

Solution to Acrostic #26 – August 2006

Peter Mayle, *French Lessons*, Vintage, 2001

There is never a single, simple answer in France to any question concerning food. Ask how to boil an egg, and there will be a dozen different opinions, because there is nothing the French enjoy more than arguing about food while they're at the table.

- A PR+E(HIS)TORIC (*erotic* anagram)
- B É+TOUF+FÉE (*tofu* anagram)
- C THROW IN THE TOWEL (*wheel not worth it* anagram)
- D E(QUEST)RIE+NNE
- E ROUGH+AGE
- F MAMBO (initial letters of *Memorable arts must be original*)
- G ANNE (hidden in *flannel*)
- H YIN AND YANG (*day in NY nag* anagram)
- I LIFo+TOFF
- J EYE SOCKET (*I sock it* homophone)
- K FLASH IN THE PAN
- L RINGER (double def)
- M EDITORIALIZE (*editorial eyes* homophone)
- N NAB+OB (OB: abbreviation for the latin term “obit” meaning deceased)
- O CHIN(CHILL)A
- P HIND+ERED (*deer* anagram)
- Q LEB+ANON
- R E(SCA)RGOT (*sac* anagram)
- S SOJOURNER (double def, Sojourner was a 1997 Mars Rover)
- T S+WEE+TEN
- U ONE-NIGHT STAND
- V NEGEV (hidden reversal in *Mojave generally*)
- W SHOWBOAT (*Booth saw* anagram)