MONSTER FIND-A-WORD

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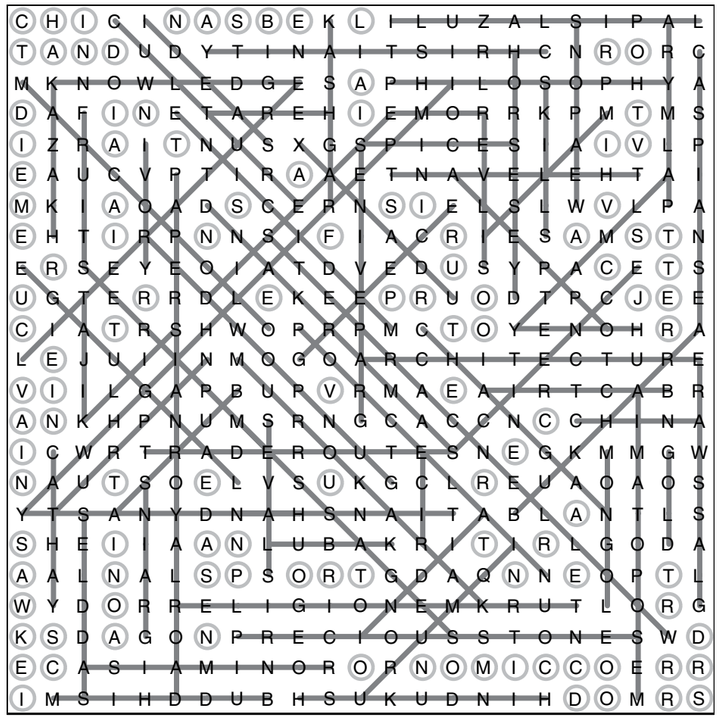
The listed entries can be found in the grid in straight lines up, down, forwards, backwards or even diagonally. Once each one has been crossed off, the letters left behind will point to how modern travel may be able to be undertaken on the ancient Silk Road.



1. Aleppo
2. Almaty
3. Architecture
4. Asia Minor
5. Bactria
6. Buddhism
7. Bukhara
8. Bursa
9. Caspian Sea
10. Cathay
11. Chang'an
12. China
13. Christianity
14. Culture
15. Disease
16. Dyes
17. Empires
18. Fruits
19. Glassware
20. Gold
21. Grains
22. Grapevines
23. Greece
24. Gunpowder
25. Han Dynasty
26. Herat
27. Hindu Kush
28. Honey
29. Horses
30. Ideas
31. Imperial Highway
32. India
33. Islam
34. Ivory
35. Kabul
36. Karakorum
37. Kashgar
38. Kazakh
39. Knowledge
40. Language
41. Lapis lazuli
42. Literature
43. Marco Polo
44. Medicine
45. Mesopotamia
46. Messages
47. Mongol
48. Palmyra
49. Paper
50. Persian Royal Road
51. Philosophy
52. Porcelain
53. Precious stones
54. Religion
55. Rice
56. Rome
57. Saddles
58. Samarkand
59. Science
60. Silk
61. Silver
62. Skills
63. Slaves
64. Spices
65. Tajik
66. The Levant
67. Tian Shan
68. Trade routes
69. Turkmen
70. Turpan
71. Urumqi
72. Weapons
73. Woollen carpets
74. Xanadu

LATERAL THINKING: CRYPTIC

Use the cryptic clues to solve this crossword with a twist.

F	I	T	N	E	S	S	■	S	E	R	V	A	N	T
R	■	H	■	X	■	H	■	E	■	■	■	M	■	H
E	W	E	■	P	L	A	I	C	E	■	D	A	R	E
E	■	M	■	E	■	M	■	O	■	F	■	T	■	S
F	R	E	N	C	H	P	A	N	C	A	K	E	■	I
A	■	■	■	T	■	O	■	D	■	M	■	U	■	S
L	A	B	R	A	D	O	R	■	L	I	B	R	A	■
L	■	■	■	T	■	■	■	■	■	L	■	■	■	R
■	D	R	A	I	N	■	F	I	L	I	G	R	E	E
A	■	E	■	O	■	P	■	N	■	A	■	■	■	I
C	■	D	E	N	T	A	L	S	U	R	G	E	O	N
C	■	T	■	S	■	L	■	I	■	I	■	N	■	D
E	L	A	N	■	E	L	O	P	E	S	■	N	E	E
S	■	P	■	■	■	I	■	I	■	E	■	U	■	E
S	T	E	A	M	E	D	■	D	O	S	S	I	E	R

ACROSS

1. Good health needed to try clothes on a Scottish monster (7)
5. Taverns managed to get help (7)
8. Female sheep in the sewer (3)
9. Place we are told to fish (6)
10. Venture into Madrid arena (4)
12. Crepe made Gallic people criticise gateau (6,7)
13. Dog confined in candelabra dormitory (8)
14. Balanced sign that unbalanced Blair (5)
16. Draw off water from five hundred showers (5)
18. Heard Phil agree to delicate metalwork (8)
22. No dentures, gal? Arrange to see appropriate expert (6,7)
24. Dashing style found in Ireland (4)
25. Social worker leaves antelopes and runs off to marry (6)
26. Born in the Pyrenees (3)
27. Vaporised me instead (7)
28. File from party on ship? That is right! (7)

DOWN

1. Loss of gold in free-for-all causes unchecked decline (8)
2. Loathe meeting's coverage of topic (5)
3. Prospects were not great in Dickens' day – or were they? (12)
4. Hair product used as oomph somehow is required (7)
5. Boxer's assistant in a jiffy (6)
6. Rue turning up under a mat – it's not professional (7)
7. Strangely, he sits for university project (6)
11. Gets to know sound of firm. Milly arises (12)
15. Caribou discussing wet weather, darling (8)
17. Undue bureaucracy for Soviet recording (3,4)
19. Some dip is nice on the way back, though lacking in taste (7)
20. Strange cases include top chef making admission (6)
21. Paid to get learners to become pale (6)
23. Boredom apparent when nine mix with upstart (5)