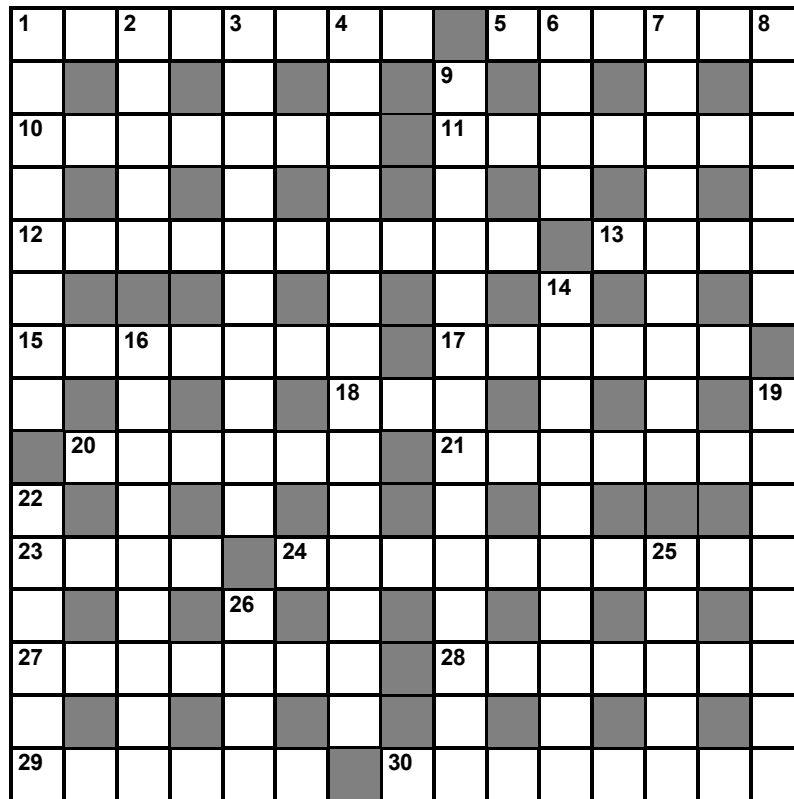


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ACROSS

- 1 Deceive gangster and secure crook finally (8)
- 5 The network curtailed items proposed for discussion (6)
- 10 Everything on view in exhibition is lacking depth (7)
- 11 One New Testament character, related to David actually (2,5)
- 12 Help as is needed in position (10)
- 13 Approach experienced head of operations (2,2)
- 15 I have returned with single character that cannot be trusted (4,3)
- 17 Loops ring through the middle of nose close to lips (6)
- 18 Organise time period (3)
- 20 Revive space traveller with oxygen (4,2)
- 21 Neck is so cut by machete initially (7)
- 23 Work round festering issue (4)
- 24 Typical sort of guitar owned by quintet (10)
- 27 Offensive act taking time and reserve (5-2)
- 28 They always pick new release of Grange, and starter of salmon (7)
- 29 Get rid of unwanted matter for a voyeur (6)
- 30 Preparation of salbutamol not strangely left in blood vessel (8)

DOWN

- 1 People detained by army a relatively long time (8)
- 2 Big punch up, say, ruined sanctions (5)
- 3 Articulate sources dig Newton (4-6)
- 4 Islanders making island canoe, possibly? (3,11)
- 6 Hotel is taking into account temperature impacts (4)
- 7 Gold individual found in old lady's vault (9)
- 8 Small hospital invested in sophisticated training centre (6)
- 9 Social event, held outside, is against retired unit stopping (14)
- 14 Get behind start of developed site that's considered vulnerable (4,6)
- 16 Protect one copper after number departed (9)
- 19 Introduces drug dealer, not starting with wrongdoing (6,2)
- 22 Secures employment in school heading in a new direction (4,2)
- 25 Banker's claim is fanciful (5)
- 26 Bind unbound book of accounts? (4)