

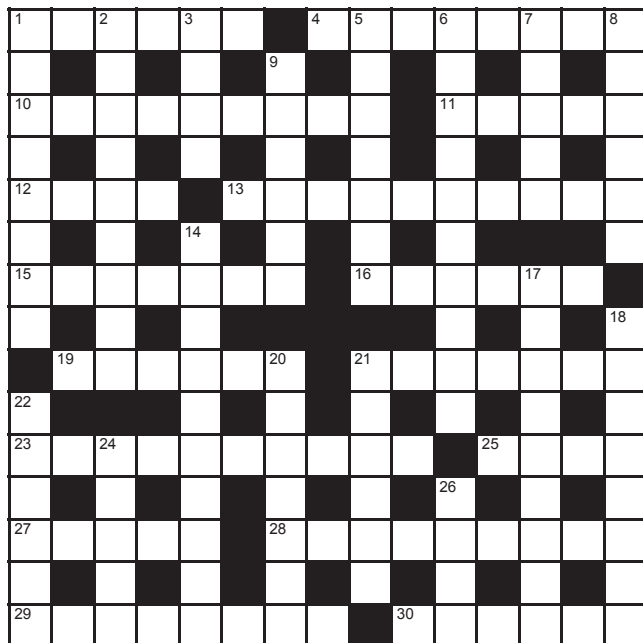
Crossword 15,904 Set by Mudd

ACROSS

- 1 Joker perhaps filing an untrue report (6)
- 4 Son of Judah has to raise hat sometimes (2,3,3)
- 10 Attractive woman, interim staff member with long hair (9)
- 11 Time and time again, love providing poetical inspiration (5)
- 12 German notes proved untrustworthy (4)
- 13 Caught, a boy in gang – for violent crime (10)
- 15 A tearjerking intro penned by French composer, fill up (7)
- 16 Dog – Cockney sensation? (3-3)
- 19 Dirt thus brought back to feed wild pigs (6)
- 21 Time to raise your arms up? (7)
- 23 Beautiful person a shrew mistreated, one found in the kitchen? (10)
- 25 Fair bit of game languishing (4)
- 27 Church going after evil from that moment (5)
- 28 Outsiders in Europe, Britain vaguely drunk (9)
- 29 Silent cuckoo covered by wings of neighbouring chick (8)
- 30 Loud wind, perhaps? Big mistake (6)

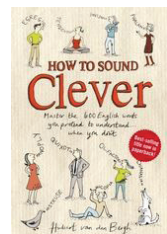
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- 1 Good to load weapon, that's clear (3,5)
- 2 Vice a shade into seedy town (6,3)
- 3 Top fact for book (4)
- 5 Surgery faced by Jones, unfortunately, old boy (4,3)
- 6 Chicken when turkey expected? Great wit! (4,6)
- 7 Well, a good African animal (5)
- 8 Unclear about recovery primarily, likely to croak? (6)
- 9 Bear, we suspect, in cave (6)
- 14 Printer part jammed at the bottom, while easy to fix? (5,5)
- 17 Alert and effective playing soccer, say? (2,3,4)
- 18 Preliminary race in sport for bird (8)
- 20 Die to embrace one love (7)
- 21 Become angry – then prepare to stop? (3,3)
- 22 In bed, is one a creative thinker? (6)
- 24 Numbers – or Psalms? (5)
- 26 So the Queen must abdicate? (4)



Solution 15,903

Solution 15,892



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