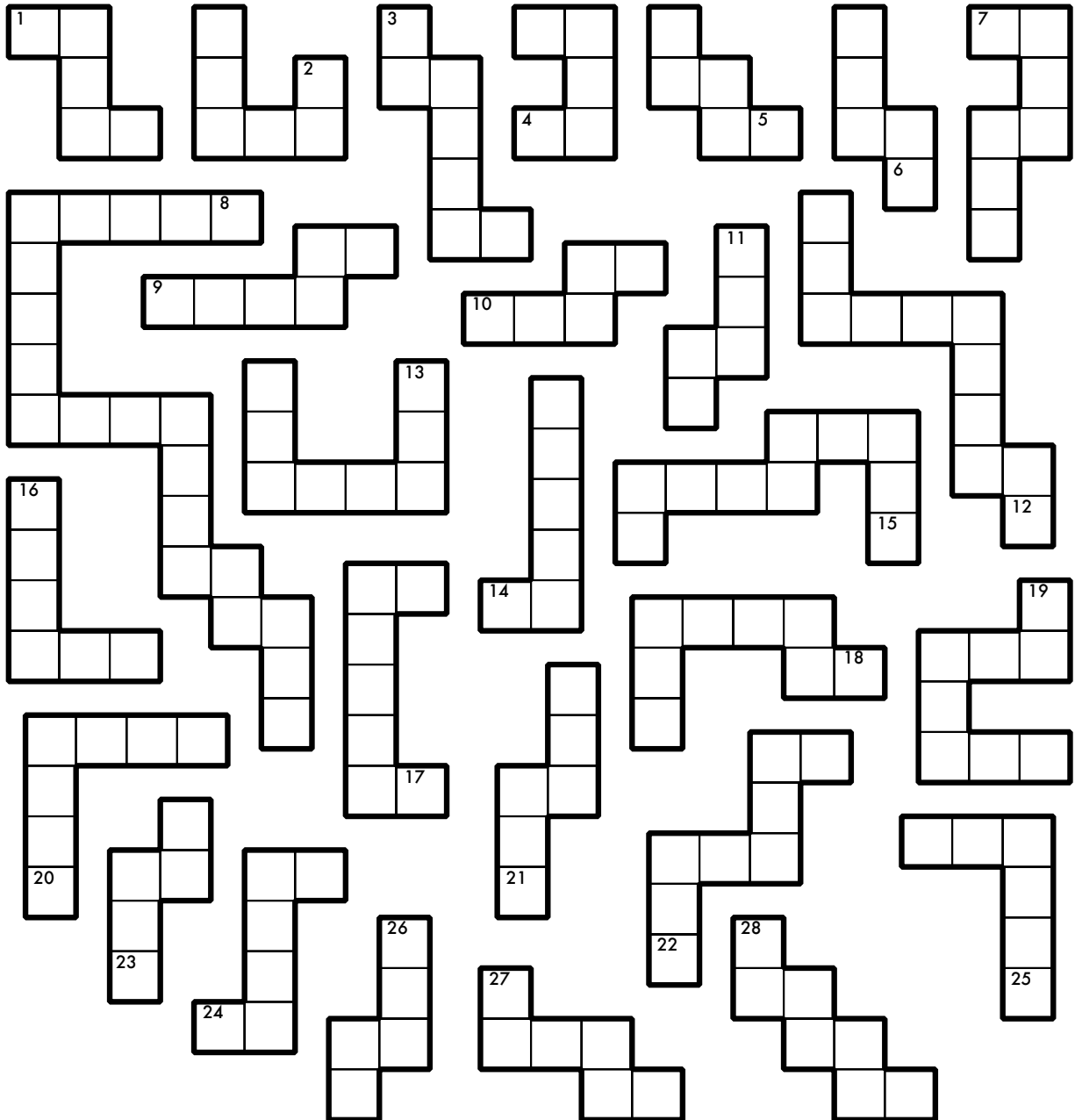


# Some Assembly Required

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Answers to the clues in the Pieces list are to be entered into the correspondingly numbered pieces shown below, starting in the numbered squares. The pieces should then be placed in the grid so that each row contains the answers to the two corresponding clues in the Rows list, one after the other. The pieces below have been ordered randomly, so use the answers to the Row clues to determine where to place each piece. The 28 pieces will fit the entire grid exactly, with no missing squares or overlaps, and no piece will have to be rotated to fit into the grid.



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## Pieces

1. Lead singer for the Police
2. Narrow waterway
3. Soft leather
4. Word in the title of a Monty Python film
5. Synthetic material used to make rope
6. YouTube offering
7. Changed
8. 2014 film whose soundtrack was marketed as a mixtape (4 wds.)
9. Disavows
10. Item in the collection of a certain "fairy"
11. Stereotypical steampunk accoutrements
12. Magician's skill
13. Programmatic composition (2 wds.)
14. Israeli currency
15. Appreciation of beauty
16. Roman institution
17. Home of the Crimson Tide
18. Mammal that chews its cud
19. Prepare for a new release, as an album
20. Get loose
21. Take back
22. Levers, pulleys, etc.
23. Where to watch *Downton Abbey*, say
24. Color named for an Italian painter
25. Little bit
26. 640 of them make up a square mile
27. Google function
28. "Great" island

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## Rows

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|---|---|
| <b>A</b> Popular board game, abroad                           | <b>H</b> Ohio players                               |
| Drummer on <i>The Muppet Show</i>                             | Sidespin  |
| <b>B</b> Provocation  | <b>I</b> Many a Pacific island                      |
| Short and dismissive  | Gives up the throne                                 |
| <b>C</b> Airline ticket option (2 wds.)                       | <b>J</b> Where the vocal cords are located          |
| Airport that sees the most takeoffs and landings worldwide    | Difficult to look away from                         |
| <b>D</b> Attempt to impress others, in a way ( <i>hyph.</i> ) | <b>K</b> February birthstone                        |
| Hard coating  | Leader of a fictional band with a real #1 hit       |
| <b>E</b> Easy listening fare (2 wds.)                         | <b>L</b> Informant                                  |
| Convert to a .gif, say  | "Ol' Blue Eyes"                                     |
| <b>F</b> Tumultuous activity                                  | <b>M</b> Religious figure who was beatified in 2003 |
| Wildcard symbol   | Close call (2 wds.)                                 |
| <b>G</b> Claim without evidence                               | <b>N</b> Put down                                   |
| Reporter for the <i>Daily Planet</i> (2 wds.)                 | Get recognition by Billboard, say                   |