

Solution to Puzzle #189 — February, 2017 "Solve for X"

C	A	R	A	P	A	C	E	E	A	B
O	R	A	T	E	L	O	V	A	G	A
M	I	N	E	P	I	N	E	T	A	R
B	E	D	L	A	M	O	R	D	I	N
A	L	S	Y	S	E	M	B	E	N	E
T	S	P	O	T	X	Y	E	A	R	M
I	N	A	G	E	B	O	R	N	E	A
D	O	R	E	R	U	R	A	L	S	T
A	R	T	D	I	L	A	T	E	C	O
T	E	A	R	A	B	L	E	D	U	D
E	B	L	A	T	E	R	L	A	D	E

In the diagram X = **LIGHT**

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell

LET THERE BE

Across

1. CARAPACE
2. E(L)ABORATE
3. LOVAG(E)
4. AMINE
5. PINE TAR
6. BEDLAM
7. ORDINAL
8. SYS(T)EM
9. BENET
10. SPOT
11. YEAR
12. MIN(T)AGE
13. BORNE
14. ADORE
15. RURAL
16. START
17. DILATE
18. COTE
19. ARABLE
20. DUDE
21. BLAT(H)ER
22. LADE

Down

1. COMBAT
2. ID(E)ATE
3. ARIEL
4. SNORE(R)
5. BRAND
6. SPARTA
7. LATELY
8. OG(E)E
9. DRAPE
10. PASTE
11. RIATA
12. LIME
13. BULB
14. ECONOMY
15. ORAL
16. REVERBERATE
17. (B)LEAT
18. DEAN
19. LEDA
20. AGAIN
21. RESCU(E)D
22. BAR
23. NEMATODE

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 23 minutes.

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(The first ten are listed in the order their solutions were received, the others alphabetically.)

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