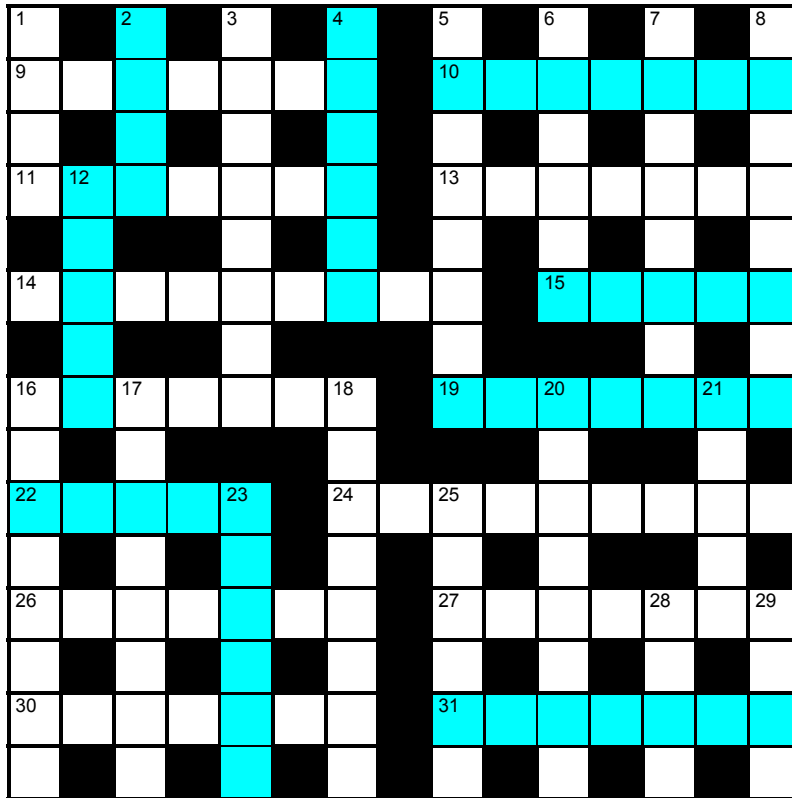


Nine

The nine unclued lights are of a kind.



Across

- 9 Ludicrous absolute hot air! Exactly!
(2,1,4)
- 10 Unclued light (7)
- 11 Most excellent fellow - ring-keeper (4,3)
- 13 Look out! Cat hung accidentally (7)
- 14 Expressed warm approval taking in court
expert (9)
- 15 Unclued light (5)
- 16 Wheezes with sibilant sounds (7)
- 19 Unclued light (7)
- 22 Unclued light (5)
- 24 US plant straggling in Iowan kerb (4-5)
- 26 Ref making a comeback circling round
genuine German fighter in Scotland (7)
- 27 To finally bring into being plant
appendage (7)

Down

- 1 Flies round broken branch in Balmoral
(4)
- 2 Unclued light (4)
- 3 Agitated mom becoming involved in
maths - such species don't exist any more!
(8)
- 4 Unclued light (6)
- 5 Manned it in a bad way, one behind the
other (8, 2 words)
- 6 Surgical procedure unexpectedly posh in
charity outlet in Australia (2,4)
- 7 Copper after copper chasing returned old
ox and snake (8)
- 8 Knowledge of structure and materials of
12 - soggy one unfortunately (8)
- 12 Unclued light (5)
- 16 Brandish schedule for type of graph (8)

30 Platform - peculiarly rum sort! (7)

31 Unclued light (7)

17 Lionise, including international culture initially but lacking Latin, use ancient Greek dialect (8)

18 Structure holding cutting blade was raised by French, a primarily murderous equipage (3,5)

20 Matured early, are riper taking last first (4-4)

21 French kings with time to revel noisily (5)

23 Unclued light (6)

25 Exotic hadj OK for professor in Muslim school (6)

28 Unusually neat to place one's stake (4)

29 Nobleman's couple of rivers and lake (4)