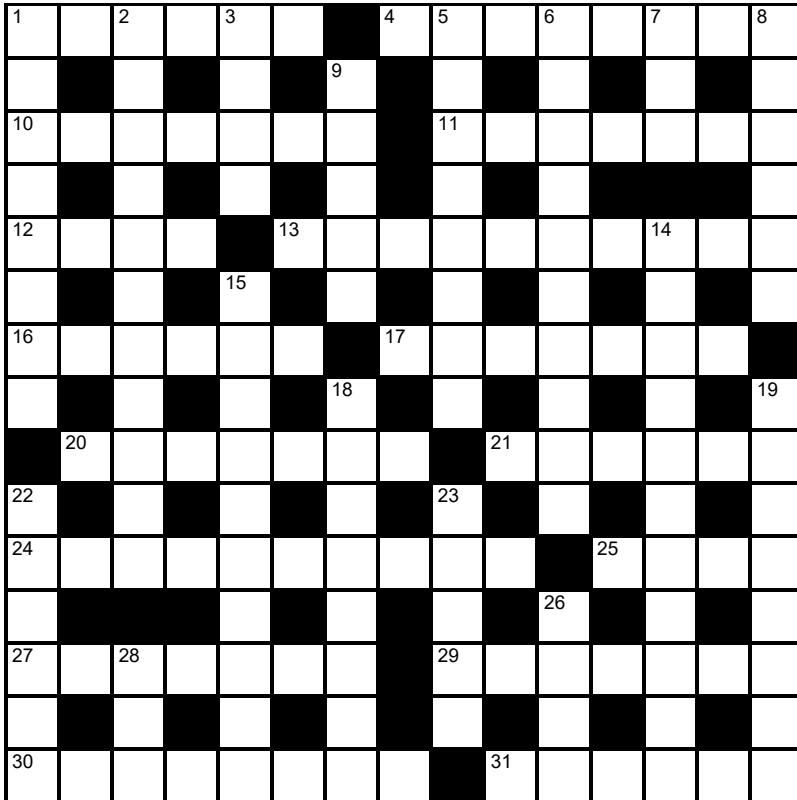


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Solution 17,465



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ACROSS

- 1 Prime minister did as well as possible in reversing split (6)
- 4 Degree opens up ways of comparing masses of material? (8)
- 10 Less sophisticated company behind opening of restaurant (7)
- 11 Work in stone of woman holding child (7)
- 12 They produce wool and milk reportedly (4)
- 13 Tailors costumes around lives? (10)
- 16 Two seconds encapsulating recording that's essential to listener (6)
- 17 Worry fresh restriction's not introduced (7)
- 20 Understanding seen in entertainment when repeated (7)
- 21 Vigorously attack case for effeminate facial hair (6)
- 24 Banality is represented in a way that cries out for more? (10)
- 25 Advance payment needed having separated from divorced wife and daughter (4)
- 27 Express dissatisfaction with card player's punishment (7)
- 29 Cutting response connected with current job cuts (7)
- 30 Tree developed tiny nuts forever (8)
- 31 Trustworthy bridesmaid holds cross (6)

DOWN

- 1 Contract passing on introduction of rent charges (8)
- 2 Women with defensible positions each enlist a criminal (11)
- 3 I'm indifferent about introduction of social network (4)
- 5 Let in Grant and Edward (8)
- 6 Arrogance is something one takes for granted (10)
- 7 French city reportedly has sufficient power (3)
- 8 Harry Styles is as foxy as can be! (6)
- 9 EU measure abruptly elevated dispute (5)
- 14 Surveyor's vessel protected by small warship (11)
- 15 Dull person who takes steps to progress (10)
- 18 Dull person attracted to the opposite sex (8)
- 19 Red Guards never tortured clergyman (8)
- 22 Wicked sailor cracks on (6)
- 23 Warning of change with temperature dropping (5)
- 26 Active and lively resistance breaks agent (4)
- 28 Prime factors of longer number with no prime factors (3)