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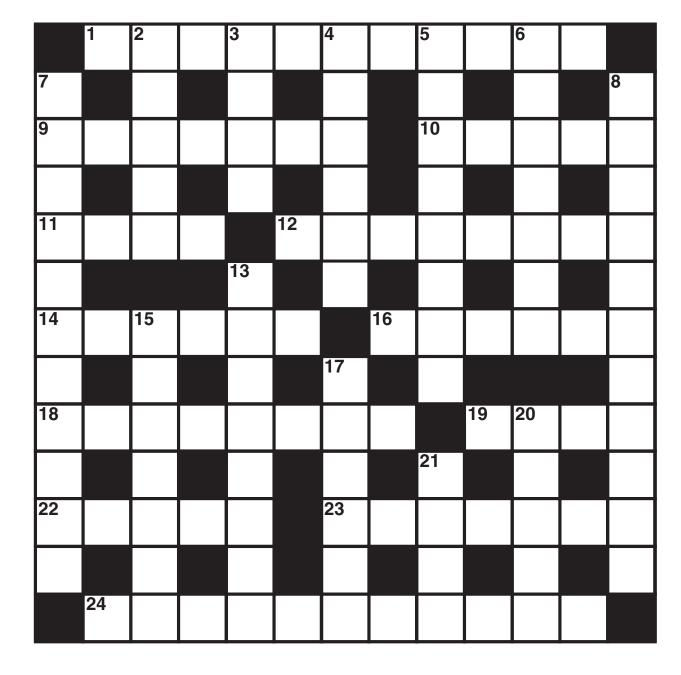
1 Lose one's grip and decide to take no further action (4,3,4)
9 Hurried so curry is spoilt (7)
10 A fabulous writer takes a retrospective pose (5)
11 It flows out of line (4)
12 An event for wine people (4,4)
14 Decline with little hesitation (6)
16 Impressionist Renoir reproduction? (6)
18 Close of play (8)
19 I study Russian art (4)

22 Not the best man to take care of horses (5)

23 Hear Thai wraps chopped lamb dish (7)

24 No more stars for stargazers (11)

- Down
- 2 Country river a Russian river (5)
- 3 Ring up Winnie (4)
- 4 Call attention to 24-hour period of prosperity (6)
- 5 Crazy people eat them with cheese (8)
- 6 Keep us up to the mark (7)
- 7 Admit the account needs information (11)
- 8 It pays an actor to keep them up (11)
- 13 He likes to make things better for an anagrammatist (8) 15 Disport around the photographer's equipment (7)
- 17 Some insult angers the ruler (6)
- 20 Seat of learning? (5)
- 21 I'm a leader of Muslims (4)



# **Cryptic Solution 16924**

Across: 1 Bumper, 4 Crossbow, 9 Rarest, 10 Wayfarer, 12 Nuts, 13 Relay, 14 Race, 17 Short circuit, 20 Posted abroad, 23 Ache, 24 Faint, 25 Skye, 28 Appendix, 29 Humane, 30 Indigent, 31 Zealot. **Down:** 1 Baroness, 2 Marathon, 3 Easy, 5 Road accident, 6 Soft, 7 Barsac, 8 Warren, 11 Registration,15 Stood, 16 Limbo, 18 Cocktail, 19 Adherent, 21 Salami, 22 Shaped, 26 Snug, 27 Ruse.

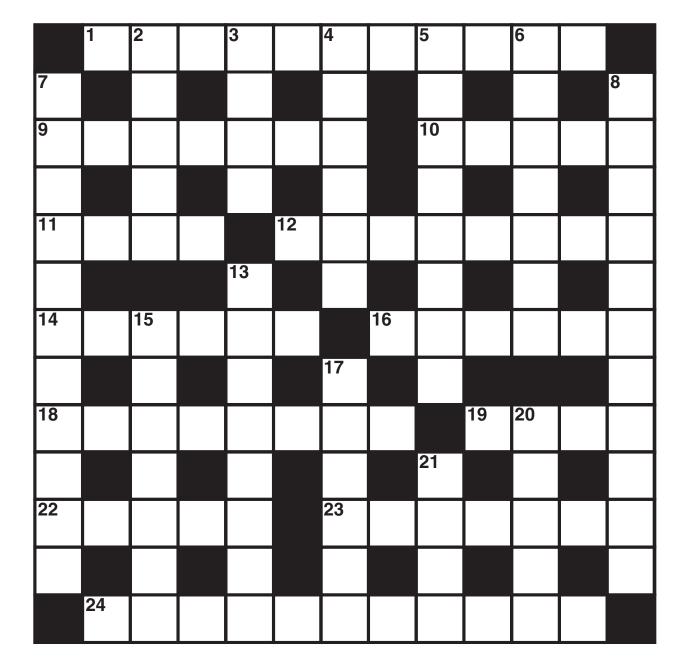
**Cryptic Crossword 16925** 

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1 Function very successfully (2,5,4) 9 Close of the day (7) 10 Leave alone (3,2) 11 Exposed (4) 12 Keep alive (8) 14 Stupid nonsense (6) 16 Physical condition (6) 18 Large festive gathering (8) 19 Slightly crazy (4) 22 Japanese form of fencing (5) 23 Rotate (7) 24 Many-sided ability (11)

