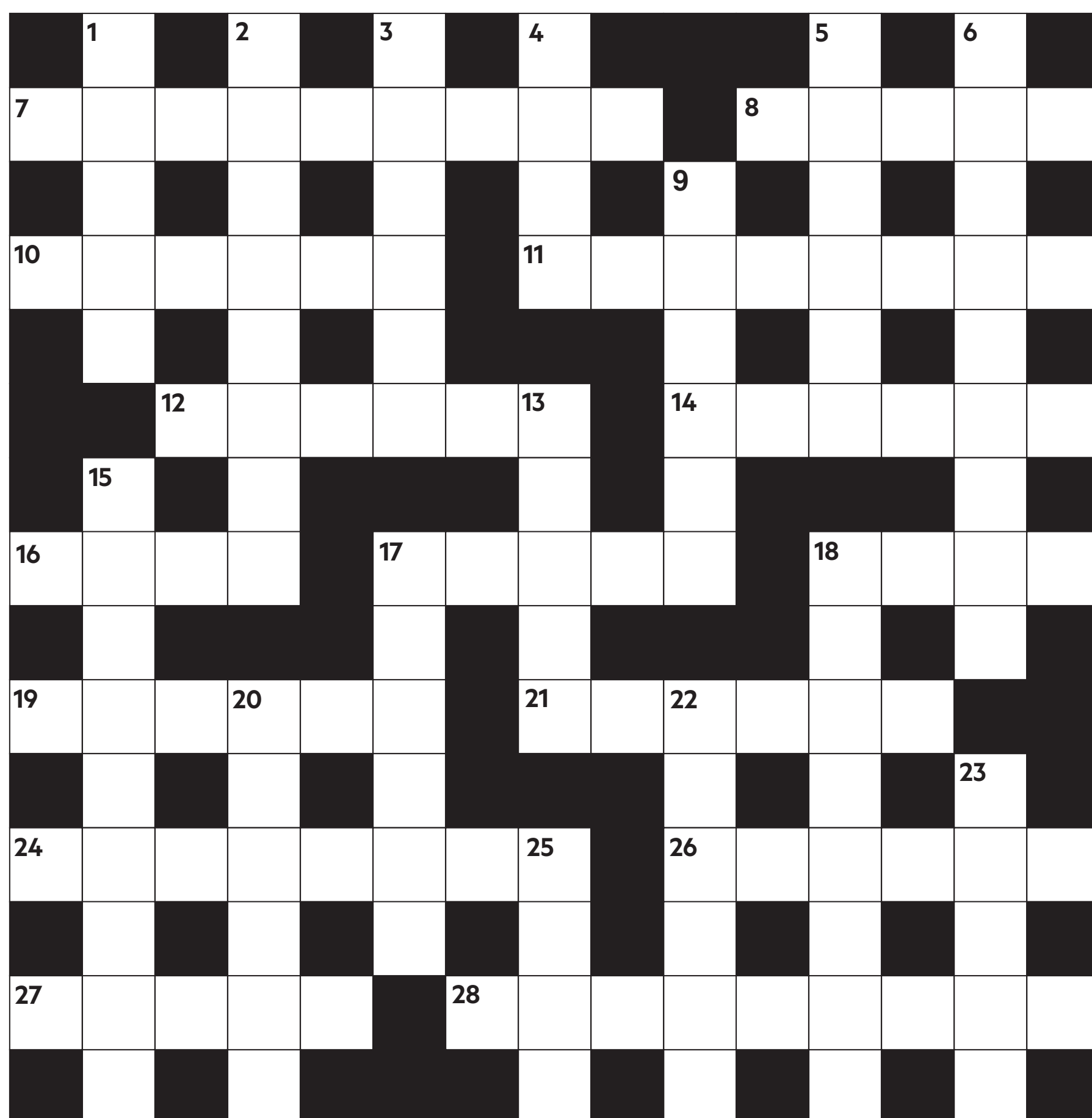


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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 7 Area in front of a petrol station (9)
- 8 Group of eight musicians (5)
- 10 Straightforward (6)
- 11 Magnificent (8)
- 12 Chasm (6)
- 14 Closing section, coda (6)
- 16 Gratis (4)
- 17 Deep bowl (5)
- 18 Coins and notes (4)
- 19 Long-armed primate (6)
- 21 Cry of delight (6)
- 24 Killer (8)
- 26 Probable (6)
- 27 Foot joint (5)
- 28 Conversation (9)

DOWN

- 1 Mail boxes I put forward (5)
- 2 Purchase fourth bit of sterling silver in big bank (8)
- 3 Your endless promise at first is commendable (6)
- 4 Crow's up in garbage (4)
- 5 Director's call for account — not one, perhaps (6)
- 6 Put out again and really enjoy getting around tavern (9)
- 9 Scientist's receptacle takes off (6)
- 13 One put up with filthy place that's unpleasant (5)
- 15 King isn't so troubled, eating a breakfast item (9)
- 17 Get rid of Northern Ireland party on the fringes (6)
- 18 Look over shopper's final destination (8)
- 20 Dog and black bird (6)
- 22 Supervise staff without first person getting about (6)
- 23 Head of holdings after getting bonus is rich (5)
- 25 Fasten part of bandana I loosened (4)

Solution 701

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