

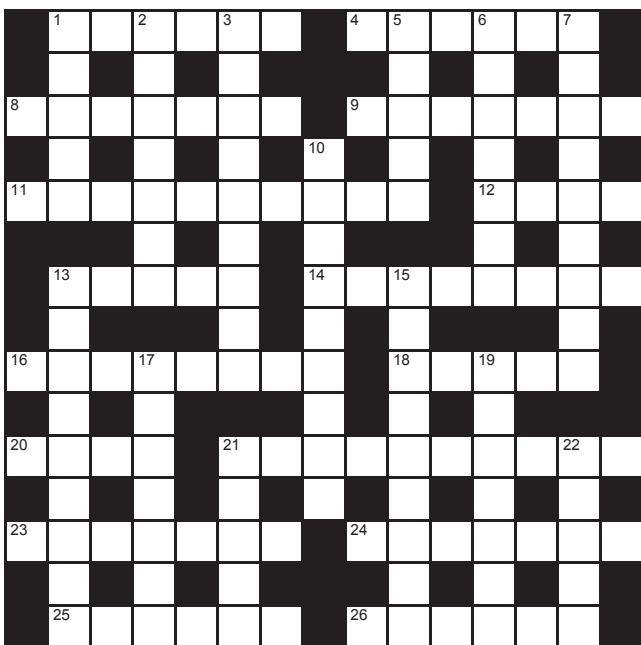
# Crossword 16,117 Set by Goliath

## ACROSS

- 1, 16 The way the present and past PM intimidate is an exercise in elocution (3,3,5,3)
- 4 Cool maps, all bombs (no shells) (6)
- 8 Endless learning in hand, gripping high street presence (7)
- 9 Standard rent in arrears, mate (7)
- 11 Awfully lewd content for Mr Johnson, might start clean-up operation (10)
- 12, 20 Rang about extremely fashionable source of news (8)
- 13 One foots the bill for actor (exit left) (5)
- 14 Outline of French writer (8)
- 16 See 1
- 18 A 21 neighbour, reportedly bitter (5)
- 20 See 12
- 21 Capital accessible in loose change (10)
- 23 Polish figure of reverence is a cause of conflict when crossed (7)
- 24, 17 He dug Downing St out, expecting match? (7,7)
- 25 4 score they deployed around soldier in retreat (6)
- 26 She prophesised the lamentable end of Monte Carlo (6)

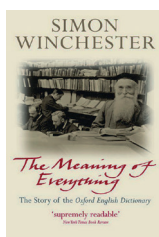
## DOWN

- 1 The man will love this magazine: (5)
- 2 Cosmopolitan (it's verbose, housing a couple of learners) (7)
- 3 Reproductive erotic novel about summertime (9)
- 5 A song which praises trees (promoting the root) (5)
- 6 Planned car boot sale alas cancelled this month (7)
- 7 Left cattle in BBC coverage of Lord of the Flies (9)
- 10 Dishevelled Falkland Islanders finally cried after victory (9)
- 13 Inherently quaint to victimise (9)
- 15 Ocean has turned nasty? Right equipment here (3,6)
- 17 See 24 Across
- 19 The last ichthyosaurus not wholly adaptable (7)
- 21 European cormorant's odd features (5)
- 22 More fool you! Old people finally escape (5)



### Solution 16,116

### Solution 16,105



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