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 in 12 more squares straight away.

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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 946, The Mail on Sunday, PO Box 3451, Norwich NR7 7NR. Entries must arrive by Friday, June 5 (photocopies not accepted). The winner's name will be published on June 21 from the first correct entry drawn.

Winner of Bare Bones No 943: Gordon Hughes, of Dunstable, Bedfordshire.

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Across

5 Late to criticise, lacking expression

- 8 You and I float
- around, nevertheless

 11 Loud keys are
- a trend
- 12 Foreigner managed to pursue one Scot
- 13 Firm pressure
- applied on lawman
- 14 Crazy for childish convenience
- 15 Almost drag your head being serious20 Couple as well,
- by the sound of it
 Costume remaining
 the same

- 22 Go off in refrigerator, otherwise
- 23 Continue in vehicle registered over there (Two words)
- 24 Campaign is able to get victory over fool

Down

- Surprised if you included school
- 2 Reportedly require to make dough
- 3 Feature includes a series
- 4 Feel generous, reading of philanthropic enterprise, initially
- 6 Contribute shade,

- making a religious man blush (Two words)
- 7 Indicate obligation in traffic regulation
- (Two words)

 9 Criminal at large
- required a valet (Two words)
- 10 Raves about immorality first, or the other way round (Two words)
- 16 Small lorry has no right to get jammed
- 17 Soldier, with a book, becomes a huge figure
- becomes a huge figure

 18 Handle the first
- expression of pain

 19 Store ribbon around the top