

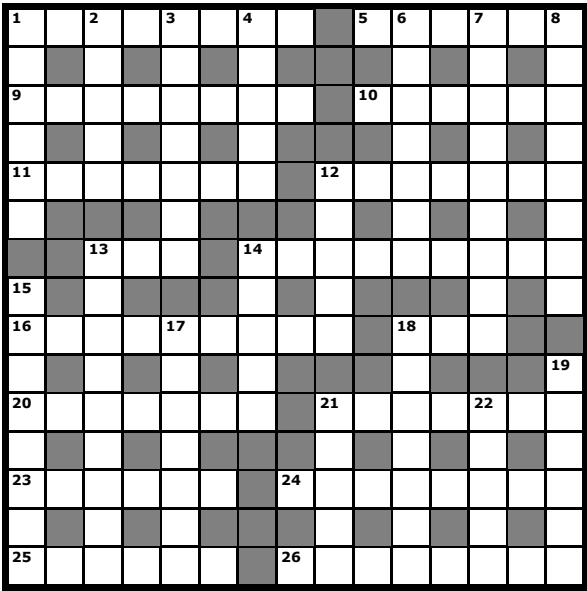
August 2025 Slot 7 by Crowsman

Across

- 1 They interpret English during Devon river catches (8)
- 5 Admire midnight rider (6)
- 9 Swap old coins (8)
- 10 Battle recruit (6)
- 11 Engineers leave the empty lift (7)
- 12 The current recession? (3-4)
- 13 Look both ways! (3)
- 14 Some get a remuneration backing Count (9)
- 16 Shift 23457, typically replacing this? (9)
- 18 Self-reflective Suffolk female (3)
- 20 Moving one book back, even lacking outside cover (7)
- 21 Ultra-impressive genes uncovered relating to both sexes (7)
- 23 One fleeing homeland before catching plane (6)
- 24 Nick sound, from side-on (8)
- 25 Work out twelve and one, less two (6)
- 26 Swiss citizens backing European cardinal, for example (8)

Down

- 1 Boot's opening provided by small key, it is said (6)
- 2 Music ends for host (5)
- 3 Issue is knocked back after turning over title (7)
- 4 Bird-dog discarding its lead (5)
- 6 In Paris, raised good plea endlessly to give a subject a title! (7)
- 7 Wipe out years, say, with time lost (9)
- 8 Man with no good traps Ben, Belle's mean ex-fiancé (8)
- 12 Issue with English duo holding up top dog (5)
- 13 Volatile shows live, but with start moved up! (9)
- 14 Israelites included the best! (5)
- 15 Painter 8 hides solvent for paint (8)



- 17 Eastern regime harmed 23's female companion (7)
- 18 Centre of storm, charged with electricity, brought up harmful glare (4,3)
- 19 Welsh degenerate turns up, having lost time (6)
- 21 Runs out of last supply (5)
- 22 23, possibly, turned fifty-nine during middle of week (5)