

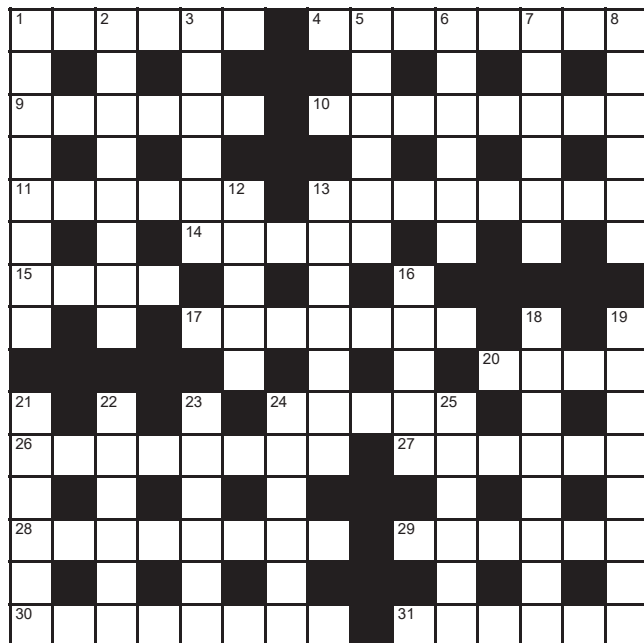
Crossword 15,378 Set by Rosa Klebb

ACROSS

- 1 Raise objection before finally retiring (6)
- 4 Just married, extremely naive wife lay awed, without answers (5-3)
- 9 Jolly lass like Candida? (6)
- 10 Fish gone swimming following recurrent periods of randiness (8)
- 11 Removing clothes, man cuts short writer (6)
- 13 Fairly minor success nursing bad back (8)
- 14 Potentate and aristocrat embracing sailor (5)
- 15 Dog which is scruffy, tense and snappish (4)
- 17 Fawning, repulsive gentleman reportedly advancing (7)
- 20 Loose gundog bounds away (4)
- 24 Boredom leads to exceptionally nosy neighbour upping interference (5)
- 26 Bust our butts in explosion of emotion (8)
- 27 Ill-tempered elk circling capital of Russia (6)
- 28 Fast runners chase the wind (8)
- 29 Light touch of aristocratic kleptomaniac (6)
- 30 Beginning to tackle crossword clue in temper (4,4)
- 31 Branded discontented slave a revolutionary (6)

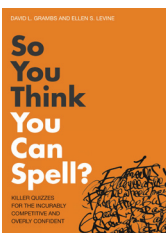
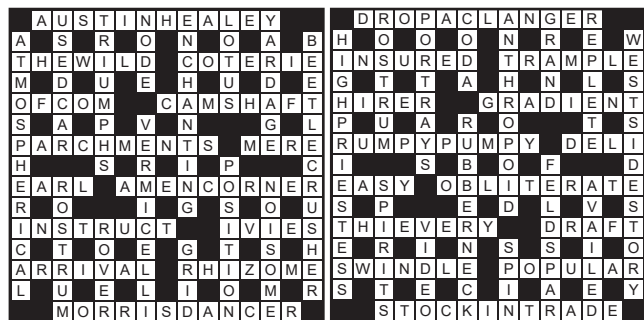
DOWN

- 1 Opposition intended to support end to wind energy (8)
- 2 Threatening a Conservative after 60 seconds (8)
- 3 Why "About a Boy"? (6)
- 5 Boatmen trashed a shed in Bury (6)
- 6 Blood-red clay regularly extracted in August (6)
- 7 *Little Prince*? That is perhaps a book to make you cry (6)
- 8 Little boat scudding hypnotically about (6)
- 12 Black Knight chasing storm (5)
- 13 In the black water off Cowes swallows start to vanish (7)
- 16 LP Hartley's second novel ultimately no good (5)
- 18 Spectator occupying throne with king and queen (8)
- 19 Wally, of unfixed abode, keeping pecker up (8)
- 21 Revealing what cows do on canal (3-3)
- 22 Covered back-to-front trousers with top of nightie (6)
- 23 Got rid of love duets in performance (6)
- 24 Shun champ after last of dope tests (6)
- 25 I moon, by Jupiter, over reactionary Miss Blyton! (6)



Solution 15,377

Solution 15,366



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