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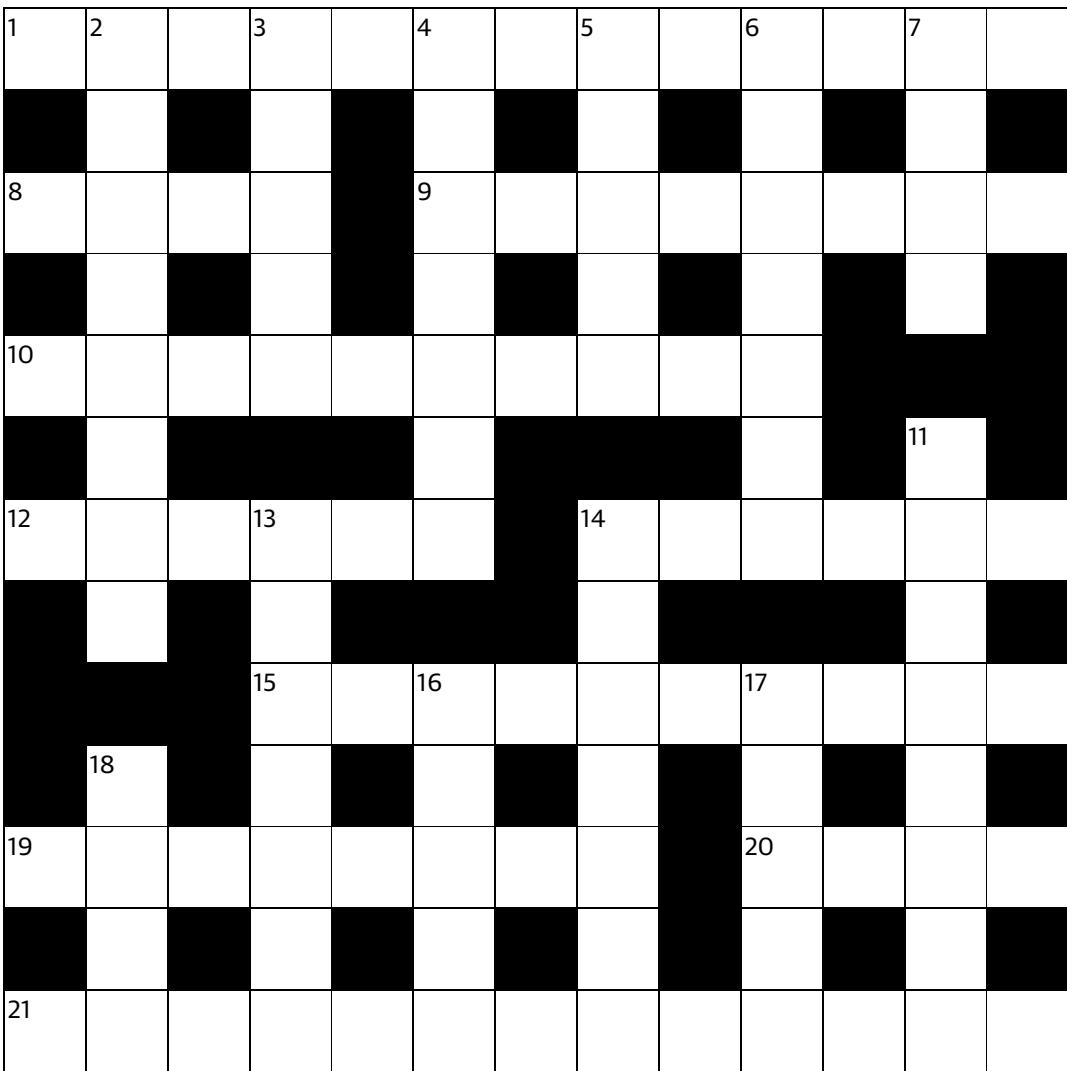
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- 1: Powerful and wealthy (11)
- 9: Spontaneous (9)
- 10: Colour (3)
- 11: Sizeable (5)
- 13: Big mistake (when dropped) (7)
- 14: Pulpit speech (6)
- 15: Declare one's commitment (to) (6)
- 18: West London exhibition venue - Washington state capital (7)
- 20: Material - or any (anag) (5)
- 21: Engage in a winter sport (3)
- 22: Commotion (9)
- 24: Football's box (7,4)

Down

- 2: Circuit (3)
- 3: Hunting cry (5-2)
- 4: Drive home (an argument) (6)
- 5: Entertainments venue (5)
- 6: Disgrace (9)
- 7: Creamy soup, served chilled (11)
- 8: Manipulate constituency boundaries (11)
- 12: Old single (5-4)
- 16: Recipe (7)
- 17: Bird (that repeats) (6)
- 19: High-class - permanent (5)
- 23: Exclamation of mock dismay (3)



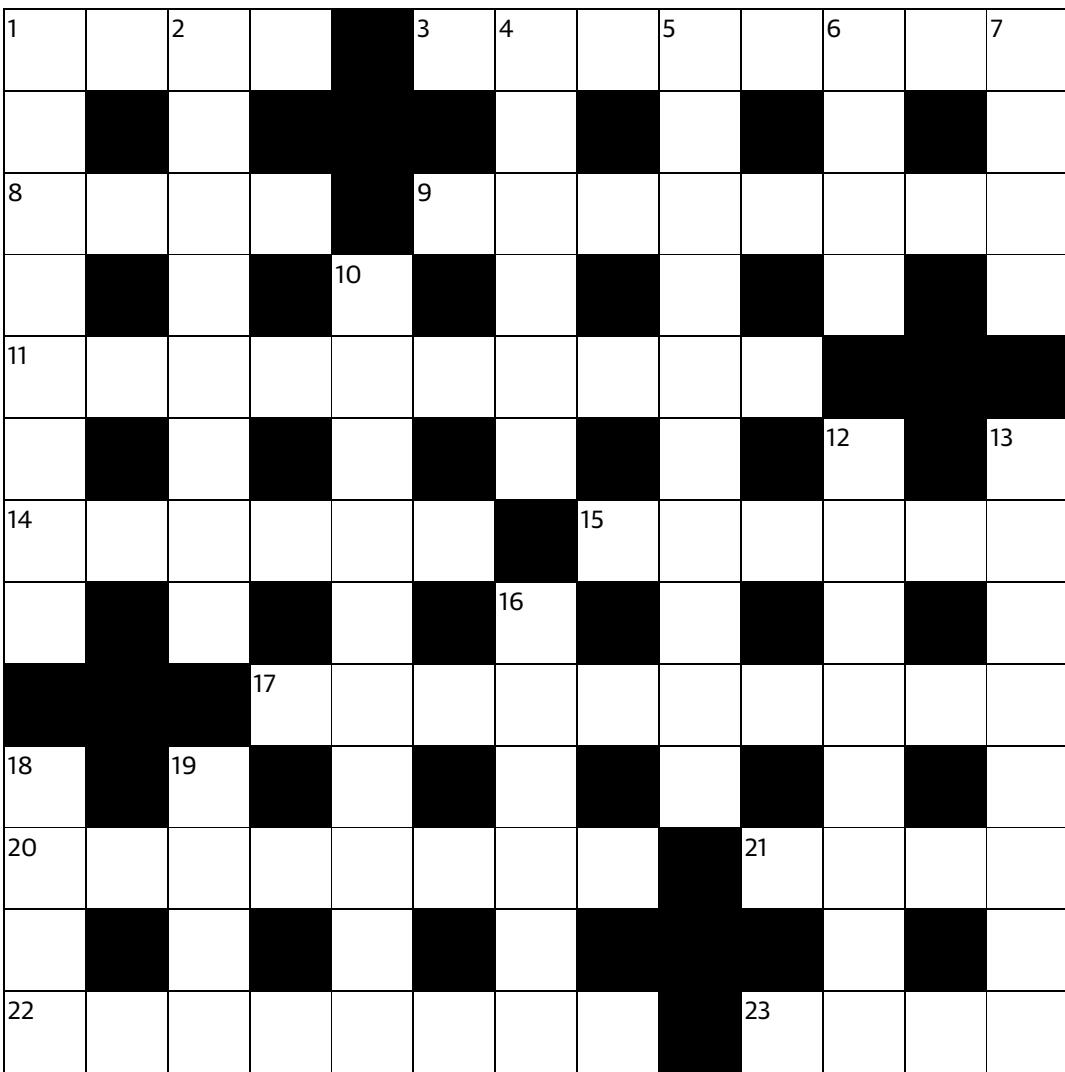
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- 1: Strong objection or opposition (13)
- 8: Kind of cormorant - tobacco (4)
- 9: Musical instrument like a flat box, with a sounding box (8)
- 10: Horn of plenty (10)
- 12: Five cent piece (6)
- 14: Something added to the start of a word - title before a name (6)
- 15: Small door or entrance within a larger one (6,4)
- 19: Banter (8)
- 20: Inert gas (4)
- 21: Fungus causing hallucinations (5,8)

Down

- 2: Country in the Horn of Africa (8)
- 3: Inert gas (5)
- 4: Will supplement (7)
- 5: Dutch bulb? (5)
- 6: Stir (7)
- 7: Masticate (4)
- 11: Master of musical technique (8)
- 13: Native of a Gulf state (7)
- 14: Lady of verse (7)
- 16: Abyss (5)
- 17: Something beyond any chance of recovery (5)
- 18: Body of legend (4)

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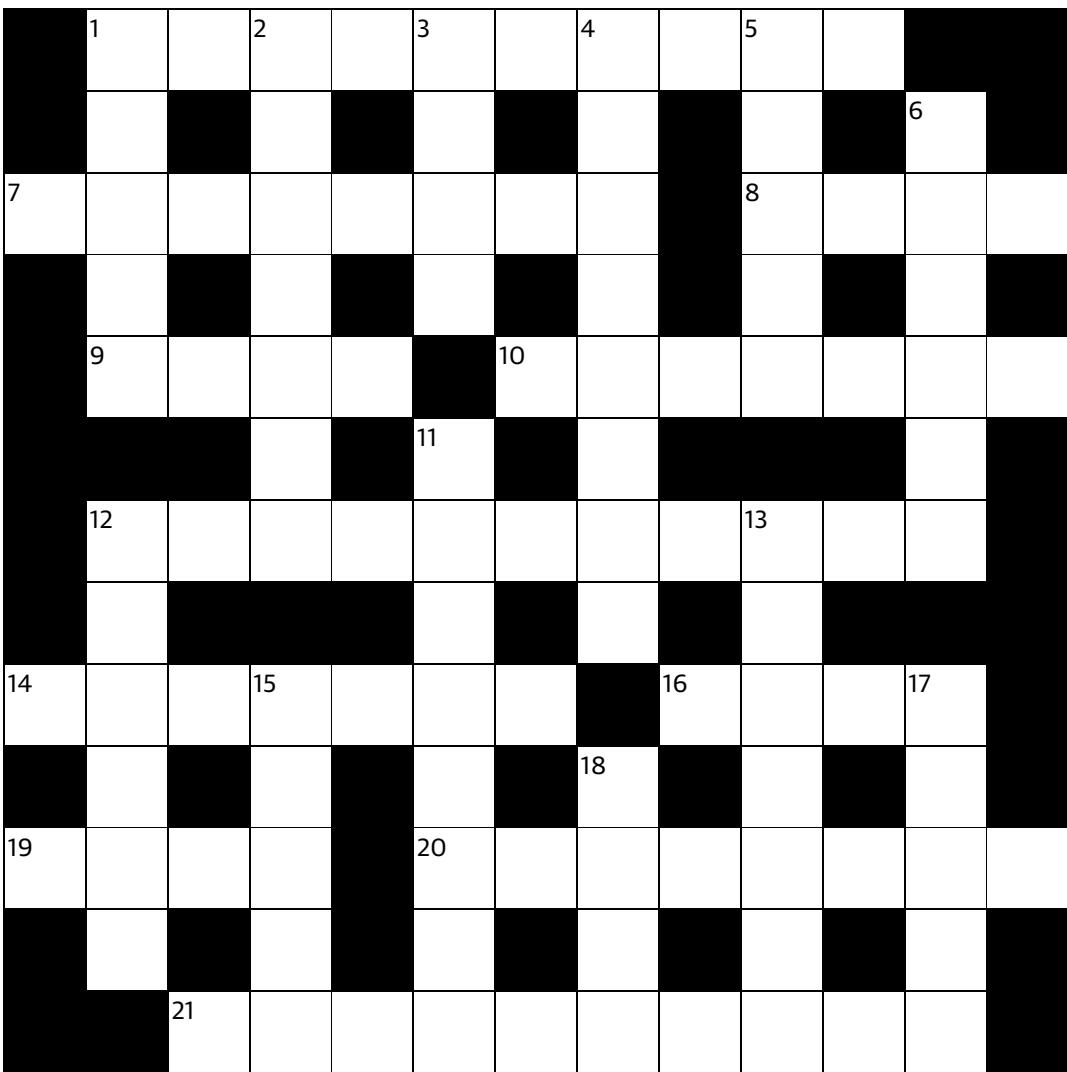
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- 1: "Jesus __" (St John's Gospel, xi. 35) (4)
- 3: Global conflict (5,3)
- 8: Grunt by a pig (4)
- 9: Apple brandy (8)
- 11: It is used for closing letters, documents etc (7,3)
- 14: White coloured (6)
- 15: Bureau (6)
- 17: Advantageous (10)
- 20: Generosity (8)
- 21: Conflagration (4)
- 22: Board game (8)
- 23: Perfectly (2,1,1)

Down

- 1: The Lord Speaker's seat in the House of Lords (8)
- 2: Police vehicle (5,3)
- 4: Colour - fruit (6)
- 5: A (short?) romantic relationship (4,6)
- 6: Joins together (4)
- 7: Pinkish (4)
- 10: Pub grub (7,3)
- 12: From Manila, perhaps (8)
- 13: Conical campsite feature (4,4)
- 16: Rich and fashionable regular fliers (3,3)
- 18: Lump of earth (4)
- 19: (In the sky) Major or Minor (4)

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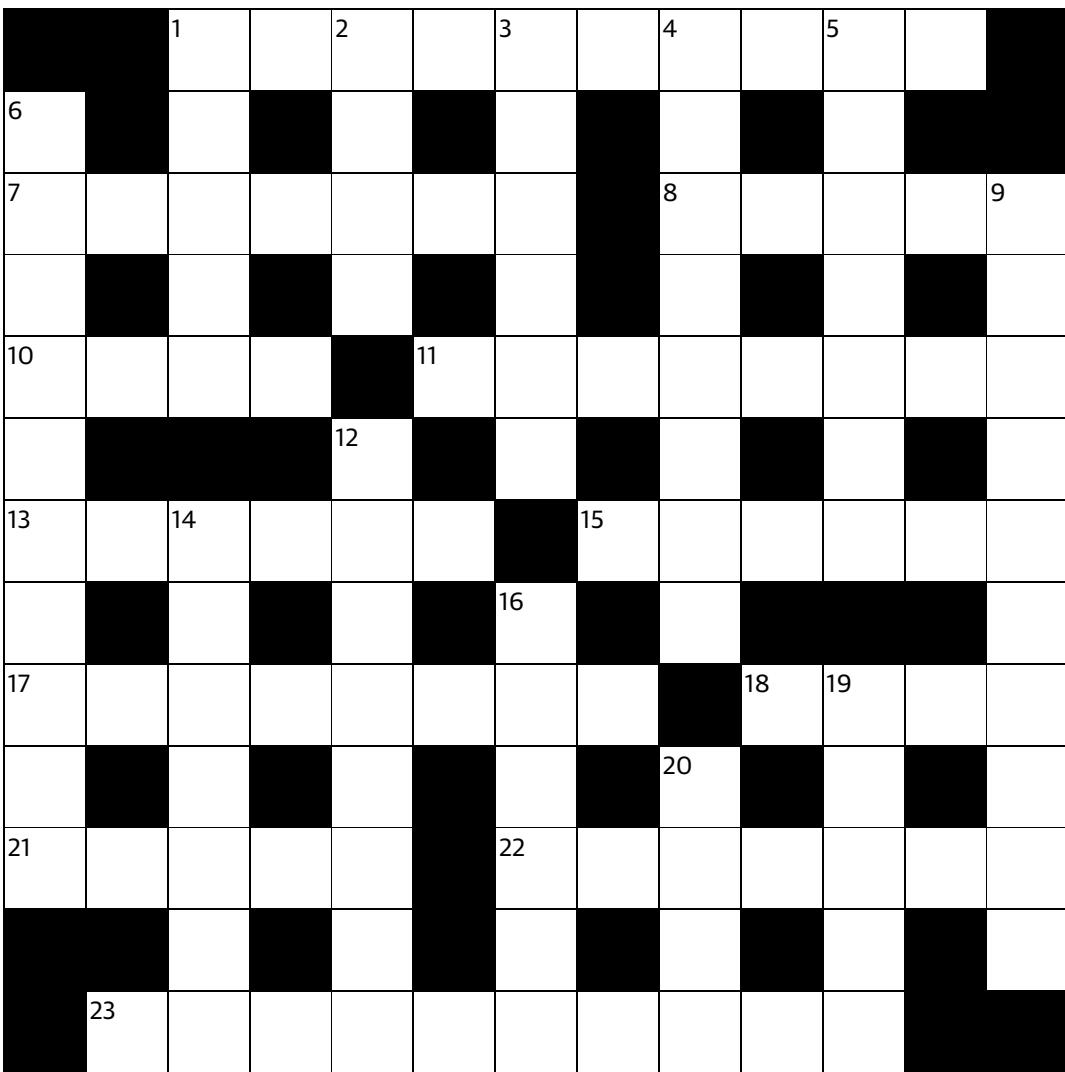
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- 1: Foam-producing substance (6,4)
- 7: Especially (5,3)
- 8: Flightless bird from South America (4)
- 9: Stopper - advertise (4)
- 10: No longer in general use (7)
- 12: Hill-climbers, water-fetchers and fallers? (4,3,4)
- 14: (In music) a brisk and lively movement (7)
- 16: Human egg (4)
- 19: Building bricks for children (4)
- 20: In a civilised manner (8)
- 21: Area with ramshackle buildings (6,4)

