

# Willett Quizword 990820

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## ACROSS

- 7 Devious butlers are less obvious than most. (7)
- 9 After the usual spasm I breathe quite harshly, for one who took part. (11)
- 11 Bays visited by pea-green sailor in onset of high seas. (5)
- 12 Exhaustive and insane hour mingling with go-go night. (13)
- 13 Work at taking two alternatives on the moon. (8)
- 14 A multitude of reasons to set out in lingerie. (6)
- 17 Edge softly along the ropey material. (4)
- 18 Treatment of one's mug. (6)
- 20 Chinese icon driving truck into tram. (7)
- 22 Celebrate when reading 'Ulysses' again, by the sound of it. (7)
- 24 Novelist is after a broken neck; he won't let you rest in peace. (11)
- 27 Saint has celebration mass, to find his destiny. (9)
- 29 Henry steps in to revoke church's inner sanctum. (7)
- 30 Everyone from Rome should get aboard this. (7)
- 32 Opposed to what came before, ring for starters. (9)
- 34 Cause to search for a swimmer. (11)
- 36 Contractor takes time in New York during big storm. (7)
- 37 Ring Derrick first about morning paper manipulation. (7)
- 39 Go very quietly in your hat to get a little of what you fancy. (6)
- 40 Knocks back box. (4)
- 43 Entertain a little chap with beer. (6)
- 44 Loosely-styled concoction of older egg. (8)
- 47 Absurdly claim box eaten for deduction. (7,6)
- 49 Pointer in the natural state prior to argument. (5)
- 50 Military strategem, perhaps - you get the gist? (7,4)
- 51 Entice me inside, around one, while light. (7)

## DOWN

- 1 Place to find a joint, maybe - but one can breathe freely. (5,4)
- 2 Sailor measuring how often Santa laughs, perhaps? (7)
- 3 Eat post, in theory. (11)
- 4 Pitches hot weapon. (9)
- 5 Chip in generously at first, for a sweet bonus. (5)
- 6 Abandoning grassland by five, stirring gin. (7)
- 8 Strange tales about model, Rice's fictional predator. (6)
- 10 Cross a narrow road with a couple of rings. (4)
- 15 No family can come to a state where they'd find the summit. (7)
- 16 Little man on site - part of the service! (8)
- 19 Positive response from the crow's nest off the Madagascan coast, perhaps? (3,3,3)
- 21 Support ugly rite. (4)
- 23 A dangerous game that leads a fellow into the early stages of Ju-Jitsu. (7)
- 25 Round volume I plait noisily in the back of my mind. (9)
- 26 Storm removes city centre, taking a copy. (7)
- 28 Descriptive of journalists - as is dirt, apparently. (8)
- 31 Sizeable report from which many matters arise. (3,4)
- 33 Drink from body. (4)
- 35 I'm a top operation with a constant element of return, for wet horses. (11)
- 38 Sick oxymoron. (3,6)
- 41 Animal visits frozen brook. (5,4)
- 42 Peak, or state before beginning slow mutation. (6)
- 43 Oxen ran in panic to one who was wooed with words. (7)
- 45 Goose found with grimy convict. (7)
- 46 Lady may take a meal, once up. (4)
- 48 To cap it all, stuck right in the root. (5)