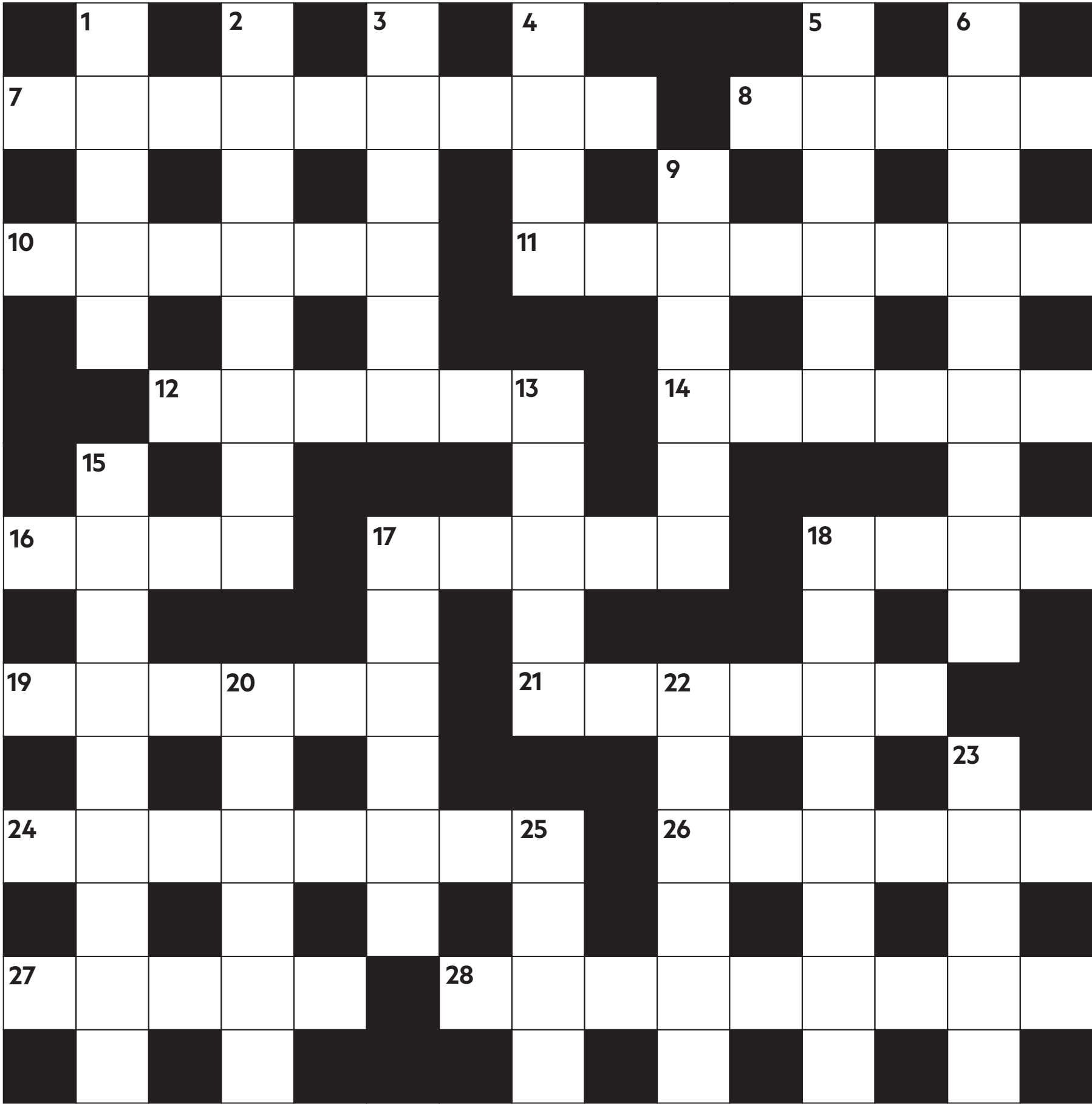


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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 7 Sudden idea (9)
- 8 Sailing vessel (5)
- 10 Frank, open (6)
- 11 Dependence (8)
- 12 Fish-eating seabird (6)
- 14 Soporific (6)
- 16 Serene (4)
- 17 Bestow (5)
- 18 Edible crustacean (4)
- 19 Assistant (6)
- 21 Magic potion (6)
- 24 Unthinking, spontaneous (4-4)
- 26 Habit (6)
- 27 Cite (5)
- 28 Top-floor apartment (9)

DOWN

- 1 Ray swallows tail of another fish (5)
- 2 Power source is quite hot — find elements modified internally (4, 4)
- 3 Fresh info put up about borders of diverse country (6)
- 4 Past heads of organisation validated executive remuneration (4)
- 5 Site includes a grand building (6)
- 6 Select cheddar, say, for Spooner, and nutritious seeds (9)
- 9 Suffer defeat in court that’s secret (6)
- 13 Swap part of extra deal (5)
- 15 Underground explorer with common sense that’s huge (9)
- 17 Steel support for revolutionary equipment that’s erected (6)
- 18 Eatery has cut of lamb stuffed with wild fruits (4, 4)
- 20 A large amount loaned for one in pay (6)
- 22 Soundly visible drive (6)
- 23 Damp spray envelops ring (5)
- 25 Look up strong tower (4)

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