Down

- 1: 1940s' jazz characterised by virtuosity (5)
- 2: Pass the night in the open air (7)
- 3: Page (4)
- 4: City on the Danube (8)
- 5: Set fire to - hand-held light (5)
- 6: Mild and pleasant (6)
- 11: Almond paste (8)
- 12: Rider in a race (6)
- 13: Done in a test tube (2,5)
- 15: Point in time fixed by some great event (5)
- 17: Type of fruit (5)
- 18: Make weary through being overly sweet (4)

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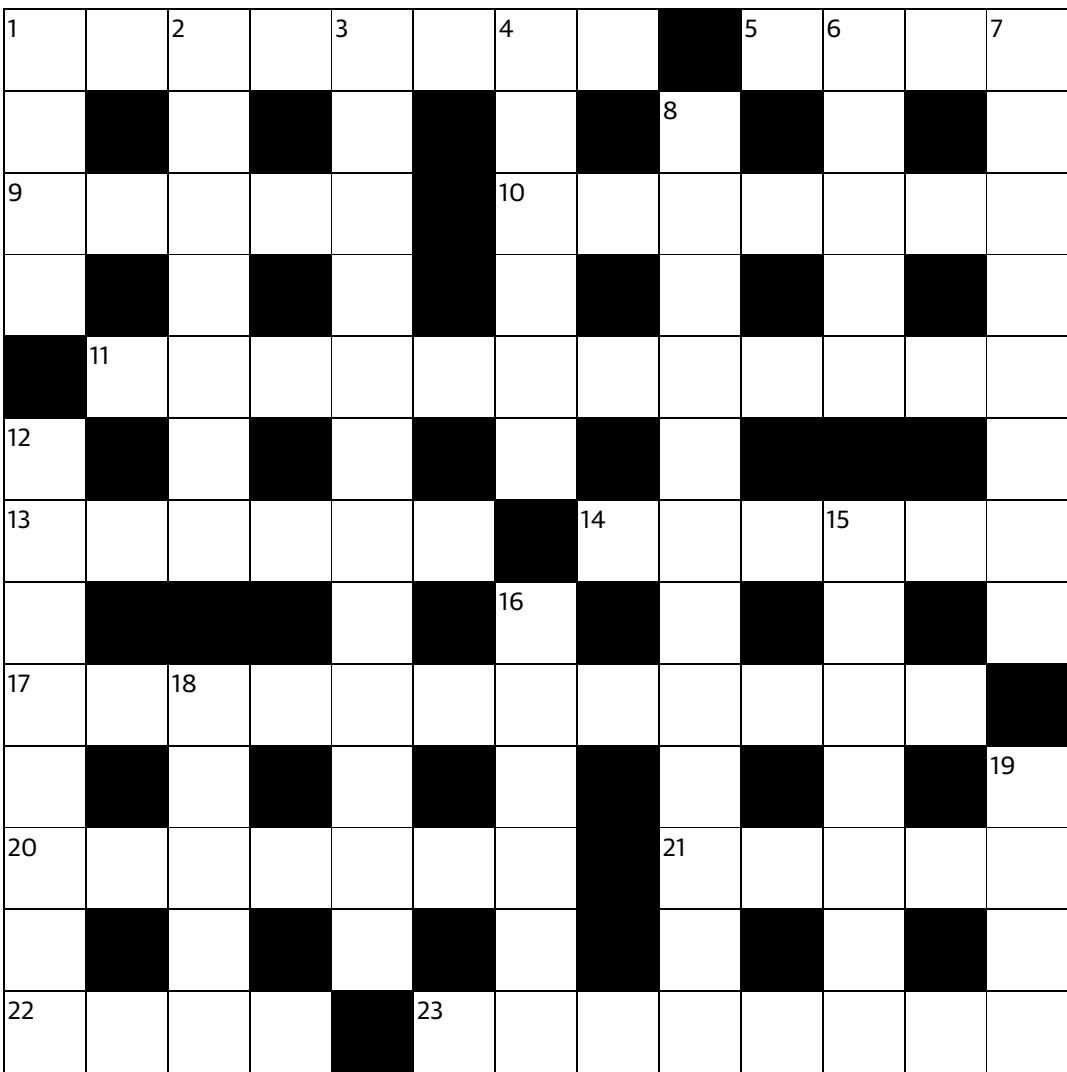
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- 1: Self-admirer (10)
- 7: Inflatable aid for those learning to swim (7)
- 8: Drink deeply (5)
- 10: Conclusive end of a boxing match (4)
- 11: (Imaginary) threat to children (8)
- 13: (Fur of) the coypu (6)
- 15: (Of a knave) contemptible! (6)
- 17: Area for journalists at a sporting venue (5,3)
- 18: Russian ruler (4)
- 21: Animal track (5)
- 22: Odd (7)
- 23: Stiff - obstinate (10)

Down

- 1: Somewhere else and I might not object! (5)
- 2: True (4)
- 3: Within a building (6)
- 4: Arrangement in a certain order (8)
- 5: Person sending unsolicited emails (7)
- 6: Conceited, impertinent person (10)
- 9: Masquerade costume? (5,5)
- 12: Wandering musician of old (8)
- 14: Restrict (3,4)
- 16: Bone at the bottom of the spine (6)
- 19: Blasphemed (5)
- 20: Catch hold (of) (4)

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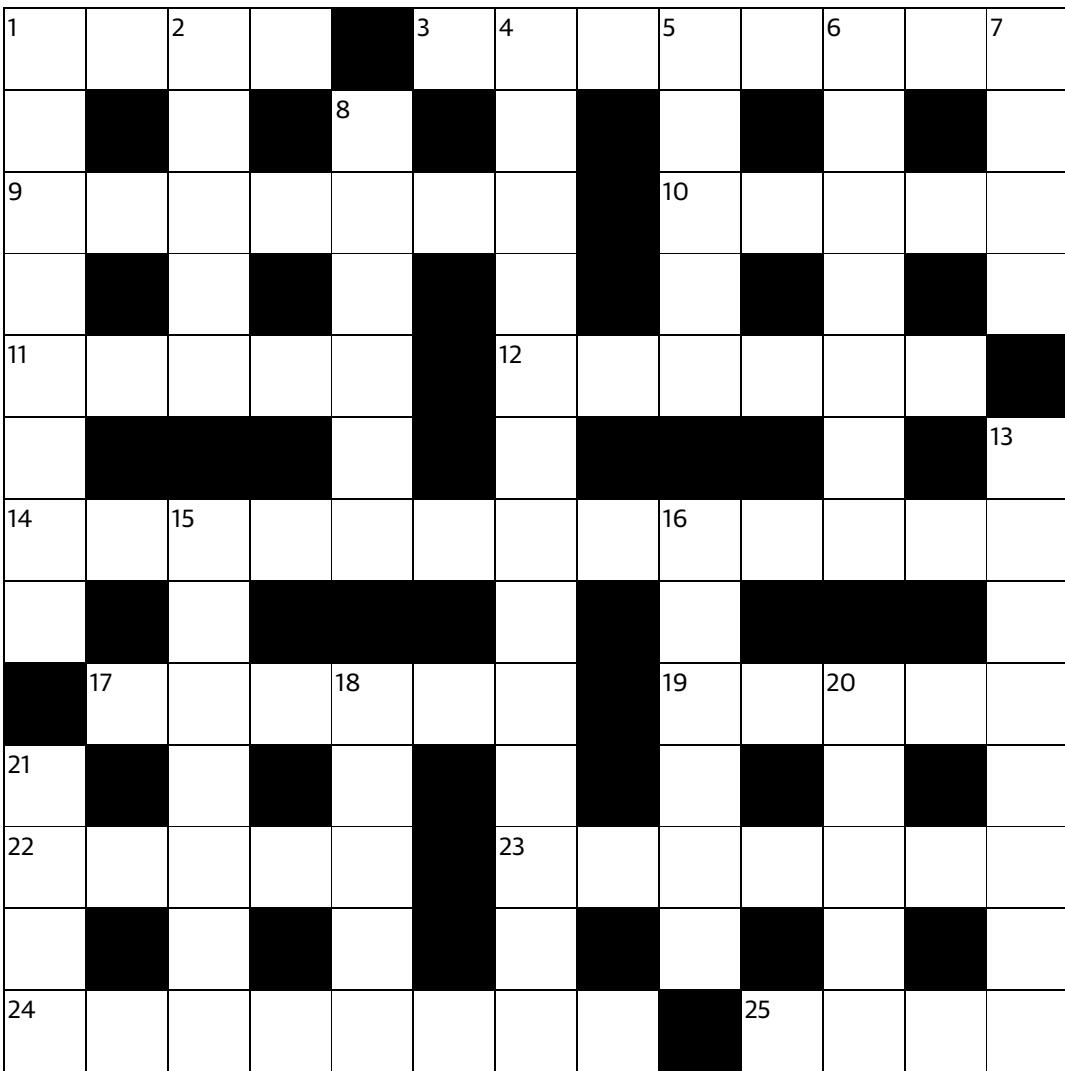
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- 1: Legal place of residence (8)
- 5: Total failure (4)
- 9: Fusilli, penne etc (5)
- 10: Small quantity of alcoholic drink (7)
- 11: Disagreeable (12)
- 13: Quite (6)
- 14: Vent hole peg - US tap (6)
- 17: Packing container (9,3)
- 20: Deal in illicit alcohol (7)
- 21: Suffer (5)
- 22: Bay horse with white/grey hairs in its coat (4)
- 23: Outstanding - traditional punishment for children? (8)

Down

- 1: Hoax (4)
- 2: Slip (7)
- 3: Device designed to keep a woman celibate (8,4)
- 4: Behind in a competition (6)
- 6: Give up (3,2)
- 7: Hanger-on? (8)
- 8: Scouser (12)
- 12: Longest typing key (5,3)
- 15: Little dumplings (7)
- 16: Put the phone down (4,2)
- 18: Type of wine (5)
- 19: Croaker? (4)



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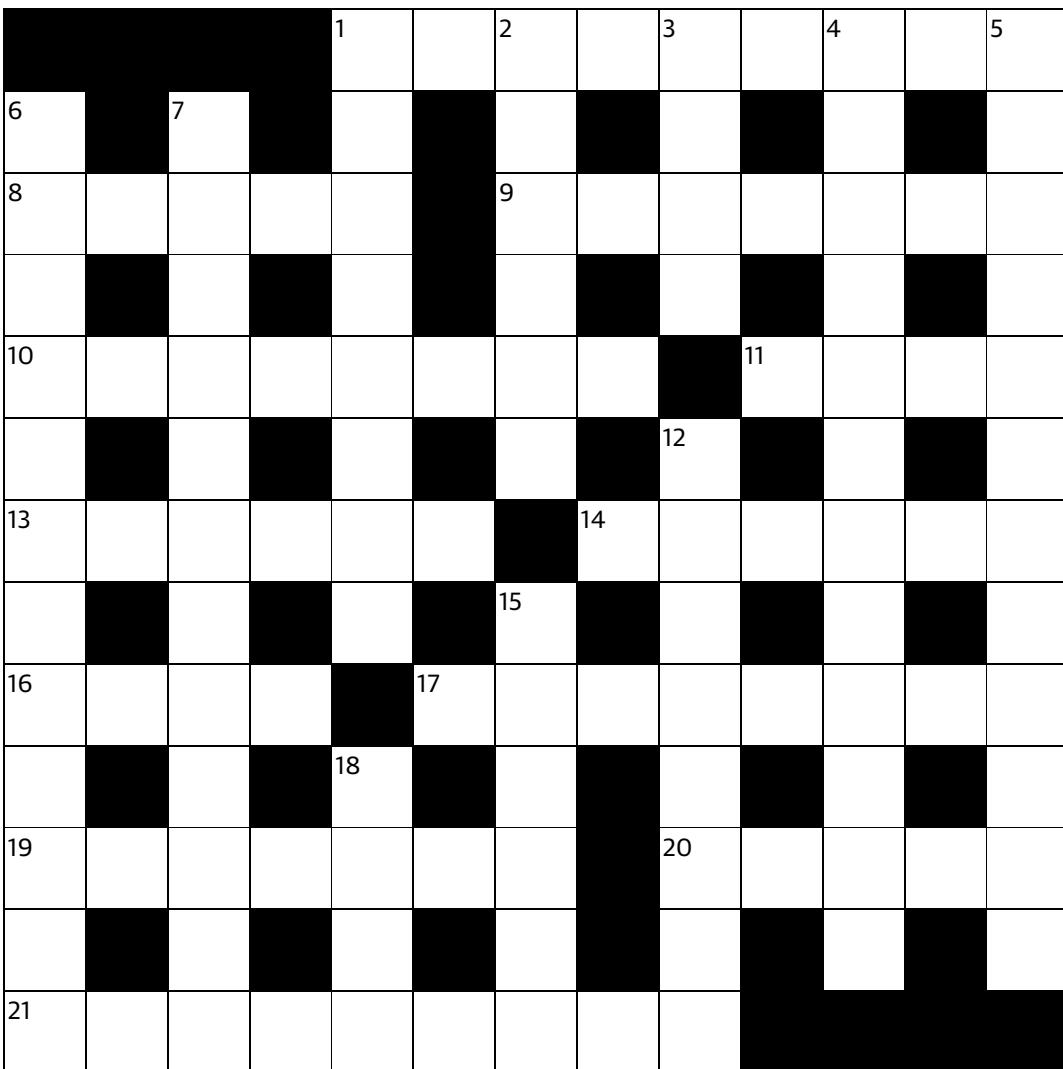
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- 1: Street or yard with stables converted into houses (4)
- 3: City in both Europe and Asia (8)
- 9: Bags and cases (7)
- 10: First bars of a musical composition (5)
- 11: Lucre (5)
- 12: Tangled up (6)
- 14: Unruffled (13)
- 17: Panda's dinner? (6)
- 19: Crystallised - candied (5)
- 22: A further showing (5)
- 23: Wine merchant (7)
- 24: Important woman (5,3)
- 25: Test (4)

Down

- 1: Udder-manipulating girl? (8)
- 2: Wild West trail vehicle? (5)
- 4: Peppered meat dish (5,2,6)
- 5: Pal from Madrid? (5)
- 6: Washing vessel (7)
- 7: Booty (4)
- 8: Solicitor, for example (6)
- 13: Wire (8)
- 15: American plain (7)
- 16: Important part of the connecting rod in an internal-combustion engine (3,3)
- 18: West African state, formerly called Dahomey (5)
- 20: Join - add (5)
- 21: Baghdad's country (4)



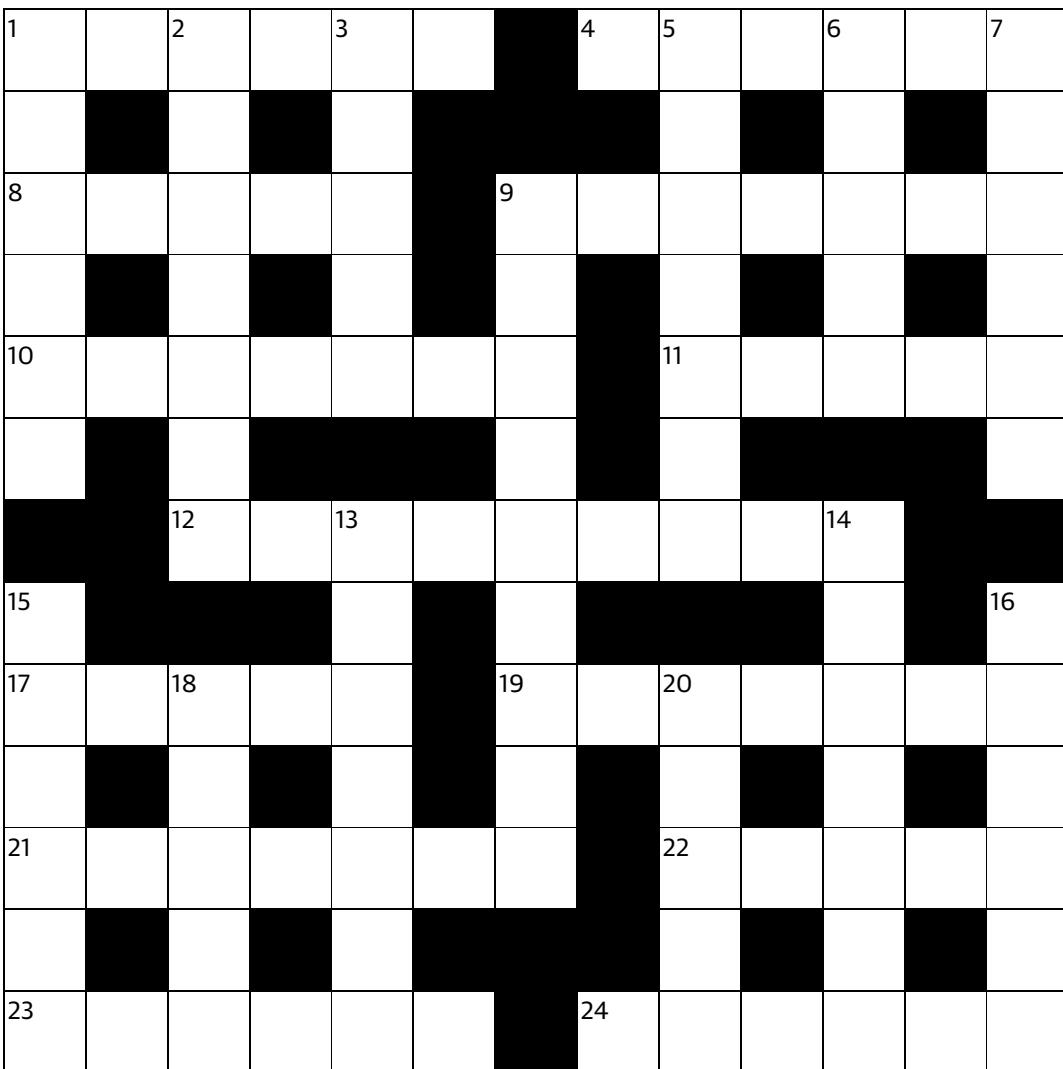
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- 1: Light once the actual source has gone (9)
- 8: Loo (5)
- 9: Describing the M25 motorway? (7)
- 10: Relating to religious ministers (8)
- 11: Green - stone (4)
- 13: Brown deposit in a field? (6)
- 14: Talk - conference - meeting (6)
- 16: English poet, d. 1744 (4)
- 17: Battered squid rings (8)
- 19: Made one (7)
- 20: Chopper (5)
- 21: Whisk (9)

