## Cru Cryptic 196

THAT'S HOW EASY LOVE CAN BE ****

The 26 clues provide answers that begin with each letter of the alphabet, given by the letters preceding the clues. How the answers fit in the grid is for you to determine. Enumerations have been withheld.

One answer is nonstandard. Five are capitalized. The grid pattern was borrowed from Araucaria. One clue was rewritten by Hex.
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A Furnishing cute organic bananas
B Criticize unproductive style of algebra
C Our part of the kingdom values completing unfinished work
D Gradually become less wild; end improved
E Orbital path may be derived from astronomical event taking half-second?
F Reported F-150 option!
G Surrender to soldier with style
H Part of Hamlet's train in HO scale
I Running a hotel: opportunity to score pens, snoop around

J Quarantining sick after first sign of jaundice
K Holy writings of uncentered Asians
L It cuts through ambulance travelers!
M Designed with standard units, European Parcheesi boards strike back

N Drug RICO can't hurt
O Slav lore shaped farmer's outfit
P Except for the end, perform keynote without passion
Q Aging star is essential to Chappaqua's aristocracy
R Speaker's part in list
$S$ Mystic realm strangely unchanged when reflected in a mirror

T A tomb is desecrated with pee in a small drum
U Prepares for cooking because hunt was all over
$V$ The Menuhin Device created by sinister 004?
W Wisconsin tries badly to become kinkiest
$X$ Article tracks eleven in old capital of China
Y A small doctor from the East interrupts Ivy League school fundraiser of sorts
Z Three states backing prescription drug for heartburn

