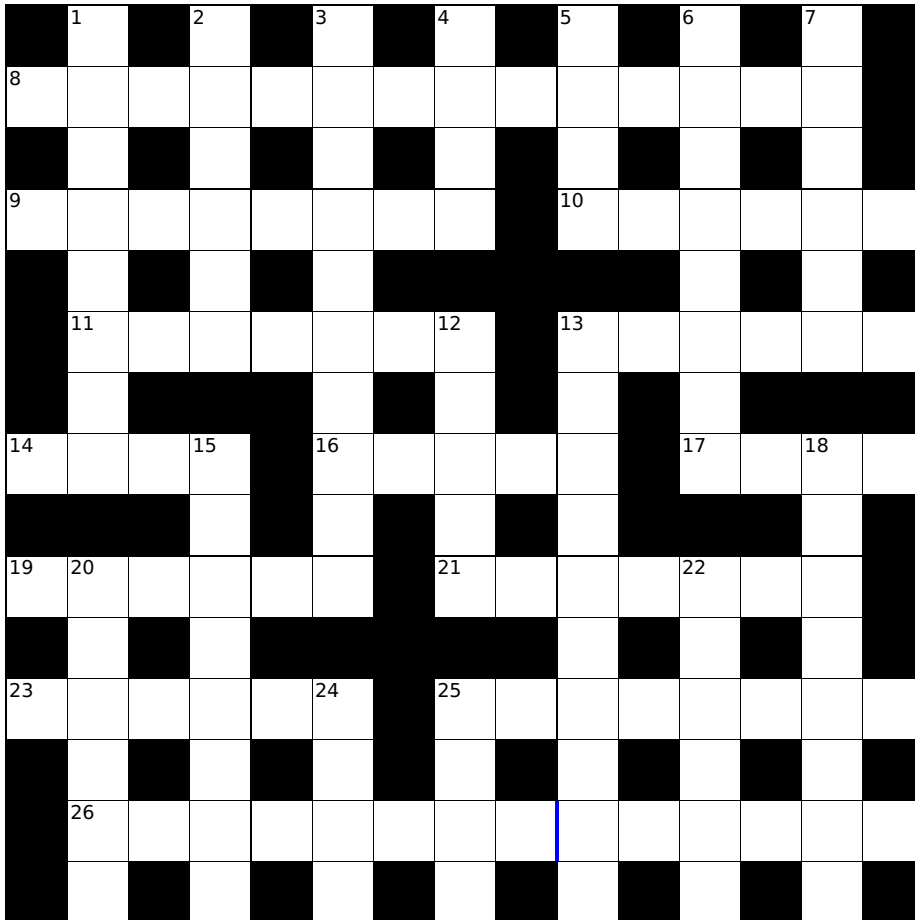


Spitting Straight Fire: Loplop Cryptic #008 [15x]

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While constructing this puzzle, five entries proved just too hot to handle! These entries have been clued with wordplay only.



Across

- 8** Singer has in-region lead in punk (1500000, 2 wds.)
9 Sandwich contains a bit of banana, avocado and nutella (100000)
10 Cost is adjusted for cool people (6)

- 11** Source of sugar coated urge (25000)
13 Southern aura hanging around Kyoto's first cherry blossom (6)
14 Article about internet rando, say? (4)
16 Bummer: taking day off for having one? (5)

- 17** In an expression of disapproval, a reprimand (4)
19 Type that is for a quick expedition (6)
21 Cost a small company (25000)
23 Fixed top of standing desk (6)
25 A plan Joe botched (2500)
26 Still covering a new spicy measure for five enumerations in this puzzle? (8,6)

Down

- 1** Caribbean spread I put in a container (8)
2 Year very much going uphill for public figure? (6)
3 Oh no, tipped over sliced jelly filled pastry! Find a box for things (10)
4 Speak interminably about boba add-on (4)
5 It gives clear views of untopped valleys (4)
6 Toothy piece of Spanish arugula? (8)
7 Vendor said to be filthier (6)
12 German painter contributing to Western style (5)
13 Young artists steal biomedical engineer's coats aboard steamship (10)
15 Not something published digitally! (8)
18 Cuddling and giving bites (8)
20 Unintelligent kind of angle (6)
22 Fruit spun around and covered in tomato paste (6)
24 Say "time's up" (4)
25 Tiny amount left in jar (4)