

# Alphabetical jigsaw

Clue A leads to a solution beginning with the letter A, clue B to one beginning with the letter B, and so on, through the alphabet. Having discovered the solutions, the solver must (as if completing a jigsaw) determine their positions in the diagram.

E	4 letters	1	2	3	4	5	6	Y	
U		7		8				C	9 letters
V		9		10				D	
X				11				F	
A	5 letters	12		13				O	
G						14	15	Q	
H		16		17			18	R	
I				19				W	
J		20	21					Z	
K		22			23		24	B	11 letters
L								M	
P		25					26	N	
T								S	

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| <p><b>A</b> A sin of avarice so cut short,<br/>You will concur, so I'd have thought (5)</p> <p><b>B</b> Mr Gates takes one on river,<br/>He's so rich, though he's a giver (11)</p> <p><b>C</b> Sister enters fish to take a drink?<br/>What a riddle to make you think! (9)</p> <p><b>D</b> So committed and devoted<br/>As is an ode, you may have noted (9)</p> <p><b>E</b> It's not odd, but funny that<br/>It should be so level, flat (4)</p> <p><b>F</b> Eyes, nose, mouth you've had from birth,<br/>Taken at this, for what it's worth? (4,5)</p> <p><b>G</b> Auction hammer, oh so nifty,<br/>Having handed over fifty (5)</p> <p><b>H</b> Smell the article you're seeing<br/>Given to this type of being? (5)</p> <p><b>I</b> Soldier turns smallest room, you know,<br/>Into a house that's made of snow (5)</p> <p><b>J</b> Describing action of a flea<br/>That's as nervous as can be? (5)</p> <p><b>K</b> Such prestige and renown,<br/>Thus duke is almost up, not down (5)</p> <p><b>L</b> Somewhat popular, vanilla?<br/>A taste of it for caterpillar! (5)</p> <p><b>M</b> Girl has to cook eggs, not boil them,<br/>Protect them too much, and so spoil them? (11)</p> | <p><b>N</b> Pole takes three round, and alights<br/>At place where windmills are the sights? (11)</p> <p><b>O</b> Ball for penalty is where?<br/>In this position, then and there (2,3,4)</p> <p><b>P</b> Cooking pots at end of day<br/>Needing flour, did you say? (5)</p> <p><b>Q</b> Meeting held by squire so foggy,<br/>In these marshy places, boggy (9)</p> <p><b>R</b> With regard or with concern<br/>For testimonial, we learn (9)</p> <p><b>S</b> Might such an implement, you'd think,<br/>Have lent its name to a cocktail drink? (11)</p> <p><b>T</b> Figure that's approaching church<br/>Could be a fish, but not a perch! (5)</p> <p><b>U</b> Some bone in the arm that came<br/>To have a somewhat dreadful name (4)</p> <p><b>V</b> One in vehicle, couldn't be clearer,<br/>Fond of looking in the mirror (4)</p> <p><b>W</b> Struggling badly a goal down,<br/>Such a burden in cowboy's town? (9)</p> <p><b>X</b> Some vixen always shown to be<br/>A Warrior Princess on TV (4)</p> <p><b>Y</b> Milkmaid's harness left for me,<br/>A country bumpkin I must be! (5)</p> <p><b>Z</b> Marx brother almost fluffing lines<br/>Given cigars, the flying kinds! (9)</p> |
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ACROSS: 7 Human 8 Face value 9 Igloo  
10 On the spot 12 Billionaire 16 Xena  
17 Lara 18 Even 19 Screwdriver 22  
Conundrum 24 Gavel 25 Zeppelins 26  
Tench.  
DOWN: 1 Quagmires 2 Wagonload 3  
Vain 4 Netherlands 5 Pansy 6 Kudos 11  
Mollycoddle 13 Agree 14 Dedicated 15  
Reference 20 Yoke! 21 Jumpy 23 Ulna.