

Mad Dog Cryptics #6 – Hints

Across

1. Anagram
7. Hidden Words
9. Anagram
10. Beheading
11. Hidden Words
12. Hidden Words
15. Charades
18. First Letters
19. Wordplay (with math)
20. Charades and Reversals
21. Charades
23. Hidden Words
24. Anagram
28. Beheading
31. Double definition
32. Homophone
33. Hidden Words
34. Homophone
35. Charades

Down

2. Charades and Reversals
3. Hidden Words
4. Hidden Words
5. Container
6. Cryptic Alphabet
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8. Beheading
12. Anagram
13. Beheading
14. Cryptic Alphabet
15. Hidden Words
16. Hidden Words
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22. Anagram
24. Beheading
25. Curtailment
26. Double Definition
27. Hidden Words
28. Container and Reversals
29. Homophone
30. Double Definition

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1. NIGHTMARES (some dreams) is an anagram (reset) of THE MARGINS
7. INCH (creep) is in (was found among) cabIN CHairs
9. AYN (Ayn Rand the objectivist) is an anagram (foolish) of ANY
10. HITMAN (assassin) is WHITMAN (American poet) without the W (beheaded)
11. GERMINATES (sprouts) is in (contains) wheatGERM IN A TEST tube
12. STEREO (Hi-Fi) is in (has) auSTERE Origins
15. ADDENDUMS (riders) is built with ADD (a reading disorder) END (finish) with UMS (hesitations)
18. GOV (official URL address) is the first initials (primarily) of Given On Victory
19. TOE (digit) is one-tenth of the ten toes of two feet
20. IMITATE (duplicate) is ETA (H) TI and MI (two notes) read backwards (returns)
21. AGO (earlier) is a midwestern city (CHICAGO) that is unsophisticated (remove the CHIC)
23. DON (dress) is also Mr. DON Pardo (original SNL announcer)
24. EDITH PIAF (international chanteuse) is an anagram (corrupt) of IPAD THIEF
28. UDDERS (milk producers) are MUDDERS (some race horses) without the M (minute, after a while)
31. REVOLUTION is both CIRCLE and UPRISING
32. ASCENT (rise) is a homophone (sound) of ASSENT (agreement)
33. GAD (wander) appears in gunGA Din
34. SIKH (religion) is a homophone (resonance) of SEEK (pursue)
35. SESAME SEED (bun topping) is built with SESAME (children's street) and SEED (plant)

Down

2. IDIOT (dummy) is TO and IDI (Amin) read UP in the down clue
3. HUMOR (indulge) appears in oaHU MORnings
4. MANGO (tropical fruit) appears IN huMAN goes
5. REARED (bred) is built by putting ARE in RED
6. SALINE (salty) is built with S (small) and A LINE (dress)
7. INLAID (embedded) is buiilt with IN and DIAL backwards (UP in a down clue)
8. HEISTS (thefts) is THEISTS (believers) without the T (untrue)
12. SALT (spice) is an anagram (surprisingly) of LAST
13. EDGE(border) is HEDGE (row of shrubs) that has the H removed (TRIM)
14. ELVISH (like a pixie) is ELVIS (The King) on H (high)
15. ALIBI (excuse) appears in (has) criminAL I Bilked
16. DWARF (Doc, for one) appears in (on) cold WAR Flare-up
17. NEEDED (as required) is a homophone (noisily) of KNEADED(dough pressed)
21. ANTE (chip) is a homophone (to call) of AUNTIE (dad's sis)
22. OILS (classic art) is an anagram (tills) of SOIL
24. EGRETS (some birds) is REGRETS (qualms) with the R removed (after a bit)
25. THOUGH (despite) is THOUGHT (idea) with the T removed (inconclusive)
26. POUNDS is both HAMMERS and ENGLISH COINS
27. ANIMUS (hostility) appears in (is part of the) pIAN I'M USing
28. UNARM (seize weapons) is built by inserting NAR (ran backwards) into UM (Ann Arbor school)
29. DUCTS (channels) is a homophone (quack) of DUCKS (mallards)
30. RANGE is both LIMIT and OVEN

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