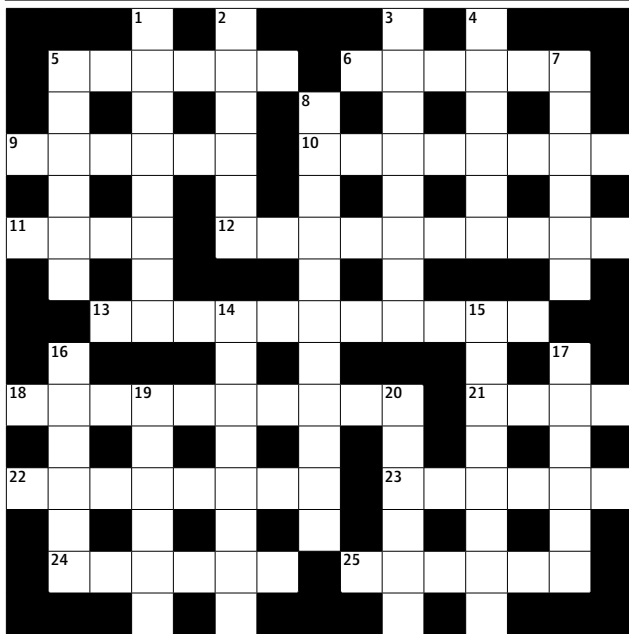


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 5 Lines crossing circles in harmonious combinations (6)
- 6 Pay scale cut for French mathematician (6)
- 9 Preserves volume inside conic sections, say (6)
- 10 Old instrument for measuring angles in part of plane (8)
- 11 Prince, for example, getting 20% in statistics and arithmetic (4)
- 12 Basic kinds of number, each without a point (10)
- 13 Indefinite number, in moderation, arranged as part of fraction (11)
- 18 Small pieces, half of them in old parts of county (10)
- 21 Circumference of semi-circle enclosing a couple (4)
- 22 Additional symbol or shape formed by 8 and 13 (4,4)
- 23 Bishop leading one part of church split in two (6)
- 24 Sixty minutes in geometry for university qualification (6)
- 25 Moderates numbered twelve or thirteen in fifteen (6)

Down

- 1 Take part in discussions? For mathematicians, just the opposite (8)

- 2 Something computer does makes sense (4,2)
- 3 Trajectory of missile soldier shot high in air over area (8)
- 4 Marked centre in middle of small diameter (6)
- 5 Numbers among European aristocracy (6)
- 7 Like A or B, for example, or the shortest distance between them (6)
- 8 Variable quantities, including diameter, central in geometry (11)
- 14 An equation is never partial like this (3-5)
- 15 Playing with one kind of side in triangle (8)
- 16 Silly clue I had for geometry master (6)
- 17 Charming female needing extra pound for rounded figure (6)
- 19 Condescend to include second arrangement of lines or shapes (6)
- 20 Part of mathematical collection that excites us best (6)

Solution No. 25,043

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