

In this puzzle, solvers should identify the set of 12 different names by which British monarchs have been known since a significant event. Five of these can be identified in two-word or three-word phrases which must be removed to enable the solving of five down clues. The letters of the names are contiguous, but jumbled. (Lengths, in order of the clues in which they appear, are 4, 7, 8, 7 and 9). As an example, HAROLD (d. 1066), the name that preceded the set of 12, occurs in the phrase "feudal horror" as 'DALHOR'. While dots will be awarded for successful completion of the puzzle, solvers may indicate in their submission the seven other names in the set. These are hidden in the grid in straight lines.

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Across

- 3 Grave statues bearing Asian scriptures (6)
- 8 Bound journal worthless, missing front page (4)
- 12 Saint in Armenia converted RC priest (10)
- 13 Workers on set, to get shot of Japanese dish, drew nearer (4)
- 14 Unionist interrupting Greek politician to complain (5)
- 16 Passion in sack (4)
- 17 Engineer following suit beginning to mock legal experts (6)
- 19 Respiratory problems of poor peasants not too serious initially (6)
- 21 Extremely suave citizen going to the right spots (7)
- 23 Understand baron's left money (4)
- 24 Player batting with ferocity? Not half! (6)
- 27 25 wanting last couple's streaming material, possibly (4)
- 30 Restore patients if rather dehydrated primarily with this (4)
- 31 Clubs will unite (6)
- 32 One plugging these spirits generates profits (4)
- 34 Ostentatious pals unusually reserved (7)
- 36 Alarm over fatal solvent (6)
- 37 Impress with bowling performance (6)
- 42 American eschewing unethical examination (4)
- 43 Cast are essentially nude, as one may be in theatre (5)
- 44 Part of tree that's mostly below ground (4)
- 45 Shrewd and demanding principal editor (10)
- 46 Legume, say, cultivated with love (4)
- 47 Join together with Luxembourg's countryfolk (6)

Down

- 1 Abandoned search for my ancestors in Slough (6)
- 2 Harvest fruit crop up again (8)
- 3 No darkness reported in ammonite shells perhaps (4)
- 4 Watched contest won by East Germany (6)
- 5 Deeply impress good rector in eastern part of church (7)
- 6 Constant flaw limiting Tesla on way to Pierre (4)
- 7 Kelvin's article placed out of order (5)
- 9 One not meeting required standards losing heart (4)
- 10 Club in one New England state meeting another (4)
- 11 For exercise Harry leading outdoor activity (5-2)
- 15 Abide with European beginning to swear in lift (6)
- 18 Determine if female's wearing diamonds (4)
- 20 Jack recited lecturer's central point (5)
- 21 Eldest nephew certainly not right to leave country (2,3)
- 22 Institute pursuing scoundrel with old knick-knack (5)
- 25 Medico's washing out facilities over time (6)
- 26 Lambert fearing terrible swindler (8)
- 27 The French ship carrying gold for landlords perhaps (7)
- 28 Fruit in India causing upset (4)
- 29 Judge occasionally tried liberal English dons (7)
- 32 Comprehensive blog fabricated by Gore? (6)
- 33 Mounts in south support deciduous shrubs primarily (6)
- 35 Ask US about fliers (5)
- 38 Group playing with zeal being somewhat patriotic (4)
- 39 Spirited colt kept in line (4)
- 40 Hired domestic storing tuber (4)
- 41 Sculptor's turning out stylish pieces in Washington (4)

