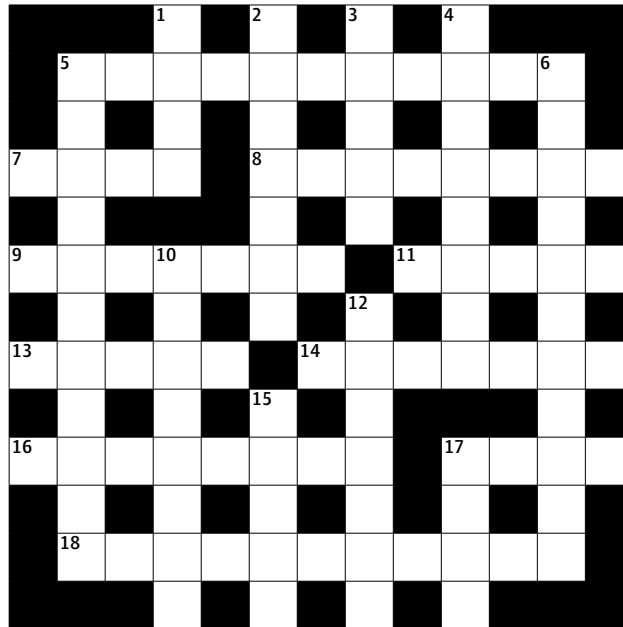


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Across

- 5 Cricket fielding position (4,4,3)
- 7 Smack (a fly?) (4)
- 8 Dictatorial person (8)
- 9 Dignified (7)
- 11 Heavy hard wood, usually black (5)
- 13 To this point (2,3)
- 14 Communist (7)
- 16 Enough (8)
- 17 Smart remark (4)
- 18 Shiny fluid applied to the tips of one's digits (4,7)

Down

- 1 Skilful and quick (4)
- 2 Good-natured (7)
- 3 State of being joined as a whole (5)
- 4 Air crash recorder (5,3)
- 5 Oppressed or treated badly by someone in power (11)
- 6 Type of apple (6,5)
- 10 Peaceful (8)
- 12 Portuguese island off northwest Africa (7)
- 15 Labourer (5)
- 17 Interrogate (4)

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