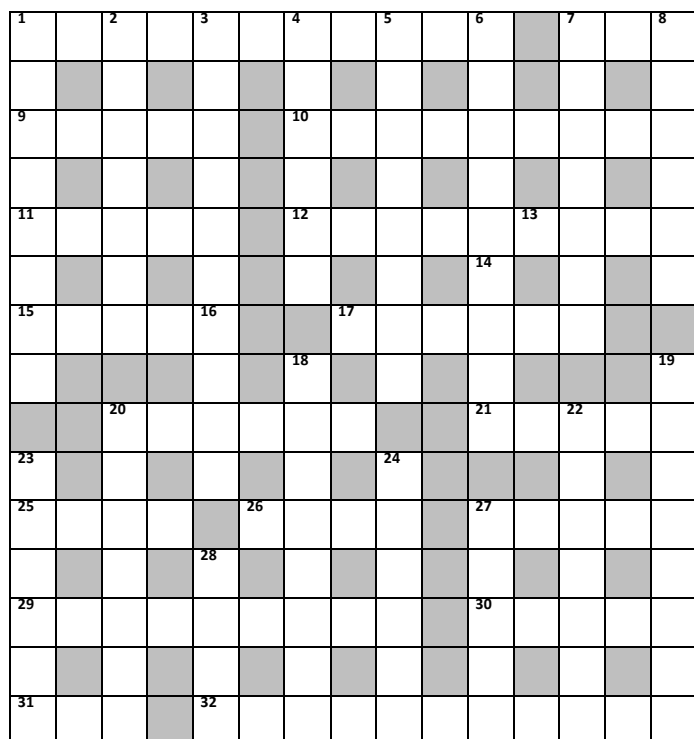


GENIUS 155

Ten across and six down clues contain a word superfluous to the definition or wordplay involved. In each case, this word provides a cryptic instruction as to how that solution is to be modified before insertion in the grid. All the required entries are real words.



Across

- 1 End torment in one suffering without a comforter (11)
- 7 Something useful in the kitchen, women agreed (3)
- 9 Informs knights of the road: no power for electric vehicles (5)
- 10 Make sense of playwright losing his head at play's premiere? About time! (9)
- 11 Laments woefully as wash inexplicably loses socks, for starters (5)
- 12 Great home life round a TV? (4)
- 13 Sentence primarily found in fiction (4)
- 15 Kind of apple tree, a fantastic gift (5)
- 17 Effect of long journey in Spooner's leased car (3,3)
- 20 Stop mouth of former Secretary of State cancelling gin supply (6)
- 21 Easy shot never played in golf: a short distance to back of hole (5)
- 25 Bound to have drink, eating last of the trifle (4)
- 26 Denotes regrets from using hearing device (4)
- 27 Pay cash for sex? (5)
- 29 Go for a long walk? Get lost! (4,1,4)
- 30 House blocked from having one good toilet (5)
- 31 Miss Ireland's title? Yes and no! (3)
- 32 Vast assemblies where party votes in new processes? (11)

Down

- 1 More easily remembered song? That's right (8)
- 2 Import first of goods after roughly 9am (7)
- 3 Author shown up by Ibsen, nightly (5)
- 4 Surrounded by mad idiots on vacation, cavorting at either side of tent (6)
- 5 Managed with ten IT changes outside in-company system (8)
- 6 Anorak essential for dinner date (4)
- 7 Wife going topless, trying to include right jewellery (7)
- 8 Catch boy being upset? Mask what covers boxer's paw (6)
- 14 Writing online, bass needs baritone's first record (4)
- 16 Knocks box over (4)
- 18 Nude plastered with oils? Fancy! (8)
- 19 Big trees embarrassed golfer (8)
- 20 One having bite to eat with royalty after vessel's gone back 1,000 knots (7)
- 22 Cherry that's extra large, left over (7)
- 23 Criticises doctor less, at last (6)
- 24 Blushing, check out organ wrongly exposed by flasher? (3-3)
- 27 After his rude retort, the Queen mounted horse (5)
- 28 Brandy butter served up cold (4)