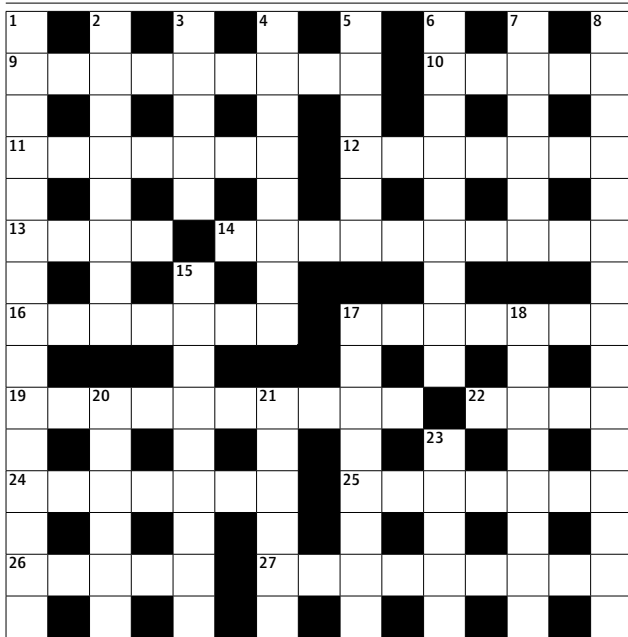


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 9** Reciprocating, mum goes topless on topless beach (4,5)
10 A court case almost reaching the chambers (5)
11 Sea captain's boat at last lost in storm (7)
12 No more pleasure shifting iron out of fault (7)
13 Shred half the letters (4)
14 Scraps first flights with both sides lost (4,6)
16 Degustation of bubbly isn't confined to a label (7)
17 Falls out of gear again when reversing (7)
19 Thus, in washing, get forgiveness (10)
22 Some obstetricians leave it alone (4)
24 Smarty-pants reports missing partition (4-3)
25 Notice muck heading for rotating fan (7)
26 Fleet Street a constant intrusion (5)
27 Game of choice perhaps, out of cinematographic production (9)

Down

- 1** Nice sea shanty breaks out round noon, held responsible for 5 7 (8,7)

- 2** They clip specific items studio requires after vacation (8)
3 Test provided design (5)
4 Evolution of c-capital punishment (8)
5,7 Tick bite crisis (6,6)
6 After a departure, many afraid to turn for help (3,6)
7 See 5
8 Really big heart? (5-10)
15 Poorly compiler to dive into poet's pool (9)
17 Someone on a talk for recent arrivals (8)
18 Most like one voice full of hesitation, say (5,3)
20 Exclusive features of ice cream? (6)
21 With these plants, Leon makes lentil soup (6)
23 Taste of plum? A miracle (5)

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