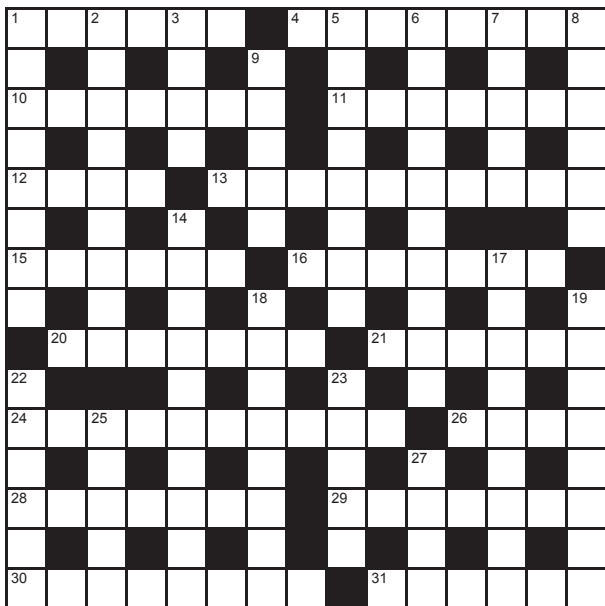


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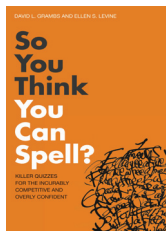
## ACROSS

- 1 Good to turn during sleep, most mature (6)
- 4 Decline to hold investigators back – then resign (8)
- 10 Parcel, say, cut shortly, one for Chinese vegetable (3,4)
- 11 Drag back singer for “Hello” (7)
- 12 Beast therefore repelled (4)
- 13 Old French squadron leader out of place, soon in for a beating (10)
- 15 Unpleasantly sticky, like seafood? (6)
- 16 So unable to walk out of it! (7)
- 20 Take air from a chromatic run of notes? (7)
- 21 Swimming classes? (6)
- 24 Use up nail, hammered into spouse (10)
- 26 Small bite – or cut (4)
- 28 Girl after a male in huge landmass (7)
- 29 A doctor covering up difficult situation for lover (7)
- 30 Act as arbitrator, preserving a little time to think deeply (8)
- 31 Model needing work, great lump (6)



## DOWN

- 1 Blame for getting in contact (8)
- 2 Pusher has the cheek to show an inscrutable countenance (5,4)
- 3 Part of London very holy, not half! (4)
- 5 Couple of sweethearts, the first announced in surprise (4,4)
- 6 Where roulette ball may land, so able to pay debts (2,3,5)
- 7 Woman in brown removing hat, grey (5)
- 8 Heartless children unfortunately develop (6)
- 9 One entering name coming up as flower (5)
- 14 Words often ignored in dash round shopping area (5,5)
- 17 Rat and German among twenty legions, initially (9)
- 18 Opening cans always 50% off, getting stout (8)
- 19 Tripe – give it up for chops (8)
- 22 Doctor injected into pickled male to preserve body (6)
- 23 Nick with sword, say? (5)
- 25 None wrong, 500 very much (2,3)
- 27 Slugs perhaps wrapped in ham, moreish (4)



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## Solution 14,157



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