

Plough on



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A certain linguistic quirk appears in ten different ways in the solutions.

Across

- 1 Half open hotel in bid for prize (6)
- 4 Spasm is temporary problem (8)
- 10 Increases in Putin's cash absorbs press (9)
- 11 At first the old unregulated guest houses were Spartan (5)
- 12 See something horrible in Irish lake (5)
- 13 Most unjust uproar around soccer administrators before international (9)
- 14 Painstaking, missing nothing from one end to the other (7)

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- 16 Sounds like proper ceremony (4)
- 19 Thanks Lucy occasionally for cosmetics (4)
- 21 Smell harsh in part of town (7)
- 24 Spooner's joyless broadcast for artisan product (9)
- 25 Should 11s front-runner drop back? (5)
- 26 Black bird loses height to hawk (5)
- 27 Turn to right-leaning characters to create stress (9)
- 28 Outfit for musicians (8)

- 29 Celestial choir secretly sang elsewhere (6)

Down

- 1 Finger food taster left empty for a change (8)
- 2 Traditionalist antique custodian (3,5)
- 3 Joint where laugh starts and ends (5)
- 5 A sin for punishment, to an extent (2,2,3)
- 6 Slope back inside to provide source of nasty smell (3,6)
- 7 One who takes interest when pure

heart drawn in by exploiter (6)

- 8 Percussion instruments went to the heads of Victorian aristocrats? (2-4)

- 9 Shed in depressing place (6)

- 15 States leaders of North Dakota, Tennessee, edge rivals (2,3,4)

- 17 Swamp annual general meeting in old papers (8)

- 18 Wrecks ship carrying madman (8)

- 20 Review uncritical? Nit picking is essential! (7)

- 21 Take top off second Eastern leader (6)

- 22 Mindset of oddly pasty revolutionary (6)

- 23 Audibly prompts actors' lines (6)

- 25 Bulb working, me working (5)