

Hints for Harvard Puzzle "HarvardX"

Parentheses around a clue mean that a letter must be omitted from the answer before it will fit in the grid. Numbers in parentheses indicate lengths of answers. An asterisk * indicates a capitalized word, and a hash mark # an acronym.

Across

1. (Vie with league leader to get to finish) (8)
2. (A crab Leo cooked turns out to be fish) (8)
3. (Ezra's confused about true or false) (6)
4. Catch girl with ring (5)
5. (Merry-go-round course running around center of far end of mall) (8)
6. (Nothing in shed is damaged) (6)
7. A bold play before end of game is possible (6)
8. (Tray carries balm and a bit of rue) (6)
9. *Fair Mary's middle name (4)
10. Crane cracked lining of shell (5)
11. Papa sure wasted money (5)
12. #China's aggressively covering up government agency (4)
13. Start to sail halfway with meridian and move well through water (4)
14. Talk about yours truly being one who steals the work of others (6)
15. Range of small vessel (4)
16. (Ancient character of tenure in retrospect) (4)
17. A fool takes one with all its faults (2, 2)
18. Hard-to-change garment (6)
19. (Continue to move without a charge) (4)
20. Opted to have Rod replace Samuel for duty (5)
21. (Overtyping mess after only one error is removed for lack of means) (7)
22. (Unusual need to signify) (6)
23. (Seth started to bury a chemical sediment) (6)
24. *(Author Joan wrote one love novel initially) (6)

Down

1. (Study fish in cabinet) (7)
2. (Bag is all wet when doused) (6)
3. (Cheer about river bird) (6)
4. Patchy or irregular point (5)
5. Crumpets damaged in distribution (8)
6. Use abusive language in note about sin (6)
7. (Fluid drain's lowest point) (5)
8. Turn up rhenium free of other elements (4)
9. Fear onset of tectonic slip (6)
10. (Business in cereals is partly genuine) (7)
11. *Fundamental nature of the origins of truth and order (3)
12. (Turner takes time in judge's chamber) (6)
13. (Angry about end of meat supply) (5)
14. Instrument touch-up (4)
15. Sodium pen is very unpleasant (5)
16. (500 replacing 1000 in a state of confusion or stupefaction) (4)
17. Maniac cut nail off (7)
18. Herb died sick (4)
19. Let lineman rest (5)
20. Get rid of female department head (4)
21. (Effrontery of singer embracing rabbi) (5)
22. Johnny's money (4)
23. (Song started on one note of sound) (5)
24. (Scanty and frugal with a shilling) (6)
25. (Minister beginning to prosecute crime) (6)