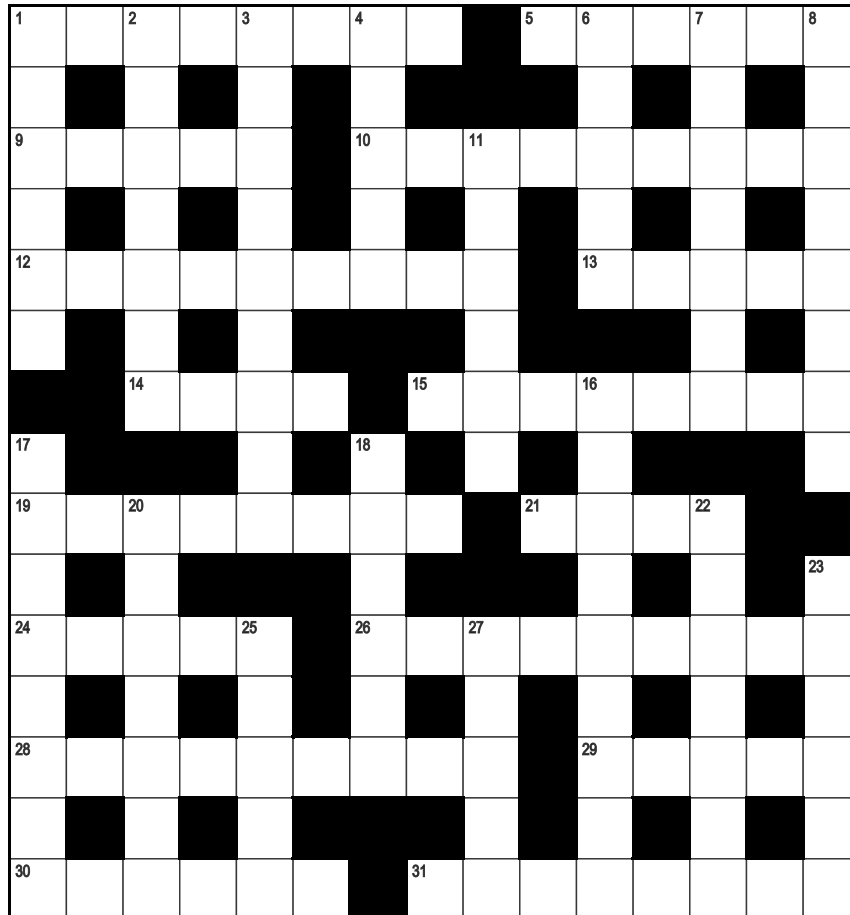


# Cryptic 2024-11

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## Across:

- 1 Free maps in reference for vacation spot (8)
- 5 Fail getting into investment that's no longer available (6)
- 9 Bear trapped by satin curtain (5)
- 10 Nobody knows clumsy young man, so girl leaves (9)
- 12 Mangled curse in an arrangement for protection (9)
- 13 Runner-up trading ring for a beam (5)
- 14 Annoyance from perfectionist's extremes (4)
- 15 Hair-raising to vote for Rick? Almost (8)
- 19 Sure confused (not you, I) by dimple on hand (8)
- 21 Ignoring the odds, applauds for a bonus (4)
- 24 Having rubber wheels worn out (5)
- 26 Blew up hollow emerald with explosive arsenic (9)
- 28 Regarding a catalog: I see it's very life-like (9)
- 29 Reportedly took a shot at party member? (5)
- 30 Outline of silver finish bordering top of armoire (6)
- 31 Guardian's friends need free diamonds brought back every so often (8)

## Down:

- 1 Help out with Greek letter on badge (4,2)
- 2 Makes original, conceptual, kludgy sketches using pencil at first! (5,2)
- 3 Amazed by proclamation of a noble title: Beloved (9)
- 4 Get into shape and start to take showers (5)
- 6 Manufactured alloy that's reliable (5)
- 7 Investor is mixing up pros and cons, losing \$100 (8)
- 8 Cast dirt all over the place to ruin the focus (8)
- 11 Exclusive about gym for all to see (6)
- 16 Associate broken cello with a guide I'd misplaced (9)
- 17 Requirements provided by retiring tune after Charlie leads ritual (8)
- 18 Demand sample from twin sisters (6)
- 20 Top side of fancy fur case (7)
- 22 You and I withdrawing pay to hang out (7)
- 23 Remove caps from red bit for someone with a red pen? (8)
- 25 Sauteed, swapping bit of fat for taste of dill that's withered (5)
- 27 Aristocracy cleverly suppresses revolution (5)