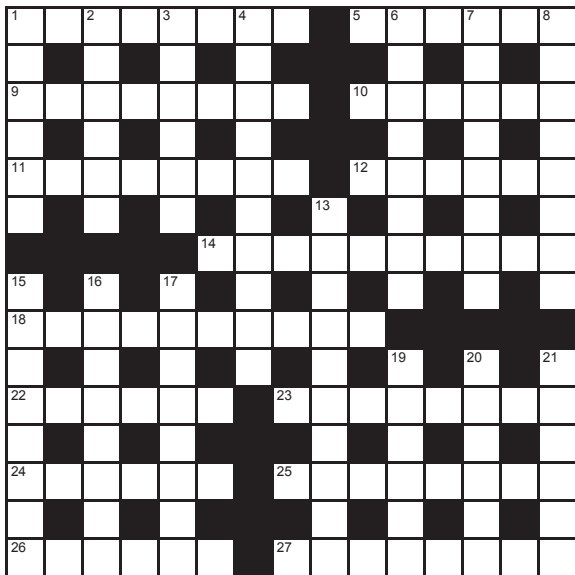


# MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 14,518 Set by CRUX



A prize of The Good Word Guide by Martin Manser and How to Sound Clever by Hubert van den Bergh will be awarded for the first correct solution opened. Solutions by Wednesday January 22, marked Monday Prize Crossword 14,518 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday January 27.

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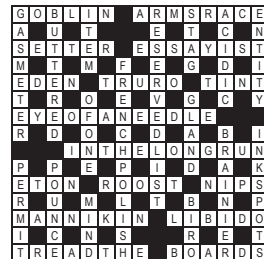
- 1 Final couples in twist are dancing with vigour (8)
- 5 Little bird is found inside hide! (6)
- 9 Deserter gets a job making tea (8)
- 10 With it the navy follows procedure (6)
- 11 Cut in insurance to think about (4,4)
- 12 Silver in colour, like 8 (6)
- 14 Where alcohol is kept locked up (6,4)
- 18 High water content of sprout diet, perhaps (6,4)
- 22 Pakistan certainly takes this position when batting (6)
- 23 Wave around one's breakfast bowl? (8)
- 24 Extract not allowed on the radio (6)
- 25 Like a match held in the dark, no doubt (8)
- 26 Three central locations could give you the lead (6)
- 27 Processions take a long time in 8 (8)

## DOWN

- 1 Rare shock when Conservative gets in (6)
- 2 Greek island with extremely rich poetry (6)
- 3 Vague idea of a negative particle (6)

- 4 Test hatched ruined, losing seconds – fatally! (2,3,5)
- 6 Presswoman at No 10, once? (4,4)
- 7 Support aim to stop strikes, essentially (4,4)
- 8 Stuff may be associated with this rubbish (8)
- 13 Doctor recalled in rags-to-riches tale (10)
- 15 Possibly easiest one, in my opinion (2,1,3,2)
- 16 Arrange to show time, not key, like this musician (8)
- 17 Still popular stage show I've taken on (8)
- 19 Repeat call before admitting sergeant (6)
- 20 Substitute not quite satisfying hunger (4-2)
- 21 Slides or photographs, say (6)

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The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on January 25