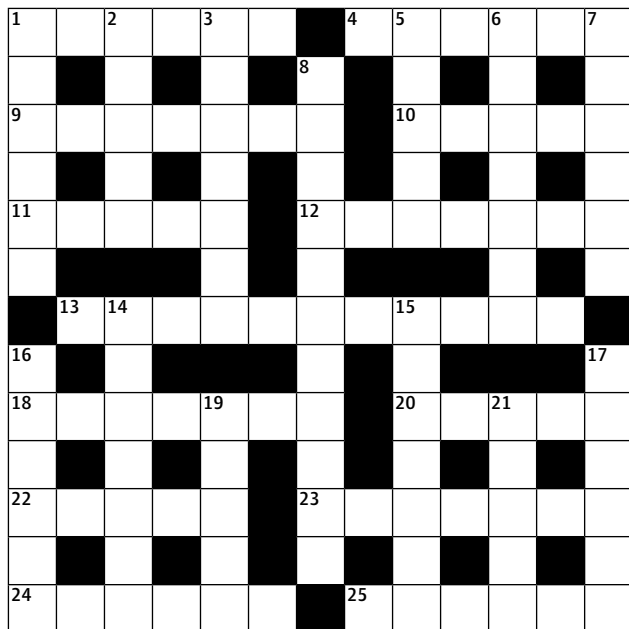


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Across

- 1 Irritable (6)
- 4 Cured fish (one having forty winks?) (6)
- 9 Lack of blood corpuscles (7)
- 10 Deal with sickness (5)
- 11 Hindu goddess, consort of Shiva – a skit (anag) (5)
- 12 Happening now (7)
- 13 Never-ending quality (11)
- 18 Pot (7)
- 20 Opinion viewed as truth? (5)
- 22 Practical lesson to be drawn from an experience (5)
- 23 Absolutely (but less than 50%! (3,4)
- 24 Shade of cowardice? (6)
- 25 Pulse (6)

Down

- 1 Light open carriage (6)
- 2 One is surprised when taken thus (5)
- 3 Young child (7)
- 5 Put underground (5)

- 6 Give – what's received at Christmas? (7)
- 7 Spin (6)
- 8 Rodent operative's activity (3-8)
- 14 Violent northeast wind of southern France (7)
- 15 Uncouth youth in a short skirt drinking lager? (7)
- 16 Gentle fantasy (6)
- 17 Loud blast – angry reprimand (6)
- 19 Greenland dwelling (5)
- 21 Bestow – Ulysses S. – Cary (5)

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