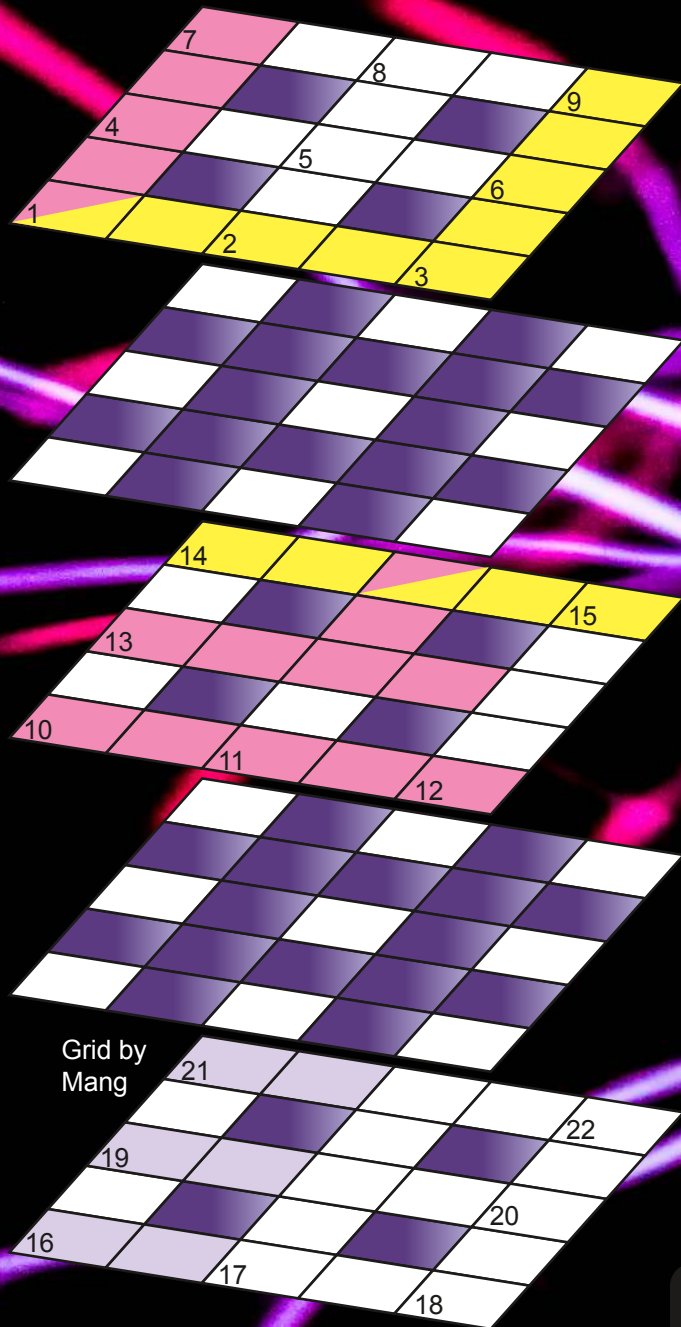


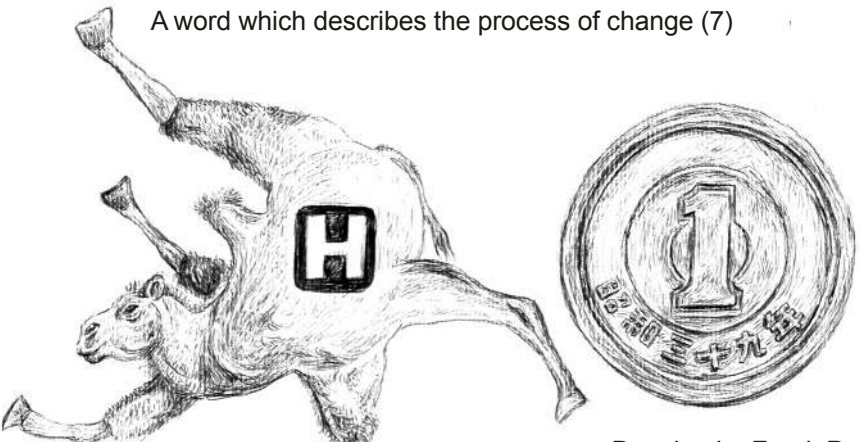
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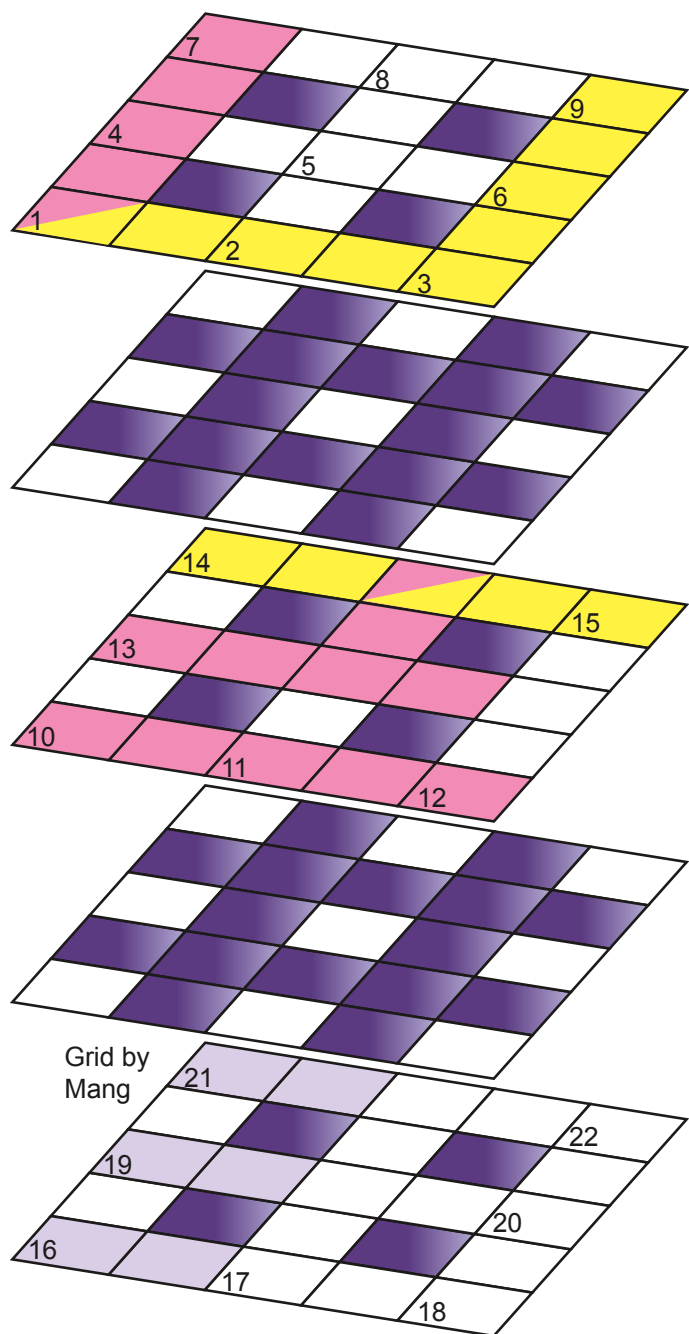


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| 1 ^{5d} Arsenic divided by Republican running serious crime (5) | 2 ^{13ac} Non-precious 15 at last gets to Swiss city (5) | 3 ^{2aw} Nice moggies and rabbits (5) | 4 ^{2d} Grass needing energy to stab criminal (5) | 5 ^{21up} Wikipedia Stream of charged particles from middle of steel girder (5, hyphenated) | 6 ^{3aw} Try Einsteinium, for instance (5) | 7 ^{18aw} Silver returned to an onlooker, who seems stunned? (5) |
| 8 ^{18ba} Japanese elder statesmen, officer with iron core (5) | 9 ^{18up} Thracian tribes' guests are regularly seen off (5) | 10 ^{11aw} Relish hosting us top shows (5) | 11 ^{10aw} Charge current head of maths to live outside university (5) | 12 ^{10ac} Was paid behind unfinished tavern — or bar? (5) | 13 ^{1ac} 17th-century thinker's seal men stripped off (5) | 14 ^{7ac} Disorderly striker reported (5) |
| 15 ^{7to} Lead to mercury, and others (5) | 16 ^{17aw} Grounded flier reaches river in China (5) | 17 ^{16up} Gold that is left to create Oxford college (5) | 18 ^{16aw} Stout old six-footer crossing sierra (5) | 19 ^{20ba} Rich fabric prince and princess required (5) | 20 ^{20up} Start to purge afflictions with these? (5) | 21 ^{22ba} Regular calls from England batter audible (5) |
| 22 ^{22up} Place in chaos following game not recently practised (5) | 23 ^{8d} Travelling, you sat beside mum, dressing (5) | 24 ^{15ba} Weight of individual on street (5) | 25 ^{4d} Product list put forward for discussion (5) | 26 ^{12aw} First to last, obsessively follow lectures (5) | 27 ^{4ac} Players letting off steam? (5) | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | A word which describes the process of change (7)  | | | |
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