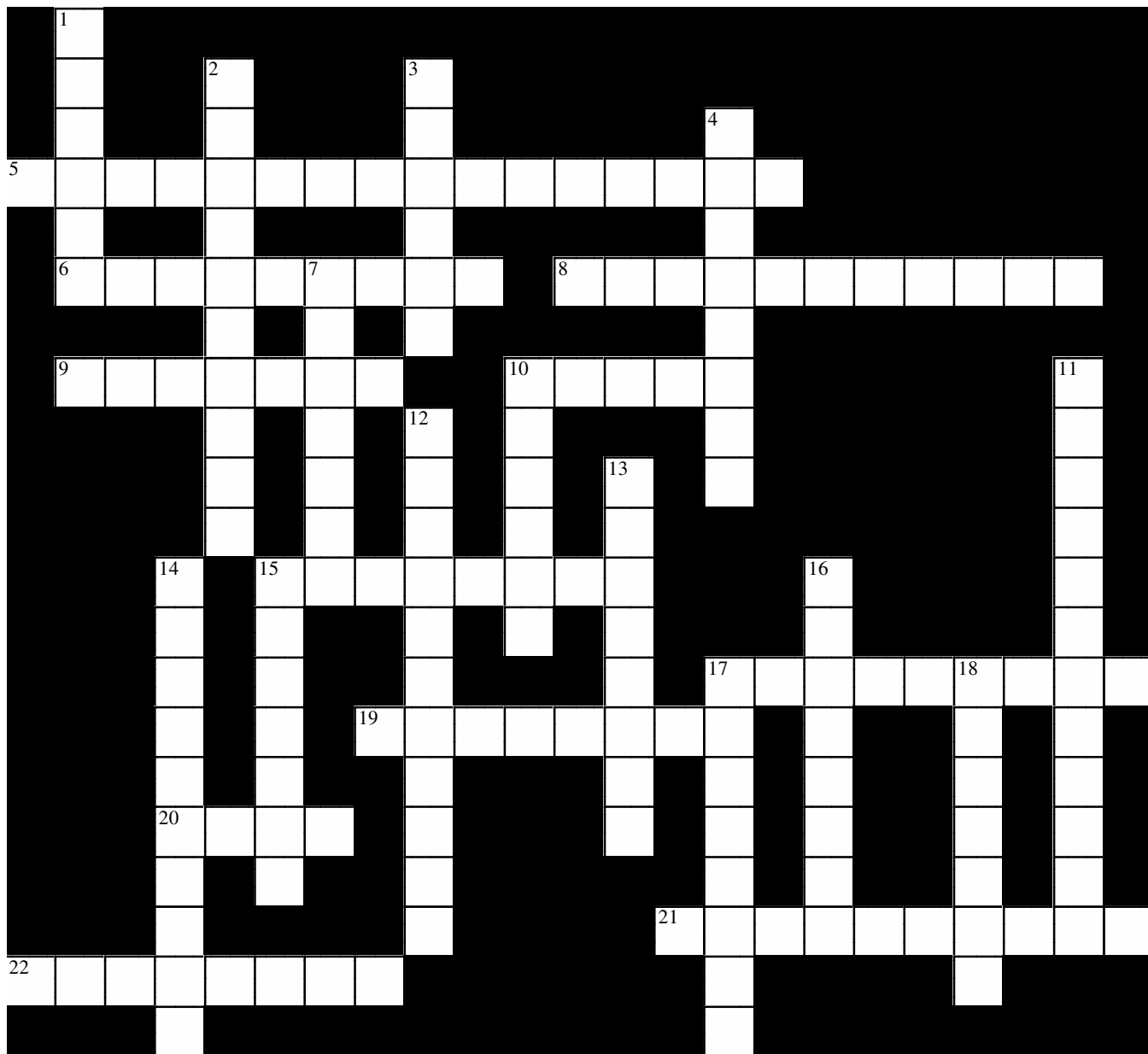


ABA BJ Puzzle of the Week: 6/4/10

When A Banq Is Not A Bank . . .



When is a bank not a bank? This debate has been going on some time now, financial-ly, legislatively, and in the court of public opinion. But actually the word, or sound, of “bank” or “banq,” “banc,” or “banque” resides all over the English language with little or no financial significance at all. This week’s puzzle brings in many words and names containing “bank” in the beginning, middle, or ending. Some of the clues on the next page are dead giveaways. Others are puzzles in themselves. Some have clues within clues, if you use your imagination.

Fax completed puzzle, with name, bank, title, and e-mail, by 5 PM, June 9, to 212-633-1165, to participate in a drawing for a \$25 Amazon certificate. (Please allow three weeks for e-mailed delivery to the e-mail address provided.) Good luck! scocheo@sbpub.com

ABA BJ Puzzle of the Week: 5/28/10

When A Banq Is Not A Bank: Clues

ACROSS

5. You might say this deceased U.S actress had finance on her mind.
6. A medieval or medieval-style wandering minstrel or poet. Some of them can't-a-sing.
8. Also called "mason's marks," these cuts in dressed stonework identify the stonemason who worked on a block at his "banker," or stone bench.
9. A sludgy, messy, sticky place to run aground along a river.
10. A term in card games baccarat and chemin de fer to express a player's willingness to match the entire stake of the "banker" on his own.
15. While bankers deal with customers who file for this status, the origin of the word has nothing to do with a bank. It was derived from the Italian "banca," for "bench," and "rotta," for "broken." A merchant in this status had a "broken bench," meaning he couldn't do business.
17. A good place to get lost in the sky, if your plane lacks radar.
19. A form of pool.
20. Acronym for Bibliotheque et Archives Nationales du Quebec, the National Library and Archives of Canada.
21. An upholstered bench along a wall, especially in a restaurant or saloon.
22. A billiards move played off the table's bumpers.

DOWN

1. When judges make a decision as a panel of judges, rather than as a single jurist.
2. A charlatan, a cheat, such as a medicine show con artist. Literally, the term means, "climb on the bench," as in, mount a platform to give a spiel.
3. Verb meaning to protect by a bank of earth or stone, as in a temporary fort.
4. This may be a lot of dough, but don't try putting butter on it.
7. Australian evergreen shrub, named for famous U.K. botanist Sir Joseph Banks.
10. Character in Shakespeare's Macbeth who initially was an ally, then a perceived rival. Macbeth had him murdered.
11. U.S. actress. Tony winner for 1959 production of "The Miracle Worker," also spouse of American comedian whose last name connotes streams with bank of their own.
12. gregarious swallowlike bird with dark brown and white plumage, excavating nest holes in sandy banks and cliffs. Also known as a sand martin.
13. A collection of information in a computer or other organized form.
14. A chain of barrier islands off the N.C. shore.
15. U.S. horticulturist who developed the Shasta daisy, among many other varieties of plants.
16. Fall into one of these and you'll be up to your ears in cold, but not cold cash.
17. A dull, yellow color, or a horse of this color.
18. You often find bankers attending such a fancy meal, but you can't spell it with a "k."