

Solution to Acrostic #14 – February 2004

Primo Levi: *The Periodic Table (trans)*, Schocken Books, 1985

...All languages are full of images and metaphors whose origin is being lost... :horsemanship having declined to the level of an expensive sport, such expressions as "belly to the ground" and "taking the bit in one's teeth" are unintelligible... .

- A PRERAPHAELITE (*Repair the pale* anagram)
- B RUNCIBLE SPOON (*No pencil so rub* anagram)
- C WINKING
- D MENTHOL (hidden in *Garment holes*)
- E OVERANXIOUS (*Various oxen* anagram)
- F LASHING (double def.)
- G EF+FI+G+Y (reversal of first two letters of *fee*)
- H VAN(TAG)ES
- I I+MAGINE (*enigma* anagram)
- J TOT+HE'D+EAT+H
- K H(AS+HIS)H
- L EXPONENT (*next nope* anagram)
- M PIT BULL (double defs.)
- N E+NGINEERS (*sneering* anagram)
- O RESTLESS (hidden in *interest Les Six*)
- P IS+TH(M)US (*shut* anagram)
- Q O+N+O
- R D(AND)LES (*sled* anagram)
- S IN(FEST)ED (*dime* anagram)
- T C+ALL GIRL
- U TAGALOnG
- V A(BOUND)S
- W BELIEVE (reversal hidden in *take veil ebulliently*)
- X LOWER (punny double def., cow is "one who lows")
- Y ETHOS (*those* anagram)