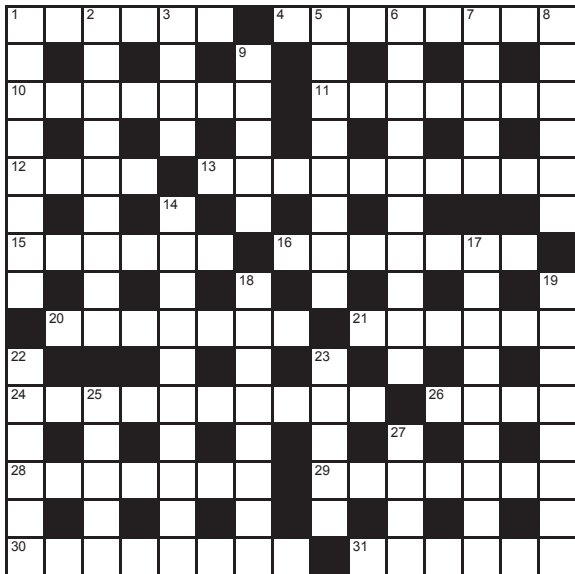


# MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 14,542 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 February 19, marked Monday Prize Crossword 14,542 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday February 24.

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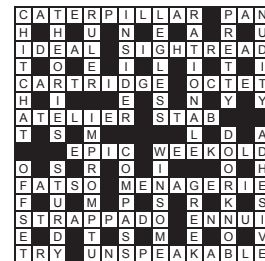
- 1 She was wise to sunbathe naked – just a bit (6)
- 4 What lazybones might say, as a pagan (8)
- 10 The generosity shown by great saints (7)
- 11 A tunnel shaped like a small ring (7)
- 12 Wreck of a car in pile-up (4)
- 13 Persevere, without lawyers, to expose media mogul (5,5)
- 15 No sailor returned without one share (6)
- 16 Third-rate fight once appreciated by the penniless (4,3)
- 20 Heartless cashier alters moneys paid in (7)
- 21 Stop perspiration showing inside expensive hat (6)
- 24 Cause great confusion with identical speeds at sea? (3,2,5)
- 26 A part of Thailand formerly located here (4)
- 28 Hide in middle of desert island (7)
- 29 Ring-master to retrain as a conductor (7)
- 30 Feature of seawater that's 51, within reason (8)
- 31 Paper used to make up lies? (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Nothing missing, being quite astute (3,5)
- 2 Life in the future, present and past (9)
- 3 Heads of Nato offer everyone leave for Christmas (4)
- 5 Army sniper and (reversed) how he met his match! (4,4)

- 6 Pine handcart discovered in ancient burial site (4,6)
- 7 Thatcher saw him as the competition (5)
- 8 Sailor's rocket (6)
- 9 Euros, oddly, support American addicts (5)
- 14 Two-thirds gin mixed with lemonade in ideal proportions (6,4)
- 17 They're supposed to attract rich and poor, for instance (9)
- 18 Most petrified girl imprisoned by crazy Tess (8)
- 19 Some phone numbers are a hidden message (4,4)
- 22 Assist in motion or its opposite (6)
- 23 Puzzle an axeman would leave behind (5)
- 25 Extra large is said to be better (5)
- 27 A beautiful fairy spells endless danger (4)

SOLUTION 14,530



The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on February 22