

There's Gold in Them Thar Words! (Harder Version)

(Same puzzle as easier version but with fewer clues)

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In each phrase below, replace the word *gold* with the chemical symbol for gold: *au*. Then identify a shorter phrase within the larger phrase that is an anagram of a single word that includes an *au* letter pair.

Example: Acclaim for gold apples → au apples → applause

The words in the anagram part are consecutive, and include the *au*. Words that are not part of the anagram include a clue to the solution (though may also include superfluous words). Don't expect any relationship between the meanings of the anagram and the solution—when that happens, it's purely serendipitous. (But feel free to look for one!)

A dryly gold chill, liquid powered _____

A purplish gold bee ring _____

A shockingly trim gold cat _____

Ah, grip gold booty by telling your life's story _____

All gold bed deserves praise _____

Arts, not gold, for the rocket man _____

Cuter gold bra on an administrator _____

Etch gold tin, the genuine article _____

Favorably, icily gold soups _____

Gilt coal to gold is just saying the same thing twice _____

Gold lasts and gives a beating _____

Gold lens perch, for the mischievous sprite _____

Gold mold rant, where the clothes get washed_____

Gold pecans get sautéed here_____

Gold petal on the mesa_____

Gold ram's length, short of murder_____

Gold rum idiot in the gathering place_____

Gold sages and meat tubes_____

Gold sex thing can wear one out_____

Gold sped, then stopped_____

Gold steed, fried in butter_____

Gold to prince as a safeguard_____

Gold typos in the cause of death report_____

Golden dice for the attendees_____

Golden ditz hour, for those without approval_____

Golden poems about a woman's midlife_____

Golden seat makes me sick_____

Hard-fisted rule, like a rat into gold hair_____

Head over heels over smelts or gold_____

Held over gold was rebuilt_____

Hip gold oldie for the record lover_____

Jason, for one, ran, got gold_____

Leer at gold, honored person_____

Lend gold turf, and be deceptive_____

Libel gold imparts with an incredible story _____

Life but gold, and highly aesthetic _____

Livid venal gold for the old-time stage performer _____

Marred gold from the roaming plunderer _____

Meld gold, roughly treated _____

No gold rids a terrible lizard _____

Normal gold for a single sound channel _____

Ole mum's gold, where mum's tomb is housed _____

Ornate gold for a flyer _____

Rent gold star for the eating establishment _____

Rents gold and stroll away _____

Scour gold without restraint _____

Set gold rush with a book of synonyms _____

Set the gold nerd lech in motion again _____

Sunlit gold on a handsome mollusk _____

Tad icy gold impudence _____

The despot must choose tact or gold _____

The first gold gun lair _____

The gold ring is more risqué _____

The Gold trees were not ornate _____

The most vulgar gold chin rest _____

The showiest gold digest _____

When I scout gold, I'm careful_____

Where Gold tonic goes to the highest bidder_____