

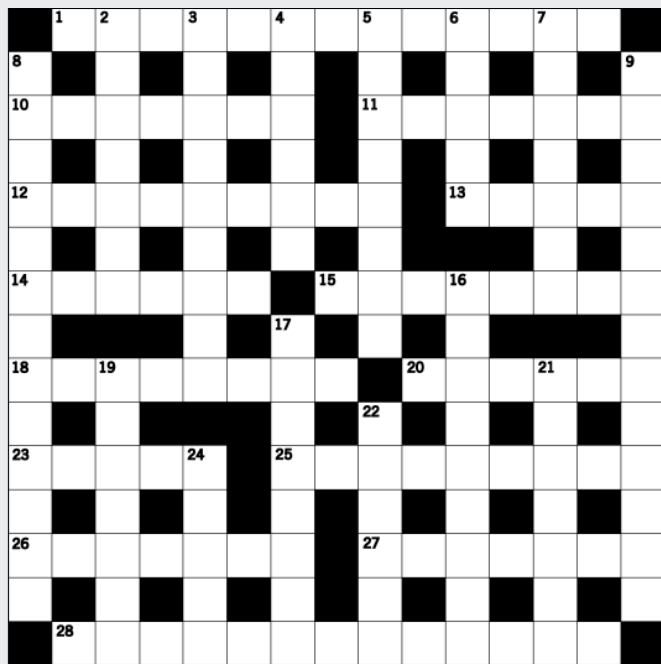
# Telegraph prize crossword

The winner of this month's cryptic crossword competition will win a copy of the book **Hard Down! Hard Down!** by Captain Jack Isbester (reviewed on the books pages).

To enter, simply send us the completed crossword, along with your name and address, to: Nautilus International, Telegraph Crossword Competition, 1&2 The Shrubberies, George Lane, South Woodford, London E18 1BD, or fax +44 (0)20 8530 1015.

You can also enter by email, by sending your list of answers and your contact details to: [telegraph@nautilusint.org](mailto:telegraph@nautilusint.org).

Closing date is Friday 17 May 2019.



## QUICK CLUES

### Across

- 1 Decryption unit (9,4)
- 10 Trailblazer (7)
- 11 Egyptian ruler (7)
- 12 Quarantine (9)
- 13 Disgust (5)
- 14 Put on weight (6)
- 15 Agitate (8)
- 18 Event (8)
- 20 Dog show (6)
- 23 Leaks slowly (5)
- 25 And fancy free (9)
- 26 Tar (7)
- 27 Rider's support (7)
- 28 Red, amber, green (7,6)

### Down

- 2 Sentry (7)
- 3 Youngsters (9)
- 4 Renowned (6)
- 5 Advocate (8)
- 6 Soft on keys (5)
- 7 Non-romantic (7)
- 8 Time for deceit (5,5,3)
- 9 Flu cleaners (7,6)
- 16 Registering (9)
- 17 Wedding shower (8)
- 19 Clingy plant (7)
- 21 Hoof ailment (4,3)
- 22 Sedimentary relic (6)
- 24 Neck warmer (5)

## CRYPTIC CLUES

### Across

- 1 As radical and extensive as tree surgery gets (4,3,6)
- 10 US city not above making clean money from dodgy dealings (7)
- 11 Sounds like demon is including burned residue in stew (7)
- 12 Parsimonious whereas, at the same time, in a word (9)
- 13 Body to be found in forest if feasible (5)

- 14 Score run a ball for three and a third overs (6)
- 15 Flood through entrance like agitated mine rats (6,2)
- 18 Hold remainder before downpour (8)
- 20 Half-dead, story-teller returned to knock off lines (6)
- 23 Cry of complaint at what's said to be grape juice (5)
- 25 Richard the large cat with pump (9)
- 26 Georgian rule saw green ploughed up and heart torn out of city (7)
- 27 Archipelago I read about in postgraduate degree (7)
- 28 Untimely as counter-revolutionary movement (13)

### Down

- 1 Release five in Open University after due time (7)
- 3 Rise and fall in maritime terms, tried a wet variation (9)
- 4 Industrious action (4-2)
- 5 Stick to French bread (8)
- 6 Silver with different use for fevers (5)
- 7 Can rum I mixed go to the head? (7)
- 8 They fired on the enemy (13)
- 9 No more tube drinking (3,5,5)
- 16 Ha, so dye we mixed is cosmetic (9)
- 17 *'Assisted by that most --- traitor / The thane of Cawdor'* (The Tragedy of Macbeth) (8)
- 19 Only a small amount and insect appears in south east and north (7)
- 21 He spurned Chichi and information on centre of Damascus named disciple (7)
- 22 Universal, in short because Mick said so (6)
- 24 Boredom spread in EU around first of November (5)