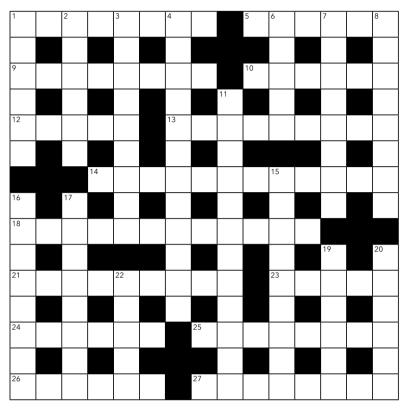
January 2023 crossword



January 2023 wordoku

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Solve this wordoku in the same way as a sudoku with letters instead of numbers (each of the nine letters in each row, column and nine-square cell). Once solved, one of the overall diagonals can be rearranged to give the surname name of a Japanese chemist after whom a prize, awarded in alternate years by the Chemical Society of Japan and the American Chemical Society, is named.

Cryptic

Across

- 1 See 8 Down
- 5 Medical centre ducks out of arranging colonic irrigation to begin with (6)
- 9 These technophobes did let us adapt (8)
- 10 Shopkeeper who's more vulgar you might say (6)
- 12 Surprisingly left unit in the dark (5)
- 13 Electrical device transforms local site (5, 4)
- 14 I relocated to Indonesia for this treatment (12)
- 18 Somehow Victor cut crime in the end. Word got around! (12)
- 21 In a stew about lost sauce? (9)
- **23** Extract a little molybdenum from bromine salt solution (5)
- 24 On arrangement, please pass (6)
- 25 Massive coal loss abroad (8)
- 26 Welcomes on stage some particular things (6)
- 27 Lass repaired path with bituminous materials (8)

Down

- 1 He used to inflate balloons (6)
- 2, 19 Down Inventor prepares lead fluorides with no initial assistance (6, 6)
- 3 Turned a neurotic to drink (9)
- 4 Clever lot not upset by this unit (8, 4)
- 6 Bug turned to stone by the sounds of it (5)
- 7 Son cries about death (8)
- 8, 1 Across Astronomer enriches her local doctor (8, 8)
- 11 No symposium leader is against arranging such meetings (12)
- 15 Hot marble treatment for the old salt? (9)
- 16 Cold dessert I holler about on the radio? (3, 5)
- 17 Oddly turns clays into more solid minerals (8)
- 19 See 2 Down
- 20 See 22 Down
- 22, 20 Down She begins to knit extremely rare woollens for the movie director (5, 6)

Quick Across

- 1 See 16 Down
- 5 See 20 Down
- 9 Type of emanation from radioactive decay (4, 4)
- 10 Insect whose name comes from the serrated appearance of the female's ovipositor (6)
- 12 Acronymic name of the UK premium bonds random number generator (5)
- 13 Compound analgesic containing codeine phosphate and paracetamol (2-7)
- 14 Caribbean capital (5, 7)
- 18 Quantum ______ _, a phenomenon when the quantum state of particles in a group cannot be described independently of the state of the others (12)
- 21 US actress who was nominated for 11 Down for her role in *The China Syndrome*, a film about a nuclear meltdown (4, 5)
- 23 Laboratory workplace (5)
- 24 Microwave devices (6)
- 25 Element discovered in 1879 by French chemist Paul-Émile Lecoq de Boisbaudran (8)
- 26 Edith _____, children's author (6)
- 27 Issues (8)

Down

- 1 Portable computer (6)
- 2 C_oH₁₀ (6)
- 3 Fine china (9)
- 4 Gas mixture used for welding (12)
- 6, 7 Down Chemistry Nobel laureate who also co-authored the play Oxygen with Carl Djerassi (5, 8)
- 7 See 6 Down
- 8 Hawthorn (8)
- 11 Oscar (7, 5)
- 15 Cell normally found in bone marrow (9)
- 16, 1 Across Physicist and inventor who married the French chemist Marie-Anne Paulze Lavoisier (8, 8)
- 17 Narrowing (as can happen in the spine) (8)
- 19, 22 Down Italian physicist after whom an element and subatomic particle are named (6, 5)
- 20, 5 Across British chemist after whom the RSC's Cambridge headquarters are named (6, 6)
- 22 See 19 Down

January 2023 science scramble

Similar to a word ladder, each answer provides letters that must appear - including duplicates - in the answer immediately following it. The puzzle's final answer is a scientist or someone who contributed to science.

For example:

- 1 sail
- 2 snail
- 3 saline
- 4 minerals
- 5 Neil Armstrong

1	Knight (3)
2	Male parent (4)
3	Gets up (5)
4	Catastrophes (6)
5	Death of body tissue (8)
6	Faster than sound (10)
7	Astronomer (8, 10)

Entry form

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December 2022 solutions and winners

Cryptic elements crossword W Al La Ce C Ar O T H Er S H Al Lu C I N O Ge N I V O Xe C O V Er S Li N O N S T O Es Ti O V Er Pa S s | c | ı | o | I Ra C O V O I D AI N I C O La U S T O O Th P As Te 0 C O N Ge N Er O C Ra О I N Ne Y 0 K I Na S Es D 1 C 0 K 0 0 H O Mo Ge N I Se B O S Αl О С S O U T H Pa

December winners Cryptic elements crossword Helen Aspinall, Neston, UK

Quick crossword

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Quick crossword Andrzej Zieleniewski, Salisbury, UK