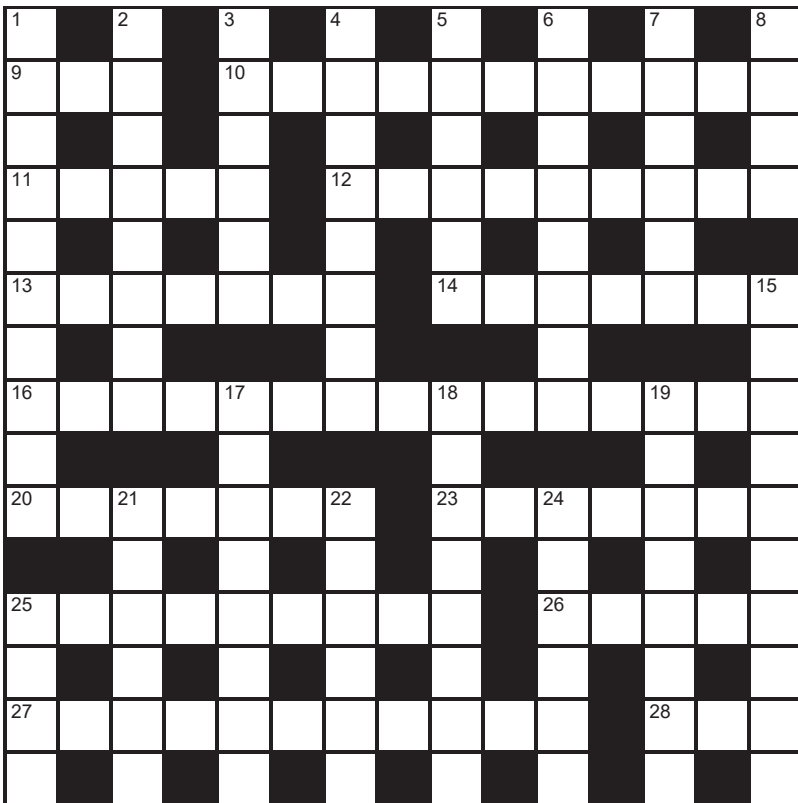


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## JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 9 For example, camper's short blade (3)
- 10 Flying, travel to Rio for opera (2,9)
- 11 Price daughter considered (5)
- 12 Firm action needed if joke blue (9)
- 13 Warm weather Malaga enjoys (7)
- 14 Who killed Cock Robin with extremely sharp weapon? (7)
- 16 This may follow the news supplied by worried software teacher (7,8)
- 20 Rugby: tense win for county (7)
- 23 Extend prison term (7)
- 25 Chapter on a deal I worked out for Scotland (9)
- 26 Famous Egyptologist has no time for support worker (5)
- 27 Dish — nuts left in mine (6,5)
- 28 Mischievous child of eleven, German (3)

### DOWN

- 1 Black market commodity — keep in distant retreat (5,5)
- 2 Object of loathing, the Frenchman after an article on Algeria's leader (8)
- 3 Is party, last in referendum, after women's knowledge? (6)
- 4 Singular person who amuses perfectionist (8)
- 5 Otherwise surrounded by extensive swamp (6)
- 6 Dismiss people in gala event (4,4)
- 7 Keep award (6)
- 8 Spiteful, chaps concealing answer (4)
- 15 With it, church councillor behind sorcery (10)
- 17 Billboard showing former US president holding disc (8)
- 18 Old boy's lie about Charlie's handicap (8)
- 19 Lawyer working on treaty (8)
- 21 Special gift Capone put in marquee (6)
- 22 A knight entertained by very attractive person from Copenhagen? (6)
- 24 List on location read out (6)
- 25 Apprentice reporter on a Caribbean island (4)