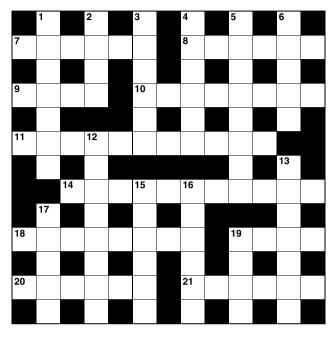
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# Quick Crosswords



### **ACROSS**

- 7 Hanging piece of frozen water (6)
- 8 Imaginary, make-believe (6)
- 9 Heathland (4)
- 10 Two-range spectacles (8)
- 11 Mathematical determination (11)
- 14 Vague ideas (11)
- 18 Proprietor (8)
- 19 Feature of many seaside towns (4)
- 20 Part of a car's transmission (6)
- 21 Deadlock, congestion (6)

# **DOWN**

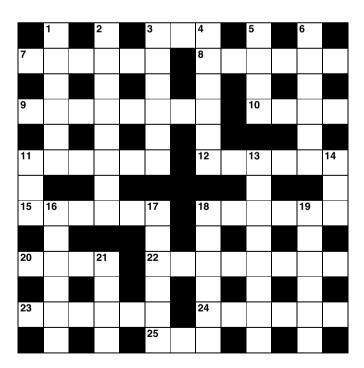
- 1 Big-top tumbler (7)
- 2 Trace of an old wound (4)
- 3 Spoken, oral (6)
- 4 Batter (6)
- 5 Green vegetable (8)
- 6 Public rooms (5)
- 12 Finish (8)
- **13** Protective item for a roller-skater (4-3)
- 15 Pattern of stresses (6)
- **16** Ear-splitting (6)
- **17** More than enough (5)
- 19 \_\_\_\_ stick, bouncy toy (4)

# **ACROSS**

- 3 Rather dark (3)
- 7 Steep, soak (6)8 Sullied.
- 8 Sullied, contaminated (6)
- **9** Flyer (8)
- 10 Brick material (4)
- **11** Stoat fur (6)
- **12** Light-sensitive eye membrane (6)
- 15 Amalgamated, combined (6)
- 18 Waste away (6)
- **20** Eagerly expectant (4)
- 22 Petroleum-drilling area (8)
- 23 Be totally uninhibited (3,3)
- 24 Oily green or black fruits (6)
- 25 Wood used in bow-making (3)

# **DOWN**

- **1** Not just (6)
- 2 Adherent of an Eastern religion (8)
- 3 Sneer at (6)
- 4 Flour grinder (6)
- **5** Long heroic story (4)
- 6 Confer holy orders upon (6)
- 11 Aussie bird (3)
- 13 Marvellous, excellent (8)
- **14** Powder left after a fire (3)
- **16** Lump of gold (6)
- **17** Floppy (6)
- 18 Cushion used in a bed (6)
- 19 Crossword puzzler (6)
- 21 Female child (4)

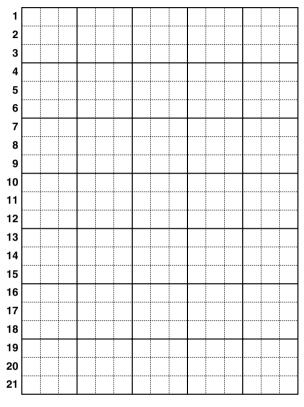


# KROSS PIECE

With the help of the Across clues only, can you fit the blocks together in the empty grid to form a completed crossword? The finished grid will have biaxial symmetry.



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# **ACROSS**

- 1 Academic Arranged in order
- 2 Benchmark golf score Coaching house
- 3 Gravitating towards the core
- 4 Cognac Needlework
- 5 Hydro town
- 6 Information sheet Recipe
- 7 Sprite
- 8 Long-running row Dull heavy sound
- 9 Ceremonial procession Cried approval
- 10 Bingo-like game

- 11 Garden summerhouse Rhyming lines
- 12 Section of a poem
- 13 Removed (text) Ardent fan
- 14 Travel on horseback Caustic
- 15 Charged particle
- 16 Ooze Turned away (the eyes)
- 17 Race (an engine)
- 18 Pertaining to sight Likelihood
- 19 Hardening

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- 20 Film location Astern
- 21 Kitchen sideboard Old valuable item



Do you recognise these opening words: 'The book was thick and black and covered with dust. Its boards were bowed and creaking; it had been maltreated in its own time'?

The lower grid reveals the title of the novel from which these come.

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It's a straight crossword, but the one-word clues make it a little trickier than usual.