Down

- 1: Not normal (8)
- 2: Part of the body containing 3 (6)
- 3: Teases (4)
- 4: Mel Gibson film - gun, perhaps? (6,6)
- 5: Boxer (147 lbs max) (12)
- 6: Small part of a rocket, containing instruments or crew (5,7)
- 7: Practice of exchanging partners (4-8)
- 12: Regardless of (2,6)
- 15: Outlaw (6)
- 18: Very serious indeed (4)

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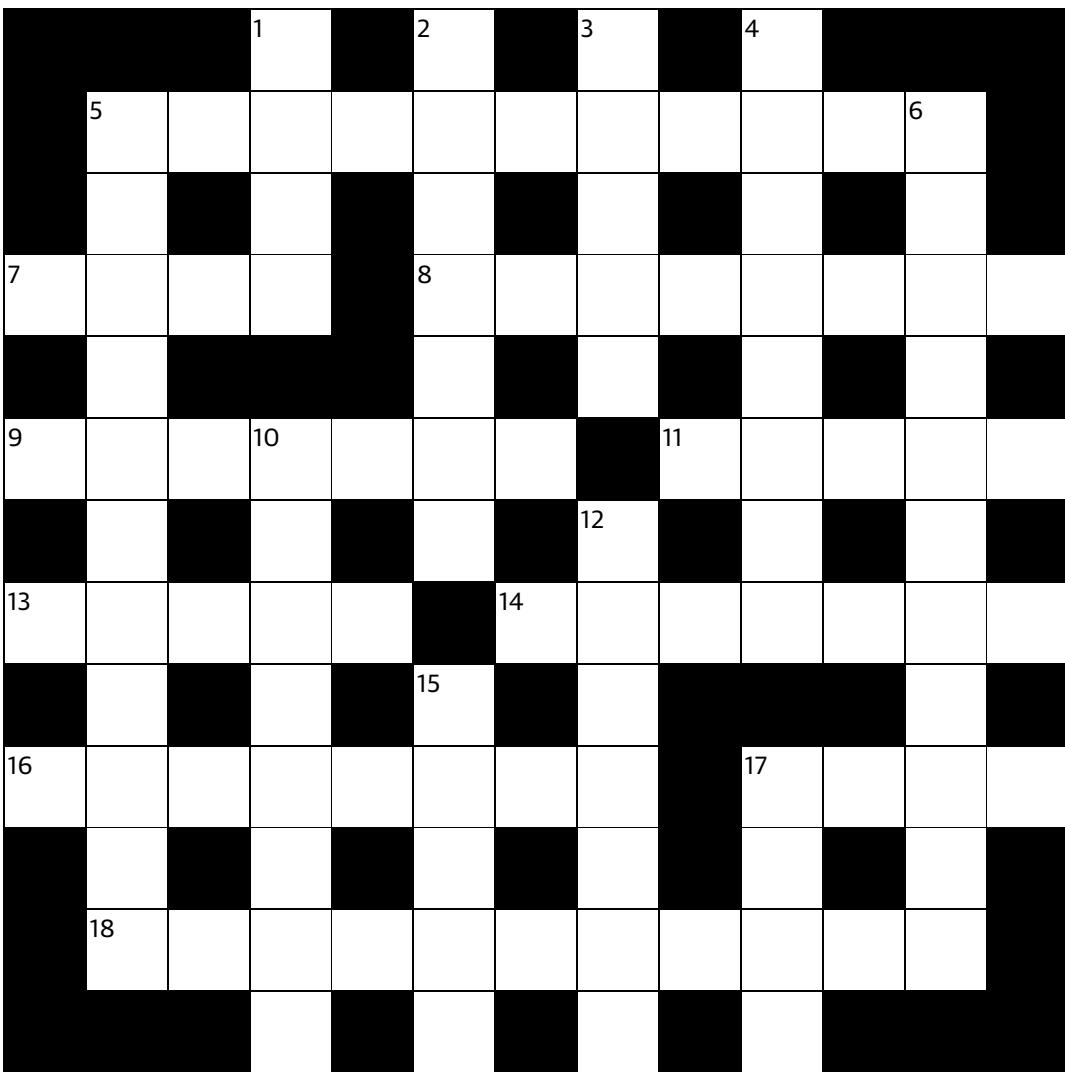
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- 1: Stitching for a wound (6)
- 4: Awkward predicament (6)
- 8: Not suitable (5)
- 9: Coax (7)
- 10: Clown (7)
- 11: Drunken bout (5)
- 12: Yuri Gagarin, for example (9)
- 17: India's first prime minister (5)
- 19: Odd (7)
- 21: Northern English town - capital of Nova Scotia (7)
- 22: Fat (5)
- 23: Spade with upturned sides (6)
- 24: Shrub with purple-black oval berries (6)

Down

- 1: Short and thick (6)
- 2: Trade illegally (7)
- 3: Proportion (5)
- 5: Stamford Bridge team (7)
- 6: Tree related to the birch (5)
- 7: Football (or cricket) team (6)
- 9: Narrow container for plants (6,3)
- 13: Frothy dish made with egg whites (7)
- 14: Rush of water (7)
- 15: Moves slowly and cautiously (6)
- 16: Go back on a promise (6)
- 18: Common greeting (5)
- 20: Polish currency (5)



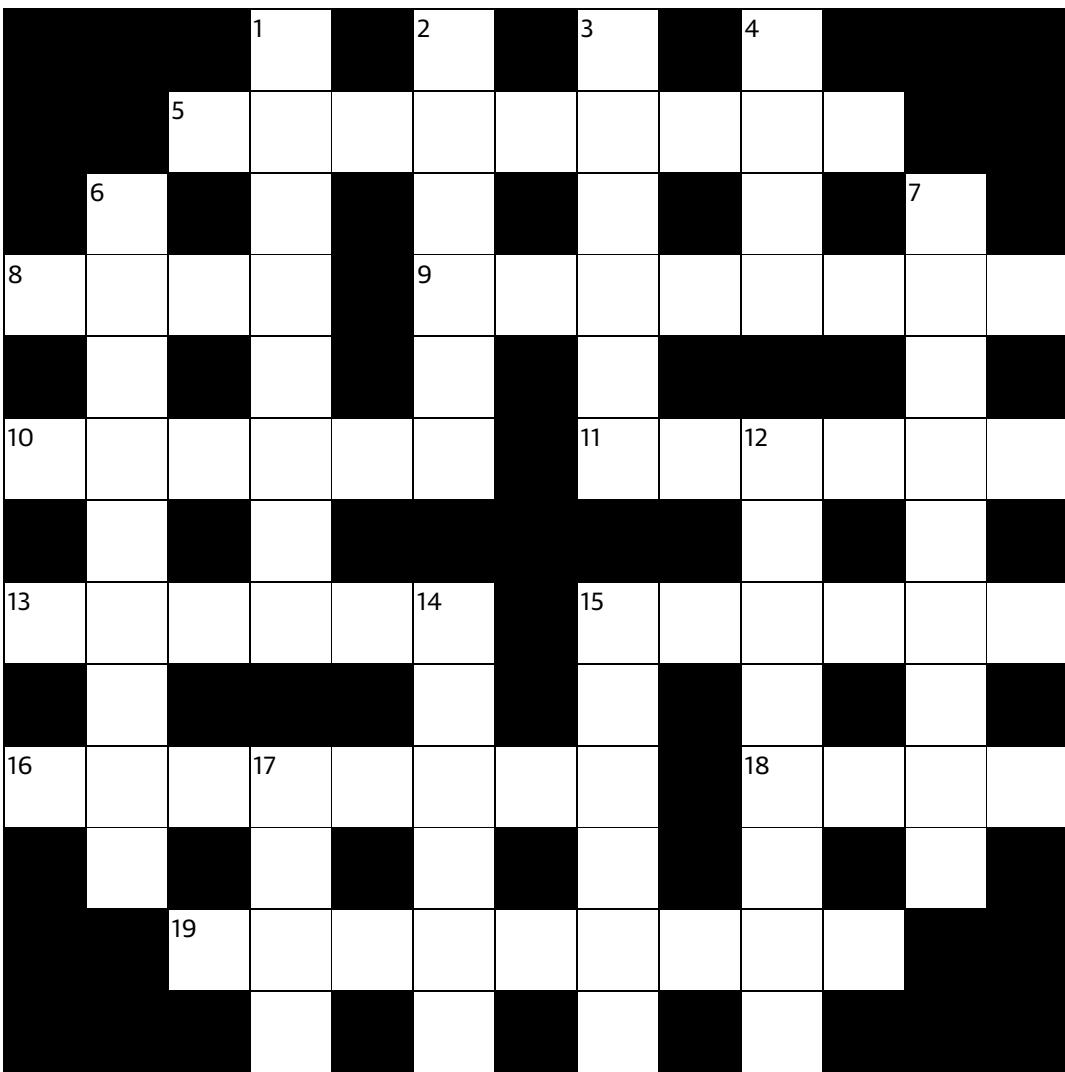
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- 5: In which one is sweated, massaged and cooled down (7,4)
- 7: Bulb with showy, typically pendulous flowers (4)
- 8: On one's own (8)
- 9: Telepathic? (7)
- 11: Enchantment (5)
- 13: Very big chap (5)
- 14: Wine of a good year (7)
- 16: Termite muncher (8)
- 17: Insincerely fluent (4)
- 18: Springy item above a pool (6,5)

Down

- 1: Cart for carrying heavy goods (4)
- 2: (Knighted?) cut of meat (7)
- 3: Country - crockery (5)
- 4: Fat chasm (anag) - internal-combustion engine part (8)
- 5: Easily offended (4-7)
- 6: Tiny flier (11)
- 10: Save - jam with whole pieces of fruit (8)
- 12: Bug (7)
- 15: Fixed amount - allowance (5)
- 17: Aim - two posts, a crossbar and a net (4)

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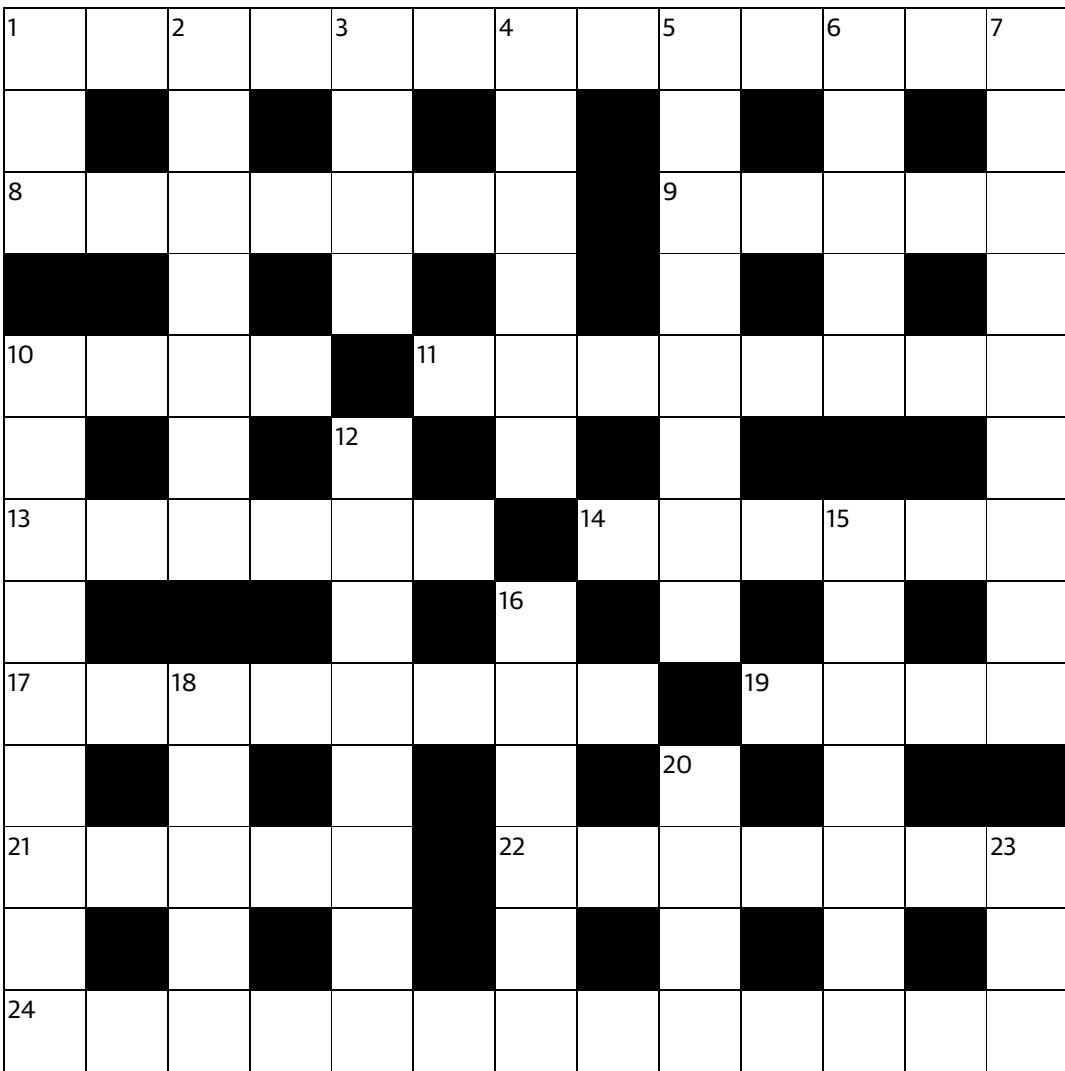
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- 5: Cooked plainly - naked (2,7)
- 8: Bad smell (4)
- 9: Very small and insignificant (8)
- 10: Light (6)
- 11: Drink of the gods (6)
- 13: Artificial lower limb (3,3)
- 15: Director's cue? (6)
- 16: Marital (8)
- 18: Benefit of employment (4)
- 19: Unsophisticated person - country music (9)

Down

- 1: Pile of manure (8)
- 2: One of these for sorrow, two for joy? (6)
- 3: Load (6)
- 4: Close - (performing?) animal (4)
- 6: TV (9)
- 7: Distasteful (9)
- 12: Stone-hurling weapon (8)
- 14: Man living off an older woman (6)
- 15: With milk (2,4)
- 17: Prison (4)

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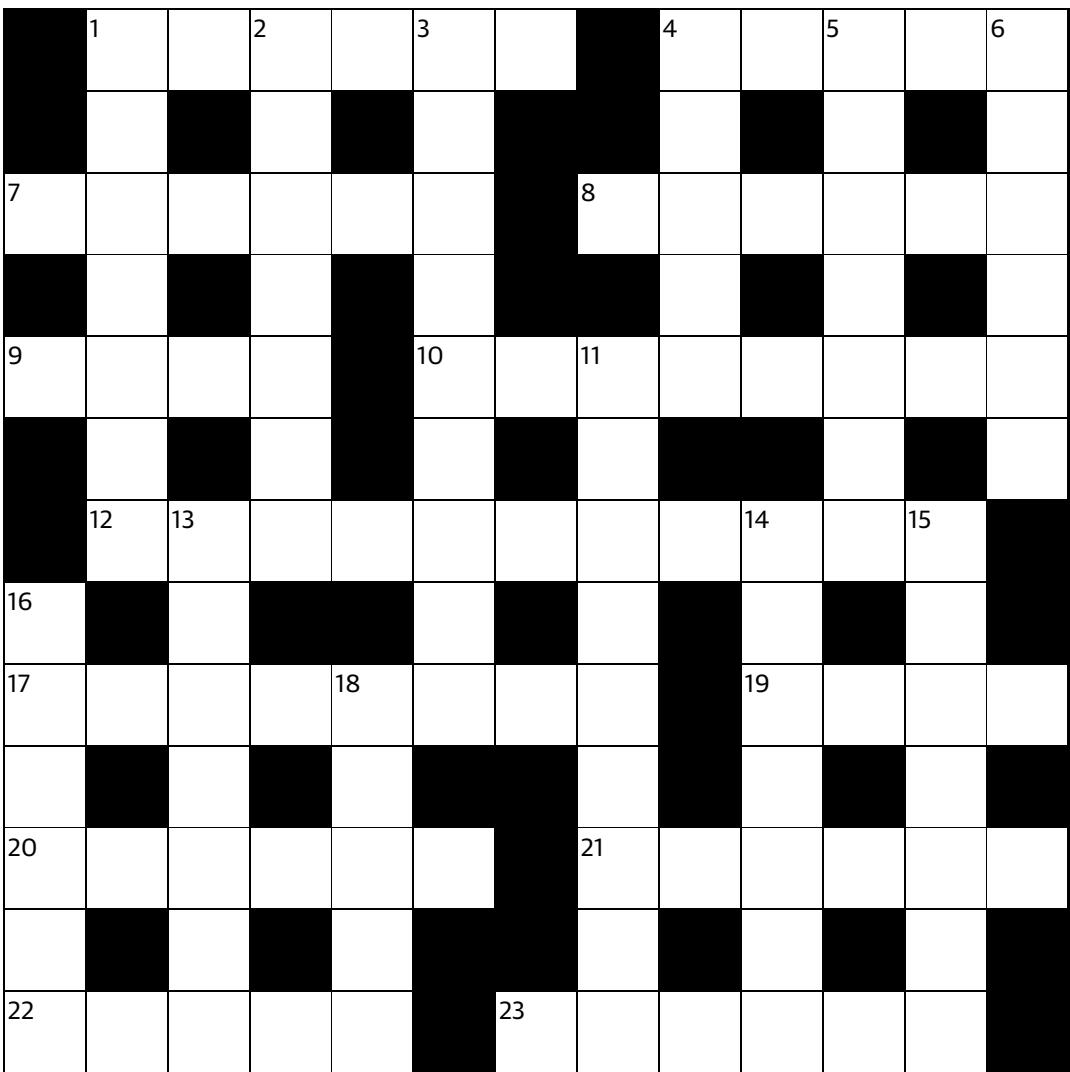
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- 1: Estate where leaves are cultivated (3,10)
- 8: Nightwear (7)
- 9: Hoodwink (5)
- 10: Continuous change (4)
- 11: Informal footwear (4-4)
- 13: Large 23 (6)
- 14: Speak freely and without restraint (4,2)
- 17: PC, say (8)
- 19: Agitate (4)
- 21: More (5)
- 22: Glazed bun, usually toasted and buttered (7)
- 24: South Wales town (7,6)

