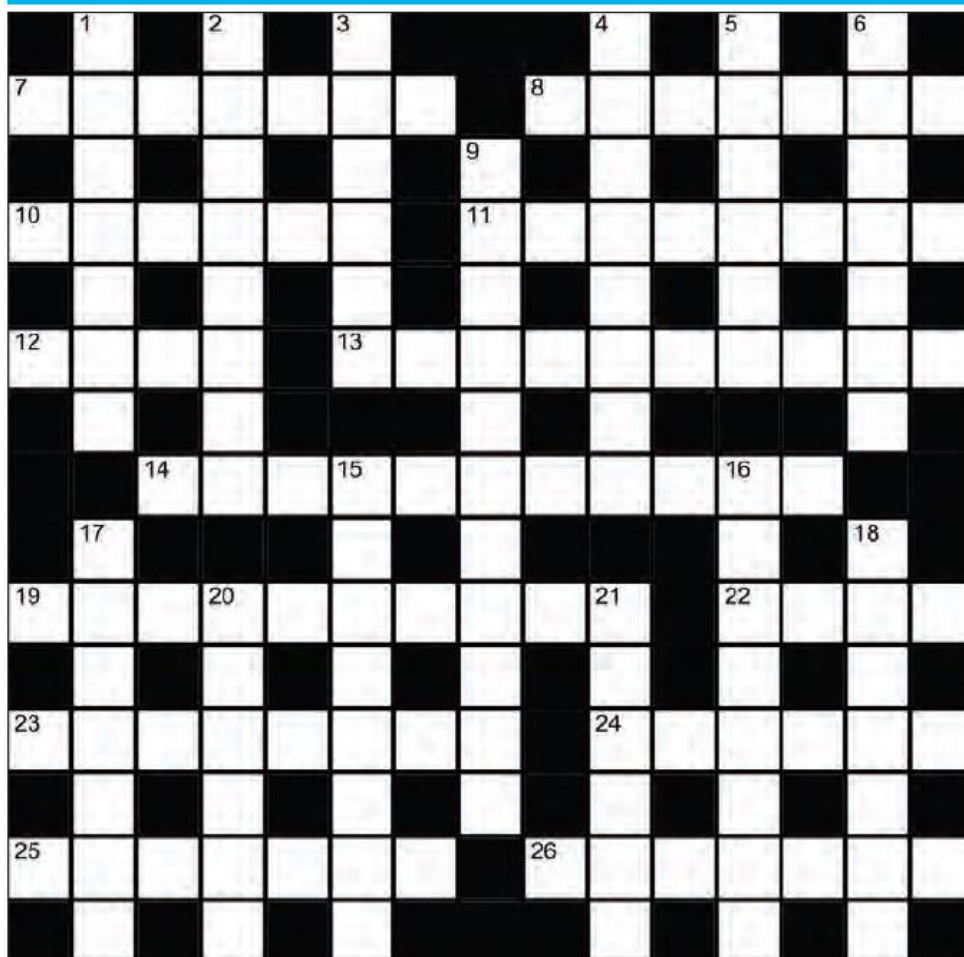


Bilingual cryptic crossword

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Answers are in French and English

Across

- 7 Beginning of book (7)
- 8 Set out to become successful (4,3)
- 10 Study country's source of electricity (6)
- 11 Religious instruction feeding Hector's fancy oratory (8)
- 12 Being nothing more than something specified by Delphine's mother (4)
- 13 Composer's kind to dog (10)
- 14 Baptiste's to clear Deb's arrears surprisingly (11)
- 19 Students possessed by a determination to be versatile (3-7)
- 22 Distinctive quality associated with eastern area of France (4)
- 23 William is able to find a container for boiling water (8)
- 24 Danton's to call together Republican soldiers sent back to protect the Sorbonne for example (6)
- 25 Something done to get permit cancelled (7)
- 26 A lengthy reprimand for reading in French (7)

Down

- 1 Jean's to reveal lever turned to zero essentially (7)
- 2 Francine's father-in-law gets to live near Pau mysteriously before going back and forth (4-4)
- 3 I'm stopping money for building material in Lille (6)
- 4 Uses lads working on there in Nantes (2-6)
- 5 Rumour of postponement in Calais (6)
- 6 Policeman runs after old fellows on drugs (7)
- 9 Appropriate to have religious women touring Ohio with Anne and Mary for instance (6,5)
- 15 Mazarin's to pull out of a church service ultimately after bishop is grabbed by soldiers from behind (8)
- 16 Withdraw English clergyman right away after Ivan strips off (8)
- 17 Francis I's to plead for page put down by the queen (7)
- 18 Back in France before rebels capture king heading north (7)
- 20 Alain's loot left in large building close to river (6)
- 21 Bit of enthusiasm shown by fellow making an effort to find Peslier's stirrup (6)

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Across: 7 Genes, 8 Take off, 10 Peruse, 11 Rhetoric, 12 Mère, 13 Typesetter, 14 Débarasser, 19 All-purpose, 22 Aire, 23 Bilingual, 24 Rénir, 25 Deleted, 26 Lecture.
Down: 1 Révéler, 2 Beau-père, 3 Clément, 4 La-dessus, 5 Report, 6 Officier, 9 Proper nouns, 15 A rachter, 16 Evacuate, 17 Plaider, 18 Arrière, 20 Pillier, 21 Entrer.