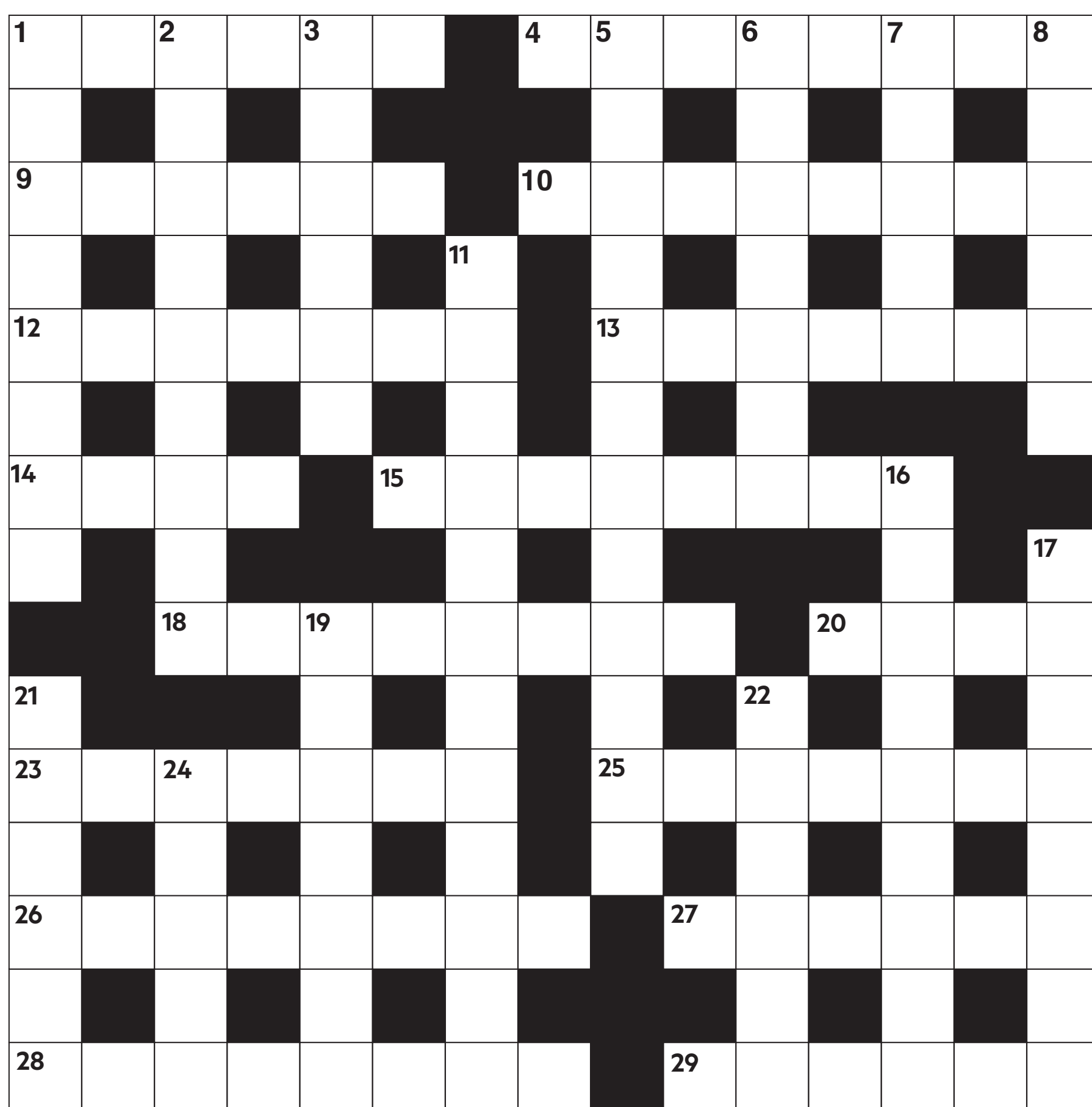


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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 1 Widespread, prevalent (6)
- 4 Bypass, avoid (8)
- 9 Get off (6)
- 10 Guess (8)
- 12 Unintentionally mention (3, 4)
- 13 Fast-moving sailing ship (7)
- 14 Notion (4)
- 15 Forebear (8)
- 18 Nervous anticipation (8)
- 20 Green gemstone (4)
- 23 *The Barber of Seville* composer (7)
- 25 Tall needle-like structure (7)
- 26 Standstill, interruption (8)
- 27 Adjective modifier (6)
- 28 Beneficial, healthy (8)
- 29 Wall painting (6)

DOWN

- 1 Reclined next to fellow cleric (8)
- 2 Second nest is ruined by a touch of seasonal dampness (9)
- 3 Waiting for hospital in most of London, sadly (2, 4)
- 5 Popular victory over one working one after another (2, 10)
- 6 Highbrow title is edited (7)
- 7 Incline to follow head of the march (5)
- 8 Dig around regular elements of modest verse (6)
- 11 Scrounge a bit of ginger found in superior biscuit (6, 6)
- 16 Preparation one eats after getting about seconds (9)
- 17 Hiding game and keep up most of boar cooked with duck (8)
- 19 Extract cat, perhaps, after raising legs (7)
- 21 Emergency credit one's got with current accounts, finally (6)
- 22 Kind present (6)
- 24 Endlessly demonstrate everything for lots of swimmers (5)

Solution 639

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