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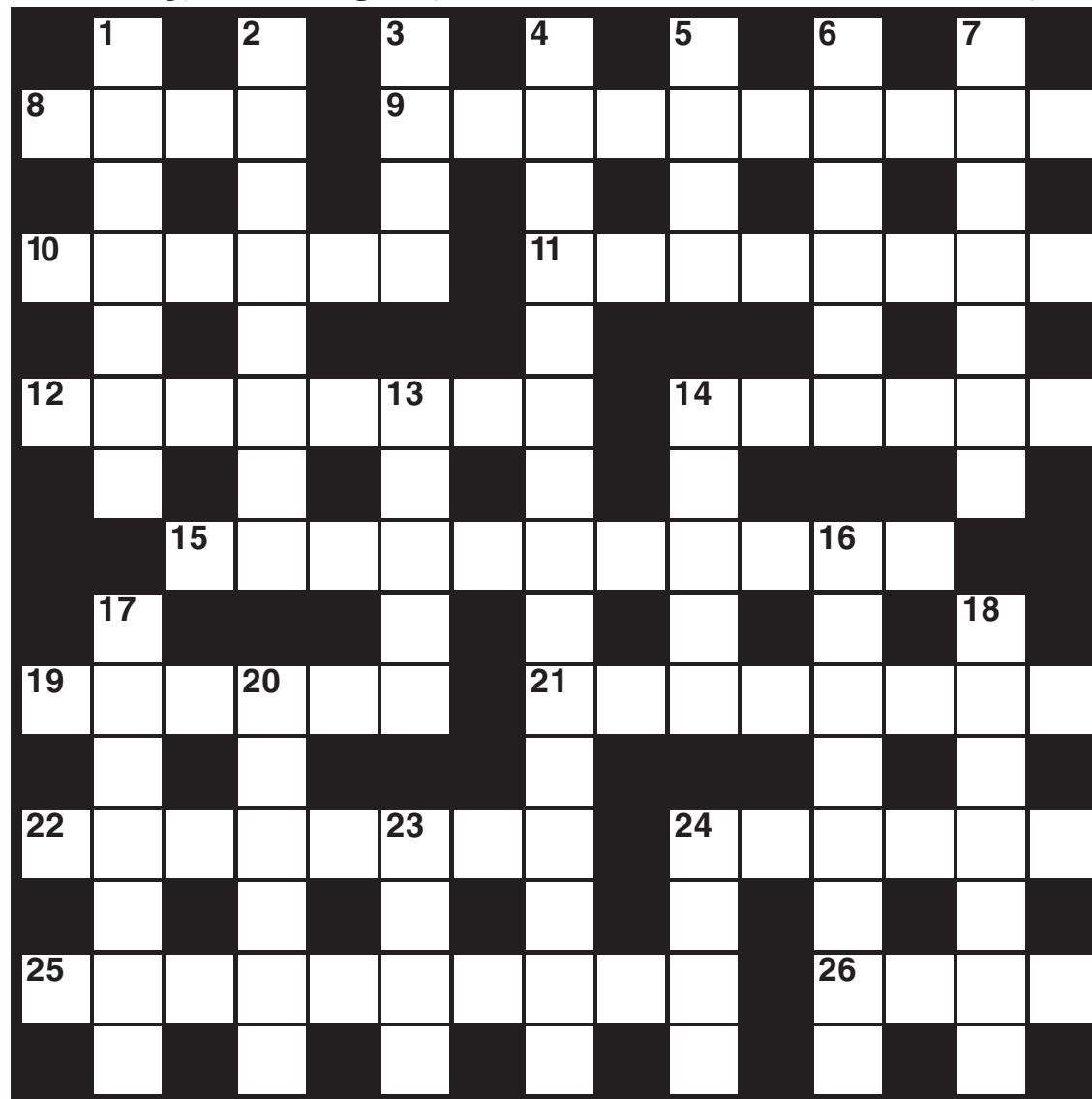
- 8 Enthusiastic about cooking, not !! (4)
 9 Lily with cooker utensil, like so (10)
 10 Most of the French going in for retiring (6)
 11 I'd take it in to Lucy for clarity (8)
 12 Girl has speedwell plant (8)
 14 Selected some nachos? Enjoy (6)
 15 Minute Coleridge novel contains unknown female presenter (3,8)
 19 Reportedly part of the weekend dessert (6)
 21 Predator distressed showing sign of sadness (8)
 22 More unusual to find one new to the area (8)
 24 Rush to get surgical intervention for stone in bladder? (6)
 25 A clue; if at a loss, drink! (4,2,4)
 26 Nervous impulse, had big day finally (4)

DOWN

- 1 Busybody so prone to change (7)
 2 Reportedly is aware of ice-cream holder on front of plane (4,4)
 3 Cut top off grilled bread from oven (4)
 4 Moving near an impartial politician (15)
 5 Top and tail fish like ordinary people (4)
 6 TV recording room, horse farm needs ten (6)
 7 Raced headlong causing damage to light source (7)
 13 Fireplace, one with top off (5)
 14 Get about in ancient Rome? (5)
 16 Folk singer at their peak? (8)

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- 17 Stand up wobbly household receptacle (7)
 18 Almost carried round old district (7)
 20 Doctor imitates curtains (6)
 23 With most of stick tweaked initial excess (4)
 24 Leaders of Greece in tiny European cottage (4)