

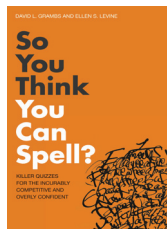
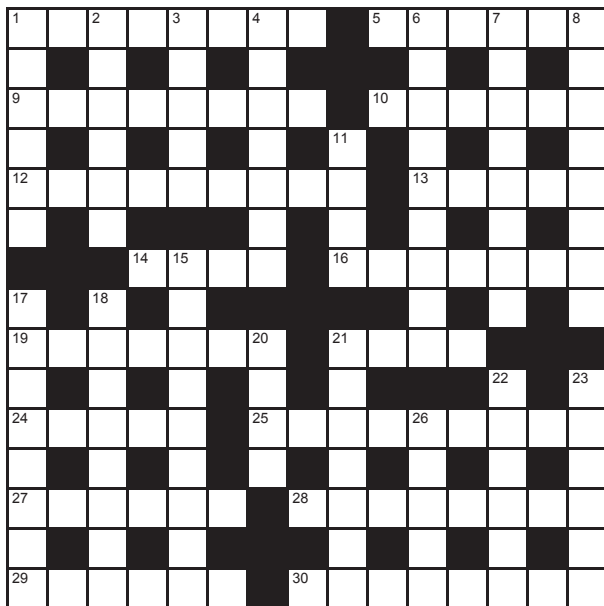
Crossword 14,239 Set by Cincinnus

ACROSS

- 1 Criminal had a nice estate abroad (8)
- 5 Old country in Asia by another dropping back (6)
- 9 Go before Kelly is made to rise (8)
- 10 Novelist from Eastern Europe (6)
- 12 Sculptor present with old clothes lines (9)
- 13 Girl eating a side dish with curry? (5)
- 14 Scottish port getting round embargo (4)
- 16 Embarrassed leader in army getting beaten (7)
- 19 Very attentive but too short to embrace king (3,4)
- 21 Poet dispatching British vessels (4)
- 24 Institute for Israeli statesman (5)
- 25 Protect oneself, getting caught in coup (4,5)
- 27 Ill-fated soldier in tumbrel going west (6)
- 28 Doctor who's done dances (8)
- 29 Name, say, for fruitcake (6)
- 30 Right to leave Drury Lane cast, it may be felt (8)

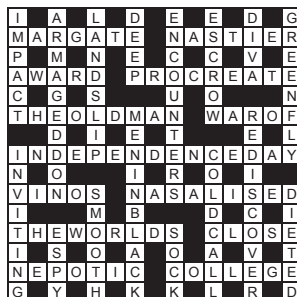
DOWN

- 1 Compound containing aluminium put out of sight (6)
- 2 Call girl stuck in narrow opening (6)
- 3 Something that happens with flat tyre initially (5)
- 4 Speak at length about source of water in river (5,2)
- 6 Log that's appreciated in harbour (9)
- 7 Frank is not gay (8)
- 8 A key adviser somewhere in Australia (8)
- 11 Unconscious state, with gas mask half off (4)
- 15 Asian beer, fermented sauce (9)
- 17 Teacher not standing for waffle (6,2)
- 18 Draw attention to diatribe that's outrageous (8)
- 20 Place and time for block (4)
- 21 Mysterious contents of trunk now needed (7)
- 22 Positive declaration, for example, I heard (6)
- 23 Unfriendly US poet on the fourth of July (6)
- 26 Stinker, say, brought up to beg (5)



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Solution 14,238



Solution 14,227



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