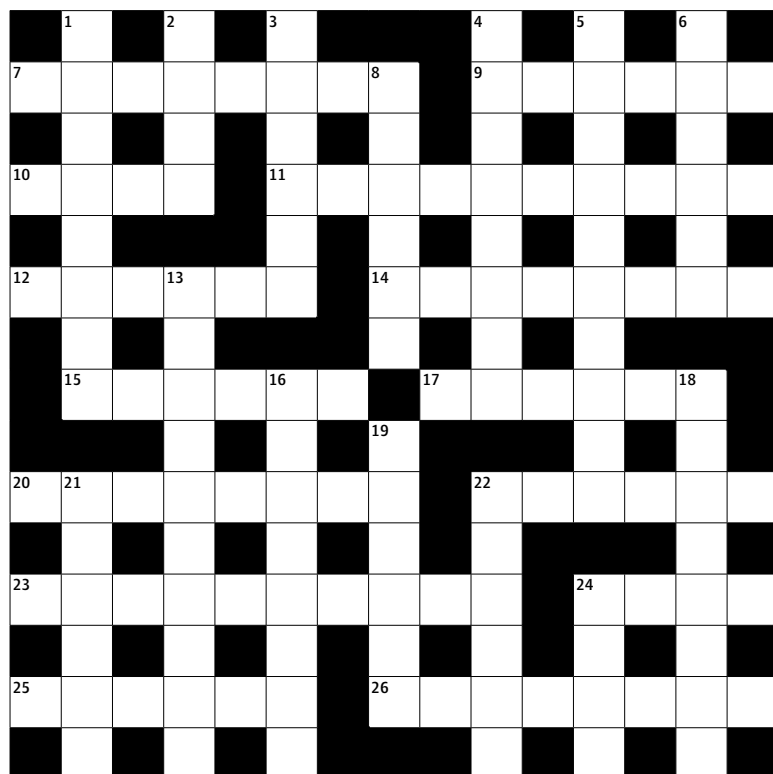


## Guardian cryptic crossword No 30,101 set by Fed



### Across

- 7** A better plan - finally - to stop game hunters (4,4)  
**9** Bears controlling hunger - they eat carrion (6)  
**10** Crew fitting angle brackets (4)  
**11** Just dread spending days working in dark (10)  
**12** Rogue bully by boxing ring (6)  
**14** Two nurses ignoring half of my request (8)  
**15/17** Become the best by baking bread or a little rock cake (5,1,6)  
**20** Watches musical's opening night - that's when these things shine! (4-4)  
**22** Live in Le Mans - and the VW? (6)  
**23** Cartoon dog bites old woman clutching cat food in tins? (4,6)  
**24** Large hole in one tie (4)  
**25** Part of stag party in strip club getting wrecked in just seconds (6)  
**26** Drive a good line in test of acceleration (4,4)

### Down

- 1** Combat manoeuvres - keeping watch regularly in caves? (8)  
**2** Tight biceps after lifting (4)  
**3/16** Question weaker body? Try exercising. (One probably sits with a computer all day) (6,8)  
**4/22** This suggests he took bat for discipline (5,3,4,2)

**5** Imagine taking group of drivers north on M1 to see Coral's relative? (3,7)

**6** Keep everything in pathetic pocketbook (6)

**8/19** Tesla isn't working with NYC borough (6,6)

**13** Mother might express this clumsily - be smart and kind (6,4)

**16** See 3

**18** Refinement represented Cecil Day ... (8)

**19** See 8

**21** ... Lewis's character - conclusively yet obliquely (6)

**22** See 4

**24** Decide to swap hands and draw (4)

Solution No. 30,100

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