

# Over Statement by Ucaoimhu

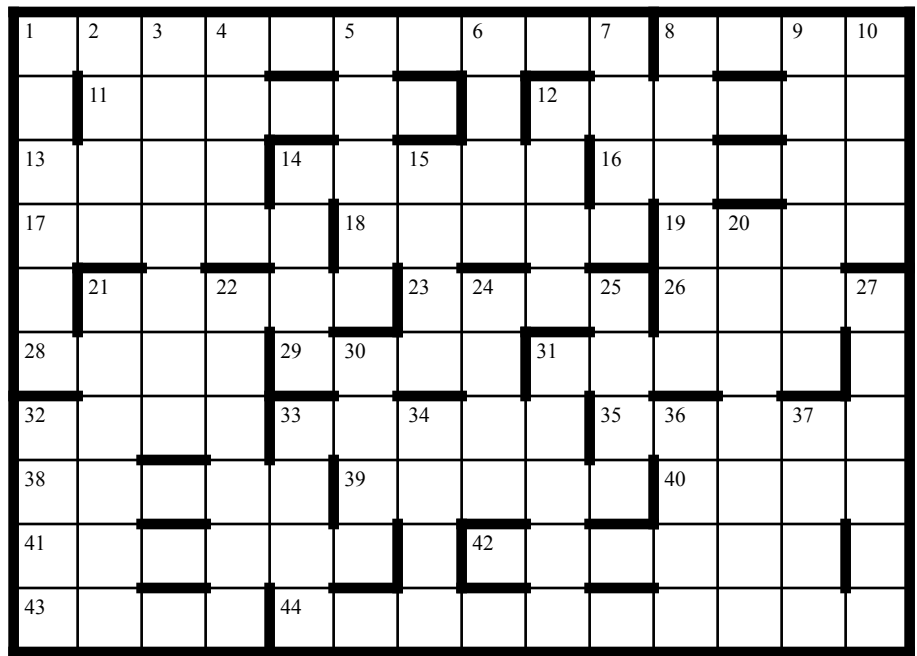
In each clue here is a number. Of these:

(A) 18 are overstated by multiples of a certain figure. Pair these clues, and order the pairs, by initial letter; in this order, the letters where the paired answers cross will say how these pairs of multiples (starting at “3 o’clock”) encode a description of the overstated numbers.

(B) 18 are overstated by other amounts, which in clue order will encode (in another way) a way to transfer grid letters to the lines below.

(C) 16 are correct. Answers to six such clues will each have two letters in one square; (A)’s phrase also evokes these pairs. The triangles above and below the diagonal through these squares will involve (A)’s figure in two ways. The last ten clues’ numbers fall short of this figure; for each shortfall  $n$  take the clue’s  $n$ th-to-last letter, to see what part of an isosceles right triangle would fall similarly short if the

diagonal (using each pair’s *first* letter, making it “overstated”) describes it. Finally, if an entry’s two-letter square is the  $p$ th from its start and  $q$ th from its end, take its clue’s  $p$ th-from-start and  $q$ th-from-end letter; these  $p$  and  $q$  letters, each in clue order, will say who should receive the message formed by transferring the diagonal’s letters (using each pair’s *second* letter) as per (B).



## ACROSS

1. Her animals confused fans of one of Alma’s 4 husbands
8. Acoustically, any of 324 inspirers sounds like a cat
11. Fodder storage area May randomly bedecked with the sixth of 95 Ws?
12. Acronym of 9 legendary figures Billy Batson would use to transform Arizona into something fake
13. Pre-2018 co-leader, briefly (*[see 24]*)
14. Enjoy doing a 270 like a juvenile insect
16. Helpful object worth 16 in Scrabble
17. Part of a word meaning “Computerized pitcher Young, who would have 530 career wins and be radical”
18. Individual lake in a group of 140 sounded spooky
19. Like a sluggard that is about 569
21. Apollo loves 21-person performances
23. Doesn’t avoid striking 230-carat items after the start
26. “Love” or “15”’s written without a Z
28. Gran’s later answer is old prefix for “90.000000001”
29. Without a certain amt. of computer memory where 40 weeks of development happen
31. Hear Elwood Blues’s brother show regret for company that used to put out 294 catalogs per year (*2 wds.*)
32. Indeed resembles some 32 items on a chessboard, say
33. Dog and snake face-to-face with boxer in a 1976 pic
35. Capone and Ramon unveiled site of one 1926 battle
38. Blush about 1225 . . . dollars? Wrong — euro
39. Bear apprehends the 25th state leader born to Cnut and Ælfifu
40. Beam energy at school that’s brought 44 Hunts to you
41. Entrance with gift given after 51 years, which is cake
42. Site of Moses’s 40-year exile is where McKellen’s belly button is?
43. Like the graph of  $y = x + 38$ , done poorly (*hyph.*)
44. Dad’s brother curtailed post-1997 Apple jerk at some point other than the dramatic crux

## DOWN

1. Maintaining 214 average in Muhammad’s birthplace
2. Fleet’s greeting 272 stern characters from Utah? Gevalt
3. Obstacle to eating one of 89 instruments in a song that makes Troy, Romeo, and Oscar laugh
4. Where some Nutmeggers are reflecting 1.000000564-meter waves from an amplifier
5. Libertines ban Tesla from US 44 — which goes through Providence and Poughkeepsie, *et alia*
6. At least 29 days on a lunar calendar in Canada rock
7. In speech, dismiss *Hamlet* 92 actress Elizabeth
8. Heave it in 725 leaves with less hostility
9. 18 zigzagging lines on permit emulate swine
10. Amazingly, seem to be a 137-handed *Peter Pan* pirate
12. What items that are 4.001" right to left would be!
14. Endlessly patrol section of ship 180° away from port
15. Do decapitate wriggler with 27 chromosomes
20. Durbin & Hatch’s proposed 2001 immigration law is read incorrectly by Massachusetts court (*2 wds.*)
21. Person in time zone GMT+28 finally has a complaint
22. Glad at last after  $n$  divides  $\log 137.718+$  as desired
24. Diminished form of a 184.5 mm orb? Right (*[see 24]*)
25. To raise in temperature — say, for use in *café au lait et son* — with 0.004184 kJ west of Douai
27. Transpiercing [sic] object upon which one catches 40 winks of old Hibernia-dwelling folk
30. Nameless man whose boat carried 37 of every clean animal up where some nenes live
31. In 1492, Portugal’s king heads to Jerez’s one and only iniquitous inn (*2 wds.*)
32. Ship a real game whose board has 38 visible lines
33. Boyfriend listened to Derek in 190
34. Secular 35th anniversary gift, when gold is ego-lifting
36. Coins worth 114 bani are depicting *Star Wars* princess
37. Calloway’s moocher hitting 228 tiny bones with skirt