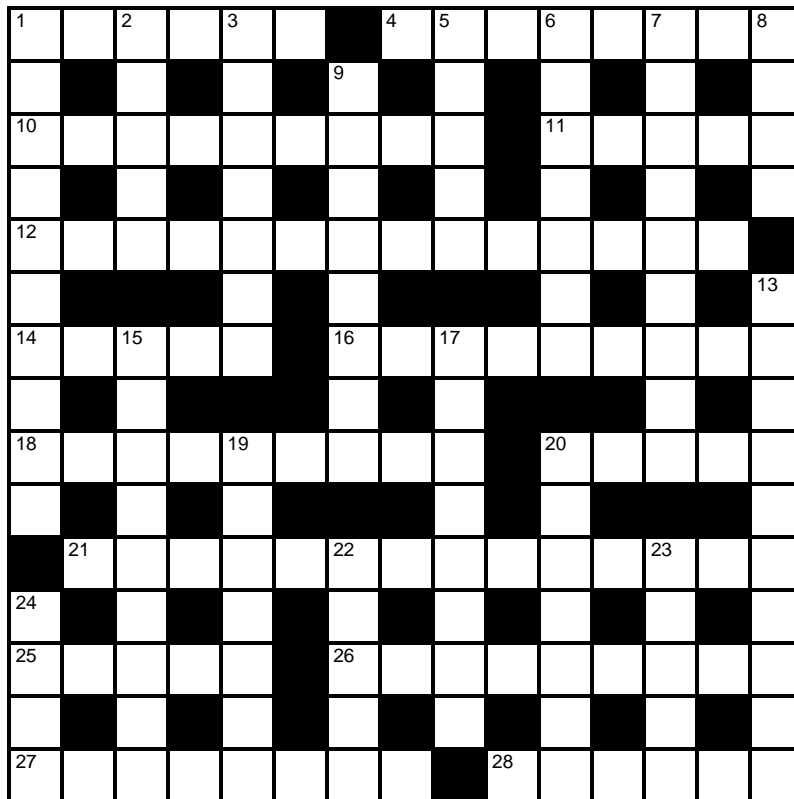


## Collaborative Cryptic Crossword No. 1



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### Across

- 1 Creature's skin receding... (6)
- 4 ...as sides split with first of eating disorders (8)
- 10 Preached about return of vicar affected by hyperbole (9)
- 11 Letters from some qualified peer (5)
- 12 Deviant senator rioting at inquisitions (14)
- 14 Things regularly enmesh with it (5)
- 16 Love deed interrupted by very loud echo (9)
- 18 Silver ship carrying oddly garbed golden warrior (9)
- 20 Hound beheaded bird (5)
- 21 Taciturn heroine unexpectedly drawn in 1945? (3,4,7)
- 25 Pound turned up at college in Westminster (5)
- 26 Discordant noise from stirred water in membrane (9)
- 27 Tourists cover it with masks (8)
- 28 Dirty dog with extremely silky skin (6)

### Down

- 1 First I got taken in by a boring dodgy gangster (10)
- 2 Motionless in hospital with extreme ailment (5)
- 3 Moods enhanced by golden dawns (7)
- 5 You'll find hotel before this home help's turned up (5)
- 6 Left in turbulent ice age and expressing sorrow (7)
- 7 Peeking at one of five in smart outfit (9)
- 8 Lonely, therefore apparently depressed (4)
- 9 Boxes essential to bottom answers (8)
- 13 Trainee and friend on the inside (10)
- 15 East German leaders ultimately leaving bombs - tread on them with caution! (9)
- 17 Iron rod curtailed by town's savagery (8)
- 19 I've returned with depression that's palpable (7)
- 20 Arrange a murder - you can't beat it! (7)
- 22 Lock ace hurt centres getting result (5)
- 23 In Canada, ptarmigans adjust to the environment (5)
- 24 Dignitaries go head over heels for Flash Harry (4)