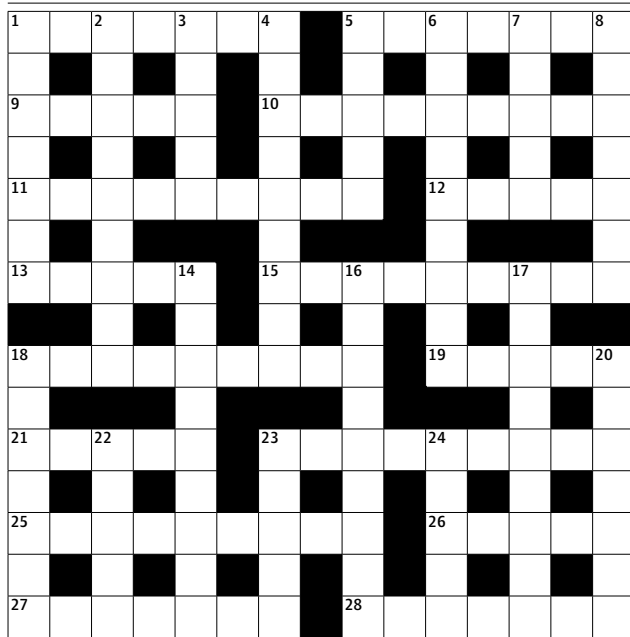


# Guardian cryptic crossword



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## Across

- 1 27 of 6s? (7)
- 5 Oath to the French king, one interrupting speech (7)
- 9 Free love – have no success without it (5)
- 10 You snivel unpleasantly, wishing you were me? (9)
- 11 Put in letters for ice-breaker keeping weapon (9)
- 12 Do this to cite this for 11 (5)
- 13 Make music, including Western music (5)
- 15 Coster from Furness (6,3)
- 18 Ship's first come into old one's bell and pursued it with vigour (9)
- 19 Get rid of land on sea (5)
- 21 See 20
- 23 Supply lamps the ginnel needed ... (9)
- 25 ... needed again with heater fitted in Soviet city (9)
- 26 See 27
- 27,26 Caesar's bulls forged? So what? (3,4,2,3)
- 28 Did the 6 – or was unable to? (7)
- 5 Hard part of wader's cry to 9 "27 26" (5)
- 6 This could bar you from the Dunmow fitch (9)
- 7 Girl to love catcher? (5)
- 8 Tory shambles containing rising of the people – top people (7)
- 14 Dormouse gets sulphur and oxygen on a sliding scale, perhaps (9)
- 16 Quickly collected red coat and organised duel quietly (7,2)
- 17 From abbey to cathedral (almost) in Somerset – it's drier (4,5)
- 18 Was stretched out on the ground, fatally wounded (3,4)
- 20,21 German one of 27 brings up, without colouring, time 26 between 1s (across and down) (7,5)
- 22 Musical gunner in a pub raised a point (5)
- 23 Wind once blowing from Europe to America? (5)
- 24 German/American artist given a little Polish money (5)

## Down

- 1 You translated poetry on the Sun (7)
- 2 Fwightful cwimes without a subject of novel tale (3,6)
- 3 What happened to regular model? (5)
- 4 Pole, old expert with ball, keeping it up, having an easy name? (9)

Solution No. 25,920

