

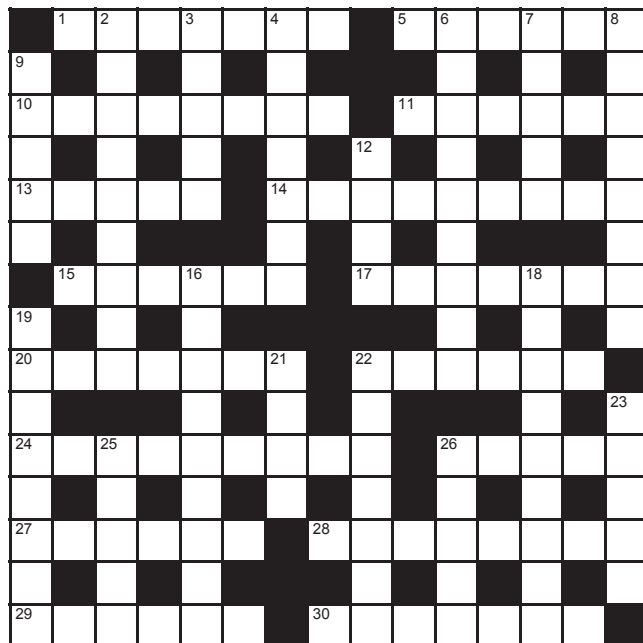
# Crossword 15,187 Set by Wanderer

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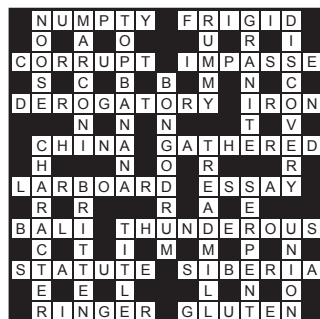
- 1, 5** Yellow bananas artist's used in curry (7,6)  
**10** Potential witness placing king in "old hat" (Times) (6-2)  
**11** Costume no good for cycling, one concludes (6)  
**13, 26** Communists worked out Greek humour's not for everyone (5,5)  
**14** Special constable having drink before game dealt with disorderly struggle (9)  
**15** Smart, bad-tempered brief (6)  
**17** Fastener that's easily tightened hairpiece around top of nun's head (4,3)  
**20** Scilly Diving's offering is flipping wonderful (7)  
**22** Copper getting risqué in clergyman's office (6)  
**24** By implication, most stupid American anyway (9)  
**26** See 13  
**27** Quit as play finished (4,2)  
**28** 50% of almond nuts briefly turn gold, at first like falling leaves (8)  
**29, 30** Hold person fronting up dodgy deal in Cape Verde airport (6,7)

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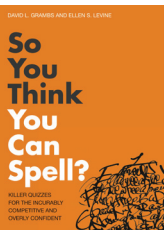
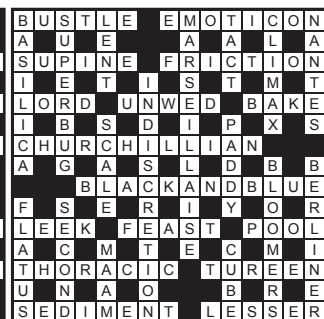
- 2** Bribe with some mushrooms cooked in nectar (4,5)  
**3, 26** Equestrian's aim is to jump over a given route (5,5)  
**4** English singer taken in by my diplomatic setting (7)  
**6** A former name for country home or area across Turkey & Armenia (4,5)  
**7** Indian dish author mentioned in conversation (5)  
**8, 23** He's let toilets get out of order – they might make women look down on him (8,5)  
**9, 19** Hypochondriac speaking: "I'm ill, doctor!" (5,8)  
**12** Start of Plimsoll line? It's at front of ship (4)  
**16** Communists managing to blur boundaries of ownership around Italy (9)  
**18** Go into city with prisoner, given lift during the night (9)  
**19** See 9  
**21** Trim cuff around the edge (4)  
**22** A trick a conjuror started up in short break during poetry recital (7)  
**23** See 8  
**25** Bone buried in Cuban village (5)  
**26** See 3



## Solution 15,186



## Solution 15,175



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