

# Crossword

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## Balancing act by CheeseCracker

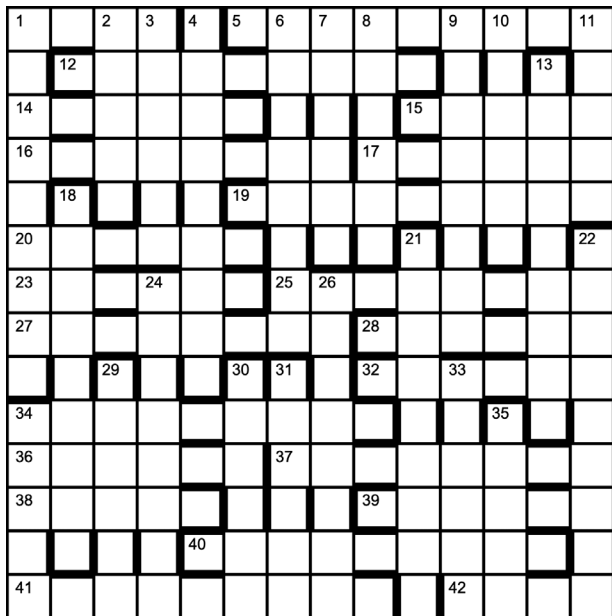
To 31D an 37A from the 29D  
28A, 19A an 14A 1A and 11D a  
23A 35D.

### Across

- 5 One reeling in buck before breaking into half-concealed grin (9)
- 12 Father absorbed by belief system covered in Virginia? (9)
- 15 Partly cauterised organs (5)
- 16 This requires at least two pieces facing each other (8)
- 17 European claims lengthy heroic works? (6)
- 20 It stains rice on boiling (6)
- 25 Compound float on Scottish lake 'repaired' (8)
- 27 In America, kill kindred where bodies won't rot? (8)
- 32 Plant not opening for long (6)
- 34 Sacked disheartened personnel governed by journalist (9)
- 36 Reptile left magician scratching head (6)
- 38 Open University given lead on nuclear energy (5)
- 39 African amulet needs two short clasps (3-3)
- 40 Concerning protest, it being about viewer's complaint (9)
- 41 He-man befuddled with open events (9)
- 42 Top brass, perhaps, and other people (2,2)

### Down

- 1 You'll find this in gents is so shattering (9)
- 2 Good – weakling shows power (5)



- 3 To an extent, cortisone affected Will's fist (6)
- 4 Banks on immense hilltop worried flier (9)
- 6 Cites odd bits of Cohen's complex study of industry (8)
- 7 Formerly assigns tests, off and on, in practical skills (6)
- 8 Cut widespread classes (6)
- 9 Red comet's changing outer layer (8)
- 10 Primate in gardening society holding up custom (6)
- 13 Influential legal case primarily probes yield in revenue (9)
- 18 Reacting defensively, run in to pull apart Heather (9)
- 21 Fantastic orbicular locust-tree (9)
- 22 By Nile, an exotic plant (9)
- 24 African Earth goddess controlling dynasty name (8)
- 26 What about horse nearly eating north Mexican agave (8)
- 30 Free wine essentially diverts them (6)
- 33 Little naval flag mainly plugged by Congress (6)
- 34 Choice parking's full (5)

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