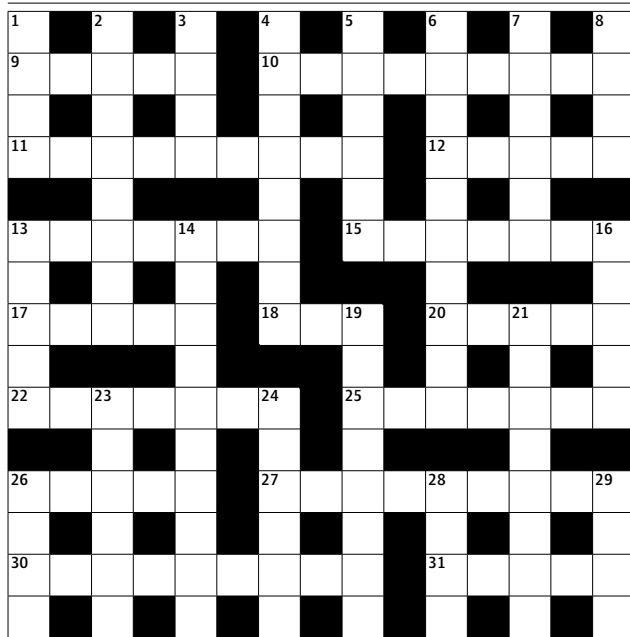


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,816 set by Brendan

Across

- 9 Some muscles tire badly, absorbing cold (5)
- 10 Like space that remains after various pieces removed from isosceles triangle (9)
- 11 Bring this, having changed indication of delivery period (5,4)
- 12 Origin of game's inscribed in stone here (5)
- 13 Frivolous sex among Romans revealed in hearing (7)
- 15 So far, won't fully – having switched ends (4,3)
- 17 Charged, in a way, following a certain order (5)
- 18 Deliberately crash into vehicle, knocking piece off front (3)
- 20 Good party organiser, one whose work is bound to be misattributed (5)
- 22 Small pieces of furniture in homes of Arabs and others (7)
- 25 Person spreading complaint about, namely in educational foundation? (7)
- 26 Fitting material used in ugly cravat (5)
- 27 Line I inserted in big band composition, improvising (2-7)
- 30 Excessively strain English king in public (9)
- 31 Climber in middle of Italian Alps (5)

Down

- 1 Irritable person runs into vehicle (4)
- 2 Descendant covering up for raised whip (8)
- 3 They're often in schools to seek information, say (4)
- 4 Dramatist not so friendly after opening of show (8)

- 5 Supposedly influential body putting energy into factory (6)
- 6 One who predicts things in advance, up in complicated star lore (10)
- 7 As opposed to one with ring, perhaps? (6)
- 8 Perform song, with piano introduction (4)
- 13 Pair usually sharing 11 – that could be this (5)
- 14 Repetitively teaches one way to ruin clues? I can't (10)
- 16 Capturing leaders of the enemy in conflict as basis for solution, often (5)
- 19 Spotted initially mocking at a clue that's absurd (8)
- 21 What can be said about one drink that's not already said (8)
- 23 Head off participant in moving protest that's more shrewd (6)
- 24 Does some climbing, making lots of notes (6)
- 26 Male with pride put up new work of art (4)
- 28 Kind of speculator that's on target (4)
- 29 Vigorously attack lecherous type (4)

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