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# **ACROSS**

- 1 Twine (6)
- 7 Lift (8)
- 8 Seizes (7)
- **9** Jig (5)
- 12 Fragrance (5)
- **14** Clothing (6)
- **16** Ignited (3)
- **17** Wily (6)
- 18 Hasten (5)
- **21** Dormant (5)
- **24** Mourned (7)
- 25 Rare (8)
- **26** Device (6)

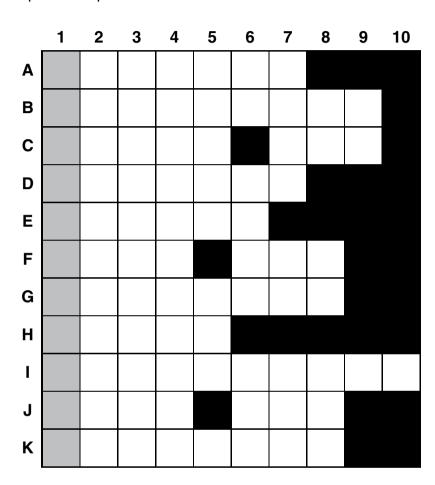
# **DOWN**

- **1** Adhere (5)
- 2 Cad (6)
- **3** Usually (9)
- **4** Eager (4)
- 5 Astonish (4)
- 6 Arranged (7)
- **10** Amend (5)
- **11** Assembly (9)
- **13** Bid (5)
- 15 Most (7)
- 19 Wandering (6)
- 20 Confess (5)
- **22** Every (4)
- 23 Domesticated (4)



Fit the answers into the grid and the first column of the upper diagram will spell out the name of a US poet (6,5). Then transfer the appropriate letters into the lower grid where they will spell out a quotation from him.

- A Withdrew officially (7)
- **B** To all appearances (9)
- C Vulgar (5) Sing without words (3)
- **D** Part of the visual organ (7)
- E Carry off by force (6)
- F Defrost (4) Garment label (3)
- **G** Practicably (8)
- H Semi-liquid (5)
- I Remaining after others have gone (10)
- J Arab marketplace (4) Enemy (3)
- K Study of the nature of God (8)



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Suguru puzzles require nothing other than pure logic. They are the most relaxing and enjoyable logic puzzles in our opinion, and you should definitely give them a go.

# How to solve Suguru

Fill the grid so that each cell contains a digit. A bold outlined cluster of two cells contains the digits 1 and 2, a cluster of three cells contains the digits 1, 2 and 3, and so on. No same digit appears in any neighbouring cell, not even diagonally.

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# Silent...

Shhhhhh! Can you spot all these words, which have a silent T, being very quiet in the jumble of letters opposite?

**APOSTLE HUSTLER BALLET JOSTLE BIDET** LISTENER **BOUQUET MISTLETOE BRISTLE** MOISTEN **BUSTLED NESTLE CACHET OSTLER CASTLE PARQUET CHALET PESTLE CHASTEN PICOT CHRISTEN** RUSTLER **CHRISTMAS SABOT CROQUET SACHET DUVET THISTLE EPISTLE TOURNIQUET FASTENER TRESTLE GLISTENED** WHISTLE **GRISTLE WRESTLER HASTENED** 

В U S Т L Ε D 0 Т Ε Н C Α C S C G D G Α C В U Q F Т 0 Ε Н Ρ C 0 Т В D S Ε Т G R Ν Μ 0 Т R S Ν D D D Ε F Ε S G Ε S C 0 D Ν Т U 0 S S Н Т Μ Н Ε Т T C S 0 O E E S Ε S R Ε Α 0 L Т S Ε Т M Ν D Т S S C S S Т Ε Т Ι S S Ε Ε Т Q 0 Н 0 S S R В Ν U Ε 0 G Т Ε Ε Α Т O M C E Т 0 R Ν U Α C В Τ Ρ S Т Ε Ν Ε R W Ε 0 R Ε S Т Ε Τ S 1 G D Т Т L L



# Step Ladder

Go from SNOW to BOOT changing just one letter at a time and without disturbing the order of the remaining letters. We've clued the steps you take, but not in the correct order. Can you climb the ladder successfully?

### **CLUES**

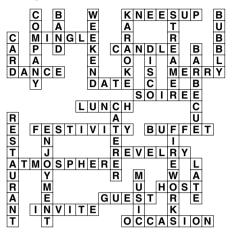
\_\_\_ up, explode
Unsightly mark

Arrogantly superior person Indistinct shapeless form

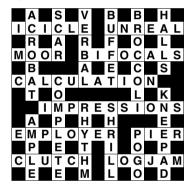
Untidy, unkempt person

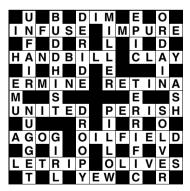
# **Solutions**

# **Party Time**



### **Quick Crosswords**





### **Kross Piece**



## **First Words**



Possession (AS Byatt)

# All In One



# Who Said That?

A Revoked B Outwardly C Bawdy • Hum D Eyeball E Ravish F Thaw • Tag G Feasibly H Runny I Outstaying J Souk • Foe K Theology

"By working faithfully eight hours a day you may eventually get to be boss and work twelve hours a day."

ROBERT FROST

# Suguru

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1	2	1	2	3	1	3	1	4	1

C 1 | 

2 4 3 5

3 5 4

D 3 2 

# Step Ladder

(SNOW) snob, slob, blob, blow, blot (BOOT)