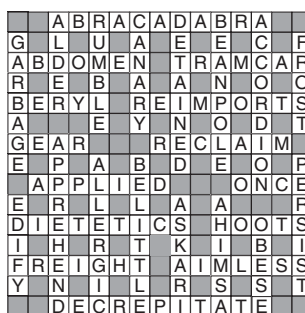


**Across**

- 1 On the house? No, get it yourself (5,5)
- 6 Dry crust formed over sores (4)
- 9 Abandoned as unwanted (4,3)
- 10 Portent following bad hit below the waist (7)
- 12 Get the better of frolicking stout ram (8)
- 13 Short rides to go fishing (5)
- 15 Obscure place for litter on the motorway (5)
- 17 Rule again broken? What a pain (9)
- 19 Caught in the act (3-6)
- 21 Expressed in a few words (5)
- 23 Wee Scot gets windy in the battalion (5)
- 24 Light-hearted layabouts couldn't do this (8)
- 27 Continued to be intermixed (7)
- 28 Language mostly used in the Commonwealth countries (7)
- 29 Child's play (4)
- 30 Arousing interest as it is pleasing in appearance (10)

- 3 Catching hold implements (5)
- 4 Curbed one's tears somehow (9)
- 5 Change for new use (5)
- 7 Searching with great care (7)
- 8 Old bicycle, a skeletal rattler (10)
- 11 Stand it in a far-off place (7)
- 14 Unlikely that the little demon can steal (10)
- 16 Longed for the year to end somehow (7)
- 18 They are worn next to the skin and not seen (9)
- 20 They urge to steer in some direction (7)
- 22 Composer of operatic works (7)
- 24 Youth in training (5)
- 25 One clog in the science of reasoning (5)
- 26 Brake part might be worn (4)

**Solution to puzzle 7572**



**Down**

- 1 Array to decorate the halls (4)
- 2 Fine soft papers — its uses are many (7)