

Cryptic 2 by Russell Atkinson

Across

- 1 Slip this past in a wacky mockumentary (4,2,6,3)
- 9 One tree-hugging girl was positively aglow (2,4)
- 10 A protest against a malicious organ (8)
- 11 Cover your behind to gain influence (8)
- 14 Dorian, decadent and dissolute, launches a scathing attack (6)
- 17 I left the house after Chuck to avoid the serial killer (7,6)
- 20 It is, oddly, unclear that controlling rare earths would reduce the danger from 30 Across. (7,6)
- 23 German is hidden within, I am sure, Italian opera (6)
- 25 Pile up the bread (8)
- 28 I fear a chest cold can develop into painful conditions (8)
- 29 Truman was known to wear a long cloak (6)
- 30 Kim's family and friends watched Jr. achieve rank; the

other son failed. (3,5,7)

Down

- 2 Good-looking, I hear, and he comports himself with such a stately carriage (6)
- 3 Author a flyer (5)
- 4 Ground anise is popular in the Tuscan capital (5)
- 5 Baby, I'll follow endlessly if you give me an opening (5)
- 6 N.B.: no bum has two eyes. (7)
- 7 *Measure for Measure*, the Bard's literary masterpiece (5)
- 8 Mark Twain, for one, surprisingly, used no *Pym* quotes. (9)
- 12 Hector Curry (5)
- 13 Beheading a killer makes us all worse off (5)
- 15 Beginning to leave no stone overturned (5)
- 16 What am I? Cement? Chopped liver? (9)
- 17 Flora, prickly but gifted, composed the beginning of a musical (5)
- 18 Uh, it's a sound bitø? (5)
- 19 A smart one will eat a tossed kale and cucumber salad (5)
- 21 One article followed by a different one, then one more (7)
- 22 Too many, half of 'em, at least, can't eat grain proteins (6)
- 24 Let's paint a Mediterranean land (5)
- 25 That TV cop's always getting in dutch, man. (5)
- 26 Oh, can write-up include Mexican dish? (5)
- 27 Regret holding P.E. in the Indian capital? (5)



