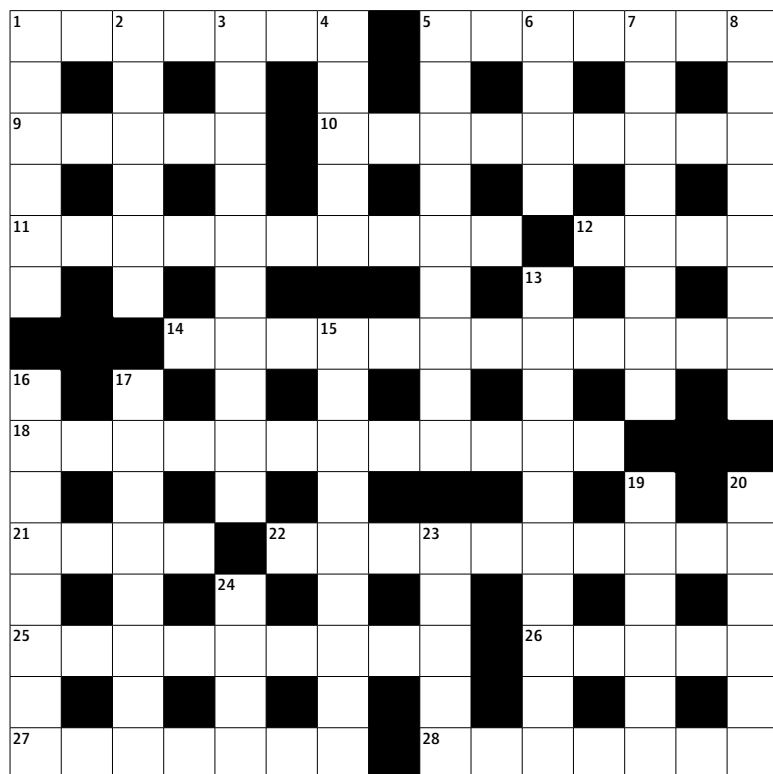


Guardian cryptic crossword No 30,027 set by Vulcan



Across

- 1 Relaxing, interval nearly complete (7)
- 5 Workman is good but not so hard-working (7)
- 9 Fish kingfisher finally caught in beak (5)
- 10 Shrank, offered another freebie? (9)
- 11 Here's the state of play: having small heart, pig died (10)
- 12 Incline to be thin (4)
- 14 Free cabs sent out for patron (12)
- 18 Device held by police, the barrel say trembling (12)
- 21 Mass of people in lorry, the first to leave (4)
- 22 One in line to become queen was accepted, with knight on hand (6,4)
- 25 Time is all wrong for this marketing tool (5,4)
- 26 For one, count boxing as such an art? (5)
- 27 Be keen to fetch range round, for here? (7)
- 28 Horse meat baked in pastry, plain (7)
- 4 Piece of music popular gospeller introduces (5)
- 5 Greet day for moving and prepares (4,5)
- 6 A sigh of relief heard, not many (1,3)
- 7 Being so placed is nothing to your credit (2,3,3)
- 8 Bad manners of English in undress, playing (8)
- 13 Towards end of evening, jig around gate (10)
- 15 Effusion from armies regularly upset people (9)
- 16 Taxi from Greece not realistic initially for computer obsessive (8)
- 17 Liking to write a melody (8)
- 19 Letter from prosecutor supporting one simply innocent (6)
- 20 Definitely denied being replaced (6)
- 23 An exercise for you - don't go to bed (3-2)
- 24 Balderdash, lies and hooey from the start (4)

Down

- 1 Strong or, when knocked over, broken (6)
- 2 Miss this musical (6)
- 3 Irregular force that may be out at night (5,5)

Solution No. 30,020

