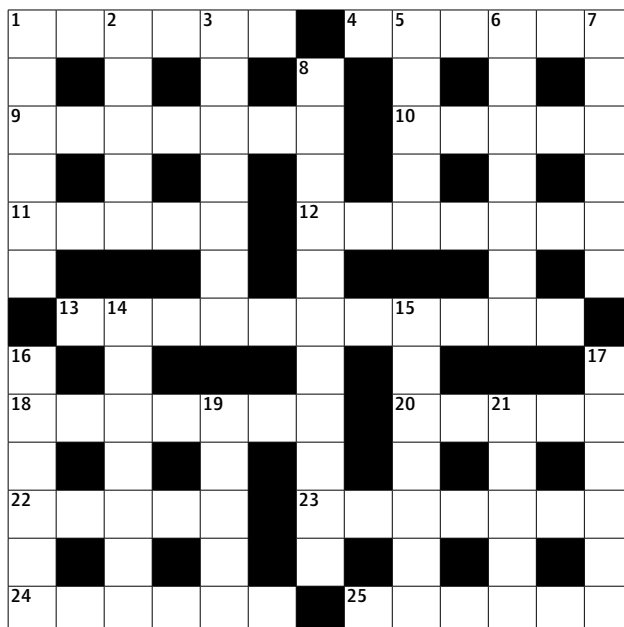


Quick crossword no 12,802



Across

- 1 Air-filled liquid globule (6)
- 4 Noise as of mouse (6)
- 9 Important town (7)
- 10 Warwickshire forest (5)
- 11 Did little or nothing (5)
- 12 All come (anag) – purgative (7)
- 13 Part of warship used by officers (11)
- 18 Thane of Fife (7)
- 20 Greek letter (5)
- 22 Piece of paper, linen, or water (5)
- 23 Efface (7)
- 24 Hang provocatively (6)
- 25 Difficult to unravel (6)

- 17 Cheerfulness – merrymaking (6)
- 19 Up to the time when (5)
- 21 French writer, Jean, d. 1986 (5)

Down

- 1 It carries wound yarn (6)
- 2 Girl's name (5)
- 3 Wash (clothes or money) (7)
- 5 Game bird – cower (5)
- 6 Belonging to a particular area (7)
- 7 Set alight (6)
- 8 What poultry get! (7,4)
- 14 (Ritually) tainted (7)
- 15 Receptacle for use with hand brush (7)
- 16 Entertained (6)

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