BARE BONES

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Our Bare Bones Crossword is unique because you have to complete the grid - numbers and squares - as well. We have inserted four black

squares and four clue numbers to get you going. The crossword has a fourway symmetry; both top and bottom and left and right match, so you can fill

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There is a prize of a Collins English Dictionary and Thesaurus set, and a Bradford's Crossword Solver's Dictionary, Send your solution to: Bare Bones Puzzle No 949, The Mail on Sunday, PO Box 3451, Norwich NR7 7NR. Entries must arrive by Friday, June 26 (photocopies not accepted). The winner's name will be published on July 12 from the first correct entry drawn.

Winner of Bare Bones No 946: Mrs S. Perkins, of Crewe, Cheshire.

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Across

- Failure has been hard. and not acceptable
- 5 Spoke repeatedly of raid carried out at one
- 7 Owns German domain
- within terrible place
- 10 Also found
- among pandas
- 11 Late, having
- registered fear 12 Regretting destruction by force
- 13 Support conclusion on rose arrangement
- 15 Drifting around chasm 16 Four keys, getting old
- 17 Stops talking as seafood has increased in price (Two words)

- 21 Swimming in her river
- 22 Rosie ran round tree 23 Knock a style of music
- 24 Quietly read about clergyman
 - 25 Shame about
 - English devotion
 - 26 Lacking moisture in the maxilla, say? (Two
 - words, hyphenated)

Down

- Savage sound of a playwright
- 2 Injure rascal deliberately outside 3 Taking top off animal
- feed is more strange
- 4 Three ran to that place 5 Artist, back again with daughter, played part

in police sting (Two words)

Collins

- 6 Defied rep's order like
- fish and chips? (Two words, hyphenated) 8 Performing penalty
- and thriving (Two words)
- 9 Wise man goes to city for cheese (Two words)
- 14 Only his military starts
- some resistance 17 Church left notes
- for star, briefly 18 Article in favour of new
- protective gear 19 Tasty socialist leader
- gets paid off 20 See father settle
- without a flower