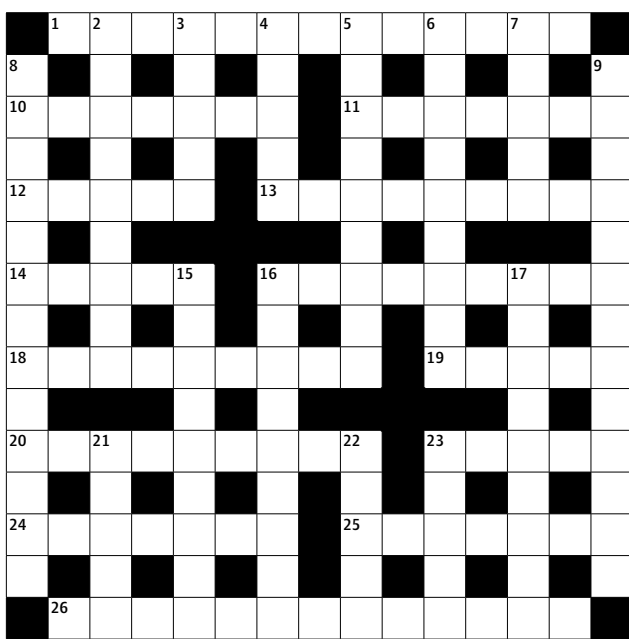


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 1** Following a trend, but not very well (5,1,7)
10 Shakespearean husband has old relationship (7)
11 Rush back to one in German part payment (5-2)
12 A bird in Egypt? (5)
13 They can give a sharp bite – between the eyes? (9)
14 In time soldier gives consent (5)
16 An initially rude, tiresome person's to stomach botanical garden (9)
18 Incorrect speed estimate is reckless (9)
19 Naive politician (5)
20 Assailant injured dogs (9)
23 Drain into small vessel (5)
24 Audience sees solicitor grasping vessel (7)
25 A giant's unsettled? That's touching! (7)
26 Travel when retaining rope is untied (13)

Down

- 2** Pyrotechnics inspire artistic pieces (9)
3 Had a meal without beginning to tidy up (5)
4 A pudding turned cold (5)
5 Expert takes in officer with time? That can be changed! (9)

- 6** Discover ruffian keeps right in front of the fire (9)
7 A sample of the Globe's exhibition stout (5)
8 Can an adept, shy engineer be so very shoddy? (5,3,5)
9 Less than 50% are popular with those under age (2,3,8)
15 Conductor designate went by car (9)
16 A graduate's coming in to rework stone (9)
17 Kate amazingly triumphed over cheat in martial art (3,4,2)
21 Confident in grabbing girl in stream (5)
22 Son gets hurt in the country (5)
23 Well turned-out NCO's skill (5)

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