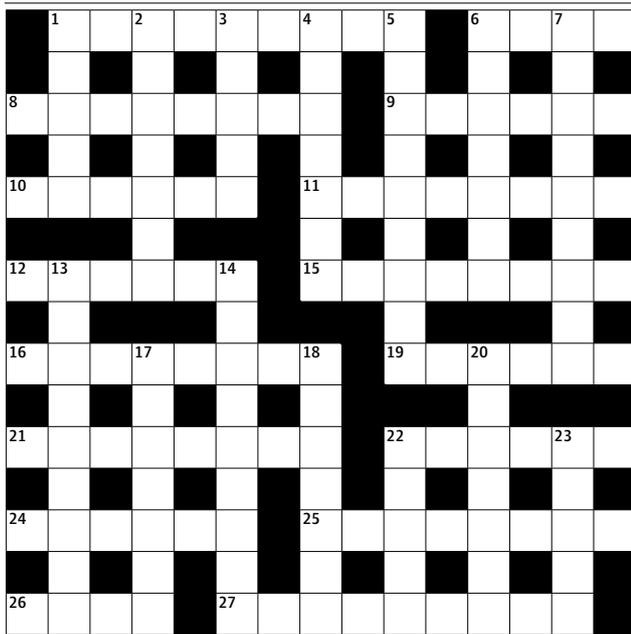


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,024 set by Rufus

Across

- 1 Contract debts without interest (9)
- 6 Cries of ravens or motherless parrots (4)
- 8 Suitable anger with which father sent back the drink (8)
- 9 Recent change of heart (6)
- 10 Current supplier has Monday off (6)
- 11 Pupil power I mention in speech (8)
- 12 Puts out of sight (6)
- 15 Understood vessel can be reserved (8)
- 16 This arm's moved quickly (8)
- 19 Note carrier soaked and all in (6)
- 21 Stop in front of a humble building (8)
- 22 Staff taken in by salary – it's a travesty (6)
- 24 No tricks, that's a promise (6)
- 25 Shipping company after vessel for medicinal ointment (8)
- 26 Bill's teacher (4)
- 27 Work for the enemy, as a prisoner might do (5,4)

Down

- 1 Suggest I am to practise a trade (5)
- 2 Last drop of drama (7)

- 3 A trio's broken relationship (5)
- 4 Unusual when Bobby isn't on his round (7)
- 5 Counterpart of a papal bull that's above criticism? (6,3)
- 6 Trying only made things worse for him (7)
- 7 Drudge has artist's creation to mount (9)
- 13 Car minus oil – engine head exploded (9)
- 14 Calm the good man with a complaint (9)
- 17 Time for students to collect together (3,4)
- 18 We linger outside, nevertheless (7)
- 20 Rock singer learning what Romanians use for money (7)
- 22 Copper band? (5)
- 23 Needs to be close (5)

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