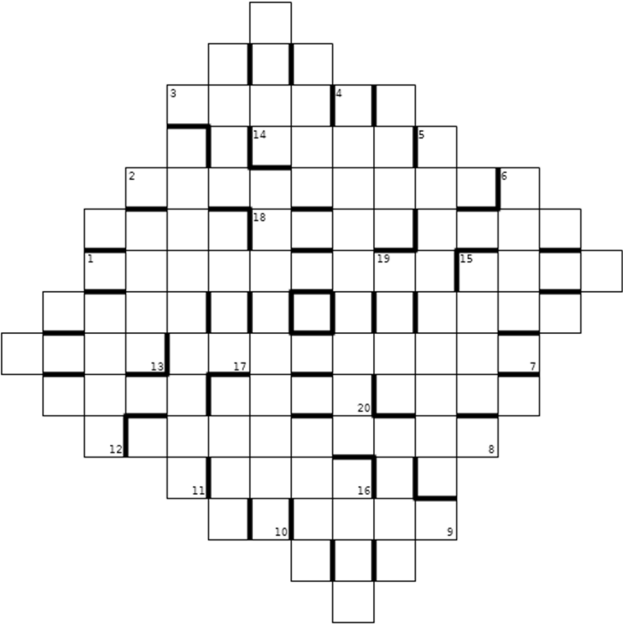


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	Astronomers classify galaxies into three types: elliptic spiral, and irregular. Their representations here are hinted at by the enumeration of their clues, where only irregular galaxies' central cells are clued. Central cells of the outside galaxies can be organised to END UNLIT. All intra- or inter-galactic entries which touch the edge of the universe must start from there. Answers not touching the universe's boundary must be entered in a clockwise direction. Clues to numbered answers, one of which sets the required orientation of the entire grid, are given in alphabetical order and must be entered where they will fit. The unclued normal entries can be derived from the information given. One clued entry is a prefix; another is the plural of an abbreviation. Answers to two starred clues can be verified online.
Clues	
Galaxies	Succeeded in slowing down, impressed by caution
“Take in boardgame addicts?” they complain; abruptly scarper off! (8;4)	Belittling retired cardinals (mostly very old)? Good! <i>Birdlike</i> intro – jazzy and heart-rendingly awful!
Before row, reportedly one's stronger, if elderly, repeatedly failing to understand (8,4)	Bucket list expedition to Troyes starts with butt of wine - something sparkly!
Across the Atlantic, realises feet are special measures (8,4)	US VP out of joint after concerning answer put forward again
Once more, arrange guide over bumpy road, avoiding hard, long walk to Area Store (8,4)	Small nails made of pale brass
<i>Godslayers</i> ends with independence retained; hunt marine predators close up (8;4)	4-letters
Standard place for meeting nouvelle riche, just after acquiring old money, uncovered in vast quantity (8+5)	Thread left in pigtail Lamb the Devil fleeced
Retired doctor, guardian of small boy, arranging exchange in Manchester suburb (8; 4)	Licence for mining lead ore covering borders of Namibia Boiled rice and fish roe*
Avoiding heavy metal mostly, for fear that involving revamped <i>Slade</i> , surfacing, release covers in times of difficulty (8;4)	Going west, what's carried by Ohio River current? Short of power, rare castrato singer
British need, they say, all what you'd expect to find here - brilliant performing arts (9,two words, +4)	Brand leader in sports kit's no good Try to get king on former throne
9-letters	Mississippian pottery centre first to open after September*
After opening boundaries, flying reptile no longer extinct	For imams, part of issue read regularly
City small fry rejecting sample of Sweetings' rare shellfish	Sumatra nature reserves shrew Spews out failing hospital addresses on internet