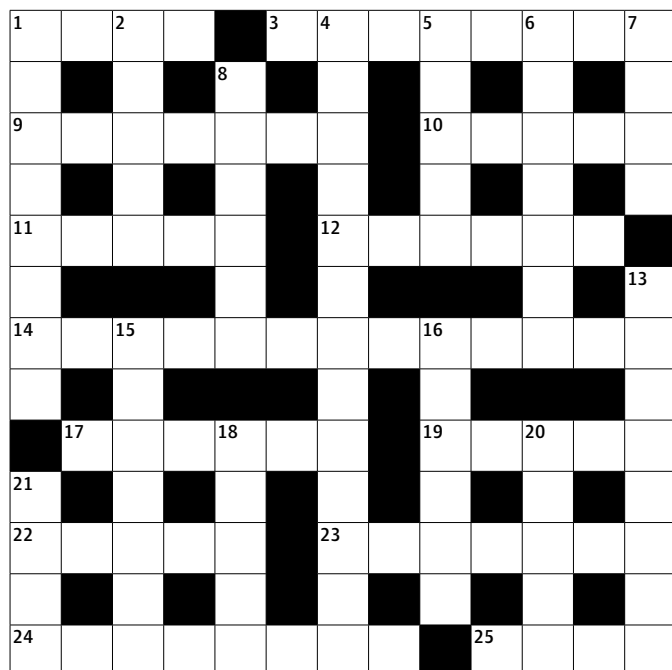


Quick crossword no 17,523



Across

- 1** 'I will show you fear in a handful of ___' (*The Waste Land*) (4)
3 Wrestling hold - barber's instrument (8)
9 Third letter of the Nato alphabet (7)
10 E Asian republic (5)
11 Sooty's friend - chimney worker (5)
12 Of the countryside (6)
14 Unharméd (3,2,3,5)
17 Sophisticated evening gathering (6)
19 Assistance in climbing a wall (3-2)
22 Constellation with a 'belt' (5)
23 On the line (2,5)
24 Test cricket series (3,5)
25 Unit of heredity (4)

Down

- 1** Part-fact, part-fiction TV (8)
2 Nuance - ghost - bulb protection (5)
4 Where you can find a bargain (9,4)
5 Clinton cat - footwear (5)
6 Nostril, eg (7)
7 Stamp - sometimes earless mammal (4)

- 8** Easily donned, like some shoes (4-2)
13 Be asleep (anag) - creamy Italian cheese (3,5)
15 Like the king of the jungle (7)
16 From Gdańsk, eg (6)
18 Ladder steps (5)
20 Crystallised, like some cherries (5)
21 Usain - what he does (4)

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