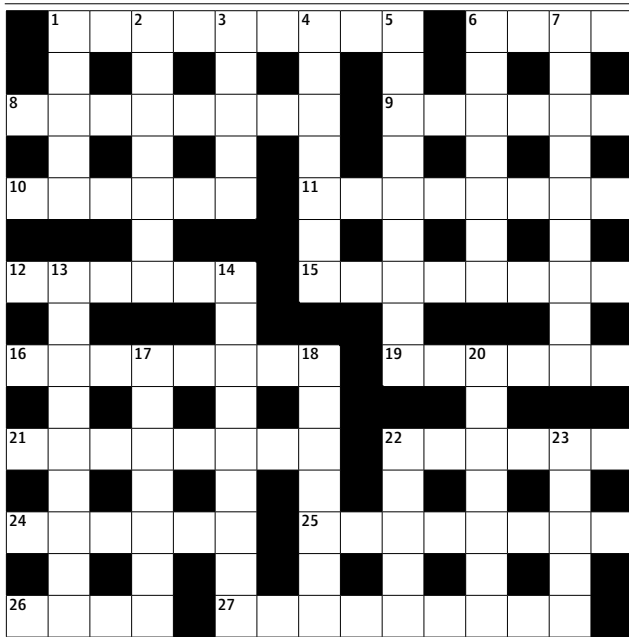


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,167 set by Rufus

Across

- 1 On the rocks, in the sun and air (9)
- 6 It needs a key first for opening (4)
- 8 Deceive and attract scorn (8)
- 9 School batting first with cricket, say (6)
- 10 Company car (6)
- 11 Beats in child's game, we hear (8)
- 12 Writer, a good man, seen inside foreign restaurant (6)
- 15 Key mixture (8)
- 16 Calamity – can't dice bananas (8)
- 19 Strain to find way about the ship (6)
- 21 Elegant braid one may make (8)
- 22 A loose relation (6)
- 24 African soldier to request change of air (6)
- 25 Cut short acrimony – compromise (8)
- 26 Land in Paris (Le Bourget) (4)
- 27 Out to make one uneasy? (3,2,4)

Down

- 1 People are clapped in these clubs (5)
- 2 Is stout perhaps, so doesn't dance (4,3)
- 3 I'm fired about restrictive practice (5)

- 4 Draws dissected Eastern insect (7)
- 5 What figures neat girls may display (9)
- 6 Attack by a saint about one who became one (7)
- 7 Get into debts without interest (9)
- 13 Gets bigger, though all screwed up (9)
- 14 Medical treatment in battle (9)
- 17 One extremely behind schedule is cut off (7)
- 18 Flood discloses gold in river (7)
- 20 Met king, head of new nation (3,4)
- 22 Examination necessitating a lot of bookwork (5)
- 23 She shows anger with heartless nurse (5)

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