

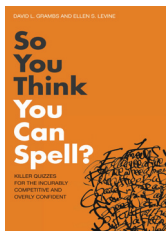
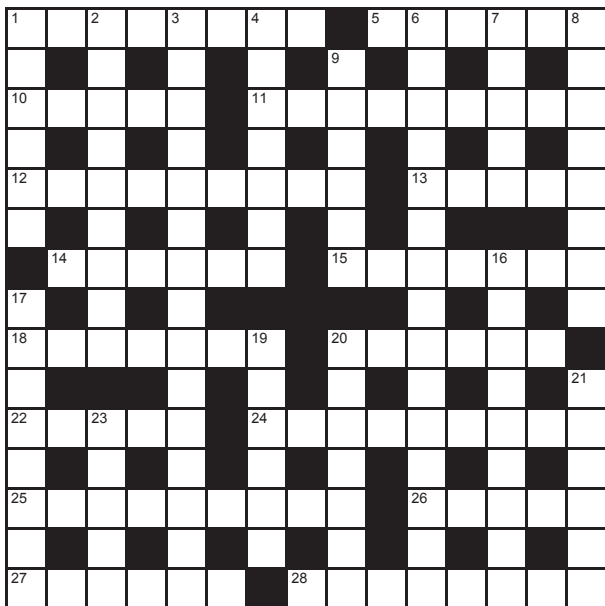
Crossword 14,134 Set by Mudd

ACROSS

- 1 Spring back as commander consumed by loaded rifle and shootout ends (8)
- 5 Cold, strong and stiff (6)
- 10 Female player once producing love game when returning (5)
- 11 Chapter describing a stag party, perhaps, lacking social order (9)
- 12 Dalmatians aren't so clean (9)
- 13 Characters carried back by palomino in Italian town (5)
- 14 Tough to catch Nazi with borders down – that's potentially risky (6)
- 15 Active investigators holding numerous boomerangs (7)
- 18 Hero's up for creation as legendary musician (7)
- 20 Black begonia initially put in for rose, we hear? That's a mistake (6)
- 22 Discard work for house (5)
- 24 Reptiles manoeuvring on to top of carafe, seeking a drink (6,3)
- 25 Listen in secret, as truth about autumn not beginning? (9)
- 26 Find vehicle reversing at closure of lane (5)
- 27 You will make fickle lovers (6)
- 28 Temporary matter, finding bit of skirt in record time (8)

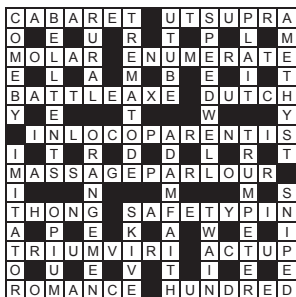
DOWN

- 1 Newspaper published showing dish (6)
- 2 Rotter about right, clear cheat (9)
- 3 Refine some touches to include drink that's sweet (9,6)
- 4 Old lover mentioned being stimulated (7)
- 6 Game whose losers aren't quick (7,8)
- 7 Heavy metal fan upsetting old composer (5)
- 8 Extent to which I'd taken up position (8)
- 9 Open vessel pulled off (6)
- 16 Compose an impromptu, piece for the night? (9)
- 17 Rubbish fruit pies (8)
- 19 Massive body ringed as coming up to spin (6)
- 20 Slowing piano in dance music of the 1990s (7)
- 21 Section of muscle, raw tissue in the eye (6)
- 23 Church body left something to contemplate (5)

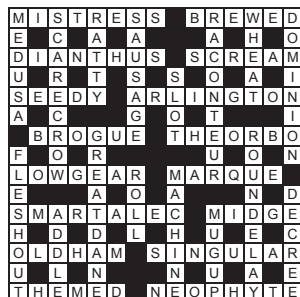


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Solution 14,133



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