

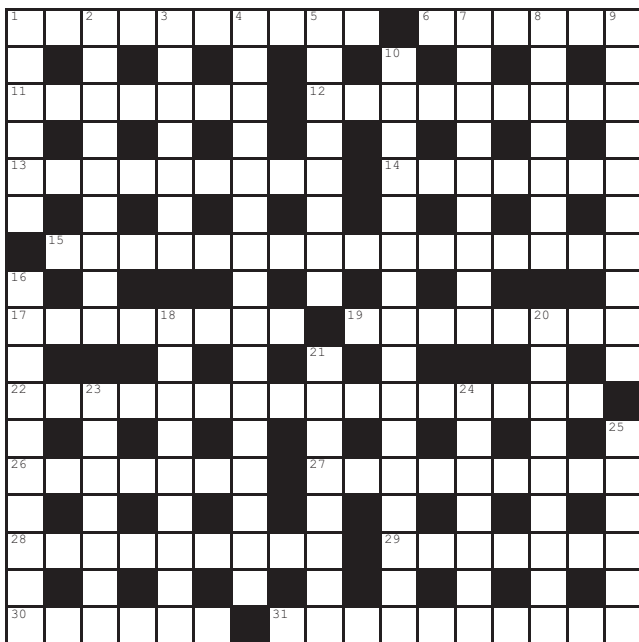
# Polymath 641 Set by Falcon

## ACROSS

- 1 Brightly-coloured flowering plant, also known as the marvel of Peru (4,6)
- 6 Religious decrees issued by a Muslim leader (6)
- 11 River of South America, rising in Venezuela (7)
- 12 Torquay United FC's stadium (9)
- 13 Cultivated variety of plum tree (9)
- 14 Member of an ancient people of Anatolia (7)
- 15 English fellwalker, guidebook author and illustrator (6,10)
- 17 Athenian statesman and general (c. 495-429BC) (8)
- 19 Plumage or mode of feathering (8)
- 22 1972 film directed by Bernardo Bertolucci (4,5,2,5)
- 26 An advance from government funds for the performance of some public business or service (7)
- 27 A Coca-Cola product (6,3)
- 28 Any order made by a court or official prohibiting an act (9)
- 29 1955 film starring Edward G. Robinson (7)
- 30 Song on Natasha Bedingfield's album *Unwritten* (6)
- 31 Gangster's bodyguard (10)

## DOWN

- 1 A *Sonic the Hedgehog* video game character, best friend of Big the Cat (6)
- 2 Israeli mentalist known for his trademark TV performances of spoon-bending (3,6)
- 3 Donald, US actor, singer, and dancer (7)
- 4 US conductor, pianist and composer (7,9)
- 5 A less common name for ferrous sulphate (8)
- 7 Uncooked or plainly cooked (2,7)
- 8 State of the western US (7)
- 9 Producing long slender stems that reach out and take root along the ground (10)
- 10 US writer best known for *The Sketch Book* which included the story of Rip Van Winkle (10,6)
- 16 Game, also called jackstraws (10)
- 18 *Murder in the -----*, a T.S. Eliot play (9)
- 20 Preparation used by actors for attaching false beards (6,3)
- 21 Leonard, actor famous for his TV role as Reginald Perrin (8)
- 23 Volcano on Sulawesi, Indonesia (7)
- 24 Perennial saxifragaceous plant (7)
- 25 Capital of Germany (6)



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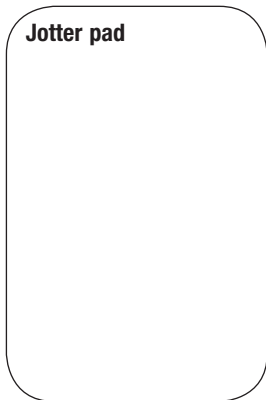
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