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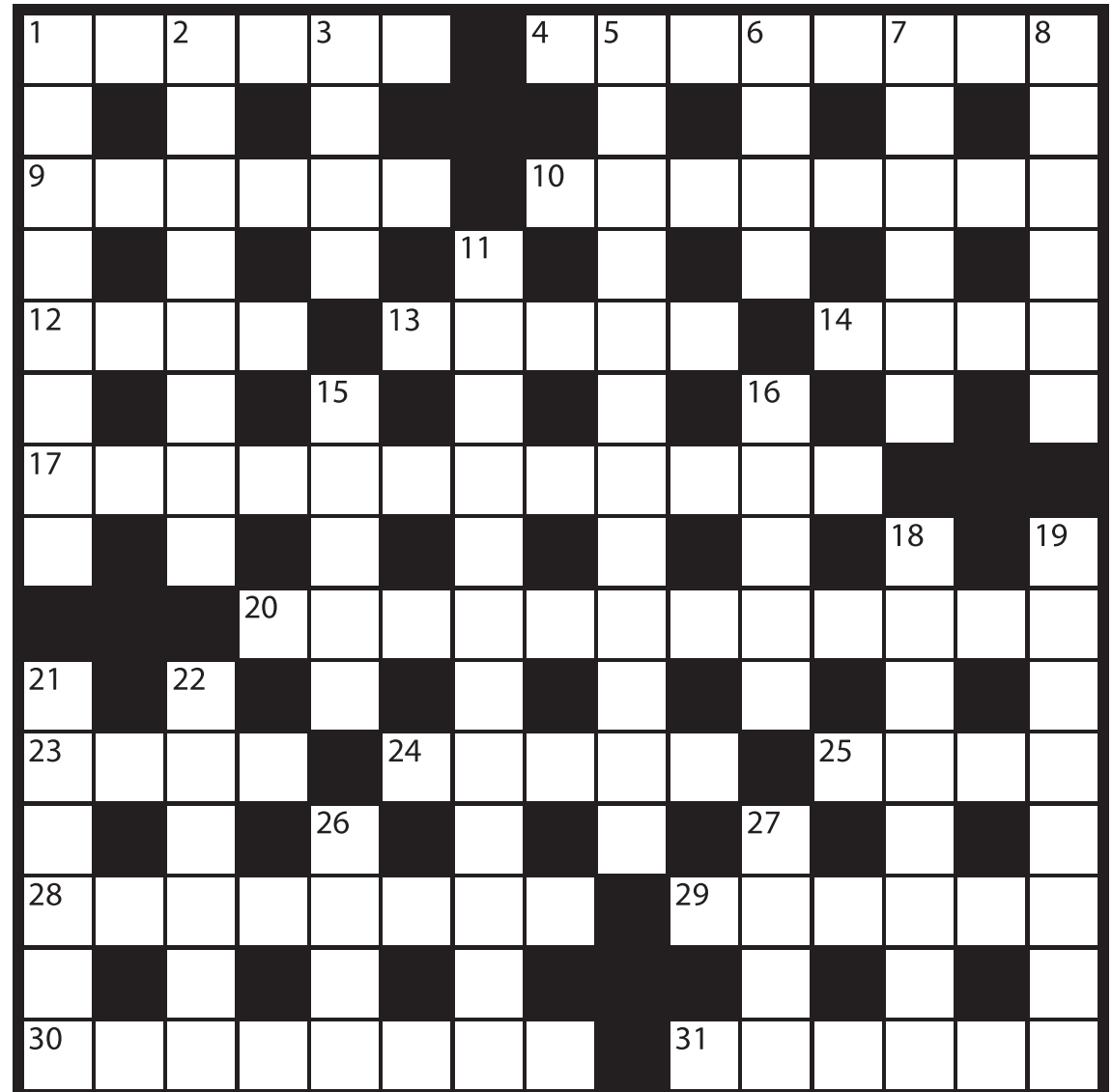
- 1 Drop that hurt land such as this (6)
 4 Lovely party in land such as this (8)
 9 Heavy metal, Queen and "The Boss" (6)
 10 One sharing digs left a mat ruined (8)
 12 Boy will pinch one set (4)
 13 Scrutinise arrest (5)
 14 Friends coming back to strike (4)
 17 Soldiers meaning to limit enrolment (12)
 20 Spurs resting uneasily, getting financial control (5,7)
 23 A journey must be cut short if dehydrated (4)
 24 How many practise Buddhism? (5)
 25 Women suffer and cry (4)
 28 Civil servant is protected by him and a ringleader (8)
 29 Display of food causing strike? (6)
 30 A Tory is sadly crossing line, and supporting the monarchy (8)
 31 Impassive but reliable about time (6)

DOWN

- 1 Traditional stories and role played supporting people (8)
 2 Preferences of angels working around at home (8)
 3 Love writer to be candid (4)
 5 Retail outlet which needs elastic to be moulded? (12)
 6 Ceremony that's correct for the audience (4)
 7 Black bird or dog (6)
 8 Grant immunity to former partner, mostly unoccupied (6)
 11 Accounts of Conservatives supporting boxers, perhaps (5,7)
 15 Question one's children (5)
 16 Area for tennis and romance (5)

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- 18 A Parisian left a wife with bad flu - that's not legal (8)
 19 Lost details about head of Olympics being cut off (8)
 21 An auctioneer must need one pound (6)
 22 Child suppressing rising desire for an organ (6)
 26 Degree students may have a dance (4)
 27 Only fair (4)