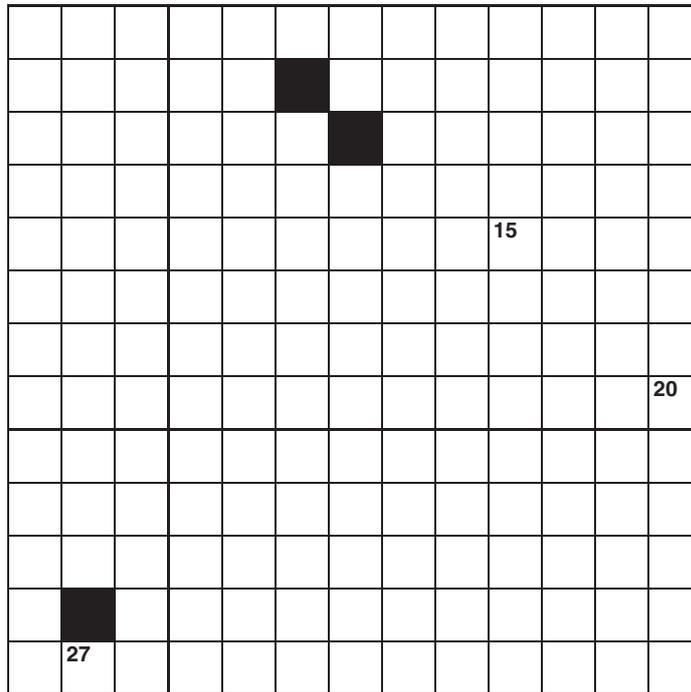


Skeleton

The black squares have to be filled in as well as the words.
 With three clue numbers and three blanks as a start can you solve this crossword?
 When correctly completed the grid pattern will be symmetrical.



ACROSS

- 1 Quavering sound
- 4 Speedy, rapid
- 9 Spicy meat product
- 11 Weak
- 12 Included in, within
- 13 Old
- 15 Strenuous spell of work
- 16 Brittleness
- 18 In conjunction with
- 21 Flower associated with purity
- 22 Tale of fantastic or incredible events
- 23 Court card
- 25 Sport in which the competitors go down the piste
- 26 Crest
- 27 Fire residue
- 28 Words written plainly as opposed to verse

DOWN

- 2 Easing of tension
- 3 Police code word between kilo and Mike
- 5 Aeroplane part
- 6 Ruffled
- 7 From an eastern continent
- 8 Last Greek character
- 10 Dreaming up
- 11 Across-the-board
- 14 Without moisture
- 15 Examine closely
- 17 Social standing
- 18 Supporters
- 19 Large raptors
- 20 Goblin, dwarf
- 23 Human joint
- 24 Eastern chieftain

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