

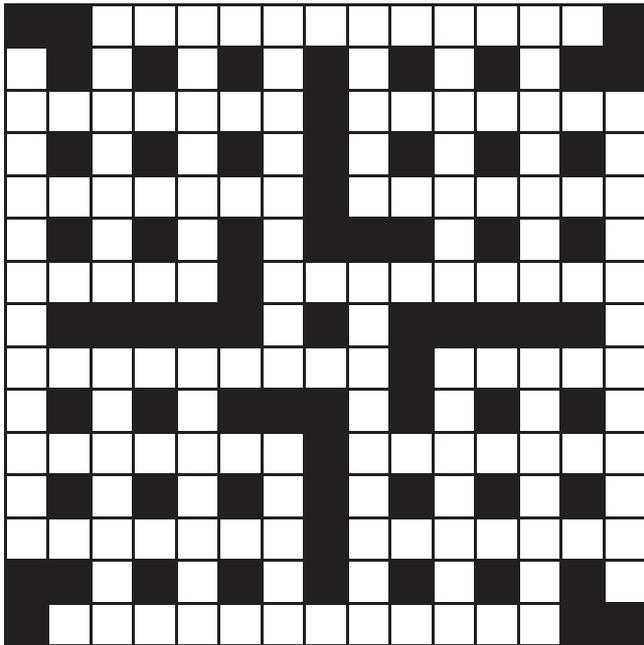
# Crossword 16,000 Set by Julius

## ALPHABETICAL JIGSAW

Solve the clues and fit the answers into the grid, jigsaw-wise.

Clues are listed in alphabetical order of their solutions.

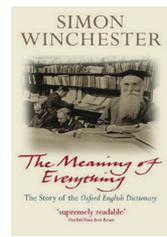
- North American revolting, violent shocking work of fiction (4-5)  
 My personal ingredient in cheese cake (7)  
 Comic singers at La Scala declaim vampire killer (5)  
 I join crowd, excited to take in debut of Baltimore Oriole (7)  
 Iberian governesses expected new overhaul for hospital (7)  
 Earth reportedly less fertile in Baltic land (7)  
 France bullying Italy? It's a sign of weakness (7)  
 One from Jutland climbing south of Greek island (7)  
 Clue mix of fog, wind, water off LA (4,2,6)  
 Dad's back in hotel by the jetty, in a better frame of mind (7)  
 In Eastern Rhode Island eating up time; a state where nothing happens (7)  
 A peaceful-sounding picture, rather like this? (6,6)  
 Scotsman's putting on weight; that's a big ass! (5)  
 "Barista's milk" I clue for starters in grid (7)
- Mike upset Harry, forgetting a Christmas present (5)  
 One on a team transporting a bundle of joy (7)  
 Old Salvador's question for Spain's concubine (9)  
 Media accommodation right at the front on board iron ship (5,7)  
 So-called important teams Southampton and Portsmouth have them (9)  
 Loose aircraft's nose found in the middle of landing strip (7)  
 I saw each villain regularly cut out tongue (7)  
 Form student sportiest (not so refined) (7)  
 Most slatternly lingerie model with titanium piercing (9)  
 Getting stripped, gallivant off for an ice cream! (7)  
 New hairdo to avoid being seen with Bob? (5)  
 Relies upon expert to surface having netted amphibian (7)  
 Ron Kray? Meh . . . is possibly a strong-armed character, but thickheaded! (12)  
 Nothing for Americans to kiss to get closure in Jersey (3,4)



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