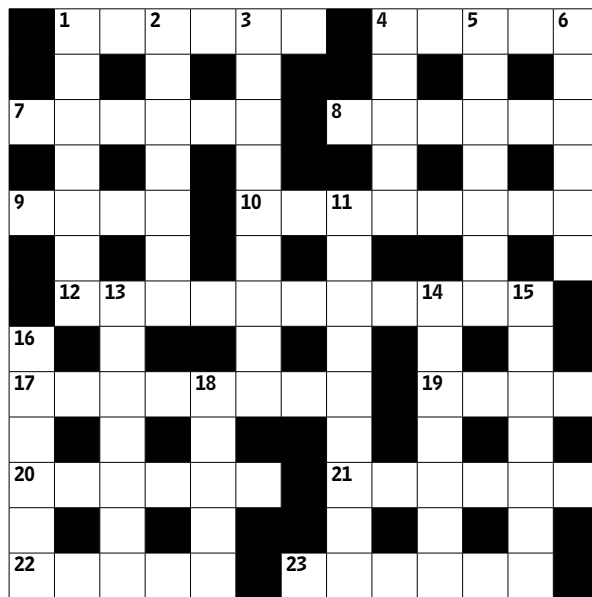


## SPEEDY CROSSWORD NO. 953



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### ACROSS

- 1 Religious teacher of 6th and 5th centuries BC (6)
- 4 Test, as ore (5)
- 7 Determined beforehand (6)
- 8 Colouring material used as a rough acid-base indicator (6)
- 9 Capital of Latvia (4)
- 10 Large estate in Spanish-speaking countries (8)
- 12 Not functioning properly; deranged (3,3,5)
- 17 Small rotating-winged aircraft (8)
- 19 Any loose flowing garment (4)
- 20 Change course (6)
- 21 Marine bird of prey (6)
- 22 Final approval (3-2)

### 23 Compensate for (6)

### DOWN

- 1 Filled tortilla (7)
- 2 Characteristic of or peculiar to a woman (7)
- 3 Turn in (3,3,3)
- 4 Excuse, in law (5)
- 5 Majorly influential (7)
- 6 Flunky (3-3)
- 11 Divide by means of a rope, tape, etc (6,3)
- 13 Ludicrous folly (7)
- 14 Stirrup? (anag) (7)
- 15 Cause the downfall of; undermine (7)
- 16 French sweet blackcurrant liqueur (6)
- 18 Small lizard (5)