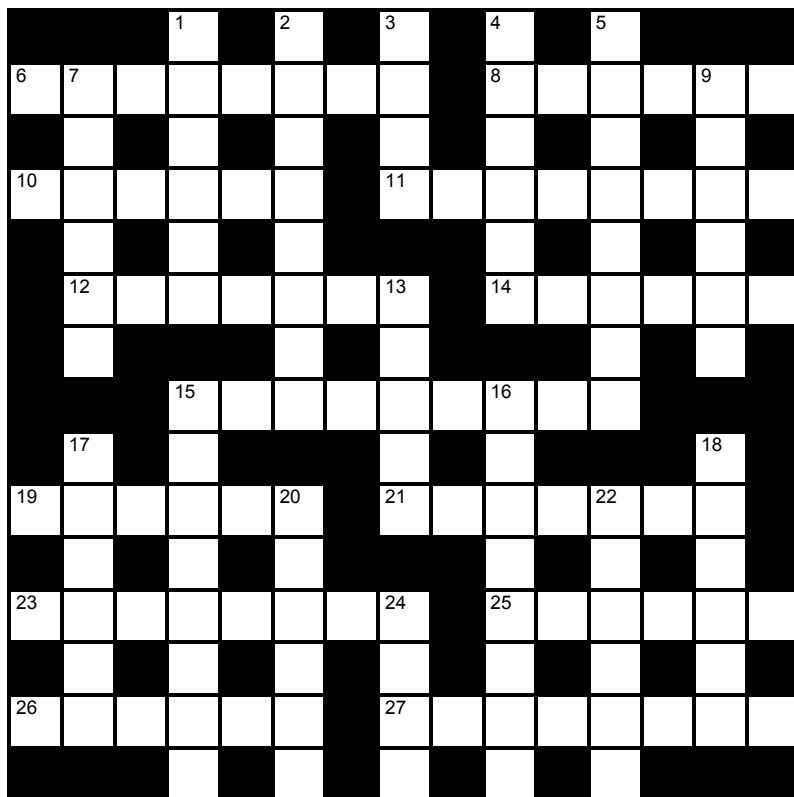


WI...F*Across solutions are of a kind, and lack definition.**Down clues are normal.***Across**

- 6 Child at home engaged in learning (8)
 8 Christian Union backed old comedy writer (6)
 10 Graduate student in bed (6)
 11 Yanks seen around Number Ten (8)
 12 Football club with no one left in command (7)
 14 Beginning to enjoy spirit after drinking large short (6)
 15 Elephant-headed god, hard to ignore being covered in hair (9)
 19 Little work during cold period (6)
 21 Mum is playing with fire (7)
 23 Some receiving Athenian investment (8)

- 25 Murmuring about old priest (6)
 26 Satellite feed (6)

- 27 Revolutionary line for unionist (8)

Down

- 1 As with John Hurt, they bring bad luck (6)
 2 See Leninist illegally phone tap (6,2)
 3 Hitchhiker showing slight depression (4)
 4 A type of candlestick found in study in small church (6)
 5 It's easy to forget when Queen first topped the chart (8)
 7 Bend a hot pipe (6)
 9 Handy American fuel for cooking (6)

- 13 Josh is held in such affection (5)

- 15 Wacky hemp? It's producing foul-smelling gas (8)

- 16 E.g. clay barrel for carrying up edible root-tuber (5-3)

- 17 Pacific island where one gets carried round (6)

- 18 Setter's facing boxer with new challenge (6)

- 20 Reporter's travelled to South Aegean island (6)

- 22 Spivs misread slide rule (6)

- 24 Russian leather? The solver will want nothing less on feet (4)