



Rising and Falling | a cryptic puzzle by Emily Cox & Henry Rathvon

In this puzzle, two letters depart from each column of the grid. The upper of the two rises to the top shaded row of the grid, while the lower of the two falls to the bottom. In the finished grid, the top row reveals something generally said to rise, while the bottom reveals something generally said to fall.

Across

- 1 Rogue rook and pawn (5)
- 5 Notable stone rotates when rolled? (7)
- 11 Formally accuse a royal authority in hearing (7)
- 12 Fringe following the first commandment (5)
- 13 Sound a couple of puppies understand (5)
- 14 Where a cookie might be assembled from wee bits? (7)
- 15 Trick hardly perceptible to an audience (5)

- 17 Center of Kremlin in great inside coverage? (6)
- 18 Free clothing soldier fixed (5)
- 21 Confused Lauren about a certain network (6)
- 24 Doctor Silver's wet blankets (5)
- 25 Sailboat carrying five grouse (6)
- 28 Male and female matches (kiss included) (5)
- 29 Pens vocal works for singers (7)
- 30 Approach arguing ump's, ignoring the odds (3-2)
- 31 Lively wine the Italians make right (5)
- 32 A soprano sings sadly, hands out (7)
- 33 The old lady's herb rub (7)
- 34 Blow bit of orange zest (5)

Down

- 1 Bone Luca's pa reset (7)
- 2 Casino worker with a worse cough? (8)
- 3 Mesopotamian king in the middle, passing gas (6)
- 4 Disturbed sleep is not good manners (10)
- 6 Joke about overhead train in emergency room (3-5)
- 7 Poetic pieces about a bad French palace (10)
- 8 News note: fender problems (7)
- 9 Profit returned half of that fraction (5)
- 10 A deadly sin matched (6)
- 15 Drummers sometimes changed finest grip (10)
- 16 Crossing ground in great RVs (10)
- 19 Nobleman is padding victory tally (8)
- 20 Norm doesn't keep birds in cages (7)
- 22 Safe glue repaired aircraft's body (8)
- 23 Shoofly pie fixed without the fly: that would be good (1,4,2)
- 24 Last month a member of Parliament split (6)
- 26 Strong tastes involving round dances (6)
- 27 Socks a Biblical prophet (5)

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