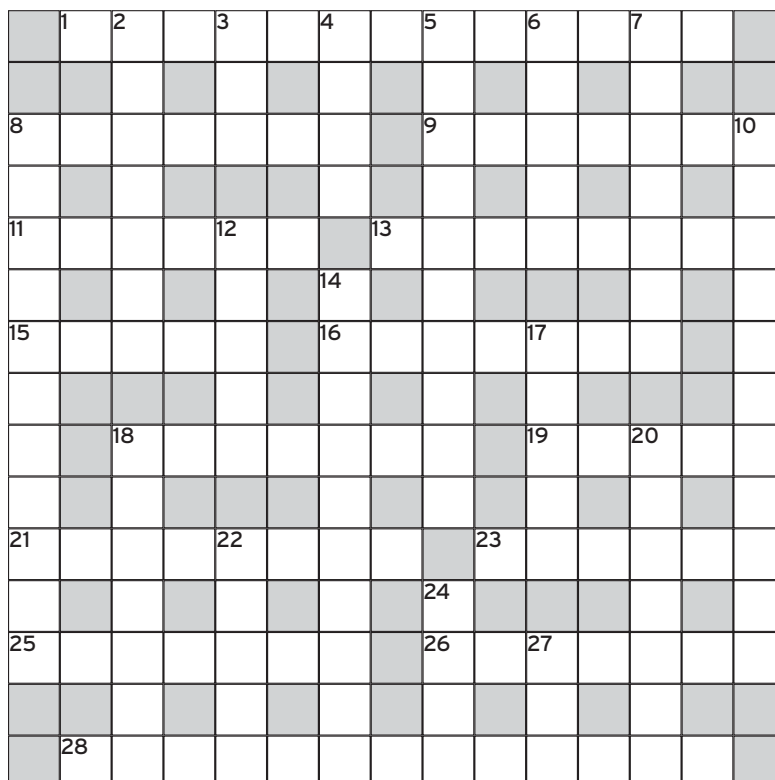


# THE HINDU CROSSWORD 9208

## Across

- 1 He's first in the field when it comes to a fight (4,9)
- 8 Stuff and nonsense (7)
- 9 Language used in a USSR combine (7)
- 11 Not a railway official authorised to certify deeds (6)
- 13 Speaks confidently after taking sting from large snake (8)
- 15 Rugby union artist left for countryside (5)
- 16 Ghostly appearance that haunts the mind (7)
- 18 Former engineer to repeat selected book passage (7)
- 19 Win of the French accepted, the distance between sides broaden (5)
- 21 Gunner is instrumental in discovering water line (8)
- 23 Miss the mark and proceed on mission (6)
- 25 Short cut across the beach (7)
- 26 Fervent admission of a Conservative (7)
- 28 This notice determines VAT coding (13)



## Down

- 2 Cooker for fowl on a hot day (7)
- 3 Have desire for Oriental currency (3)
- 4 Not right for lord Lyon to be alone (4)
- 5 Strings will have to be pulled for it to be effective (10)
- 6 The gangs reside in fortified positions (5)
- 7 Fie upon crooked dice presenting us a large building (7)

- 8 Loving looks and good wishes (4,7)
- 10 Air for twentyfour hours (5,3,3)
- 12 An object of historic interest (5)
- 14 Severe strain breaks a man (10)
- 17 Building a breakdown lorry perhaps (5)
- 18 Mind is improved if one is caught between editors (7)
- 20 Mounted infantryman with an old musket (7)
- 22 Peaty ground that's meant for low heavy truck! (5)
- 24 Also turned out to be in Asia (4)
- 27 Direct a course (3)

## Solution to Puzzle 9207

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