



The grid pattern has mirror symmetry about the central vertical. Upon completion four squares will be blank. Corrections to misprints in definitions in a number of clues spell out a phrase referencing a title implying an action, though the completed grid indicates a different context. Solvers must move four letters vertically from unchecked positions (leaving real words, ignoring gaps) to confirm the new context. Bars and numbers are not required in submitted solutions.

Across

Went crazy about experimental end to prayer in religious text (two words)
Lamest literary apparatus enthralls one
Articles about cab showing motor problem
Treats ailing with extremes of luxury here? (two words)
New rule, say, one mechanical in scope (two words)
Pam Ayres initially dodging male singer (not English)
Hold on – recalled sailor produced knots one ignored
Contributor to heavy wager arranged round tee
Flow of water, strident, not quiet
Middle East port: a terminus Germany put first
Coax players to throw final series
One abandons old Ford car around old African country
Greeting and a speech mostly concerned with opening
Off the shorts? A drink must involve drop of stout (two words)
Lord kidnapped by old soldier in part of South Africa

Down

Way in which English will move North – dash?
Beggar in endless queue for African booze
Clay – it may be fired. used in roofing material?
Men rarely tucking into tasty entrées
Source of tool fixing temperature on grill
Spoil jazz fan over emphatic marking in music
Stage direction – annoyed with version Director cut: bet entry of Portia's ignored
Boring local used it in upset with fellow about Spain
Augmented reality blocks the brain developing, according to psychologist
They stand gobsmacked about singular poetical work (two words)
African trader getting American drunk about money
Former Middle East leader sparkled endlessly when hosting Arab
Cause rupture in the middle of bones cracked with bar I dropped
Little space in box? Consign to file
Aestival? Fine, and more than half aestival, remarkably
Java's source of naff location of programmes due to be cut
Slow dance movement, one of many produced by early choral composer, apparently
Racecourse hurdle drilled by a factotum
Local chose Hearts in pack
Section of angle iron? It's covered by ruddy stuff