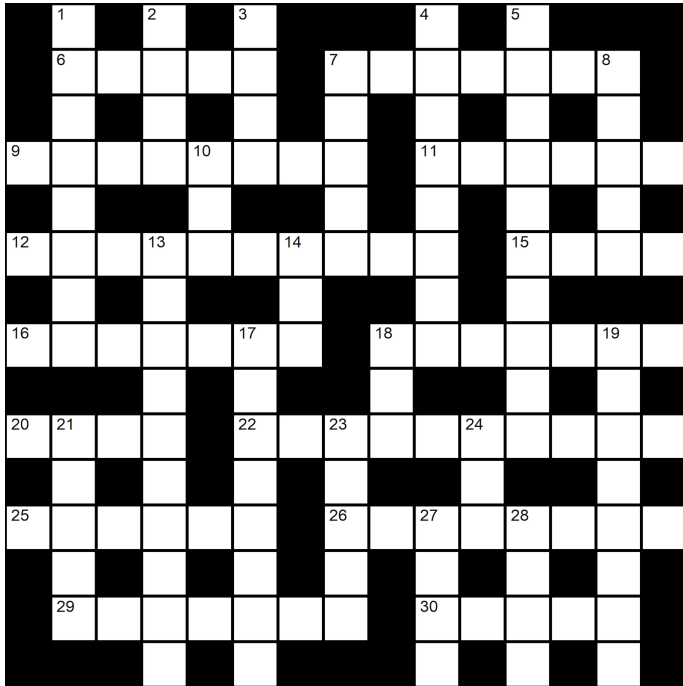


Genius No 278

Set by Glyph



Across

- 6 Part of system ruining life with little hesitation (5)
- 7 Glass less sturdy and not all there hotel admitted (7)
- 9 Frightful fellow gets paid in East London (8)
- 11 'Sugar flower had turned', Glyph put in note (6)
- 12 Shabby looking saddle – he won't deal with repairs (4-2-4)
- 16 End relationship as one spewing about American bastard turning soft (5-2)
- 18 Almost falling back, drunk inspiring doodler (7)
- 20 Go on! Finish off Magnums, say, with Mum (4)
- 22 Posting amigo's corn for rural research (10)
- 25 Aristocrat and techie both fall short finding source of hard profit (6)
- 26 For pro-communist publicity, race US soldier first to the pole (8)
- 29 Island chef is cooking yellow seafood (3,4)

In six of the across and seven of the down clues, a word connected to an unclued entry must be removed. All other clues contain an extra letter; these indicate a framework. Only seven other cells obey the rules of the framework and provide the keys needed for the 15ac 30ac 7d. Thanks for playing.

Down

- 1 Audibly expressed frustration, cross about grand entrance, not so grand (4,4)
- 2 Drop stage light in delivery (4)
- 3 Shot part of *Space Jam* movie (4)
- 4 Meal soon returned, duck overwhelmed by sauce (8)
- 5 Broken horse has minutes to find spirit (10)
- 7 Top two in team bagging wedge for topic (5)
- 8 Dish from Indiana and Arkansas served up containing first-rate bit of tenderloin (5)
- 10 Somewhere to relax essential to newspaper folk (3)
- 13 Close to salvation, Dante frolicking around edges of hellhole - skillful! (4-6)
- 14 Endlessly desired spring (3)
- 17 Brave peacekeepers cease supporting half of Africa (8)
- 18 Way out in Asia, stay good at heart (3)
- 19 Partly reduced budget – university cancelled exam relating to certain degrees (8)
- 21 Flavour our Gallic friend bolsters using mushrooms initially (5)
- 23 Get to march for Reform around centre of Bournemouth (5)
- 24 Ballad poet's frequently using expression of wonder on paper (3)
- 27 None admired his nude study (4)
- 28 Comic Morgan's unfinished column (4)

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