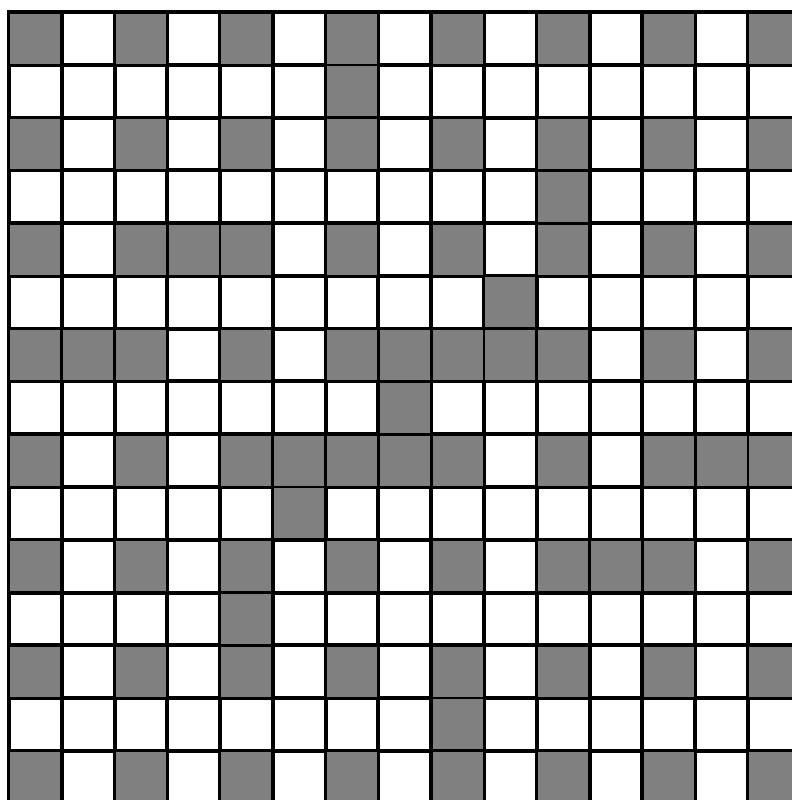


Solutions begin with the given letter.  
Place them in the grid jigsaw-wise,  
where they fit.

### May 2026 Slot 4 by Valkyrie



- A** Bandwagon is essentially a cover for struggles (8)
- B** Fox pack caught loud fellow (6)
- C** Caps credit with personal start to saving (6)
- D** Musical instrument oud, is dodgier without US compilation (10)
- E** After seven, dream about octopuses perhaps (5-5)
- F** Endless skill central to hurling medieval spiked weapon (5)
- G** Grid around Dutch American section marks out divisions (9)
- H** Henry initially obscured budding love for swagman (4)
- I** Lists erudite, misestimation content (8)
- J** Give black, shiny coat to judge, with reversible soft leather (5)
- K** Changing sides, family becomes roused (7)
- L** Australian actress from *The Old Curiosity Shop?* (6,4)
- L** Vehicle learner contrite after ignoring beginning (5)
- M** Film setter with master mind say (8)
- N** Climbing over on time (4)
- O** Big copper departed to form a connecting link (8)
- P** More feeble French one in dock (6)
- Q** State loses real estate to Victoria and Adelaide perhaps (6)
- R** Interpret rubric overshadowing academy (4)
- S** Google maps for example, unsettles Strava after run becomes national (3-3)
- T** Small tree and heather roof cover (6)
- U** Pairs of Umbrian bivalves line circular depressions at base of spiral shells (8)
- U** I'm off after this! (3-2,4)
- V** Cape movement disturbs iron in unstable cave (8)
- W** Umpire, rugby union, retired after turn by southern sportsperson (10)
- X** Ninety surround stripped mutiny ship (5)
- Y** Lacking love, you take on two Frenchmen, that is the start to remaining more attractive (7)
- Z** Fill scooped out zucchini with Italian pasta (4)