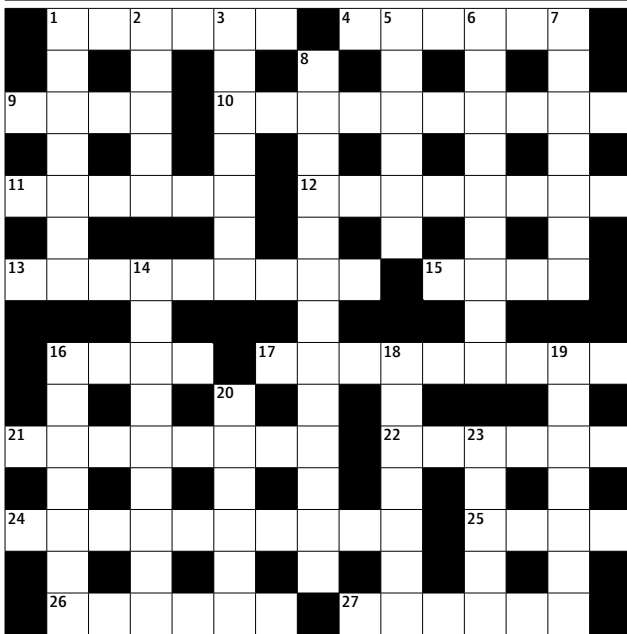


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 1 Criminals had fruit before 13 (6)
- 4 Chap relaxed before 13 (6)
- 9 Kitty's game (4)
- 10 The cocoa's final end products (10)
- 11 Europeans reporting money orders (6)
- 12 Spring elevation before 13 (8)
- 13 F-form s-swap? (3,6)
- 15 Canine in a fit of anger (4)
- 16 Confront staff before 13 (4)
- 17 Officer's ship given a rough ride (9)
- 21 Possibly next Open champion (8)
- 22 Disagree with switch before 13 (6)
- 24 Do E-numbers turn heavy? (10)
- 25 Pick up entitlement at the ceremony (4)
- 26 Death to river bear (6)
- 27 Essential grandmother has a change of heart to become an African (6)

Down

- 1 Female to sleep around the flipping place with all sorts of creatures (7)

- 2 Bush in a relapse of critical illness (5)
- 3 Capital report on underwear drawer? (7)
- 5 Crazy duo in kinky sex book (6)
- 6 Prerequisite to quick fix as details hampered out (5,4)
- 7 Small half-game greeting for the Scots (7)
- 8 Layout of Agincourt in conflict (13)
- 14 Betrayed at heart, wicked love caught in illicit cuddle (9)
- 16 Fitting blend before 13 (7)
- 18 Examines setter, coming up with spiritual yarn (4,3)
- 19 Team heavyweight's always first (7)
- 20 Hear the pitch of this note (6)
- 23 Ship was happy before 13 (5)

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