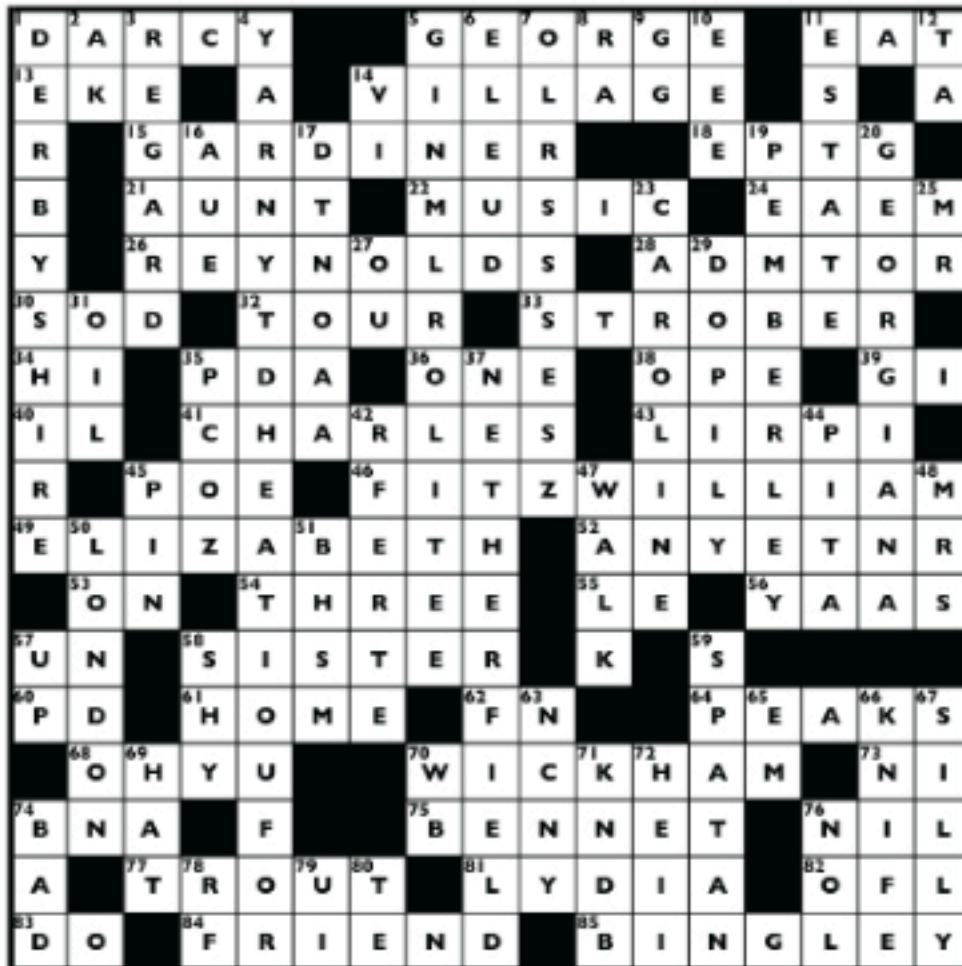


Pemberley



Pemberley is the home of Fitzwilliam Darcy and his sister Georgiana. This estate is in Derbyshire. Miss Elizabeth Bennet was on a tour with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner. They had changed their original plan from the Lakes to the Peaks. They stopped in the village of Lambton to visit Mrs. Gardiner's old friends. Since Pemberley was nearby, they went for a tour.

Mrs. Reynolds, the housekeeper, led the tour and seemed a sensible woman who showed high regard for her master. Could this be the same proud Mr. Darcy? She told of Georgiana's love of music and that George Wickham had gone into the army and had turned out very badly. The tour continued to the grounds. Mr. Darcy appeared. He had returned from London early. He joined them on their walk and spoke of the lake full of trout.

One day later, Elizabeth met Georgiana Darcy and an old friend, Charles Bingley. He remembered the Netherfield ball and asked of her sisters. The visiting three were then invited to Pemberley for a visit that included Caroline Bingley and Mr. and Mrs. Hurst. Georgiana was not proud at all, but very shy. Darcy himself was as warm and open as before. Elizabeth was glad they had gone to the Peaks after all.

The next day, bad news about Lydia and Wickham hastened their return home and a farewell to Pemberley. At this moment, Elizabeth thought she would never see Pemberley or Darcy again. To be mistress of Pemberley would have been something.