed by chlorates – nature's making a comeback (4)
- 43** Exhaust artist drawn in by racket (4)
- 44** Goad buffalo that's barely sexual (4)
- 45** Marsupial carer returning note probing work problem (7)
- 46** Less sober newly remarried officer loses both parts of case for award (7)

### DOWN

- 1** Junior salmon caught by short worm perhaps and grain (5)
- 2** Court house supporting region to seize old estate (6)
- 3** Vacuous detective subduing topless cretin aggravates old pain (5)
- 4** Symbols in around six engravings (6)
- 5** Organisers essentially cut out prank containing certain element (6)
- 6** You shouldn't have nonsense arresting fool with musical neckwear (5)
- 7** Promotion scandal overshadows revival of movement (4)
- 8** Channel translating one Italian's language (3)
- 9** Maybe Texas club's enthralled by a Canadian (8)
- 10** Strip plough with efficiency (6)
- 12** Cast wearing nothing hauled up in church (7)
- 13** Northern European sailor covering top of outrigger in a little netting (5)
- 19** Prepared with this slicing, meat dish is stuck in toasting iron (4)
- 20** Old Gus the German's in baroque opera (8)
- 22** Large Middle-Eastern country taking on institute concerning God is Egypt (7)
- 23** Indications of sot approving delivered alcohol (4)
- 25** Catch lover nearly lifting tension (6)
- 27** Unreserved standing one time in venue (5)
- 28** My family recycles material for shoes (6)
- 29** Try item that is hirsute for Elizabethan (6)
- 31** Hint of pepper number one ingredient in chain eatery (6)
- 33** Take some months ascending overwhelming hill (5)
- 34** Oil run heralded by rock containing dry salts (5)
- 35** Windows have perhaps primarily come as replacement for old Victorian cash (5)
- 37** Swimmers finally interacting freely in Australia (4)
- 40** Past misfortunes prevent plant coming up (3)