Down

- 1: End - pourboire (3)
- 2: Postpone (7)
- 3: Wing, perhaps (4)
- 4: Settle cosily (6)
- 5: Those packaged like soft drinks, but containing liquor (8)
- 6: Best possible (5)
- 7: Writing material (9)
- 10: Cosmetic designed to improve complexion (4,5)
- 12: Leave (to) (8)
- 15: To an extreme degree (3,4)
- 16: Court joker (6)
- 18: Measuring device (5)
- 20: Wacky (4)
- 23: Slippery fish (3)

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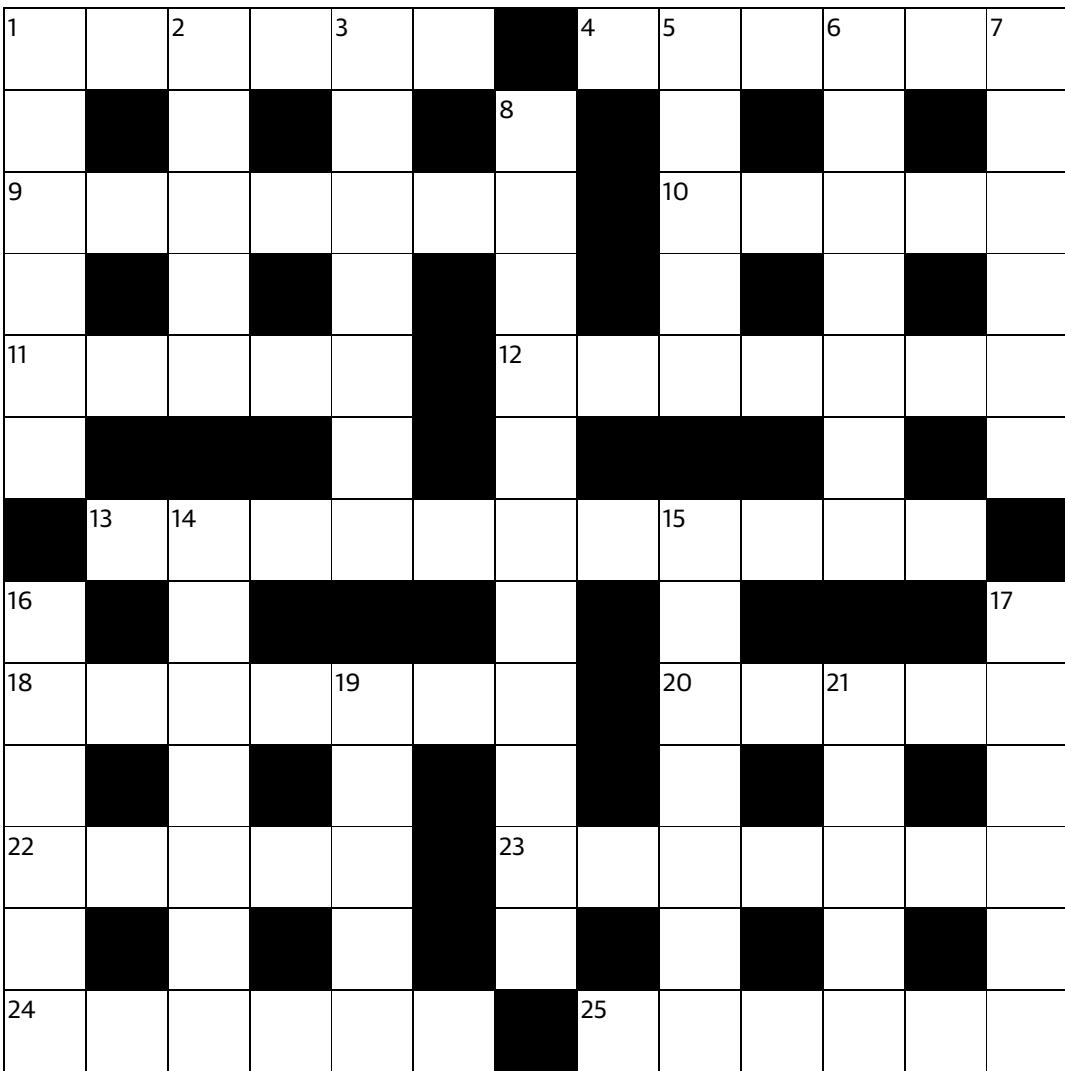
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- 1: Watch the pennies (6)
- 4: Channels of mass communication (5)
- 7: Penniless person (6)
- 8: One from down under (6)
- 9: Metric unit of weight (4)
- 10: Unruly adolescent of the 1950s (5,3)
- 12: Begin! (3,8)
- 17: Bender (3,5)
- 19: Police - fluff (4)
- 20: Create (6)
- 21: Ultimate aim (3-3)
- 22: Monetary unit of Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Yemen (5)
- 23: Hawker (6)

Down

- 1: Scanty - merciful (7)
- 2: Sympathetic relationship (7)
- 3: Legally authorised postponements of the fulfilment of obligations (9)
- 4: Earth bank (5)
- 5: Rubbish repository (7)
- 6: Yes, skipper! (3,3)
- 11: Low cut (9)
- 13: Ambassador's residence (7)
- 14: Unbeliever (7)
- 15: Greedy eater or drinker (7)
- 16: Miss Muffet frightener? (6)
- 18: Lager (anag) (5)

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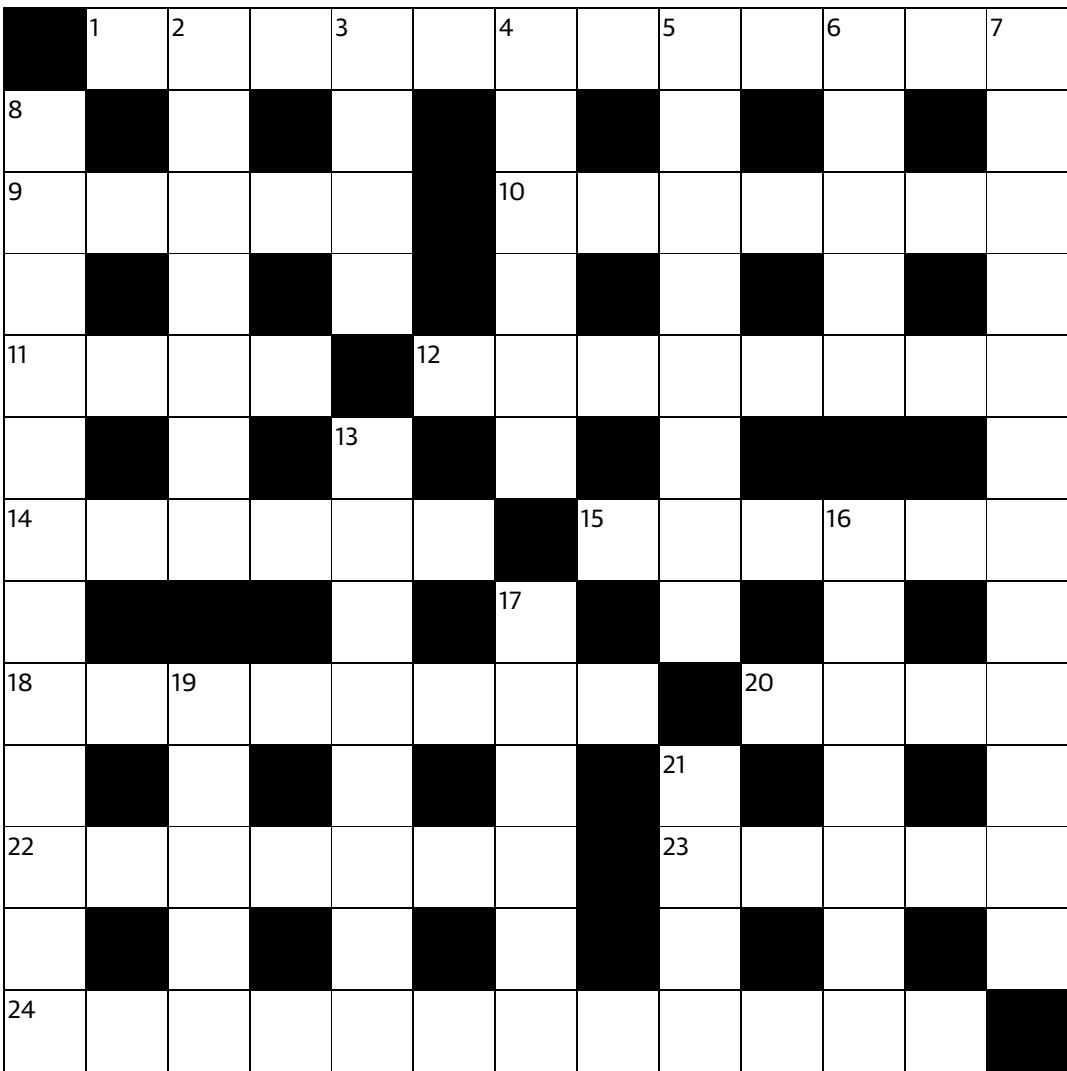
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- 1: Demand firmly (6)
- 4: Delivered personally (2,4)
- 9: Jersey (7)
- 10: Prestige (5)
- 11: Large passenger ship (5)
- 12: Kindly reception (7)
- 13: Supine (4,7)
- 18: Malicious gossip (7)
- 20: Umbilicus (5)
- 22: Commotion (informal)
(3-2)
- 23: Tympanic membrane (7)
- 24: Circle of flowers or
foliage (6)
- 25: Truth - girl's name (6)

Down

- 1: Treat with contempt (6)
- 2: Unyielding - rump (5)
- 3: Liberate (3,4)
- 5: Country bumpkin (5)
- 6: Robot in human form (7)
- 7: Drive away (6)
- 8: Person attracting a large
audience (5-6)
- 14: Fashionable (French)
(1,2,4)
- 15: Home of the Grand
National (7)
- 16: Shun (6)
- 17: Ham-fisted (6)
- 19: Distributed the cards
(5)
- 21: Drive (anag) - composer
(5)

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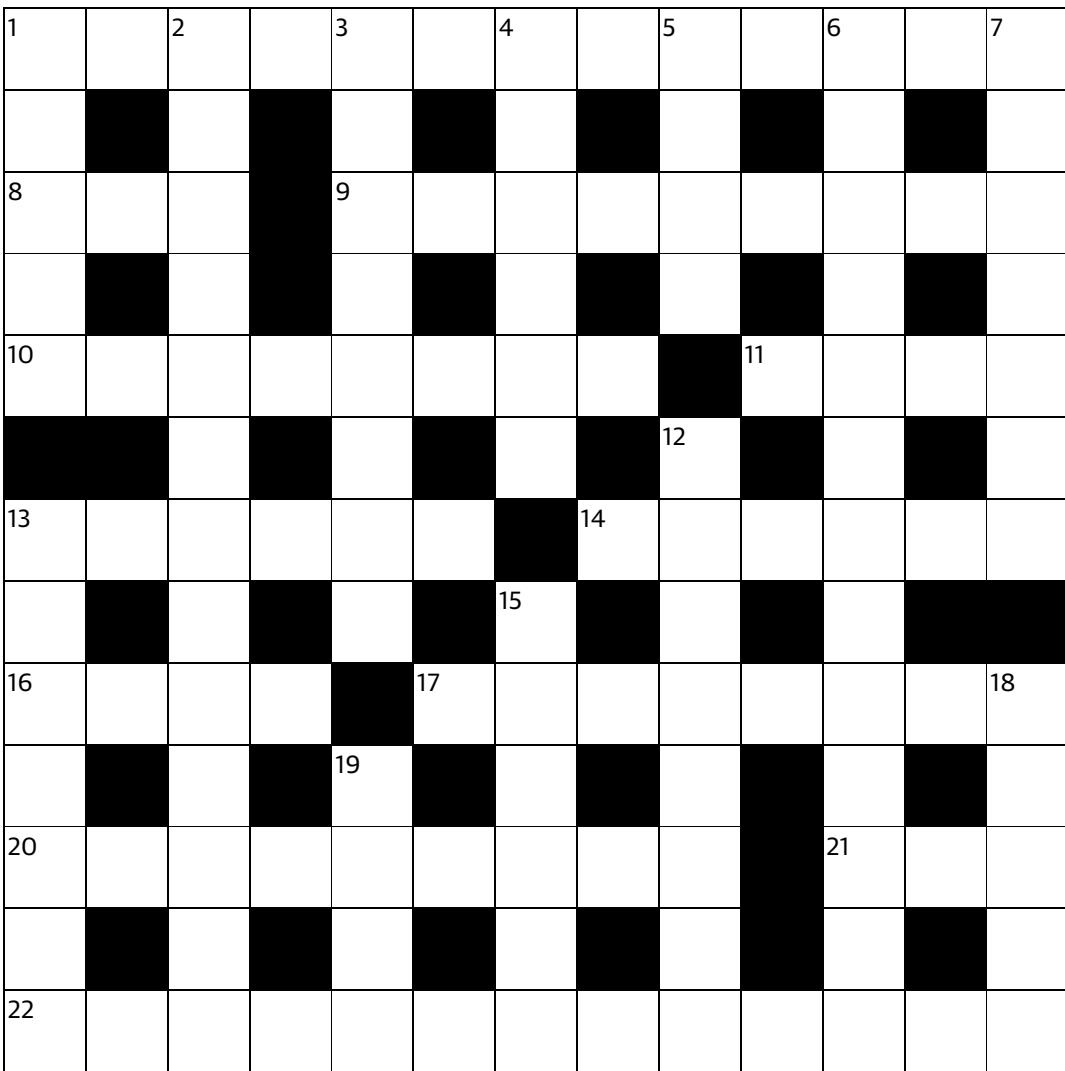
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- 1: Short of money (informal) (4-8)
- 9: More advanced in point of time (5)
- 10: Square canvas on yard at an angle to the mast - slug Ali (anag) (7)
- 11: Recess (4)
- 12: Aid to memory (8)
- 14: Famished (6)
- 15: Short of (something required) (2,4)
- 18: Diatribe (8)
- 20: Deprivation (4)
- 22: Be unfaithful to (a lover) (3-4)
- 23: Outdated (5)
- 24: Drink excessively (3,3,6)

Down

- 2: Et cetera (3,2,2)
- 3: Injured (4)
- 4: Hooked claws (6)
- 5: Quarrel (8)
- 6: Ordinary (5)
- 7: Shop selling specialist foods (12)
- 8: (As a toast) drink up! (4,3,5)
- 13: Flourish (a weapon) (8)
- 16: Excitement (7)
- 17: Gorgeous (6)
- 19: Torso (anag) (5)
- 21: Notice - fictional puppy (4)

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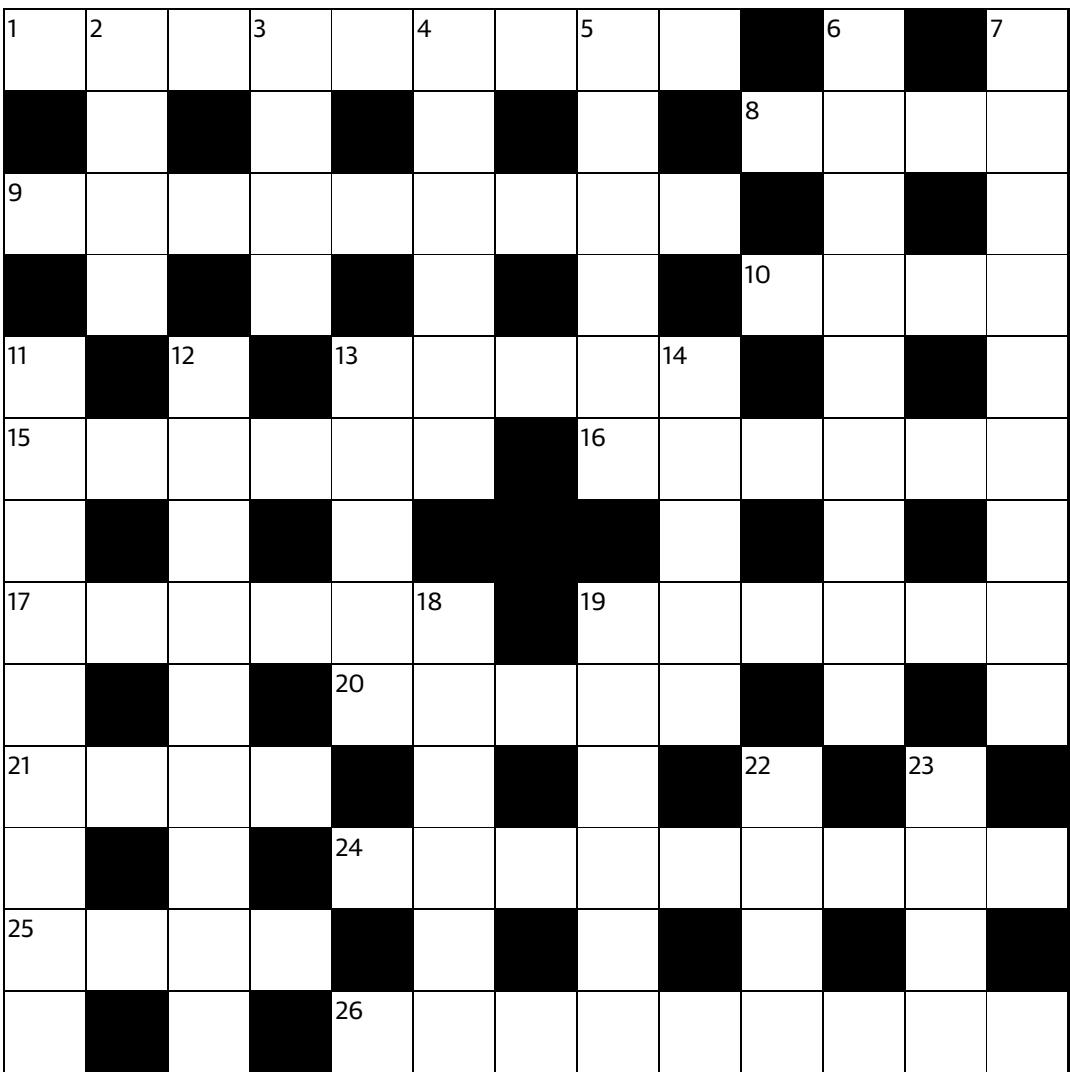
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- 1: Highest level of development at the present time (5,2,3,3)
- 8: Tavern (3)
- 9: Principal church of a diocese (9)
- 10: He paints (anag) (8)
- 11: Leer (4)
- 13: Of poor quality (6)
- 14: Gap in a sequence (6)
- 16: Unforeseen irregularity (4)
- 17: Archaism (anag) (8)
- 20: Telltale (9)
- 21: Fitting (3)
- 22: Pass a critical point and improve (4,3,6)

