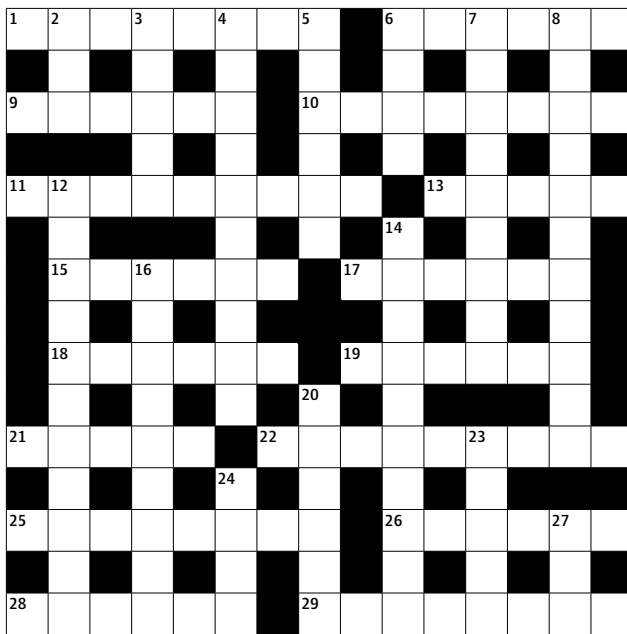


## Guardian cryptic crossword



No 27,140 set by Puck

### Across

- 1 Non-interventionist passes away (5-3)  
 6 Makes ready for use again in harder, heartless round (6)  
 9 Radio set, model 23 (6)  
 10 Pontiff backing even bits of polemical epic poem (8)  
 11 Those not shocked as youths rudely kiss hand holding tablet (9)  
 13 Whisper behind a hand? (5)  
 15 Lower gas number (6)  
 17 It's a chore, acting as linesman (6)  
 18 Come to a vigil before noon (6)  
 19 Traps for plumber repairing sunbed (1-5)  
 21 A number of hands up this jumper? (5)  
 22 Firing one that's eating out (9)  
 25 Saying Oprah broadcast, one feminist title recalled (8)  
 26 Some began onanism around a period of immaturity (6)  
 28 Lives in Dutch city (6)  
 29 Lamb? Try it without salt, initially (8)

### Down

- 2 Hand in answer papers (3)  
 3 Like some clues with "hand" in? Go to Davy Jones's locker (5)  
 4 Not upset by female going both ways in 15 regions, honest! (2,3,5)  
 5 Some song and dance as roguish hand ends up under jumper (6)  
 6 Hand finishing under jumper makes one cross (4)  
 7 Hand between two points under jumper? Pond life! (9)  
 8 She possibly reports hand straying after American leaves for Italy (5,6)  
 12 Plant hand under jumper (8,3)  
 14 Bosses putting hand under jumper? (3,7)  
 16 Type of fun guy reportedly got putting hand under jumpers as well (9)  
 20 Hand in this jumper, perhaps, clammier after stripping off (6)  
 23 Useful hockey sides (5)  
 24 Express disapproval as hand is seen stroking tops (4)  
 27 Talk cut short (3)



Solution No. 27,139

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