

LIMA ITEM

WILLIAM WEBSTER

Carefree, Arizona

Each word can be anagrammed to an OSPD word (except for proper names); all apostrophes are omitted (SIT = IT'S). The translation of this story appears in Answers and Solutions.

Whit terga greeny, Ears Goat saw dignity het niding moor, hewn eth bordello gran.

Opuses Rochet dhurrie form het whores. "Esther het tampons," eh tasted whit targe lighted. "Lil teg ti."

"Mi excepting Untied Carpel," eth mils adhered saw gillnet Troche.

"Hewer form?"

"Riving, Taxes." Causally trigons het tacks, Ares dolt eth untrod nam, "Sad, trestle; sheer eon form Tuna Sallet."

"Nay piecrust?" Eh parsed het genre instate padres; til eth sag hereat.

"Rub, Arse," eh sadi. Loath na indies rood saw beanpole, eh felt ti thus.

"On, on pans hosts; juts ostracon hits emit." Reads tas no het reflowed rearmice. "Salt eyra ether ewer, whit retax gestapo."

"Elater thaw eth read levirate tower." Rotche tas no het study levo etas.

"Strow morts veer--odorant races! Bowling rani, clod.

"Hot ither entraps ewer strongyl antisag ti, Gamer Seraphic dew Joram Anal Nicad," Rase treadle.

"Eth dol god, he?"

"Teg hits--Lichi Twiners si tills het dol amid."

"Thaws eth slag earl frits nema?"

"Leaches."

"Ash het Garbed nos, Dyed, listened? Thaw scribe?" eh maddened.

"Seminar; na marina."

Earn escallop, eth touts tolu saw won please no het regal haltere oafs.

Eth homeliest lag nodder no. "Vermin saw indies het bleats, hewn ither ablating saw telson. Alert, eh huts eth geta. Dare? Threes chum omer."

Eh uredos. "Ho--dear no," het tressles riled tidiness. "Hes si nerve fiber."

"Barney saw Roland shooting Jean."

"Ton os fats, larding," Troche education.

(Eon cloud ton ays, Ares saw tochered; therein saw Troche ratanies. Seatrain? Verne!)

Tanglier eth gradine cape, leisters Sear altered, "Disneys het wen Sol Senegal Lydia Sewn rioted.

"Canny Romance dah na raffia, whoever ti saw horst devil. Hes sha matsah."

"Hes si na fulmar," saw Torches marker.

"Wand palsy migrate no eth voila," hes unnoticed triangle.

"Ti saw aisled thing ta het iceman; hyte was Aisles."

Sears fringes sparged eth these. "Gape neves. Arecas Gippers het Als Ganev won. Eh saw form Thickener, Oration."

Het clumsy nam drones.

"Three era juts there peags felt," prettiness Ears portered.

Eh prangs form het oafs. "Lil teg clod breees!"

"Kame mien Priest, elapse. Mi tried, oot."

Het scythe nam raptly roweled eth leap lube sashed.

"Deraign aahed, hes dens ti whit 'unlit eth heart bistro het nus cone omer, Epitaphs Hyaloids'!"

COINED BY SHAKESPEARE

Part of the Merriam-Webster The Lighter Side of Language Series, this hardcover book by Jeffrey McQuain and Stanley Malless (ISBN 0-87779-353-0; \$14.95) consists of half-page essays of 208 words or phrases first used by Shakespeare (often, the Bard recycled existing words, moving them into a new part of speech or creating a new meaning). Most are everyday ones, although the authors had to include Xantippe to get every letter of the alphabet. One word, KICKSHAW (a tasty tidbit; a trinket or trifle), should be familiar to Word Ways readers. The book is enlivened by droll drawings and by quizzes preceding the first 25 letters (artfully labeled All About Shakespeare, Bard at Work, etc.). The book contains several near-synonyms: PANDER/CATER, INAUDIBLE/NOISE-ESS, QUARRELSOME/RANCOROUS, TARDINESS/SNAIL-PACED.

An URGING from the NERVY ADVERTISING MANAGER: HURRY! No TARDINESS! AROUSE EVERY JADED EYEBALL with NEVER-ENDING PAGEANTRY! Do not UNDERVALUE this MONUMENTAL DESIGN because of a LACKLUSTER PERUSAL, and DENOTE it WORTHLESS! It is MARKETABLE to both the RECLUSIVE PEDANT of ACADEME and the COLD-BLOODED CRITIC who lost his sense of AMAZEMENT! A PROMOTHEAN HINT to the FRUGAL FORTUNE-TELLER: BET on this AUSPICIOUS INVESTMENT!