Down

- 1: Wooden shoe (French) (5)
- 2: Accept a difference of opinion without further argument (5,2,6)
- 3: Exciting adventure (8)
- 4: Excessively wealthy person (3,3)
- 5: List - scoundrel (4)
- 6: Perfectly well (2,5,2,4)
- 7: Cashiers (7)
- 12: Words of an opera (8)
- 13: Survive at minimal level (7)
- 15: Sherpa (anag) (6)
- 18: Fragrant essential oil from damask roses (5)
- 19: Small hard particles - determination (4)



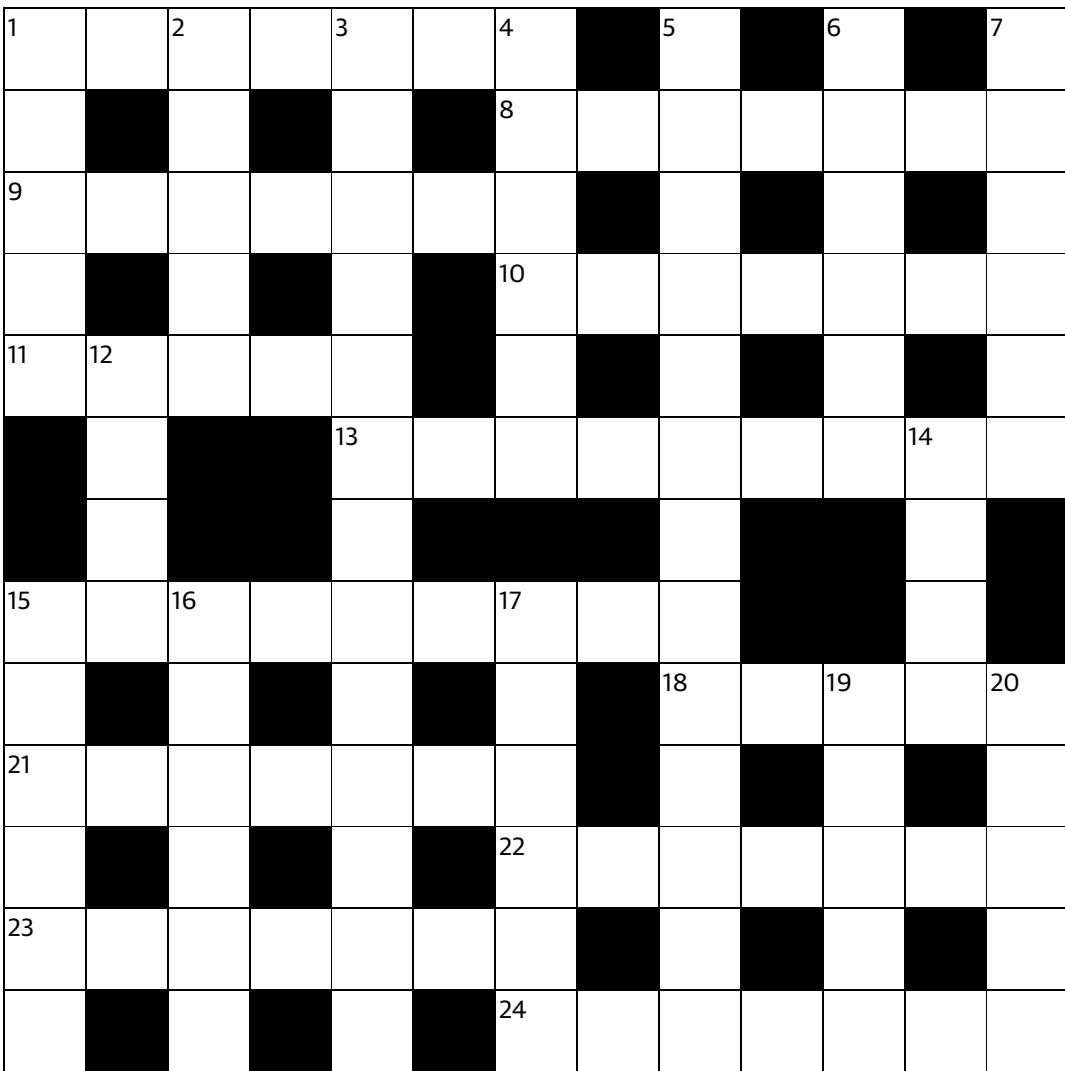
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- 1: Largest city in Alaska (9)
- 8: Warning cry on a golf course (4)
- 9: Support financially (9)
- 10: College teaching practical skills (informal) (4)
- 13: 14 Italian city (5)
- 15: Extremely funny entertainer (6)
- 16: Fertilising powder from plants (6)
- 17: Relating to horses (6)
- 19: Attack from low-flying aircraft (6)
- 20: Veracity (5)
- 21: Chore (4)
- 24: Spiteful (9)
- 25: Meat from a calf (4)
- 26: Servant (9)

Down

- 2: Part of speech (4)
- 3: Flexible pipe (4)
- 4: Ra (atomic number 88) (6)
- 5: Scandalous rumour (6)
- 6: Own up (informal) (4,5)
- 7: (Caught) in the act of committing a crime (3-6)
- 11: Forceful (9)
- 12: Items collected by a bride for her marriage (9)
- 13: Adulterate (5)
- 14: One of four bridge players (5)
- 18: Wayward - ranter (anag) (6)
- 19: Make every effort (6)
- 22: Benevolent - sort (4)
- 23: Scorch - stream (4)



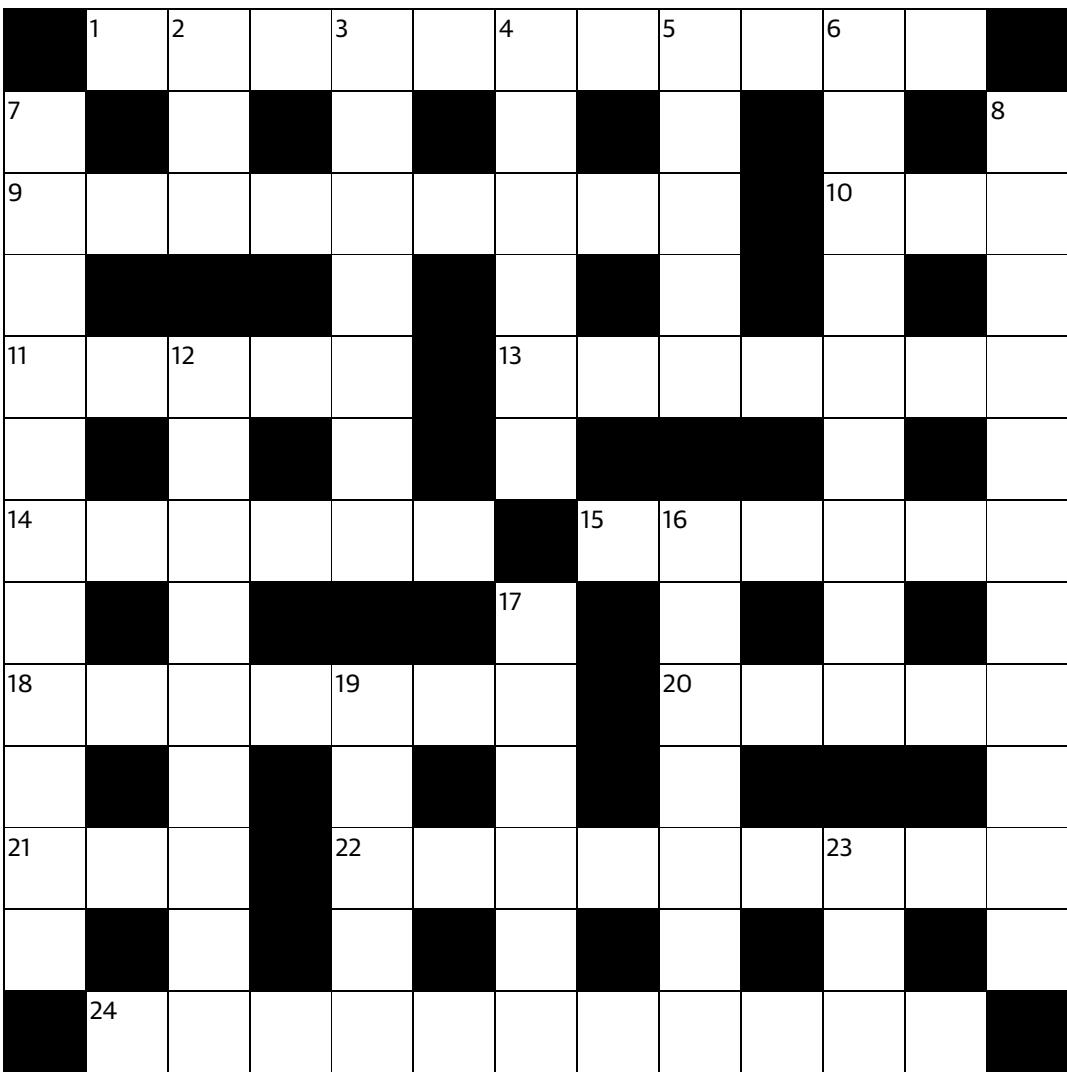
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- 1: Small black raisin (7)
- 8: Leading lady (7)
- 9: Wealthy London district (7)
- 10: Resistance to change (7)
- 11: Musical drama (5)
- 12: As it were (2,2,5)
- 13: Lake for collecting and storing water (9)
- 14: Small bay (5)
- 15: Determined (upon) (4,3)
- 21: Pleasant (7)
- 22: No reeds (anag) (7)
- 23: Manx parliament (7)

Down

- 1: Small dance band (5)
- 2: Verse of poetry (5)
- 3: When all else has failed (2,1,4,6)
- 4: Frugality (6)
- 5: Deeply affected by sorrow (5,8)
- 6: Moral excellence (6)
- 7: Incidental observation (6)
- 8: Brownish purple (4)
- 9: Culminating point (4)
- 10: Cash in shares, bonds etc (6)
- 11: Beer and lemonade (6)
- 12: Shop selling from a particular producer (6)
- 13: North African country (5)
- 14: River - cloth (5)

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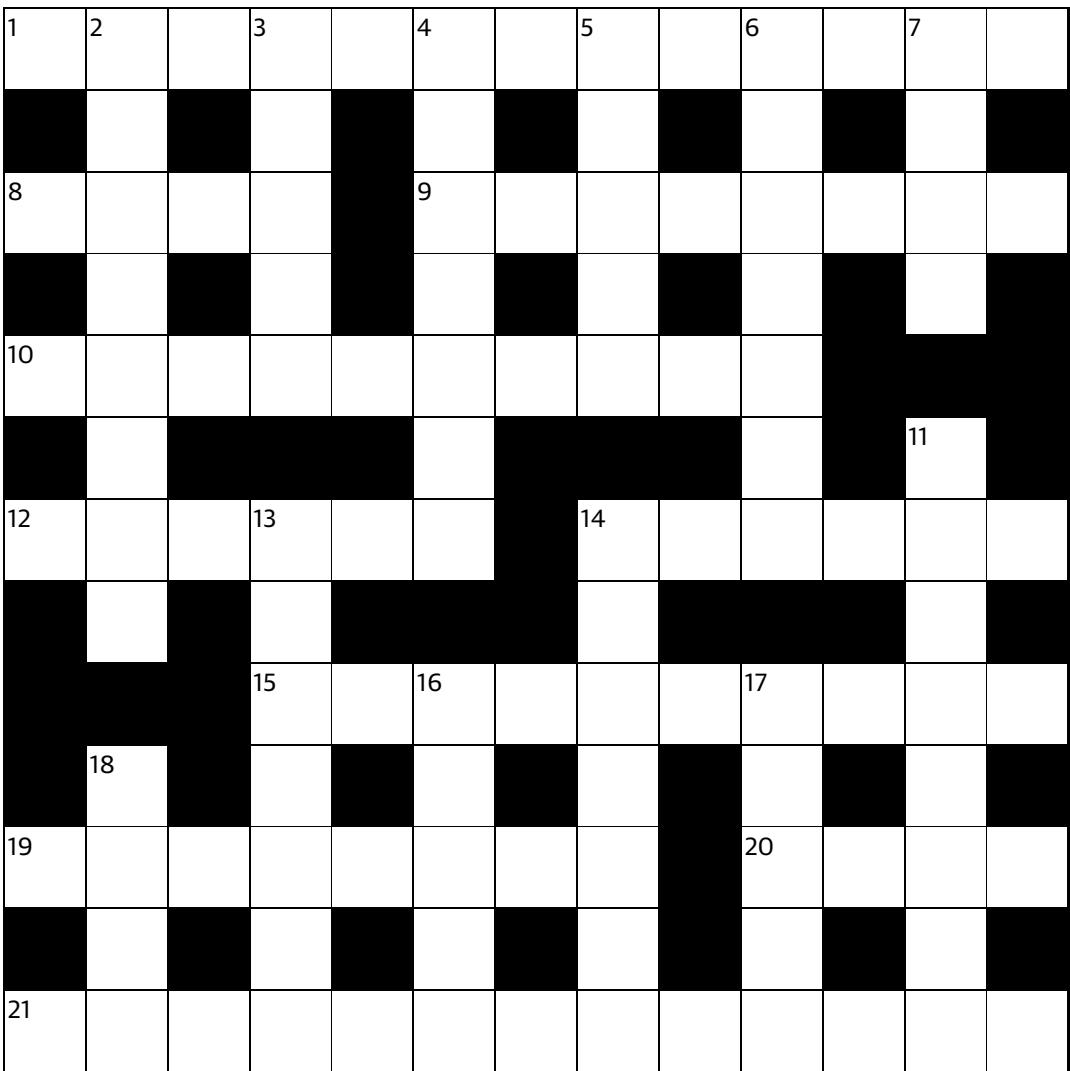
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- 1: Something has upset my plans! (5,4,2)
- 2: Deep-rooted (9)
- 3: Legume (3)
- 4: Phase - platform (5)
- 5: Frighten (7)
- 6: Fall asleep (3,3)
- 7: Ace rig (anag) - less frank (6)
- 8: Landlocked South American country (7)
- 9: Collection of maps (5)
- 10: Public vehicle (3)
- 11: Tomato (4,5)
- 12: Very tough (4,2,5)

Down

- 1: Swine - keep for oneself (3)
- 2: Thief (slang) (3,4)
- 3: Organ of taste (6)
- 4: French sculptor, d. 1917 (5)
- 5: Unbiased (9)
- 6: Miscellaneous items (4,3,4)
- 7: Uninvited guest (11)
- 8: Region of southern Spain (9)
- 9: US state (7)
- 10: Painting - sails (6)
- 11: Well-founded (5)
- 12: Chum (3)

