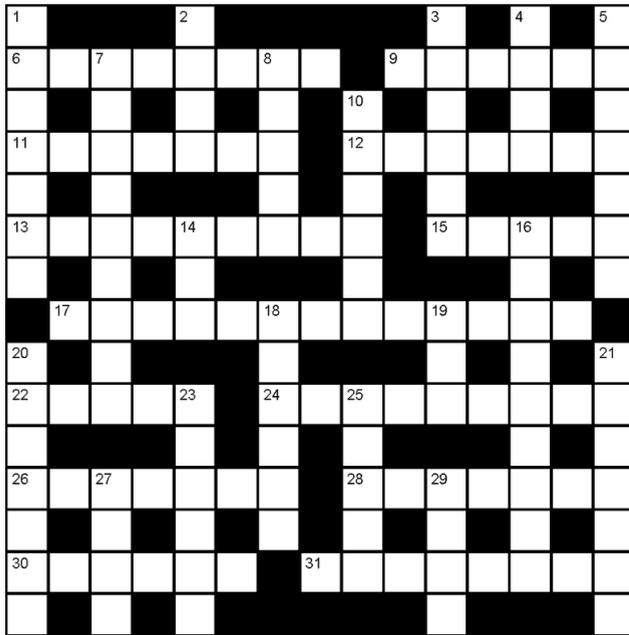


# GENIUS NO.198 SET BY PICAROON



## CLUES

### Across

- 6 Breakdown of relative after obsessive year (8)
- 9 Foreign address in rocky northern shore (6)
- 11 Impress with hot and good weather (7)
- 12 Old impostors to put in entertaining places (7)
- 13 It helps you look and see my clue is wrong (3,6)
- 15 Catch or miss nothing (5)
- 17,16 See special instructions (6,1,4,2,6,1,2)
- 22 Mythical maiden rested, returning her letters? (5)
- 24 Introduced one cultivated, welcoming two Poles (9)
- 26 Soldiers performing rites for old cavalrymen (7)
- 28 Amateur about to speak ill of millions in religious movement (7)
- 30 For reporter, any editors will be necessary (6)
- 31 Nearly get rid of can – there's drink in it (8)

## Instructions

Crossing solutions to the clues clash in eight of the squares. The correct letters to enter in the puzzle spell out, in grid order top to bottom, a name connected with the unclued solution to 17 16, which may help you solve these clashes, while still entering only real words.

Deadline for entries is 23:59 GMT on Saturday 4 January. You need to register once and then sign in to theguardian.com to enter our online competition for a £100 monthly prize.

### Down

- 1 Were very hungry dean and reverend briefly out? (7)
- 2 Bird some metres to the north (4)
- 3 Alcoholic drink and food includes self-catering (6)
- 4 Novice in love, slowing up (4)
- 5 Day small boy gets a thrill (7)
- 7 Developed the slogan for director's technique (5,4)
- 8 Drink's temperature not quite chilled (5)
- 10 Faster runs in course (6)
- 14 Payment from Maori in skirt but no top (3)
- 16 See 17
- 18 Least interesting setter enters clad in antique fashion (6)
- 19 Half-hearted girl's stories (3)
- 20 Shopkeeper almost bags new coins (7)
- 21 Troops tucked into rum, time for scrap! (7)
- 23 Lose it on interrupting court favourite (3,3)
- 25 Not all accepting head of music department (5)
- 27 Special police force turned over kind of cell (4)
- 29 Maybe Glaswegian home around capital (4)