



Answers are in French and English

Across

- 1 Girl finding timid people stuck in a situation of great difficulty? Just the opposite (8)
- 5 French spice found in exotic recipe (6)
- 9 Amelie's sympathies ultimately lie with an objective embraced by the principal political party in South Africa (8)
- 10 Expresses sorrow for loss of ancient city during WW1 conflict (6)
- 11 A couple of enticements getting one of Falstaff's recruits to weaken (8)
- 12 Fantastic for Le Floch to get information on Italy's foremost gangster (6)
- 14 Somewhat inferior way to describe a young footballer with prodigious talent (6-4)
- 18 Provoke outstanding bishop in charge after former partner (10)
- 22 Fat on a piece of chopped bacon in Nice (6)
- 23 Clemence's dry cleaning is demanding immediate attention (8)
- 24 Arrest revolutionary French philosopher (6)
- 25 Recently introduced to a food shop reportedly in India's capital (3,5)
- 26 Emile's to bring mother back before Rene returns (6)
- 27 Through which the unseen fellow may see people he upset (8)

Down

- 1 Row after mechanical engineer gets a job in Lille (6)
- 2 I meet fellow packing containers with French penknives (6)
- 3 Napoleon's equal as general surprisingly ignoring knight (6)
- 4 Affecting a limited area close to a midlands city when Villa play West Brom for instance (5,5)
- 6 Continue to get small profit from investments (8)
- 7 My queen describing doctor in correct French (8)
- 8 Determined to get Rose playing an instrument (8)
- 13 One supporting you in speech in foreign court before becoming a seamstress in Paris (10)
- 15 Sell lace pants with those in France (6-2)
- 16 Story involving lawyer getting upset about republican exhibiting stinginess in Lens (8)
- 17 Means of support for Religious Education Society provided by our church (8)
- 19 American fellow finished exhausted (4,2)
- 20 Key in 'City Market' (6)
- 21 Fifty trapped in terrible siege in French church (6)

Bilingual cryptic crossword
Across: 1 Michelle, 5 Epicure, 9 Tendances, 10 Mourns, 11 Enfeeble, 12 Génial, 14 Second-best, 18 Exacerbate, 22 Lardon, 23 Pressing, 24 Sartre, 25 New Delhi, 26 Amener, 27 Peephole.
Down: 1 Métiers, 2 Canifs, 3 Egalité, 4 Local derby, 6 Procédeas, 7 Corriger, 8 Résolue, 13 Couturière, 15 Cellés-la, 16 Laderie, 17 Resource, 19 Used up, 20 Rialto, 21 Eglise.