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*Let's Talk About... SPECS*  
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ADVANCE N E N Q E D Q  
S S M H R D K F R S R  
Y Θ N F P Θ S K T Z Θ N  
Q S G H R S X Θ H A B B T

Here we have two messages typed over each other. Looking carefully, and by using the dashed lines underneath the puzzle for guidance, the first message can be read as **ADVANCE THE UNUSED LETTERS BY ONE POSITION IN THE ALPHABET**. By then looking at the letters not used in the message (starting MZLD...), and moving them on one letter in the alphabet (A becomes B, B becomes C, etc), a second message reads **NAME OF FORMER TENNIS PLAYER JIM A MAILMAN OR THIS TYPEFACE**.

The answer to the puzzle becomes **COURIER**, as in tennis player Jim Courier, a courier is a mailman, and the font used is Courier.

*Puzzle by David Bodycombe (London) - Edited by Dan P (London)*

This puzzle was written by David Bodycombe, a regular attendee in London, for a special Puzzled Pint style event that was held during the World Puzzle Championships ([www.worldpuzzle.org](http://www.worldpuzzle.org)) in London during August 2014.

Asked to provide an evening's entertainment, David was inspired by Puzzled Pint to write a set of puzzles for teams competing in the Championships.

Aided by London's Puzzled Pint GC, David puzzled over 20 teams from all around the world, including Hungary, Canada, China and Japan. The teams certainly tackled the puzzles with enthusiasm and we can now say Puzzled Pint is truly global!

Whilst most of the puzzles steered clear of wordplay to cater for the international audience, this puzzle was one of the more English language based puzzles in the set, and David has kindly agreed that we may use it as a bonus puzzle for this month.

Thank you very much David for thinking of us, and for letting us reprint this puzzle.

David is a question setter and puzzle creator in the British TV industry, who has worked on Only Connect, The Crystal Maze and many puzzle books!

The Bonus puzzles are becoming YOUR puzzles! If YOU have a puzzle that you think would make a good bonus puzzle in future months, let us know! Have a go at setting it yourself – don't worry about the formatting – and send the puzzle along with its solution to [gamecontrol@puzzledpint.com](mailto:gamecontrol@puzzledpint.com), and we'll get in contact with you.

(This is not a clue.)