



## Here's Looking at You, Kcit

Clues are presented in the correct order. The completed grid, which does not have one letter per square, displays mirror symmetry, and resembles the item given by the unclued entry (verifiable, though not the precise form used, in ODE). Clue numbers and bars must not be entered. Those letters which are not one per square, when combined with those in the four shaded cells, can be rearranged to give a thematic word which must be written under the grid. Chambers (2014) is recommended but does not contain one reasonably common foreign word; one entry is an abbreviation.

### ACROSS

- Firm attempt to hold many people back to be very expensive (9, 3 words)
- One to favour ousting old King (3)
- Drain openings for East Anglian users (3)
- Lecturer to escape horrible life in Strasbourg (3)
- Dad and ginger nuts? It's disgraceful (9)
- One's abandoned girl exhibiting passion (3)
- Unclued (12, 2 words)*
- Openings in the hospitality industry lead to recruitment? Not those in Glasgow (4)
- Part of Northern France is captured by Old English (4)
- It is too naughty, ultimately, to loll around in idleness (8)
- Feminist view of females showing some success around 2001 (6)
- German poet ditching first article in German (4)
- Position overlooking Sun as historic light source (4)
- Second requirement cut? No longer cut (4)
- Pilots ditching heart of new flight system (3)
- Not precisely specified on the list, bridge player has no alternative (3)
- Chess GM no longer reckoning to skip end of game (3)
- Science of the liver - not hep, more like hip (9)
- What tosser will do: use jargon (4)
- German head put down pupils' fathers initially (4)
- Point to name inscribed in silver (4)
- Local riddle about colt's groom (4)
- Stop American leaving force (4)

### DOWN

- Scoundrel was concerned to dispose of soldiers (3)
- Company picked up barcode system a great deal (5)
- One puts on showy display: singular self-confidence (4)
- Regular publications displaying linkages around European finance measure and pound (8)
- Settled island, having crossed Lake (9)
- Motion of meteor captured by any old science of gases (9)
- A curtailed warning to shelter little Scots unable to appreciate Auld Reekie? (9)
- Papers supporting sort of current drug (4)
- Divine greeting adopted by broken religious follower (8)
- Poet's over one Duke penning verse (4)
- Most of untried logic circuit having little impact (5)

Person dropping in to make request (3)  
Ace of clubs not black? That's concerning (4, 2 words)  
Soldiers escaping floor tilting dramatically in Dundee (4)  
Location of completed films of old American people? (5)  
Unsuitable article brought into fashionable port (5)  
Chip beginning to tarnish crockery (6, two words)  
Weight given to account I sent up depicting witchcraft (5)  
What helps to confine a ferocious Duke in Shakespeare? (5)  
Have to consider turning over paper (6)  
Patriotic types support endless uprising (4)  
Hard top removed from transport? You'll have to walk (4)  
Arena not including top meadow locally (3)  
Senior officer's function (3)