

The Feast of Masks – A Purim Puzzler by Andrew M. Greene

Purim is a feast of masks. This tradition relates to the things that were “hidden” in the Purim story -- for example, Esther withheld her identity as a Jew from the King and his court.

The answers to the following clues are familiar phrases -- masks, if you will -- in which ESTHER is hidden. The clues are arranged so that their answers are in alphabetical order (ignoring "the" when it comes at the beginning of an answer) – which is *not* the order of the answer lines.

Solve the clues, match them with the right set of blanks, write them out and then read the circled column to reveal Esther’s solution to a situation where something is holding you back.

- The last line of “Gone With the Wind”
- A 28-letter English word
- Why George Mallory climbed Everest
- Sign on Truman’s desk
- American League position
- Famous book by J.R.R. Tolkein (first of a trilogy)
- Famous book by A.A. Milne (second in a series)
- Classic SF thriller movie about aliens who take over human beings
- What to do once you’ve cried havoc
- Famous book by Oliver Sacks
- The first Indiana Jones movie
- A particular famous book, tome, volume...
- Famous book by Thomas Hardy
- Bob Dylan song that begins “Come gather ’round people / Wherever you roam”
- Lewis Carroll poem featuring “shoes, and ships, and sealing wax” and “cabbages and kings”
- Familiar nickname of a woman’s portrait, titled “Arrangement in Grey and Black No. 1”

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