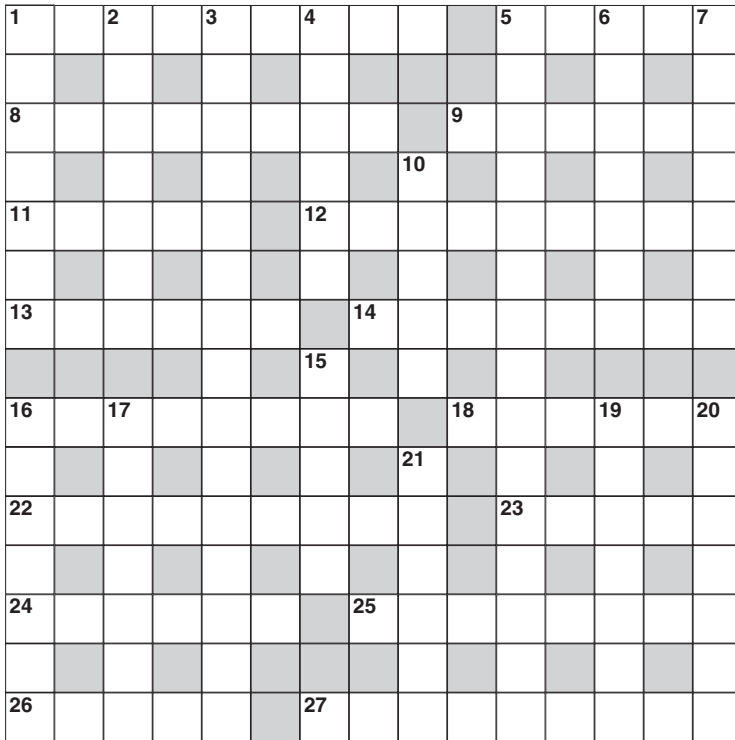


The Hindu Crossword 8042



Across

- 1 Support dramatic art behind the scenes (9)
- 5 British engineers leave compensation for clothes (5)
- 8 Substance that is of importance (8)

- 9 Division of a group into factions with honour is within the bounds of socialism (6)
- 11 Drained of colour, like a bird (5)
- 12 Chronicler to an Irish assembly (9)

- 13 Drink from a stippled cup (6)
- 14 He likes to destroy things, a brute so devious (8)
- 16 Volunteers and mother take a chance in plant (8)
- 18 A roof builder, but a sister afterwards (6)
- 22 Very rich persons with large purses perhaps (9)
- 23 Shy and somewhat intimidated (5)
- 24 The English worry about time for a card game (6)
- 25 Instruction to get a lute fixed (8)
- 26 Unit of heat for the Royal Marines (5)
- 27 The Chinese use it to cut staff (9)

- 6 Swedish centre, part office building (7)
- 7 Half a minute in a dried up discussion group (7)
- 10 Points, for example, for literary composition (5)
- 15 Quiet dramatist's exclamation of disbelief (5)
- 16 Big blow that a casual worker set off (7)
- 17 Command given to a chap on engagement (7)
- 19 My paint is wasted on kettledrums (7)
- 20 Embarrassed? Kiss the poor farm worker (7)
- 21 Money for settling small company dues (6)

Down

- 1 Pompous talk is flop on a good man (7)
- 2 A food item with which to compensate for lost time (5,2)
- 3 With a sly smirk, present a novel method of putting out fires (9,6)
- 4 Father upset over a revolutionary Parisian gangster (6)
- 5 One learned to a high degree, as a healer of characters? (6,2,7)

Solution to puzzle 8041

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