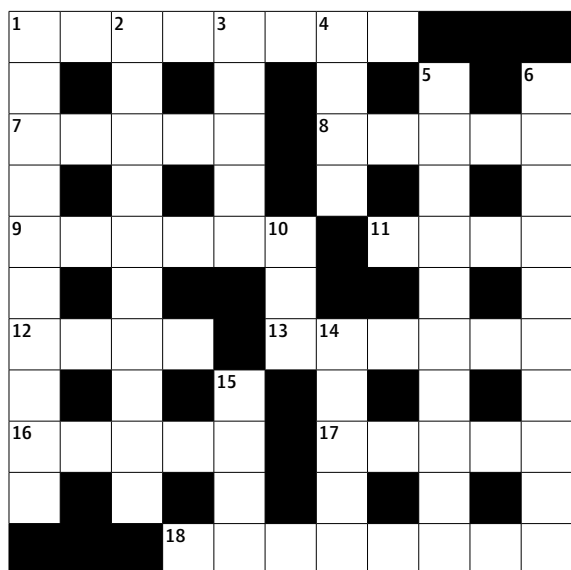


Guardian quick cryptic crossword

No 116 set by Chandler



Across

- 1 Ray comes out to see tree (8)
- 7 By the sound of it, increased reaction to a pun? (5)
- 8 Heads for protection at refuge keeping again windproof jacket (5)
- 9 Clara's disturbed scoundrel (6)
- 11 Join fool in audience (4)
- 12 Piece of fitted equipment? French article is linked to it (4)
- 13 Set of clothing I treat differently (6)
- 16 Proper crease, we're told (5)
- 17 Regulation right for item of stationery (5)
- 18 Accent by journalist is emphasised (8)

Down

- 1 Surplus mag reviewed possible additions to tea? (5,5)
- 2 Cuts moments for eating accessories? (10)

3 Chap on island with a preoccupation (5)

4 First signs of raspberries in punnets essentially ready to eat (4)

5 Beliefs leading teachers articulated (10)

6 Tact glider deployed to get cover put on a ditch (6,4)

10 At the outset, learner explores another meadow (3)

14 Brief steer requiring modification (5)

15 Stand by load to be picked up (4)

TODAY'S TRICKS Clues begin or end with a definition of the answer. The rest is one of these:

Anagram Anagram of answer and hint that there's an anagram

'Senator arranged crime (7)' gives TREASON

Charade Combination of synonyms/abbrevs

'Qualify to get drink for ID (8)' gives PASSPORT (pass + port)

Soundlike Something that sounds like answer

'Excited, Oscar's announced (4)' gives WILD

Acrostic First letters of answer

'Initially get a good joke (3)' gives GAG

Solution no 116

