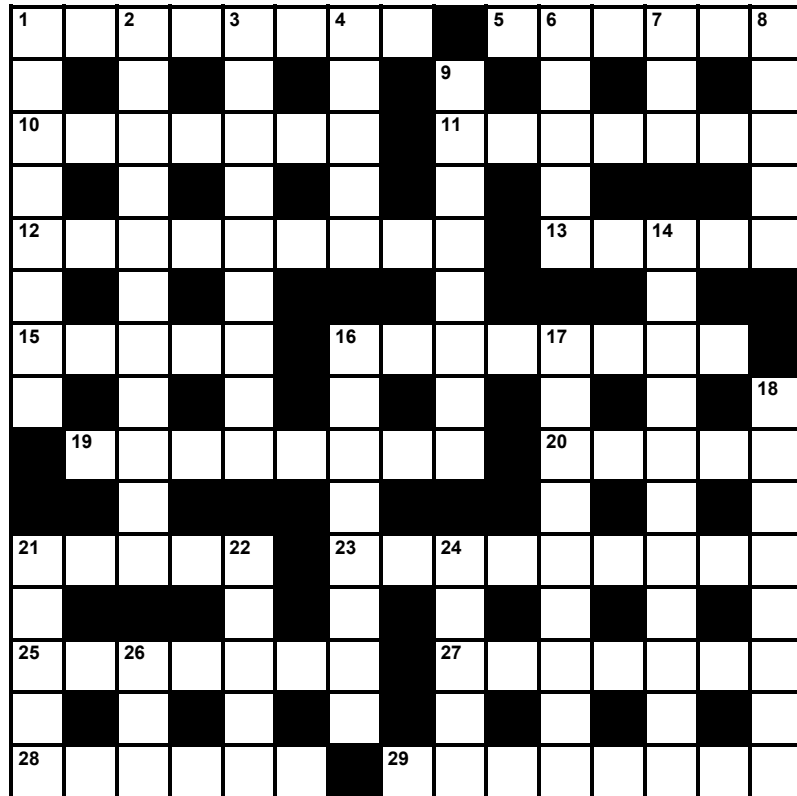


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Across

- 1 Child's companion usually acts worried after meal begins (8)
- 5 Helping small figure work (6)
- 10 Chicken restaurant proprietor apparently working outside for ages (2,3,2)
- 11 Feel irritation, without enough energy to have increased strength (2,3,2)
- 12 Old barrister initially getting retainer dutifully following the code (9)
- 13 Cutter essential to gondola services (5)
- 15 Taps into mineral's colour (5)
- 16 Smells small swimmers (8)
- 19 Disapproving one aboard ship doesn't speak clearly (8)
- 20 FIFA boss laid bare by drink (5)
- 21 Gives up getting these on Route 66 (5)
- 23 Reckless independent politician found with dirty books (9)
- 25 For India, catastrophe at nearly -18C (2,3,2)
- 27 With very poor visibility westwards, back beginner's attempt (2,3,2)
- 28 Reveal seed casings dropping down into river (6)
- 29 Aim to include cul-de-sac inserted (8)

Down

- 1 Diplomatic courtesy requires early form of saddle (8)
- 2 Number Ten aces a hit reshuffle (11)
- 3 Government department wanting Hemingway's latest (9)
- 4 Ancient dress enthralled northern country (5)
- 6 Irish county not all waste (5)
- 7 Lascivious wife leaving, having come first (3)
- 8 Soft copy better in the end as hard copy (5)
- 9 Australian bishop having complete scorn initially for *Neighbours* (8)
- 14 Loves divers finally finding all sorts of creative activity underwater (11)
- 16 Southern man plays the guitar for county officials (8)
- 17 Rainbow-hued centres of chocolate honouring helpfulness (9)
- 18 Having eliminated resistance, began again and said the same thing (8)
- 21 Weapon provided in joint lacking electricity (5)
- 22 Teams of messengers I despatch (5)
- 24 Architect's joke about soldier (5)
- 26 A record height (3)