

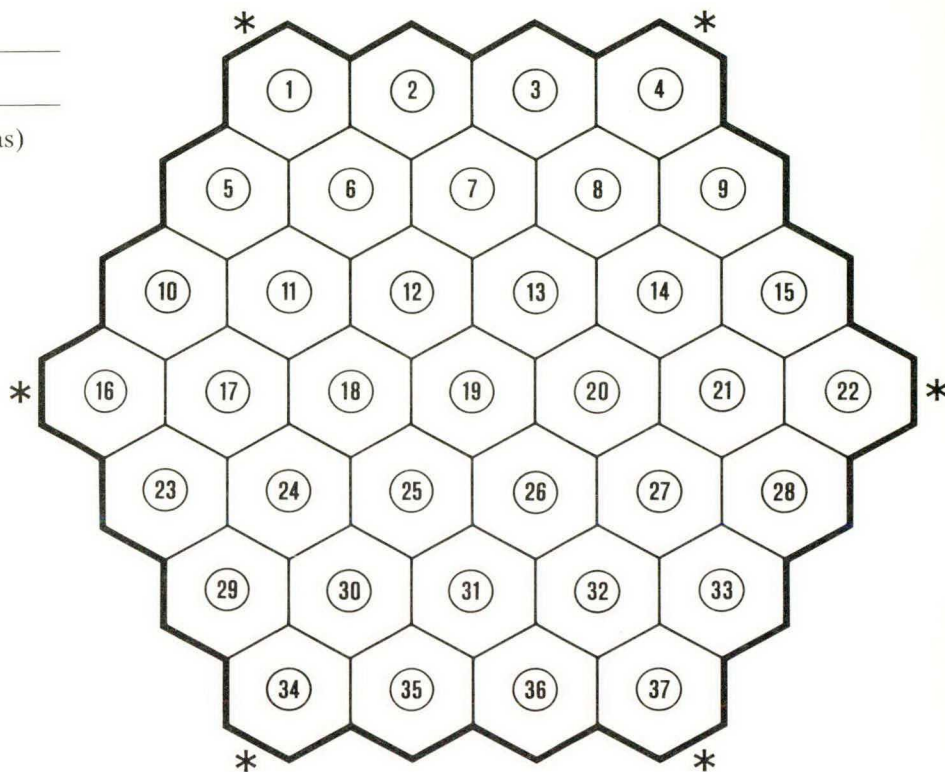
The Atlantic PUZZLER

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SPELLING BEE

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The diagram represents a honeycomb of hexagonal cells made by a Spelling Bee who has spelled out 37 six-letter words, one word for each cell, one letter for each side of a cell. A word may begin at any side of a cell and proceed clockwise or counter-clockwise; the letters on either side of a wall common to two cells will be identical. To provide a further check, the Spelling Bee has created a peripheral six-letter word from the starred sides of the honeycomb (reading clockwise from 1). Answers include three proper nouns and a possibly unfamiliar word at 33. Punctuation may be used deceptively.



1. Yank wearing jacket
2. Supplies apparatus for punishment
3. Love behaving badly, for the most part
4. Dull month for stutterers?
5. Dig up unbound text by Scottish philosopher
6. Heavenly piece of land in South Dakota
7. White man is out on bail
8. Amin is depraved ape
9. Accidents with whales' tail parts
10. Silver accepted by institution for worship
11. Fool around 50 times in a two-family house
12. Back scratch tot in cotton
13. Maneuver leg a small amount
14. Man supposed to be married is in café, drunk
15. Cheer about Brazilian resort singer
16. Headwear that's foremost in the city
17. Get a thrill from spotting leprechaun
18. Encumber with basket
19. Sailor with weathered cloth
20. Composer's swinging new rag
21. Back up in a moment
22. Get sensual with a nurse in California
23. Ordinary clothing for Greek character fits poorly
24. Sound from vehicle in backing up hill
25. Punk has pot—pity
26. Spirit of one in fury
27. Hordes traveling to island
28. Valley filled with the sound of bees—confound
29. Transmute air, mud to precious metal
30. Bicyclist steps outside, showing muscles
31. Unemotional about one very soft and sentimental
32. Musician trained to bark
33. Knock out intrepid spirit
34. Farm animal on a road is a chicken
35. One may corrupt a petty officer
36. Destroyer in the front division getting youth from the rear
37. Vessel for rent behind swamp returned

Note: The instructions above are the special instructions for this month's puzzle. It is assumed that you know how to decipher clues. For a complete introduction to clue-solving, write to The Atlantic Reprint Department, enclosing a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

*The solution to last month's
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