

As Boundless as Deep - Crossword No1

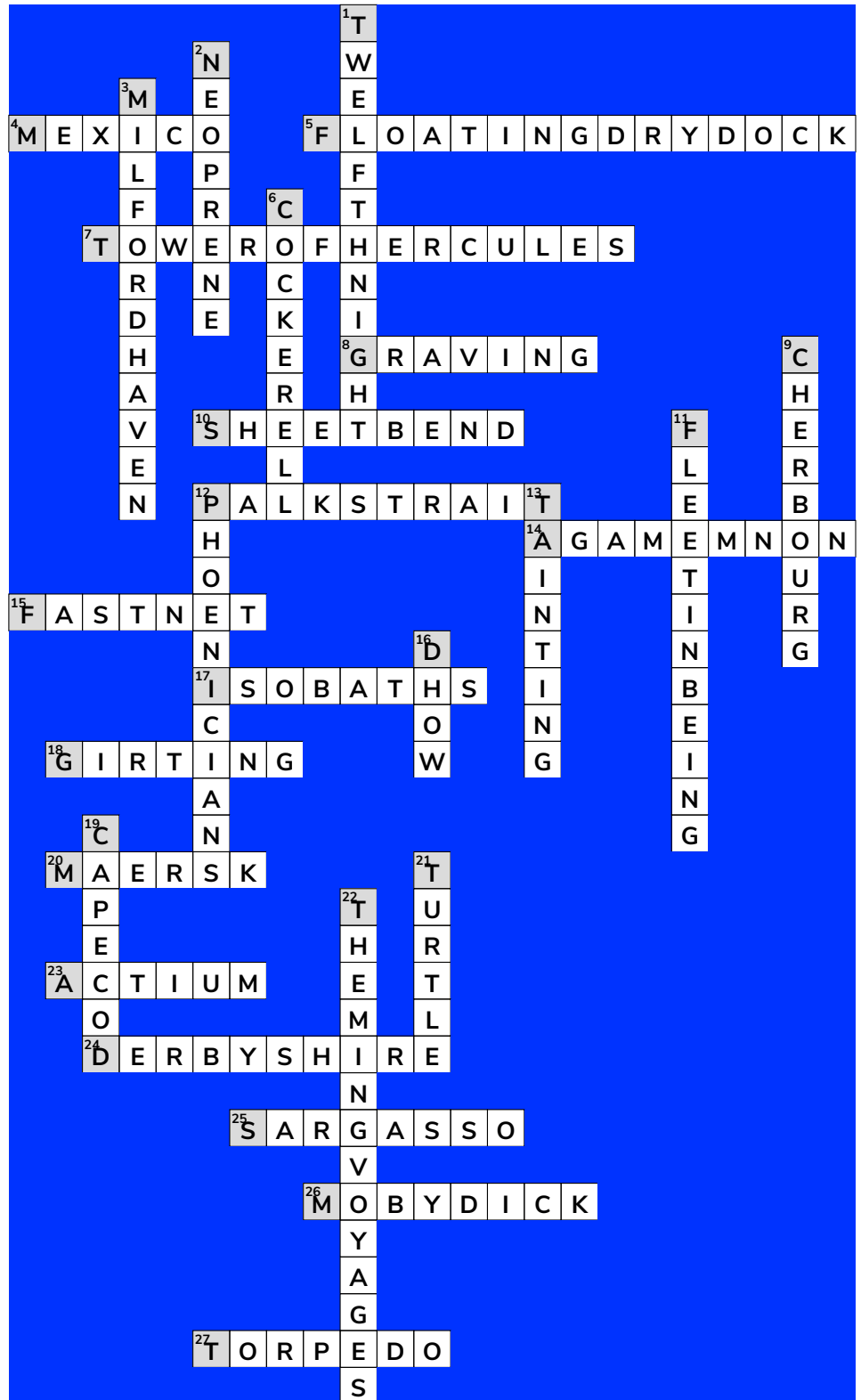
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- 4 Gulf where Offshore Support Vessels were first used in the 1950s for oil exploration (6)
- 5 Zhonghai Emeishan is the largest of its kind in the world (8,3,4)
- 7 The world's oldest functioning lighthouse, built by the Romans in the first century at La Coruña (5,2,8)
- 8 Purpose-built dock on land with a base lower than sea level (7)
- 10 Knot used to unite two ropes of different sizes (5,4)
- 12 Body of water that separates India from Sri Lanka (4,6)
- 14 King of Mycenae; the first in the Oresteia trilogy of tragedies; and Nelson's favourite ship (9)
- 15 A 695-mile yacht race, celebrating its centenary in 2025, that has run biennially since the 1930s (7)
- 17 Map lines that connect points of equal underwater depth (8)
- 18 Danger to tugs from the breaking of the towline and capsize (7)
- 20 Danish word for 'marshlands' synonymous with shipping (6)
- 23 Decisive naval battle of 31 BCE in which Mark Antony and Cleopatra were defeated by Octavian (6)
- 24 English county; infamous new bulk carrier that sank off the coast of Japan in 1980 (8)
- 25 Sea within the Atlantic where eels migrate for spawning (8)
- 26 Novel whose opening line is: Call me Ishmael (4,4)
- 27 Electric ray that gives its name to an underwater missile (7)

DOWN

- 1 Shakespeare's comedy which opens with a shipwreck off the coast of Illyria (7,5)
- 2 Synthetic rubber that is used in the making of wetsuits (8)
- 3 Principal shipping port of Wales (7,5)
- 6 Sir Christopher _____, British inventor of the hovercraft (9)
- 9 Channel port located on the Cotentin peninsula in Normandy (9)
- 11 Naval strategy of keeping warships in harbour (4,2,5)
- 12 An ancient sailing and maritime trading people who lived in the coastal areas of The Levant (11)
- 13 Term to describe contamination of cargo (8)



2025

16 Traditional sailing vessel of the Arabian peninsula with triangular sails (4)

19 Peninsula that sticks out into the Atlantic from southeastern Massachusetts (4,3)

21 Reptile after which the first submarine used in combat was named (6)

22 Treasure-seeking Chinese naval expeditions between 1405 and 1433 (3,4,7)