

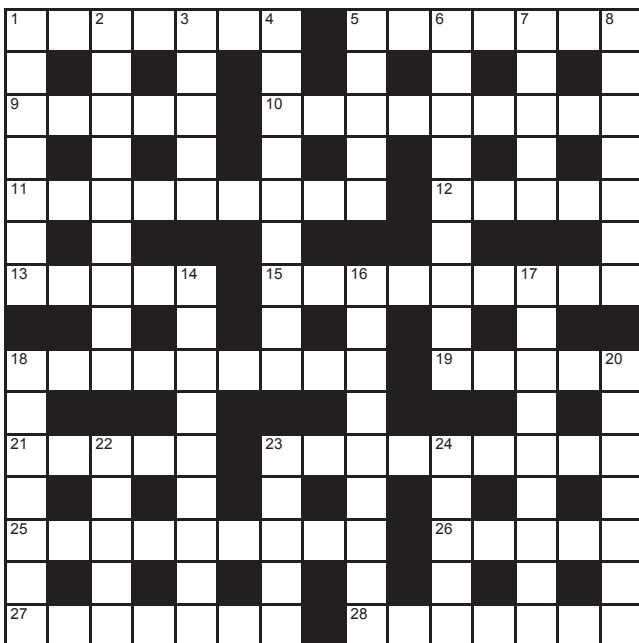
# Crossword 16,141 Set by Mudd

## ACROSS

- 1 Young female beauty initially with boy we rejected (3,4)
- 5 Car regularly entering station (4,3)
- 9 Zero carried by this broken-down lift (5)
- 10 Lucky, finding strength to catch fish (9)
- 11 Individual mistake backfiring, producing bomb perhaps? (5,4)
- 12 Greek character grabbed by throat, he talked (5)
- 13 Character demanding more surprising plot development (5)
- 15 Across a street, right turn (9)
- 18 Witty quality beginning to evaporate, funny lass isn't entertaining? (9)
- 19 Lift then not opening, almost everyone stuck inside (5)
- 21 Alien creation, valley with king (5)
- 23 Cheese sandwiches good after drink, construction coming together (9)
- 25 Income set to change, in old money (9)
- 26 Criminality shining brightly, we hear? (5)
- 27 Respecting cardinal, very large screen (7)
- 28 Ending in custody, agent touring around unknown river (7)

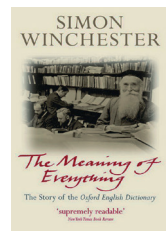
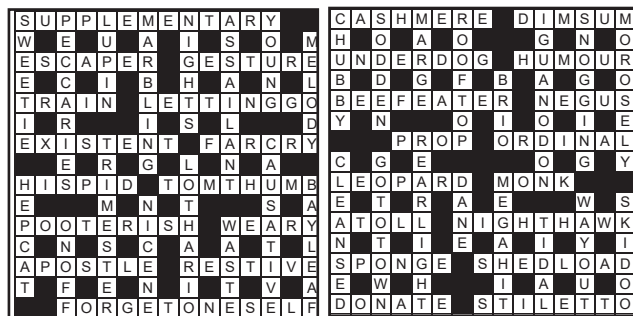
## DOWN

- 1 Show two inspired by former success (7)
- 2 Article I tailored for distribution (9)
- 3 A time to divide work in suitable manner (5)
- 4 Requiring surgery, a brief cut to split two ways (9)
- 5 Fasten bits up (5)
- 6 Sweet thing, one's nutty (9)
- 7 Ultimately quiet, calm kid (5)
- 8 Bishop on time, it's suggested? (7)
- 14 Redneck in the commercial, idiot (9)
- 16 Irritable about zealot not starting to produce evidence (9)
- 17 Shakespeare, say, admits art creative (9)
- 18 Casanova rescued in a storm (7)
- 20 Table tops in some traditions layered in wood (7)
- 22 In hotel one resides, as recluse (5)
- 23 One surrounded by barking hounds (5)
- 24 Primate's ending in the middle – the heart, say? (5)



## Solution 16,140

## Solution 16,129



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