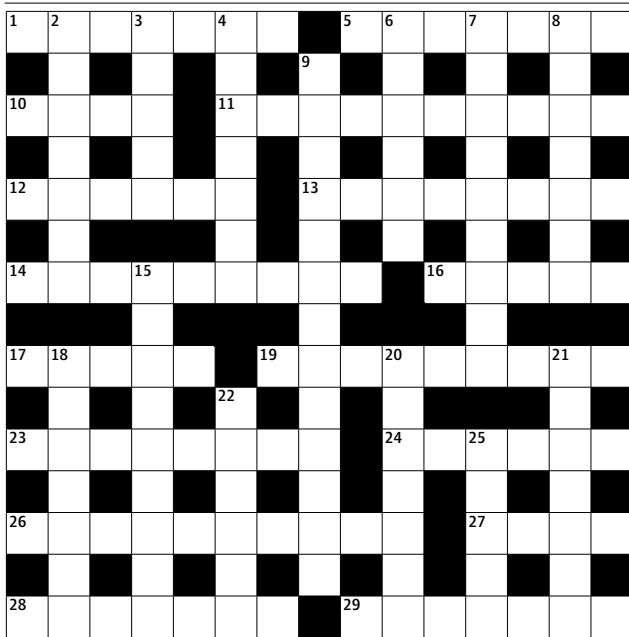


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 1 Hellish hovel has big guy losing footing (7)
- 5 Hole number dealing with bad habit (7)
- 10 Austen's letter to old signaller (4)
- 11 28's boy to give us the facts about the little gentleman from Paris (10)
- 12 Clothes with gold one of many to ... (6)
- 13 ... write "run away with me and forget 28" (8)
- 14 There's still plenty of time for audience to Lady Gaga – years! (5,4)
- 16,17 Henry Cary, writer of 28 (5,5)
- 19 Where lion and unicorn finished up encouraging car use? (3,2,4)
- 23 Court affair broadcast continuously by writer of 28 (8)
- 24 Consent of some whose reports show barbarians (6)
- 26 War secrets disclosed that have pungent taste (10)
- 27 Jane Russell's version of 10 (4)
- 28 Much of summer season not on, they say, for traveller (7)
- 29 Monster not reduced following fire? (7)

Down

- 2 Skill catching up with me coming up with fishy dish (7)
- 3 Admit 28 (5)
- 4 Wearing a tie that's gone limp (7)
- 6 Traveller heard deer in large numbers (6)
- 7 Unable to decide on house containing account books (9)
- 8 Bottom in semicircle to collapse (7)
- 9 Potter story suffers cuts by being turned into comic strips (6,7)
- 15 One studying most of ancient Britons observes publicans (9)
- 18 In which commander-in-chief should be 4? (7)
- 20 It's about 28: say, is he queer? (7)
- 21 Court rendered mad by New Forester (7)
- 22 Growing girl dropping to revolutionary spirit (6)
- 25 Pigeon for writer of 20 (5)

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