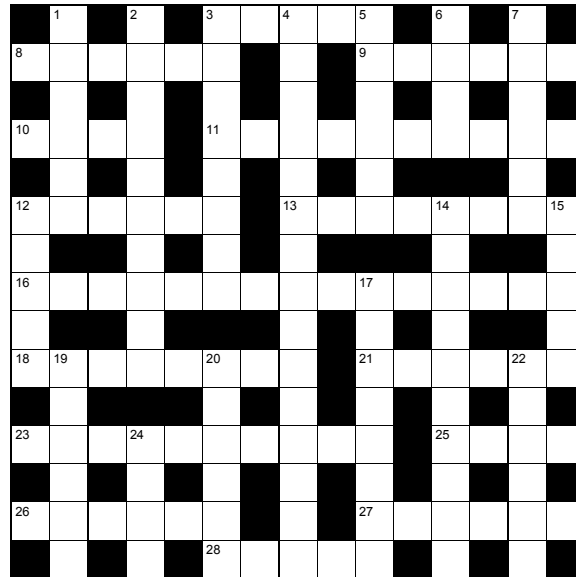


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### ACROSS

- 3 American backs man in Arab country (5)
- 8 Son is engrossed in magazine with cartoons relating to space (6)
- 9 Speaker is to sponsor a Tory partly (6)
- 10 A southern island associated with a large land mass (4)
- 11 A fan of Di Canio, a deviant (10)
- 12 Bus carrying Polish back from area outside the city (6)
- 13 Nun, one I'd upset making suggestive comment (8)
- 16 Crooked general poisoned senior citizen (3-3,9)
- 18 Dicky learned about very fragrant plant (8)
- 21 The wife is to lament you and I being absent (6)
- 23 Ownership of property (10)
- 25 I had emptied lorry in a lazy manner (4)
- 26 Trisha could be a goddess (6)
- 27 Acquiring English silver, ran for president (6)
- 28 Poem, say, set in cathedral city (5)

### DOWN

- 1 Island providing no hush unfortunately (6)
- 2 Flawless description of Jesus's conception (10)
- 3 Game starts to stir Chelsea mob (8)
- 4 The exact thing (8,7)
- 5 Idea is unacceptable, one accepted (6)
- 6 Pub by new farm building (4)
- 7 Did origami and went bankrupt (6)
- 12 Head of school's to intimidate student with threatening look (5)
- 14 Self-centred social tiger almost comes a cropper (10)
- 15 Head off from dance with Iris (5)
- 17 Theological college gives tutorial at start of year (8)
- 19 Stir up a riot, chiefly by river (6)
- 20 Lust for some French passion (6)
- 22 A French boy goes round old dump (6)
- 24 Chris finally had a meal to satisfy appetite fully (4)

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## SOLUTION

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## ACROSS

3 Sudan. 8 cosmic. 9 orator. 10 Asia. 11 aficionado. 12 suburb. 13 innuendo. 16 old-age pensioner. 18 lavender. 21 missus. 23 possession. 25 idly. 26 Ishtar. 27 Reagan. 28 elegy.

## DOWN

1 Honshu. 2 immaculate. 3 scrabble. 4 definite article. 5 notion. 6 barn. 7 folded. 12 scowl. 14 egoistical.  
15 orris. 17 seminary. 19 arouse. 20 desire. 22 unload. 24 sate.