

A Short Time To Set by Wan – Solution and Notes

S	P	A	C	E	S	T	A	T	I	O	N
¹ B	² U	³ G	⁴ O	U	⁵ T	⁶ H	⁷ T	⁸ I	⁹ R	¹⁰ O	
A	¹¹ N	E	L	L	Y	¹² S	A	B	R	E	L
¹³ S	T	O	U	R	P	U	¹⁴ R	U	¹⁵ S	M	A
I	¹⁶ Y	D	¹⁷ M	I	E	N	¹⁸ M	U	¹⁹ C	²⁰ O	²¹ R
²² L	²³ I	E	²⁴ B	Y	²⁵ A	²⁶ R	N	A	O	²⁷ U	²⁸ T
²⁹ I	N	T	³⁰ U	I	³¹ T	³² I	³³ Y	³⁴ L	N	L	O
C	C	I	³⁵ S	³⁶ D	³⁷ R	³⁸ S	T	E	D	D	E
³⁹ A	R	C	H	⁴⁰ E	U	⁴¹ S	⁴² B	⁴³ O	⁴⁴ O	⁴⁵ S	T
⁴⁶ R	E	S	T	⁴⁷ S	⁴⁸ S	A	W	N	⁴⁹ L	⁵⁰ Q	O
⁵¹ R	A	⁵² D	I	⁵³ I	⁵⁴ S	U	⁵⁵ G	R	O	⁵⁶ U	T
A	⁵⁷ S	A	I	⁵⁸ N	⁵⁹ E	⁶⁰ C	A	D	R	E	O
⁶¹ Y	E	⁶² W	⁶³ S	⁶⁴ Y	⁶⁵ G	E	N	⁶⁶ O	⁶⁷ E	⁶⁸ S	E

Highlighting is just for clarity and not required by solvers.

Letters which moved up from clue to clue gave CONSTRUCT SUM OF MODIFIED ENTRIES, which was an instruction for solvers to rearrange the top row to show SPACE STATION. The entries that were modified were parts of the International Space Station:

SOLAR ARRAY
 UNITY
 DAWN (Rassvet)
 COLUMBUS
 DESTINY
 TRUSSES
 SUNRISE (Zarya)
 HARMONY
 LEONARDO
 PIRS
 QUEST

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		Clue	In	Out		Explanation
	Across					
1	BUG-OUTS	Deserters raze old venues, 300 razed at the outset	C		craze	BUG + [B]OUTS
7	TIRO	Scar con bore after being cut as a noob	O	C	oscar/on	O after TIR[E]
11	NELLY	Year reactionary opens heart to fellow serving life	N	O	yearn/pens	YEN< around LL
12	SABRE	Cavalryman nabs tray before service, dropping it	S	N	stray/abs	ABS + R[IT]E
13	STOUR	Parisian's son admitting a violent attack	T	S	at/on	SUR around TO
14	RUSMA	Um and ah about using Steven to conceal Henry's hair product	R	T	rum/seven	(RUM + HA)* with S for H
15	MIEN	Pa's mistress tripped in front of new address	U	R	Pau/tipped	[A]MIE + N
16	MUCOR	Mould at the centre of humus reflected fish age in the main	C	U	cage/hums	UM< + COR[F]
18	LIE BY	Keep out of the way of ale son when it ain't cold	T	C	tale/old	LIE + B[O]Y
20	ARNAOUT	Old Albanian's rant about auto ad	S	T	sad/ran	RAN* + AUTO*
22	INTUIT	Know instinctively right notes covered by tenor, innit!	U	S	innuit/not	INNUIT with T for second N
26	STEDDE	Ed's place for suet occasionally needed	M	U	form/set	(SET + E D D)*
27	ARCHEUS	Give Muse rum, a form of spirit	O	M	ogive/use	ARCH + SUE*
29	BOOST	Promote name-dropping git by coast, about to be sacked	F	O	gift/cast	BOO[N] + CA[ST]
30	RESTS	Frays tip of of silk tie over holidays	M	F	time/lock	TRESS wi
31	SAWN	Ann in section with men played harshly on violin	O	M	anno/en	A in (S W N)
33	RADII	I backtracked, indeed, following leader to orate before more than one spoke	D	O	id/ration	(ID> + I) after R + A
35	GROUT	Gran sitting in front of don taking Latin as a filler	I	D	grain/on	GR + O + UT
36	SAINE	Olly once hoisting a base say for Spenser	F	I	folly/hosting	SIN around A + E
37	CADRE	Red pans containing goldfish in the middle	I	F	pains/goldish	CARE around D
38	YEWS	Bows made from bits of wood strange young islander constructed	E	I	estrangle/slander	(W + E + Y + S)*
39	GENOESE	Italian behind pros over one round	D	E	prods/on	GEESE around ON<
	Down					
1	BASILICA	We call beards plaits occasionally coming up in catholic church	E	D	ewe/bears	BAA around (LIS< + I + C)
2	UNITY	One in uniform retired tearfully disheartened			I	(I + N + U)< + T[EARFULL]Y
3	GEODETICS	Pa for example going across earth to east cites faulty earth measurement	N	E	pan/cits	GOD around E + E + CITS*
4	COLUMBUS	Navigator is almost a bundle of nerves on highway			C	COLUM[N] on BUS
5	TYPE	Inn may personalise sign	T	N	maty/in	Hidden
6	HARMONY	Balance loads in Perth after severe cut			O	MONY after HAR[D]
8	PIRS	Rips up addresses used by Muslims			P	RIPS*
9	REMOULDS	Heartless manager told Sue fee for tyres	R	T	old/free	(MR + OLD + SUE)*
10	SOLAR	Upper room well above god of house			S	SO over LAR
12	SUNRISE	Stun when preferring north to Philippines in the east			E	SURPRISE with N for RP
17	CON DOLORE	Man's going around on pet pig - short of one liner, sadly!	I	R	main/shot	CORE around ON DOL[L]
19	INCREASE	Maid can rise to become more powerful as in the old days	E	I	cane/mad	(CANE + RISE)*
21	TOE-TO-TOE	In close confrontation, cats either side of Eton, not a neuter in sight	S	E	casts/ton	TONE + TON + TONE with Ns missing

23	TRUSSES	On Sabbath, queen pulled up in fawn-coloured breeches out of fashion			S	TUSSER with R higher + S
24	LEONARDO	Italian chap about to be put in oven by cook			A	ON inside LEAR + DO
25	DESTINY	Lot refuse to admit it's over			T	DENY around ITS<
28	SAUCE	McDonald's in cases to feed capital - on the contrary stewed fruit for Baltimore		S	case	UC inside SAE
30	ARRAY	Order man to leave horse in Oz before heading north			A	YARRA[MAN]<
32	QUEST	Antique stone bottles go begging			T	Hidden
34	DAWN	Start with note from local's father			N	(W + N) after DA