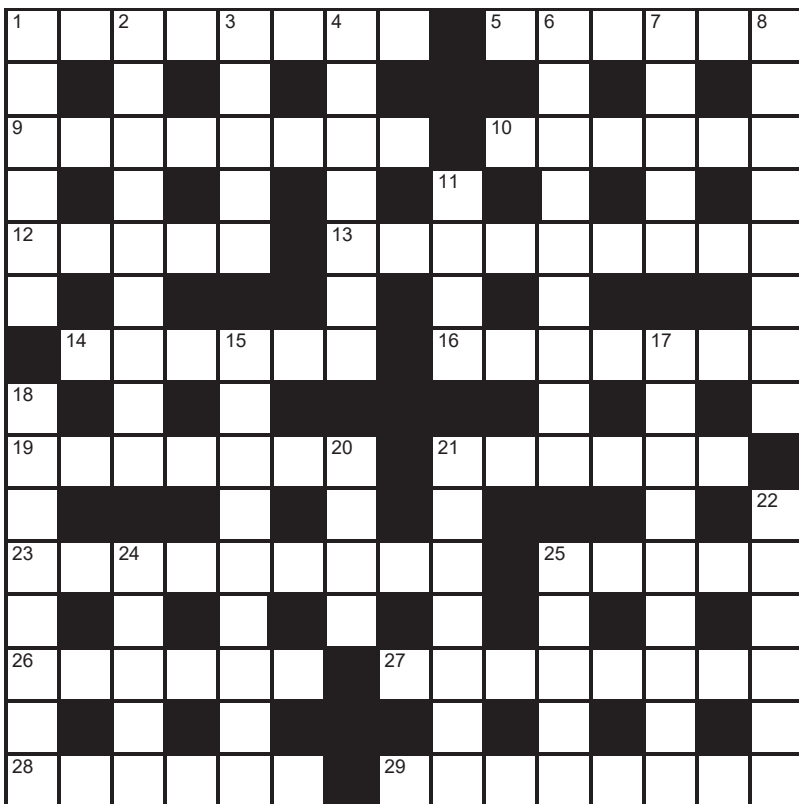


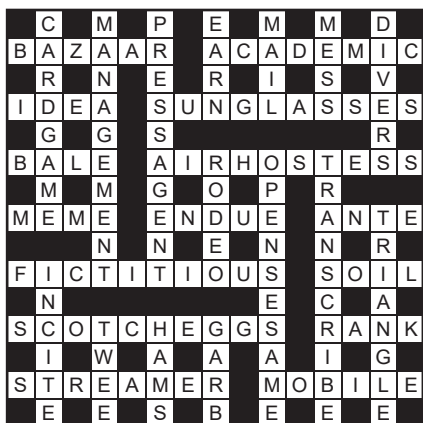
CROSSWORD No 17,665 by PETO



ACROSS

- 1 Giuliani not quite taken in by former VP's circumspection (8)
- 5 Reprimand helping to make Oscar petrified (6)
- 9 Head of investigation looking into cruel DI's broken rib (8)
- 10 Author of legal document meeting Nehru regularly (6)
- 12 Record single about maintaining resistance (5)
- 13 Highly specialised subjects in essentially impressive books by Heather (9)
- 14 Humble clergyman touring Maine (6)
- 16 Take up space with orthopedic device (7)
- 19 Finished with Henry during a low point (7)
- 21 Nasty smell coming from piece of salty fish (6)
- 23 Canaries flying around island cause a commotion (5,4)
- 25 Amusing for Latin master in retirement (5)
- 26 Incarnation of Virginia stabbing key informer from behind (6)
- 27 Being king in Niger and capital of Gabon somehow (8)
- 28 Worry throughout attempt to create international agreement (6)
- 29 Rebel overwhelmed by negative effect of Baudelaire perhaps (8)

Solution 17,663



JOTTER PAD

DOWN

- 1 Left with concern Verdi oddly dismissed (6)
- 2 Hidden behind Don's vest maybe (9)
- 3 Be better without the Spanish clubs entering (5)
- 4 Pass by fellow hugging English girl in Cork (7)
- 6 A largely new island retreat is to one's liking (9)
- 7 Place Italian uplifted with cherubic representations (5)
- 8 Cow getting most of the clover finally polished off (8)
- 11 European author's gripping last novel (4)
- 15 In high spirits as former partner and unionist exchange banter (9)
- 17 Recluse finding source of security at internet location? Not initially (9)
- 18 Beginning to accept Norm in the main role (4,4)
- 20 Energy obtained eating a nut (4)
- 21 Seeing that about being genuine (7)
- 22 Small deposits ultimately worthless (6)
- 24 Furious when letter on Religious Instruction is returned (5)
- 25 Belief in an idol brought up by mum (5)



Scan the QR code to access FT crosswords over the last 30 days — cryptic, Polymath, Weekend and Sunday puzzles — or go to ft.com/crosswordapp