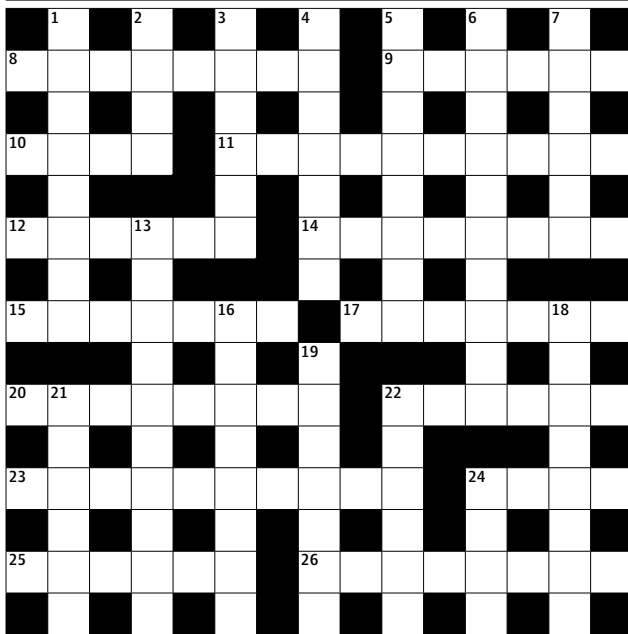


# Guardian cryptic crossword



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## Across

- 8 Essentially need to have installed Windows version change to make quicker (8)
- 9 Breadheads spaced out? (6)
- 10 Nearest shop (4)
- 11 Drug supplier: "Ring private investigator" (with hesitation) "like Coke"? (5,5)
- 12 Sport might get 23 (6)
- 14 Sport might get 23 (8)
- 15 Coffee bean ground by Nestlé is ascertainable (7)
- 17 Lines cut care of British actor (7)
- 20 Complete picture – orphans have neither a \_\_\_ (8)
- 22 Outline of heads in shower's killing – film characters in bathroom (6)
- 23 Booking weak comedian (6,4)
- 24 Le Tissier's finish? (4)
- 25 Fourth's oddly written down thus: "mattresses"? (6)
- 26 One grips boring bit in good casting (8)

## Down

- 1 Morse writer and designer topless outside (8)
- 2 In phone box he changes part of broken telephone (4)
- 3 BBC programme's award for meditation technique (6)

- 4 Joy at knight's line of advance in black queen's opening position (7)
- 5 Dance company following foxtrot with short, sad number (8)
- 6 It's sharp to read about taking Greek over Latin (5,5)
- 7 One corresponds on punishment – "clamping" sign on road (3,3)
- 13 Spread round mob – girl is to provide sandwich and pickles (10)
- 16 Occasionally cars at BMW did skew sideways (8)
- 18 Skating on thin ice having taken heroin – it's addictive (8)
- 19 Opening sequence of Jaws – a maiden's attacker is circling Amity Island (7)
- 21 Long way in 9 (6)
- 22 Start to turn off dim-outs – switch element (6)
- 24 Shark attack's case interrupts doctor (4)

Solution No. 25,668

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