

# Blown to Bits - Solution

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The answers to the clues fit together in a mountain shaped grid, with one additional piece required running vertically through the center of the mountain. This piece contains the word "VOLCANICALLY" which is the answer to the puzzle

## Rows

- Distribute ALLOT
- Playful trick; Type of service ANTIC; ROOM
- Without a key; Truckful; Women's patriotic gp. ATONAL; LOAD; DAR
- Running total in a tavern (2wds); Intense state of activity BARTAB; OVERDRIVE
- "Come in"; Museum contents; Salon supply ENTER; ART; DYE
- Class contents; "Common Sense" author LESSON; PAINE
- Dolphins' home; Flock MIAMI; HERD
- Trent Reznor's band (3 wds) NINEINCHNAILS
- Tums competitor ROLAIDS
- Engaged in espionage; Battery part; Bra part SPIED; ANODE; STRAP
- Subject for Strunk and White STYLE
- Set of handyman's gear (2 wds) TOOLKIT

## Bits

1. Gradually stop ABATE
2. Goddess of love APHRODITE
3. Male voice BARITONE
4. Word before "wolf" or "straits" DIRE
5. Fear, or existential angst DREAD
6. Closest to final ENDMOST
7. Japanese for "first generation" ISSEI
8. Mischievous Norse god LOKI
9. Nabokov novel LOLITA
10. Dawn, poetically MORN
11. Not at sea (2 wds) ONLAND
12. Christmas tree decoration ORNAMENT
13. Garnishing sprig PARSLEY
14. Glowing RADIANT
15. \_\_\_\_ Island RHODE
16. Breed that comes in cocker and springer varieties SPANIEL
17. Make a valiant effort STRIVE
18. Lift a glass to TOAST