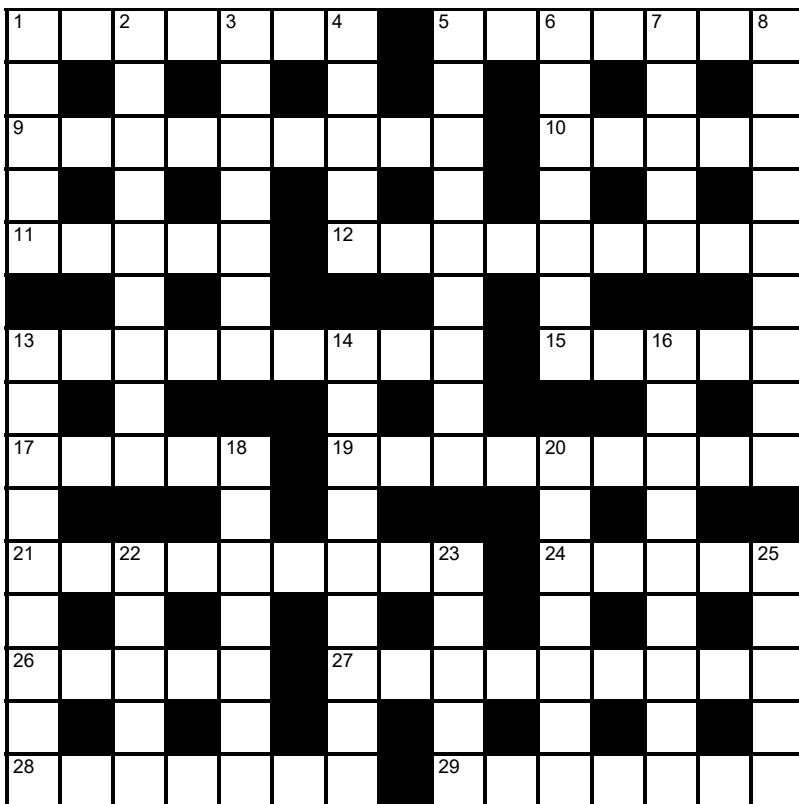


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## JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 1 Can these exercises hurt? Ultimately, yes (7)
- 5 Six hundred promissory notes? That's brutal! (7)
- 9 Both sides on vehicle (9)
- 10 White tray containing fish (5)
- 11 The Three Amigos say 'time to wear hat' (5)
- 12 Creator of Superman zine mingling with the leaders of science-fiction comics (9)
- 13 Carry one who's lying, or who's just got up? (9)
- 15 Get out of town and head to Russia, leaving country (2,3)
- 17 Solomon had managed to get wasted (5)
- 19 Tasty coulis I'd blended with the end of pestle (9)
- 21 Tiger seen jumping into lion's territory? (9)
- 24 Charming old lady rolling small cigarette (5)
- 26 Jump topless for a little bit (5)
- 27 Where lexicographer might put doner kebab that's not ready (9)
- 28 Cowboy could become depressed after breaking up (7)
- 29 Characters shaken, hit by a horse (7)

### DOWN

- 1 Trial of one involved in conspiracy (5)
- 2 Naked and bearing gold, King Cole violated rule (2,7)
- 3 Gathering mist gathered on top (7)
- 4 Son put on uniform that's considered lucky (5)
- 5 Spinal Tap interminably playing with verb at the end of dial (9)
- 6 Start to cultivate relations with one meditative resident (7)
- 7 Hope he got rid of spasm of the eye (5)
- 8 Following Euros' final, Harry Kane scrutinises crap score (5,4)
- 13 Sweet treat from Cornwall, perhaps, is second on list (5,4)
- 14 Money invested in topiary, whimsically, by duke (5,4)
- 16 Dress or gown with red hood? (9)
- 18 He gives a moving performance and cycles Parisian streets backwards (7)
- 20 Cold mountainous region in the north-west? (7)
- 22 Revive Frenchman with whiskey (5)
- 23 Home help returning in a state (5)
- 25 Off-white top (5)