

# The City of Winged Men - SOLUTION (TAKE FLIGHT / ASPIRER)

The grid may be filled as seen below. Of particular interest are the unclued words shown in red.

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

Each of those words contains one letter which may be changed to a different letter to form a man's name, and a third letter to form a type of bird. The "man" letter and "bird" letter should be moved forward or backward in the alphabet by the amount indicated in the clue (the intro's reference to "man / bird transformations" indicates the ordering). The modified letters read in clue order by man, then by bird, spell the message TAKE FLIGHT AND ASPIRER.

CARTER / DARTER  
 STAN / SWAN  
 LEON / LOON  
 VERN / TERN  
 MARK / LARK  
 MOE / MOA  
 XANDER / GANDER  
 DICK / DUCK  
 DAVE / DOVE  
 HANK / HAWK

C / D  
 T / W  
 E / O  
 V / T  
 M / L  
 E / A  
 X / G  
 I / U  
 A / O  
 N / W

T / A  
 A / N  
 K / D  
 E / A  
 F / S  
 L / P  
 I / I  
 G / R  
 H / E  
 T / R