

A Modern Major Puzzler

Major-General Stanley spent a while tabling the many elementary words he knows, but eventually decided it was an evening wasted.

(Relating to a minute or microscopic animal) - ("an")

(A large number of + Noticeably happy and optimistic) - ("ful")

(Used by a speaker to refer to themselves) + (Be able to) + (Mark on paper with a pen, pencil, or similar implement) - ("write")

(Knowledge obtained from investigation, study or instruction) - ("tion")

(Accompanied by) + (Affairs or topics) + (Relating to arithmetic) - ("thematical")

6*(To a great degree or extremely)

(Article) + (Tailless amphibians) + (A function word) + ("ar")

3*(To a great degree or extremely) + (Not evil)

(The study of past events)

("tial") + (The branch of mathematics that deals with derivatives and integrals of functions)