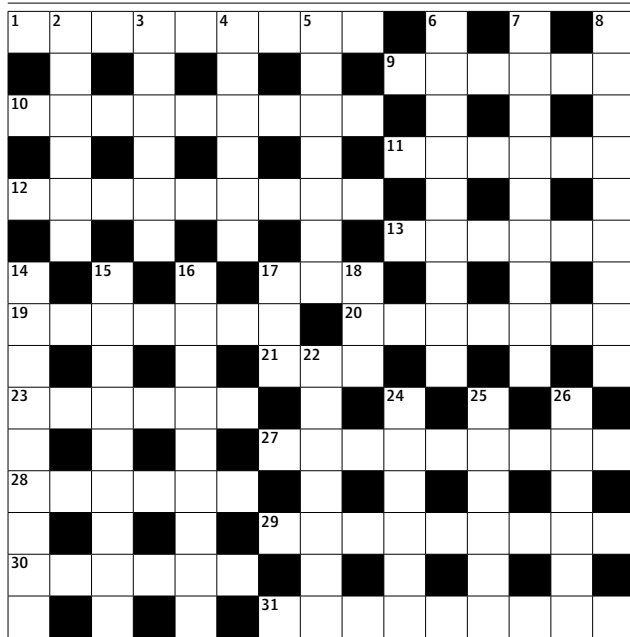


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,911 set by Gordius

Across

- 1 Mean injunction after non-U plenitude of drink (9)
- 9 Hardly able to see setter's round illustration (6)
- 10 Officer farmed out nursery item (4,5)
- 11 Runner holds back toy animal (6)
- 12 Flier gets overtime, which is alarming (9)
- 13 Pester to the point girl retreats (6)
- 17 Complimentary without right to payment (3)
- 19 Pause as a cure for breakdown (7)
- 20 Brilliance of a good surgeon? (7)
- 21 Refrain from turning a weapon (3)
- 23 It's natural – alter this and you get something else (6)
- 27 Girl in smart outfit may be suspicious (5,1,3)
- 28 Victor was no spring chicken (6)
- 29 In 17 down you reportedly have consumed to turn to folly (9)
- 30 Drop in the ocean and mountains turn quiet (6)
- 31 In cramped condition heartless Henry is an insensitive type (9)

Down

- 2 Like Gordius, who once kept wicket for England? (6)
- 3 Drains are directed to the lowest points (6)
- 4 Not "Early" nor "County" but dignified! (6)
- 5 He's put up, but setter's a long time without rising (7)
- 6 Extreme policy – state impulse to light ... (9)
- 7 ... thereby one cop to cover seat (4,5)
- 8 Additional item that could be charged (9)
- 14 Someone once contrived to emulate 1 (9)
- 15 Exit duty? (5,4)
- 16 Repulsive scheme to turn to dust (9)
- 17 Article in paper about obesity? (3)
- 18 Incite and one gets laid (3)
- 22 Egyptian deity – one with a strong nose (7)
- 24 Leading lady in seafront but it won't get her a tan (6)
- 25 Goes across the Channel with lusty sound and is appreciated (6)
- 26 Noose said to change at Bow (6)

Solution No. 25,910

