

Double-Blind Experiment

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The finished grid is shown on the right. The unclued entry reads "SECONDS OF CLUES".

The second letters of the clues, in clue order, spell "BOVINE ROUTINE AUTHORED AS A TEAM," which is a cryptic clue for the answer, **COWROTE** (COW+ROTE).

Clue answers:

Across

- 7 IDOL (IDLE homophone)
- 8 (o)VINE
- 9 ALL+Y
- 10 IN ESSENCE (NESS in NIECE anag.)
- 12 ORCS (SCRO(d) reversed)
- 13 CUTLASS (CULT anag. + ASS)
- 14 OYSTER (OY + REST anag.)
- 23 DE[ME]AN
- 24 PIT+CHER
- 25 STAT (TAT'S rev.)
- 26 MIST[RIAL]S
- 27 DOOR (ODOR anag.)
- 28 TUTU (double definition)
- 29 GAME (double definition)

DOWN

- 1 HIBISCUS (IBIS in SUCH rev.)
- 2 DOMESTIC (ITEMS anag. in DOC)
- 3 PI[ANIS]TS

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- 4 WEREWOLF (ELF WOWER anag.)
- 5 CAROUSEL (ROUS in LACE anag.)
- 6 B[LACKEY]E
- 11 STAIN (SAINT anag.)
- 16 ELECT+RON
- 17 OVERT+URN
- 18 DYNAMITE (DINAH MIGHT homophone)
- 19 OPPOSITE (PIPE SOOT anag.)
- 20 C(he)ATER
- 21 UPHEAVAL (A PH VALUE anag.)
- 22 STRESSED (S+DESSERT rev.)