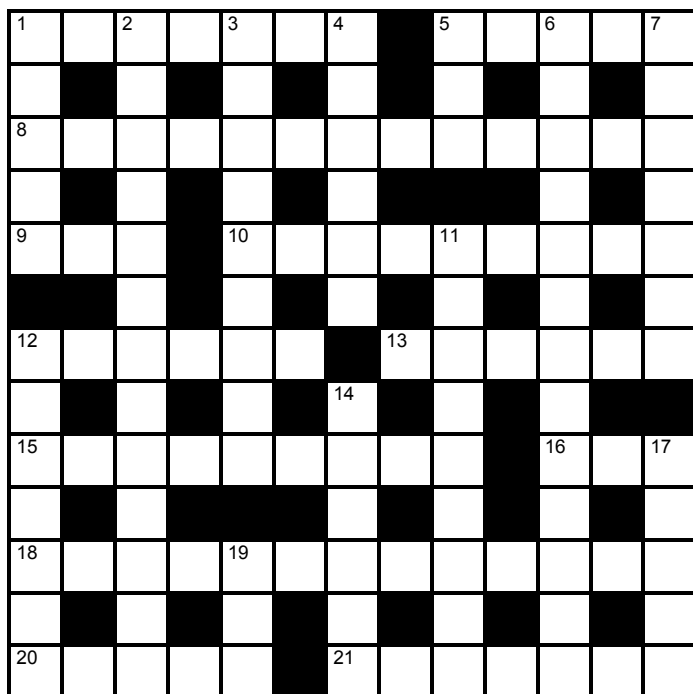


Playmates by Chalicea

Six characters are playmates and have word play only.



Across

- 1 Card game that's an activity partially coming back (7)
- 5 Prepared tapas; an Italian dish (5)
- 8 Phew! I hit no-one in error (6,3,4)
- 9 Endlessly cross (3)
- 10 Watch, maybe and measure length of play? (9)
- 12 Leader of Jewish synagogue is on time (6)
- 13 Dreadful eyesore (not seen at first) (6)
- 15 What reeds could be where two river basins separate (9)
- 16 Subtle knowledge reveals Albanian currency (3)
- 18 Look at pan with bits of nosh, noodles and hollowed out naan - all cooked, minute organisms (13)
- 20 Little sibling with a large agave fibre (5)
- 21 Fringing filament of hemp, not the French, on Moroccan house mostly (7)

Down

- 1 Characters in UNESCO were to cringe in fear (5)
- 2 Constant mob an unusually unarmed and not belligerent military group (13)
- 3 More angelic person is reliant in a turmoil (9)
- 4 Problematic maths a chronic disorder characterised by respiratory difficulties! (6)
- 5 Tart's price now and then (3)
- 6 Tenor's role, oral, mostly, reorganised at some future time (6,2,5)
- 7 Developed the tale for a sportsman (7)
- 11 Fictitious name, Chalicea, for example (9)
- 12 Puts tape back to its beginning, maybe, concerning currents of air (7)
- 14 King Henry with a condition, leader of a Muslim state (6)
- 17 Brightly coloured piece of African cloth (5)
- 19 Headless chicken (3)