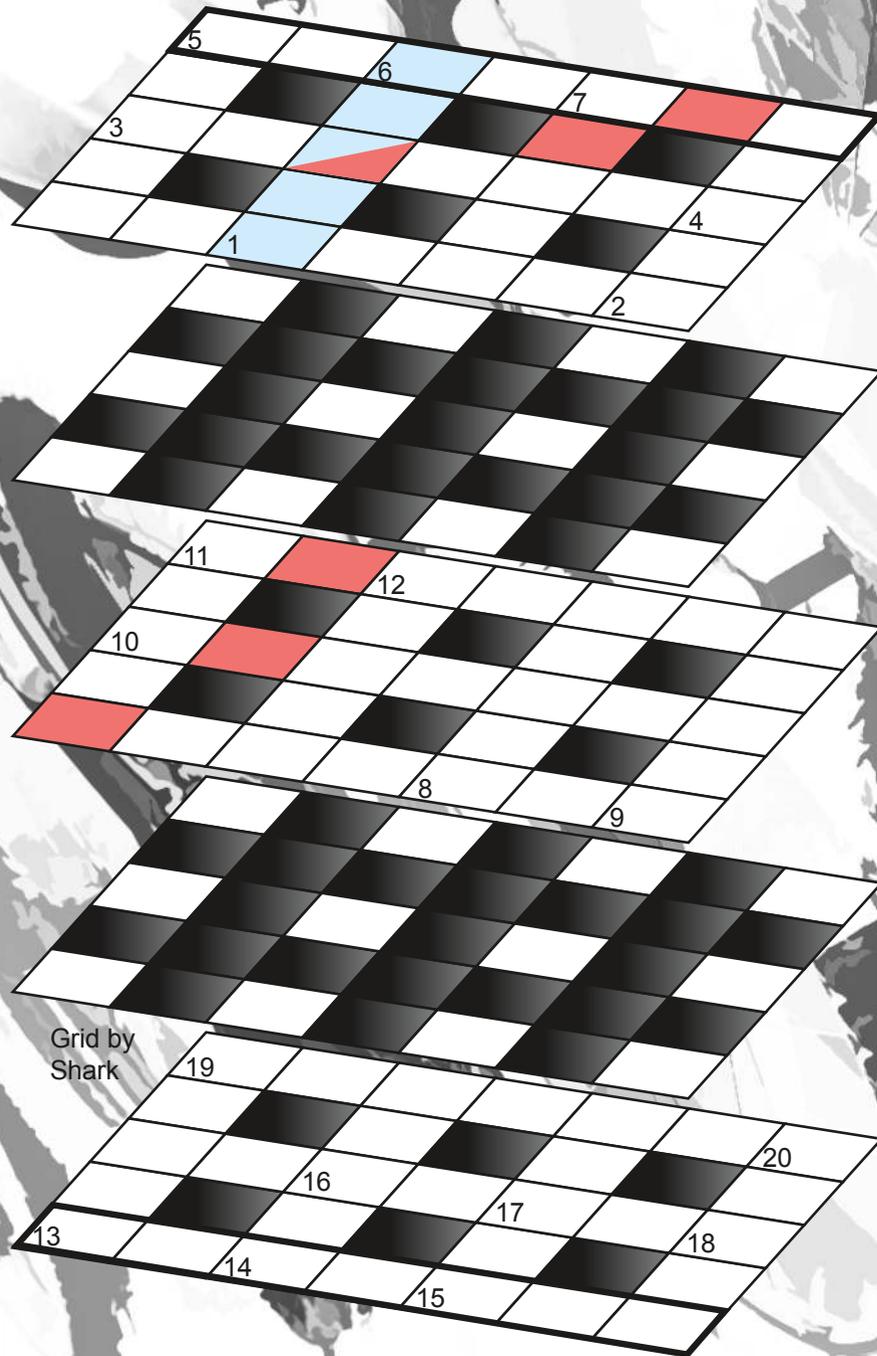


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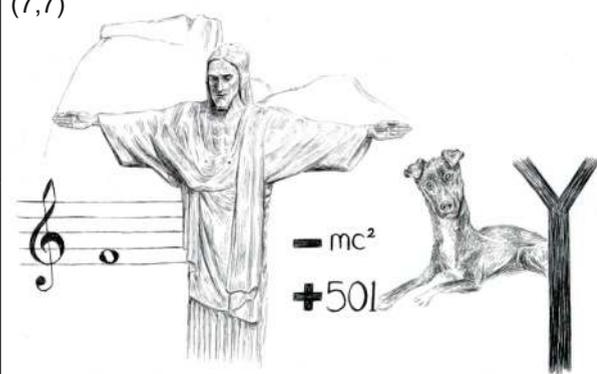
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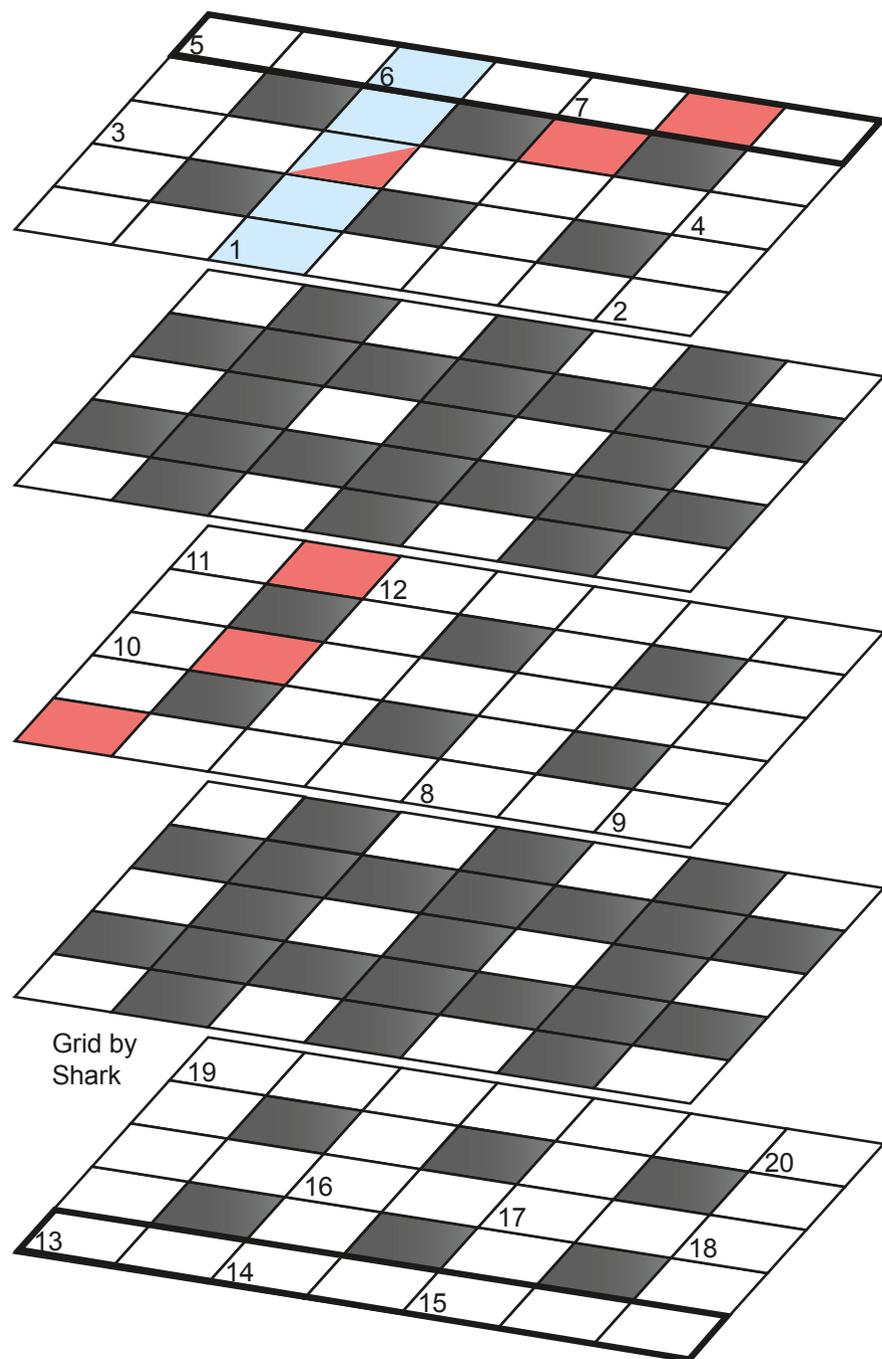
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6 7d Lacking heart, poet's to become old-fashioned (4)	7 17up Beginning French? (4)	8 7to GP pens in red and white? (6)	9 6d Removes periods, apostrophe and colons ... finally! (6)	10 6to Mathematician's backward lesson adopts rubber (5)	11 5d Grinds and smokes (4)	12 5to Bed made from cut hair leads fashion (5)
13 2aw Open clothes shop before 2nd September (4)	14 2ba Crudely staring – it gets the juices flowing (7)	15 2d Simpson nearly returned brother's award (6)	16 9aw Chant from short woman in the art of seducing (6)	17 9ba Gangsta's playing trombones – not on! (7)	18 13up Flash in the direction of Paddy's lantern (4)	19 20to Used in rotation, baking trays under pressure to make pies and tarts? (6)
20 20up Quiet musical composition on the radio (5)	21 20ba Keeps parting foot steps (6)	22 14aw Group of scientists eating tree snakes (6)	23 1d Without limits, foolishly talk shop (3)	24 15aw Control fish before removing the tail (6)	25 15up Punches oddball manager docking one shilling (6)	26 19to Film about cracking 10's problem (4)
27 18ba Lure immature sweetheart during date (6)	28 18up Cathartic Queen's downed? (5)	29 12to Perhaps whiskey (not Irish) for gob (4)	30 3d Without record in advance, thematic rhapsody arguably is so long (4)	31 10ac Money required to house artist school (5)	5ac, 13ac (7,7) 	
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