## | Cryptic Puzzle

## Six Outstanding Anagrams

WHEN YOU GET DONE WITH THE GRID, you won't be done with the puzzle. Six of the entries will need to be anagrammed, three Across entries and three Down entries. Each of these words has two (or more) anagrams, one of which will be used in the clue itself. The other matches one of the definitions below.

Each of the six special entries has more than one full-word anagram, such as TRAINERS/STRAINER/RESTRAIN/ RETRAINS/TERRAINS, not just one like STACK and TACKS. These multiple anagrams are all playable in Scrabble. There will be other anagram clues in the puzzle, but these six are the only ones with multiple non-proper noun anagrams.

The entries in the diagram include two proper nouns and one British spelling. There's another answer that is both a proper noun and a regular word.

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## Across

1. Lay odds on scintillas of double crosses
2. Tessera lost in puzzles
3. Jabberers destroy hike
4. Prodigious Adriatic wind carries uplift
5. Some conductors gathering confidential information from diametricallyopposed positions
6. Hints to why nobody's expelled from adult classification
7. Played around and petered out around everyone
8. Cheats in one-L class no longer?
9. Modified sources of meals
10. Scorched and cauterized with nothing for anesthesia at first
11. Tattooed lady, lady I debauched
12. Sold on alternative education
13. Spirits above ordered Lear's pain
14. Even twice as many generals die intestate, on both sides
15. Having a talent for the bottom line? Outstanding
16. They can get infected with evil habits


## Down

1. She may serve cocktails to Brad, entwined with his friend from Paris
2. In some circles, it's no stigma
3. New York University in the City of Brotherly Love?
4. Spot dates at random
5. Starts to turn red as Nancy staffs Friday evening's regularly scheduled shifts
6. In the middle of the morning on Grand Street
7. In love with insouciant demeanour
8. Phrases translated by tour guides
9. Taken to the cleaners with creative underlead
10. Hated to put down "Agreed" for the auditors
11. Artwork from late 'Teens
12. Drink something with Martin's cousin
13. O little Greek letter!
14. Robinson and his crew are charlatans
15. Bankers' boxes of lawsuits
16. Tones represented!

Outstanding Anagrams
Sweetener
Beginning
$\qquad$
Full
Angels
Warned
Shuffles
$\qquad$
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## ACROSS

1 MARGINAL—Anagram of "alarming"
5 EXEMPT-Outside of "expect contempt"
8 DEDUCTS-Scramble "Dude" + CTS
("Connecticuts")
9 EDITION-Homophone of ADDITION ("raise")
11 CLAIM-C ("One hundred") + L
("fifty") + AIM ("plan")
12 TREASURES-Anagram of "arrest Sue"
15 MING-MUSING (pondering")-US
("Objectively, we")
17 LADY GODIVA—Anagram of "Avidly goad"
18 ACCOUNTANT-AC ("Climatecontrol") + COUNT ("Earl") + ANT ("worker")
9 RAID-Anagram of "Arid"
3 TEST CASES - Anagram of "cassettes"
25 OBAMA-O ("Western Ohio") + BA + MA ("two degrees")
26 QUICKEN—Double definition
29 ITEMIZE-IT + EM ("a couple of emphatically") + IZE (homophone of AYES from "declared yes votes")
30 ENSURE-First letters of "Elgar, Nielsen, Stravinsky, Uccellini, Reich, and another Elgar"
31 WHISKEYS-W ("Beginning to wonder") + HIS KEYS ("what he uses to open the cabinet")

## DOWN

1 MODICUM-MOD ("new-fangled") +
ICU ("trauma center") + M (Mass)
2 REDRAWN—RED ("Cardinal") + RAW
("uncovered") +N ("at first nothing")
3 INCOME-From COME IN ("enter the other way")
4 ASSET-AS SET ("comparatively well-off")
5 END-Double defintion
6 MOI-MO ("Missouri") + I ("one")
7 TUNISIA—Anagram of "unit is a"
10 THUNDER—Lisping version of SUNDER ("Rip apart themes", i.e. seams)
13 RED TAPE-Anagram of "Art peed"
14 AUGHT-Homophone of OUGHT
16 GNOSTIC-Anagram of "costing"


17 LINDA-Double definition (with reference to Stella McCartney's mother, Linda)
18 ANTIQUE—ANTI ("vote") + QUE ("In Barcelona, what")
20 AVARICE—Ava ("Frank's second wife," from Ava Gardner and Frank Sinatra) + "Eric" scrambled
21 DEAFENS—FE ("Iron") inside DEANS ("school administrators")
22 JOKERS—Outside of "Josephine’s knickers"
24 SWISH—SW-ISH ("around Arizona and New Mexico")
27 IRS-Inside "bloodthirsty"
28 EVE-Double definition

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