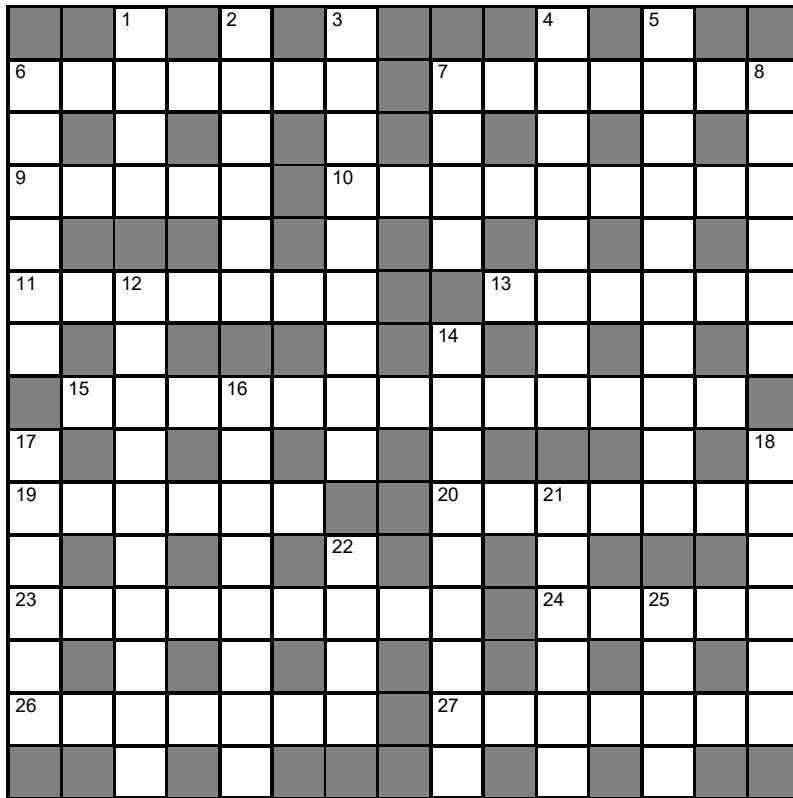


## Cryptic 001 by Leucine



### Across

- 6 Boston University clerk supplies a shield. (7)
- 7 Distribute proportionately? Professional speed! (7)
- 9 Amusing characters in packs? (5)
- 10 Stephen, for example, leads Lisbon noble in death for the faith. (9)
- 11 Pleasingly sharp irrational Wall Street number cruncher. (7)
- 13 Petrol, diesel, electric - hits from bygone years within. (6)
- 15 EE disruptions turn out to be fortunate. (13)

- 19 That German article over there? (6)
- 20 Trade ban sounds like Bond's boss before prohibition ahead of game. (7)
- 23 Neglect, that is, looks good on the box. (9)
- 24 Cancel mission for old-time rotter. (5)
- 26 Accidentally encounter and quickly enter? (3,4)
- 27 Snare what sounds like comfort high in the Big Top? (7)

### Down

- 1 Al Capone loses face, leaving a mark. (4)
- 2 State in the fashion of Jamaican music? (6)

- 3 Sounds like tea with moderate is a fluke. (9)
- 4 Golly! Pot produces a master of many tongues. (8)
- 5 Strong drink for tough-tongued individual? (4,6)
- 6 Spice Boys give up soy to gain muscle. (6)
- 7 Gym class with market for 18 takes us to South America. (4)
- 8 Men she will entangle? (6)
- 12 Strongest pieces touch down Down Under. (10)
- 14 Superior joints come hard from below. (9)
- 16 Greet men coming to the fore. (8)

- 17 Uncapped lads with short seabird find pearl maker. (6)
- 18 Trouble with a capital T? The exact opposite, it's Putin's capital. (6)
- 21 After losing one loch, executive becomes a driver. (6)
- 22 Software command allows global body to act. (4)
- 25 Stink of an Irish mountain. (4)