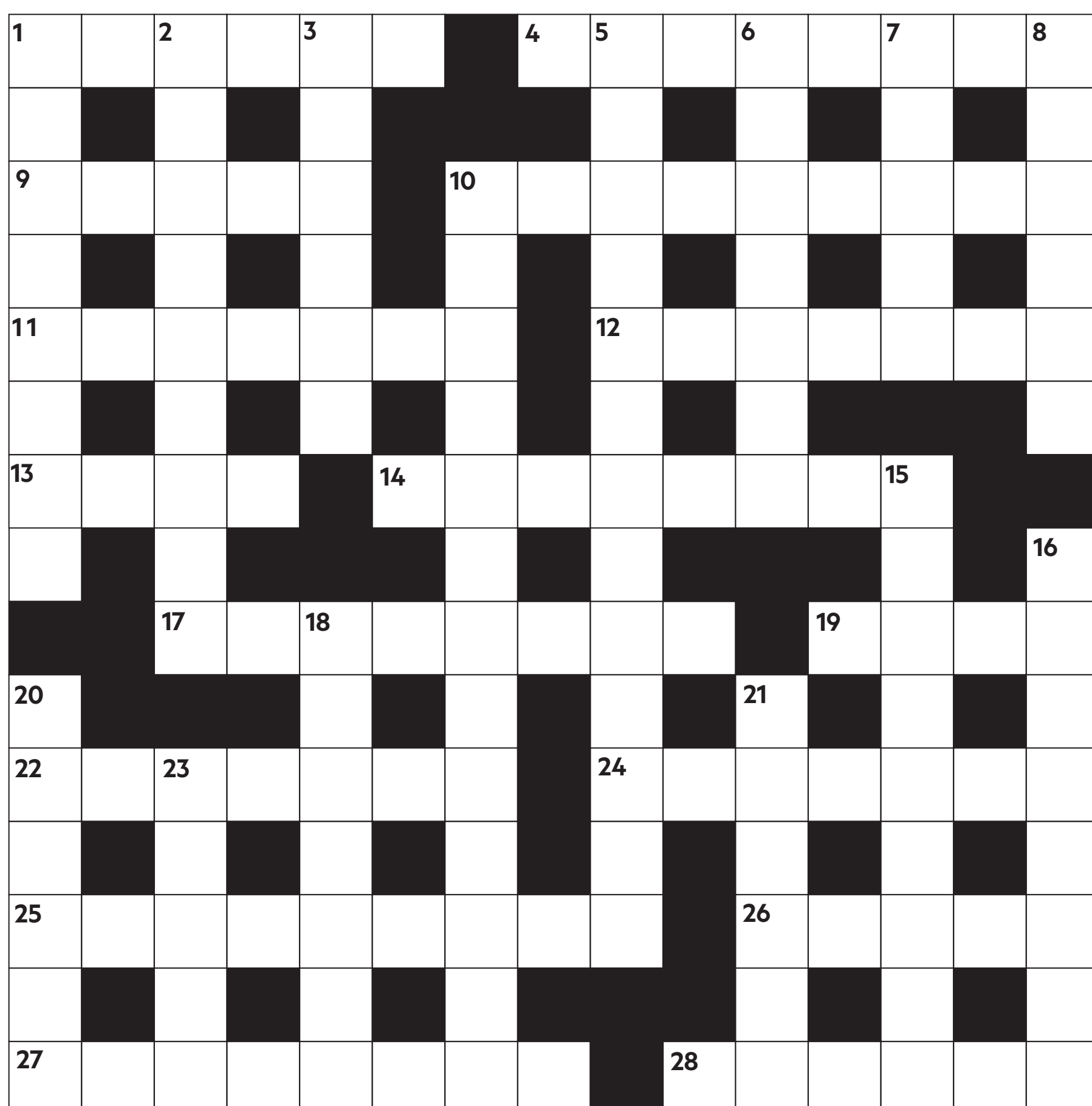


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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 1 Flow back, diminish (6)
- 4 Smart clothes, colloquially (4, 4)
- 9 Tool for boring (5)
- 10 Mental perception, understanding (9)
- 11 Brassica vegetable (7)
- 12 Proceeds, earnings (7)
- 13 Heavy metallic element (4)
- 14 Traitor, renegade (8)
- 17 Dawn (8)
- 19 Mark left by an old wound (4)
- 22 Area of fruit trees (7)
- 24 Unimportant (7)
- 25 Forever (9)
- 26 Pretend (5)
- 27 Conceptual framework, model (8)
- 28 Part of a poem (6)

DOWN

- 1 Make fun of one terrible clue after free start (8)
- 2 Reconstructed a porch with bid for building material (9)
- 3 Buck sadness, we hear (6)
- 5 Group of soldiers rightly upset about baby (5, 8)
- 6 Toast or tea, to start with — kind that's cooked (5, 2)
- 7 Straighten wonky nail without hammering, ultimately (5)
- 8 When going up, to make a home is most sensible (6)
- 10 Payment with warning for end of the race (9, 4)
- 15 One making plans with discretion over one old chemical company, at first (9)
- 16 Country sank with lira getting destroyed (3, 5)
- 18 Longed for time to end changes (7)
- 20 Study hard at university — second-rate one, initially (4, 2)
- 21 Eccentric one in manuscript's one accepted by newspaper (6)
- 23 Encourage revolutionary fighter with little hesitation (5)

Solution 618

