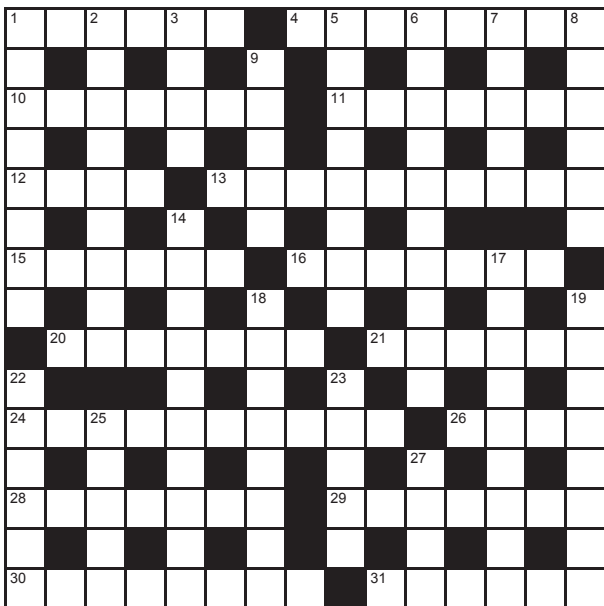


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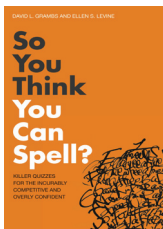
ACROSS

- 1 Tree – plant a little short in the end knocked over (6)
- 4 Cry from queen, perhaps, imprisoning hard general (5-3)
- 10 Fish, one on road – that's insane! (7)
- 11 Drink stein regularly, good as tonic (7)
- 12 Concrete in model aeroplane passing over (4)
- 13 Visionary has laid cities out (10)
- 15 Pointer not beginning to turn east (6)
- 16 Thirty seconds, a long time to absorb very wise goddess (7)
- 20 Artist getting hot in spring, laid back painter (7)
- 21 Sound check of the train puller? (6)
- 24 Beamer to hit during journey through the air (10)
- 26 Cleaner TV entertainment (4)
- 28 Hold first of discussions, breaking in this? (7)
- 29 Shrivelled up queen? (7)
- 30 Hospital getting hotter, I gathered, until now (8)
- 31 Villain, a stinker? (3,3)



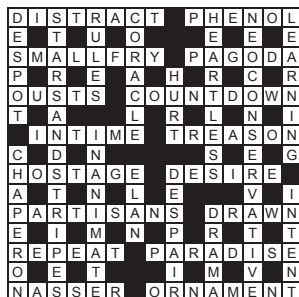
DOWN

- 1 Sentimentality needing space to grow (8)
- 2 A weight lifted, girl getting cocktail (9)
- 3 Mistake in undergarment (4)
- 5 Article about guitar impromptu, cheesy (2,6)
- 6 In focus, something watched for a short distance (10)
- 7 A department contracted to be capable (5)
- 8 What's left say, delicate dresses (6)
- 9 Composer guilty, perhaps, caught short? (5)
- 14 Where roof slates should be going free (2,3,5)
- 17 Visual entertainment died during turbulent movie age (5,4)
- 18 What remains is posted to secure money (8)
- 19 Hit on report directly (4-4)
- 22 Aloof, describing a school? (6)
- 23 Some capital has arrived – that of Tibet? (5)
- 25 Royal meeting a queen like Mary? (5)
- 27 Insect has run by the ear (4)

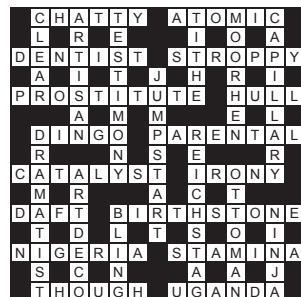


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