



Across

- 1 Seed surpasses Americans to a certain extent (6)
- 4 Upstart increasingly convinced Scrooge, say (6)
- 9 She cooks a type of herb (7)
- 10 Wholly against books grant (5)
- 11 Unsuitable blend of paint (5)
- 12 Middle of unexpectedly bad forecast (7)
- 13 Parish not getting embroiled in my antisocial tendency (11)
- 18 It reminds guys to follow me (7)
- 20 Supply online joke? (5)
- 22 King, queen and a whole set of

countries get another performance (5)

- 23 Visited a global organisation in loathsome setting (7)
- 24 Head of organisation recently exchanged tail end for a single (3-3)
- 25 Wind tears up a vertical tail (6)

Down

- 1 South Pole in the dark when the North Pole is this? (6)
- 2 Letter to the Athenians, say, about soldiers and mother (5)

3 Motorway illuminated by leading members of Indian army reserves (7)

- 5 Reportedly remained sober (5)
- 6 Old learners to clean up after first sign of red herring (7)
- 7 Membrane held back by granite rockface (6)
- 8 Calamity kitty finds a way to get her head caught in string (11)
- 14 Swimmers encounter camouflaged duck (7)
- 15 Supply queer contents of pipe... supply again (7)

16 Developer swamped by problem bryophyte (6)

- 17 Comeuppance for boy and father gaining nothing without a leg to stand on (6)
- 19 Martial artist involved in assassination in Japan (5)
- 21 Mention golf club has no head (5)