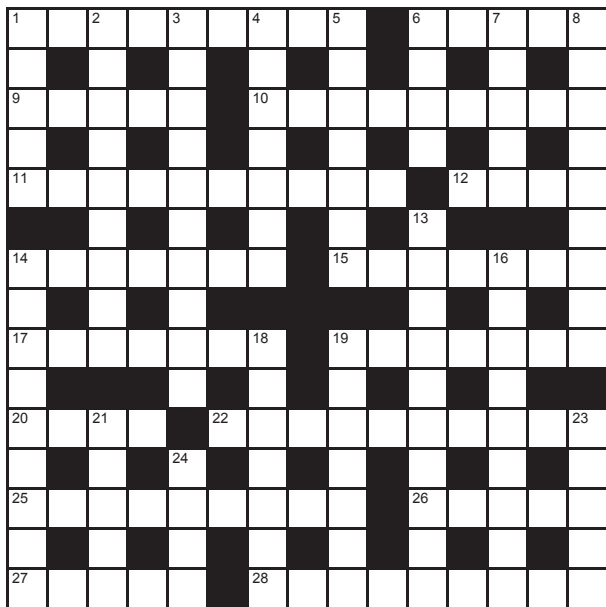


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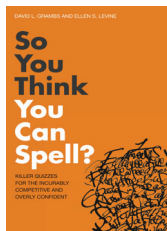
ACROSS

- 1 Tabernacle dismissing a strange person performing rite (9)
- 6 Book provided by water carrier – first for Aquarius (5)
- 9 Roedean's head girl left to live it up (5)
- 10 Disorder outside is undermining the state (9)
- 11 Pal one hundred per cent rejecting lead singer (5,5)
- 12 Mount held back by Tam o'Shanter (4)
- 14 Flagrant glower caused resentment (7)
- 15 Hold back repeated lines (7)
- 17 Its contents not enough to make nag obese? (7)
- 19 Fish oil finally found in hat (7)
- 20 Money received for bear (4)
- 22 Fabulous con artist found by police officer (5-5)
- 25 Coil in the wind for old age (9)
- 26 Offspring making bishop cross (5)
- 27 At fault without material (5)
- 28 Some fat pears cooked with old port (5,4)



DOWN

- 1 Hard core in nut tree (5)
- 2 Does novel upset nearest and dearest? (5,4)
- 3 US beaters can suit (5,5)
- 4 Sailor gets back, lacking energy to do a bunk (7)
- 5 Drunk almost starts to eat raw fish (7)
- 6 Shelter posh people in Rwanda and Burundi (4)
- 7 Small bird has to hightail it (5)
- 8 One's abandoned seat in bar? (9)
- 13 First-class story about shallow water not breaking the bank (10)
- 14 Mobile features resting on mobile (9)
- 16 Not in favour of false music in church (9)
- 18 Cowboys, mostly maladroit and therefore mounted (7)
- 19 Flipping European security organisation somewhere in Lombardy (7)
- 21 Extremely keen with blooming whip (5)
- 23 High land coming closer in journey (5)
- 24 Look nasty, by the sound of it (4)



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