

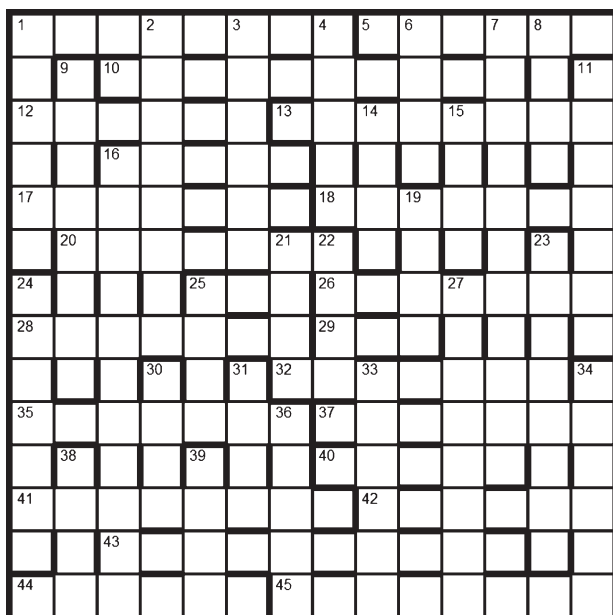
The unclued lights (including six of two words and one of three words), individually, as pairs or as trios, are of a kind.

### Across

- 10 Tot ate more stewed fruit (4,6)
- 12 Beginning of term of some ninety months (6)
- 13 Gang carrying girl back to a prairie province (8)
- 16 Change place once on motorway before it's late in the day (5)
- 17 Ian leaves poor habitation that's warmish (1,3,3)
- 25 England cricketer Moeen in California (3)
- 28 Fowl character as huntress disturbed maestri (7)
- 29 Chapel tea requisite in Bournville (3)
- 32 One million with lovely charge (7)
- 35 Removes from Stourport, sadly right away (7)
- 37 European language (English) is relevant (7)
- 40&30 Flag girl accepts fool's red algae (5,4)
- 41 Gun-runners' contest? (4,4)
- 42 Racing yacht to continue slowly (6)
- 44 Not many in Ulm regularly in cycling competition (6)

### Down

- 2 New regime at International School near Paris (8)
- 3 Rule on final words for alien's return to homeland (6)
- 4 Health drink on breakfast table (5)
- 6 Popular Barnet Hospital broadcast (4)



- 7 It has seven chapters with script made from mineral on hill-top (4,2,5)
- 8 Four blood groups maybe, or one group (4)
- 9 Firm objections raised with physicist Max (8)
- 14 Nachtwache's outskirts on tributary of the Rhine (4)
- 15 African republic's take-away (4)
- 16 He could be in Tamil army (8,3)
- 19 Net? Fear not, squirrels! (4)
- 21 Provisional decree I transgress, when upset (4)
- 22 Down in the dumps when left (4)
- 25 Hammond hides the bullets (4)
- 27 Water for US President said to be unwell (5,3)
- 30 See 40 Across
- 31 Wild oats on covered colonnade (4)
- 33 The Bard's outlying sentinel is lost to view (6)
- 34 Small state with acceptable ensign (6)
- 36 In Germany view caught among this play (5)
- 39 Original Dutch tongue (4)

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