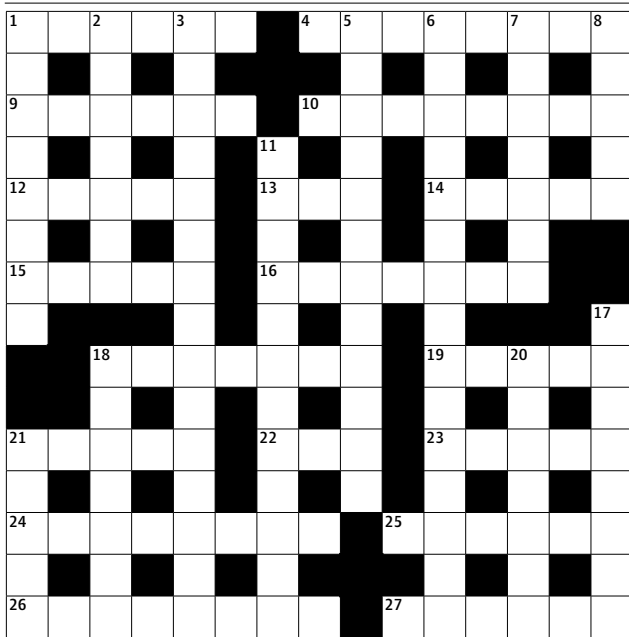


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,308 set by Tramp

## Across

- 1,25** The Germans stayed there? France joining messy towel wars around Torquay's borders (6,6)
- 4** Philosophical alternative to chicken comes first for intellectuals? (8)
- 9** Disturb please – on the contrary for kipper's state! (6)
- 10** First couple from Turner artist blocking the killing of animals in the name of art? (8)
- 12** Dentist's recommendation taking lead from fluoride deficiency (5)
- 13** Heart of "communication problem" – ultimately after a plan (3)
- 14** Explicit girl in Beatles' song heard with diamonds (5)
- 15** Bring back some relic, if use relates to a Muslim (5)
- 16** Home counties after place to put cultural extreme? (7)
- 18** Introductions to the builders with O'Reilly in the middle left one catchphrase of 1 25 for capital (7)
- 19** Dear left following favourite start to anniversary (5)
- 21** Animal cry in stable attack (5)
- 22** Remains after fire alarm sounded primarily by hotel (3)
- 23** Organised body, dead body – disposing of evidence at the start (5)
- 24** Pertwee's limits in Dr Who, perhaps: a touch of class well defined (8)
- 25** See 1
- 26** Heather's broken by one piece from McCartney: sex with bounds (8)
- 27** Partner would make super-market run if opening of tills moved to the earliest slot (6)

## Down

- 1** "Fluke" – Gordon's description encapsulating explosive fit? (8)
- 2,8** Leader of wedding party going inside Alan's little room for singles, initially, a lady almost gives classic order in 1 25 (7,5)
- 3** They almost managed it! Script has year to produce episode of 1 25 (3, 12)
- 5** Classic 1 25 straightening menu (not mad, insane): "Duck's off" (7,5)
- 6** Helicopters not flying south – surprise guests at 1 25 (5, 10)
- 7** January is colder, now and again, for outer part of ear (7)
- 8** See 2
- 11** What 21 down was in one 1 25 story – one story about a seal of approval (12)
- 17** Not much distance between spectators at either end: Celtic goes down at the start of extra time (5-3)
- 18** Draw smile from joiner in loft (3,4)
- 20** To make a further attempt to capture Polaris' top missile? (7)
- 21** Herb found in 1 25's kitchen? (5)

## Solution No. 25,307

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