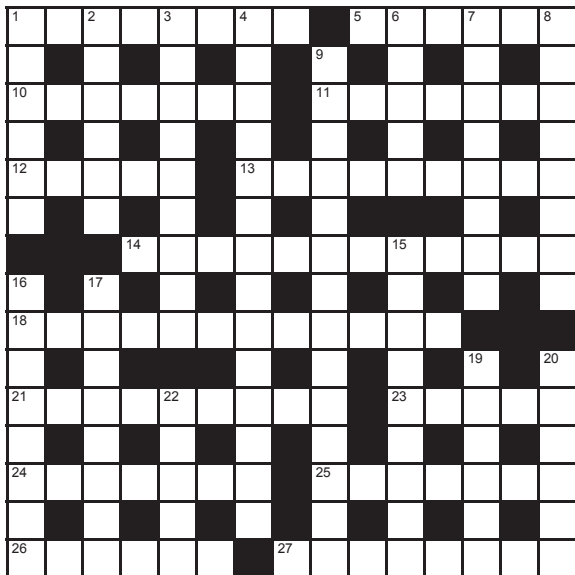


# CROSSWORD

## No. 15,836 Set by PETO



JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 1 Wander about listlessly after depressing astronomical event (4,4)
- 5 Board's academic qualification obtained by queen before king (6)
- 10 Try crack (7)
- 11 Repelled at first by toy snake (7)
- 12 Trapped inside after Rory's blunder (5)
- 13 Goes crazy over failure caused by reversals of policy in Washington (4-5)
- 14 Eventually becoming fashionable at that time to admit covering a great distance before game (2,3,4,3)
- 18 Bed broken by politician finding passion out east for instance (7,5)
- 21 Gambler leaving richer (6,3)
- 23 Saw letters from Mossad agents (5)
- 24 Being tested by Repton's head in translation of Old Latin (2,5)
- 25 Repeat it time after time before start of Eid (7)
- 26 Dignified in court after witness falls short (6)
- 27 Revealed after letter gets students to calm down (5,3)

### DOWN

- 1 Take responsibility for catching extremely valuable animal (6)
- 2 Shot over earlier disturbance (6)
- 3 Norm made off before first of appointment reminders (9)
- 4 Wonderful without folds or flounces (3,2,4,5)

- 6 Recurrent theme of uncertainty associated with Mailer's earliest books (5)
- 7 In spite of retaining you it's mentioned seconds after each game (3,5)
- 8 Fuel rumours of subterfuge initially swallowed by enthusiastic European (8)
- 9 Official threat shaped by a firmly held belief (7,2,5)
- 15 Open-air buffet in the centre of Henley is without equal (9)
- 16 Proust edges away after strikebreaker becomes unpleasant (8)
- 17 Made a copy of papers including note to gallery (8)
- 19 Language of denial gripping island in recession (6)
- 20 Odd characters from Leek involved in cult by choice (6)
- 22 Priest turning against poet (5)

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