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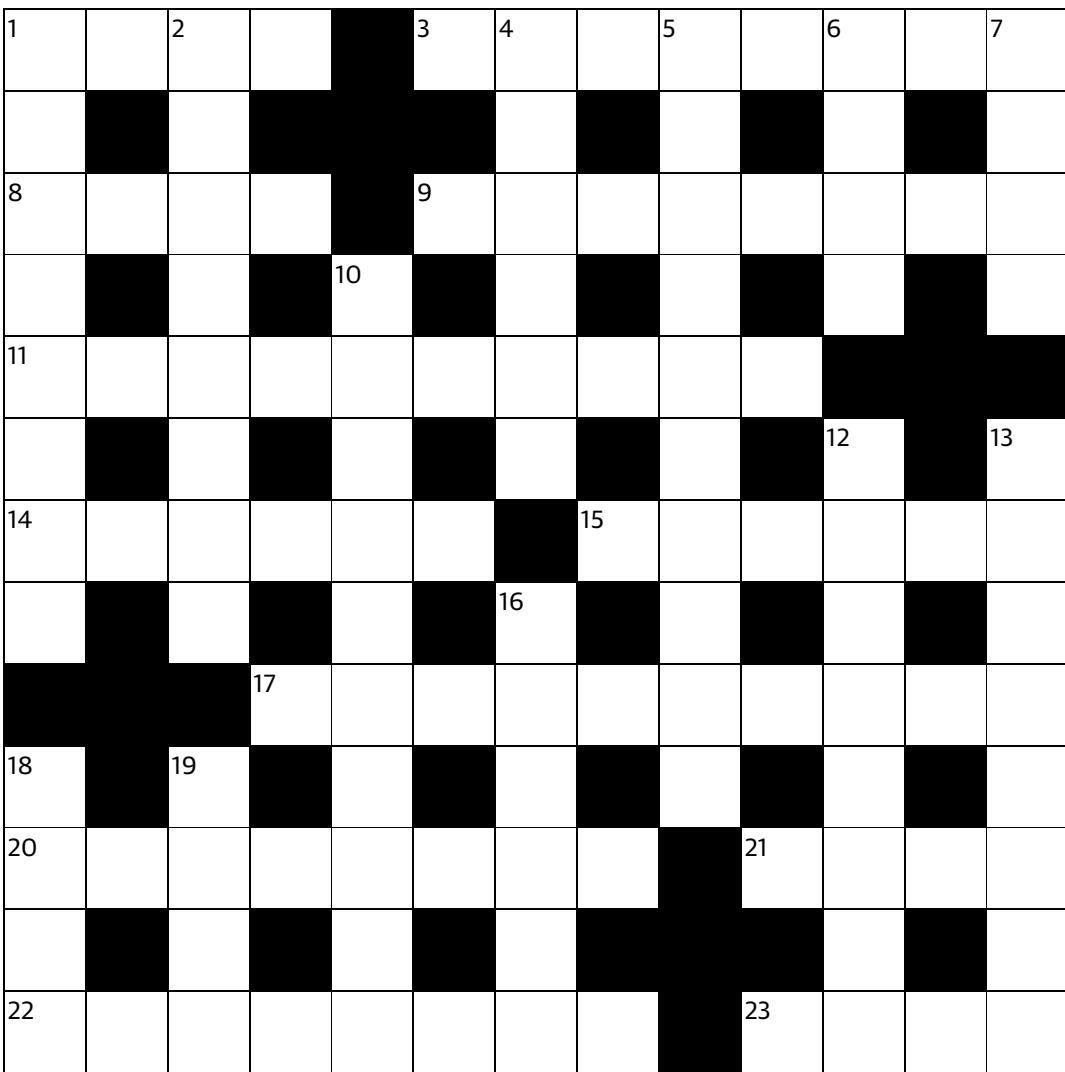
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- 1: Of little account (2,5,6)
- 8: Part of speech (4)
- 9: Delinquent (8)
- 10: Debauched (10)
- 12: Storage and dressing room in a church (6)
- 14: Miscellaneous (6)
- 15: Without risk of being late (2,4,4)
- 19: Mexican name for North American river (3,5)
- 20: Painful emotion (4)
- 21: Create turmoil (4,3,3,3)

Down

- 2: Short witty remark (3-5)
- 3: Pictorial teaser (5)
- 4: Postmortem (7)
- 5: Slope - bias (5)
- 6: Widow Twankey's son (7)
- 7: Modern marketplace (4)
- 11: Offender (8)
- 13: Protective item for the tailor (7)
- 14: Act ostentatiously (4,3)
- 16: Grind (teeth) together (5)
- 17: Spill (5)
- 18: Prima dona (4)

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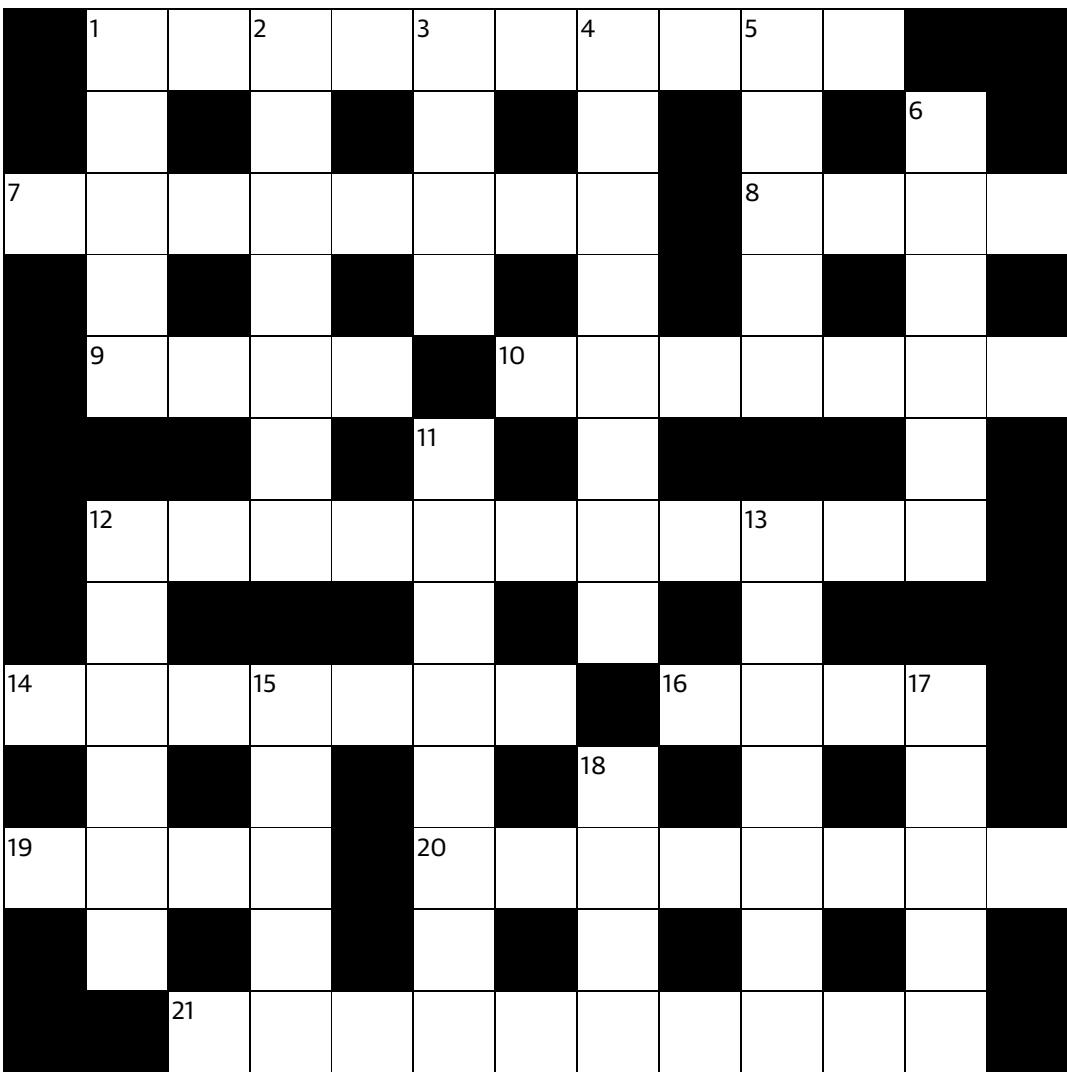
- 1, 3: Distinctive expression (4,2,6)
3: See 1
8: Expel (4)
9: Italian city - girl's name (8)
11: Jointly (4,2,4)
14: XC (6)
15: Contribute (to charity) (6)
17: Expurgation (10)
20: Food of the Greek gods (8)
21: Insinuation (4)
22, 23: Current situation (3,2,3,4)
23: See 22

Down

- 1, 18: With all possible vigour (5,3,4)
2: Not saner (anag) - ringing (8)
4: Obscene (6)
5: One's wife (informal) (3,7)
6: Skin disease (4)
7, 13: Not easily annoyed (4-8)
10: Become furious (3,3,4)
12: Where the souls of slain heroes were received by Odin (8)
13: See 7
16: Biblical prophet (and his book) (6)
18: See 1
19: Competent (4)

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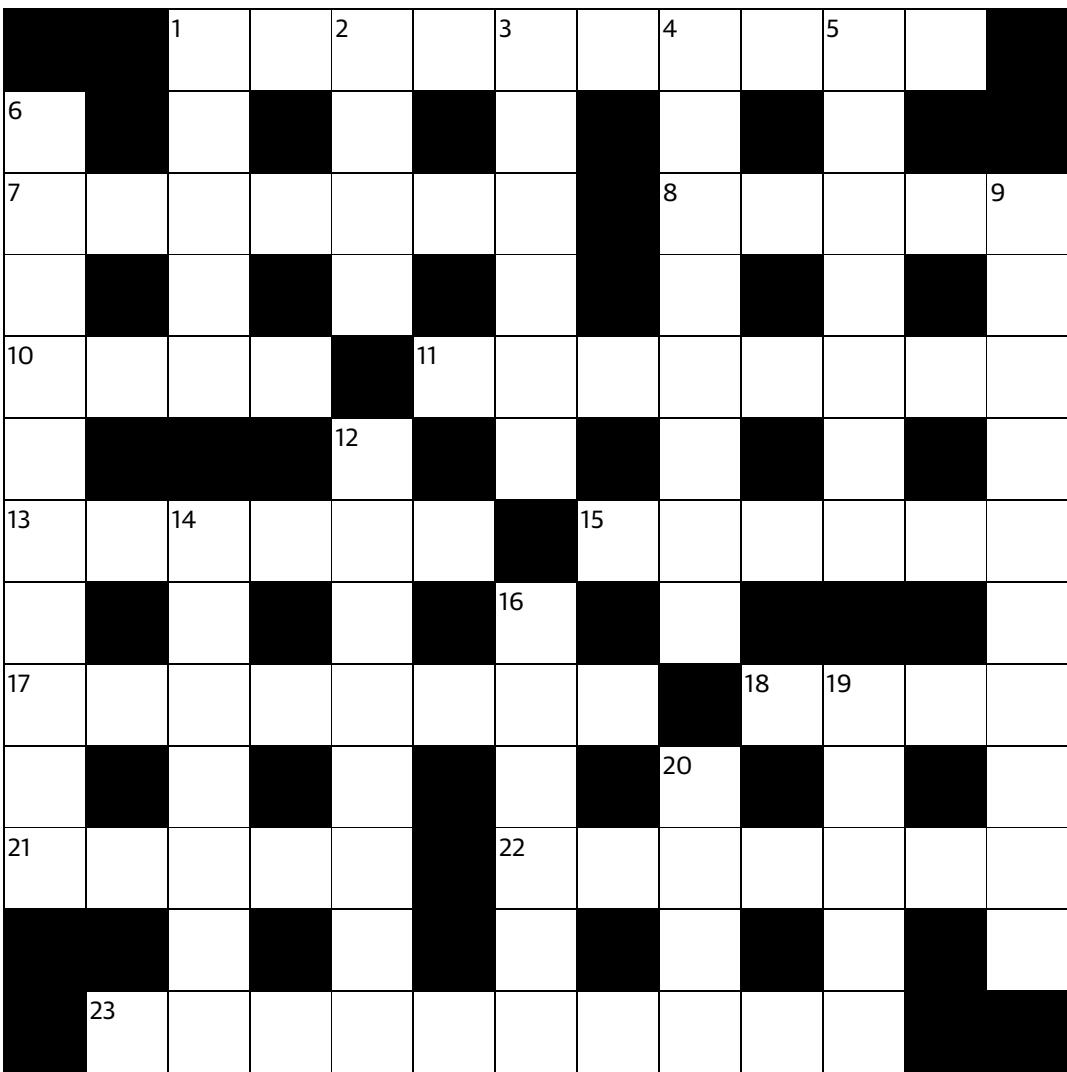
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- 1: Consecutive (informal) (4-2-4)
- 7: Biscuit made with ground almonds (8)
- 8: (Long) period of time (4)
- 9: Old stringed instrument (4)
- 10: Argument (7)
- 12: Stooge to a comedian (8,3)
- 14: Dishevelled (7)
- 16: Panic (4)
- 19: Band of delinquents (4)
- 20: Garment (8)
- 21: In a hopeless position (2,3,5)

Down

- 1: Rowdy scuffle (5)
- 2: Mat for decanter or glasses (7)
- 3: Ancient city in Asia Minor (4)
- 4: Tea party (slang) (8)
- 5: Involuntary and painful contraction of a muscle (5)
- 6: Site of rebellious tea party (6)
- 11: Send off (mail) (8)
- 12: Ice cream with toppings (6)
- 13: Cissy (7)
- 15: Encourage (3,2)
- 17: European capital (5)
- 18: Period of time (4)

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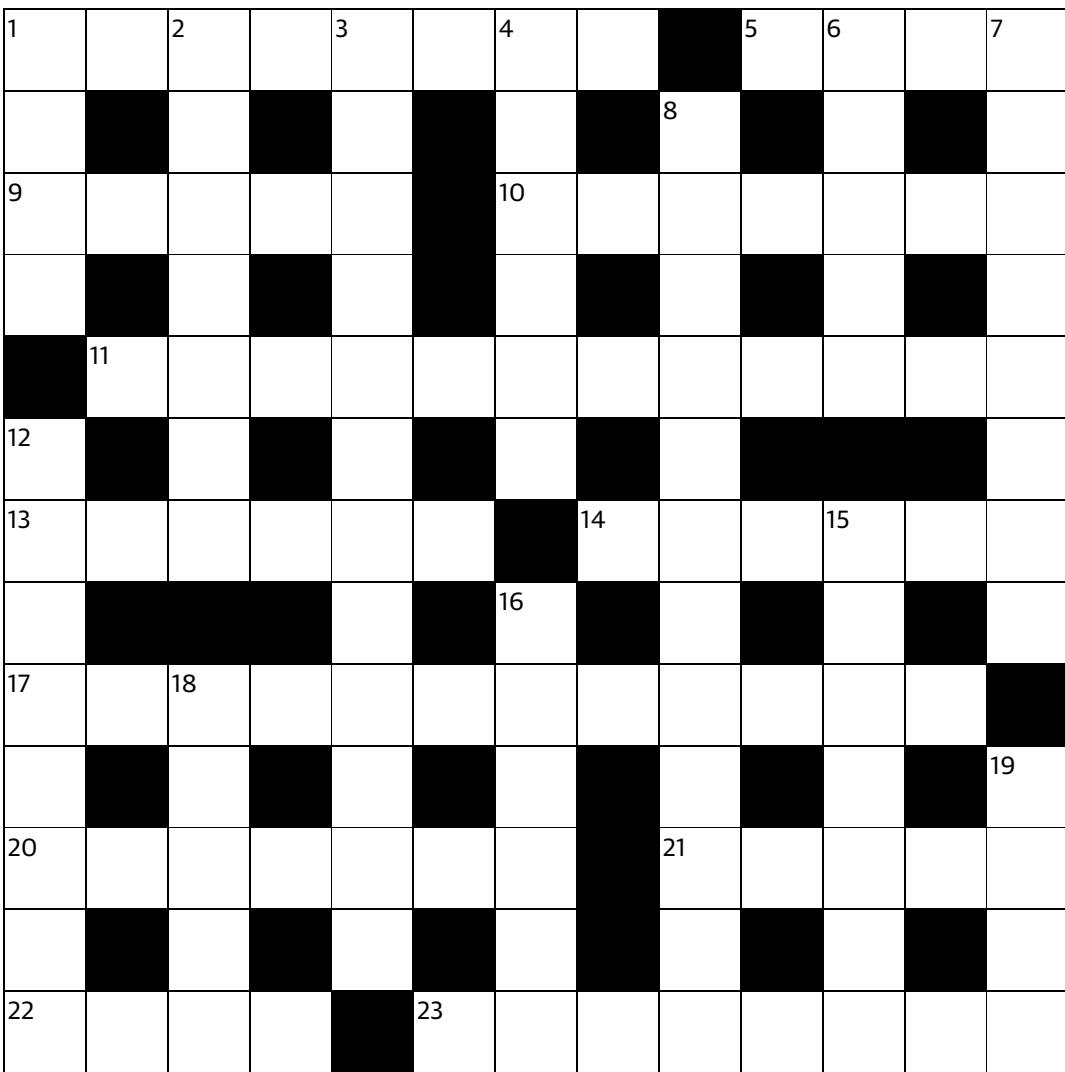


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- 1: In prison (6,4)
- 7: Inauspicious (7)
- 8: Approximate - rudimentary (5)
- 10: Major international fair (4)
- 11: Struggle clumsily - flatfish (8)
- 13: By (word of) mouth (6)
- 15: Confused (6)
- 17: Opening (8)
- 18: Devon river (4)
- 21: Clean by hard rubbing (5)
- 22: Excitingly attractive quality (7)
- 23: Tie the knot (3,7)

Down

- 1: Airship - barrage balloon (5)
- 2: Catchy phrase in a pop song (4)
- 3: In a prying manner (6)
- 4: French wine region (8)
- 5: Circular emblem (heraldry) (7)
- 6: Take place (4,2,4)
- 9: Genetic (10)
- 12: Ralph cut (anag) - Greek biographer (8)
- 14: Inspiring fear (7)
- 16: Vivid - promising - smart (6)
- 19: Keep away from (5)
- 20: Impulsive - eruption (4)



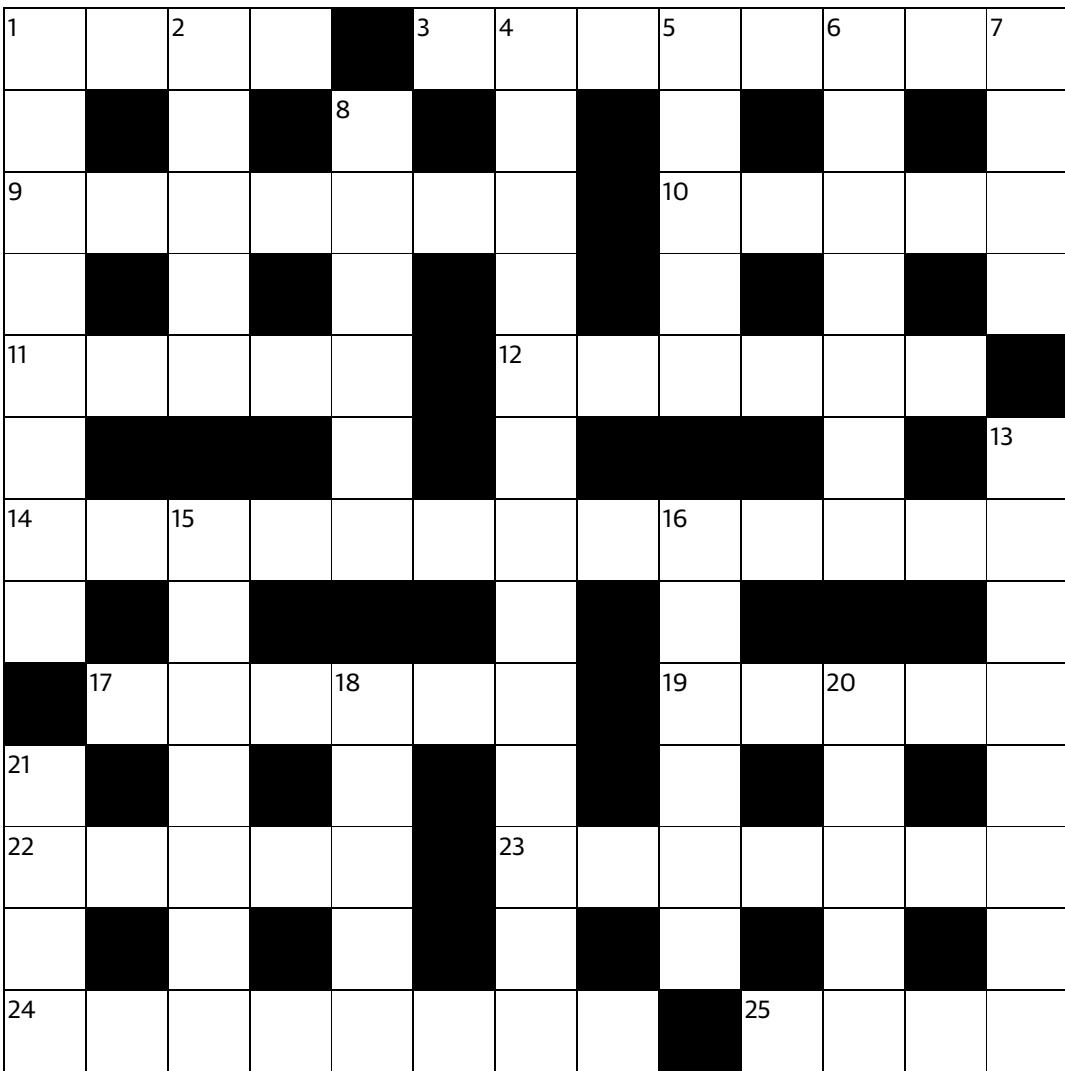
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- 1: Professional hand treatment (8)
- 5: Positive quality (4)
- 9: Difficult question (5)
- 10: Amusement park (7)
- 11: Assert authority suddenly or forcibly (5,3,4)
- 13: Look up to (6)
- 14: Holy (6)
- 17: Free and easy (5-2-5)
- 20: Lockjaw (7)
- 21: Fool (5)
- 22: Disturbance of the peace (4)
- 23: Old child or young adult? (8)

Down

- 1: Be miserable (4)
- 2: Patent medicine (7)
- 3: Openly registered as a member of an institution (4-8)
- 4: Disprove (6)
- 6: Line for controlling a dog (5)
- 7: Pieces scattered by the bursting of a shell (8)
- 8: Very old-fashioned (from before the Flood?) (12)
- 12: Medical tube (8)
- 15: Slight hint (7)
- 16: Solute (anag) (6)
- 18: Paved area adjoining a house (5)
- 19: Commotion (4)



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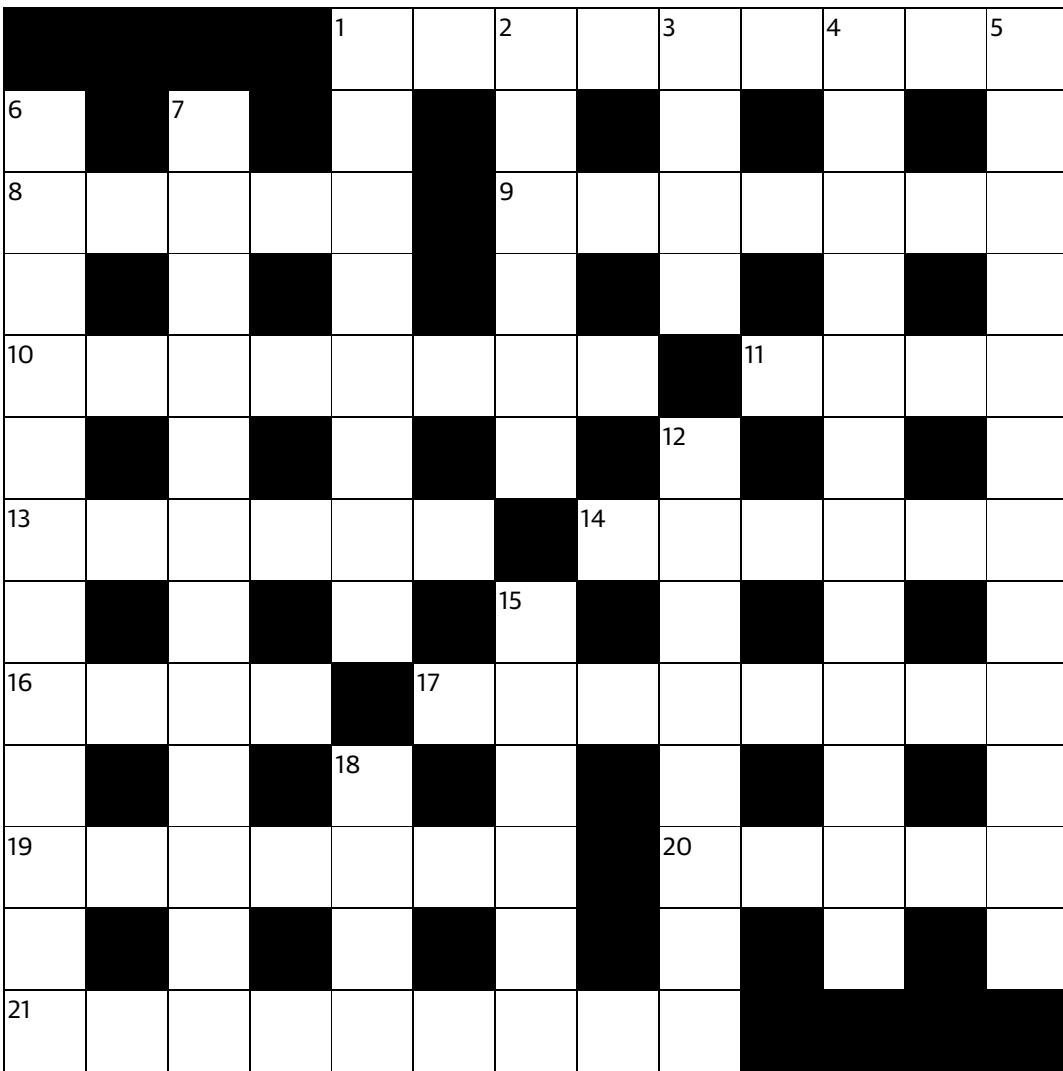
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- 1: Move from side to side (4)
- 3: Scatter in all directions (8)
- 9: Without delay - short time (7)
- 10: Hobbling more (5)
- 11: Choose (5)
- 12: Parent (anag) (6)
- 14: Equestrian competition (5-3,5)
- 17: Hanging spike of frozen water (6)
- 19: Alcoholic drink (5)
- 22: Supple (5)
- 23: Herb related to marjoram (7)
- 24: Mineral after which a range of Italian Alps is named (8)
- 25: Surface hollow (4)

Down

- 1: Dagger with tapered blade (8)
- 2: Passageway (5)
- 4: Sharing similar problems (2,3,4,4)
- 5: Aviator (5)
- 6: Run wild (7)
- 7: Official name of the Irish Republic, 1937-49 (4)
- 8: Child's toy (6)
- 13: Begin a journey (5,3)
- 15: Concert performed by a solo musician (7)
- 16: Surpass (6)
- 18: Best - ointment (5)
- 20: First English captain to sail round the world (5)
- 21: Tramp along (4)



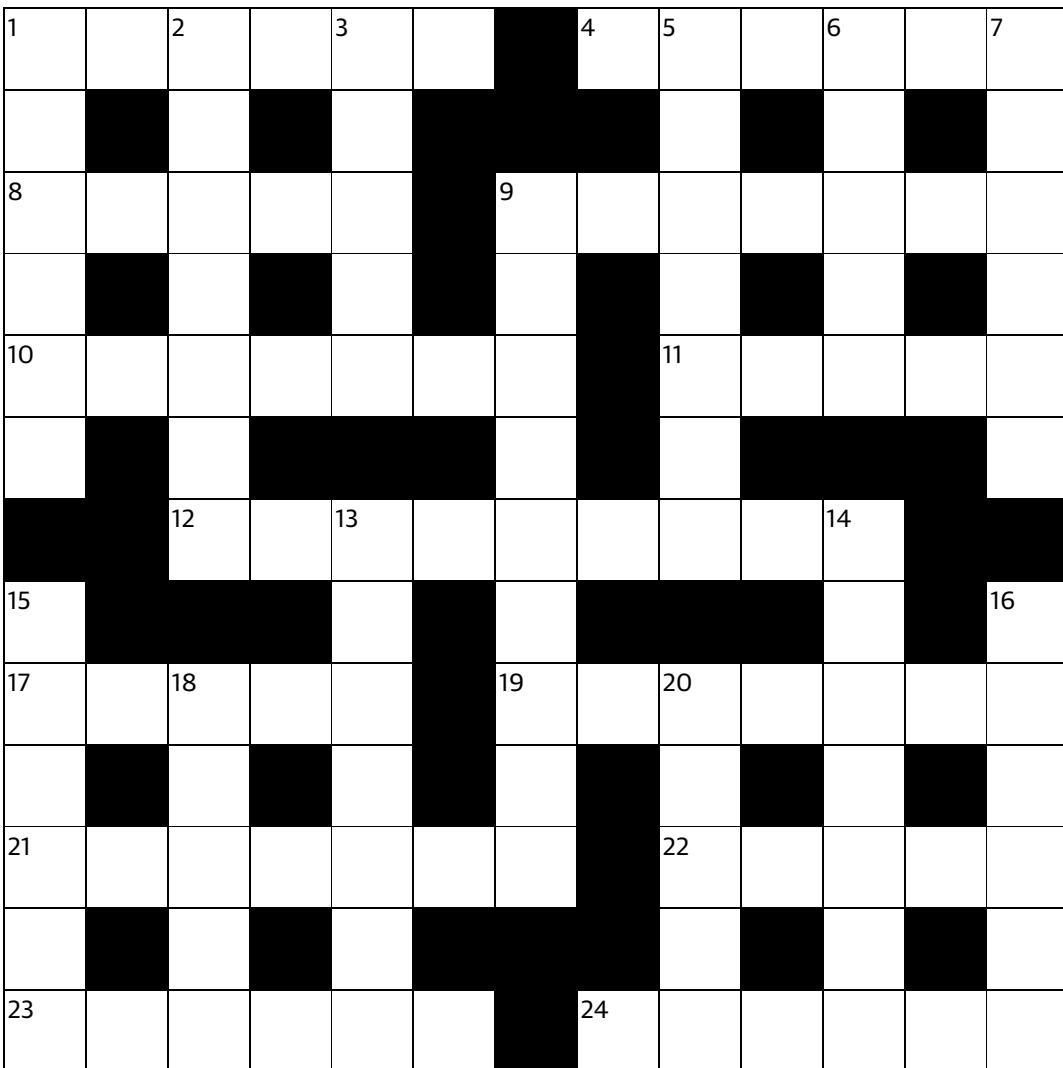
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- 1: Take care of (4,5)
- 8: Clear meat or fish jelly (5)
- 9: Breathing device for swimmers (7)
- 10: Strangle (8)
- 11: Of unknown name (abbr) (4)
- 13: Calculate (6)
- 14: Dress with close-fitting bodice and full skirt (6)
- 16: Indian bread (4)
- 17: Women's trousers, cut to resemble a skirt (8)
- 19: Minaret (anag) (7)
- 20: Surpass (5)
- 21: Powerful whirlpool (9)

Down

- 1: Place (8)
- 2: Available for purchase (2,4)
- 3: Highly excited (4)
- 4: Ignore (4,2,6)
- 5: Inexorably (12)
- 6: Siege weapon (9,3)
- 7: Showing gratitude (12)
- 12: Stiff floor covering (8)
- 15: Golf club (6)
- 18: Sediment from wine or beer production (4)

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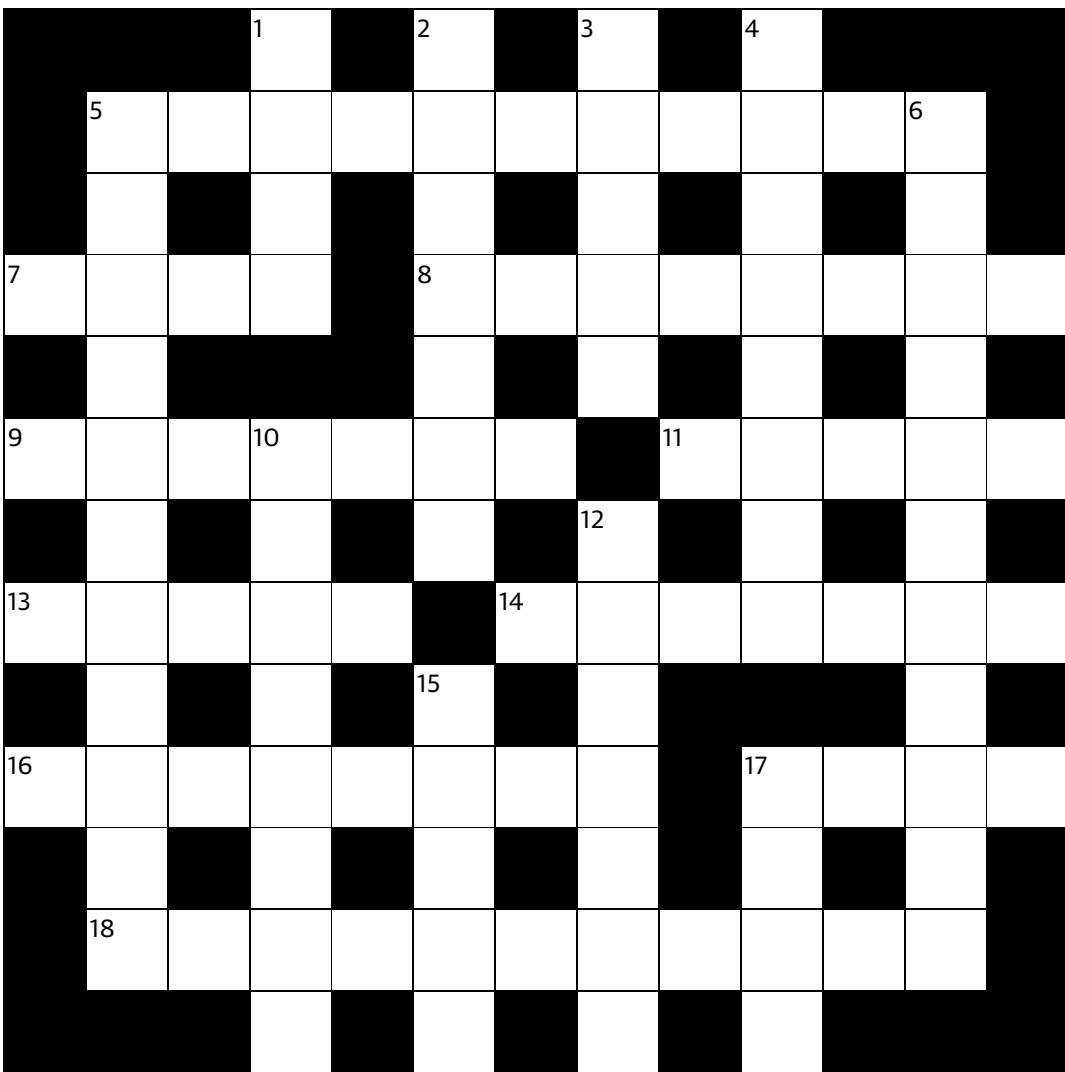
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- 1: Underpass (6)
- 4: Calculating device (6)
- 8: Merchandise - ancestry (5)
- 9: Art of paper folding (7)
- 10: Distinguished (7)
- 11: Fruit (5)
- 12: Impetuous (3-6)
- 17: Sweetheart (5)
- 19: Hardwood flooring (7)
- 21: Find guilty (7)
- 22: Very pale (5)
- 23: Chaste (6)
- 24: Remained (6)

Down

- 1: Methodology (6)
- 2: Studious (7)
- 3: Joint (5)
- 5: Highway robber (7)
- 6: Chew noisily (5)
- 7: Instep (anag) (6)
- 9: There and then (2,3,4)
- 13: Dog - reservist (7)
- 14: Resolute (7)
- 15: Thinly cut (6)
- 16: Doesn't (anag) - drunk (6)
- 18: Spite (5)
- 20: Retaliate (5)

