

Catastrophe!

Thirteen solutions have the same short word, sometimes but not always at the start.

This short word is absent from the subsidiary part of the clue.

Chambers (2011) is the primary reference.

Across

- 1 Highly ornamented bits of rose with edible tuber (6)
- 4 Glibness about cause of happiness (8)
- 10 A medicine that invigorates schizophrenic affected by fits of rigidity (9)
- 11 Oddly plod like a three step and hop dance (5)
- 12 One of blue blood or even blood-red (4)
- 13 Metric unit begins coding each new term if listed in the right encryption (10)
- 15 Disperse cubic metre of timber without energy (7)
- 16 Old silver coins of the French dollar (6)
- 19 Pincer-like tools' disguised perils (6)
- 21 Provided food for eastern revolutionary (7)
- 23 Pronounce judgement on publicity with little Jewess (10)
- 25 Serenity of feelings embraced by logical mind (4)
- 27 Projection that holds together large number absorbing small number (5)
- 28 Culture oddly ends unicorns (9)
- 29 Trees' age

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- represented in display stands (8)
- 6 Earnestly beg for amounts of food provided without end (10)
- 7 Detached piece of territory Iceland granted to occupamts (5)
- 8 Shredding utensil sounds more significant (6)
- 9 Topless males regarded with affection please! (6)
- 14 Presence at jig two hours before midnight? (10)
- 17 Web-footed marine reptiles transpire in an unusual way (9)
- 18 Strange fellows - disheartened teams; motley assortments! (8)
- 20 Generate from bodily fluids and place out of sight (7)
- 21 Cord for tying little boat up (6)
- 22 Neat taking back young sow (6)
- 24 Military government's revolutionary jaunt (5)
- 26 Roman circle (4)

Down

- 1 Rash wreck - lesson discovered! (8)
- 2 Hesitation then howl like newborn child! Yowl shrilly! (9)
- 3 Old coal and timber vessels in north-east Sweden (4)
- 5 Situated in particular spot Scots loved (7)