

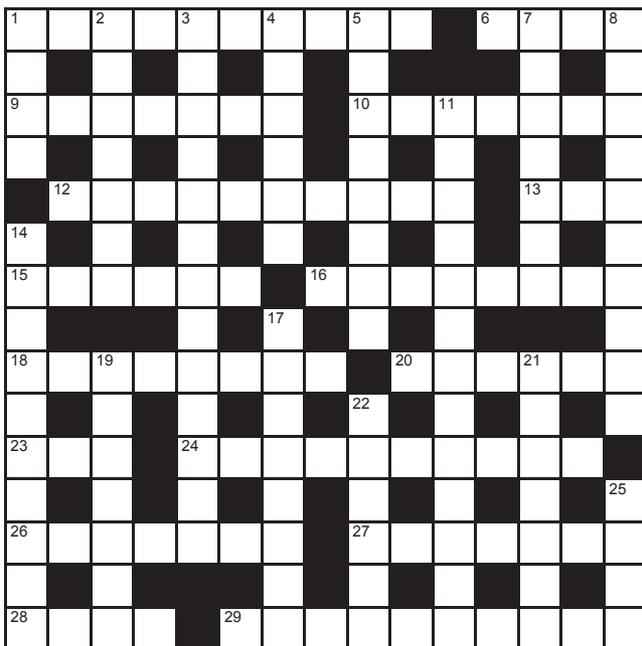
# Crossword 16,018 Set by Mudd

## ACROSS

- 1 Island capital where girl gets personal (10)
- 6 Flier again attached to newspaper (4)
- 9 Measure of bomb, weapon with gas transported by soldiers (7)
- 10 Wearily go to shake up a priest (7)
- 12 Polish ripped apart, penalty by yours truly netted (10)
- 13 Little point in party time (3)
- 15 Step down stair initially to break rule (6)
- 16 Mock rings OK, one selling necklaces etc (8)
- 18 While twisted, remain an author (8)
- 20 Box needing wheels a lot (6)
- 23 Jerk in corporation retiring (3)
- 24 Using every method, of course (2,3,5)
- 26 Token answer (7)
- 27 English sort of surface on beach? (7)
- 28 One part of a shoe (4)
- 29 Fancy title on book in exam (10)

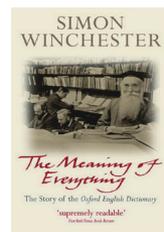
## DOWN

- 1 Expecting evidence, poor opening for prosecution (4)
- 2 Entrance painter with the ultimate in masterpieces (7)
- 3 Elderly slightly friendly? (7,2,1,3)
- 4 Bright spark might destroy this bloody fool after uprising (6)
- 5 Card available, diamond wasted (8)
- 7 Able dipso, not so drunk, able to stand upright? (7)
- 8 Carol, carrying jumble, hot (10)
- 11 Concurrently, nevertheless (2,3,4,4)
- 14 Essential stuff beginning to stink among piles of underwear? (5,5)
- 17 Getting on with couple before each row starts, one puts things right (8)
- 19 Stage draw, a joke (3-4)
- 21 Soon on, stretched bandages (7)
- 22 Some blood, a sample almost contaminated (6)
- 25 Beastly clapper shut up (4)



Solution 16,017

Solution 16,006



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