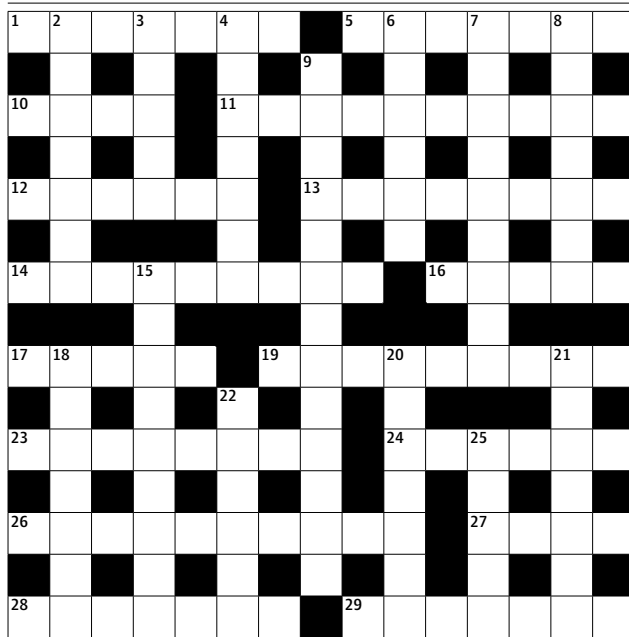


# Guardian cryptic crossword



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## Across

- 1 This a difficult problem finally erased, where rubber's employed (7)
- 5 Because investing billions inspiring you and I, certain things gathering dust (7)
- 10 Hulking beast squeezed into motor caravan (4)
- 11 Back horse with one limb, "Sea Slug" (10)
- 12 Intended return of innocent child effectively starts (6)
- 13 Standards appear sad, more sad when reported? (8)
- 14 Manager should be cut short in truth for logorrhoea (9)
- 16 Bound to join women's club (5)
- 17 Hide behind first of shredded wheat (5)
- 19 Local boat enters before part of cycle (5,4)
- 23 Description of some missiles having bearing on dispersal of a riot (3-2-3)
- 24 I'm flipping plugging the blessed lecture! (6)
- 26 Well oiled builder's bum, something furry in it (10)
- 27 Introductions only typical of your Sheridan plays (4)
- 28 Experience suffering in fight for financial rescue package (7)
- 29 Dork opening gift that's not for suckers! (7)

## Down

- 2 Protagonist taking drugs (7)
- 3 Range popular – range popular? (5)
- 4 See 8
- 6 Nothing secure about buckle originally, as one may be released? (2,4)
- 7 Food from a giant, then 3 for old song, might you say? (5,4)
- 8,4 Ronet and Otlá? (7,7)
- 9 Film – creation of graduate in it consuming academic in the end (9,4)
- 15 Like the coalition, Labour standing to bury one in the future (9)
- 18 Circling the border, there's me dropping a plant (7)
- 20 Anteater buried nose initially inside one climbing (7)
- 21,25 Name boy, still abandoned – is he? (5,2-5)
- 22 Chap and friend detailed old language (6)
- 25 See 21

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