

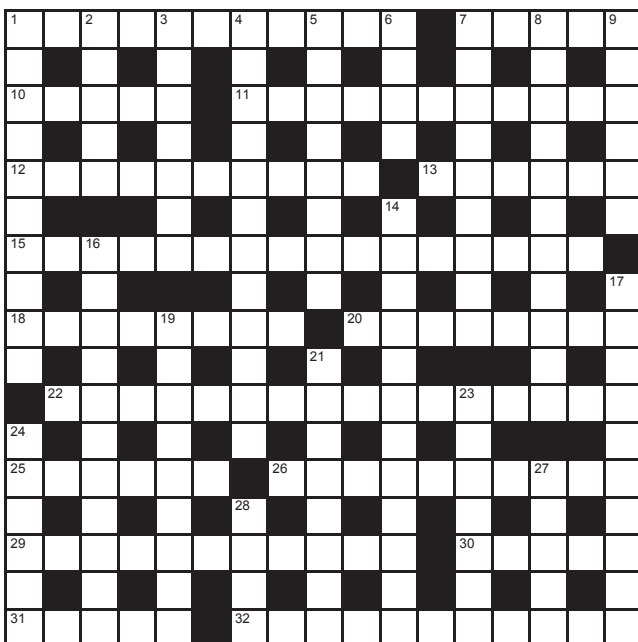
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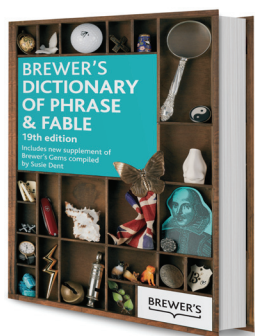
- 1 British rock group with "Stairway to Heaven" their best-known hit (3,8)
- 7 The hog-rat (5)
- 10 Gateway to a Japanese Shinto temple (5)
- 11 Creator of Chief Inspector Wexford (4,7)
- 12 Four of the twelve are Armstrong, Aldrin, Bean and Cernan (10)
- 13 One third of a pipe of wine; about 35 gallons (6)
- 15 Beatrix Potter's creation who wears a poke bonnet and shawl (6,6-4)
- 18 Torn shred of skin on a finger (8)
- 20 The horizontal between a pair of goal-posts (8)
- 22 Royal burgh, England's most northerly town (7-4-5)
- 25 OT prophet and book from which much of the text of Handel's Messiah is taken (6)
- 26 Resident of Maryhill, Shettleston or Springburn for example (10)
- 29 Capital of Burkino Faso (11)
- 30 Selfless Christian love (5)
- 31 ----- Mountains; a heavily wooded highland plateau between the Missouri and Arkansas rivers (5)
- 32 Plane figures with eleven angles and sides (11)

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- 1 One of the Merrie Men, said to be called Nailor (6,4)
- 2 Bobby, US pop singer, born Walden Robert Cassotto (5)
- 3 Short, often satirical poem (7)
- 4 Capital of Haiti (4-2-6)
- 5 Angular distance from the equator (8)
- 6 Urd, Verdande or Skuld (4)
- 7 Rhetorical figure such as "clad in cloth and green" (9)
- 8 Arthur Miller's drama about the witchcraft hysteria in Salem in 1692 (3,8)
- 9 Cistercian saint of Rievaulx Abbey who wrote *Rule for a Recluse* (6)
- 14 Chiaroscuro (5-7)
- 16 Spanish president during the Spanish Civil War (6,5)
- 17 In Rebecca, the housekeeper at Manderley (3,7)
- 19 Robert Owen's model community on the Clyde, now a Unesco World Heritage Site (3,6)
- 21 In golf, an extra shot awarded following an errant one (8)
- 23 Turkish manna obtained from a beetle's cocoon (7)
- 24 In Australia, a 12-a-side women's game with similarities to cricket and baseball (6)
- 27 Its county seats include Wallace, Rupert and Jerome (5)
- 28 Middle English letter representing y and hh sounds (4)



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