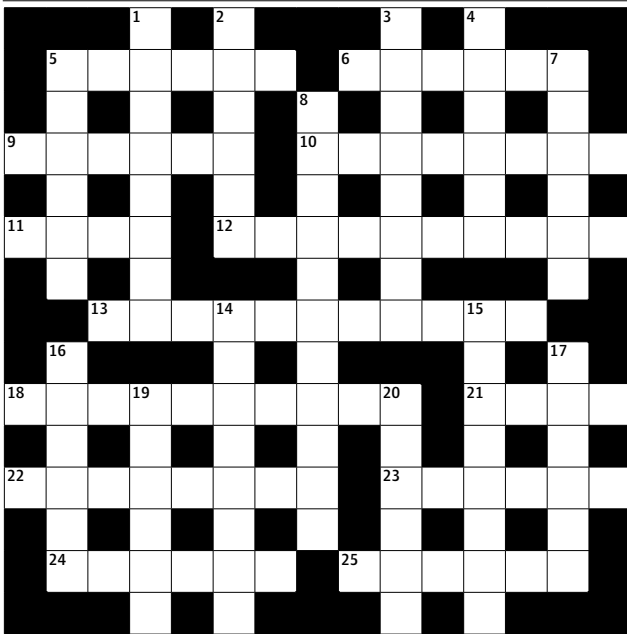


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,773 set by Rufus

Across

- 5 Run in to stop batsman reaching it (6)
- 6 Feeling of grief in this way starts never-ending quarrel (6)
- 9 It's old, decrepit and not easily moved (6)
- 10 They lead the way in the present transport system (8)
- 11 The barrel end of a gun (4)
- 12 Still a place to board a railway (10)
- 13 Lets her cool off – it may cause problems of the heart (11)
- 18 Organ movement (10)
- 21 I must leave firm, betrayed (4)
- 22 Complaint of untidiness (8)
- 23 Lizard again becoming animated around mid-January (6)
- 24 Suffocatingly sexy? (6)
- 25 Pat is anxious, starting school (6)
- 4 Poet makes uninteresting study (6)
- 5 Eminently suitable to be excluded (3,3)
- 7 The reason to go off course in a boat (6)
- 8 Kent resort offers wide-ranging flights (11)
- 14 A rapidly replaced stone worker (8)
- 15 Old students better out of sight (8)
- 16 Coaches coaches (6)
- 17 They're fired and spaces need to be filled (6)
- 19 Mug one may put one's teeth into? (6)
- 20 Await trouble on North Pacific island (6)

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Down

- 1 How to pedal to coast (8)
- 2 Remarks not intended for the other players (6)
- 3 Is caught hacking into a phone – take action! (8)

