

The Stickler Weekly 217 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 BASIS	Support opening of book without change (5)	(B)ook + AS IS
4 OUR FATHER	Prayer at four excited most of flock (3,6)	Anagram of AT FOUR + (HER)D
9 THEORETICAL	The exam containing quote about abstract (11)	(THE + ORAL) outside (CITE reversed)
10 SAP	Members of congress approach easy mark (3)	congresS AApproach
11 EMANATED	Gave out label written backwards with wrong date (8)	NAME revresed + anagram of DATE
12 ACCESS	Get hold of high cards including clubs and spades (6)	ACES outside C + S
14 AMEX	Plastic part of webcam expanded (4)	webcAM EXpanded
15 LIMITING	Using basic material around it is restrictive (8)	LIMING outside IT
18 PRISONER	Intruder holding family member captive (8)	PRIER outside SON
20 POUR	Pelt, in a sorry condition, given an airing (4)	Sounds like POOR
24 CALICO	Claim mostly falsified with company material (6)	Anagram of (CLAI)m + CO
25 ASBESTOS	Fireproof material, for instance, most desirable overseas (8)	AS + BEST + OS
27 RIP	Cut journey with time running out (3)	TRIP minus T
28 IMAGINATION	Creativity is carrying magazine people? (11)	(I + I) outside MAG + NATION
29 BREASTPIN	Jewellery and rings, primarily paste, must be tossed in bin (9)	[(R)ings + anagram of PASTE] inside BIN
30 TASTE	Small serving of polenta steamed, perhaps? (5)	polenTA STEamed

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 BY THE WAY	In passing empty bay, they moved around WA? (2,3,3)	B(a)Y + (THEY outside WA)
2 SEEPAGE	Watch leaf oozing (7)	SEE + PAGE
3 STREAK	Dash is removed from misprinted asterisk (6)	Anagram of ASTERISK minus IS
4 ON THE BLINK	Thorium, used in one boron connection, is not working (2,3,5)	TH inside ONE + B + LINK
5 ROCK	Support music with a strong beat (4)	Double Definition
6 ALLOCATE	Local, in a bad way, had some food set aside (8)	Anagram of LOCAL + ATE
7 HAS-BEEN	Layer shielding base distracted old VIP (3-4)	HEN outside anagram of BASE
8 REPAST	Meal break cut by boss's offsider (6)	PA inside REST
13 IMPRESSION	Is promise, broken by politician, ultimately an unsubstantiated belief? (10)	Anagram of IS PROMISE + politica(N)
16 PSYCHICS	Spy roughed up sophisticated leader of spiritualists and clairvoyants (8)	Anagram of SPY + CHIC + (S)piritualists
17 PRESENCE	Company research taking place in British capital (8)	RES inside PENCE
19 RELAPSE	Fall back asleep, shattered after end of tour (7)	Anagram of ASLEEP after tou(R)
21 OUTWITS	Two of our clowns could be dupes (7)	(OU)r + TWITS
22 SCARAB	Dry crust penetrated by a river beetle (6)	(A + R) inside SCAB
23 TENANT	Section of camp making room for an occupant (6)	TENT outside AN
26 LAMP	Large electrical unit is light (4)	L + AMP