### Down

2 Excessively fat (5) 3 To wreck (4) 4 Portent (6) 5 Overshoes (8) 6 Unaffected (7) 7 No laughing matter (6,1,4) 8 Mentally well-balanced (5-6) 13 Virulent (8) 15 Huge (7) 17 Capital of Lebanon (6) 20 Assign as share (5) 21 Wickedness (4)



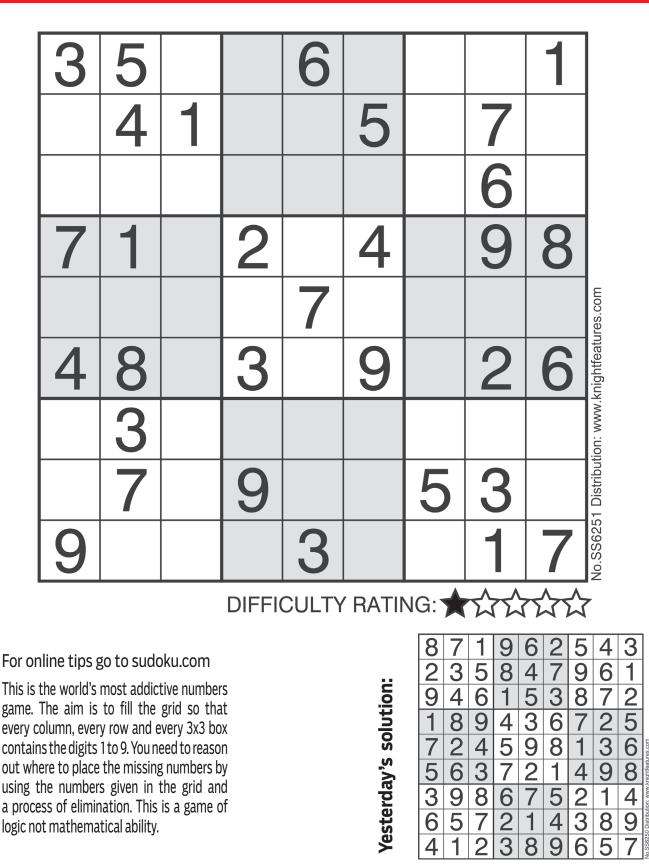
## 10-Minute Solution 16924

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Across: 1 Gasbag, 4 Comeback, 9 Timely, 10 Step on it, 12 Oral, 13 Inane, 14 Base, 17 Achilles' heel, 20 Go into detail, 23 Room, 24 Tweed, 25 Ploy, 28 Mandarin, 29 Gambia, 30 Two-faced, 31 Unwell.

Down: 1 Go too far, 2 Sympathy, 3 Able, 5 Out in the open, 6 Espy, 7 Annual, 8 Kitten, 11 Once in a while, 15 Gloom, 16 Defer, 18 Fallible, 19 Play ball, 21 Prompt, 22 Borneo, 26 Data, 27 Warn.

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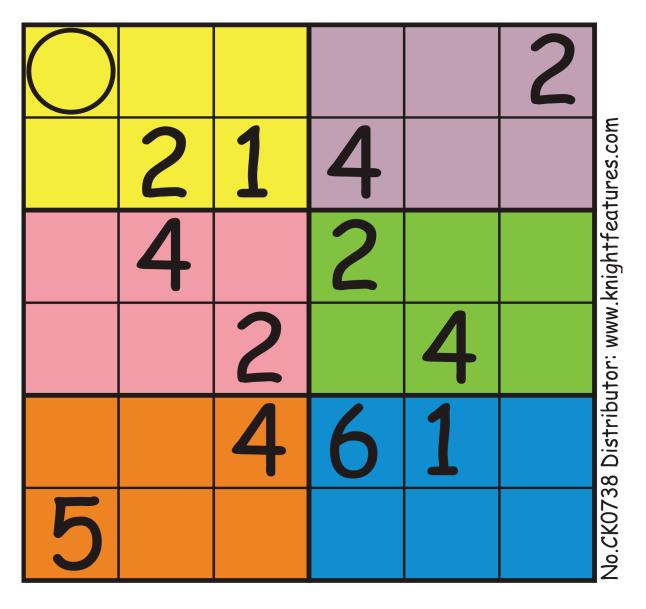


Using the letter N somewhere in every word, can you make at least 48 words of four letters or more out of these letters? At least one word will have all the letters. No proper names.



**Yesterday's Answers:** aisle, alien, alienist, aline, anew, anile, anise, ante, anti, asti, east, eats, elan, entail, inlaw, lane, lase, last, late, laten, latin, lawn, lean, leant, least, leat, liaise, lias, nail, nates, neat, sail, sain, saint, sale, salient, saline, salt, sane, sate, sati, satin, sawn, seal, seat, seta, sial, slain, slant, slat, slate, slaw, snail, stain, stale, steal, swain, swan, swat, sweat, tail, tails, tales, taliesin, taws, tawse, teal, tesla, tinea, tisane, twain, wail, wain, waist, WAISTLINE, wait, waits, wale, wane, want, wast, waste, weal, wean

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Last weeks solution:

