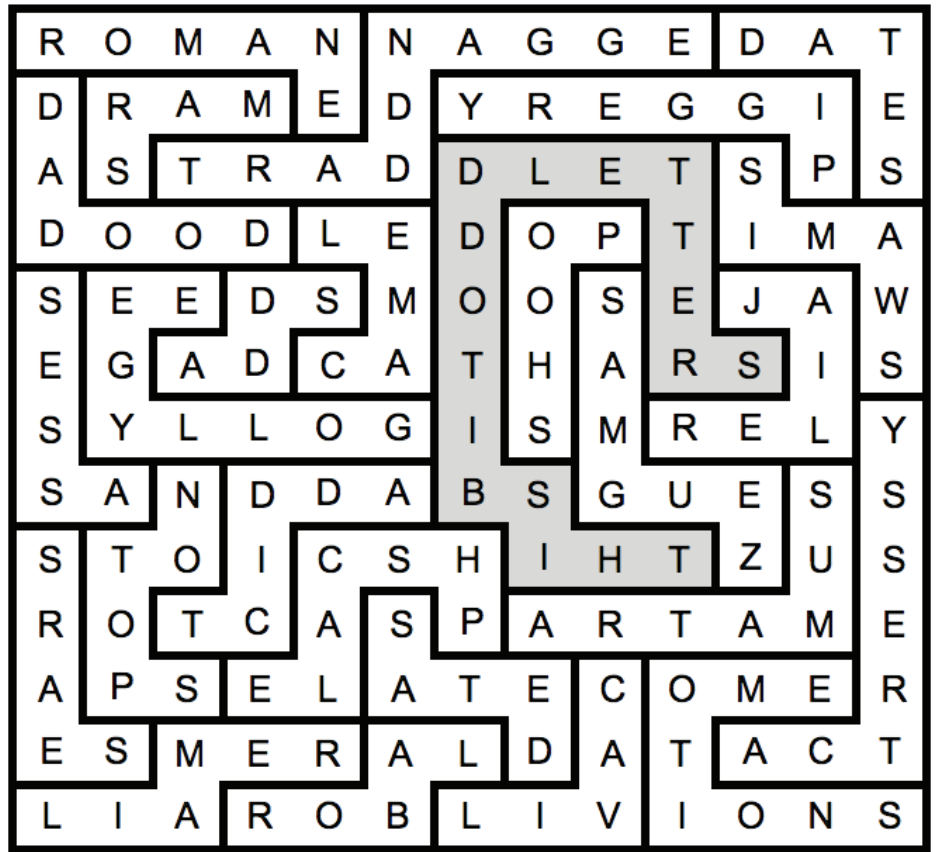


GOING TO THE PALACE - ELVIS (with Playing Music) / CONSUL (with Stealing Eggs)

The puzzle fill is shown at right. Each Piece clue has had a single letter removed which must be restored to answer the clue. In order:

1. Characteristically red planEt
2. Gratified
3. Orang home frequently
4. Oasis products
5. Moan referencing small things
6. OatH that's fairly soft (2 wds.)
7. Tallies
8. BEars in many a nursery
9. Pure water is seVen on this
10. CarVing for ornamentation (hyph.)
11. Drug merchant's return customer
12. Flawless (2 wds.)
13. LaZy people might sit on these
14. ThinG, colloquially
15. Pass on a carD, say
16. Agricultural site devoted to cultivating Swine
17. Some who share what they've Learned
18. BeAst of the three magi
19. "TAsk!"
20. TurNkey, by another name
21. "Joy!" and the like
22. Devices used by pOets (and by custom)
23. Make someone think you're darLing
24. Parches
25. PHony, when performing perhaps



Applying an instruction found in Playing Music (CAESAR SHIFT EACH REMOVED LETTER FORWARD BY NUMBER OF ITS CLUE) to the removed letters spells the message FIRST NAME FOR MUSICS THE KING, cluing the answer ELVIS.

The assembled Pieces leave a void in the grid, shaded above. This piece is identical to the upper left area of the grid in Stealing Eggs. Reading the odd letters in the corresponding region of that puzzle's letter grid spells IT'S CONSUL.