# THE SKELETON CROSSWORD – £325 in prizes

## Last week's solution

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WINNERS: General Knowledge Crossword, November 29: £1,000: F Cotter, Barnsley. £50 Mystery Word Bonus: S Smith, Selsey, Chichester. Skeleton Crossword, November 29: £100: J McPhee, Glasgow. £25: T Webb, Bengeo, Herts; L McLeavey, New Eltham, London; T Ferguson, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne; M Balston, Gosport, Hants; J Kennedy, Laurieston, Falkirk; P Rasmussen, St Mabyn, Cornwall; S Kent, Madley, Hereford; P James, March, Cambs; C Halsall, Wigan, Lancs. £50 Mystery Word Bonus: A Cooper, Boston.
WINNERS: Please allow 30 days to receive your prize.

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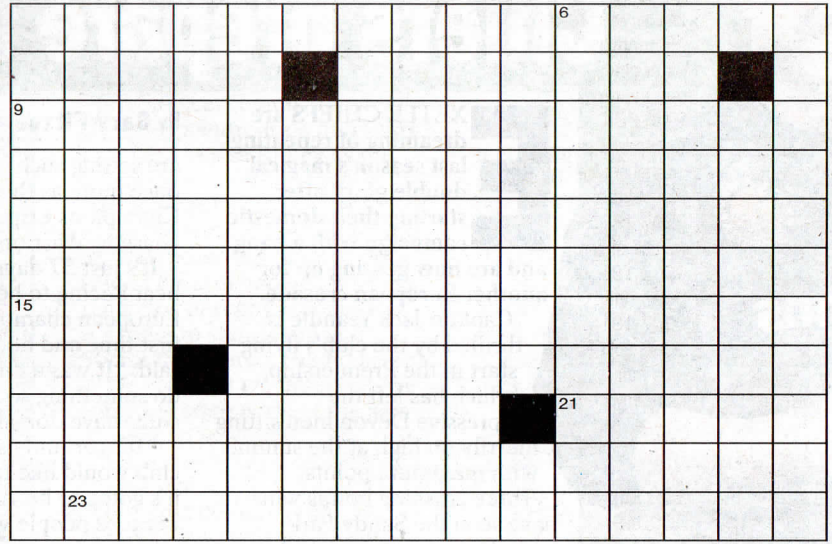
There is a £100 prize for the first correct solution drawn; nine runners-up receive £25.
Send your completed crossword to the address shown in the box below left. In the skeleton crossword, the black squares and clue numbers have to be filled in as well as the words. Four black squares and four clue numbers have been inserted to give you a start. The black squares form a symmetrical pattern; the top half matches the bottom, and the two sides correspond. You can fill in 12 more squares at once to correspond with those given.




Send to: Skeleton Crossword, PO Box 12578, Sutton Coldfield B73 9BT. The winners will be the first correct entries drawn after the closing date of noon on Friday. Please allow 30 days for prizes to arrive.

NAME:

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## ACROSS

1 A joker punched in (Hyphenated)
5 Find gibe impossible (2 words)
8 City of Gold one entered from the east
9 A snake somebody returned
10 Annoyance with commercial bookending broadcast
12 This pair's all right (Hyphenated)
13 A fool circles next to a chasm...
14 ...depressed mouthpiece has left
15 Cheerless legend put on edge
16 Material extracted from the ground put back
17 A circular needs opening soon
20 Being that evil crime disheartened
21 People left to perish head off another way
22 Minute piece of ore that's paid for
23 An awful covering many think great
24 Airhead breaking out green incense

## DOWN

2 Fiery devil drunk in Odessa
3 'Chuck' Heston's first address
4 Annoying book about money
5 Tame Scottie made unsettled
6 An animal turned around has heart
7 Steady gunner I confused, having given in
9 Six wise guys making faces
11 Overly entitled cop making peremptory requests
18 Pie filling taken around a shop
19 Cleaner motor getting hot

## £50 Mystery Word Bonus

Ring 0901 322 5301 for a chance to win £50. Give the correct answer to **13 Across** leaving your name and address. *Calls cost 75p plus your telephone company's network access charge. SP: Spoke, 0333 202 3390. The winner will be selected from all correct entries received by noon on Thursday.

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