

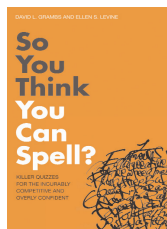
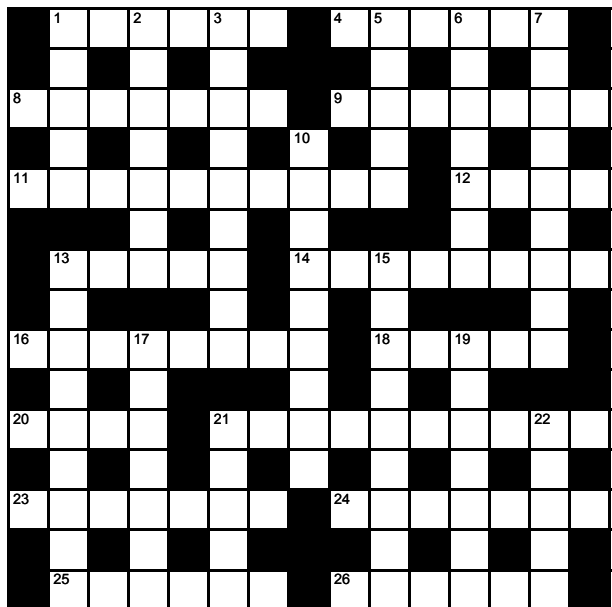
Crossword 13,729 Set by Cincinnus

ACROSS

- 1 Meagre boxes, last in store, not used to hold sulphur (6)
- 4 Play in backyard with left foot (6)
- 8 I arrive for recreation in holiday area (7)
- 9 Salesman is not to put on new coat (7)
- 11 Range put on patio? Not entirely (2,2,1,5)
- 12 Catch villainous captain (4)
- 13 Secret police almost making arrest (5)
- 14 African individual going to borders of Sierra Leone after talk (8)
- 16 Deliver a forceful speech and hear a gun going off (8)
- 18 Western city to avoid (5)
- 20 Reject extremely deficient incentive (4)
- 21 Oh! No bus due when going out – having to stay at home (10)
- 23 Work is not about making choices (7)
- 24 Spanish gentleman cloaked by a local government official at first (7)
- 25 Bird allowed outside hostelry (6)
- 26 Horrified scallywag has tuna sandwiches (6)

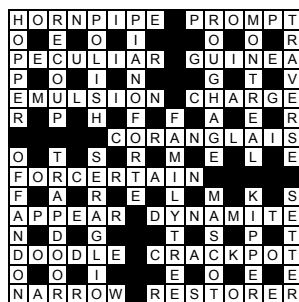
DOWN

- 1 Superficially read periodical beginning to cut corners (5)
- 2 State region not the last in song (7)
- 3 Small, small, small lad (9)
- 5 Porter right on the ball (5)
- 6 Symposium presented by a Greek character in 10 (5-2)
- 7 Seafood is possibly gelatinous without one (9)
- 10 The French score one more in game (5-2-2)
- 13 Astronomical eyepiece best in class? (4,5)
- 15 Bugging two items of personal adornment (9)
- 17 Put on trial, we hear, when a monarch's on the throne (7)
- 19 Display odd bits of iron in play (7)
- 21 This is why receiver has new top (5)
- 22 Time for headless man to appear? (5)



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Solution 13,728



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