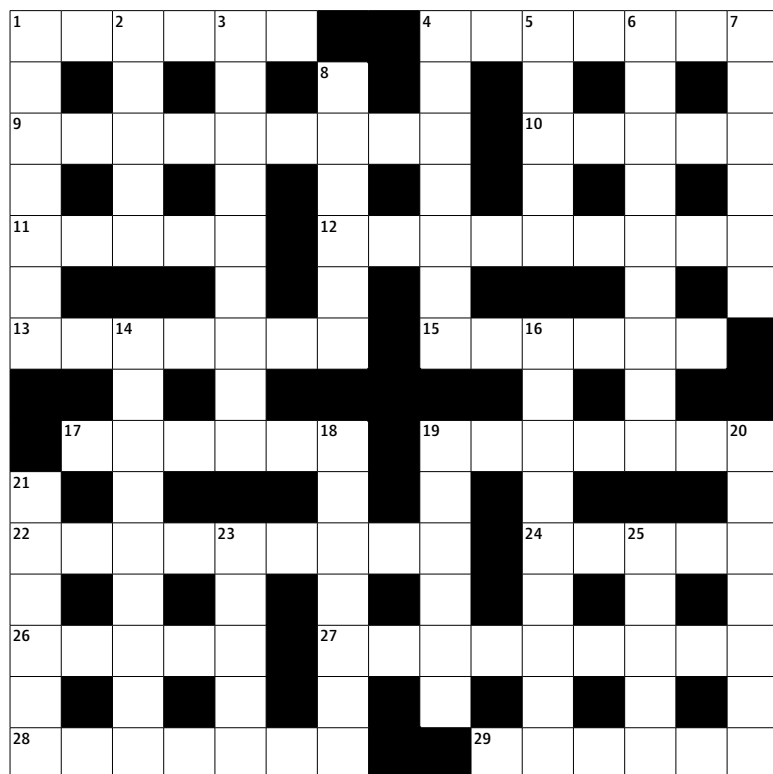


# Guardian cryptic crossword No 28,186 set by Qaos



15/7/2020: A typo in the 29 across clue has been corrected

**Across**

- 1 Prime Minister's penultimate press inquiry? Not so (6)
- 4 Creation of independent Great Britain stops crash (3,4)
- 9 Beer in can? That's a keeper (9)
- 10 Pressed oil with a bit of vitamin E from this (5)
- 11 Heads of vermin on mat? Incriminate the cat (5)
- 12 Fan of Spice Girl's biscuit? (6,3)
- 13 Sounds upset over special meeting (7)
- 15 Exhibits left onboard (6)
- 17 Completes building site at college (4,2)
- 19 He removes coats – hers are worn (7)
- 22 Horrible to behold: a book about Hamas extremists (9)
- 24 Cleans with powders (5)
- 26 German god, now retired, receives thanks (5)
- 27 According to Spooner, Toynbee cuts sweets (9)
- 28 Singers' covers on the radio (7)
- 29 Demolishes flats? (6)

**Down**

- 1 Hides from Shakespeare the

- origins of Cleopatra and Anthony in seven plays (7)
- 2 Mopes about in Surrey (5)
- 3 Wiring set circle in motion (9)
- 4 Boycott admires new openers like crazy (7)
- 5 Tory MP keeps Labour leader on hand (5)
- 6 One who turns away a relation in trouble? (9)
- 7 Visitors blast around top exhibition on Sunday (6)
- 8 Amazing goals! Newcastle's first catchphrase (6)
- 14 Lumbar puncture for American applicants, annoyed when giving up cocaine (6,3)
- 16 Finished going up road, I have top gear (9)
- 18 Nations sleep badly – overwork? (7)
- 19 English students enter text on perfumes (6)
- 20 Takes test again about society's struggles (7)
- 21 Start to float down river? (6)
- 23 Ancient enclosure for chicken raising, say (5)
- 25 Gem traced using Stoke-on-Trent city postcode (5)

Solution No. 28,185

