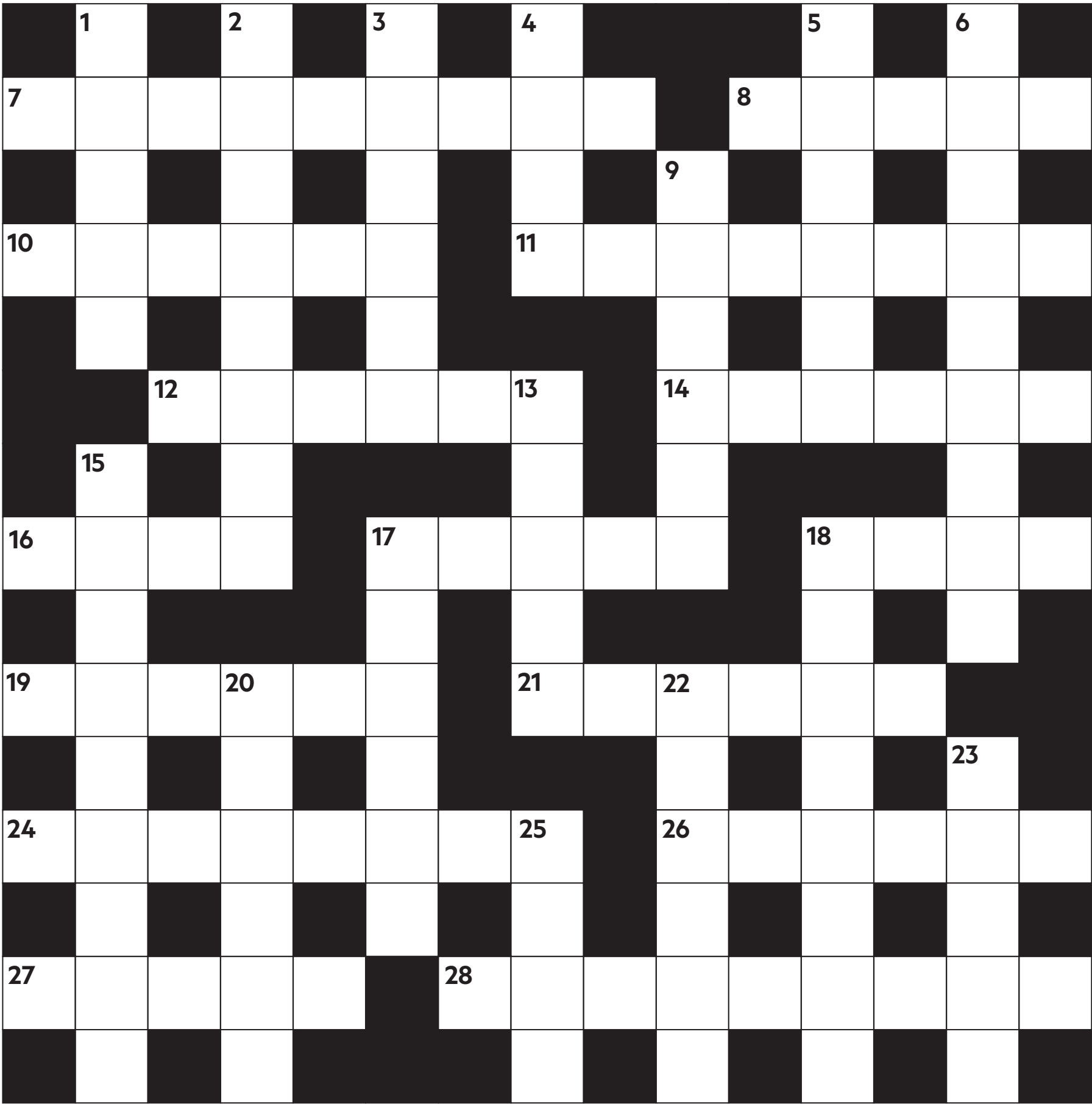


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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 7 Chew (9)
- 8 Denigrate (5)
- 10 Thief (6)
- 11 Exclamation of displeasure (8)
- 12 Hidden (6)
- 14 Inconsistent (6)
- 16 Scheme (4)
- 17 Examine closely (5)
- 18 Dismiss (4)
- 19 Shrewdness (6)
- 21 Food store (6)
- 24 Undying (8)
- 26 Free (6)
- 27 Plant yielding liquorice-like flavouring (5)
- 28 Subordinate (9)

DOWN

- 1 Vessel one's manoeuvred after getting about (5)
- 2 Unyielding objections raised and almost carried (8)
- 3 Collect a group of workers for broadcast (6)
- 4 Irritation of digital industry with leaders in computer hacking (4)
- 5 Measure a horse (6)
- 6 County champions not starting to engage (9)
- 9 First bit of drop's gone in your cup, perhaps (6)
- 13 Beat the president (5)
- 15 Temporary job for compliant appointees on time (9)
- 17 Senior politicians dispatched without a vote ultimately (6)
- 18 Make a friend in a proper way (8)
- 20 Taoism destroyed Chinese revolutionary (6)
- 22 Raise arm and catch little lump (6)
- 23 Huge American soldier and tiny soldier, perhaps? (5)
- 25 Bond's taking part in Berlin kidnapping (4)

Solution 485

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