

**1ACross Puzzle Collection**  
**Boo**

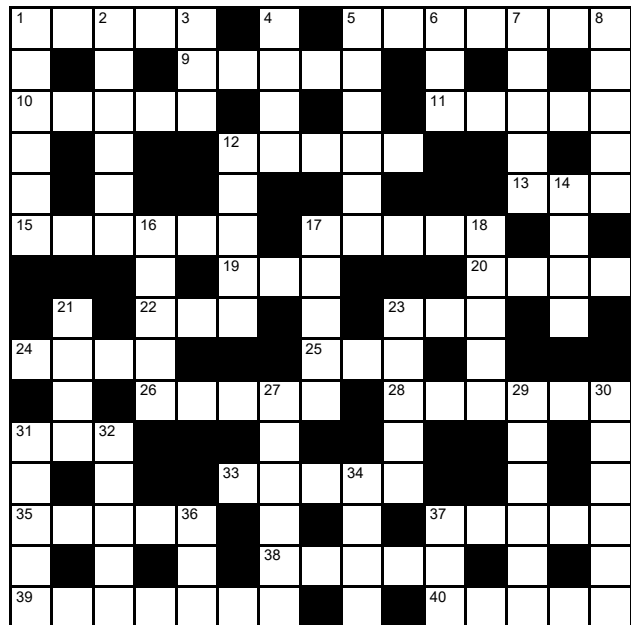
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**Across**

- 1 Illusion, perhaps, of finding silver in microphone (5)
- 5 National matter (7)
- 9 Smith's block found in Indian village (5)
- 10 Cad's torch, for example (8) (5)
- 11 Ten returned carrying masculine person from a Middle Eastern country (5)
- 12 Many like this one, ... or others (5)
- 13 Tree has a mark of approval on the outside (3)
- 15 Rowdy yachtsmen left man at sea for the Reaper (6)
- 17 Bring that thing! Understand? (3,2)
- 19 Lug spectator regularly (3)
- 20 Right assistance for attack (4)
- 22 A couple of students get everything (3)
- 23 Small portion of Sunapee waters flows back (3)
- 24 Habit developed in absence of right (4)
- 25 Oddly, Sikkim hosts runner (3)
- 26 Destroys abilities (8) (5)
- 28 Bird nibbled at tasty morsel (6)
- 31 Consumed fruits (5) (3)
- 33 Butcher's giggle (9) (5)
- 35 Tightly pack 3 consecutive letters by a couple of females (5)
- 37 Meeting venue's cleaning equipment (9) (5)
- 38 Strange's in a better mood (8) (5)
- 39 Male badly taunts genetically modified creatures (7)
- 40 Sultana's tyranny is, to some extent, unpleasant (5)

**Down**

- 1 Wildly roams about lake, grinding teeth (6)
- 2 Soldier's with a couple of girls - extremely leggy and inclined to titter (6)
- 3 Tame animal (11) (3)
- 4 Wicked variety entertainment (10) (4)
- 5 Elves danced around European jacket (6)



- 6 Scary sound in galley (7) (3)
- 7 Muse: English love catching an animal (5)
- 8 Harmed illusion (8) (5)
- 12 Cold river creature in fish-basket (5)
- 14 Like Larkin ... without hands (4)
- 16 Container has haggis in the beginning? Express your gratitude (5)
- 17 Obese explorer has gingerbread at first (5)
- 18 Goes back with good stuff (8) (5)
- 21 One who treats spirits (6) (4)
- 23 Sticks used for whipping a black magic woman (8) (5)
- 27 Ditches plant parts and goes (6)
- 29 Some wander into budget shops - initially for housekeeping implements (6)
- 30 Attempt to ingest icy malt liquor, for starters - with elegance (6)
- 31 State: "A lot of matter is returned" (5)
- 32 Brew pure tea and pour out (5)
- 34 Horrible figurative representation (8) (4)
- 36 Joy of getting some money back from the taxman (6) (3)
- 37 Scottish mountain tree (3)