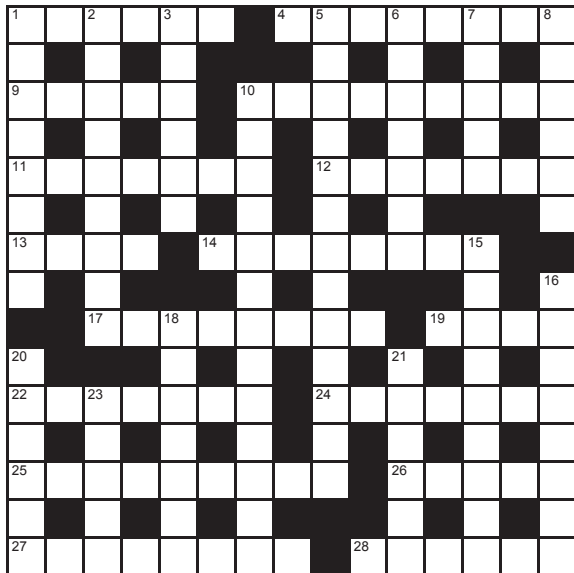


# CROSSWORD

No. 14,312 Set by PHSSTHPOK



**JOTTER PAD**

## ACROSS

- 1 Coin gets man chicken sandwich for exercise class (6)
- 4 State briefly described as satisfactory (8)
- 9 Bounty -- not a ship like Titanic (5)
- 10 Stars drawn around squares show optimism (9)
- 11 Sloth, lion, ferret: rival characters every second (7)
- 12 Crossing from one pole to another tunnels through property (7)
- 13 Bounce email header over network (4)
- 14 They extract vitamin from professors? (8)
- 17 Subatomic particles built from junction in nerve cells (8)
- 19 Officer's winning move (4)
- 22 "Abracadabra! Hamburger slice," declared Isaac's dad (7)
- 24 Divert right during journey, but not North (7)
- 25 Play duet in comeback, presumably (9)
- 26 The strength of a solution is nearer being announced (5)
- 27 Briefly, in one of these is punishment for teachers (8)
- 28 Dwell in this place (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Miner smuggles diamond in experimental technology (8)
- 2 China ran police compound (9)
- 3 Fixes, in Celsius, increases in temperature (6)
- 5 Wobbly, rickety engine has capacity to do work, when moving (7,6)
- 6 Wild drinkers got it out (7)
- 7 In court, turn up mouldings (5)
- 8 Property in square owned by idiots (6)
- 10 Flag display is currently the best, in theory (8,5)
- 15 You heard eel start ripping apart other marine creature (3,6)
- 16 Female ancestor's spliced into DNA of some Swiss people (8)
- 18 Part of endless witch-hunt is rescheduled (7)
- 20 Tiniest thing fooled Reagan (6)
- 21 One is positive in declaring opposition to BBC accent, on reflection (6)
- 23 Publish no conclusion in liver transplant (5)

**Solution to the Saturday prize puzzle on Saturday May 25**  
**Solution to yesterday's prize puzzle on Monday May 27**  
**Crossword winners' names will be printed in Weekend FT**