

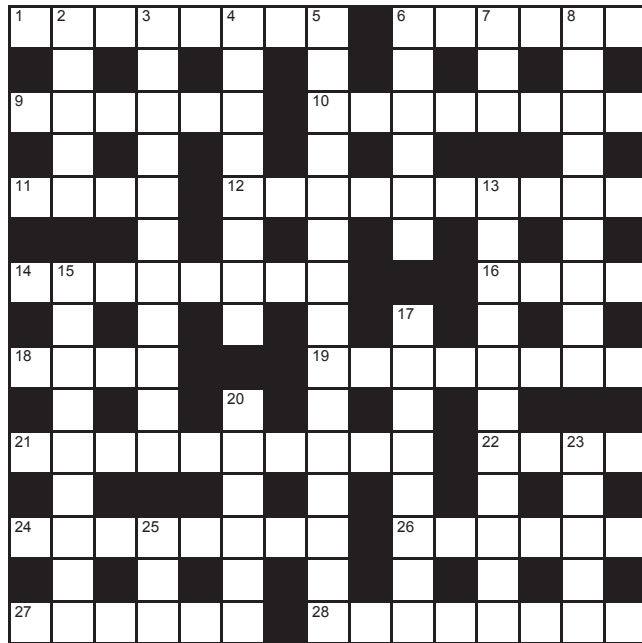
Crossword 16,924 Set by Mudd

ACROSS

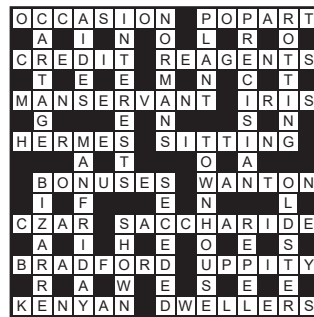
- 1** Vexed, surrender weapon (8)
6 Walk or go by bike on street (6)
9 Composite artistic work in Valencia so magnificent, on reflection (6)
10 Slow – and slimy? (8)
11 Show element (4)
12 Laughing thief in prison, similarly half-cut? (10)
14 Part of Christmas dinner down inside sofa, perhaps? (8)
16 Cart in enclosed space pulled backwards (4)
18 Hindu queen fled India (4)
19 Good Kenya has moved to seize old ivory (5,3)
21 Important brief, successful (4-6)
22 Father cut head (4)
24 One male dressed in new suit, sweet (8)
26 Chef's ability with receptacle inspiring people (6)
27 Steal piece of music (6)
28 Food eaten, calorific for old actress (8)

DOWN

- 2** Run perfect for European runner (5)
3 Distant platform for sole trader? (5-6)
4 Defender's leg slower when playing ball? (8)
5 Cleaner dog held up by his in-law, barking, given something to chew on (7-2,6)
6 Oh well, those pea pods are empty (6)
7 Cloth in fashion, briefly (3)
8 Free time needed after reworking of design (9)
13 Blooming thing, Edward II's murder weapon? (3-3,5)
15 Custom ain't right: do it differently (9)
17 Real story about rise of great name (8)
20 Present carrier, butcher reportedly? (6)
23 Cordial note (5)
25 Soldier in Vietnam sent the wrong way (3)



Solution 16,923



Solution 16,912

