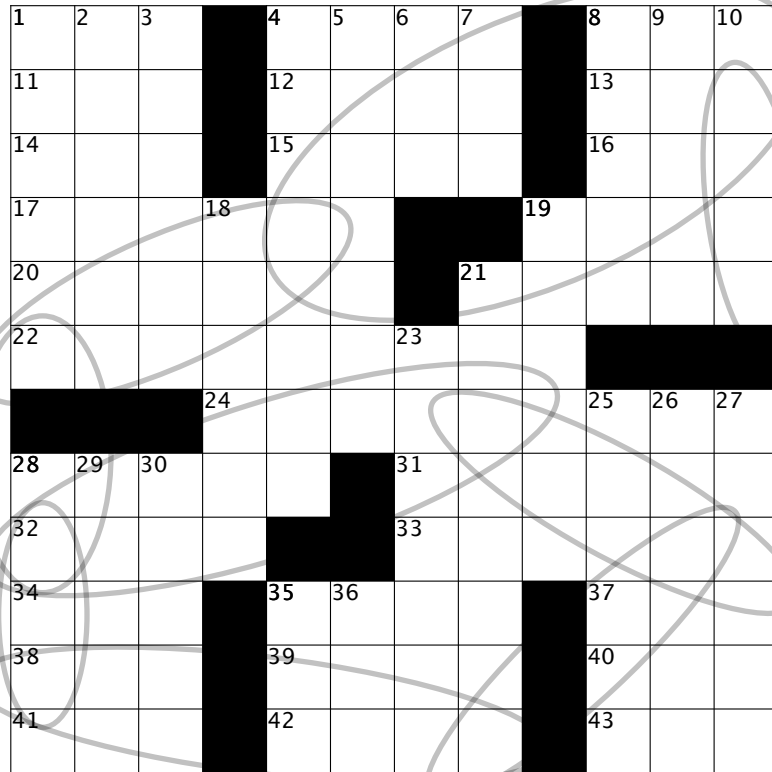




The Mystics were wise and learned creatures that studied the alignments of the orbits of all the planets and the three suns. Solve this crossword to learn something else the Mystics were.

ACROSS

- 1. Dark Crystal character and puzzle author
- 4. Urban haze
- 8. American Agents' org.
- 11. Japanese ogre
- 12. Kind of fiction
- 13. Former currency of Latvia
- 14. Sssound a sssnake makes
- 15. Kills
- 16. Operate
- 17. Made a sound like 14-Across
- 19. Flower stalk
- 20. A Lake Victoria locale
- 21. Oboes, clarinets, and saxophones
- 22. Voice on the radio
- 24. Gill cover
- 28. Goes to market
- 31. Dweller on the Red Sea
- 32. Sacred
- 33. One with a habit?
- 34. Singer DiFranco
- 35. Beginning of a web address
- 37. US airport security agency
- 38. Crank (up)
- 39. Craft
- 40. Ticker test, for short
- 41. Yellow No. 5, e.g.



- 42. Wise ones?
- 43. Fish eggs

DOWN

- 1. Book before Judges
- 2. Crusher's rank
- 3. Toyota rival
- 4. Accelerations
- 5. Boring
- 6. Ancient
- 7. Nav. system
- 8. 1-Across's instrument
- 9. Stationed
- 10. Things
- 18. Cartoon beagle
- 19. Watery fluids

- 21. Proofs of purchase
- 23. Fancy glassware, sometimes Dark
- 25. Envelope's contents
- 26. World Heritage Site grp.
- 27. Sight on a hot road
- 28. Fragment sometimes held by Aughra
- 29. Beehive product
- 30. Shade of green
- 35. Where to watch Dark Crystal, perhaps (in the USA)
- 36. Drag away