

## The Crusader's clues

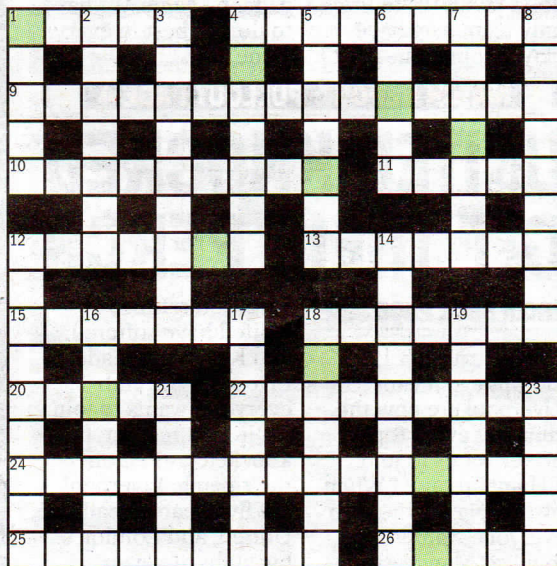
### ACROSS

- 1 A different paper's plagiarism (5)
- 4 Protector upset by a rug? Odd (9)
- 9 Another time sly hustler set out (7,3,5)
- 10 Go for every bit of bacon - it's something to eat (9)
- 11 Live feed ending in a satisfactory way (5)
- 12 Many say artist hosted viewing (7)
- 13 Frank singer containing unease makes faces, not in place (7)
- 15 Failed pseudoscience Pine so wanted to work (7)
- 18 What's left of an inside-out heart being restarted (7)
- 20 Round-faced model in a photo of lookers (5)
- 22 Avoid being crushed receiving a letter (3,6)
- 24 Livid barman, treated well, about to hear writer (8,7)
- 25 Tricks snaring equals on long shifts (9)
- 26 Artist stern moving weight to the back (5)

### DOWN

- 1 A derelict spymaster ensnared (5)
- 2 Liberal, upon opening old case (7)
- 3 Fruit fly goes over Ireland to England (9)
- 4 Animal adding weight to punt, note (7)
- 5 Pain felt reversing small bloomers (7)
- 6 Flush, being wounded by a beast (5)
- 7 Reformed inmate admitting large problem (7)
- 8 Last answer has quiet student upset (9)
- 12 Melted down is what this should be (9)
- 14 Mountainside, to abseller, another way down (9)
- 16 A weapon lowered prior to a miss (7)
- 17 Understanding copper giving Governor General a drink (7)
- 18 Sailors back fool in tattered clothing (7)
- 19 Wasted day last weekend, partly (7)
- 21 City centre's initial feeling of being unfinished (5)
- 23 Middle verse for two singing a cover (5)

Cryptic clues from our knight, and quick clues from his squire, lead to the same answers in the Crusader's Sunday joust



## The Squire's clues

### ACROSS

- 1 Larceny (5)
- 4 Minder (9)
- 9 Illegal (7,3,5)
- 10 Spicy sausage (9)
- 11 Reside (5)
- 12 Judging (7)
- 13 Island of Indonesia (7)
- 15 Triumph (7)
- 18 Remains (7)
- 20 \_\_\_ nerve (5)
- 22 Bypass (3,6)
- 24 Lolita author (8,7)
- 25 Removes from position (9)
- 26 Max \_\_\_\_, German painter (5)

### DOWN

- 1 Hobo (5)
- 2 Instance (7)
- 3 Mandarin orange (9)
- 4 Australian rat kangaroo (7)
- 5 Mexican flowers (7)
- 6 Pierced with a horn (5)
- 7 Illness (7)
- 8 Bother (9)
- 12 Liquefied (9)
- 14 Despondent (9)
- 16 Short curved sword (7)
- 17 Excavating (7)
- 18 Viewing figures (7)
- 19 Inebriated (7)
- 21 Capital of Egypt (5)
- 23 Stuffed quilt (5)

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Prize word: Speeding

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