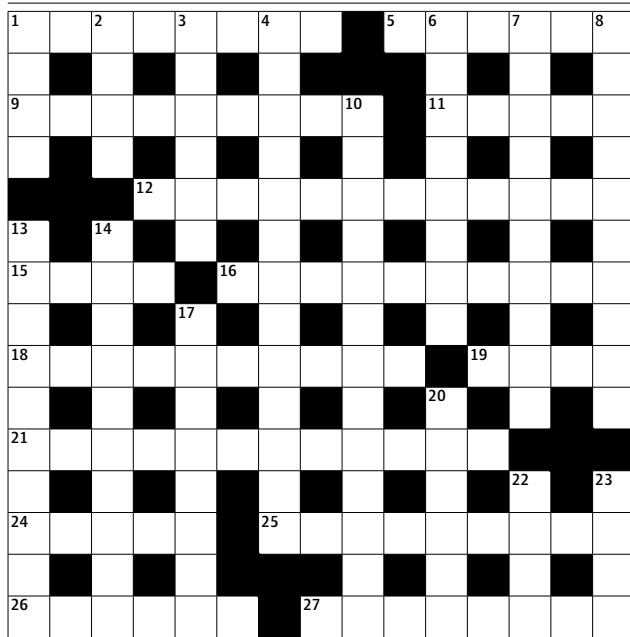


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 1 Kim chose badly, becoming nostalgic (8)
- 5 Idle American's capacity to take nothing in (6)
- 9 Associate can report disruption (2-7)
- 11 Material dug up is put back (5)
- 12 Dear chap in the pink (5,7)
- 15 Novice in Alpine region? Not quite! (4)
- 16 A bull never becomes defenceless (10)
- 18 Good science provides good food (10)
- 19 Enemy holds sovereign in frozen waste (4)
- 21 Lustful jailbird has item from women's underwear, I discern (12)
- 24 Ridge seen every second in fair weather (5)
- 25 Garland, without doubt, is comfortable (9)
- 26 A good man interrupts Scots lassie to get a move on (6)
- 27 Housing for canon taking people in (8)
- 4 Alien conquest turned out to be significant (13)
- 6 Ageing celebrity appears at the top of the pole (3,5)
- 7 Winger going round workrooms turned up sports equipment (6,4)
- 8 Called to mind representative in a rush (10)
- 10 Having an argument with West about feature in the gym (6,7)
- 13 Old vehicle for the drama teacher? (10)
- 14 Journalists keeping record of TV staff (10)
- 17 Overture composed for old poet (8)
- 20 Guarantee rebuke when scratching head (6)
- 22 Tory leader in charge of function (4)
- 23 Isolated place where key sport is climbing (4)

Down

- 1 Journalist gets chop (4)
- 2 Mike works and cleans up (4)
- 3 Scold daughter for being clever (6)

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