

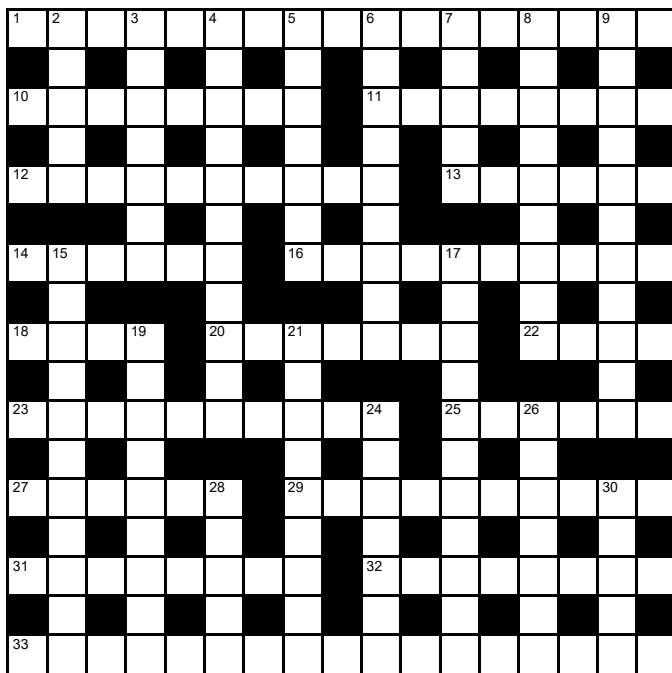
Polymath 1,239 Set by HAMILTON

ACROSS

- 1** Engaging in casual conversation (8,3,6)
10 Italian motorcycle road racer, winner of 15 World Championship titles (8)
11 The study of place names (8)
12 An object dragged behind a boat to keep the bows pointing into the waves (4,6)
13 An administrative division or province of the Ottoman Empire (6)
14 The second oldest airline in everyday operation, founded in 1920 (6)
16 Traditionally, the crypt of a church, or a cellar or storage area (10)
18 City and sea port in north-eastern Egypt (4)
20 Large antelopes native to North African deserts (7)
22 Golden Boot winner at the UEFA Women's Euro 2022 (4)
23 Of or by a boundary or outer edge (10)
25 Island whose native name is Rapa Nui (6)
27 South African zebra, extinct since 1883 (6)
29 Band formed in 1988 by Bernard Sumner and Johnny Marr (10)
31 Having a ruddy complexion (8)
32 Another name for the little grebe (8)
33 Genre of American roots music named after the band led by Bill Monroe (8,9)

DOWN

- 2** Egyptian slave who had a child, Ishmael, fathered by Abraham (5)
3 See 26
4 Romanian tennis player who won French and US mens singles titles in the 1970s (4,7)
5 Mountainous province of southwest China (7)
6 Not conforming with accepted standards or beliefs (9)
7 Member of the di Marco family in EastEnders played by Michael Greco (5)
8 System used to analyse people in terms of nine different personality types (9)
9 Mobility aid invented by William Cribbes Robb (6,5)
15 French term for a small savoury item served as a pre-meal appetiser (5-6)
17 UK No. 1 in March 1987 for Mel and Kim (11)
19 The defining mood or spirit of a certain time in history shown by its ideas and beliefs (9)
21 Actor/singer whose breakthrough came in Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat in 1993 (6,3)
24 Relating to a statement of Christian or other religious beliefs (7)
26, 3 Edwin Starr single that charted in the UK in 1966 and 1968 (4,3,2,5)
28 Curved inwards or hooked (5)
30 Members of a tribe which originated around Cusco in Peru (5)



Solution 1,238



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