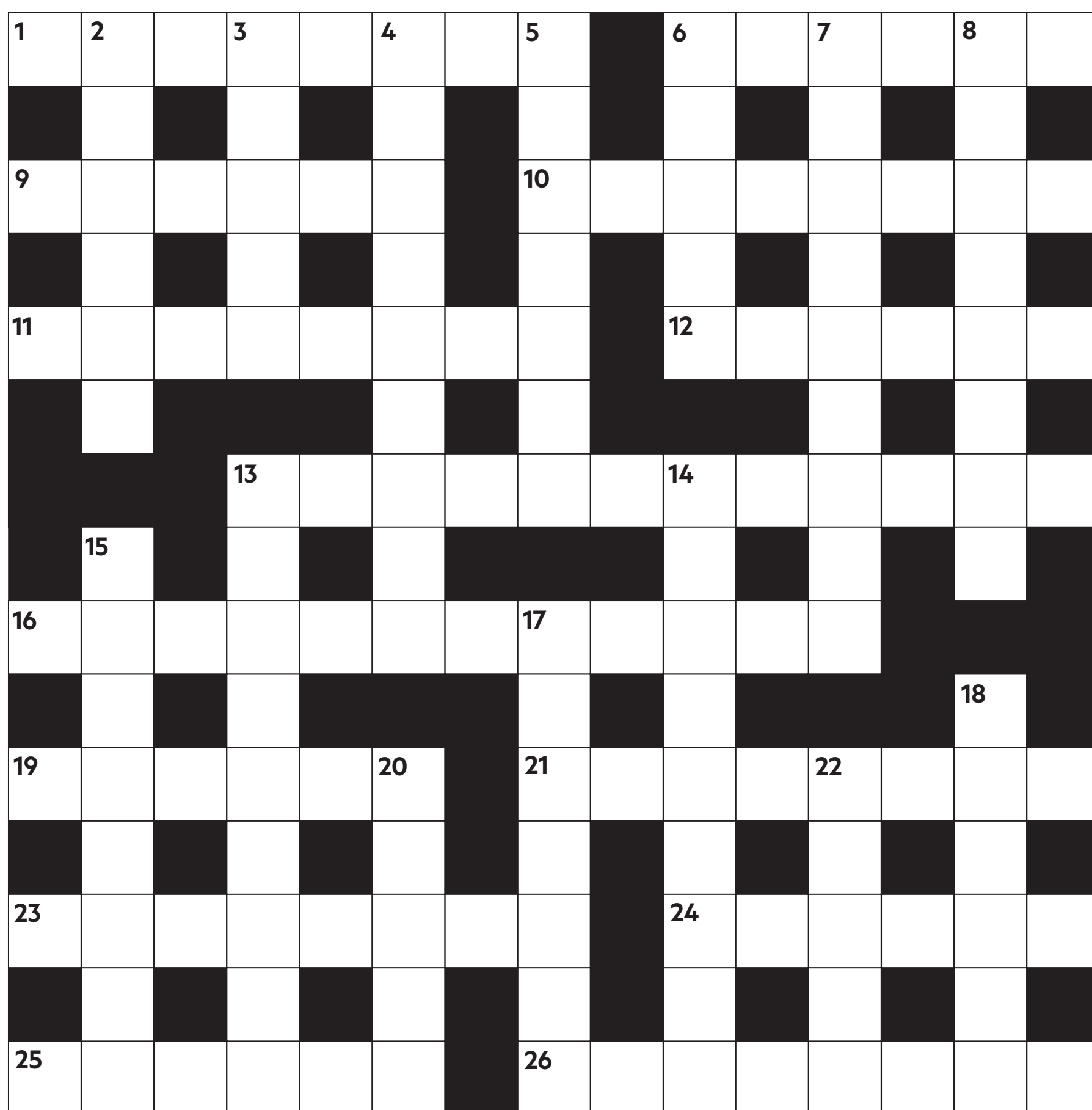


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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic. Eggs have been hidden in five Down answers and are ignored in the cryptic wordplay of those clues.

ACROSS

- 1** Long-legged tropical wading bird (8)
- 6** Lithe, nimble (6)
- 9** Lowest part (6)
- 10** Went forward, progressed (8)
- 11** Benjamin ____, Victorian PM (8)
- 12** Unimportant facts (6)
- 13** Upper-class young woman of the 80s (6, 6)
- 16** Unruliness, defiance (12)
- 19** Write untidily (6)
- 21** Dedication, love (8)
- 23** Not mandatory (8)
- 24** Sikh headwear (6)
- 25** Spiritualist session (6)
- 26** Imperil (8)

DOWN

- 2** Opportunity for family card game, at first (4-2)
- 3** Vehicle test on alternative car (5)
- 4** First among cardinals – me! (6, 3)
- 5** 4 rose after time for applause (7)
- 6** Green tops of lettuce trimmed (5)
- 7** Feeling nice and tense, oddly (9)
- 8** Wrong indeed – so unbalanced (3-5)
- 13** European king slain horribly (9)
- 14** Restored tender that's broken (9)
- 15** Student record with one exercise left inside (8)
- 17** Spoil popular drawing initially with glue, perhaps (7)
- 18** Herb, for example, climbs under centre of trellis (6)
- 20** Old spear grasped by tribal ancestor (5)
- 22** Go around one European city (5)

Solution 532

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