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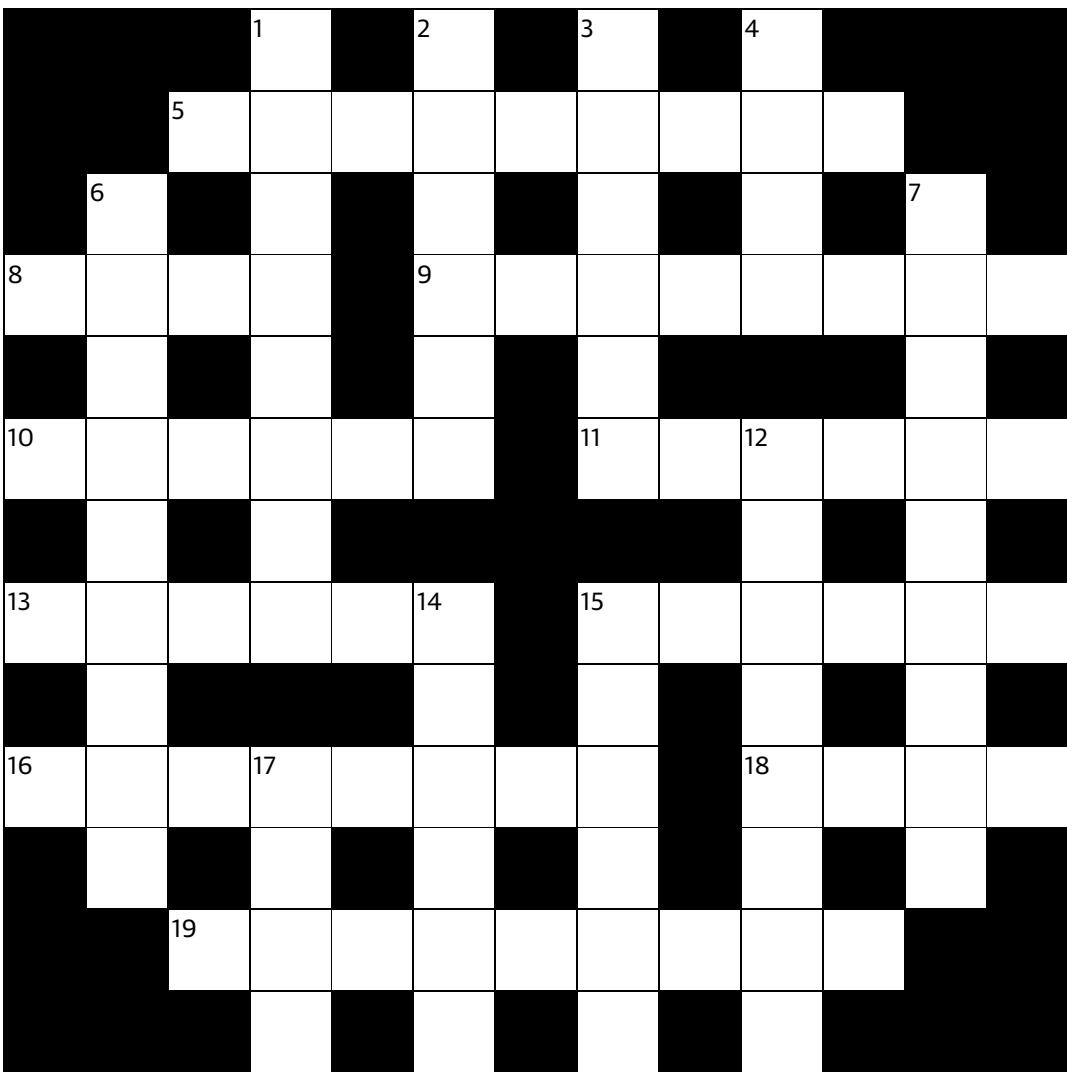
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- 5: Most prominent position (6,5)
- 7: Bend - electric cable (4)
- 8: Maintained in good condition (4,4)
- 9: Initially (2,5)
- 11: Japanese capital (5)
- 13: Under no circumstances (5)
- 14: Nearer the beginning (7)
- 16: Civilising (8)
- 17: Jaunt (4)
- 18: Use obscene language (slang) (3,3,5)

Down

- 1: Semi-precious stone used for cameos (4)
- 2: Bravery (7)
- 3: Lamps (anag) (5)
- 4: Finance (8)
- 5: Control the proceedings (4,3,4)
- 6: Scatterbrained (5-6)
- 10: Recognise (8)
- 12: Soft part of a facial organ (7)
- 15: Wind (up) - oddball (5)
- 17: Surprise attack (4)

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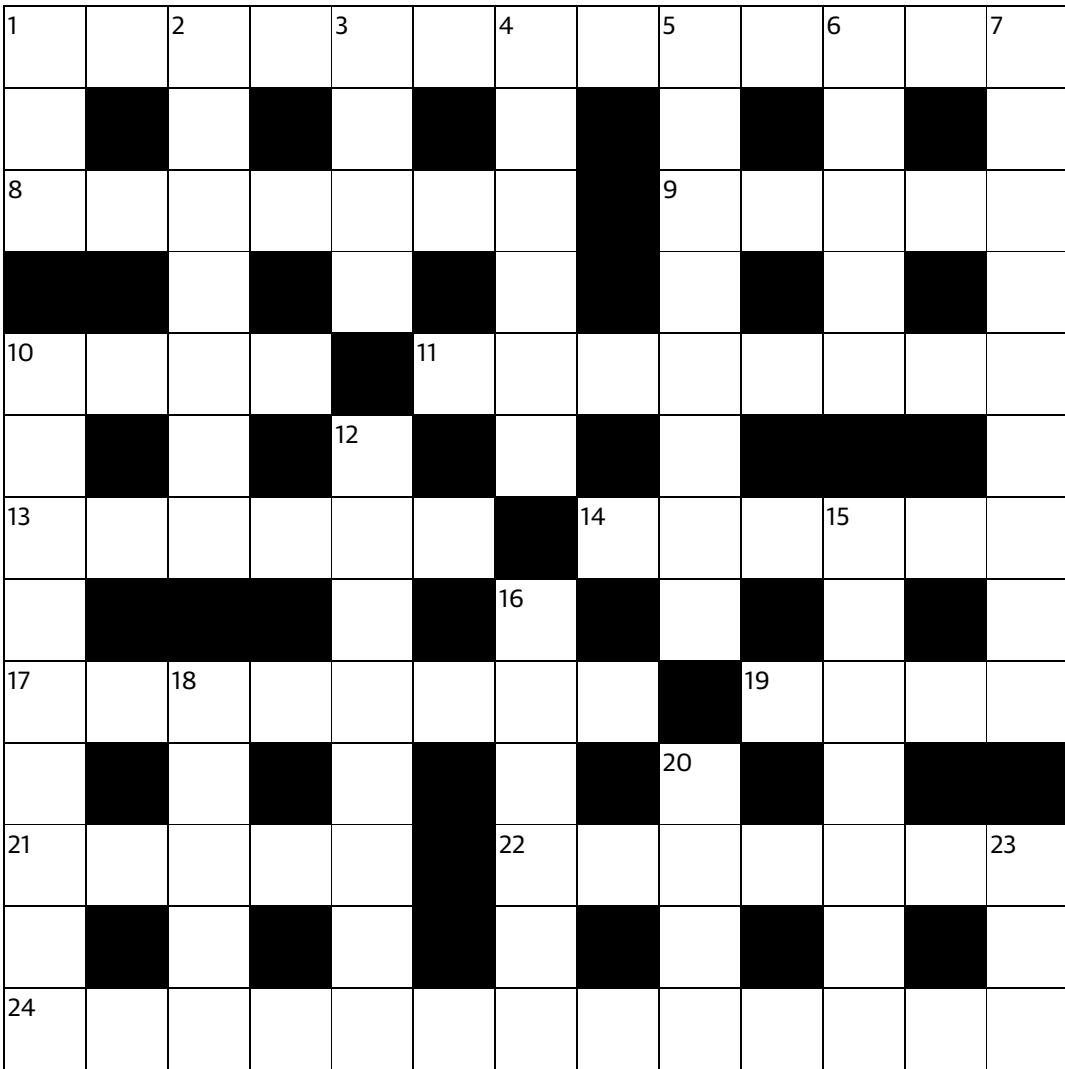
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- 5: As a rule (9)
- 8: American tramp (4)
- 9: Grotesque representation (8)
- 10: Watch out (6)
- 11: Hat - George du Maurier heroine (6)
- 13: Senior member of the clergy (6)
- 15: Urges into action (6)
- 16: At full speed (8)
- 18: Rendezvous (4)
- 19: Large, luxurious car (9)

Down

- 1: Monument honouring persons buried elsewhere (8)
- 2: Courage (6)
- 3: Volcanic rock (6)
- 4: Primary colour (4)
- 6: Occasionally (9)
- 7: Steadiness (9)
- 12: Insolent (8)
- 14: Quantum particle of light (6)
- 15: Take (food) into the body (6)
- 17: Murder (2,2)

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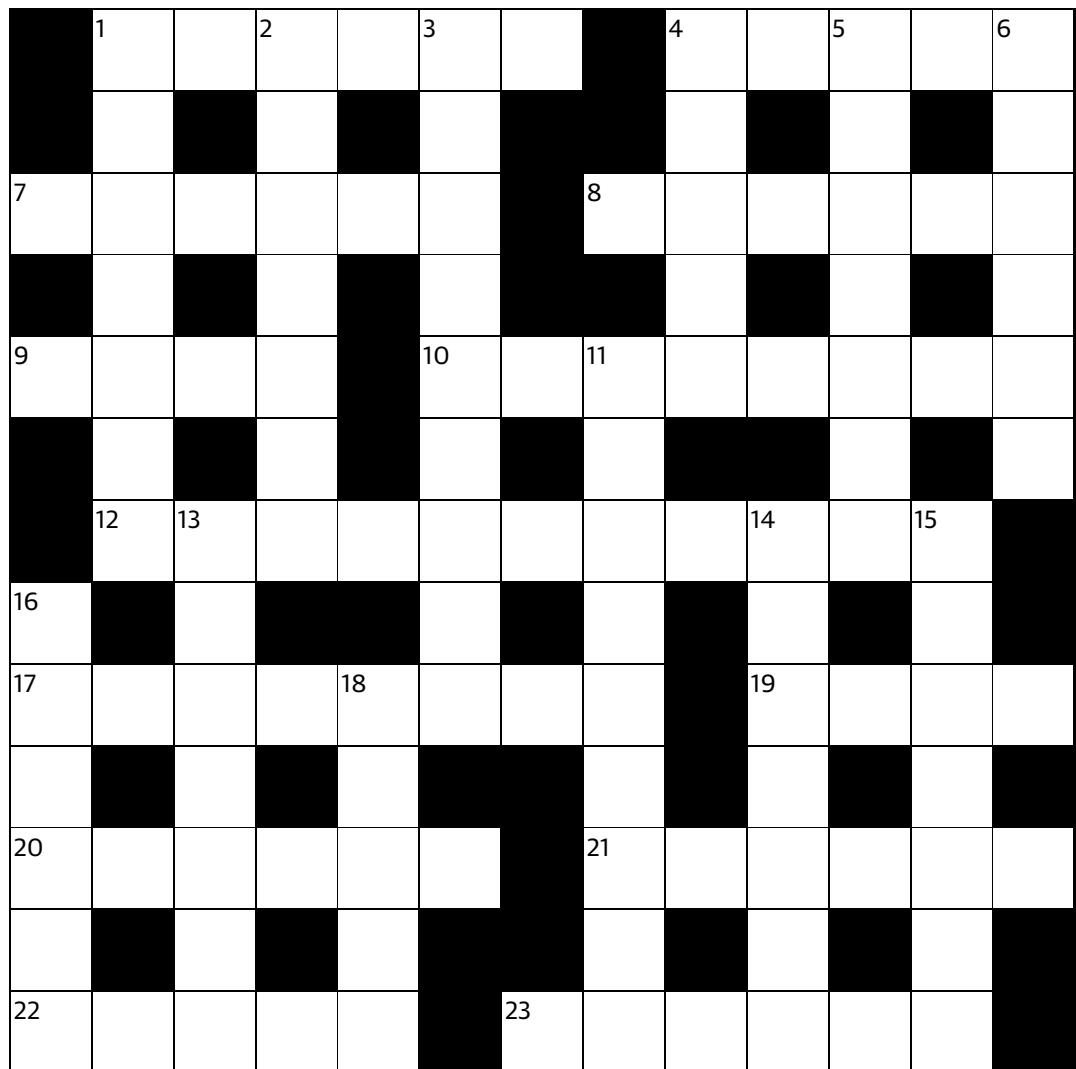
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- 1: Huxley novel (5,3,5)
- 8: Mexican alcoholic drink (7)
- 9: Disprove (5)
- 10: Forbidding (4)
- 11: Confuse (8)
- 13: Breakfast food (6)
- 14: Squirm (6)
- 17: Renounce (a throne) (8)
- 19: Liability (4)
- 21: More frigid (5)
- 22: (Of bread) containing whole grains of wheat (7)
- 24: Transmutation (13)

Down

- 1: Flying mammal (3)
- 2: Procure (7)
- 3: Long adventure story (4)
- 4: Vitrified coating (6)
- 5: Brave soldiers (8)
- 6: Raging (having been bitten by a dog?) (5)
- 7: Disincentive (9)
- 10: Place for exercising (9)
- 12: Device for plucking strings of an instrument (8)
- 15: Epsom classic (3,4)
- 16: (Old?) person of much experience (6)
- 18: Believer in the existence of god (5)
- 20: Spare - rubbish (4)
- 23: Word of affirmation (3)

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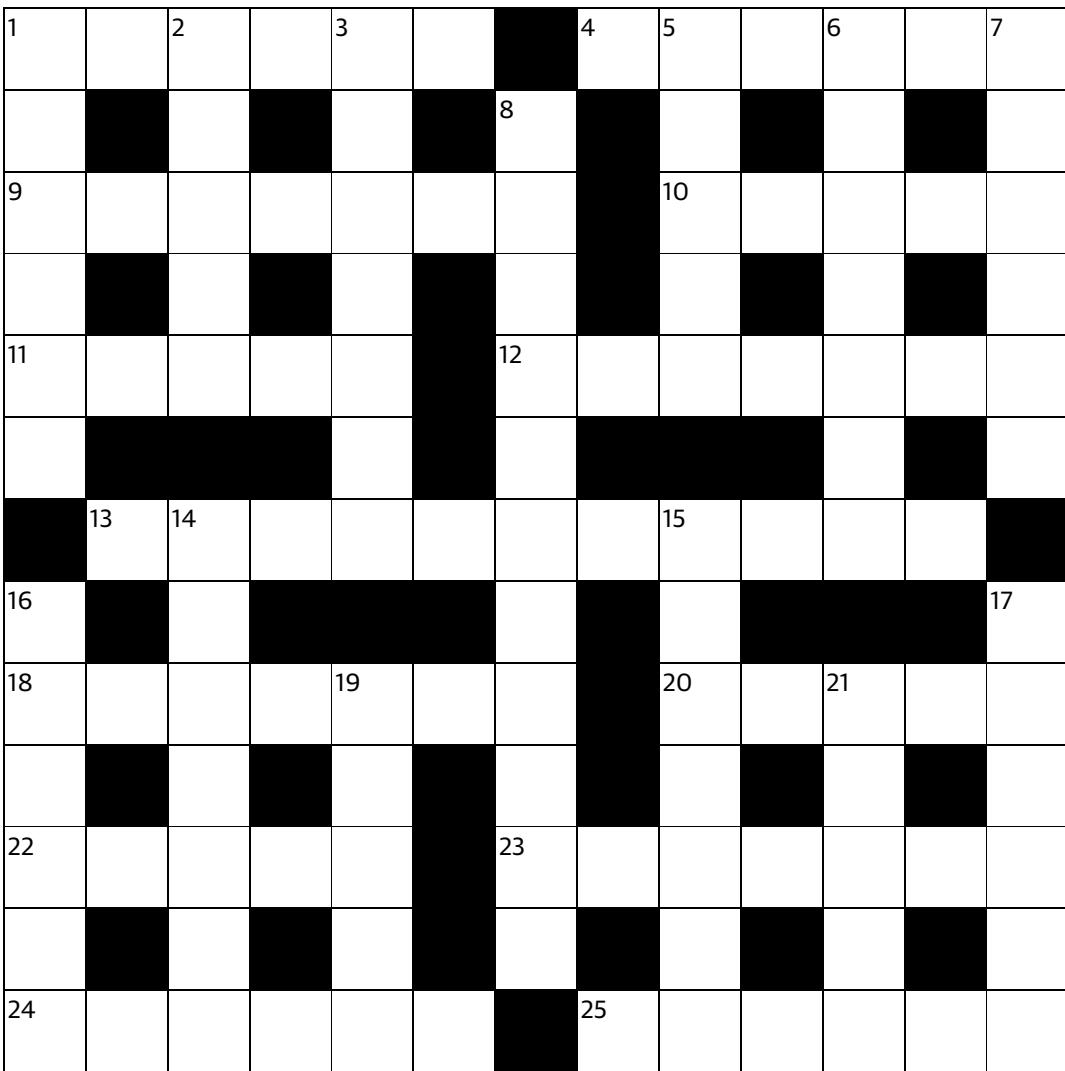
- 1: Day nursery (6)
- 4: Loud noise - conflict (5)
- 7: Very exciting - glowing (3-3)
- 8: Large enclosure for birds (6)
- 9: Gramophone record (4)
- 10: Lively old dance (8)
- 12: Lacking enthusiasm (4-7)
- 17: Supplier (8)
- 19: Excuse - pretext (4)
- 20: Slice of bacon (6)
- 21: Insect (anag) (6)
- 22: Postpone (5)
- 23: Fanatic (6)

Down

- 1: Hold dear (7)
- 2: Principled (7)
- 3: Go to bed (informal) (3,3,3)
- 4: Gathering of witches (5)
- 5: Covetousness (7)
- 6: No Hyde (anag) (6)
- 11: Change the position(s) of (9)
- 13: Spray container (7)
- 14: Representative (7)
- 15: Firmly embedded (4-3)
- 16: Avoided incurring (6)
- 18: Mournful poem (5)

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- 1: Gloss - refinement (6)
- 4: Hard ring-shaped rolls (6)
- 9: Like (7)
- 10: Answer (5)
- 11: Cloth (5)
- 12: Heavenly body, just visible (3,4)
- 13: Tropical root vegetable (5,6)
- 18: Big mistake (7)
- 20: Dispute (5)
- 22: Person living permanent in a foreign country (5)
- 23: Titular (7)
- 24: In a caustic manner (6)
- 25: Ostentatious - glittering (6)

Down

- 1: Grinder for mortar (6)
- 2: An elm (anag) - lover (5)
- 3: Lack of sound (7)
- 5: Weapon from bow (5)
- 6: Heroic deed (7)
- 7: Maxim (6)
- 8: Obvious - ingenuous (11)
- 14: Big lie (7)
- 15: Hinder - impede (7)
- 16: Forlorn - humiliated (6)
- 17: Mixture of tunes etc (6)
- 19: Lodging for drivers (5)
- 21: Group of species (5)

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