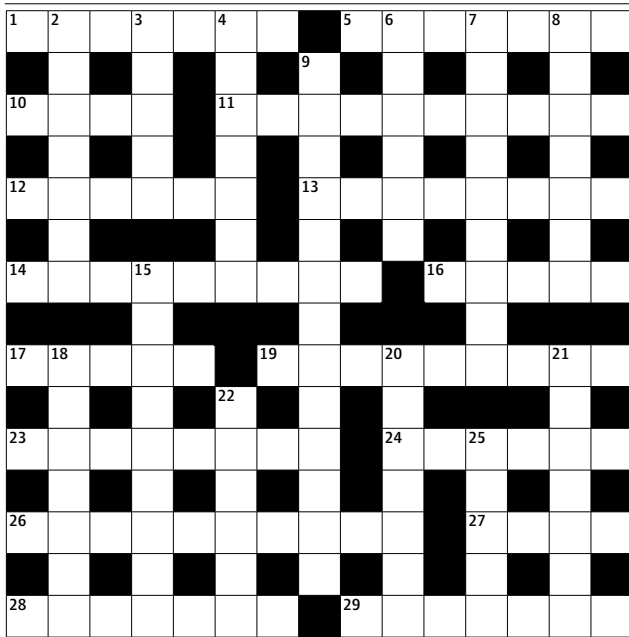


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,132 set by Rufus

Across

- 1 I should note friend with a perfect manner (7)
- 5 Gets messing about in boats (7)
- 10 Bird able to speak, surprising many (4)
- 11 Studies hijacking plot (10)
- 12 An opinion to contradict loudly (6)
- 13 No longer minded being drawn out? (8)
- 14 A hole in one, perhaps, for mariner's dependant (9)
- 16 Stop up for the end of play (5)
- 17 In short, a form of school punishment (5)
- 19 It's not acceptable to make money on a game (9)
- 23 Taken for granted (8)
- 24 Such a cleaning brush will be barely used (6)
- 26 Their members were bound to work under strict supervision (5,5)
- 27 Pedestrian walkway? (4)
- 28 Alarming decay in toxic substance (7)
- 29 Door of opportunity? (7)

Down

- 2 Healthy accommodation for a prisoner charged with battery (3,4)
- 3 Hand-operated computers (5)
- 4 Devil of a match! (7)
- 6 Rarely taken walk (6)
- 7 It's released when one is agitated and in real trouble (9)
- 8 The heart of the matter is that uncle is out to get us (7)
- 9 Getting compassionate (13)
- 15 End of the act? (9)
- 18 Openly took advantage of the sunshine? (4,3)
- 20 Inadequate man produces a lower output at work (7)
- 21 Eggs turn into cheers (7)
- 22 Put on weight, looked older (6)
- 25 Musical journal? (5)

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